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# Contextual Explorer in Eclipse Amalgam

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## Context

- Models contain a huge amount of information
- Information cannot be displayed to end-user in one shot

## Need

- Bringing out complementary information to the ones provided by editors (e.g., Ecore Editor, Sirius Diagram, Sirius Table, etc.)
- Bringing out relevant relationships between model elements
- Providing mechanisms for defining complex relationships

## Objective

- The Contextual Explorer is a service which allows:
  - Providing universal three kind of relationships
  - Centering information display on one model element
  - Contextual browsing over model elements



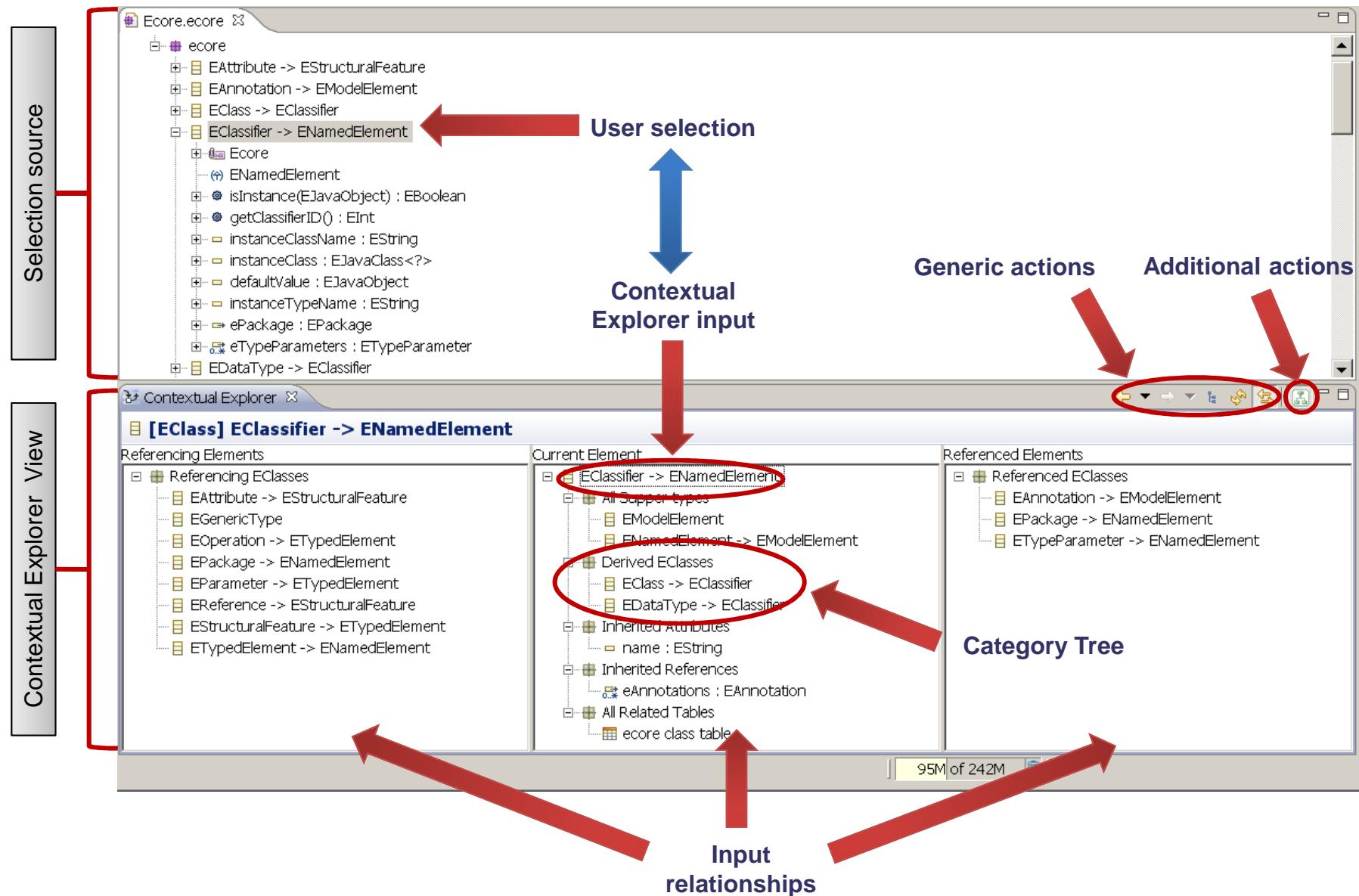
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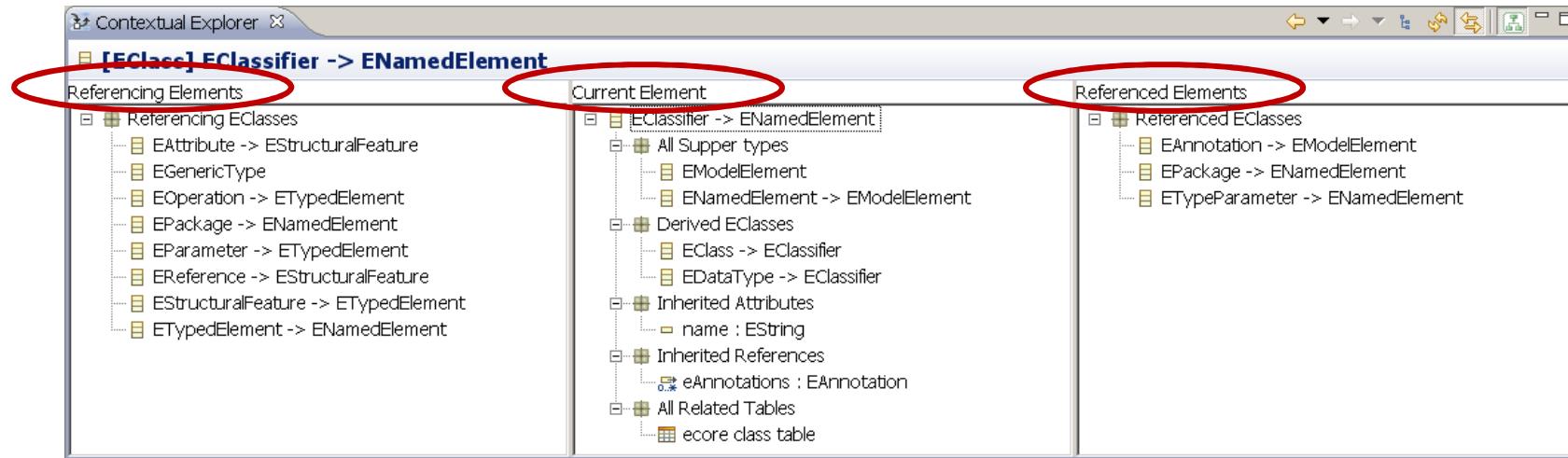
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1. The User selects one model element
2. The Contextual Explorer analyzes the selection
3. The Contextual Explorer computes categories dealing with
  - a. Elements referencing the selected element
  - b. Element related to the selected element
  - c. Elements referenced by the selected element
4. The Contextual Explorer displays the result in three sections:
  - a. Referencing Elements
  - b. Current Element
  - c. Referenced Elements
5. The User applies actions on displayed elements
6. The User continues to navigate over the referencing or referenced elements



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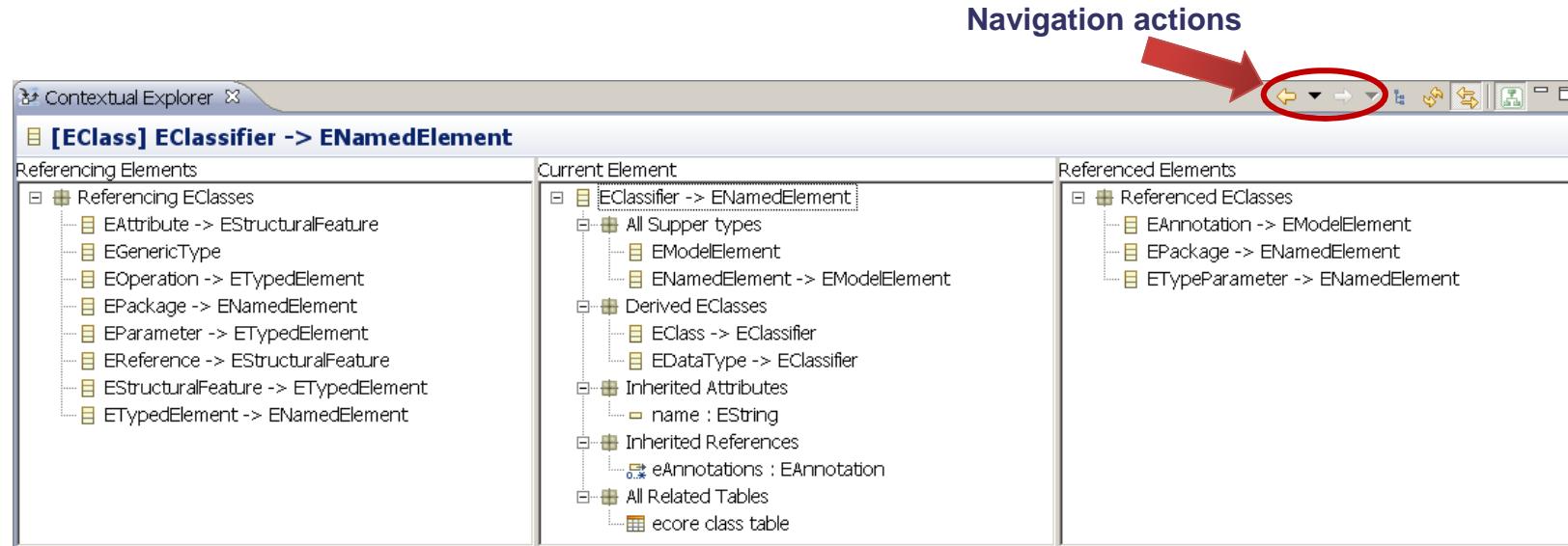


## Objective

Displaying incoming and outgoing references and information on the selected model element

## Actions

The user selects one element in its workbench (e.g., Open editor, project explorer, etc.)  
The Contextual Explorer is, by default, updated after the user selection



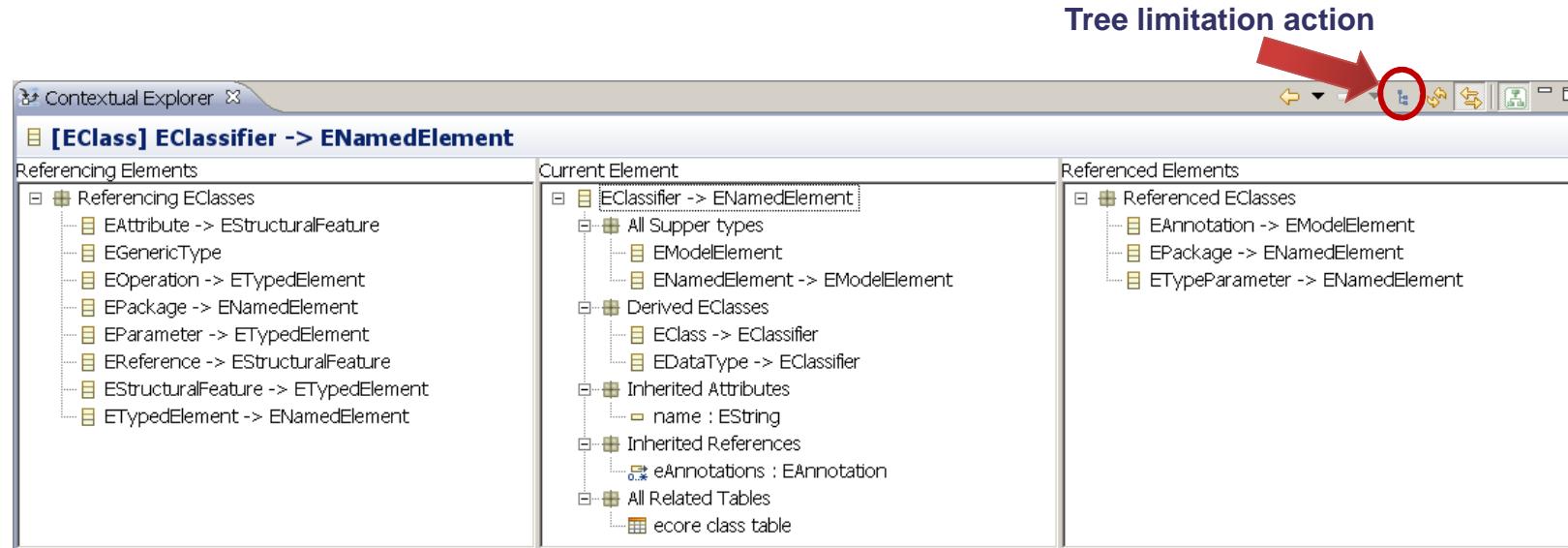
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## Objective

Keeping the traces on Contextual Explorer inputs and allowing the user to navigate in the navigation history

## Actions

To navigate in the history, the user uses navigation toolbar actions

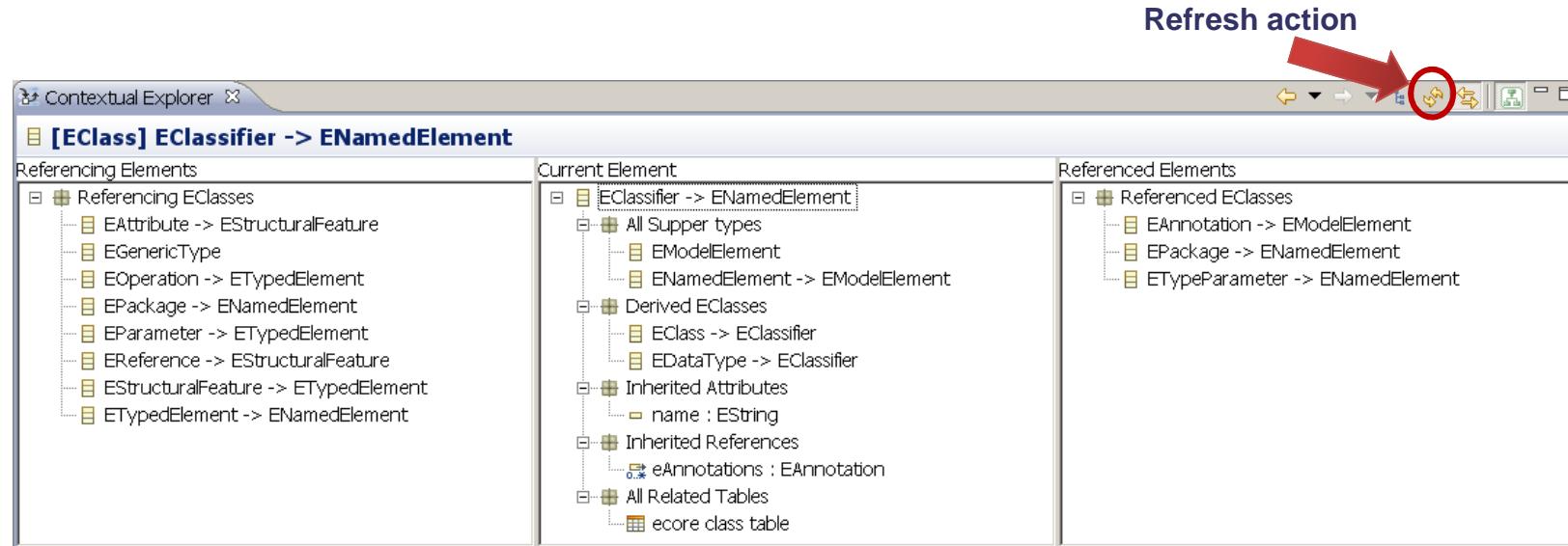


## Objective

Collapsing all categories trees except the ones expanded by the user  
 Categories tree will then keep their expansion state through navigation actions and future selections

## Actions

- The user activates/deactivates the tree limitation by switching it on/off with the related toolbar action state
- If the tree limitation is activated, the user chooses the categories tree to expand

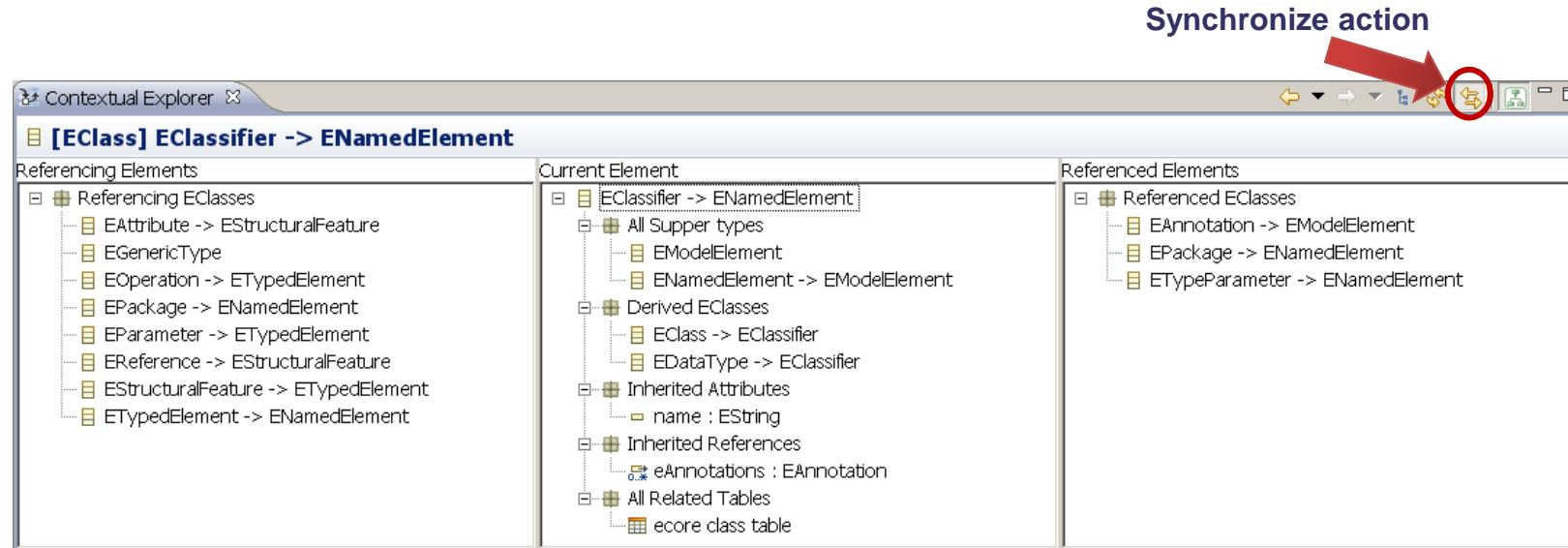


## Objective

Refreshing the Contextual Explorer view

## Actions

To refresh the view content, the user clicks on the Refresh toolbar action

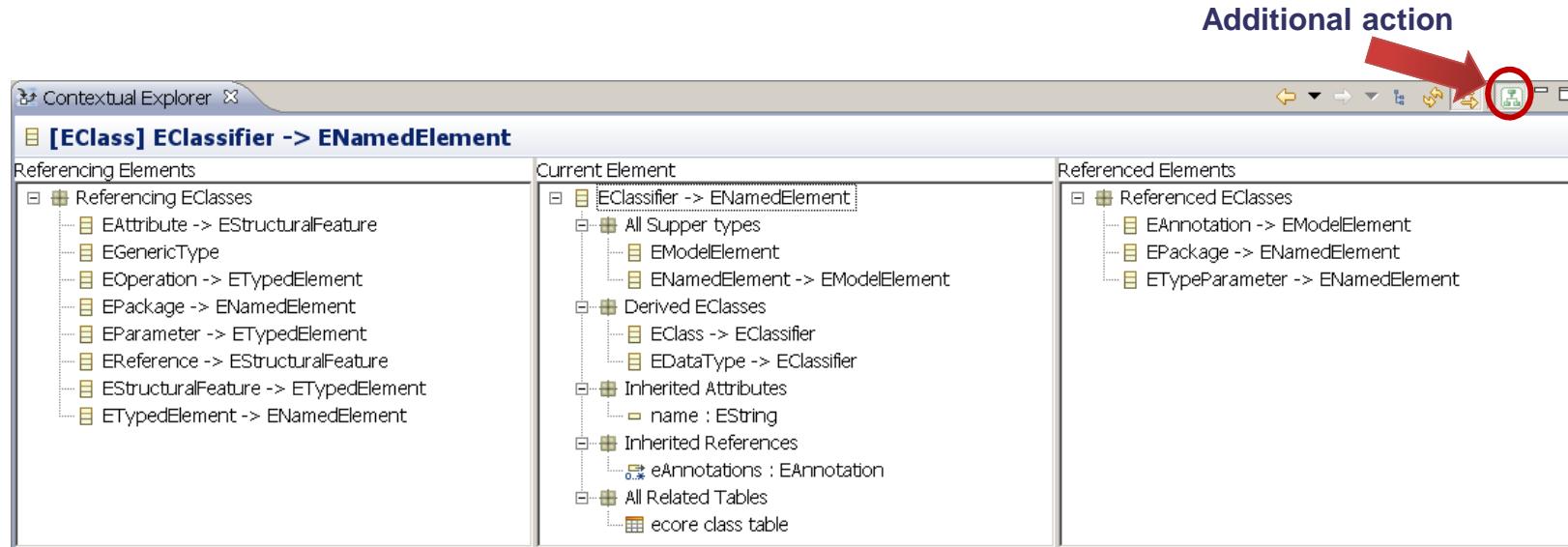


## Objective

Keeping Contextual Explorer sensitive to workbench selection changes

## Actions

The user activates/deactivates the selection synchronization by switching it on/off with the related toolbar action state



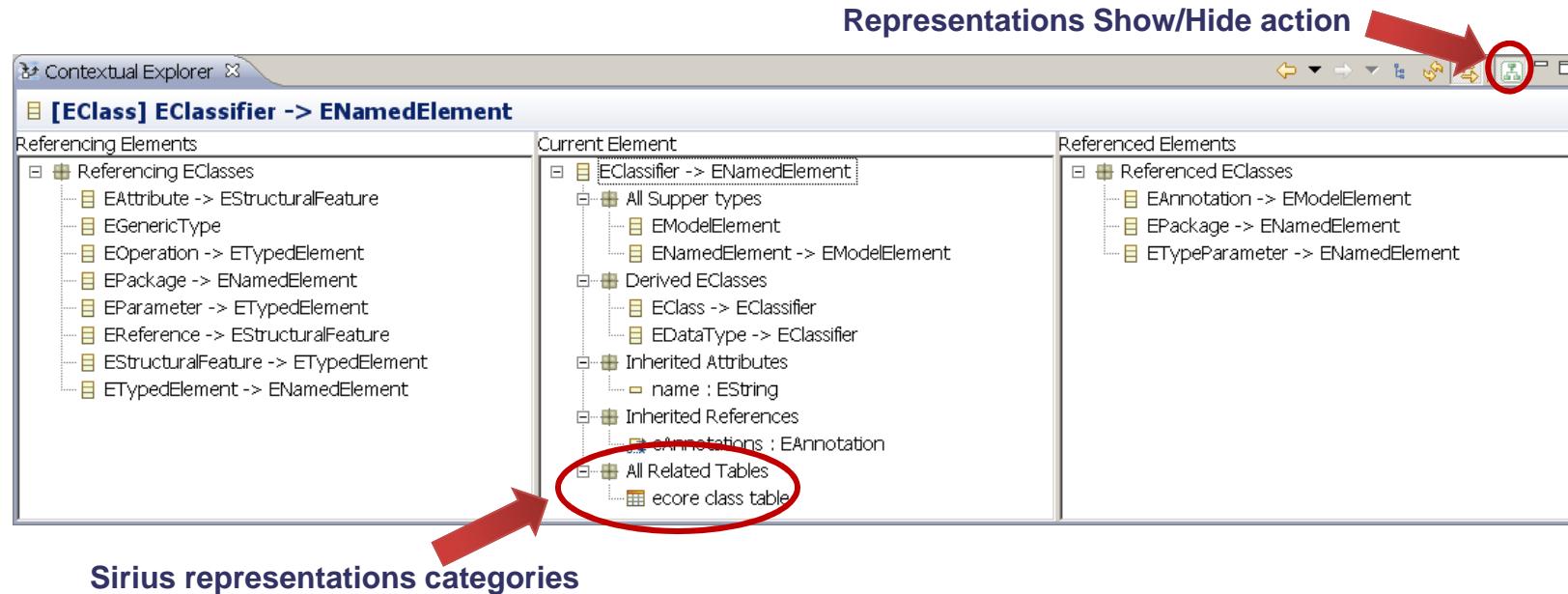
## Objective

Providing additional actions

## Actions

Execution of the action launched by the user

# Sirius Integration



## Objective

Showing/Hiding Sirius representations wherein the current element is present

## Actions

To Show/Hide Sirius representations, the user switches it on/off with the related toolbar action state



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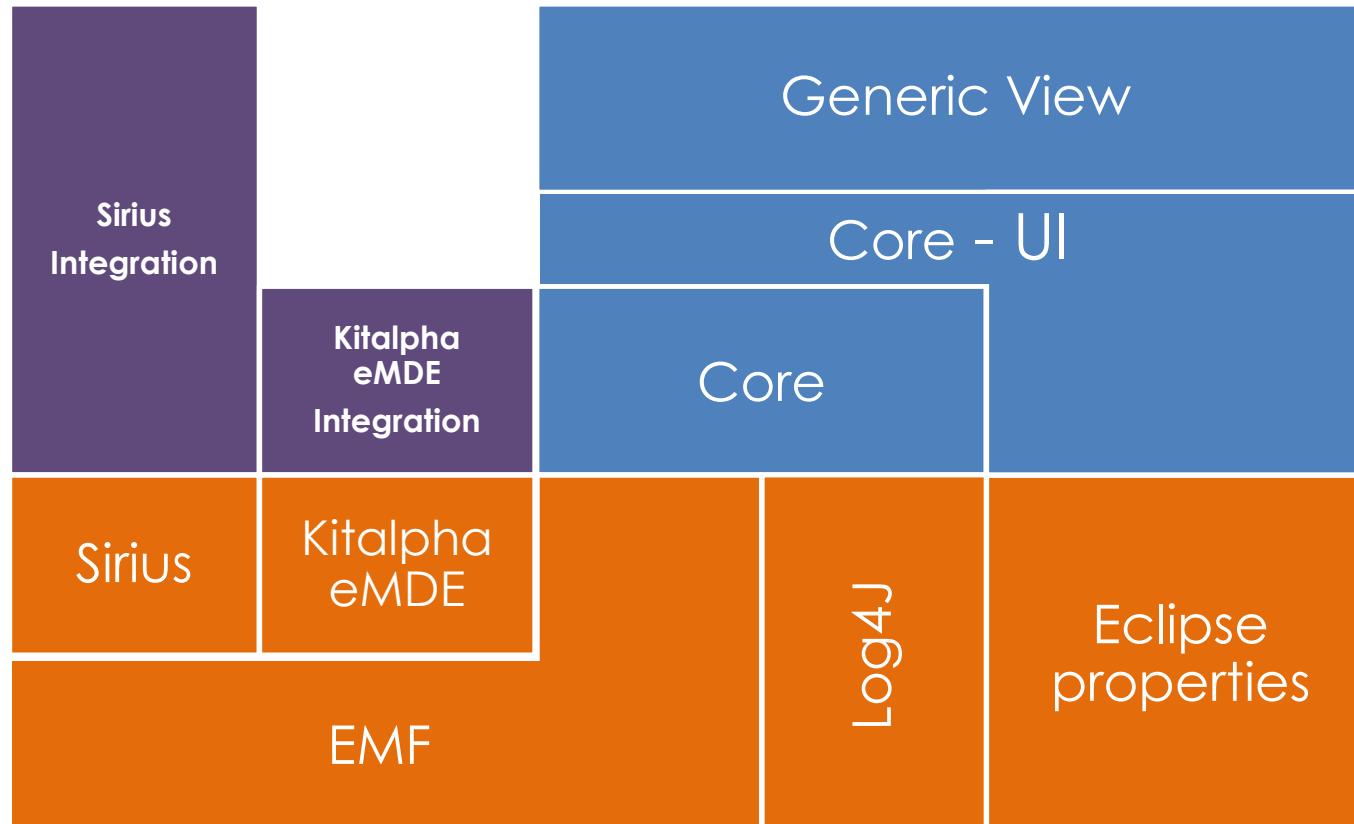
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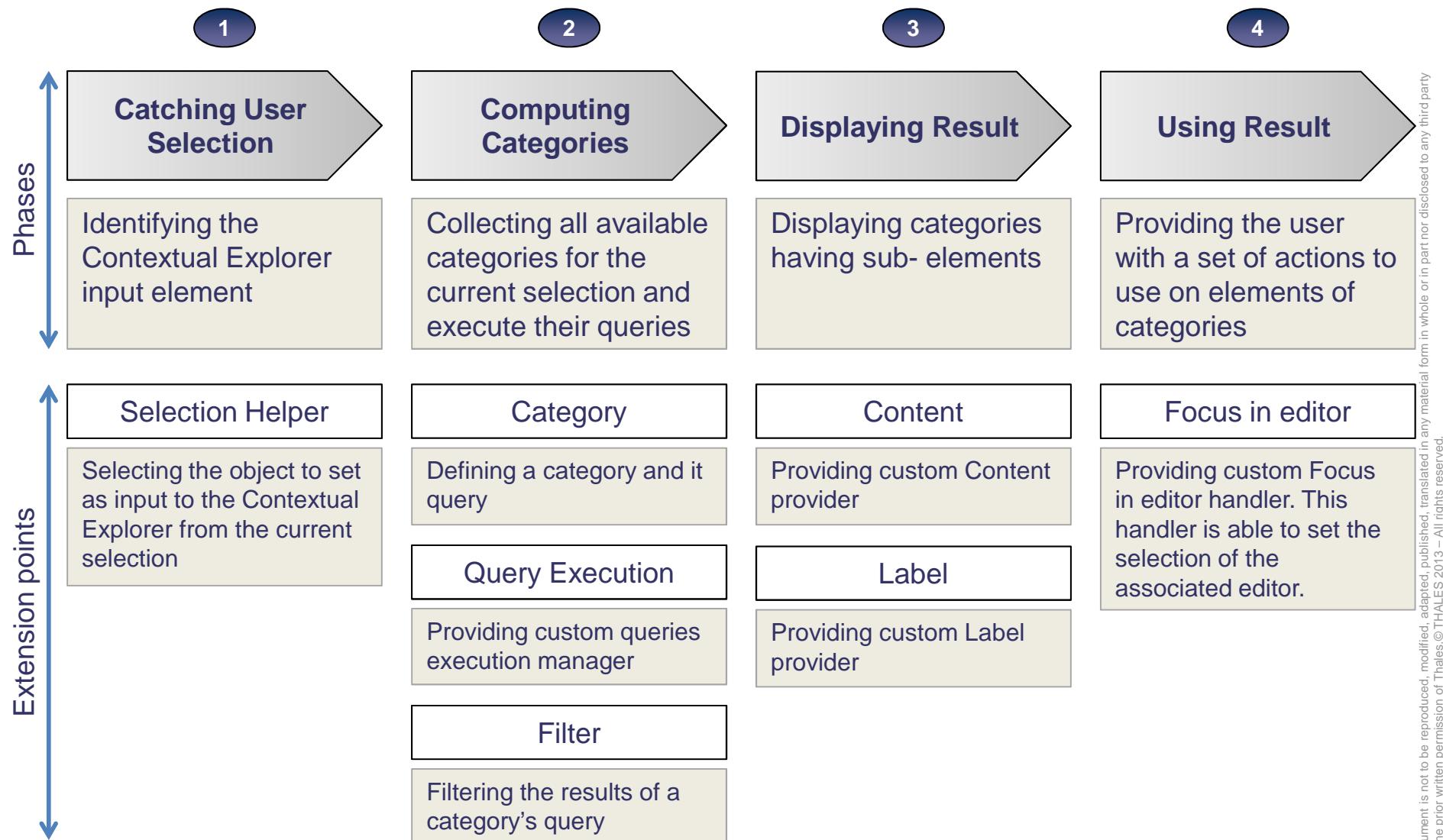
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# Foundations

- Contributions to Contextual Explorer
- Contextual Explorer component
- Used components



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## Step 1 Listening to workbench selection changes

### Implementation

<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.ui
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.ui.view
<b>Class name</b>	ExplorerContextualView

### Extension point(s)

Name	Plugin	Schema
selectionHelper	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.ui	selectionHelper.exsd

### Available extension(s)

<b>Description</b>	Sirius Selection Helper. This helper returns the target of a DSemanticDecorator
<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.sirius
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.sirius.selection
<b>Class name</b>	SiriusSelectionHelper

## Step 2.1 Collecting categories

### Implementation

<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.category
<b>Class name</b>	All package classes

### Extension point(s)

Name	Plugin	Schema
<b>contentProviderCategory</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core	contentProviderCategory.exsd

## Step 2.2 Category's query execution

### Implementation

<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.query.impl
<b>Class name</b>	QueryExecutionManager

### Extension point(s)

Name	Plugin	Schema
customQueryExecutionManager	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core	customQueryExecutionManager.exsd

### Default implementation

<b>Description</b>	An execution manager for IQuery derived classes
<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.query.impl
<b>Class name</b>	QueryExecutionManager

## Step 2.3 Filtering Category's elements

### Implementation

<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.filter
<b>Class name</b>	All package classes

### Extension point(s)

Name	Plugin	Schema
candidateElementFilter	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core	candidateElementFilter.exsd

### Available extension(s)

<b>Description</b>	eMDE filter. This filter removes elements belonging to inactive extensions
<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.emde
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.emde.filter
<b>Class name</b>	ExplorerContextualEmdeFilter

## Step 3.1 Content provider factory

### Implementation

<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.provider
<b>Class name</b>	AbstractContentProviderFactory

### Extension point(s)

Name	Plugin	Schema
contentProviderFactory	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core	contentProviderFactory.exsd

### Default implementation

<b>Description</b>	Creating default ITreeContentProvider for the current, referenced and referencing sections
<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.provider
<b>Class name</b>	DefaultContentProviderFactory

## Step 3.2 Label provider factory

### Implementation

<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.provider
<b>Class name</b>	AbstractLabelProviderFactory

### Extension point(s)

Name	Plugin	Schema
labelProviderFactory	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core	labelProviderFactory.exsd

### Default implementation

<b>Description</b>	Creating a unique ILabelProvider based on the generated IItemLabelProvider to get element label and image. This label provider is used for current, referenced and referencing sections.
<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.provider
<b>Class name</b>	DefaultLabelProviderFactory

## Step 4.1 Show/Hide categories toolbar actions

### Implementation

<b>Plugin name</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.ui
<b>Java Package</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextual.core.ui.action
<b>Class name</b>	AbstractShowHideAction

### Extension point(s)

Name	Plugin	Schema
<b>viewActions</b>	org.eclipse.ui	viewActions.exsd

### Extension(s)

<b>Description</b>	Actions must be defined by using eclipse mechanisms. The action class can extends AbstractShowHideAction. This class facilitate defining initial state, showing and hiding the associated category/categories	
<b>View Contribution</b>	<b>Target ID</b>	org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextualview.ExplorerContextualID
<b>Action</b>	<b>Style</b>	Toggle
	<b>State</b>	True if the associated category is active by default, false otherwise

## Step 4.2 Popup menu

Extension point(s)

Name	Plugin	Schema
Menus	org.eclipse.ui	menus.exsd

Extension(s)

Description	Menu contributions must be defined by using eclipse mechanisms. No APIs are provided.	
Menu contribution	locationURI	popup:org.eclipse.amalgam.explorer.contextualview.ExplorerContextualID ?after=additions

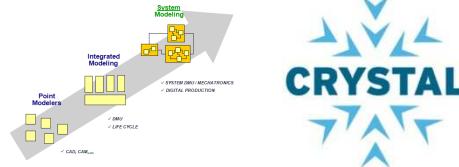
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