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HELLO, WORLD



A brief tutorial on PyGTK programming

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import gtk

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# Basic concepts

- Puzzle pieces
  - GTK+ = gtk, gdk, glib, atk, pango, ...
  - PyGTK = Python bindings for GTK+
  - GNOME = desktop environment built with GTK+
- Widget = visible object on screen (roughly)
- Signal = message sent by widget
  - "the OK button was clicked"
  - interested parties can register their interest in particular signals for particular widgets

# PyGTK programming for the impatient

1. Create widgets
2. Connect signals to callback functions
3. Run

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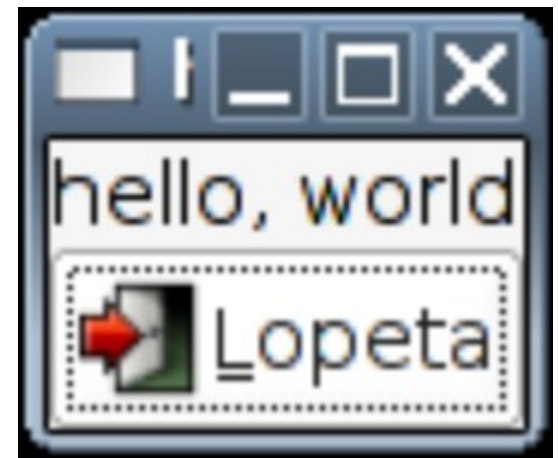
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greeting = gtk.Label("hello, world")
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```
button = gtk.Button(stock=gtk.STOCK_QUIT)
button.connect("clicked", quit)
```

```
vbox = gtk.VBox()
vbox.pack_start(greeting)
vbox.pack_start(button)
```

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w = gtk.Window(gtk.WINDOW_TOPLEVEL)
w.add(vbox)
w.connect("delete-event", quit)
w.show_all()
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gtk.main()
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gtk.Window



gtk.Label

gtk.VBox

gtk.Button

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def quit(*args):
    gtk.main_quit()

quit_item = gtk.MenuItem("Quit")
quit_item.connect("activate", quit)

file_menu = gtk.Menu()
file_menu.append(quit_item)

file_item = gtk.MenuItem("File")
file_item.set_submenu(file_menu)

main_menu = gtk.MenuBar()
main_menu.append(file_item)

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vbox.pack_start(main_menu)
vbox.pack_start(greeting)

w = gtk.Window(gtk.WINDOW_TOPLEVEL)
w.add(vbox)
w.connect("delete-event", quit)
w.show_all()

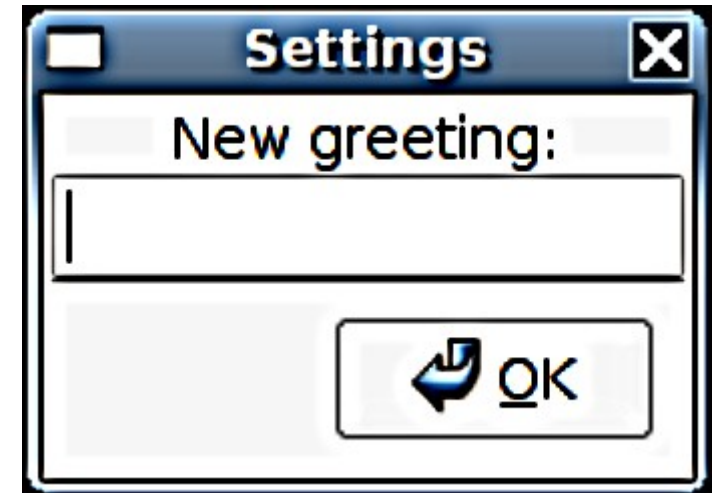
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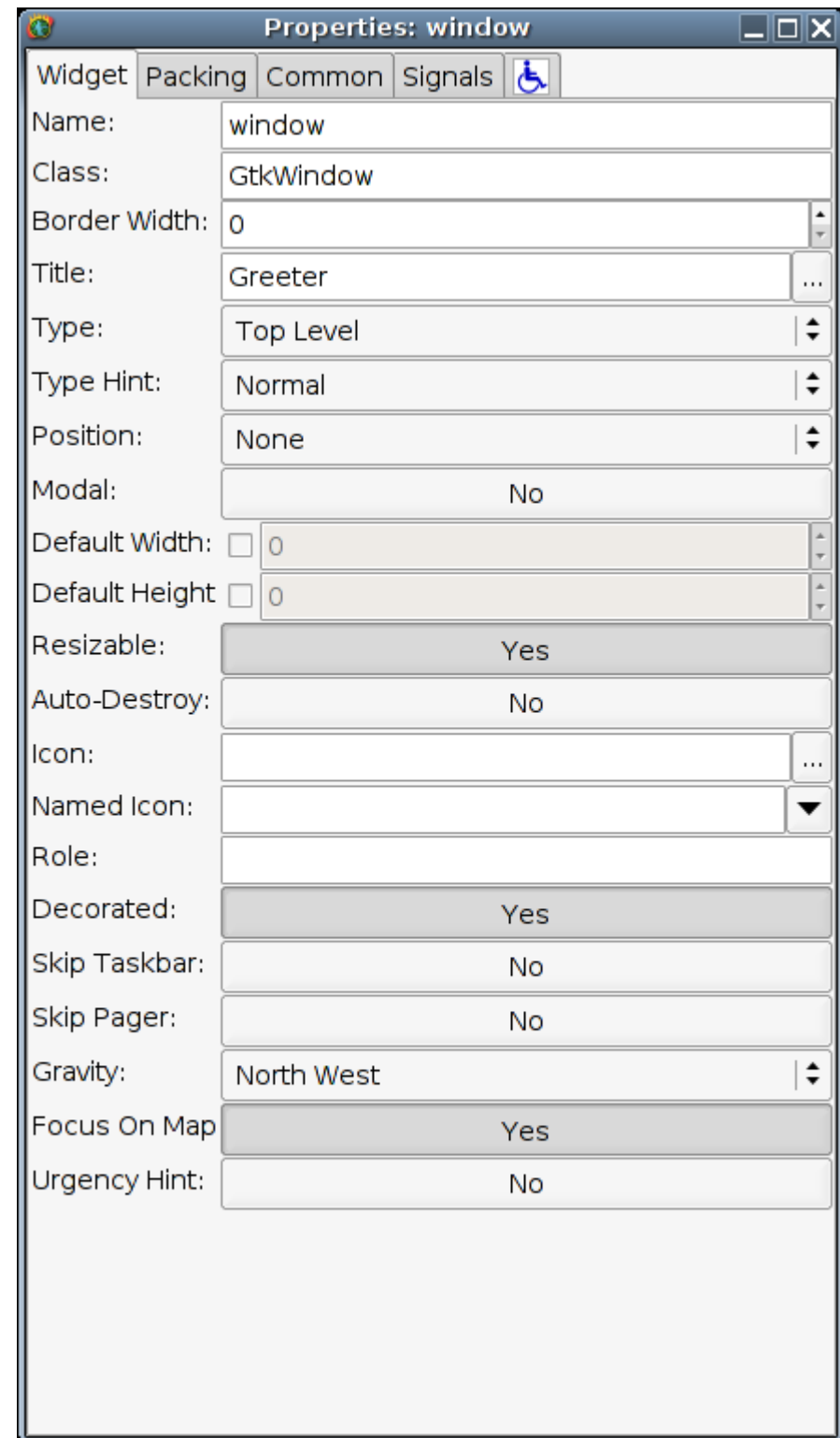
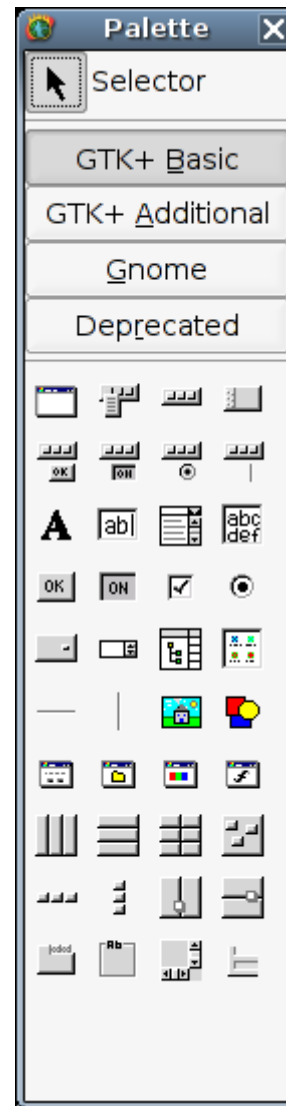
```
def settings(*args):
    dialog = gtk.Dialog(title="Settings",
                        parent=w,
                        flags=gtk.DIALOG_MODAL |
                              gtk.DIALOG_DESTROY_WITH_PARENT,
                        buttons=(gtk.STOCK_OK, gtk.RESPONSE_ACCEPT))
    entry = gtk.Entry()
    entry.connect("activate",
                  lambda *args: dialog.response(gtk.RESPONSE_ACCEPT))
    dialog.vbox.pack_start(gtk.Label("New greeting:"))
    dialog.vbox.pack_start(entry)
    dialog.show_all()
    response = dialog.run()
    dialog.hide()
    if response == gtk.RESPONSE_ACCEPT:
        greeting.set_text(entry.get_text())

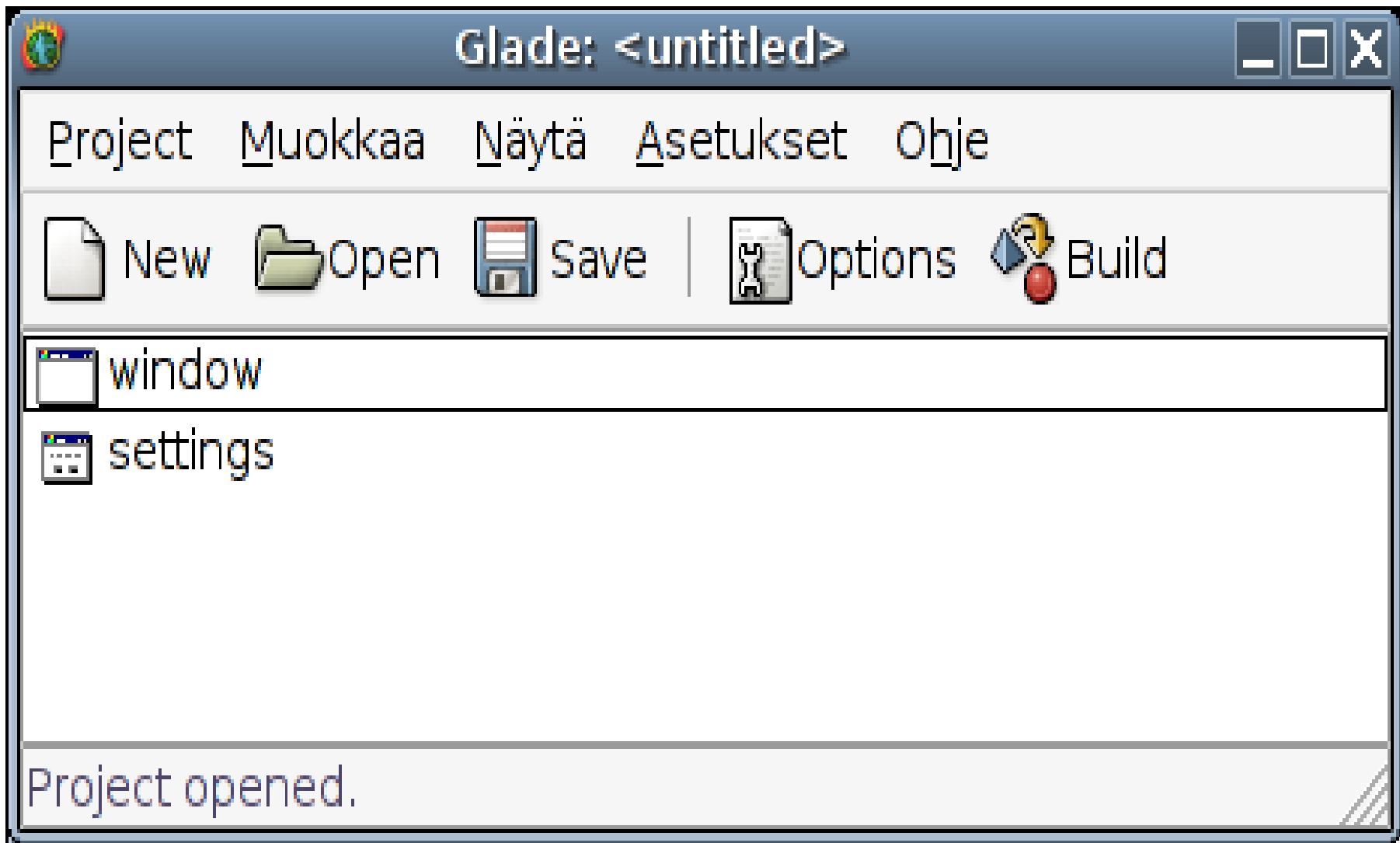
settings_item = gtk.MenuItem("Settings...")
settings_item.connect("activate", settings)
```

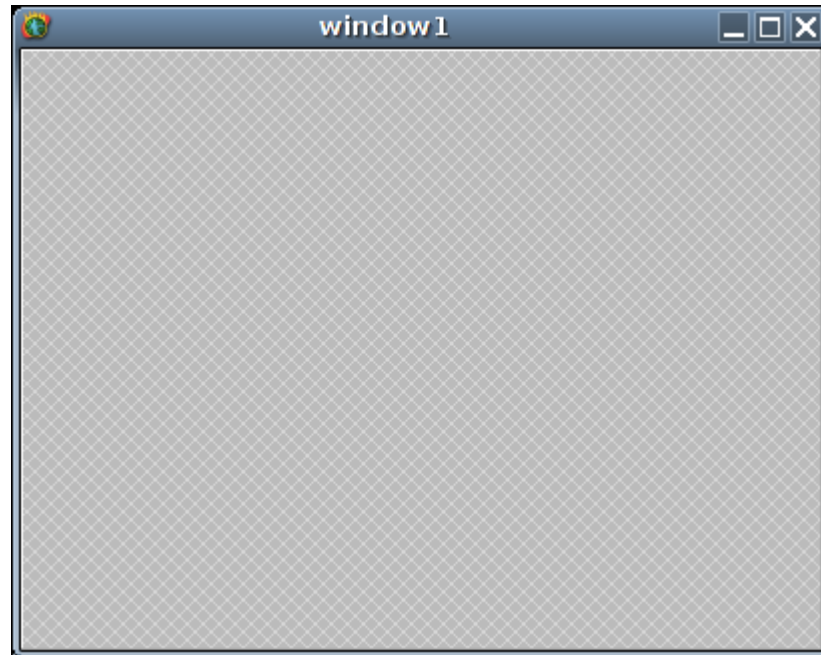
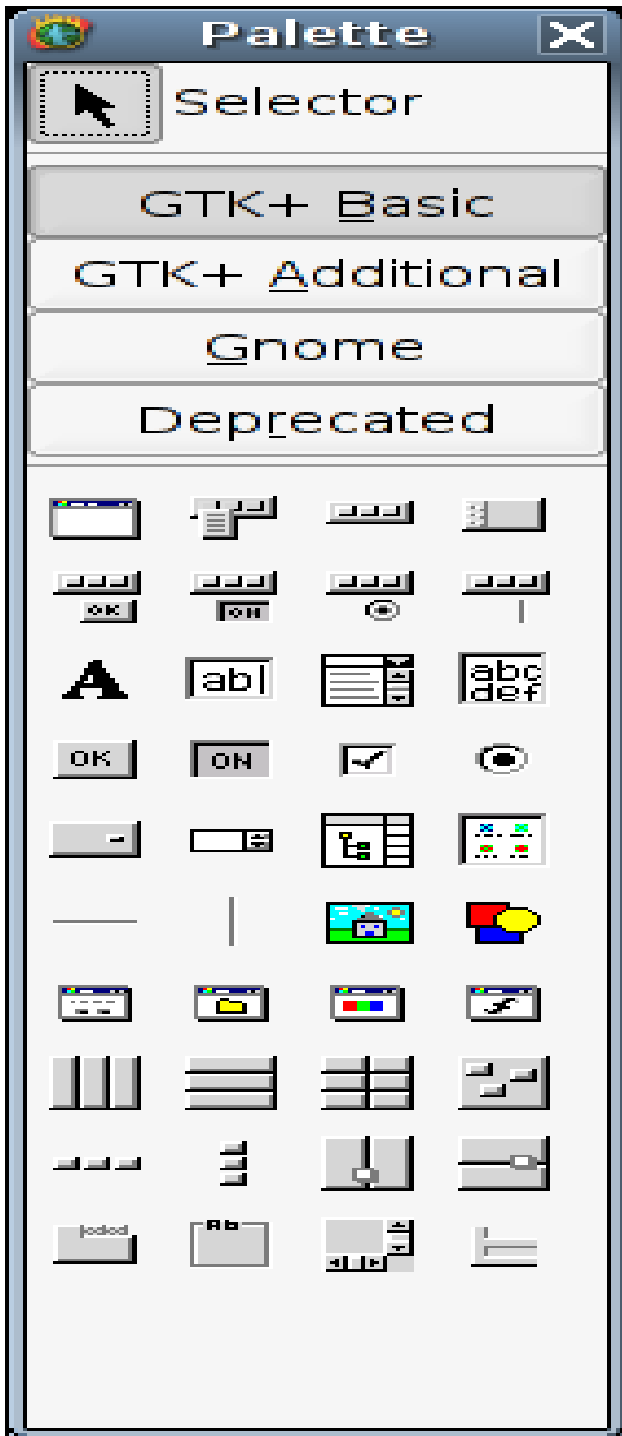


# GLADE


- GUI tool to combine widgets on-screen







**Properties: window** ☰ □ ✕

Widget **Packing** Common Signals 

Name:

Class:

Border Width:

Title:  ...

Type:  ▾

Type Hint:  ▾


Position:  ▾

Modal:

Default Width:


Default Height:

Properties: entry

Widget Packing Common Signals 

Position:	1
Padding:	0
Expand:	No
Fill:	No
Pack Start:	Yes

Properties: window 1

Widget Packing Common Signals 

Width:  0

Height:  0

Visible: Yes

Sensitive: Yes

Tooltip: ...

Can Default: No

Has Default: No

Can Focus: No


Has Focus: No

Events: 000000000000000000000000 ...

Ext.Events: None

Accelerators: Edit...

Properties: window

Widget Packing Common Signals 

Signal	Handler	After	Object
delete_event	on_window_delete_ev		

Signal:  ...

Handler:  ▼

Object:

After:

Add Update Delete Clear



# libglade = good

- Generated code will need to be re-generated
  - Are you **REALLY QUITE SURE** you did that?
  - And are you sure you don't need to edit the generated code?
- Load widget descriptions from file and create them
  - Glade creates a .glade file anyway, for itself
  - libglade (gtk.glade in PyGTK) uses the .glade file
  - Creates widgets at run time, no recompilation needed

```
import gtk.glade
import gnome

def settings(*args):
    dialog.show_all()
    response = dialog.run()
    dialog.hide()
    if response == gtk.RESPONSE_ACCEPT:
        greeting.set_text(entry.get_text())

gnome.init("hello6", "1.0")
xml = gtk.glade.XML("hello6.glade")
dict = {
    "on_window_delete_event": quit,
    "on_quit_activate": quit,
    "on_settings_activate": settings,
}
xml.signal_autoconnect(dict)
w = xml.get_widget("window")

greeting = xml.get_widget("greeting")
dialog = xml.get_widget("settings")
dialog.set_transient_for(w)
entry = xml.get_widget("entry")
entry.connect("activate",
              lambda *args: dialog.response(gtk.RESPONSE_ACCEPT))
gtk.main()
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# READTHEM

- <http://developer.gnome.org/doc/API/>
  - C API, but mostly easily translatable to Python
  - GtkWindow becomes gtk.Window, etc
- <http://www.pygtk.org/>
  - <http://www.pygtk.org/pygtk2reference/index.html>
  - Reference manual for the Python bindings, semi-automatically translated from the reference manual for the C API
- Matthis Warkus, "*The Official GNOME 2 Developer's Guide*"