

# class GTK::V3::Glib::GSignal

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```
unit class GTK::V3::Glib::GSignal;
```

## GSignal — A means for customization of object behaviour and a general purpose notification mechanism

### Synopsis

```
# define method
method mouse-event ( :widget($w), :event($e)) { ... }

# get the window object
my GTK::V3::Gtk::GtkWindow $w .= new( ... );

# define proper handler. you must study the GTK developer guides. you will
# then notice that C<connect-object> is a bit different than the real McCoy.
my Callable $handler;
$handler = -> N-GObject $ignore-w, GdkEvent $e, OpaquePointer $ignore-d {
    self.mouse-event( :widget($w), :event($e) );
}

# connect signal to the handler
$w.connect-object( 'button-press-event', $handler);
```

It will be easier to use the register-signal method

```
# define method
method mouse-event ( :widget($w), :event($e)) { ... }

# get the window object
my GTK::V3::Gtk::GtkWindow $w .= new( ... );

# then register
$w.register-signal( self, 'mouse-event', 'button-press-event', :time(now));
```

### Enumerations

#### GConnectFlags

- `G_CONNECT_AFTER`; whether the handler should be called before or after the default handler of the signal.
- `G_CONNECT_SWAPPED`; whether the instance and data should be swapped when calling the handler; see `g_signal_connect_swapped()` for an example.

### Methods

#### `g_signal_connect_object`

```
method g_signal_connect_object(
    Str $signal, Callable $handler, int32 $connect_flags = 0
--> uint64
)
```

This is similar to `g_signal_connect_data()`, but uses a closure which ensures that the gobject stays alive during the call to `c_handler` by temporarily adding a reference count to gobject .

When the gobject is destroyed the signal handler will be automatically disconnected. Note that this is not currently threadsafe (ie: emitting a signal while gobject is being destroyed in another thread is not safe).

- `$signal`; a string of the form `signal-name::detail`.
- `$handler`; the callback to connect.
- `$connect_flags`; a combination of `GConnectFlags`.

## `g_signal_connect`

```
sub g_signal_connect ( Str $signal, Callable $handler --> uint64 )
```

Connects a callback function to a signal for a particular object.

- `$signal`; a string of the form "signal-name::detail".
- `$handler`; callback function to connect.

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