# coworker Documentation

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Generic worker that performs concurrent tasks using coroutine.

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**Quick Start Tutorial** 

Define how a task is performed and create the worker:

To run in the background forever and add tasks:

```
import asyncio
async def background_worker_example():
    # Start worker / Run in background
    asyncio.ensure_future(worker.start())

# Mulitiple tasks
    tasks = list(range(100))
    results = await asyncio.gather(*worker.add_tasks(tasks))
    print(results) # results = [0, 1, 4, 9, ...]

# Single task
    result = await worker.add_tasks(2)
    print(result) # result = 4

# Stop worker
    await worker.stop()

# Run async usage example
asyncio.get_event_loop().run_until_complete(background_worker_example())
```

To run for a list of tasks and stop worker when finished:

```
task_futures = asyncio.get_event_loop().run_until_complete(worker.start([1, 2, 3]))
print([t.result() for t in task_futures]) # [1, 4, 9]
```

### Links & Contact Info

Documentation: http://coworker.readthedocs.org

PyPI Package: https://pypi.python.org/pypi/coworker GitHub Source: https://github.com/maxzheng/coworker

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### **API** Documentation

#### 4.1 Coworker

class coworker.Coworker(max\_concurrency=10, sliding\_window=True)

Generic worker to perform concurrent tasks using coroutine IO loop.

Initialize worker

#### **Parameters**

- max\_concurrency (int) How many tasks can be done at the same time. Defaults to 10.
- **sliding\_window** (bool) Start a task as soon as there is an available slot based on concurrency instead of waiting for all concurrent tasks to be completed first.

#### add\_tasks(tasks)

Add task(s) to queue

Parameters tasks (object/list) - A single or list of task(s) to add to the queue.

#### Returns

If a single task is given, then returns a single task future that will contain result from  $self.do_task()$ . If a list of tasks is given, then a list of task futures, one for each task.

Note that if hash(task) is the same as another/existing task, the same future will be returned, and the task is only performed once. If it is desired to perform the same task multiple times / distinctly, then the task will need to be wrapped in another object that has a unique hash.

#### available\_slots

Number of available slots to do tasks based on concurrency and window settings

#### ${\tt cancel\_task}\ (\mathit{task})$

Cancel a task

#### do task (task)

Perform the task. Sub-class should override this to do something more meaningful.

#### idle

Worker has nothing to do and is doing nothing

#### on\_finish()

Invoked after worker completes all tasks before exiting worker. Subclass should override if needed.

#### on\_finish\_task (task, result)

"Invoked after the task is completed. Subclass should override if needed.

#### **Parameters**

- task Task that was finished
- result Return value from self.do\_task(task)()

#### on\_start()

Invoked before worker starts. Subclass should override if needed.

#### on\_start\_task(task)

Invoked before starting the task. Subclass should override if needed.

Parameters task - Task that will start

#### start (tasks=None)

Start the worker.

**Parameters tasks** (*list*) – List of tasks to do. If provided, worker will exit immediately after all tasks are done. If that's not desired, use self.add\_task() instead.

**Returns** List of futures for each task in the same order.

#### stop()

Stop the worker by canceling all tasks and then wait for worker to finish.

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