

I Built an AI Agent Swarm in Discord. It Works Better Than Anything I've Tried (Full Guide)



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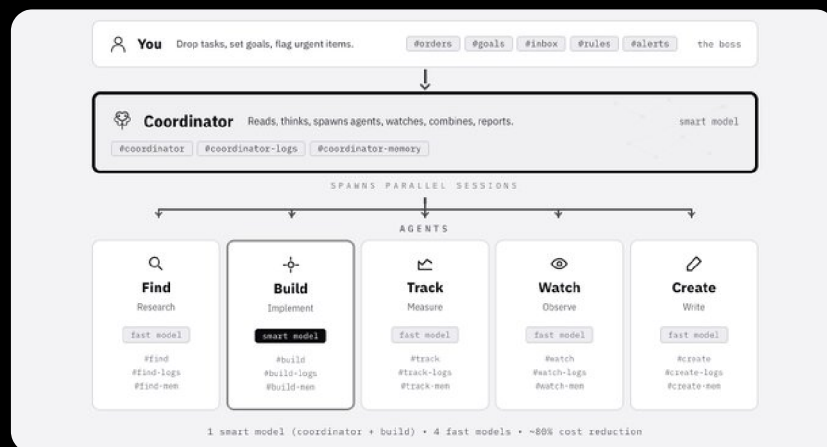


So I built this agent coordination system that lives in my Discord server.

they talk to each other, split work, and deliver results, I was surprised how easily this actually worked out. It's honestly kinda wild.

let me walk you through everything..

The Entry Point (YOU)



You type plain English in #orders channel.. no special commands. its a discord channel where everything starts.

- "Research the top 10 AI coding tools and write a comparison thread"
- "Build a landing page for my new SaaS idea"
- "Track engagement on my last 5 tweets and suggest improvements"

That's it, just natural language..just drop your task like you're texting a friend.



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The Brain (Coordinator)

One smart model reads your task, thinks about what needs to happen, breaks it into pieces, spawns the right agents. It never does the work itself. It only thinks and delegates.

Like a manager who actually manages.

The coordinator sees "research AI coding tools" and thinks:

- 'Find agent': scrape websites, read docs, collect data
- 'Create agent': write the comparison thread
- 'Track agent': measure which tools get mentioned most

Then it spawns them all at once.

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The Team (5 Agents)

- **Find** (Research): Web scraping, data collection, trend analysis
- **Build**(Implement): Code, websites, automations, integrations
- **Track** (Measure): Analytics, monitoring, performance data
- **Watch** (Observe): Social listening, competitor tracking, alerts
- **Create** (Write): Content, copy, documentation, threads

All run as real independent sessions in parallel. Not one agent pretending to be many. Real separate sessions working at the same time.

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you have to give them names so you easily can remember them later.. mine are called Scout, Max, John, Maya.. etc. so when you need one you call them by name easily and your coordinator which also need a name would remember and recognises them way easier.

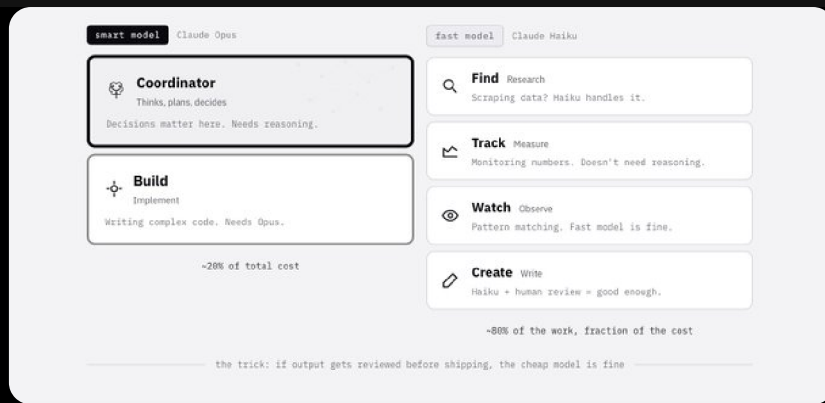
Example:

- 🧠 **Clawdia** — Coordinator. Assigns tasks, makes decisions, synthesizes everything, spawns agents.
- 🎯 **Kevin** — Alpha Hunter. Finds signals, researches opportunities, hunts leads.
- 🔧 **John** — Technical Lead. Debugs systems, evaluates tools, builds architecture.
- 📈 **Maya** — Trends Analyst. Connects patterns, spots market shifts, content strategy.
- 💰 **Max** — Budget + Business Dev. Tracks costs, finds revenue opportunities, pricing.
- 📊 **Scout** — Social Monitor. Tracks X/LinkedIn performance, distribution strategy.

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The Model Tier Trick





only the coordinator and builder use the expensive smart model (Claude Opus).. everything else runs on the fast cheap one (Claude Haiku. Sonnet) whatever you want, same quality and 80% less cost.

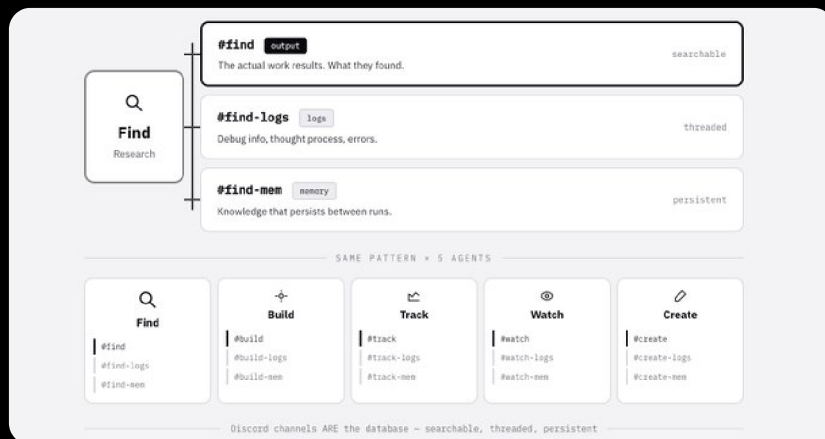
if the output gets reviewed before shipping, the cheap model is fine because you're not publishing raw AI output anyway.

- Find agent scraping data? Haiku can do that.
- Create agent writing a thread? Sonnet + human review = good enough.
- Build agent writing complex code? That needs Opus.

and so on.. smart routing = budget control.

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Three Channels Per Agent



- **Output** (what they found): The actual work results
- **Logs**(how they did it): Debug info, thought process, errors
- **Memory** (what they learned): Knowledge that persists between runs

Discord channels ARE the database, no postgres, no vector stores, already searchable, threaded, and persistent.

Want to see what Find agent discovered about AI tools last month?
Search [#find-output](#).

Need to debug why Build agent failed?
Check [#build-logs](#).





everything is already organized and you didn't build a single database schema.

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Interns (you need channels for this)

Any agent can spawn temporary workers. One job, then gone.

need to analyze 10 articles?

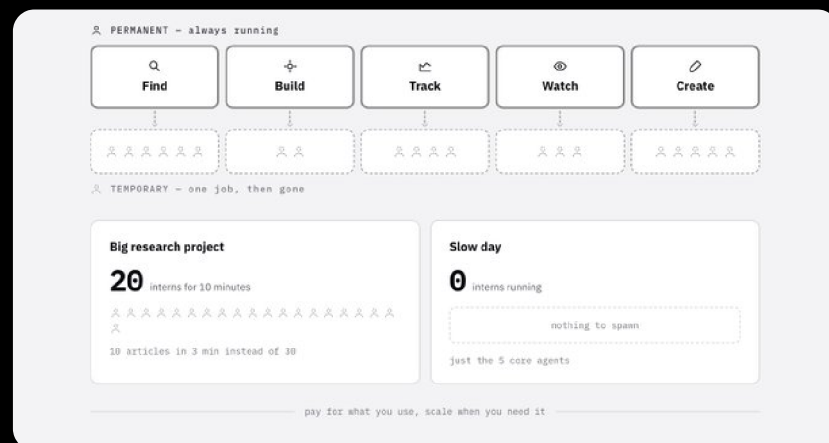
spawn 10 interns, all work at the same time, results in 3 minutes instead of 30.

that's how it scales without permanent cost.

the 5 main agents are always available but the interns come and go based on workload.

Big research project = 20 interns for 10 minutes.
Slow day = zero interns.

you basically pay for what you use and scale when you need it.



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Coordination (#agent-chat)

Agents report "done", "stuck", or hand off to the next agent.

Find hands to Build. Build hands to Track. Like a relay race.

The coordinator watches everything but the agents talk to each other directly... faster than going through the middle man every time.

Find: "Found 15 AI tools, data in #find-output, handing to Create"

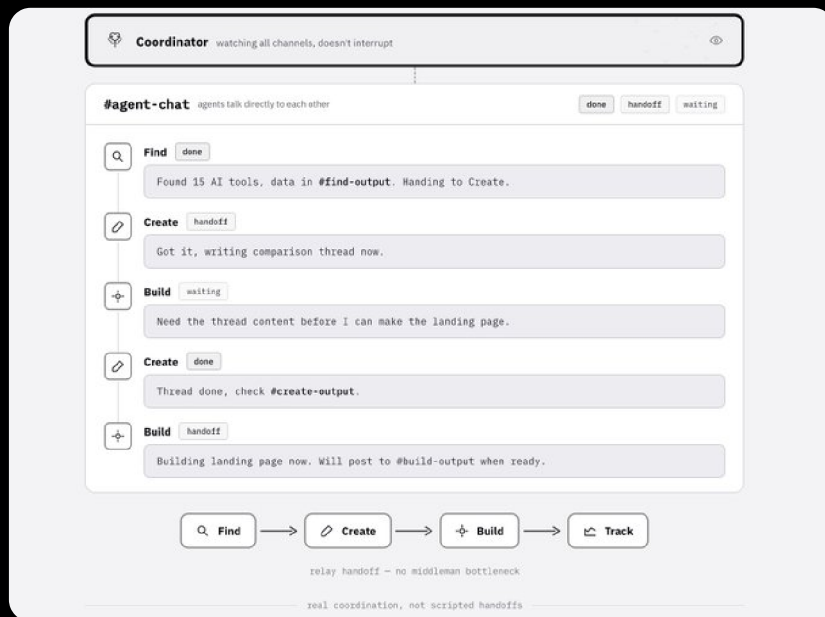
Create: "Got it, writing comparison thread now"

Build: "Need the thread content before I can make the landing page"

Create: "Thread done, check #create-output"



its a real coordination, not scripted handoffs..



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The Synthesis

Coordinator reads all outputs, combines into one clean result.

you asked one question, 5 agents worked on it, you get back one answer ,not 5 separate messages.

the magic happens in the synthesis and raw agent outputs are messy.. the coordinator cleans it up, connects the dots, presents it like a human analyst would.

you see the polished result so the chaos stays in the background channels.



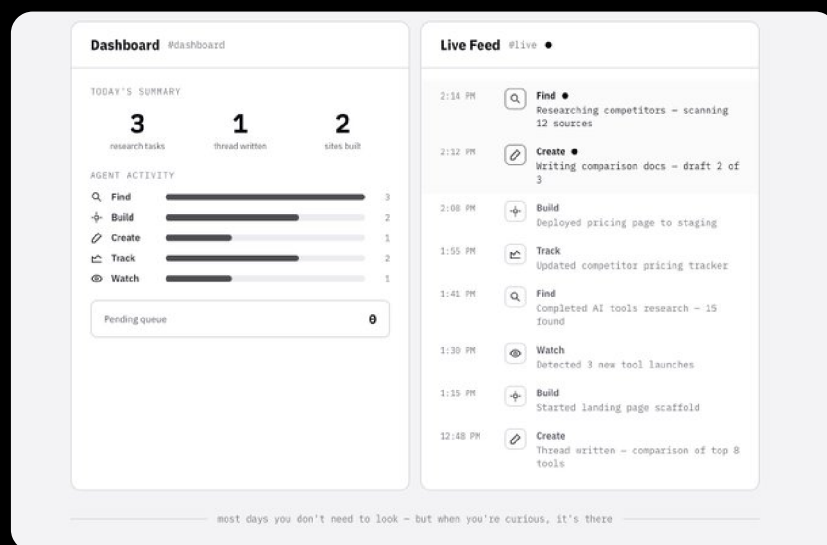
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Dashboard + Live Feed (you need channels for this)



Dashboard shows what happened today at a glance.. Live feed lets you watch agents work in real time.

most days you don't need to look. but when you're curious, it's there.
high level overview or deep dive.. your choice.



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Memory System

Agents read their memory channels when they spawn. they know what they knew last time. They get smarter every run.

Two layers:

- > Discord channels (shared team memory)
- > Local .md files (private agent memory)

Find agent remembers which websites have good data.

Create agent remembers your writing style.

Build agent remembers your preferred tech stack. Knowledge compounds automatically.

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Local Config (Agent DNA)

SOUL.md defines personality.

AGENTS.md has the rules.

MEMORY.md stores knowledge.

This lives on YOUR machine, not in some cloud. The agent DNA is yours.

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Always On





Heartbeats pulse every 30 minutes. Cron jobs handle scheduled tasks, event triggers react to the world.

You wake up to a morning brief of what happened overnight.

"Found 5 new competitors while you slept"

"Your thread got 50 replies, top feedback themes analyzed"

"Server metrics look good, no issues detected"

work continues when you're not there.

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Researches (Self improvement)

Drop a link in [#drop-links](#). System auto summarizes, extracts takeaways, archives it.

Research on autopilot.

Every article you save gets processed:

- Summary in your words
- Key takeaways extracted
- Whatever we can apply in our system to improve
- Filed in searchable archive

basically, the more articles and insights you find on X or other platforms and the more you drop in, the more your agents get smarter, because you're feeding them real knowledge they remember next time.. your input becomes their intelligence... the system learns what you learn.

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The Infrastructure

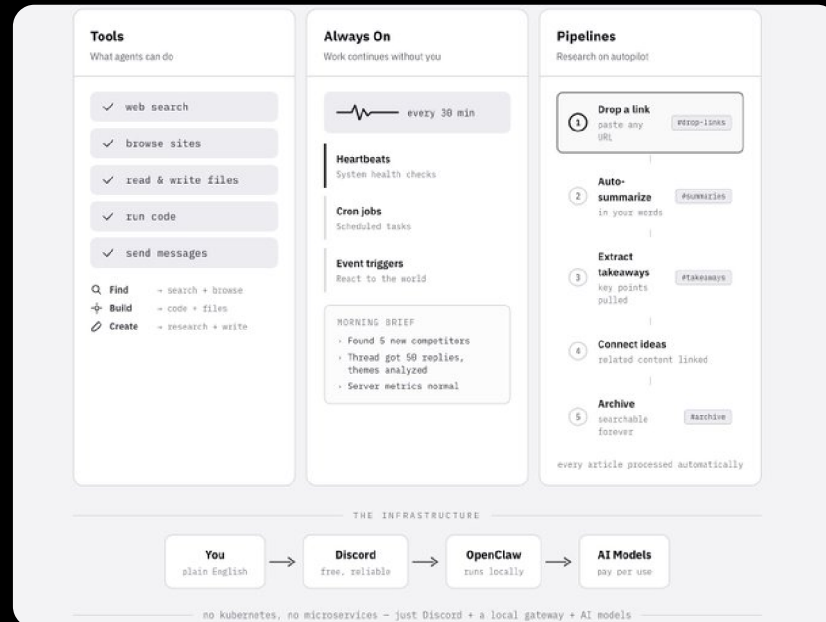




Discord handles coordination and persistence. OpenClaw gateway on your machine connects to AI model providers.

You Discord OpenClaw Gateway AI Models

Discord is free
 Reliable, and already built
 OpenClaw is open source and runs locally
 AI models you pay for usage.



Why Discord?

- Channels = workspaces
- Threading = deep work
- Permissions = access control
- Search = free
- History = unlimited
- Mobile = free app , easy monitoring

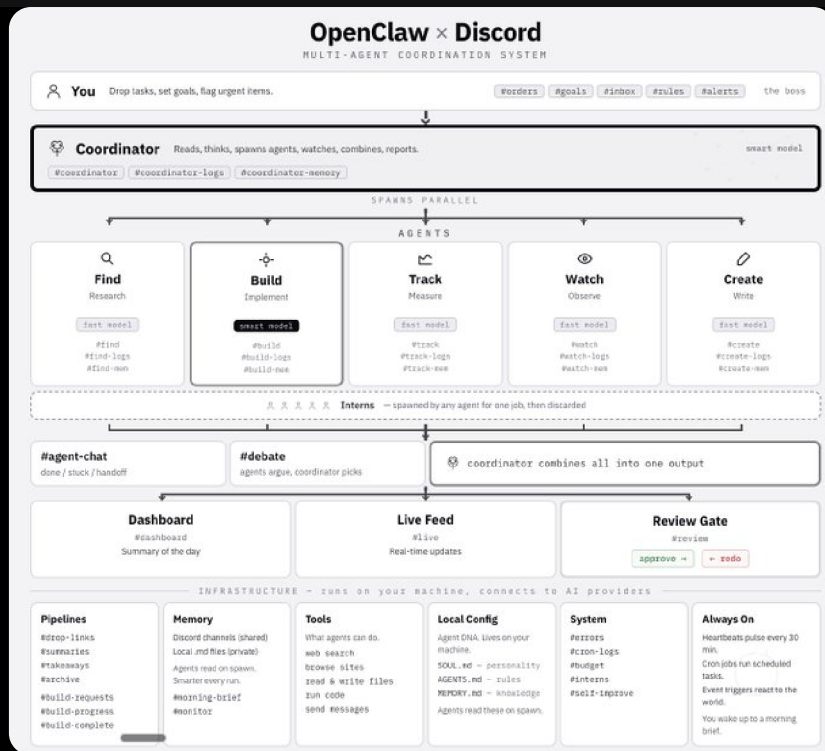
Everything you would spend weeks building already exists. Discord solved group communication at scale so you just repurpose it for AI coordination.

Plus you can set your agents to DM you directly when something urgent happens, you obviously can't do that with a database..

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Full System Architecture





How to start?

- Step 1: Create Your Discord Server
- Step 2: Get your Discord Bot Token.
- Step 3: Connect Discord to OpenClaw
- Step 4: Make sure your LLM, OpenClaw and Discord are connected
- Step 5: Name Your Coordinator
- Step 6: Give It Your First Task
- Step 7: Add More Agents as You Need Them
- Step 8: Let Your Coordinator Handle the Rest

Final Thoughts


This is just orchestration, one coordinator and a few agents, very basic handoffs.

but this is where it's all heading, swarms, hundreds of agents coordinating in real time and splitting complex problems into micro-tasks to them in parallel

what I built is a simple version of what every company will run in two years.

agent coordination isn't a feature, it's the whole architecture, the models keep getting cheaper, the context windows keep getting bigger and the orchestration layer is what makes it all useful.

right now you can run at least 5 agents on Discord for almost nothing. the models get cheaper as we go.. be ahead because most people are still copy

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