

## Trading Bot v1.0.2

This document describes how to set up, run, and tune the EMA+advisors candle bot for Coinbase Advanced Trade.

### Overview

- Exchange: Coinbase Advanced Trade (REST + WebSocket).
- Strategy: EMA crossover (short vs long) on fixed-interval candles, with a small dead-band to reduce churn.
- Advisors (optional): RSI and MACD act as one-sided vetoes — EMA is the “captain,” advisors only block clearly bad entries.
- Order style: Prefers post-only maker limits with per-asset offsets; will fall back to market orders if configured.
- Risk: Daily BUY spend cap, per-product cooldown, optional hard stop in basis points, dry-run mode for simulation.
- State: Lightweight JSON/CSV in a .state directory (overridable).

### Repository Layout

main.py — process entrypoint (logging, env, lifecycle).

bot/tradebot.py — WebSocket loop, candle aggregation, indicators, order placement, fills/KPIs, persistence.

bot/config.py — defaults for products, candles, EMA, advisors, risk and maker behavior.

bot/strategy.py — advisor thresholds & veto logic.

bot/indicators.py — RSI, EMA, MACD implementations.

bot/orders.py — price/size rounding and maker limit computation.

bot/constants.py — paths and filenames for state.

bot/persistence.py — JSON I/O, daily spend tracking, last-trade cooldown, portfolio store, fill de-dup.

bot/utils.py — thin re-exports for constants and persistence helpers.

## Requirements

- Python 3.10+ recommended.
- Packages: coinbase Advanced Trade SDK (RESTClient/WSClient), python-dotenv, and standard library modules.
- Network: outbound HTTPS/WebSocket access to Coinbase.

## Environment & Secrets

Create an .env file (default name: APIkeys.env) with:

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COINBASE_API_KEY=...
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COINBASE_API_SECRET=...
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PORTFOLIO_ID=...      # optional
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You can set ENV\_PATH to point at a different dotenv file at launch.

Optional: BOT\_STATE\_DIR to override the default .state location.

## Quick Start

- 1) Install dependencies.
- 2) Put API keys into APIkeys.env (see above).
- 3) Adjust bot/config.py if needed (dry\_run, products, thresholds, etc.).
- 4) Run: python main.py
  - Ctrl+C (SIGINT) or SIGTERM will shut down cleanly and log session P&L.

## How It Trades

Candles

- Interval: 5m by default. You can subscribe to WS candles or locally aggregate from tickers.
- Warmup: waits for min\_candles before evaluating signals; confirm\_candles must align with the crossover before entry.

## EMA Crossover

- Default: short\_ema=40, long\_ema=120 (tuned for 5m). A dead-band (ema\_deadband\_bps) reduces flip-flops.

## Advisors (RSI/MACD)

- One-sided RSI veto: BUYs allowed only if  $RSI \leq rsi\_buy\_max$ ; SELLs allowed only if  $RSI \geq rsi\_sell\_min$ .
- MACD veto: uses normalized histogram in basis points; BUY requires  $\geq macd\_buy\_min$ , SELL requires  $\leq macd\_sell\_max$ .

## Orders

- By default, the bot prefers post-only maker limit orders. Limit price is computed off best bid/ask with a per-asset offset (bps).
- Price and size rounding uses the product's increments from the REST product metadata.
- SELLs are clamped to the position size; optional hard\_stop\_bps can force a market exit below cost basis.

## Risk Controls

- dry\_run: if True, simulates P&L and spend without touching the exchange.
- usd\_per\_order & daily\_spend\_cap\_usd: BUYs stop after the daily cap; SELLs continue.
- per\_product\_cooldown\_s: suppress re-entries too quickly after a trade.

## Key Defaults (bot/config.py)

Products (sample): ETH, SOL, LINK, XRP, DOGE, ADA, AVAX, DOT, ARB, FIL, NEAR, ATOM, ALGO, XLM, HBAR, CRO, SUI, LTC.

Candles: candle\_interval='5m', min\_candles=120, confirm\_candles=3, use\_backfill=True, warmup\_candles=200.

EMA: short\_ema=40, long\_ema=120.

Advisors: enable\_advisors=True, rsi\_period=14, rsi\_buy\_max=60, rsi\_sell\_min=40, macd\_12/26/9, macd\_buy\_min=+3 bps, macd\_sell\_max=-3 bps.

Ops/Risk: dry\_run=True, usd\_per\_order=20, daily\_spend\_cap\_usd=160, per\_product\_cooldown\_s=900, hard\_stop\_bps=120.

Maker: prefer\_maker=True (sells can be configured separately), maker\_offset\_bps default 5.0 + per-product overrides.

Repricing: reprice\_each\_candle=True, reprice\_if\_unfilled\_candles=1, max\_reprices\_per\_signal=2, reprice\_jitter\_ms≈1500.

TTF Targets (5m): asset-specific candle targets (e.g., Tier A ≤1, Tier B ≤2, Tier C ≤3).

Misc: lookback\_hours=48, processed\_fills\_max=10000, ema\_deadband\_bps=8.0, log\_level=INFO.

## **State, Logs & KPIs**

Default state dir: .state (overridable via BOT\_STATE\_DIR).

Files:

- daily\_spend.json — BUY spend per UTC day (used to enforce daily cap).
- last\_trades.json — timestamps for per-product cooldowns.
- portfolio.json — running positions, cost basis, realized P&L.
- processed\_fills.json — de-duplication of fills to prevent double-count.
- trade\_log.txt — human-readable trade lines + session footers (P&L, runtime).
- trades.csv — per-fill ledger with size, price, fee, liquidity flag, slippage (abs/bps), intent price, hold time, etc.

## **Lifecycle & Reconciliation**

- On startup, indicators can be backfilled from REST candles to warm them up.
- During runtime, immediate fills are fetched and portfolio state is updated; a CSV line is appended per fill.
- On shutdown (or daily cap reached), the bot logs session P&L and runtime duration.
- reconcile\_recent\_fills() can backfill fills over a lookback window (default 48h) to fix any gaps.

### **Tuning Tips**

- If fills lag: raise `maker_offset_bps` for that asset and/or allow repricing every candle.
- If you see churn: widen `ema_deadband_bps` and require more `confirm_candles`.
- If you want more selectivity: lower `rsi_buy_max`, raise `rsi_sell_min`, and tighten MACD thresholds in bps.
- Adjust `usd_per_order` and `daily_spend_cap_usd` to fit risk budget; keep `dry_run=True` while testing.

### **Safety & Disclaimers**

This bot is for educational purposes only. Live trading involves risk, including possible loss of principal. Use `dry_run` mode first, review your keys/permissions, and operate only within your risk tolerance.