

# Package ‘future.mirai’

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**Description** Implementation of the 'Future' API <[doi:10.32614/RJ-2021-048](https://doi.org/10.32614/RJ-2021-048)> on top of the 'mirai' package. This allows you to process futures, as defined by the 'future' package, in parallel out of the box, on your local machine or across remote machines. Contrary to back-ends relying on the 'parallel' package (e.g. 'multisession') and socket connections, 'mirai\_cluster' and 'mirai\_multisession', provided here, can run more than 125 parallel R processes.

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`future.mirai`*future.mirai: A Future API for Parallel Processing using 'callr'*

## Description

The **future.mirai** package implements the Future API using the **mirai** package.

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## See Also

Useful links:

- <https://future.mirai.futureverse.org>
- <https://github.com/HenrikBengtsson/future.mirai>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/HenrikBengtsson/future.mirai/issues>

## Examples

```
TRUE
```

`mirai_cluster`*Mirai-based cluster futures*

## Description

Mirai-based cluster futures

## Usage

```
mirai_cluster(expr, substitute = TRUE, envir = parent.frame(), ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>expr</code>	An R expression.
<code>substitute</code>	If TRUE, argument <code>expr</code> is <code>substitute()</code> :ed, otherwise not.
<code>envir</code>	The <code>environment</code> from where global objects should be identified.
<code>...</code>	Additional named elements of the future.

**Value**

An object of class [MiraiFuture](#).

**Examples**

```
mirai::daemons(parallelly::availableCores(), dispatcher = FALSE)
plan(mirai_cluster)

# A function that returns a future, note that N uses lexical scoping...
f <- function() future({4 * sum((runif(N) ^ 2 + runif(N) ^ 2) < 1) / N}, seed = TRUE)

# Run a simple sampling approximation of pi in parallel using M * N points:
N <- 1e6 # samples per worker
M <- 10 # iterations
pi_est <- Reduce(sum, Map(value, replicate(M, f())))
print(pi_est)

plan(sequential)
invisible(mirai::daemons(0)) ## Shut down mirai workers
```

**mirai\_multisession** *Mirai-based localhost multisession futures*

**Description**

Mirai-based localhost multisession futures

**Usage**

```
mirai_multisession(
  expr,
  substitute = TRUE,
  envir = parent.frame(),
  ...,
  workers = availableCores()
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>expr</code>	An R expression.
<code>substitute</code>	If TRUE, argument <code>expr</code> is <code>substitute()</code> :ed, otherwise not.
<code>envir</code>	The <code>environment</code> from where global objects should be identified.
<code>...</code>	Additional named elements of the future.
<code>workers</code>	The number of parallel processes to use. If a function, it is called without arguments <i>when the future is created</i> and its value is used to configure the workers.

**Value**

An object of class [MiraiFuture](#).

**Examples**

```
plan(mirai_multisession)

# A function that returns a future, note that N uses lexical scoping...
f <- function() future({4 * sum((runif(N) ^ 2 + runif(N) ^ 2) < 1) / N}, seed = TRUE)

# Run a simple sampling approximation of pi in parallel using M * N points:
N <- 1e6 # samples per worker
M <- 10 # iterations
pi_est <- Reduce(sum, Map(value, replicate(M, f())))
print(pi_est)

plan(sequential)
invisible(mirai::daemons(0)) ## Shut down mirai workers
```

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