(FTC) Online Voting – Part II. Single-Node e-Voting Server

Local Server API

VerifyAuthToken (auth_token) return (True / False)

Some RPCs like **CreateElection**, **CastVote** need to check auth token's validity first, this local API can do so.

There are 3 situations :

- When given **auth_token** is not in the **auth_tokens** dictionary, return **False**
- When given **auth_token** is expired, return **False**
- When given **auth_token** is valid, server will update its expired time and return **True**

RegisterVoter(Voter) returns (Status)

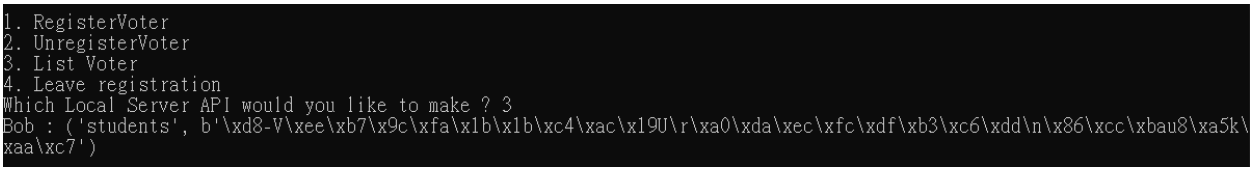
We can register a new Voter by calling the RegisterVoter API.

- The server side can use voter.txt to register voters.
- voter.txt will contain the voter's name, group, and base64 encoded of a seed.
- The seed will use to generate a public key.
- Return Value
  - Status.code=0 : Successful registration
  - Status.code=1 : Voter with the same name already exists
  - Status.code=2 : Undefined errorFirst, choose 1 to register all voters in voter.txt.

Case of Status.code=0

First, we can register voters by choosing 1.

Then we can see all registered voters by choosing 3.



Second, after registering all voters, you can leave registration by choosing 4.

After inputting the server address/port, the server will be running.

```
1. RegisterVoter
2. UnregisterVoter
3. List Voter
4. Leave registration
Which Local Server API would you like to make ? 4
Server address (127.0.0.1):
Service port (50000):
```

Case of Status.code=1

If we register an existing voter name, then return status code 1.

```
D:\FTC-2023-Project-Online-Voting\Part2>python voting_server.py
1. RegisterVoter
2. UnregisterVoter
3. List Voter
4. Leave registration
Which Local Server API would you like to make ? 1
RegisterVoter API Called:
name: "Bob"
group: "students"
public_key: "\330-V\356\267\234\372\033\033\304\254\031U\r\240\332\354\374\337\263\306\335\n\206\314\272u8\245k\252\307"


Status :  code: 0

RegisterVoter API Called:
name: "Bob"
group: "students"
public_key: "\330-V\356\267\234\372\033\033\304\254\031U\r\240\332\354\374\337\263\306\335\n\206\314\272u8\245k\252\307"


Status :  code: 1
```

UnregisterVoter(VoterName) returns (Status)

This API is used for unregistering a voter with the name VoterName.

- The server side can unregister a certain voter's name.
- Return Value
  - Status.code=0 : Successful unregistration
  - Status.code=1 : No voter with the name exists on the server
  - Status.code=2 : Undefined error

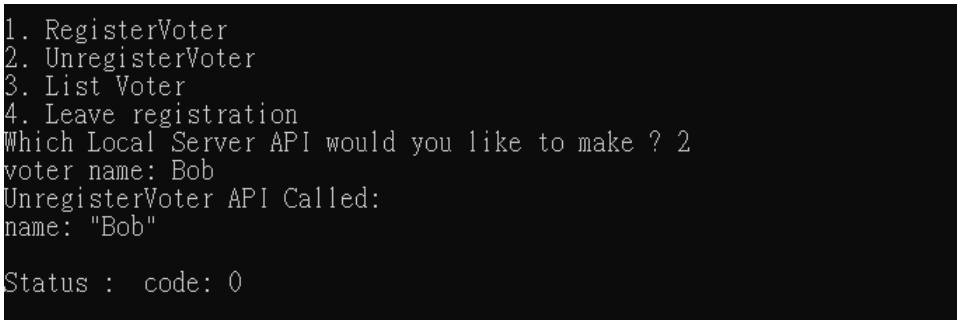
Case of Status.code=0

Our registered voters' list currently shows the following.

```
1. RegisterVoter
2. UnregisterVoter
3. List Voter
4. Leave registration
Which Local Server API would you like to make ? 3
Bob : ('students', b'\xd8-V\xee\xb7\x9c\xfa\x1b\x1b\xc4\xac\x19U\r\xa0\xda\xec\xfc\xdf\xb3\xc6\xdd\n\x86\xcc\xbau8\xa5k\
xaa\xc7')
```

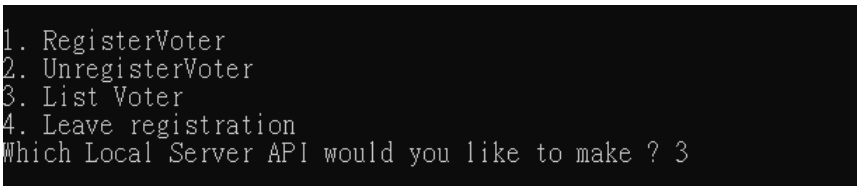
First, choose 2 to unregister a certain voter's name.

Then input the registered voter's name.



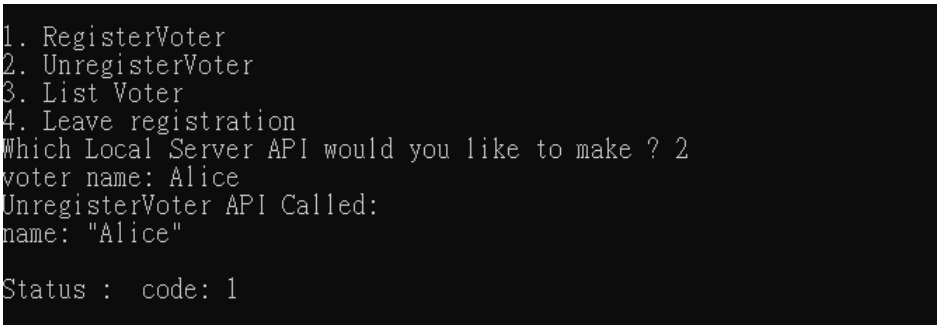
Second, you can check the registered voters' list by choosing 3.

You will see the voter is already unregistered.



Case of Status.code=1

If we unregister a voter that does not exist, then return status code 1.



RPC APIs

PreAuth (`VoterName`) returns (`Challenge`)

We currently use the user **Bob** for testing, whose ed25519 public key and private key are fixed.

- seed : `b'\xa8\xce\x88\xf0}\xed4\x850\xa6&s\xc2\xd1\x81\x8f\xbe\xfd\xae>BO\xb1$\xec\xe2O\xca\xc6k\x08D'`
- public key : `b'\xd8-V\xee\xb7\x9c\xfa\x1b\x1b\xc4\xac\x19U\r\xa0\xda\xec\xfc\xdf\xb3\xc6\xdd\n\x86\xcc\xbau8\xa5k\xaa\xc7'`
  `detached signature:`
  `b'n\xa1T\r\x9b\xa0&\xe0\x97W\x11\x98\x82\x87\xae\xe2\xa9\x86V\xe55\x0b\xfdc\x05\xf0\x81G\x12\xa2\x8ee\x88c{\x1a\xe2\xdeLn\xcb\xea?\x1f"\xc4\x97\xd8\x9d/6\x10{\x824\x11\xb5\x7f\x0f\x86O(\xfa\x0c'`

- private key : `b'\xa8\xce\x88\xf0}\xed4\x850\xa6&s\xc2\xd1\x81\x8f\xbe\xfd\xae>BO\xb1$\xec\xe2O\xca\xc6k\x08D\xd8-V\xee\xb7\x9c\xfa\x1b\x1b\xc4\xac\x19U\r\xa0\xda\xec\xfc\xdf\xb3\xc6\xdd\n\x86\xcc\xbau8\xa5k\xaa\xc7'`

After calling RPC **PreAuth**, server will verify client's signed signature. If the validity is checked, server will return an auth token to client.

- client side :

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 1
voter name: Bob
seed: b'\xa8\xce\x88\xf0}\xed4\x850\xa6&s\xc2\xd1\x81\x8f\xbe\xfd\xae>BO\xb1$\xec\xe2O\xca\xc6k\x08D'
private key: b'\xa8\xce\x88\xf0}\xed4\x850\xa6&s\xc2\xd1\x81\x8f\xbe\xfd\xae>BO\xb1$\xec\xe2O\xca\xc6k\x08D\xd8-V\xee\xb7\x9c\xfa\x1b\x1b\xc4\xac\x19U\r\xa0
\xda\xec\xfc\xdf\xb3\xc6\xdd\n\x86\xcc\xbau8\xa5k\xaa\xc7'
public key: b'\xd8-V\xee\xb7\x9c\xfa\x1b\x1b\xc4\xac\x19U\r\xa0\xda\xec\xfc\xdf\xb3\xc6\xdd\n\x86\xcc\xbau8\xa5k\xaa\xc7'
detached signature: b'n\xa1T\r\x9b\xa0&\xe0\x97W\x11\x98\x82\x87\xae\xe2\xa9\x86V\xe55\x0b\xfdc\x05\xf0\x81G\x12\xa2\x8ee\x88c{\x1a\xe2\xdeLn\xcb\xea?\x1f"\
xc4\x97\xd8\x9d/6\x10{\x824\x11\xb5\x7f\x0f\x86O(\xfa\x0c'
Bob's Auth Result: b"q1enJE\xfax\xc1\x97r\x82\xd1&\x1c\xdfdhP\xdd\\\x08\xb5'\xcb\xaf\x86t\xb8%66\x18\x84\xfe:\xbc\xd6\x8f\xe6;\x85\x0f@**J\x14r[\xe2\x92c\x8
1\x80\x0cq\xe7[\x06\x8d\xc8\xda\xd8"
```

- server side :

```
PreAuth Request Made:
name: "Bob"

Auth Request Made:
name {
  name: "Bob"
}
response {
  value: "n\241T\r\233\240&\340\227W\021\230\202\207\256\342\251\206V\3455\013\375c\005\360\201G\022\242\216e\210c{\032\342\336Ln\313\352?\037\"\304\227\330\235/6\020{
\2024\021\265\177\017\206O(\372\014"
}

Bob's Signature Validity Checked.
Current Stored Auth Token: {b'it8tvMqnLHsWGAqnb5+eTDB1Q1d5ew/kInNTkFyC5ABCXVTeYxTnF/COkaKNZeo2+zxYvfIJNSSqnFFw+cpaVw==': ['Bob', 1681096850, 'students']}
```

Auth (`AuthRequest`) returns (`AuthToken`)

Right after client received the auth token, client will **automatically** make RPC **Auth** to verify the auth token.

When **Auth** process done, server will store client's auth token information, such as voter's name, expired time of auth token, voter's group, into **auth_tokens** dictionary

- key : client's auth token
- value : (`Voter.name`, expired time, `Voter.group`)

- server side :

```
PreAuth Request Made:
name: "Bob"

Auth Request Made:
name {
  name: "Bob"
}
response {
  value: "n\241T\r\233\240&\340\227W\021\230\202\207\256\342\251\206V\3455\013\375c\005\360\201G\022\242\216e\210c{\032\342\336Ln\313\352?\037\"\304\227\330\235/6\020{
\2024\021\265\177\017\206O(\372\014"
}

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```

CreateElection (`Election`) returns (`Status`)

After authicating, one can create an election and determine the attriubutes of the election, such as election name, groups, choices, and end date.

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 2
end date (e.g., 2023-01-01T00:00:00): 2023-04-11T11:10:00
election name: Test
groups (sep by ','): students,teachers
choices (sep by ','): 1,2
CreateElection Response Received. code: 0
```

There are serveral error status:

- invalid authentication token

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 2
end date (e.g., 2023-01-01T00:00:00): 2023-04-11T11:10:00
election name: Test2
groups (sep by ','): 1,2
choices (sep by ','): 3,4
CreateElection Response Received. code: 1
```

- missing groups or choices

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 2
end date (e.g., 2023-01-01T00:00:00): 2023-04-11T11:10:00
election name: Test3
groups (sep by ','):
choices (sep by ','): 3,4
CreateElection Response Received. code: 2
```

- unknown error

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 2
end date (e.g., 2023-01-01T00:00:00): sdfdsf
Invalid isoformat string: 'sdfdsf'
CreateElection Response Received. 3
```

CastVote (`Vote`) returns (`Status`)

While there is an ongoing election, the authenciated voter can cast the vote to the wanted choice.

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 3
election name: Test
choice name: 1
CastVote Response Received. code: 0
```

There are serveral error status:

- invalid authentication token

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 3
election name: Test
choice name: 3
CastVote Response Received. code: 1
```

- invalid election name

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 3
election name: Test2
choice name: 3
CastVote Response Received. code: 2
```

- the voter’s group is not allowed

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 3
election name: Test
choice name: 3
CastVote Response Received. code: 3
```

- previous vote has been cast

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 3
election name: Test5
choice name: 1
CastVote Response Received. code: 4
```

GetResult(`ElectionName`) returns (`ElectionResult`)

When the end date of the election arrived, one can query the result of the election. Then, the result will print on client's window.

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 4
election name: Test
GetResult Response Received. status: 0
counts {
  choice_name: "1"
  count: 1
}
counts {
  choice_name: "2"
  count: 0
}
```

There are serveral status:

- non-existent election

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 4
election name: asd
GetResult Response Received. status: 1
```

- the election is still ongoing

```
1. PreAuth
2. CreateElection
3. CastVote
4. GetResult
q. exit.
Which RPC would you like to make ? 4
election name: Test5
GetResult Response Received. status: 2
```