EmailService Documentation

This project is an Express API that utilizes a custom EmailService to send emails through multiple providers with advanced features such as retry logic, circuit breaking, rate limiting, and idempotency. The API is designed to handle email sending requests and provides feedback on the status of each email and provider.

Installation

Ensure you have Node.js and npm installed. Then, include the necessary modules in your project.

npm install express body-parser

Files Overview

- index.js: The entry point of the application that sets up an Express server and defines the API endpoints for sending emails.
- main.js: Contains the implementation of the EmailService, the email providers (EmailProviderA and EmailProviderB), and the logic for sending emails.
- test.js: A test script to demonstrate and validate the functionality of the EmailService.

EmailService Class

Constructor

constructor(providers)

• providers: An array of email providers that the service can use to send emails. Each provider should implement a sendEmail method that simulates sending an email.

Properties

- statusMap: A Map to track the status of sent emails for idempotency and status tracking.
- maxRetries: The maximum number of retry attempts for each provider.
- backoffFactor: The base delay in milliseconds for exponential backoff during retries.

- circuitBreakerThreshold: The threshold for circuit breaking, i.e., the number of consecutive failures before a provider is temporarily disabled.
- rateLimit: The maximum number of emails that can be sent in a given interval.
- rateLimitInterval: The time interval in milliseconds for the rate limiting.

Methods

sendEmail(emails, emailStatus, providerStatus)

- emails: An array of email objects to be sent. Each object should contain to, subject, and body properties.
- emailStatus: An array to capture the status of each email after processing.
- providerStatus: An array to capture the status of each provider after processing.

sendEmailAttempt(email): This method adds the emails to a queue and processes them with rate limiting, retry logic, and provider fallback.

sendWithProvider(provider, email): Attempts to send a single email using the available providers with retry logic and exponential backoff. It also checks for circuit breaker conditions.

sendWithProvider(provider, email): Attempts to send an email using a specific provider. Tracks success and failure counts and manages the circuit breaker.

processQueue(emailStatus, providerStatus): Processes the email queue with rate limiting. After processing, it updates emailStatus and providerStatus with the results.

delay(ms): A utility method that creates a delay in execution, used for implementing backoff and rate limiting.

generateUniqueId(email): Generates a unique identifier for an email based on its content. This is used to ensure idempotency.

Usage

Setting Up the Server

In index.js, the Express server is set up with endpoints to send emails.

```
app.post('/send-emails', async (req, res) => {
  const emails = req.body.emails;

if (!Array.isArray(emails)) {
    return res.status(400).json({ error: 'Invalid input' });
```

Running the Server

Run the server with the following command:

```
node index.js
```

The server will start, and you can send POST requests to /send-emails with an array of emails to trigger the service.

Testing

In test.js, a set of test emails are defined and sent through the EmailService. This script helps verify the functionality of the service.

```
emailService.sendEmail(emails, emailStatus, providerStatus);
Run the test with:
node test.js
```

Extending the Service

Adding New Providers

To add a new provider, create a class that implements a sendEmail method and pass an instance of it to the EmailService constructor.

Adjusting Configurations

You can adjust the retry logic, rate limiting, and circuit breaker settings by modifying the properties in the EmailService constructor.

Conclusion

The EmailService provides a comprehensive solution for managing email sending with multiple providers, handling failures, and ensuring high reliability. By leveraging the service's built-in features and customizing it as needed, you can build a robust email-sending mechanism for your applications.