

Programming Assignment: Outbound Voice Campaign Microservice

Problem Overview

You are tasked with enhancing an existing microservice that currently provides:

1. An API to **trigger an outbound voice call**, and
2. An API to **check the status** of a call (`in_progress`, `completed`, or `failed`).

Your goal is to extend this system to support **outbound call campaigns** — allowing multiple calls to be triggered and managed together under a single campaign.

Requirements

The enhanced system should enable management of **outbound call campaigns**, where multiple calls can be triggered and monitored together under a single campaign. The following capabilities are expected to be supported:

1. Campaign Management

- The system should allow clients to **create and manage outbound call campaigns**.
- Each campaign should contain a group of phone numbers that need to be called.
- Campaigns should maintain their own lifecycle and track the progress and results of all calls within them.

2. Business Hour Scheduling

- Campaigns should support defining **specific business hours** during which calls can be made.
- Calls should be automatically scheduled and executed only within these configured time windows.

- The system should be able to handle different time zones and prevent calls from being triggered outside allowed hours.

3. Concurrency Control

- The system should allow configuration of **maximum concurrent calls** that can be active at a time within a campaign.
- If no value is specified, the system should apply a **default concurrency limit**.

4. Retry Handling

- If a call attempt fails, the system should **automatically retry** the call based on the campaign's retry configuration.
- The system should ensure that failed calls are retried before new calls are initiated, maintaining fairness and efficiency.

5. Status Tracking

- The system should track and expose the **status of individual calls** (e.g., in-progress, completed, failed) and the **overall campaign status** (e.g., pending, in-progress, completed, failed).
 - Campaigns should provide aggregated statistics such as total calls, calls completed, calls failed, and retries attempted.
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System Design Requirements

Apart from the code that implements the above requirements, you must include a **high-level architecture diagram** or **text-based explanation** describing:

- How APIs, databases, and background workers interact to meet the above capabilities
- The choice of technology for these **external components** (e.g., message queues like RabbitMQ, databases like PostgreSQL, task schedulers like Celery, etc.)

- How the system ensures **fault tolerance** and **scalability**.
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Implementation Expectations

- You may use **any programming language or framework** (Python, Go, Node.js, Java, etc.)
 - Code must be **production-quality**, readable, and modular.
 - Include clear instructions for how to:
 - Set up and run the service locally
 - Run sample tests or curl commands
 - Include **mock implementations** for outbound call triggering (no need for real telephony integration).
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Deliverables

Candidates should submit:

1. Source code (in a Git repo or zip file)
2. README file with:
 - Setup instructions
 - Example API usage
 - System design explanation
3. (Optional) Diagrams or flowcharts for the system design