Express Routing Exercises

For this exercise, you will build an Express.js application that performs three statistical operations given an arbitrary amount of numbers:

1. **mean** (average)
2. **median** (midpoint)
3. **mode** (most frequent)

The operations are invoked via **one route per operation**.

Requirements

The three base routes are ***/mean***, ***/median***, ***/mode***. All accept GET requests

Each route takes a query key of ***nums*** which is a comma-separated list of numbers. For example, if I want to get the mean of 1, 3, 5, and 7, that would look like be a GET request to ***/mean?nums=1,3,5,7***.

The response of each operation should be JSON which looks like this:

```
response: {
  operation: "mean",
  value: 4
}
```

The app should "gracefully" handle the following errors:

- *Passing in an invalid number (NaN errors). For instance,* ***/mean?nums=foo,2,3*** *should respond with a* ***400 Bad Request*** *status code and a response that saying something like:* ***foo is not a number****.*
- *Empty input:* ***/mean*** *without passing any* ***nums*** *should respond with a* ***400 Bad Request*** *status code saying something like* ***nums are required****.*

Make sure you have unit tests for ***mean***, ***median*** and ***mode***.

Further Study

- Make a route called ***/all*** that does all three operations at the same time, with the response from each of them as a key in the JSON response. It can look like this:

```
response: {
  operation: "all",
  mean: 12
  median: 10,
  mode: 8
}
```

- Provide special handling for an optional query key called ***save*** that can be set to ***true***. This means the operation will write to a file. For example, ***/median?nums=1,3,5&save=false*** will return a json response and will write to a file called ***results.json***.
- Insert a timestamp for every operation that writes to a file.
- Honor the Accept header. Return json if the client requests application/json and return html if the client requests text/html.

Solution

View our solution