CSC413 Assignment 1: Simple Rest API

Due: September 20th, 7:10pm

Task:

Create a simple REST API Backend that parses the requested resource, and routes it to the appropriate method, and returns a response. Your responses will be in the JSON data format. Requests will use the GET Http method, and respond with "application/json" in the header. Use the Google GSON library to interact with JSON

Architecture:

Use the **Singleton** pattern to encapsulate the server object. Place all the running logic in a method named run. Use the **Builder** pattern to generate your responses. Avoid iterating through lists for the filters, instead create maps on load.

Endpoints:

- User
 - Behavior:
 - Returns all users
- posts
 - Behavior:
 - Returns all posts
- Posts
 - Params
 - userid
 - Behavior:
 - Returns all posts by a user
- posts
 - Params:
 - Userid
 - o Behavior:
 - Returns all posts by a user
- comments
 - o Params:
 - Postid
 - Behavior:
 - Returns all comments on a specific post

Parameters:

Parameters follow the endpoint after the question mark. Arguments are split up by the & sign.

/<endpoint>?param1=something¶m2=something

Responses:

Create a response class that contains the fields **status**, **timestamp**, **entries**, and **data**. Status should show either OK, or a descriptive error. Timestamp is the time the response was generated. Data is an array of objects. Entries is the count of entries. A response should look something like this:

```
{
       "status": "OK",
       "timestamp": "<Current time here>",
       "entries": 2,
       "data" : [
              {
                     "postid":0,
                     "userid": 1,
                     "data": "I lost my lightsaber, anyone seen it?"
              },
                     "postid":1,
                     "userid": 0,
                     "data": "Found lightsaber, looking for owner"
              }
       ]
}
```

Bitbucket:

Use master and develop branches. Working commits go to develop, only pull request to master when finished. Don't need to do feature branches yet.

Grading:

- 60% For Working Program (Demo)
- 30% Style
- 10% Docs (Turn in zip)