CS5250 Advanced Operating Systems Pop Quiz 3

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1. Refer to slide 39 of Lecture slide deck 4 "Linking and Loading".

Assuming that maskwords = 4, shift2 = 7, and C = 64, compute N, and BITMASK (in hexadecimal) for the string "printf". Use the hash function on the same slide. Write down any assumptions that you feel you needed to make.

h1 = 359345080

h2 = 2807383

n = 2

BITMASK = 1800000

- 2. (I have already mentioned this in the recording but I want to make sure it "sank in" for you.) For a general Bloom filter using a bit vector of m bits and k hashes, argue why:
 - a) If the Bloom filter returns "no, not in the set" for an element e, it must be that e is not in the set.
 - b) If the Bloom filter returns "yes, may be in the set" for an element e, e may (true positive) or may not (false positive) be in the set. In particular, what would be the worst case scenario for false positives?
- a. The contraposition is if e is in the set, bloom filter will returns yes, it may be in the set. In this case it's true since once e is in the set, it will change all the bit in the vector for every hashes to true. So once the bloom filter checks, it will return yes.
- b. The worst case scenario is let say k=2 and we have 3 element $\{a, b, e\}$. Let h1(a) = x and h2(b) = y and h1(e) = y and h2(e) = x.

If we add a and b to the set and check for e, the bloom filter will return true even though it's not there. Even worse, if the hash function is bad, let all element x will be hashed into 1 value, even with k=1, this will give false positive