Kylee Hale Assignment 5 Data Structures 261

#1) Give an example of two words that would hash to the same value using hash_function_1 but would not be using hash_function_2. Explain why this is the case.

Two words that would hash to the same value using hash_function_1() but would not using hash_function_2() are "part" and "trap". Any two words that can be formed by rearranging the letters. Function 1 adds the values of the characters and function 2 adds the index of the characters.

#2) Why does the above observation make hash_function_2 superior to hash_function_1?

Hash_function_2() is superior because of its constant time complexity O(1) and it maps it's input to a single output.

#3) When you run your program on the same input file once with hash_function_1 and once with hash_function_2, is it possible for your empty_bucket() and table_load() functions to return different values? Why or why not?

Yes it is possible for the empty_bucket() function to return different values because hash_function_1() and hash_function_2() do different things with assigning the input values to different buckets. So there may be a variance in the amount of empty buckets. The table_load() will not return different values because there is an equal amount of links made with both hash_function_1() and hash_function_2().