

The simple uniform hashing assumption assumes that any given element is equally likely to hash into any of the  $m$  slots, independently of where any other element has hashed to. Since non-empty sets  $A$ ,  $B$  are finite, then that means there exists finitely many different functions.

With domain  $A$  and codomain  $B$ , there exists  $|S| = |B|^{|A|}$  functions, where  $S$  is the set of all different functions, and  $|S|$  is the number of different functions that exist.

As the problem mentions, we pick a function uniformly from  $S$  at random, so the probability of picking either one function is  $\frac{1}{|S|}$ . Since for each function within  $S$ , it would always map a particular value in domain  $A$  to a particular value in codomain  $B$ , and the only randomness that exists is the choice of choosing a function  $f$  from the set of functions  $S$ .

Hence, for a random function  $f \in S$ , such that  $f: U \rightarrow \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ , when give a value  $a \in U$ , it would always map the same  $a$  to the same  $b \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ . Since there are  $|B|^{|A|}$  functions in total, it means that there are  $\frac{|B|^{|A|}}{m}$  functions that would map the same  $a \in U$  to the same  $b \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ . Hence, the probability of hashing any given element to a slot, for all  $k \in U$  and  $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$  is

$$\Pr\{f(k) = i\} = \frac{|B|^{|A|}/m}{|B|^{|A|}} = \frac{|B|^{|A|}}{m} \cdot \frac{1}{|B|^{|A|}} = \frac{1}{m}$$

Hence, the random function has the simple uniform hashing property.