

# PROBLEM (ANALYSIS OF HashTables w/ Chaining)

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Part A (7%): How many buckets end up entirely empty in expectation?

each bucket has  $\frac{1}{m}$  probability of being filled in by a hash function (hash function maps to random location)  
SO: in order for a bucket to be empty, it would be  $(1 - \frac{1}{m})$  by a single function.

But for a bucket to be empty,  $(1 - \frac{1}{m})$  should occur for each hash function, leading to  $(1 - \frac{1}{m})^m$

And since the probability of A bucket being empty is  $(1 - \frac{1}{m})^m$ , according to linearity of expectation, we would multiply this by # of buckets,  $\boxed{m(1 - \frac{1}{m})^m}$  yielding the # of expected # of empty buckets.

Part B (13%): What's the fullest that a bucket will typically become.

• Probability that  $k$  keys get mapped to this bucket.  $= (\frac{1}{m})^k$

→ // a key gets mapped to this bucket  $= \frac{1}{m}$  →

• Probability that  $m-k$  keys gets / does not get mapped to this bucket.  $(1 - \frac{1}{m})^{m-k}$

• Probability that ANY set of  $k$  keys get mapped to this bucket.

$$\text{union Bound: } \text{Prob}(\sum_{i=1}^m E_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \text{Prob}(E_i).$$

$$: \binom{m}{k} \left(\frac{1}{m}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^{m-k}.$$

\* find a value for  $k$ .

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{m^k}{2^{k-1}} \left(\frac{1}{m}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right)^{m-k} \leq \frac{1}{m^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{k-1}} \left(\frac{m-1}{m}\right)^{m-k} \leq \frac{1}{m^2} = \frac{1}{2^{k-1}} \left(\frac{(m-1)^m}{(m-1)^k}\right) \left(\frac{m^k}{m^m}\right) = \frac{1}{m^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2}{2^k}\right) \left(\frac{m^k}{(m-1)^k}\right) = \frac{1}{m^2} \left(\frac{m^m}{(m-1)^m}\right) \Rightarrow 2 \left(\frac{m}{2(m-1)}\right)^k = \frac{m^{m-2}}{(m-1)^m}$$

take log of both sides.

$$\Rightarrow \log 2 + k \log \left(\frac{m}{2(m-1)}\right) = \log m^{m-2} - \log (m-1)^m$$

$$\Rightarrow \log 2 + k \log \left(\frac{m}{2m-2}\right) = (m-2) \log m - m \log (m-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow k \log \left(\frac{m}{2m-2}\right) = (m-2) \log m - m \log (m-1) - \log 2.$$

$$k = \frac{(m-2) \log m - m \log (m-1) - \log 2}{\log m - \log (2m-2)}$$

← Fullest # of keys in a bucket possible