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Exercise (Almost regular hash function as pseudorandom generator). Let $h: \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{Y}$ be an almost regular hash function, i.e. the distribution h(x) for $x \leftarrow \mathcal{X}$ is statistically ε -close to the uniform distribution over the set $h(\mathcal{X})$. Show that h is a pseudorandom generator provided that $|h(\mathcal{X})| \approx \mathcal{Y}$. Analyse how the distinguishing advantage depends on $|h(\mathcal{X})|$.

Solution.