Polynomial.hs - Proofs

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1 Division

Definition

Suppose R is some ring, then $divmod: R[x] \times R[x] \to R[x] \times R[x]$ is a function such that if $divmod: (a,b) \mapsto (q,r)$ then:

- 1. $a = q \cdot b + r$
- 2. If there exists q' such that $a = q' \cdot b$ then r = 0
- 3. If R is a field, then no $r' \in R[x]$ exists such that degree(r') < degree(r) and $a = q \cdot b + r'$

Proof

$$divmod (a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots, b_m x^m + b_{m-1} x^{m-1} + \dots)$$

$$= \begin{cases} q x^{n-m} + r x^n : (q, r) = divmod(a, b) & (a_n x^n + b_m x^n) \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

Let us consider the monomial case first - take $a = c_a x^{d_a}$ and $b = c_b x^{d_b}$. In this case

$$divide: (a,b) \mapsto \left(\frac{c_a}{c_b} x^{d_a - d_b}, (c_a \mod c_b) x^{d_a - d_b}\right)$$

and,

$$c_b x^{d_b} \cdot \frac{c_a}{c_b} x^{d_a - d_b} + (c_a \mod c_b) x^{d_a} = c_b \cdot (c_a / / c_b) x^{d_a} + (c_a \mod c_b) x^{d_a - d_b}$$