Consider the following two partially ordered sets:

- $D(\mathbb{N})$  consisting of the natural numbers ordered by divisibility.
- The poset **Poly** consisting of all polynomials in the variable x with coefficients in  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  with the ordering  $q(x) \leq p(x)$  if  $degree(q) \leq degree(p)$  and  $q_i \leq p_i$  for each  $i \in \{0, \ldots, degree(q)\}$ . Here  $q_i$  means the coefficient of  $x^i$  in q.

Prove that there is an isomorphism between  $D(\mathbb{N})$  and **Poly** 

Note that  $p_1 \cdots p_l$  represents the product from the first prime number to the lth prime number.

Proof. We must show that there is an isomorphism between  $D(\mathbb{N})$  and **Poly**. By definition of isomorphism we must show there exists a bijection  $f: \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}[x]$  such that for all  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$   $q \leq_D p$  iff  $f(q) \leq_{\mathbf{Poly}} f(p)$ . Suppose f is given by for any  $z \in \mathbb{N}$ , with unique prime factorization (as guaranteed by the FTA)  $z = p_1^{\delta_1} \cdots p_k^{\delta_k}$ , then  $f(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \delta_{i+1} x^i$ . We must show that f is a bijection.

- We must show that f is injective. Suppose  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ , f(p) = f(q). We must show p = q. By the FTA we have that p has a unique representation as  $p = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_n^{\alpha_n}$ , and q has the unique representation as  $q = p_1^{\beta_1} \cdots p_m^{\beta_m}$  By definition of being a member of  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}[x]$  we have  $f(p) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_{i+1} x^i$ ,  $f(q) = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \beta_{i+1} x^i$ . Since f(p) = f(q), then  $m = n, \alpha_k = \beta_k, k \in [n]$ . Since p, q have been shown to have equivalent prime factorizations, then p = q.
- we must show that f is surjective. Suppose  $y(x) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}[x]$ . We must show there exists  $x_* \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f(x_*) = y$ . Since  $y \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}[x]$  then by definition we have  $y(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i x^i$ . We claim that  $x_*$  is given by prime exponents  $\gamma_{i+1} = y_i, i \in \{0\} \cup [n]$  such that  $x_* = p_1^{\gamma_1} \cdots p_{n+1}^{\gamma_{n+1}}$ . Therefore by algebraic manipulation we have,

$$f(x_*) = f(p_1^{\gamma_1} \cdots p_{n+1}^{\gamma_{n+1}})$$
$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \gamma_{i+1} x^i$$
$$= \sum_{i=0}^n y_i x^i$$
$$= y.$$

We must show for all  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$   $q \leq_D p$  iff  $f(q) \leq_{\mathbf{Poly}} f(p)$ . Suppose  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ . By the FTA since  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ , then there exists unique non-negative integers  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n, \beta_1, \ldots, \beta_m \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that  $p = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_n^{\alpha_n}, q = p_1^{\beta_1} \cdots p_m^{\beta_m}$ .

• Suppose  $q \leq_D p$ . We must show that  $f(q) \leq_{\mathbf{Poly}} f(p)$ . By definition of  $\leq_{\mathbf{Poly}}$  we must show  $deg(f(q)) \leq deg(f(p))$  and for all  $i \in [deg(q)], q_i \leq p_i$ , where  $q_i$  is the coefficient of  $x^i$  in q. By definition of  $q \leq_D p$ ,  $q \mid p$ . By definition of divisibility

 $\frac{p}{q} = r, r \in \mathbb{N}$ . Note that applying our prime factorizations of p,q to r yield  $r = p_{m+1}^{\alpha_{m+1}} \cdots p_n^{\alpha_n} \prod_{i=1}^m p_i^{\alpha_i - \beta_i}$ . We claim that  $n \geq m$ . Suppose for contradiction that m > n. Therefore there exists primes in the unique factorization of q that don't exists in p. Since p does not contain those prime factors, then there is no way to remove those prime factors from the denominator, therefore  $\frac{p}{q} \not\in \mathbb{N}$ . This is a contradiction. We claim that for all  $i \in [m], \alpha_i \geq \beta_i$ . Suppose for contradiction that there exists  $i_* \in [m]$  such that  $\alpha_{i_*} < \beta_{i_*}$ . Note that  $\alpha_{i_*} - \beta_{i_*} < 0$ . Therefore  $\alpha_{i_*} - \beta_{i_*}$  is a negative number. Let  $-e = \alpha_{i_*} - \beta_{i_*}$ . Therefore r can now be written as  $r = \frac{p_{m+1}^{\alpha_{m+1}} \cdots p_n^{\alpha_n} \prod_{i=1}^m p_i^{\alpha_i - \beta_i}}{i \neq i_*}$ . Since

Let  $-e = \alpha_{i_*} - \beta_{i_*}$ . Therefore r can now be written as  $r = \frac{i \neq i_*}{p_{i_*}^e}$ . Since  $p_{i_*}$  is prime and explicitly does not occur in the numerator of r, then  $p_{i_*}^e$  never has anything to divide out with. Therefore  $r \notin \mathbb{N}$ . This is a contradiction. By definition of f,  $f(q) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \beta_{i+1} x^i$ ,  $f(p) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \alpha_{i+1} x^i$ . Since  $m \leq n, 1 \leq 1$ , then  $m-1 \leq n-1$ , therefore  $deg(f(q)) \leq deg(f(p))$  as deg(f(q)) = m-1, deg(f(p)) = n-1. Since the coefficients of f(q), f(p) from 0 to deg(f(q)) are simply  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_m$ , and  $\beta_1, \ldots, \beta_m$ , and it was shown for all  $i \in [m]\alpha_i \geq \beta_i$ , then the second requirement is satisfied.

• Suppose  $f(q) \leq_{\mathbf{Poly}} f(p)$ . We must show that  $q \leq_D p$ . By definition of f,  $f(q) = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \beta_{i+1} x^i, \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_{i+1} x^j$ . By definition of  $\leq_{\mathbf{Poly}}$  for all  $i \in [m]$ ,  $\beta_i \leq \alpha_i, m-1 \leq n-1$ . Therefore  $m \leq n$  and for all  $i \in [m]$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha_i - \beta_i$ . Therefore exponentiating the inequality with  $p_i$  yields  $1 \leq p_i^{\alpha_i - \beta_i}$ . Since  $\alpha_i - \beta_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha_i - \beta_i$  then  $p_i^{\alpha_i - \beta_i} \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore the product  $p_{m+1}^{\alpha_{m+1}} \cdots p_n^{\alpha_n} \prod_{i=1}^m p_i^{\alpha_i - \beta_i} \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore  $\frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus  $q \leq_D p$  by definition.

Thus the requirements have been satisfied.