

# Factorization Techniques

The goal of this lecture is to factor (or check for factors) of polynomials

## Proposition 14.1

Let  $F$  be a field and  $p(X) \in F[X]$  a polynomial.

$p(X)$  has a factor of degree one in  $F[X]$  iff  $p(X)$  has a root in  $F$ , i.e.  $\exists \alpha \in F, p(\alpha) = 0$ .

***Proof.***

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