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Let

$$f(x) = x^n + k_{n-1}x^{n-1} + k_{n-2}x^{n-2} + \cdots + k_1x + k_0 \in \mathbb{Z}[x],$$

where

$$3 \leq k_{n-1} \leq k_{n-2} \leq \cdots \leq k_1 \leq k_0 \leq 2k_{n-1} - 3.$$

We show that $f(x)$ and $f(x^2)$ are irreducible over \mathbb{Q} . Moreover, the upper bound of $2k_{n-1} - 3$ on the coefficients of $f(x)$ is the best possible in this situation. (Received September 10, 2013)