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1001-94-340      **Steven T. Dougherty** and **T. Aaron Gulliver\*** (agullive@ece.uvic.ca), Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Victoria, P.O. Box 3055, STN CSC, Victoria, BC V8S 4W9, Canada. *Optimal Linear Codes over  $Z_4$ .*

We determine the minimum distances of optimal linear codes over  $Z_4$  for small lengths. Bounds are derived, and examples of optimal codes are given. (Received August 31, 2004)