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Binary self-dual codes and additive self-dual codes over $\text{GF}(4)$ have in common interesting properties, for example, Type I, Type II, shadows, etc. Recently Bachoc and Gaborit introduced the notion of s -extremal codes for binary self-dual codes, generalizing Elkies' study on the highest possible minimum weight of the shadow of binary self-dual codes. So it is natural to ask whether there can be a concept of s -extremal codes for additive self-dual codes over $\text{GF}(4)$.

In this talk, we introduce a concept of s -extremal codes for additive self-dual codes over $\text{GF}(4)$, classify them up to minimum distance $d = 4$, and give possible lengths for which there exist s -extremal codes with $5 \leq d \leq 11$. (Received August 29, 2005)