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The dimension of a poset is the least integer  $d$  such that the poset can be embedded into  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . In the recent years a number of results were published along the idea, that if a poset has a simple enough cover graph, then its dimension can not be too large. On the other hand, in 1988, Spinrad proved that the dimension of a poset can be increased arbitrarily by subdividing edges in its cover graph. However, if the cover graph has no  $K_4$  minor, this is no longer true. In this paper we find an upper bound for the dimension of a subdivision of a poset with  $K_4$ -free cover graphs in terms of the dimension of the poset. (Received January 19, 2016)