1139-05-497 Laura Escobar* (lescobar@illinois.edu) and Bernd Schober. Bijections between symmetric and antisymmetric matrices. Preliminary report.
We consider matrices with entries in the finite field with $q$ elements where $q$ is a prime power. In [Lewis-Liu-Morales-Panova-Sam-Zhang '11] it is shown that the following sets have the same cardinality and ask for a bijection: invertible $n \times n$ skew-symmetric matrices, invertible $n \times n$ symmetric matrices with zero diagonal, and invertible $(n-1) \times(n-1)$ symmetric matrices. I will describe techniques from Schubert geometry to construct bijections between these sets. Based on joint work with Bernd Schober. (Received February 19, 2018)

