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Anthony Iarrobino, Leila Khatami* (khatamil@union.edu), **Bart Van Steirteghem** and **Rui Zhao**. *Nilpotent matrices having a given Jordan type as maximum commuting nilpotent orbit.*

The Jordan type of a nilpotent matrix is the partition giving the sizes of the Jordan blocks in the normal Jordan form of the matrix. In this talk we discuss pairs of partitions (P, Q) , where $Q = Q(P)$ is the Jordan type of a generic element of the nilpotent commutator of the Jordan matrix of type P . In particular, we report on a joint work with A. Iarrobino, B. Van Steirteghem and R. Zha in which we prove a conjecture formulated by P. Oblak in 2012 concerning the cardinality of $Q^{-1}(Q)$ when Q has two parts. We also propose a generalization for an arbitrary partition Q . (Received September 15, 2015)