## Matrices

A matrix is a rectangular array of numbers. For example, the following rectangular arrays of numbers are matrices:

$$
A=\left[\begin{array}{cc}
1 & 2 \\
3 & 6
\end{array}\right] \quad B=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 4 & 7 \\
5 & 8 & 10
\end{array}\right] \quad C=\left[\begin{array}{c}
2 \\
4 \\
6 \\
8 \\
10
\end{array}\right] \quad D=\left[\begin{array}{llll}
1 & 3 & 5 & 7
\end{array}\right] \quad 9 \quad E=\left[\begin{array}{c}
4 \\
1 \\
47653
\end{array}\right]
$$

Matrices vary in size. An $m \times n$ matrix has $m$ rows and $n$ columns. The matrices above have sizes

$$
2 \times 2, \quad 2 \times 3, \quad 5 \times 1, \quad 1 \times 5, \quad 3 \times 1
$$

respectively.
The numbers in the matrix are called the entries of the matrix. Because we may have the same number in more than one position, when we refer to an entry we refer to its position. The $(i, j)$ entry is the entry in the ith row and jth column or the symbol $A_{i j}$ denotes the entry in the i th row and j th column of the matrix $A$.

Example Using the matrices shown above:

$$
A_{12}=2, \quad A_{21}=3, \quad C_{31}=6, \quad B_{23}=10, \quad E_{31}=47653 .
$$

Example Using the matrices defined above find:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A_{22} & = \\
B_{12} & = \\
D_{13} & = \\
E_{21} & =
\end{aligned}
$$

Matrices arise naturally in many areas of mathematics. We will use matrix notation to write systems of linear equations as a single matrix equation and we will also use matrix multiplication and inverse matrices to solve systems of equations when appropriate. The array format also allows us to list all possibilities compactly in situation where we have cross classification in probability theory. This will be especially useful in game theory.

## Algebra of Matrices

Matrices have arithmetic properties, just like ordinary numbers. We can define an addition and a multiplication for matrices. In both of these binary operations there will be compatibility restrictions on the sizes of the matrices involved.

## Adding Two matrices

Before we can add two matrices, they must have the same size. Any two matrices of the same size can be added. We add matrices by adding the corresponding entries. For example:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 1 & 0 \\
4 & 0 & 1 \\
1 & 2 & 3 \\
0 & 3 & 10
\end{array}\right]+\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & 5 & 7 \\
4 & 3 & 1 \\
2 & 2 & 1 \\
9 & 4 & 0
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2+0 & 1+5 & 0+7 \\
4+4 & 0+3 & 1+1 \\
1+2 & 2+2 & 3+1 \\
0+9 & 3+4 & 10+0
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 6 & 7 \\
8 & 3 & 2 \\
3 & 4 & 4 \\
9 & 7 & 10
\end{array}\right]
$$

So, if we add two matrices, A and B , the $(i, j)$ entry of $A+B$ is equal to $A_{i j}+B_{i j}$.
Example Let $A=\left[\begin{array}{ll}1 & 2 \\ 3 & 6\end{array}\right] \quad D=\left[\begin{array}{ll}1 & 0 \\ 5 & 9\end{array}\right]$
Then $\quad A+D=$

## Matrix Multiplication (A mild form)

We start by multiplying a row matrix by a column matrix. Here the number of entries in the row must equal the number of entries in the column. The general formula is given by

$$
\left[\begin{array}{lllll}
a_{1} & a_{2} & \cdots & a_{n-1} & a_{n}
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
b_{1} \\
b_{2} \\
\vdots \\
b_{n-1} \\
b_{n}
\end{array}\right]=a_{1} \cdot b_{1}+a_{2} \cdot b_{2} \cdots a_{n-1} \cdot b_{n-1}+a_{n} \cdot b_{n}
$$

Example Calculate the following:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& {\left[\begin{array}{lllll}
1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
0 \\
2 \\
1 \\
5 \\
3
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 3 & 5
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
2 \\
1 \\
4
\end{array}\right]=} \\
& {\left[\begin{array}{llll}
3 & 8 & 7 & 2
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
2 \\
1 \\
5
\end{array}\right]=} \\
& {\left[\begin{array}{llllll}
1 & 8 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 0
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
2 \\
3 \\
4 \\
5 \\
1 \\
1
\end{array}\right]=}
\end{aligned}
$$

Note that when you multiply a row by a column, you just get a number or a $1 \times 1$ matrix. Above we have (in order),

A $1 \times 5$ matrix multiplied by a $5 \times 1$ matrix gives a $1 \times 1$ matrix.
A $1 \times 3$ matrix multiplied by a $3 \times 1$ matrix gives a $1 \times 1$ matrix.
A $1 \times 4$ matrix multiplied by a $4 \times 1$ matrix gives a $1 \times 1$ matrix.
A $1 \times 6$ matrix multiplied by a $6 \times 1$ matrix gives a $1 \times 1$ matrix.

Compatibility In order to multiply two matrices, we must have compatible sizes. Let $A$ be an $m \times p$ matrix and let $B$ be a $q \times n$ matrix. Then I can form the product $A B$ only if $p=q$. If $p=q$, then $A B$ will be an $m \times n$ matrix.

Example: let:
$A=\left[\begin{array}{cc}1 & 2 \\ 3 & 6\end{array}\right] \quad B=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}2 & 4 & 7 \\ 5 & 8 & 10\end{array}\right] \quad C=\left[\begin{array}{c}2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \\ 8 \\ 10\end{array}\right] \quad D=\left[\begin{array}{lllll}1 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 9\end{array}\right] \quad E=\left[\begin{array}{c}4 \\ 1 \\ 47653\end{array}\right]$
Which of the following matrix products can be formed and if it can be formed, what size is the matrix?

| Product | AB | BC | AC | DC | AE | EA | EB | BE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Possible Y/N |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Size |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Rather than study general matrix multiplication, we will limit our study of matrix multiplication to that which will occur in game theory. Our goal is to be able to calculate products of the form:

$$
A B \quad B C \quad \text { and } \quad A B C \text {, }
$$

where $A$ is a $1 \times m$ row matrix, $B$ is an $m \times n$ matrix and $C$ is a column matrix of the form $n \times 1$. Because of associativity of matrix multiplication, the latter product $A B C$ can be calculated in either of two ways, as $(A B) C$ or as $A(B C)$.

To multiply the $1 \times m$ row matrix $A$ by the $m \times n$ matrix $B$, we multiply the row matrix $A$ by the columns of $B$ to get the entries of $A B$. Specifically, $A B$ is a $1 \times n$ matrix (a row matrix) the $(1, j)$ entry of $A B$ is the row matrix $A$ multiplied by the j th column of $B$.
Example Let $A=\left[\begin{array}{ll}1 & 2\end{array}\right] \quad B=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}2 & 4 & 7 \\ 5 & 8 & 10\end{array}\right]$
Since $A$ is a $1 \times 2$ matrix and $B$ is a $2 \times 3$ matrix, $A B$ will be a $1 \times 3$ matrix.
To calculate the $(1,1)$ entry of $A B$, we multiply the row matrix A by column 1 of B

$$
\begin{gathered}
A \\
{\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 2
\end{array}\right]}
\end{gathered} \begin{gathered}
B \\
{\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 4 & 7 \\
5 & 8 & 10
\end{array}\right]}
\end{gathered}=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
A B \\
{[1 \cdot 2+2 \cdot 5} & - & -
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
12 & - & -
\end{array}\right]
$$

To calculate the $(1,2)$ entry of $A B$, we multiply the row matrix $A$ by Column 2 of $B$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
A \\
{\left[\begin{array}{cc}
1 & 2
\end{array}\right]}
\end{gathered} \begin{gathered}
B \\
2
\end{gathered} 4 \cdot 7 .\left[\begin{array}{cc}
A B \\
5 & 8
\end{array} 10\right]\left[\begin{array}{lll}
12 & 1 \cdot 4+2 \cdot 8 & -
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
12 & 20 & -
\end{array}\right]
$$

To calculate the $(1,3)$ entry of $A B$, we multiply Row 1 of $A$ by Column 3 of $B$.

$$
\left.\left.\begin{array}{c}
A \\
{\left[\begin{array}{cc}
1 & 2
\end{array}\right]}
\end{array} \begin{array}{c}
B \\
{\left[\begin{array}{cc}
2 & 4
\end{array}\right.} \\
5 \\
5
\end{array} 8 \cdot 10\right]\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
A B
\end{array}\right] \begin{array}{ccc}
12 & 20 & 1 \cdot 7+2 \cdot 10
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
12 & 20 & 27
\end{array}\right]
$$

Example Let

$$
A=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 2 & 2
\end{array}\right], \quad B=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
3 & 1 \\
0 & 2 \\
4 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

Calculate $A B$

To multiply the $m \times n$ matrix $B$ by the $n \times 1$ column matrix $C$, we multiply each row of $B$ by the column matrix $C$ to get the rows of $B C$. In particular, $B C$ is a $m \times 1$ column matrix where the $(k, 1)$ entry of $B C$ is the $k$ th row of $A$ multiplied by the column matrix $B$.
Example Let $B=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}2 & 4 & 7 \\ 5 & 8 & 10\end{array}\right]$ and $C=\left[\begin{array}{c}1 \\ 0 \\ -1\end{array}\right]$
To calculate the $(1,1)$ entry of $B C$, we multiply row 1 of $B$ by the column matrix $C$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
B \\
{\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 4 & 7 \\
5 & 8 & 10
\end{array}\right]}
\end{gathered} \begin{gathered}
C \\
{\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
0 \\
-1
\end{array}\right]}
\end{gathered}=\begin{gathered}
B C \\
{\left[\begin{array}{c}
2 \cdot 1+4 \cdot 0+7 \cdot(-1) \\
-
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
-5 \\
-
\end{array}\right]}
\end{gathered}
$$

To calculate the $(2,1)$ entry of $B C$, we multiply row 2 of $B$ by the column matrix $C$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
B \\
{\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 4 & 7 \\
5 & 8 & 10
\end{array}\right]}
\end{gathered} \begin{gathered}
C \\
{\left[\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
0 \\
-1
\end{array}\right]}
\end{gathered}=\left[\begin{array}{c}
-5 \\
5 \cdot 1+8 \cdot 0+10 \cdot(-1)
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
B C \\
-5 \\
-5
\end{array}\right]
$$

Example Let $B=\left[\begin{array}{ll}3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 1\end{array}\right]$ and $C=\left[\begin{array}{l}1 \\ 2\end{array}\right]$.
Calculate $B C$.

## Converting a system of Linear Equations to a Matrix Equation

Given a system of linear equations in two unknowns

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
-2 x+4 y=2 \\
-3 x+7 y=7
\end{array}\right.
$$

we can write it in matrix form as a single equation $A X=B$, where

$$
A=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
-2 & 4 \\
-3 & 7
\end{array}\right), \quad X=\binom{x}{y}, \quad B=\binom{2}{7}
$$

When we multiply we get

$$
A X=\binom{-2 x+4 y}{-3 x+7 y}
$$

a $2 \times 1$ matrix. When we set this equal to the matrix $B=\binom{2}{7}$, we get our two equations back again by equating the elements of each matrix, thus getting our linear system back again:

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
-2 x+4 y=2 \\
-3 x+7 y=7
\end{array}\right.
$$

Example Convert the system of linear equations shown below to a matrix equation of the form $A X=B$.

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
2 x_{1}+4 x_{2}=2 \\
3 x_{1}+0 x_{2}=2
\end{array}\right.
$$

The same approach can be used for systems of equations with any number of variables. In this case, the system of $n$ equations

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{ccc}
a_{1,1} x_{1}+a_{1,2} x_{2}+\cdots+a_{1, n} x_{n} & = & b_{1} \\
a_{2,1} x_{1}+a_{2,2} x_{2}+\cdots+a_{2, n} x_{n} & = & b_{2} \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
a_{m, 1} x_{1}+a_{m, 2} x_{2}+\cdots+a_{m, n} x_{n}= & b_{m}
\end{array}\right.
$$

can be written as a matrix equation $A X=B$ where

$$
A=\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \ldots & a_{1, n} \\
a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \ldots & a_{2, n} \\
\vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
a_{n, 1} & a_{n, 2} & \ldots & a_{n, n}
\end{array}\right), \quad X=\left(\begin{array}{c}
x_{1} \\
x_{2} \\
\vdots \\
x_{n}
\end{array}\right), \quad B=\left(\begin{array}{c}
b_{1} \\
b_{2} \\
\vdots \\
b_{n}
\end{array}\right)
$$

Example Convert the system of linear equations shown below to a matrix equation of the form $A X=B$.

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
2 x_{1}+4 x_{2}+3 x_{3}+x_{4}=2 \\
x_{1}+x_{2}+0 x_{3}+2 x_{4}=4 \\
0 x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3}+0 x_{4}=5 \\
3 x_{1}+0 x_{2}+x_{3}+2 x_{4}=2
\end{array}\right.
$$

If a matrix has the same number of rows as it does columns, it is called a square matrix. We will see below that the set/system of all $n \times n$ matrices has all of the characteristics of the real number system that are necessary to perform basic algebra to solve for unknown variables. We will use this algebra to solve matrix equations resulting from a system of equations.
Example The $2 \times 2,3 \times 3$ and $4 \times 4$ matrices shown below are square matrices.

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
4 & 0
\end{array}\right] \quad\left[\begin{array}{lll}
2 & 1 & 0 \\
4 & 0 & 1 \\
1 & 2 & 3
\end{array}\right] \quad\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
2 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\
4 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\
1 & 2 & 3 & 9 \\
0 & 3 & 10 & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

Note that for any given $n$, we can add, subtract and multiply two $n \times n$ matrices to get another $n \times n$ matrix. The zero $n \times n$ matrix (an $n \times n$ matrix where all entries are 0 ) which we denote by $0_{n \times n}$ has the properties that

$$
A+0_{n \times n}=A-0_{n \times n}=A
$$

and

$$
A-A=0_{n \times n}
$$

for any $n \times n$ matrix $A$. Thus $0_{n \times n}$ plays the same role in the system of $n \times n$ matrices as that played by the number 0 in the real number system.

Algebra with matrices This allows us for example to solve for $X$ (a $2 \times 2$ ) matrix in the following equation as we would in regular algebra:

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
4 & 0
\end{array}\right]+X=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 1 \\
3 & 2
\end{array}\right]
$$

We subtract the matrix $\left[\begin{array}{ll}2 & 1 \\ 4 & 0\end{array}\right]$ from both sides to get

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
4 & 0
\end{array}\right]+X-\left[\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
4 & 0
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 1 \\
3 & 2
\end{array}\right]-\left[\begin{array}{ll}
2 & 1 \\
4 & 0
\end{array}\right]
$$

this gives

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ll}
0 & 0 \\
0 & 0
\end{array}\right]+X=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
-2 & 0 \\
-1 & 2
\end{array}\right] \quad \text { and thus } \quad X=\left[\begin{array}{ll}
-2 & 0 \\
-1 & 2
\end{array}\right]
$$

Indentity Matrix In the real number system, the number 1 is to multiplication as the number 0 is to addition. We also have an analogue of the number 1 in an $n \times n$ matrix system which we denote by $I_{n \times n}$. It is the matrix with 1 's on the main diagonal and 0 's elsewhere. We show $I_{2 \times 2}, I_{3 \times 3}$ and $I_{4 \times 4}$ below.

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right] \quad\left[\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right] \quad\left[\begin{array}{llll}
1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1
\end{array}\right]
$$

For an $n \times n$ matrix $A$, we have

$$
A \cdot I_{n \times n}=A=I_{n \times n} \cdot A .
$$

Inverse Matrices and Determinants In the real number system, division is to multiplication what subtraction is to addition. However, we have some restrictions on division in that we can never divide
by the number 0 . We also have division in an $n \times n$ matrix system with some restrictions. For each $n \times n$ matrix, there is a number associated to the matrix called the determinant. So for an $n \times n$ matrix $A$, we denote the determinant by $\operatorname{det} A$. We can only divide by matrices for which $\operatorname{det} A \neq 0$. We will show how to calculate this determinant for a $2 \times 2$ matrix below. The formula is more complicated for $n \times n$ matrices with $n \geq 3$ and we will use Mathematica to calculate determinants when necessary.
Determinant and Inverse of a $2 \times 2$ matrix For a two by two matrix, $\left[\begin{array}{ll}a & b \\ c & d\end{array}\right]$, we have $\operatorname{det} A=$ $a d-b c$. If this number is non-zero, we can create a matrix which "cancels" the matrix $A$ when multiplied by $A$, namely the matrix

$$
\left(\frac{I}{A}=\right) \quad A^{-1}=\frac{1}{\operatorname{det} A}\left[\begin{array}{cc}
d & -b \\
-c & a
\end{array}\right]=\frac{1}{\mathrm{ad}-\mathrm{bc}}\left[\begin{array}{cc}
d & -b \\
-c & a
\end{array}\right]
$$

This inverse matrix has the following properties:

$$
A \cdot A^{-1}=I_{2 \times 2}=A^{-1} \cdot A
$$

Example Let $A=\left[\begin{array}{ll}2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1\end{array}\right]$. Find $\operatorname{det} A$, determine if $A$ has an inverse and if so find it.

## Using matrix inverses and Mathematica to solve systems of equations

(Using 2.4, Goldstein, Schneider and Siegel and Mathematica( available on the OIT website))
Similarly, if $A$ is an $n \times n$ matrix with $\operatorname{det} A \neq 0$, we can create an inverse matrix $A^{-1}$ with the properties

$$
A \cdot A^{-1}=I_{n \times n}=A^{-1} \cdot A .
$$

Canceling matrices in Matrix Equations When solving for the unknown $x$ in the equation $2 x=4$ where $x$ is a real number, we divide across by 2 (multiply by $\frac{1}{2}$ ) to cancel the 2 ; we get

$$
\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 x=\frac{1}{2} \cdot 4 \quad \text { which gives } \quad x=2
$$

Similarly, if we have a matrix equation, $A X=B$, where $A$ is an $n \times n$ matrix, $X$ and $B$ are $n \times m$ matrices and set $A \neq 0$, we can solve for the unknown matrix $X$ in the matrix equation

$$
A X=B
$$

by multiplyingg both sides by $A^{-1}$ to get

$$
A^{-1} A X=A^{-1} B \quad \text { which gives } \quad I_{n \times n} X=A^{-1} B \quad \text { which in turn gives } \quad X=A^{-1} B .
$$

Example Solve the system of equations shown below by solving the corresponding matrix equation.

$$
\begin{gathered}
2 x_{1}+x_{2}=3 \\
x_{1}+x_{2}=5
\end{gathered}
$$

If a system of linear equations has matrix form $A X=B$, where $A$ is an invertible $n \times n$ matrix, then there is a unique solution to the system of equations. That solution is given by $X=A^{-1} B$. To solve a matrix equation of the form $A X=B$ where $A$ is an invertible $n \times n$ matrix, we will use Mathematica.

## Mathematica

You may and should download your own free copy of Mathematica from the OIT website Go to the OIT homepage
http://oit.nd.edu/
click on Software Downloads in the menu on the left.
Enter your Notre Dame netID and Password in the fields provided
Look for Mathematica on the list of available software
Click on More Details and follow the directions to download the Student Version.
When you open Mathematica, you should open a new Notebook by clicking on File in the menu bar, then follow the path File/New/Notebook. You can also create a new Notebook, by pressing Command-n on your keyboard.


To enter a command, click on the plus mark in the upper left of your document and choose Mathematica input from the drop down menu. Note that this is also the default mode, so you can just start typing your command without this step, if you click below the plus mark.
type $2+3$
and press Shift-Return to get your answer 5 on a new line.

| () 00 | * Untitled-2 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ln [298]=2+3$ |  | 〕] |
| Out[298] $=5$ |  | Э |

Another way to Evaluate a command in an input cell is to click anywhere on the code in the cell, go to Evaluation in the menu at the top of your screen and choose Evaluate Cells from the drop down menu.

To solve a system of linear equations in Mathematica, we will use their matrix form.
We first learn how to enter a matrix and give it a name. We represent the matrix as a list of rows separated by commas between curly brackets. Each row is enclosed by curly brackets with commas separating the entries.

Example The matrix

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 3 & 4 \\
1 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & 5 & 10
\end{array}\right]
$$

should be entered as

$$
\{\{2,3,4\},\{1,1,1\},\{1,5,10\}\}
$$

When you enter this matrix as input, press Shift-return to get


The output, looks exactly like the input. if you prefer the usual matrix format, we will discuss how to view that below. If we want to use this matrix in calculations, we must be able to refer to it, so we must give it a name. To call the matrix $m$, we can go back to the input cell and simply insert $m=$ in front of our matrix. Then we press Shift-Return to get the same output, except now Mathematica knows that this matrix is called $m$. If you wish to view your matrix in the usual format, you can type the command MatrixForm [m] and Mathematica will present the matrix in its usual form.


Now suppose we wanted to solve for $X$ in the matrix equation

$$
\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
2 & 3 & 4 \\
1 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & 5 & 10
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}
x_{1} \\
x_{2} \\
x_{3}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{c}
9 \\
3 \\
16
\end{array}\right]
$$

then we need to solve for the matrix $X$ in the equation

$$
m X=\left[\begin{array}{c}
9 \\
3 \\
16
\end{array}\right]
$$

Lets call the matrix on the right $b$ and enter it into Mathematica. Note there is just one entry in each row.

```
    ln[301]:= m={{2, 3, 4}, {1, 1, 1}, {1, 5, 10}}
    Out[301]= {{2, 3, 4}, {1, 1, 1}, {1, 5, 10}}
    ln[302]:= MatrixForm[m]
Out[302]/MatrixForm=
            ( 2
    ln[303]:= b = {{9},{3},{16}}
Out[303]= {{9}, {3}, {16}}
    In[304]:= MatrixForm[b]
Out[304]/MatrixForm=
    (}\begin{array}{c}{9}\\{3}\\{16}\end{array}
```

Now to solve the system, we must solve for the matrix $X$ the matrix equation $m X=b$. To do this in Mathematica, we use the command LinearSolve[m, b].

```
    In[301]:= m={{2, 3, 4},{1, 1, 1},{1, 5, 10}}
    Out[301]= {{2, 3, 4}, {1, 1, 1}, {1, 5, 10}}
    In[302]:= MatrixForm[m]
Out[302]/MatrixForm=
            (ccc}
    ln[303]:= b = {{9}, {3},{16}}
    Out[303]= {{9},{3},{16}}
    In[304]:= MatrixForm[b]
Out[304]/MatrixForm=
            ( 9
    In[305]:= LinearSolve [m, b}
    Out[305]= {{1}, {1}, {1}}
```

The output is the matrix $X$, we can view this matrix in matrix format if we change our command to MatrixForm[LinearSolve[m,b]]. We se that

$$
X=\left[\begin{array}{l}
1 \\
1 \\
1
\end{array}\right]
$$

To save your file, use command-S. The first time you save the file, you will need to supply a name and choose where to save it.

Example Convert the system of linear equations shown below to a matrix equation of the form $A X=B$ and solve the system using Mathematica.

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
x+2 y+z=2 \\
x-y+2 z=4 \\
x-y-z=5
\end{array}\right.
$$

Example Convert the system of linear equations shown below to a matrix equation of the form $A X=B$ and solve the system using Mathematica.

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
2 x_{1}+4 x_{2}+3 x_{3}+x_{4}=2 \\
x_{1}+x_{2}+0 x_{3}+2 x_{4}=4 \\
0 x_{1}+x_{2}+x_{3}+0 x_{4}=5 \\
3 x_{1}+0 x_{2}+x_{3}+2 x_{4}=2
\end{array}\right.
$$

