Linear System
Reduced Echelon Form II

Definition

A matrix is in **reduced echelon form** if

1. Any rows consisting entirely of zeros are grouped at the bottom of the matrix.
2. The first nonzero element of each other row is 1. This element is called a **leading 1**.
3. The leading 1 of each after the first is positioned to the right of the leading 1 of the previous row.
4. All other elements in a column that contains a leading 1 are zero.

In Reduced Echelon Form

A

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

B

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

C

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

D

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

E

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

F

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

ans =

1 0 8
0 1 2
0 0 0
0 0 0

Not in Reduced Echelon Form

G

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Row of zeros not at bottom of matrix

H

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

First nonzero element in row 2 is not 1

I

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Leading 1 in row 3 not to the right of leading 1 in row 2

J

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Nonzero element above leading 1 in Row 2

Main problem

- Check if a given matrix is in reduced echelon form or not

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% Main problem 1
function ans = ck_ref(A)
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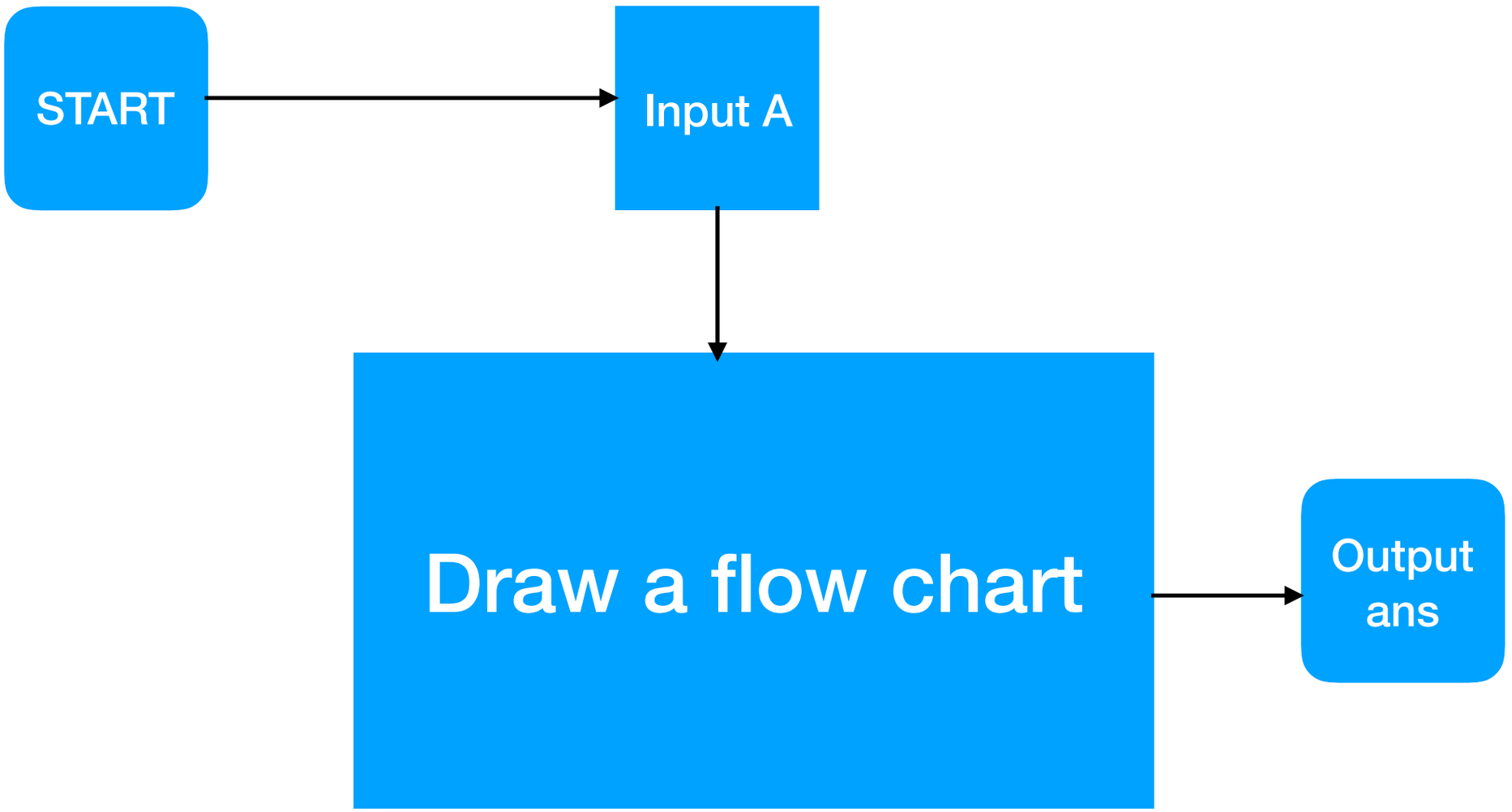

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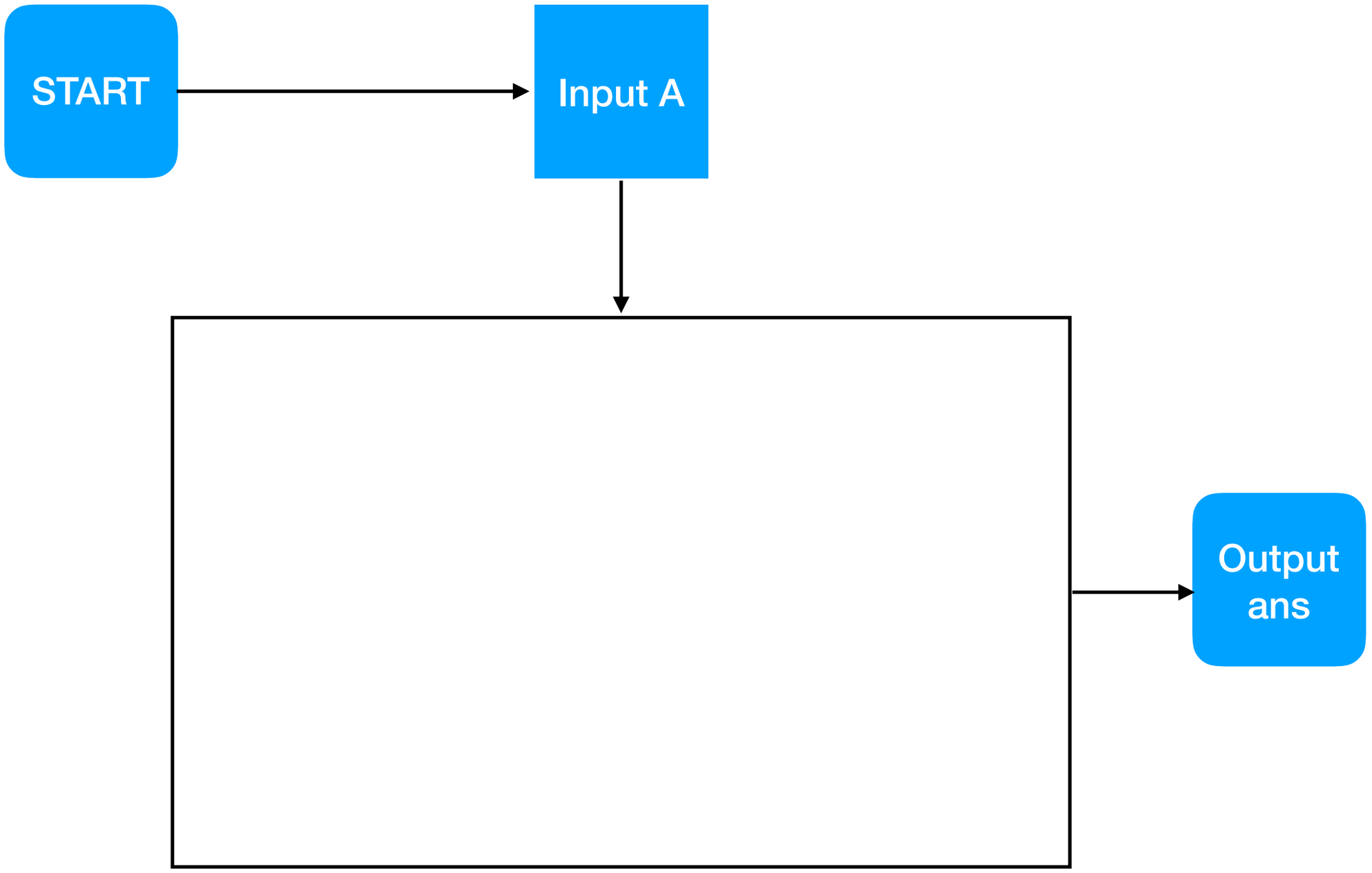


Problem 1

- Check the first condition. Any rows consisting entirely of zeros should be grouped at the bottom of the matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

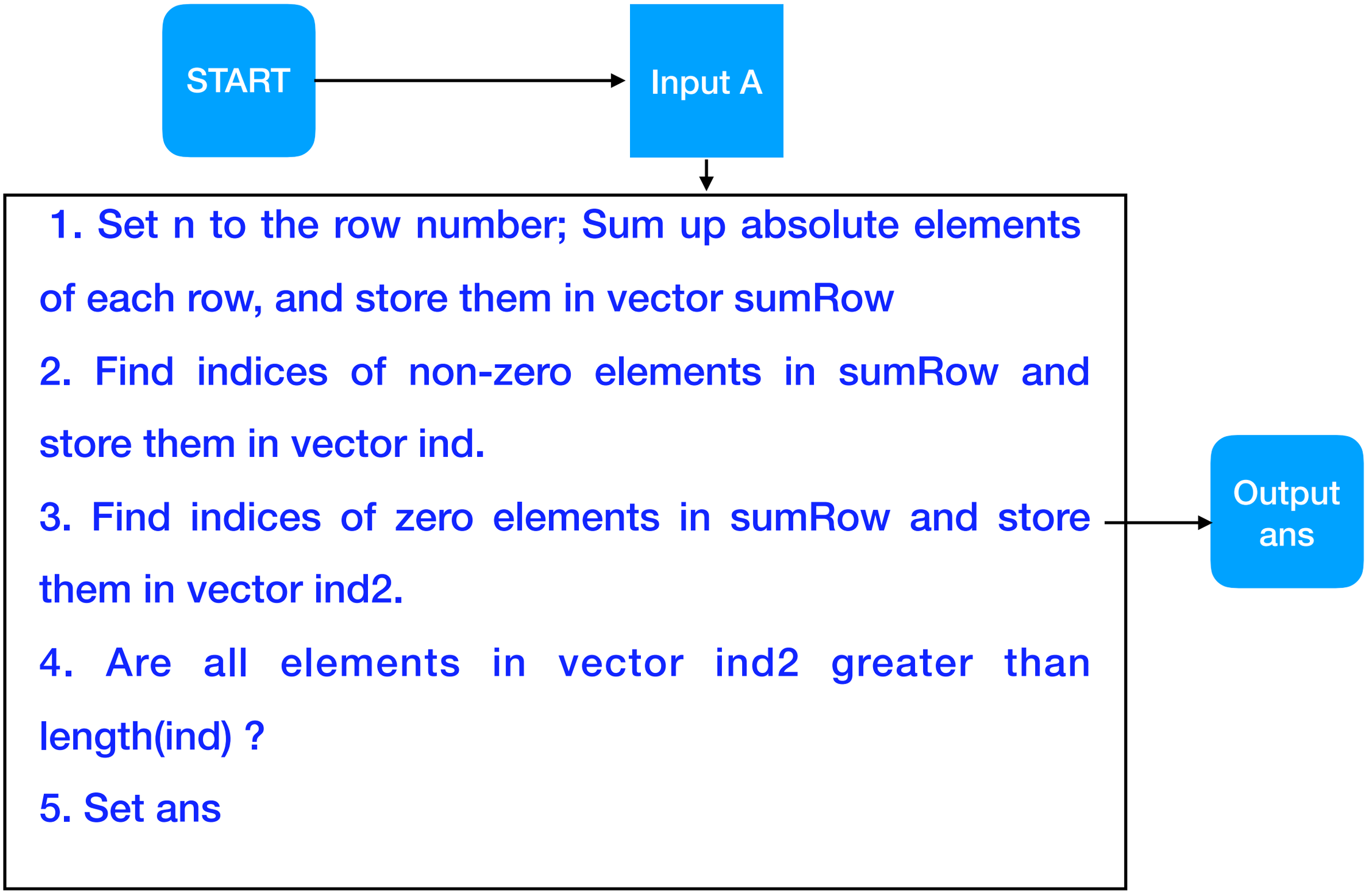
ans =

1	**0**	**8**
0	**1**	**2**
0	**0**	**0**
0	**0**	**0**

Any rows consisting entirely of zeros are grouped at the bottom of the matrix.

% problem 1

function ans = ck_cond_1(A)



Problem 2

- Check condition 2. The first nonzero element of each other row is a leading one.

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

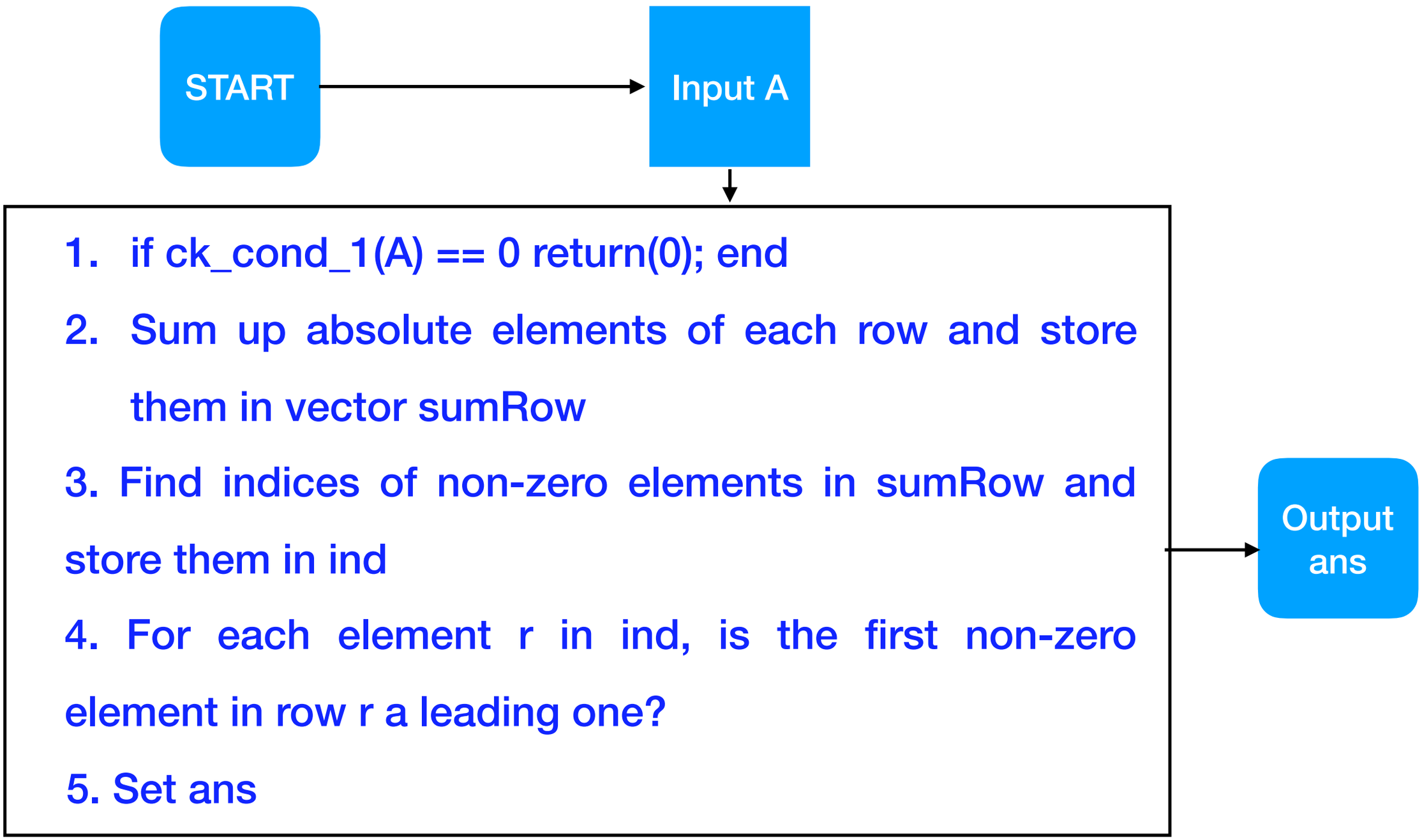
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

First nonzero element in row 2 is not 1

- The first nonzero element of each other row is a leading one.

% problem 2

function ans = ck_cond_2(A)



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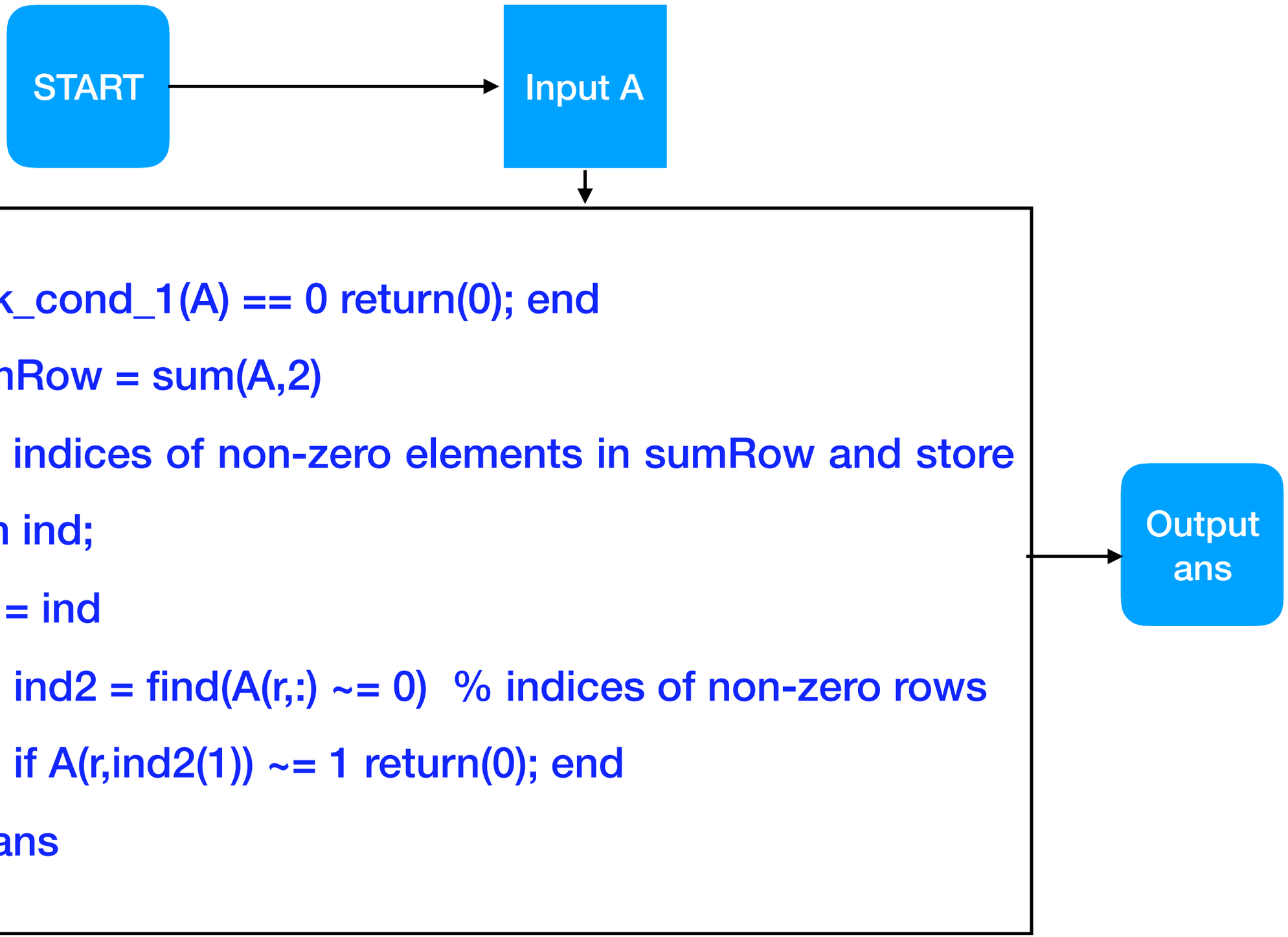
% problem 2

function ans = ck_cond_2(A)



Problem 3

The leading 1 of each after the first should be positioned to the right of the leading 1 of the previous row.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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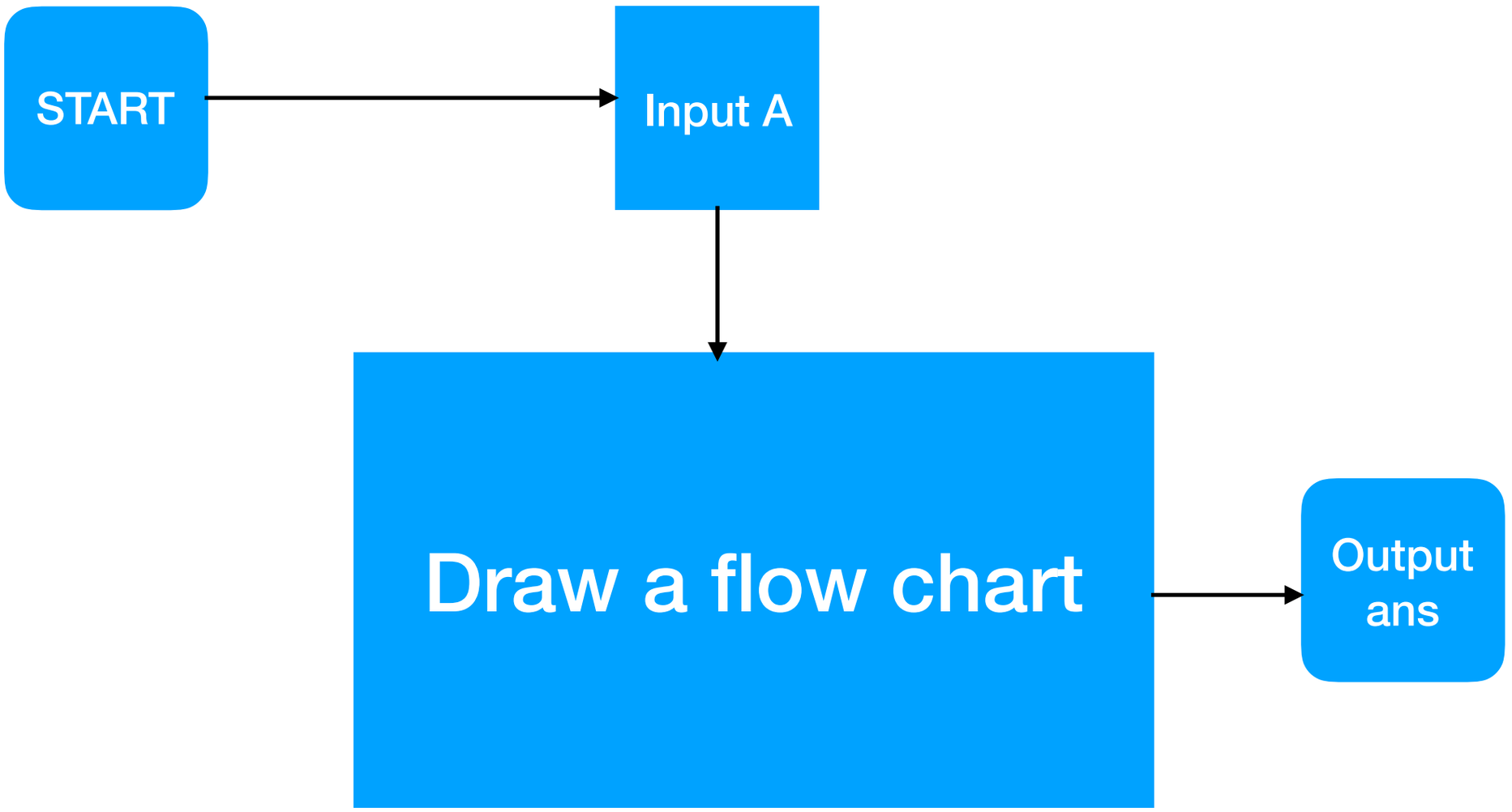
Leading 1 in row 3 not to the right of leading 1 in row 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

% problem 3
function ans = ck_cond_3(A)



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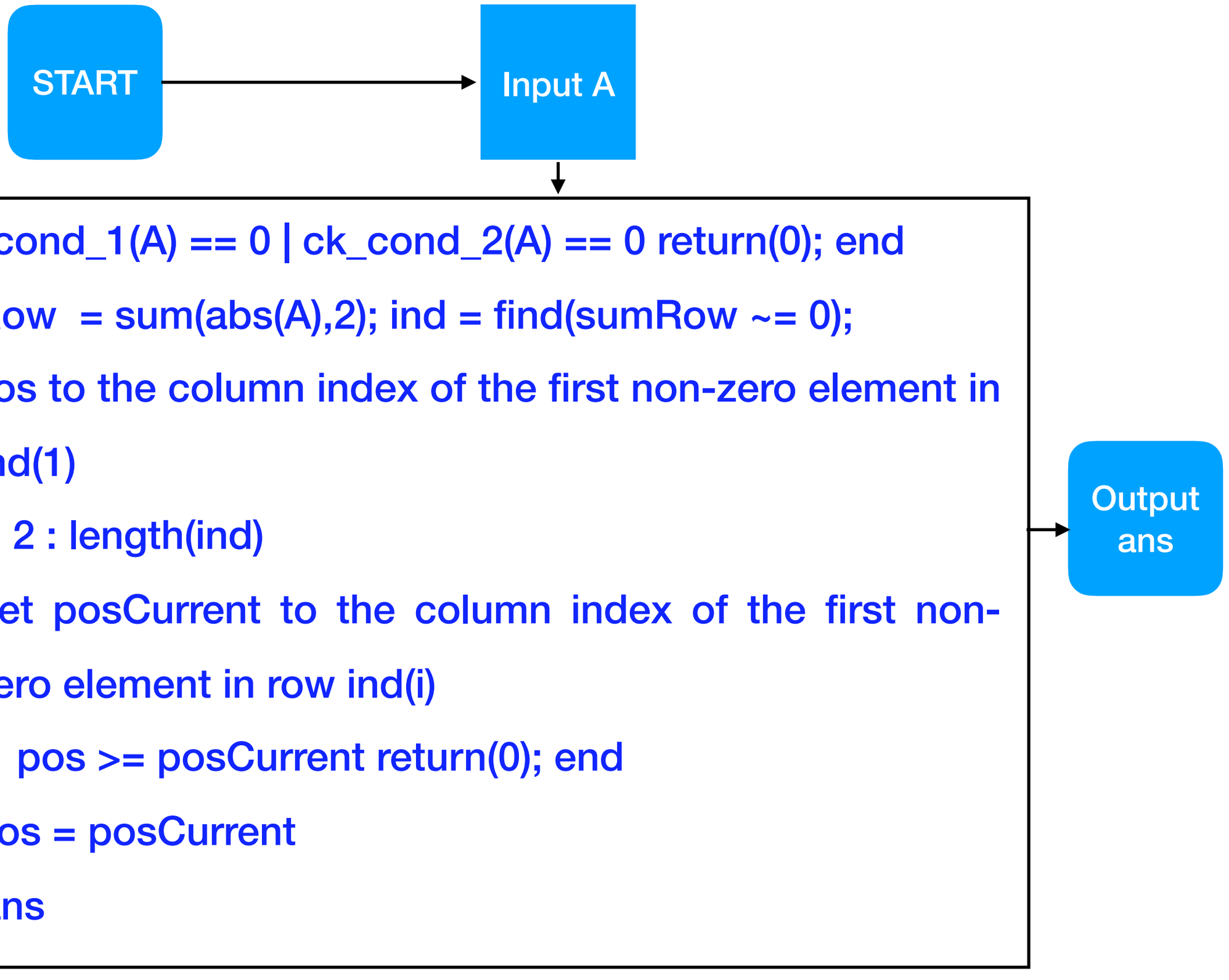
% problem 3

function ans = ck_cond_3(A)



Problem 4

Check if all other elements in a column, which contains a leading 1, are zero.

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

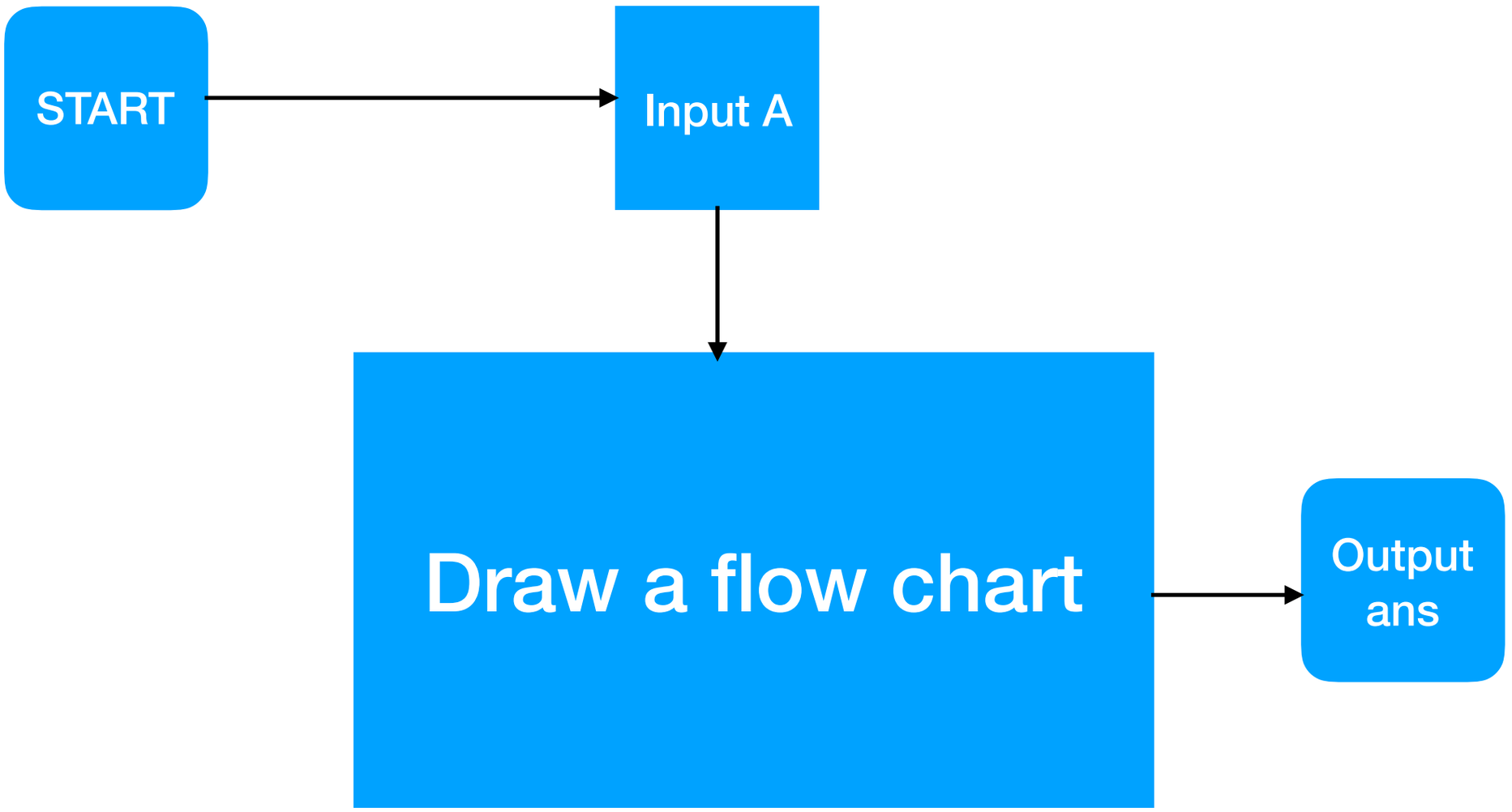
Nonzero element above leading 1 in Row 2

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 7 & 0 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

All other elements in a column that contains a leading 1 are zero.

% problem 4

function ans = ck_cond_4(A)

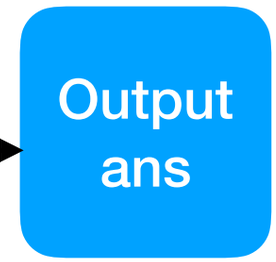


All other elements in a column that contains a leading 1 are zero.

% problem 4

function ans = ck_cond_4(A)

1. if ck_cond_1(A) == 0 | ck_cond_2(A) == 0 | ck_cond(A)_3== 0
   return(0); end
2. sumRow = sum(abs(A),2); ind = find(sumRow ~= 0);
3. for i = 1 : length(ind)
   A. Set posCurrent to the column index of the first non-zero element in row ind(i)
   B. Are all elements other than leading one in column posCurrent zero ?
4. Set ans



Exercise

- Write codes to implement the flow chart for the main problem.
- Write codes to implement the flow chart for each of the four problems.
- Test your main program with matrices A-J