Documentation

The algorithm of the IsLeapYear-function consists of two nested if-statements. Since the general rule of leap years state that a year is a leap year if it is divisible by exactly 4, the outer statement checks whether the provided integer is divisible by 4. If the provided number is not divisible by 4 the function returns a boolean with a false value.

The inner if-statement checks if the provided year satisfies the exception to the general rule that the year is not a leap year if it is divisible by 100 and not by 400. This is done by using the logical operator AND (&&). The if-statement first checks if the number is divisible by 100. If this check evaluates to false the exception to the rule is not satisfied and the function returns a boolean true value indicating that the year is a leap year.

If the first check evaluates to true, the second part of the expression if checked. If the number is **not** divisible by 400, the entire expression evaluates to true and the exception to the leap year rule is satisfied so the function returns a **false**-value indicating that the year is not a leap year. In turn, if the second part evaluates to true, i.e. the year is divisible by 400, the expression evaluates to false and the function returns a **true**-value.

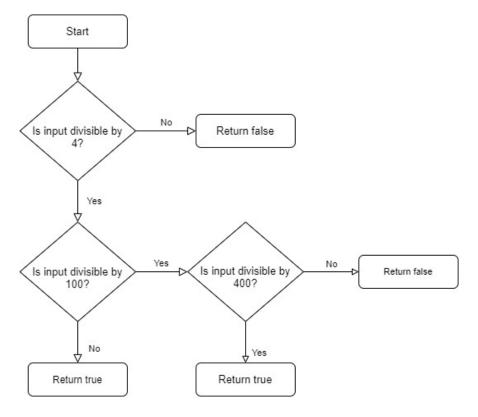


Figure 1: Visualization of the algorithm of IsLeapYear-function