

**Ex:**

```
function vecout = compress(vec)

vecout = vec;

for index = 1:length(vec) - 1
    if vecout(index:index + 1) == [1, 0];
        vecout(index:index + 1) = [0, 1];
        vecout = vecout      % Prints out vecout.
    end
end

return
end
```

For the above Matlab® function, find the result of the following commands:

```
>> vec = [1, 0, 0, 1];
>> compress(vec)
```

SOL'N: This function scans `vec` for the pattern `[1, 0]` and pushes the 1 to the right by replacing `[1, 0]` with `[0, 1]`. In this problem, the function is only run once, but if called many times could push the 1's in a pattern to the right end of `vec` (without changing the total number of 1's and 0's).

The first time thru the loop, the `[1, 0]` pattern will be found and replaced with the `[0, 1]` pattern. This happens before the value of `vecout` is displayed.

```
vecout =
      0      1      0      1
```

The second time thru the loop, the `[1, 0]` pattern will again be found because of the change in `vecout` and the new position (2nd and 3rd bits) where `vecout` is being examined. The `[1, 0]` pattern is changed to `[0, 1]`, shifting the 1 another position to the right.

```
vecout =  
    0    0    1    1
```

The third and last time thru the loop, the [1, 0] pattern is not found at bits 3 and 4, so vecout is unchanged. When the function returns, it prints an answer:

```
ans =  
    0    0    1    1
```