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- → What other types of problems can we solve using this method? In other words, the problem probably deals with a very specific situation. Can we categorize what general category of problems this method can solve?
 - ◆ Better for unweighted directed searches (the goal is known)
 - ◆ Calculating Directions on a map from one point to another with road closures
 - ◆ Unweighted pathfinding problems, where the end is known. (i.e. traversing a corn maze, ocean pathfinding)
- → Assuming that this solution does not give us a fully autonomous artificial mind, what is holding us back?
 - ◆ Only works on a uniform cost grid
 - ◆ Unable to change based on new obstacle in the environment
 - ◆ This algorithm cannot determine if a future tile is better due to having fewer obstacles as neighbors. If this is known, a better directional move can be used.
 - ◆ The heuristic is constant, and unchanging, unlike intelligent life which can learn and evolve its decision making process.
- → Can we restate this problem and/or add more tools to gain more ground in our search for the artificial mind? What small change will force us to develop a solution that is one step closer to a fully autonomous artificial mind?
 - ◆ Your path cant be within a certain distance of an obstacle but in order to find the obstacle exclusion radius you must frontier closer to it and then backtrack and potentially have to adjust your path.
 - ◆ given a map and a goal node, use surroundings to find the robots location on that map then find the goal
 - Robot does not know the starting node and instead must infer it from surroundings