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CODE: Expand the A* Search to Neighbors



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You have now reached the final step of the A* algorithm! You are ready to expand your A* search to neighboring nodes and add valid neighbors to the open vector. In this exercise, you will write an ExpandNeighbors function that takes care of this functionality for you.

To Complete This Exercise:

Write a function ExpandNeighbors that accepts references to the following:

- The current node,
- the open vector,
- the grid, and
- an int array for the goal coordinates.

The ExpandNeighbors function should implement the functionality given in the pseudocode below:

```
// TODO: ExpandNeighbors {
   // TODO: Get current node's data.
   // TODO: Loop through current node's potential neighbors.
   // TODO: Check that the potential neighbor's x2 and y2 values are on the grid ar
   // TODO: Increment g value, compute h value, and add neighbor to open list.
// } TODO: End function
```

Note: we have provided directional deltas in the form of a 2D **array**. An array is a C++ container much like a vector, although without the ability to change size after initialization. Arrays can be accessed and iterated over just as vectors.

In the exercise, you can iterate over these delta values to check the neighbors in each direction: