



## IMPLEMENTATION OF GREEDY ALGORITHM IN OPTIMAL CELLULAR MASTS HOISTING OVER POPULATION COVERAGE

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**ABSTRACT:** *The need to meet the demands of subscribers of wireless services is imperative to Global System for Mobile (GSM) Communication companies. These demands, which revolve around the maintenance of good network coverage and improved Quality of Service (QoS), depend largely on the nature of cellular network masts. Greedy Algorithm Model was implemented on network masts for small size populated areas to effectively have optimal network coverage. Object Oriented Analysis and Design Methodology (OOADM) and Java programming language was used for its implementation. The analysis of the results shows that Greedy Algorithm performed optimizing cellular network masts hoisting optimally for small populated areas.*

**KEYWORDS:** Greedy Algorithm, Population coverage, Optimal, Mast and Voronoi Diagram



## INTRODUCTION

Greedy Algorithm (GR) is an algorithmic paradigm based heuristic that follows local optimal choice at each step, with the hope of finding global optimal solutions for small populated areas. This algorithmic strategy makes the best optimal choice at each small stage with the goal of eventually leading to a globally optimum solution  $n$ . It builds a solution part by part, choosing the next part in such a way that gives an immediate benefit. This approach is mainly used to solve optimization problems.

In cases where the exact optimal solution is not obtained, it gives an approximate (near optimal) solution at a reasonable time. In addition, Greedy Algorithm is made up of five parts that include:

1. **Candidate Set:** This is where a solution is formulated.
2. **Selection Function:** This function determines the best candidate to be added to the solution.
3. **Feasibility Function:** It shows if a candidate can be used to contribute to a solution.
4. **Objective Function:** It assigns a value to a solution or a partial solution.
5. **Solution Function:** It shows when we have gotten a complete solution.

On the other hand, O'Flaherty (2001), who is a professional in legal Telecommunication, brought to the fore his own school of thought, that the result of proliferation of masts across our region is directly responsible for the increased need for television and mobile phone communications. Mobile masts, when erected, enable wireless communication with other available equipment such as phones, etc. which make available paths for wireless networks to communicate with other devices possible.

Furthermore, some papers written by scholars likened Telecommunication Masts to towers and Base Transceiver Station (BTS). The masts are in different shapes, forms, and sizes. Also, Mastsanity (2008) explained masts as big towers.

Zunia (2011) viewed mast as a location/place where antennas and electronic gazettes are designed to form a cell in a cellular network. According to Zunia (2011), based on the technology mast operators use, a mobile operator can hoist many base stations, each having its own function in that location.

## LITERATURE REVIEW

Yosuke et al. (2011) worked on modelling and optimization of facility location and distribution planning problems. The focus of the problem is to get an optimal facility location based on management patterns with the application of large physical distribution on data. Here, transportation of facility location problems from office to sites and vice versa is looked at. When huge problems occur, Lagrangian relaxation is used to solve it.

Ren et al. (2008) presented an all-purpose bi-level simulated annealing algorithm (BSA) for facility location problems, to determine the demands of customers under the condition of



minimum cost. This is dependent on the idea and character of the standard simulated annealing algorithm. From the researcher's findings, in solving the problem, the BSA was divided into two layers, namely inner and outer layers respectively. As a result, the outer algorithm is optimized and the inner algorithm is also optimized for allocation of customers' demand under the given decision of the outer algorithm.

### Research Methodology

The researcher will develop the system using Object-oriented Analysis Design Methodology (OOADM). Object-oriented Analysis Design Methodology is a software engineering approach that models a system as a group of interacting objects. Each object represents a component of the system being modelled and is typically characterized by its state (data elements) and its behaviour. The behaviour of the system results from the collaboration between these objects.

### Data Flow Diagram of Greedy Algorithm

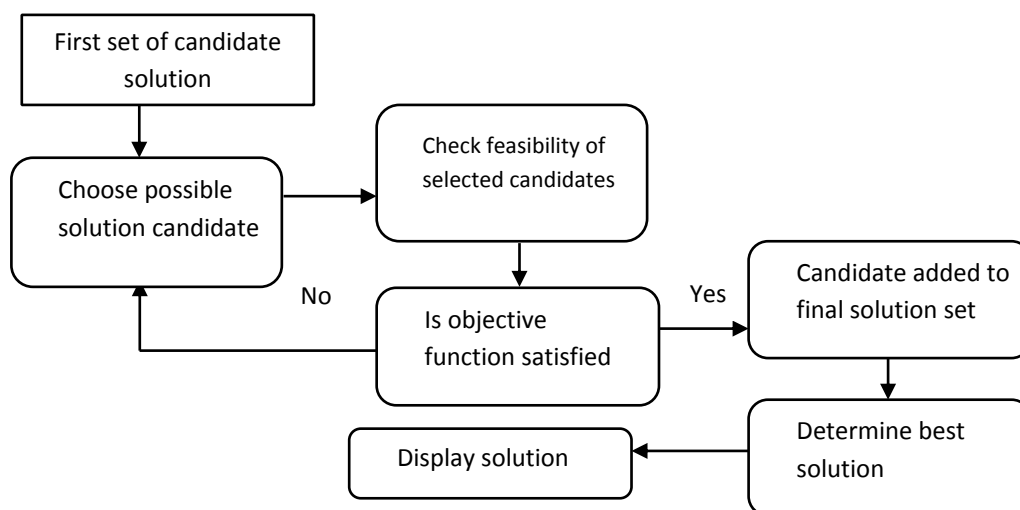


Figure 1.1: Data Flow Diagram of Greedy Algorithm

### Mathematical Model of Greedy Algorithm

The mathematical model for the greedy algorithm is as follows:

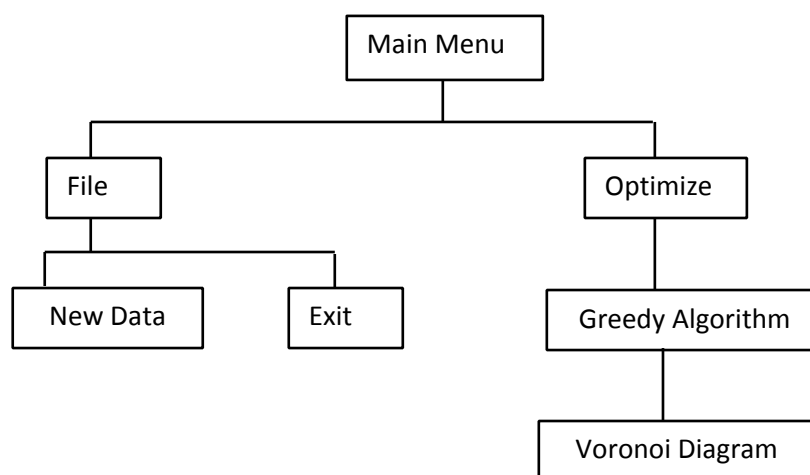
$$S_w(F) = \{e \in E \setminus F \mid w(e) > 0, F \cup e \in F\} \quad (F \in F).$$

where  $S$  is the initial set of elements and  $F$  is the final output containing the set of optimized elements.

## The Pseudo-code of Greedy Algorithm

1. Initialize:  $F = \text{null}$
2. Iterate: While  $S_w(F) \neq \text{null}$ 
  - 2.1 Choose  $e \in S_w(F)$  of maximal possible weight  $w(e)$
  - 2.2 Update  $F = (F \cup e)$
3. Output  $F$ .

## High Level Model of Greedy Algorithm



**Figure 1.2: High Level Model of Greedy Algorithm**

### Control Centre/Main Menu

This section will provide a brief description of the menu and sub-menu items illustrated in the high-level model of Figure 3.3. Each category of menu items is discussed in the following subsections.

Two top-level items—namely File and Optimize—make up the main menu of the application.

**File:** This is made up of the menu options that handle the input of new data and exit.

**Optimize:** Greedy algorithm optimal test is performed in terms of the population covered using minimum number of masts hoisted.

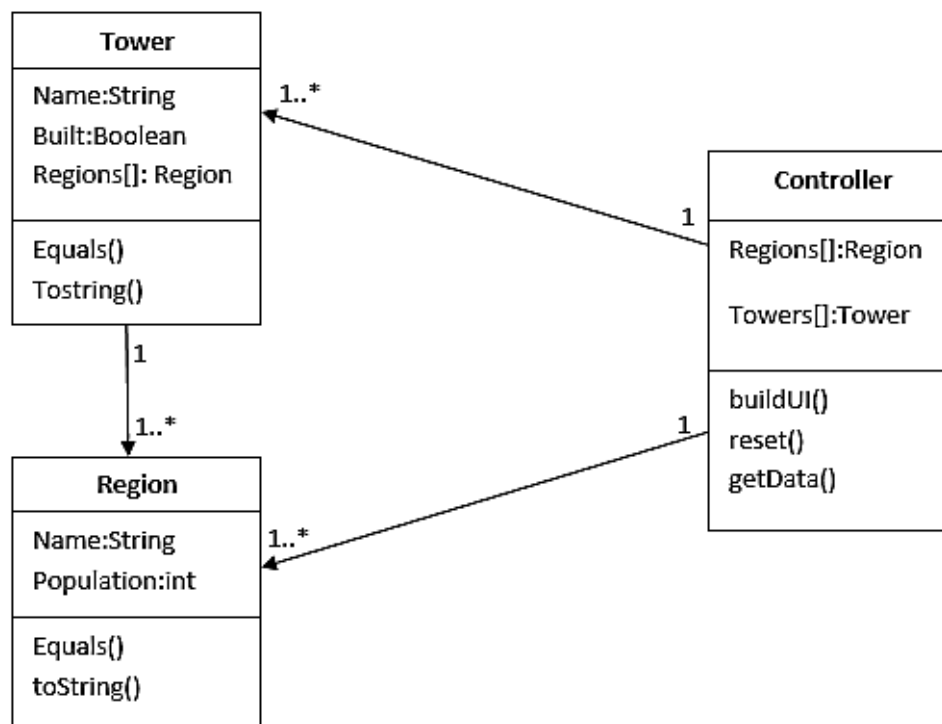
**New Data:** Here, the number of regions and potential sites are specified, region data is specified with respect to the population size of each region and tower data for each tower is also specified.

**Exit:** It terminates the application.

**Greedy Algorithm:** It does an optimality performance test.

**Voronoi Diagram:** It displays coverage area of sites.

### Class Diagram of the Greedy Algorithm



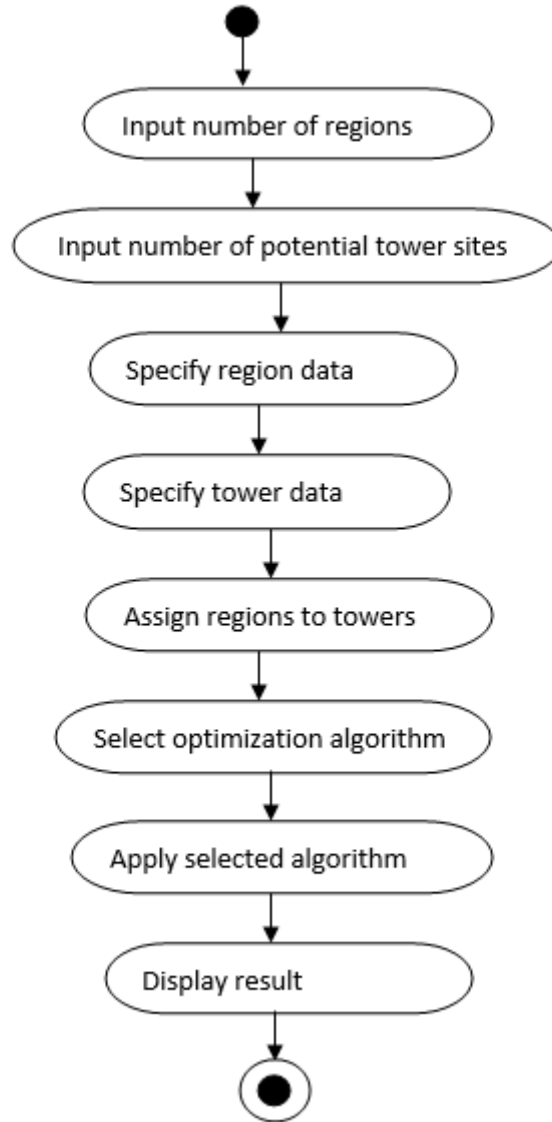
**Figure 1.3: Class Diagram of Greedy Algorithm**

**Tower class:** This class represents a potential location for the placement of a telecom mast.

**Region class:** This class represents a logical region, such as towns, in a local government area.

**Controller class:** The controller class encapsulates the Greedy Algorithm used to optimize the selection of location sites, handles the data input/output and the data flow between the various components of the system.

### Activity Diagram of Greedy Cellular Network Mast Hoisting



**Figure 1.4: Activity Diagram of Greedy Cellular Network Mast Hoisting**

## Program Algorithm for Greedy Algorithm

Begin

Specify the number of regions and possible cell towers/sites to be mounted

Validate specified number of cell towers

Enter population data values

Enter tower sites

Assign region data to tower site

Apply the selected algorithm to the data

Generate aggregate population covered

Using the selected tower sites, generate voronoi diagram

Terminate the application

End

## Test Results

A highlight of the results is shown in Figure 1.4 to Figure 1.7.



**Figure 1.4: Home Screen of the System**

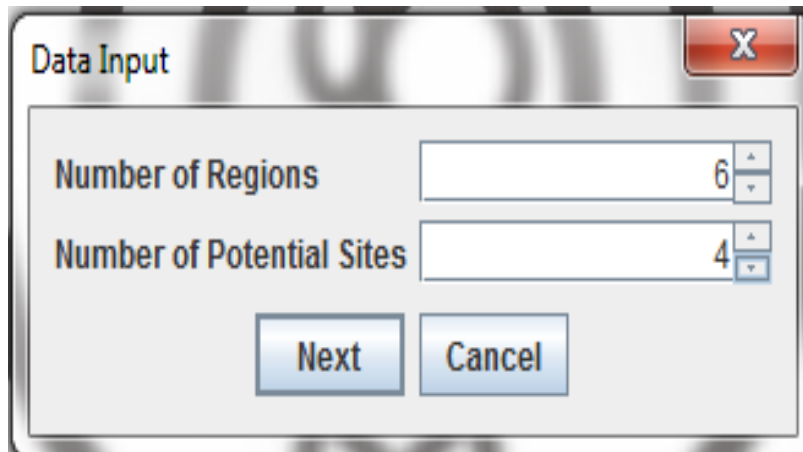


Figure 1.5: Data Input Screen of the System

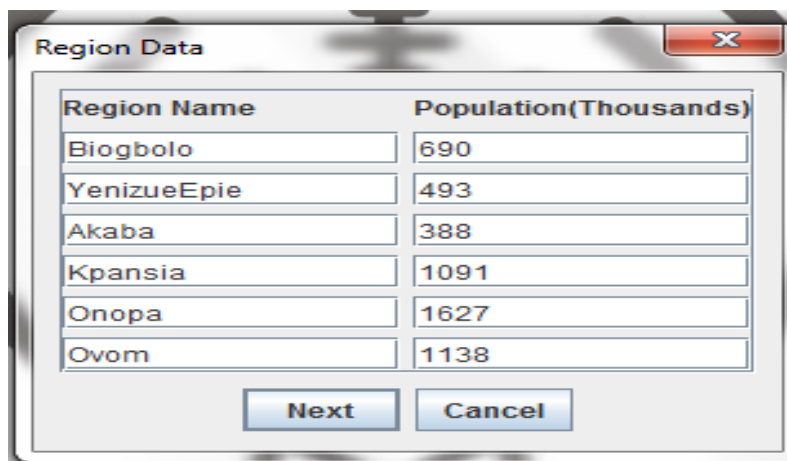


Figure 1.6: Region Data Input Screen of the System

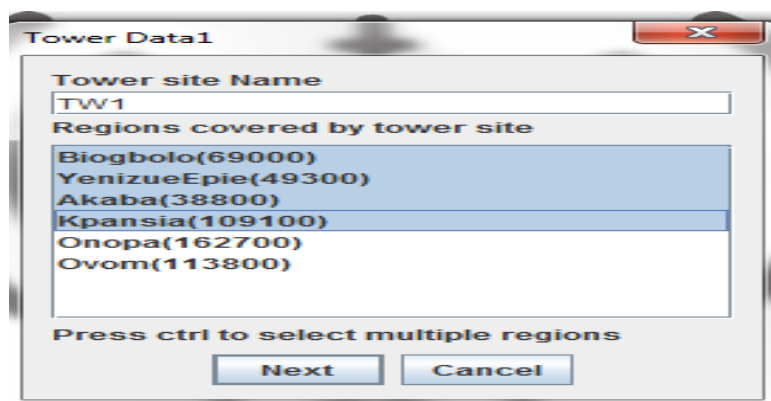


Figure 1.7: Tower Data Input Screen of the System



## DISCUSSION

Figure 1.4: The Home screen is displayed once the program is run to activate other modules under file and optimize menus.

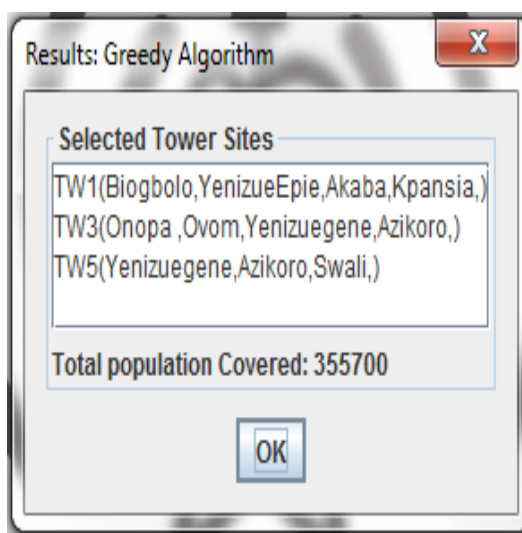
Figure 1.5: Data input is carried out to specify the number of regions the mast is expected to cover and the number of potential sites meant for those regions.

Figure 1.6: Region data is generated with respect to the population size for each region.

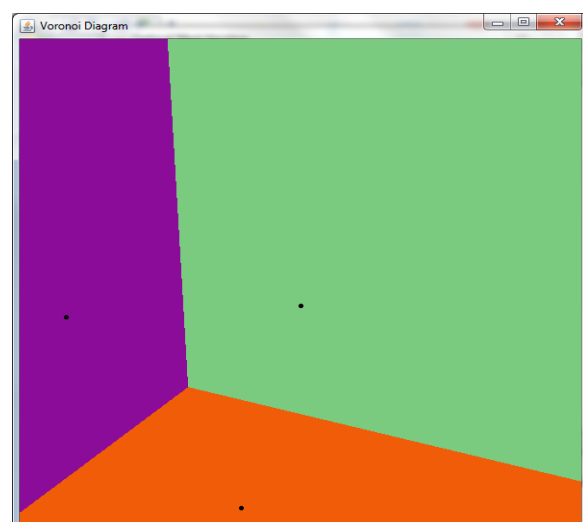
Figure 1.7: Tower data is inputted for each tower earlier specified and multiple regions are highlighted/selected to show optimal coverage of the total population in the generated regions.

Figure 1.8: Shows the result of the Greedy Algorithm.

Figure 1.9: Shows the population coverage area of mast hoisted.



**Figure 1.8**



**Figure 1.9: Voronoi Diagram**



**Table 1.1: Performance Evaluation of Greedy Algorithm on Cellular Mast Hoisting Over**

**Population Coverage**

S/ N	Number of regions	Number of potential tower sites	Selected sites (Greedy Algorithm)	
			Towers selected	Aggregate population covered
1	6	4	TW1, TW3	231,700
2	9	6	TW1, TW3, TW5	355,700

**Application Areas**

This research work can be applied in the following areas:

1. It can be applied in ad hoc mobile networking to efficiently route packets with the fewest number of hops and the shortest delay time.
2. It can also be used in Activity Selection Problems.

**CONCLUSION**

The essence of looking for optimal hoisting of cellular phone mast problems using computer-based algorithms is to provide a better quality of service and network coverage for users of cellular phone facilities, who need good service in order to carry out their day-to-day business transactions. In this work, Greedy Algorithm was looked at to handle the issue of optimal hoisting of cellular phone masts. The algorithm outputs a voronoi diagram to provide the basis for a computer-based solution to the problem of determining an optimal location for mast hoisting. This algorithm outputs the optimized number of cellular network masts to be hoisted, the exact towers that give the maximum/optimal network coverage and the voronoi diagram that shows the coverage area of sites.

**Suggestion for Further Research**

Analyze this Selection Greedy Algorithm with other types of Greedy Algorithms in respect to optimal hoisting of cellular phone masts, to know which one has the best coverage.



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