

## 1) Greedy Algorithm.

→ Mainly useful for optimization problem, optimization problem means maximizing (or) minimizing something.

→ Eg:- Shortest path (weighted or non-weighted).  
Longest path ( " ).

Knapsack problem. (fractional).

→ General Structure:-

getOptimal (Item arr [], int n)

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① Initialize res = 0;

② while ( not all items are not considered )

{

i = Select An item ();

if ( feasible (i) )  
res = res + i

}

③ Return res.

}

\* Note:- Greedy algorithm doesn't always give you an optimal solution.

\* (as Greedy select the next best not overall best.)

→ Can also be used find optimal close solution for NP hard problems. Eg:- Traveling salesman problem.