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Formal Project Proposal

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Title of Project:	Optimisation of Wireless Network Access Point Positioning Using Artificial Intelligence

Details of Project plans:

Brief description of topic:	Wireless networking is taken for granted, you can find it everywhere: in stores, on public transport, at work, where ever you go you can bet there will be a wireless network you can connect to. All these networks are transmitted from multiple wireless Access Points(APs). Each of these AP have a limited range and can be rather expensive (to buy and to run). A lot of time is spent considering creating a fine balance between signal strength and cost when designing a wireless network.
	This project will attempt to help with the design of a wireless network by using artificial intelligence algorithms to optimise the placement of multiple APs when given set area.
	Objectives - Create a problem space with the aid of a simulator that allows the measure the fitness of a solution Compile data from previous method and popular algorithms find areas where these algorithms could be improved Study other possible optimisation algorithms.
Aims and objectives:	Aims - Create an algorithm that will find the optimal placement for wireless APs with a set area. - Solutions will taking into consideration the simulated environment obstacle e.g. walls - Gain the highest signal coverage across the problem space with the minimal amount of AP's used. - The algorithm should also be able to scale with the same degree of accuracy ideally with minimal trade off in computational time.
Research done and steps to follow:	The current research carried out is on previous solutions to this issue and creating a problem space for which any algorithm can be added. Research in to the testing and the displaying of the solution will need to be performed, along with research into radio propagation theory and simulators.

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