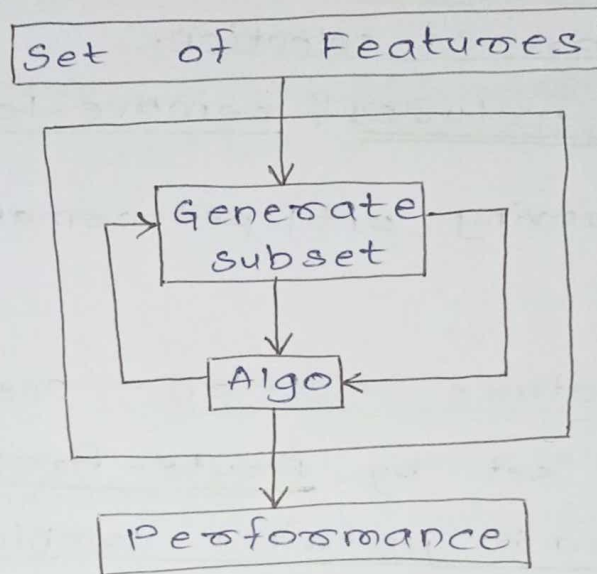


## 2) Wrapper Methods:-

↳ Find subset of features that optimizes the performance of ML model.

↳ create different combinations of subsets from feature sets, train the model, evaluate the model performance & compare. Then, select model with best performance.



### • Steps in Wrapper Methods:

- ① start with initial set of features (empty set / all features).
- ② Train model using selected feature subset.
- ③ Evaluate model performance using chosen metrics - accuracy, F1-score / cross-validation.
- ④ Modify subset based on result (ex. add, remove or swap features).
- ⑤ Repeat steps 2 to 4 until stopping criterion is met (ex. meet num. of features / meet highest improvement).

## • Some Techniques:-

- ① Forward Selection Method — Begin with empty set.
  - ↳ Iteratively add features & evaluate whether performance improve / not.
  - ↳ Add until go on improve performance.
- ② Backward Elimination — Iterative approach.
  - ↳ Opposite of forward selection.
  - ↳ Start with all features & remove least significant features.
  - ↳ Continue improving until performance improve.
- ③ Exhaustive Feature selection — One of the best.
  - ↳ Evaluate each set by Brute-force.
  - ↳ Try & make each possible combination of features & return best performance subset.
- ④ Recursive Feature Elimination —
  - ↳ Recursive Greedy Optimization method.
  - ↳ Select features by recursively taking smaller & smaller feature subsets.
  - ↳ Now, estimator is trained with each subset & each feature importance is determined by coef\_attribute / through feature-importance-attribute.



## • Advantages of Wrappers Methods —

- ① Model-centric — consider specific ML model & select most relevant features according to model performance.
- ② Feature Interaction Consideration — can capture interactions between features, unlike filter methods.
- ③ Optimization — Find best subset of features by optimizing specific performance metric.

## • Limitations of Wrappers Methods —

- ① Computational Cost — computationally expensive, especially large datasets / exhaustive search.
- ② Overfitting Risk — overfitting risk, especially for small datasets.
- ③ Model selection — ML Model influence results. different models  $\Rightarrow$  different optimal features.