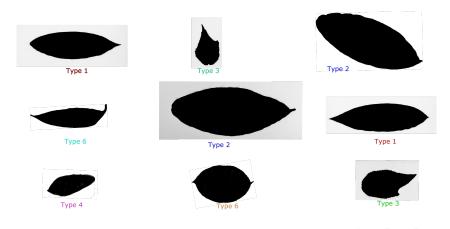
Problem





We need features

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- For different leaves the length of curvature will be different
- So, we wish to take a vector that will be of same length for all leaves.
- So we break the range of the curvature i.e. (0,1) into 20 parts and take the number of curvatures lying in the 20 intervals.

- As we can see, variable 1 alone is not enough to classify the leaves.
- Hence we introduce 2 new variables.

 The number of Inward and outward protrusions, or peak, often vary for different leaves.

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Hence we consider that feature for our analysis.

Dendrogram

- A dendrogram is a is a tree diagram frequently used to illustrate the arrangement of the clusters produced by hierarchical clustering.
- It first take the 2 points at shortest distance, and take their average. It then discards the two points and take their average as the new cluster.

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- Another classifier that we thought of taking into account is the thickness or thinness of the leaf.
- For this, we will use the idea of Principal Component Analysis.
- We will the consider the two eigen values which will give us a measure of thinness and thickness.



25 variables and 6 species in our database.

Result of our work

- Our database of 40 leaves were divided into 6 leaves for testing data and remaining for the training data.
- This method identified the correct species for all the testing data.

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Future directions

- We have considered a subjective cut-off (for dendogram) on the basis of our data. Further analysis can be done to modify it.
- There were only 6 species in our database. Work can be done further by increasing the data base.