

# Change Identifiers

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## 1 Introduction

This is a listing of the various possible change identifiers and the processes used to calculate them.

## 2 Form

All change identifiers should be of the form:

**Input:** The current dot pattern  $D$ .

**Input:** The previous value of this identifier  $ci_{-1}$ .

**Input:** The current footprint  $F$ .

**Output:** A value  $x$  indicating the change amount.

## 3 Normalisation

For the values to be useful they will need to be normalised to stop any inherent prioritisation. As such we should be able to get all values between 0 and 1, hopefully.

## 4 Change Identifiers

### 4.1 Change in centroid scaled by the bounding box

**Requires:**  $D$  and  $ci_{-1}$

**Preferred Data Structure:** Binary search tree such that extreme  $x$  and  $y$  dots are swiftly located.

**Process:**

The centroid is found by  $C = \frac{d_0 + d_1 + \dots + d_{n-1}}{n}$ , where  $n$  is the number of dots and  $d_0 \dots d_{n-1}$  is a dot from the set. However we need to scale by the bounding box so that we can know whether or not the change is small. Fig. 1 demonstrates this scaling effect.

**Pseudo-code:** see *Algorithm 1*

**Complexity:**  $O(n)$

**Normalisation:** To scale this value we need a maximum possible change.. not sure yet

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**Algorithm 1** Pseudo-code for Scaled Centroid

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**Input:** The current dot pattern  $D$ .

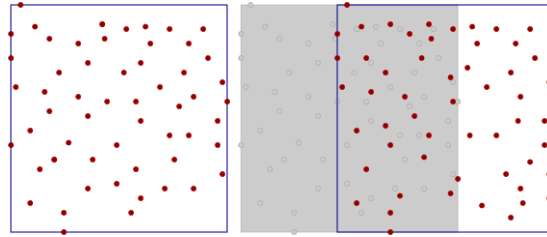
**Input:** A coordinate  $ci_{-1}$ : the previous scaled centroid

**Output:** A coordinate  $ci$  for this identifier

**Output:** A value  $c$  representing the change

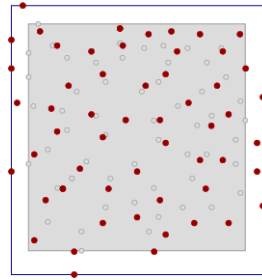
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1:  $x = 0$ 
2:  $y = 0$ 
3:  $count = 0$ 
4: for all  $D$  as  $d$  do
5:    $x += d_x$ 
6:    $y += d_y$ 
7:    $count++$ 
8: end for
9:  $ci_x = x / count$ 
10:  $ci_y = y / count$ 
11:  $d_{max(x)}, d_{min(x)}, d_{max(y)}, d_{min(y)}$  as the coordinates which represent the co-
    ordinate with the maximum  $x$  value, the minimum  $x$ , maximum  $y$  and
    minimum  $y$  respectively.
12: Use the intersections of these lines to find the bounding box key coordinates
    (bottom left corner  $B_1$  and top right corner  $B_2$ )
13:  $s = |B_1 - B_2|$  where  $s$  is our scaling value
14:  $ci_x = i_x / s$ 
15:  $ci_y = i_y / s$ 
16:  $c = |ci - ci_{-1}|$ 
17: return  $ci, c$ 
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(a) Original

(b) Centroid Moved



(c) Centroid Moved 2

Figure 1: Effect of scale on centroid measurement

## 4.2 Change in standard deviation from the bounding box

**Requires:**  $D$  and  $ci_{-1}$

**Preferred Data Structure:** Binary search tree such that extreme  $x$  and  $y$  dots are swiftly located.

**Process:**

The standard deviation is:

$$\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=0}^n |d_i - C|^2}{n}} \quad (1)$$

Where  $C$  is the centroid,  $n$  is the number of dots and  $d_i$  is a dot from the set. So the centroid will need to be found first. To save processing if this is coupled with *Identifier 4.1* we should store the value, to this end a library of information should be built up to save re-performing calculations.

**Pseudo-code:** see *Algorithm 2*

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### Algorithm 2 Pseudo-code for Standard Deviation from Centroid

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**Input:** The current dot pattern  $D$ .

**Input:** A value  $ci_{-1}$ : the previous standard deviation

**Output:** A value  $ci$  for this identifier

**Output:** A value  $c$  representing the change

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1:  $x = 0$ 
2:  $y = 0$ 
3:  $count = 0$ 
4: for all  $D$  as  $d$  do
5:    $x += d_x$ 
6:    $y += d_y$ 
7:    $count++$ 
8: end for
9:  $ce_x = x / count$  where  $ce$  is the centroid
10:  $ce_y = y / count$ 
11:  $ci = 0$ 
12: for all  $D$  as  $d$  do
13:    $ci = (|d - C|)^2$ 
14: end for
15:  $ci = ci / count$ 
16:  $ci = \sqrt{ci}$ 
17:  $c = ci - ci_{-1}$ 
18: return  $ci, c$ 
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**Complexity:**  $O(2n)$

**Normalisation:** To normalise this we need a maximum possible deviation ...  
hmmm

### 4.3 Change in distances between the medians on the axes

**Requires:**  $D$  and  $ci_{-1}$

**Preferred Data Structure:** We need an structure that allows us to have both the x and y coordinates ordered. A 2-dimensional tree structure should allow this.

**Process:**

The median on either access can be easily located as long as the dots are ordered. Once the median is found we take the total difference between the dots coordinate values on both axes and take this as our value.

**Pseudo-code:** see *Algorithm 3*

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**Algorithm 3** Pseudo-code for Distances between the medians

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**Input:** The current dot pattern  $D$ .

**Input:** A value  $ci_{-1}$ : the previous median values

**Output:** A value  $ci$  for this identifier

**Output:** A value  $c$  representing the change

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1:  $L_x$ : an empty list
2:  $L_y$ : an empty list
3:  $count = 0$ 
4: [This looping may not be necessary, we may have the size already and the tree
   structure will give us a way of locating the middle value.]
5: for all  $D_x$  as  $x$  do
6:     add  $x$  to  $L_x$ 
7:      $count++$ 
8: end for
9: for all  $D_y$  as  $y$  do
10:    add  $y$  to  $L_y$ 
11: end for
12:  $ci_x$ 
13:  $ci_y$ 
14: if  $count \bmod 2 == 0$  then
15:      $i = \text{ceil}(count/2)$ 
16:      $ci_x = L_x(i_1)$ 
17:      $ci_y = L_y(i_1)$ 
18: else
19:      $i_1 = \text{ceil}(count/2)$ 
20:      $i_2 = i_1 + 1$ 
21:      $ci_x = (L_x(i_1) + L_x(i_2))/2$ 
22:      $ci_y = (L_y(i_1) + L_y(i_2))/2$ 
23: end if
24:  $c = ci_x - ci_{-1x}$ 
25:  $c += ci_y - ci_{-1y}$ 
26: return  $c, ci$ 
```

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**Complexity:**  $O(2n)$

**Normalisation:** To normalise this value we need a maximum possible change..  
not sure

#### 4.4 Proportion of points outside the boundary of the previous footprint

**Requires:**  $D$  and  $F$

**Preferred Data Structure:** Irrelevant as long as it can be easily looped through

**Process:**

Using the ray tracing method we count the number of dots external to the footprint and then return this as a proportion of the total number of dots.  
Currently we will count dots on the boundary to be within the point set.

**Pseudo-code:** see *Algorithm 4*

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**Algorithm 4** Pseudo-code for Proportion of points outside the boundary of the previous footprint

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**Input:** The current dot pattern  $D$ .

**Input:** The current footprint  $F$ .

**Output:** A value  $ci$  for this identifier

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1: externalCount = 0
2: count = 0
3: for all  $D$  as  $d$  do
4:   intersectionCount = 0
5:   for all  $F$  as  $f$  do
6:      $s$  start vertex of edge  $f$ 
7:      $e$  end vertex of edge  $f$ 
8:     line equation =  $y = d_y$ 
9:     Find  $i$  intersection of edge and line.
10:    if  $i \in f$  &&  $i_x \geq d_x$  then
11:      intersectionCount++
12:    end if
13:  end for
14:  if intersectionCount mod 2 == 0 then
15:    externalCount++
16:  end if
17:  count++
18: end for
19:  $ci = (externalCount/count)$ 
20: return  $ci$ 
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**Complexity:**  $O(nm)$  where  $m$  is the number of edges.

**Normalisation:** Already Normalised

## 4.5 Change in number of dots

**Requires:**  $D$  and  $ci_{-1}$

**Preferred Data Structure:** Irrelevant as long as it can be counted

**Process:**

Simple one, just count the number of dots and see if there's a change.

**Pseudo-code:** see *Algorithm 5*

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**Algorithm 5** Pseudo-code for Number of dots

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**Input:** The current dot pattern  $D$ .

**Input:** A value  $ci_{-1}$ : the previous count

**Output:** A value  $ci$  for this identifier

**Output:** A value  $c$  representing the change

```
1:  $ci = 0$ 
2: for all  $D$  as  $d$  do
3:    $ci++$ 
4: end for
5:  $c = ci - ci_{-1}$ 
6: return  $c, ci$ 
```

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**Complexity:**  $O(n)$

**Normalisation:** To normalise this value we need a maximum possible change..  
not sure yet

## 4.6 Difference in area of bounding box

**Requires:**  $D$  and  $ci_{-1}$

**Preferred Data Structure:** Binary search tree such that extreme  $x$  and  $y$  dots are swiftly located.

**Process:**

Once the bounding box is found then we can just compare their areas which is  $h * w$ .

**Pseudo-code:** see *Algorithm 6*

**Complexity:**  $O(\log n)$  assuming a log search for extreme values

**Normalisation:** To normalise this value we need a maximum possible change..  
not sure yet

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**Algorithm 6** Pseudo-code for Bounding Box Area

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**Input:** The current dot pattern  $D$ .

**Input:** A value  $ci_{-1}$ : the previous count

**Output:** A value  $ci$  for this identifier

**Output:** A value  $c$  representing the change

- 1:  $d_{max(x)}, d_{min(x)}, d_{max(y)}, d_{min(y)}$  as the coordinates which represent the coordinate with the maximum  $x$  value, the minimum  $x$ , maximum  $y$  and minimum  $y$  respectively.
  - 2: Use the intersections of these lines to find the bounding box key coordinates (bottom left corner  $B_1$  and top right corner  $B_2$ )
  - 3:  $ci = (B_{2_x} - B_{1_x}) * (B_{2_y} - B_{1_y})$
  - 4:  $c = ci - ci_{-1}$
  - 5: **return**  $c, ci$
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