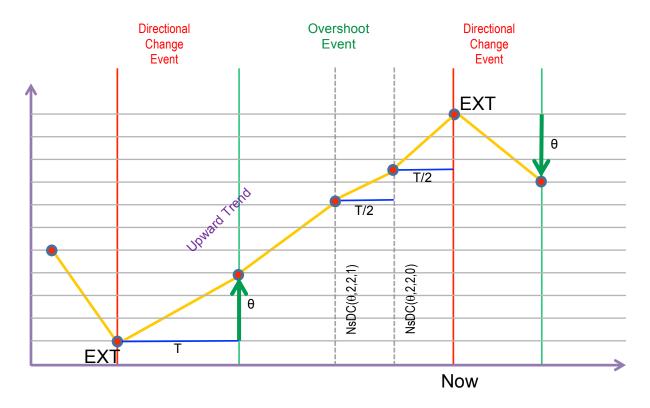
Notations for Directional Change (DC) research Edward Tsang Research Note WP073-14 17 April 2014 Revised 25 September 2014 Revised 7 October 2014

Background:

Many researchers from multiple sites are working on Directional Changes. I suggest we use the same language and notations. This way we can avoid misunderstanding and improve communication efficiency.

Name / Description	Notation
Threshold	θ
Extreme point	EXT
Directional Change	DC
Upward Directional Change	DC↑
Downward Directional Change	DC↓
Directional Changes of threshold θ	$DC(\theta)$, $DC \uparrow (\theta)$, $DC \downarrow (\theta)$
Current price	P _c
Price at extreme point	P _{EXT}
Price at upward Directional Change Confirmation point	$P_{DCC\uparrow} \ge P_{EXT} \times (1 + \theta)$
Minimal price at upward Directional Change Confirmation point	$P_{DCC\uparrow^*} = P_{EXT} \times (1 + \theta) \le$
	P _{DCC↑}
Highest price in the current trend	P _{Hi}
Lowest price in the current trend	P _{Lo}
Overshoot value	$OSV = ((P_c - P_{DCC^*}) \div P_{DCC^*})$
At DC confirmation, OSV=0;	÷θ
At $P_c = P_{EXT} \times (1+2\theta)$, OSV = 1; in general:	
At $P_c=P_{EXT} \times (1+k\theta)$, where k>0, OSV = k-1	
At $P_c = P_{EXT} \times (1-k\theta)$, where k>0, OSV = -k+1	
Number of DCs of threshold γ over time period τ	$NDC(\gamma, \tau)$
Given a threshold θ that took time T, the Number of DCs of	NsDC(θ, d, k, t)
threshold θ ÷d over a time period from Now – (T÷k)*(t+1) to Now –	= NDC(θ÷d, [Now-
(T÷k)*t	(T÷k)*(t+1), Now-(T÷k)*t]
In other words, when t=0, NsDC(θ , d, 2, 0) counts NDC(θ ÷d, [Now-	
(T÷k), Now])	



 $NsDC(\theta,\,d,\,k,\,t) = NDC(\theta \div d,\,[Now-(T \div k)^*(t+1),\,Now-(T \div k)^*t]$ where NDC(\gamma,\,\tau) = number of DCs of threshold \gamma over time period \tau