

# **Review of Handjet Hebrew**

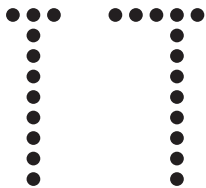
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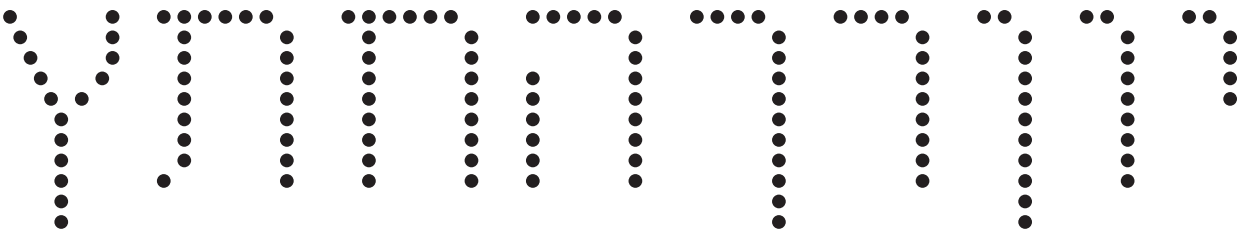
(2.5 Hours)

Handjet Hebrew – Divided to groups

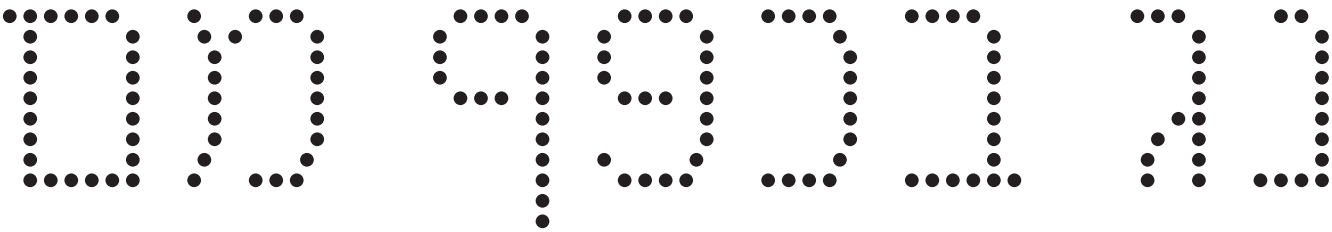
dalet group



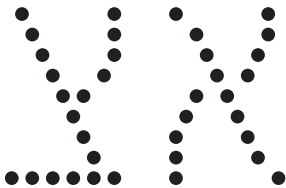
yod group



backstroke group



diagonal group



round base group



easy group



**In the next few slides are comparison/reference models for similar Hebrew fonts as well as a relatively rounded "neo-grotesque" model (Narkiss Hadash)**

Reference model: **Alias G7** (Hebrew pixel font)

dalet group

yod group

backstroke group

diagonal group

round base group

easy group

Exemplary model: **Narkiss Hadash** (neo-grotesque with rounded roofs)

dalet group

דז

yod group

יוןרהחתץ

backstroke group

נג בככפך מם

diagonal group

אצ

round base group

טסשע

easy group

לק

Reference model: **Anemya** (Hebrew font based on cash register receipts)

dalet group  
ד ד

yod group  
י י ו ו ק ק ת ת ז ז

backstroke group  
נ נ ג ג כ כ פ פ צ צ

diagonal group  
ז ז א א

round base group  
ע ע ש ש ס ס ט ט

easy group  
ק ק ל ל

Reference model: **Sixty Seven** (Hebrew font based on old telegram machines)

dalet group

דד

yod group

יווההתץ

backstroke group

נג בכפף מם

diagonal group

צא

round base group

טסשע

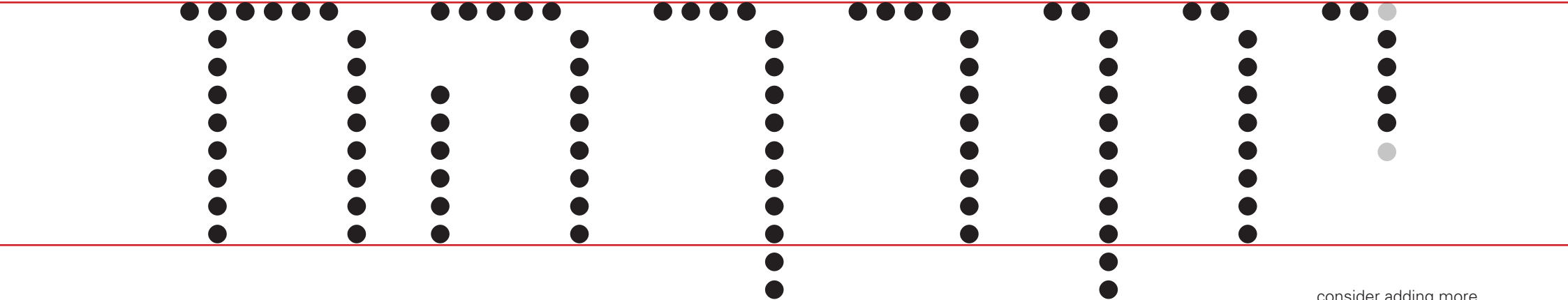
easy group

לק

**The next slides are dedicated to specific corrections to glyphs, informed by the models previously mentioned**

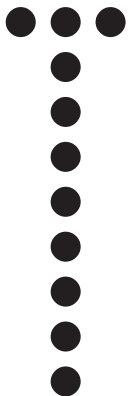


Glyph corrections: yod group

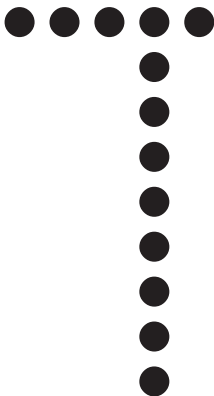


consider adding more  
"presence" to ף yod by  
adding a dot at the  
bottom or the top right

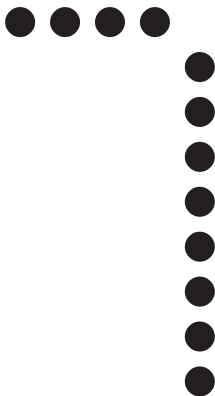
Glyph corrections: dalet group



Worth to try: a different construction for ז zayin - diagonal stem / sloping roof / curved stem

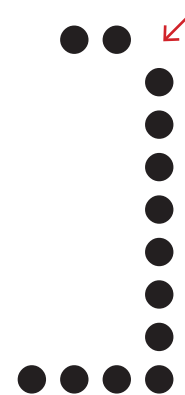
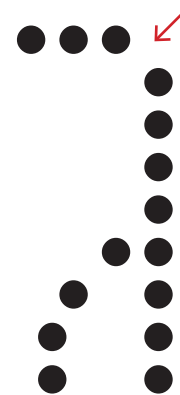
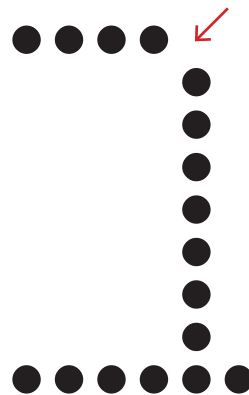
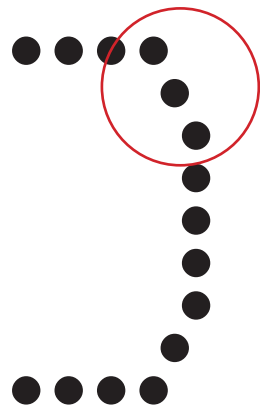


ד dalet can be a tiny bit narrower, compare to the counter of ר resh



## Glyph corrections: backstroke group

consider applying כ kaf's top right to gimel, nun and bet for chipping off a bit of the white space in the inner counters

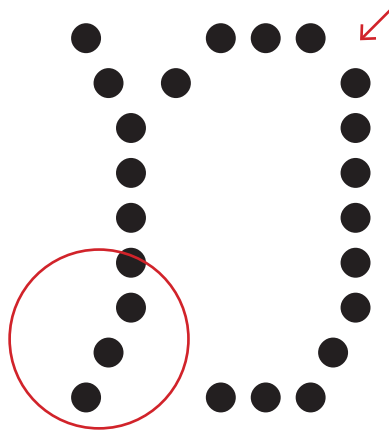


ב bet seems a bit too wide, perhaps applying the top right edge from כ kaf will improve it

roof in ג gimel is a dot too wide.  
bottom diagonal should be reconsidered - make the white space beneath it slightly smaller



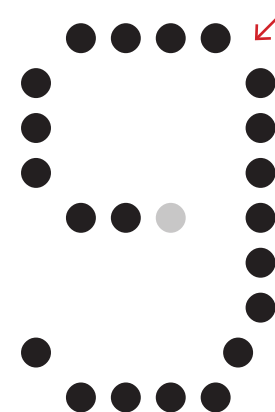
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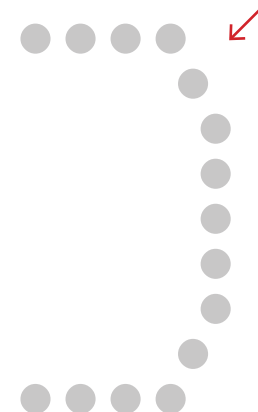
Try a top right like kaf?  
The strong diagonal on the bottom left is a bit distracting - maybe try to play it down a bit or make the entire stem a bit curvy?

 narkis block

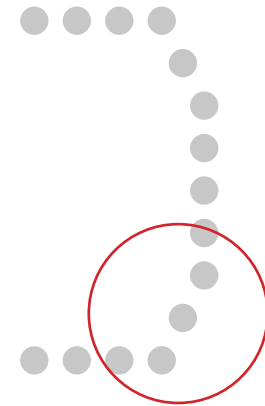
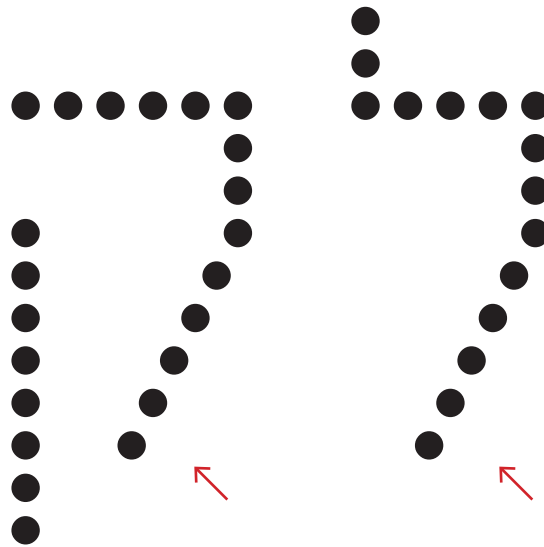
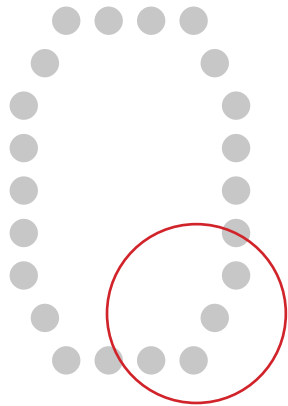
 david



The inward stroke seems a bit exaggerated. Try to take off one dot. Perhaps it should also feature a more curvy top right as in kaf?



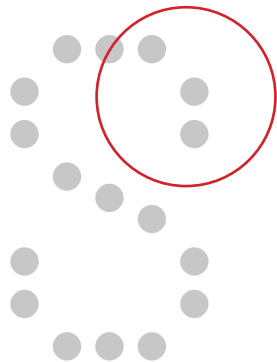
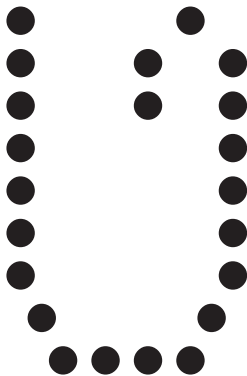
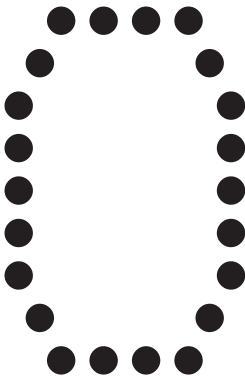
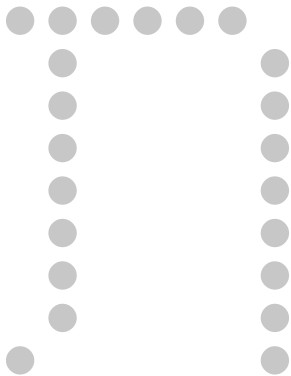
## Glyph corrections: easy group



The straight diagonals are a bit out of place against all the rounder letterforms in the set. Also ל lamed seems a touch too narrow. Try to incorporate a rounder bottom right edge (similar to pe, tet and samekh but even more extreme) and apply it to qof as well



Glyph corrections: rounded base group

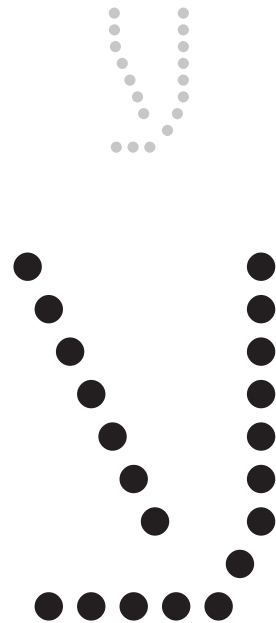


Looks too narrow (this is one of the wide letters). Slightly widen or make top left straighter (like he/het/tav). Or both :)

I like the simple downward-curving stroke on the top right, but maybe consider having it more centered in the letterform? Not very sure about this comment but worth a try. Maybe make top left also curving inwards?



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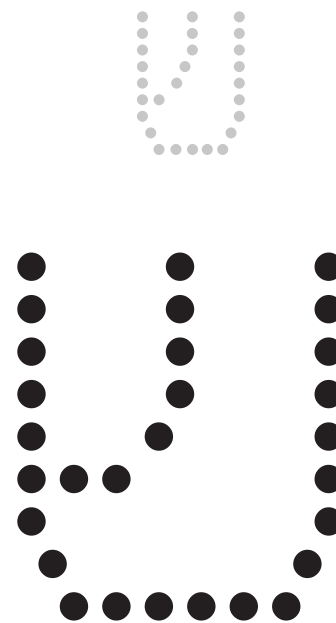


Seems a bit too wide. Maybe instead of straight diagonal, do something that reminds of the left stem in mem (straight then diagonal / curving outwards).  
Also maybe consider an ץ ayin that slopes below the baseline?



narkis hadash

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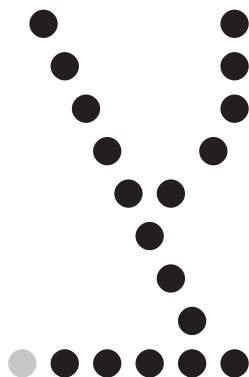
Too wide. Maybe against a wider samekh it will look less exaggerated, but I think it's worth narrowing the two counters on either side of the middle stem.



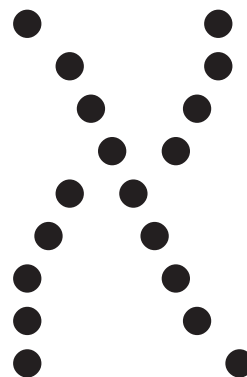
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## Glyph corrections: diagonal group



Maybe take one dot off the base stroke.



Too much white space on the right side - I would make the rightward stem connect lower with the main diagonal.