





# Synastry & Composite Charts Week 1

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# Logistics



- Class meets on Sundays through 12/1 from 1-4PM EST
- Chat feature
- Raise hand feature
- How to ask questions & share
- [Travis@TrustPsyche.com](mailto:Travis@TrustPsyche.com) for any questions or needs
- Videos, audios, supporting materials & assignments for each week



# Orbs of Influence



ASPECT	NAME	ANGLE	SYNASTRY ORBS
	Conjunction	0°00'	10°-12° (up to 15°)
	Opposition	180°00'	10°-12° (up to 15°)
	Trine	120°00'	8°-10°
	Square	90°00'	8°-10°
	Sextile	60°00'	4°-6°



# Synastry Systematic Approach: Order of Significance of Chart Factors



1. Gather Birth Information
2. Analyze each Individual Chart Separately
3. Set up the Bi-wheel and Analyze the First chart as the Inner Wheel
4. Reverse the Bi-Wheel (if both Charts have Birth Times)



# Which House System to use?



1. I use Placidus because it has worked for me empirically in my 17 years of practice, and because I like it.
2. I affirm whatever house system you use, as long as it works for you. I encourage you to do your own exploration and find the house system that works for you. See "House System" PDF for an overview and explanation.
3. The fundamental holographic structuring of the universe means that any information that shows up in the house systems will also show up elsewhere, alleviating the pressure to find the "right" house system.

\*Historically there is no "right" house system as all 3 kinds of house systems (whole-sign, equal & quadrant) are originally present in the 3 founding texts of Hellenistic astrology (Hermes, Asclepius, Petosiris & Nechepso).



# Depth Psychology & an Archetypal Approach



- Multivalence – the range of potential expressions and manifestations of the archetypal energies
  - Light & shadow
  - Gifts & challenges
  - Strengths & needs for support
  - Conscious & unconscious
  - Clear & distorted
  - Healthy & unhealthy
  - Balanced & unbalanced
  - Regulated & dysregulated



# Depth Psychology & an Archetypal Approach



- Multidimensionality – all the levels of consciousness and existence upon which these energies may express and manifest
  - (this is symbolic interpretation, literal interpretation is only one possibility of a broad range of expressions)
  - Physical
  - Psychological
  - Emotional
  - Relational
  - Spiritual
  - Mental



# Depth Psychology & an Archetypal Approach



Multidimensionality example:

Saturn transiting natal Sun in hard aspect: one theme is "death of self." I can guarantee you that archetypally speaking that this transit will correlate with the death of self. Does this mean that the person will literally die under this transit? If you live to 90 years old you will go through 3 Saturn conjunctions to the Sun. By the time you are 30 you will have gone 4 hard aspects to the Sun, by the time you are 60, 8 hard aspects, by the time your are 90, 12 hard aspects to the Sun. So, no, it is unlikely that you will literally die under this transit.



# Depth Psychology & an Archetypal Approach



Multidimensionality example:

Psychologically speaking this transit will correlate with the "death of self," meaning there will be a period of losing an aspect of one's identity. A person must first know what they are identified with or what gives them a sense of self in order to see how they have lost that part. This loss can be temporary or it can be permanent.



# 3 Levels of Synastry Interpretation



1. Chart A → Chart B (Sun conjunct Venus)
2. Chart B → Chart A (Venus conjunct Sun)
3. The shared field of Charts A & B (Sun-Venus alignment)



# 3 Levels of Synastry Interpretation Demo



Sun-Venus example:

## 1. Chart A to B

- Multivalence: Light then Shadow
- Multidimensionality: Levels

## 2. Chart B to A repeat in opposite direction

## 3. Shared field repeat as one complex

