An Outline of the Uranian System

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The Uranian system of astrology is based on two primary concepts: *sensitive points* and *symmetry*. The personal points are the first order grouping of sensitive points. These are listed below. Other planetary positions are less important as points in themselves, but they may significantly modify other points. Midpoints and planetary pictures are structures that designate the expression of sensitive points. Uranian astrology is a system that does not require a zodiac, except as a convenience in designating the location of sensitive points. Houses are also not critical to the system, although they are utilized in a particularly flexible way.

The Personal Points

The personal points in Uranian Astrology are points that refer to the more immediate and more intimate voices within us. They function like antennae, pulling in the "energies" of the other planets or combinations of planets which are then expressed in very personal ways.

Midheaven - the individuality, the real self Sun - the male element, vitality, the drive for personal significance Moon - the female element, the brain, the feelings Ascendant - the contact boundary with others Moon's Node - links and connections with others Aries Point - contact with the world at large

Midpoints and Planetary Pictures

A Midpoint is the point midway between two planets or sensitive points. Midpoints are found by adding the absolute zodiacal longitude of any two planets and dividing this figure by 2. Midpoints between planets appear to be particularly powerful when the two planets are in aspect to each other. Midpoints are generally written as follows: Sun at the midpoint of Uranus and Moon: Sun=Moon/Uranus.

Planetary pictures are groupings of planets that share common midpoints, that is a common axis. A single planet located at the midpoint of two others planets or personal points constitute the simplest form of planetary picture. Planetary pictures are often given in computer software as "midpoint trees."

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Standard form for expressing planetary pictures: example: Sun = 10 Aires, Moon = 10 Taurus, Mercury = 25 Aries Sun + Moon = Mercury + Mercury....or Mercury = Sun/Moon
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More complex symmetry favors this form of equation. example: Sun = 10 Aries, Moon = 10 Taurus, Venus = 10 Gemini, Mars = 10 Pisces Sun + Moon = Venus + Mars The common axis here is 25 degrees of Aries

Antiscia

Antiscia are points equidistant from a planet and the Cancer/Capricorn axis. They are a planet's reflection point relative to the Cancer-Capricorn axis. The antiscia of a planet at 27 degrees of Taurus will be 3 degrees of Leo, both points being 33 degrees from the point 0 degrees of Cancer.

Houses on the 360 Degree Dial

The standard approach to houses is dispensed with in the Uranian system. Instead, a series of equal house systems are employed, each starting from a specific point and, theoretically, offering information specific to the starting points symbolism. Typically, a 360-degree dial is utilized and rotated to the appropriate starting point.

Meridian houses - 0 degrees is Cancer placed on Midheaven, houses determined by adding 2 hours of sidereal time to the RAMC.

Ascendant houses - 0 degrees of Libra placed on the Ascendant Moon houses - 0 degrees of Cancer placed on Moon Node houses - 0 degrees of Libra placed on Node Sun houses - 0 degrees of Capricorn placed on Sun Other Planet houses - 0 degrees of Capricorn placed on planet

The Transneptunian Planets

These hypothetical planets were "discovered" by Alfred Witte and Friedrich Siegrunn and have become a part of the system of Uranian Astrology. They appear to be orbits that lie outside of the orbits of Neptune and Pluto, but no solid bodies have ever been discovered that correspond to these orbits.

Cupido - integration, alliance, community, culture Hades - disintegration, decay, revulsion Zeus - realization, direction, focused energy Kronos - mastery, management, authority, superiority Apollon - success, broad perspective, commerce Admetos - condensation, form, rotation, core and center Vulcanus - force, might, sustained force and energy Poseidon - ideation, spirit, truth, enlightenment

Solar Arc Directions

Along with transits, solar arc directions are a major dynamic technique in the Uranian System. Because of the emphasis on symmetry, the midpoint of the solar arc Sun (progressed Sun) and the natal Sun becomes a valid moving point in and of itself – it is the *half solar arc*. The point that is the same distance ahead of the solar arc Sun as it is from the natal Sun's position is called the *double solar arc*. The midpoint of the double solar arc and the natal Sun is the solar arc.

 $Solar\,Arc =$ the difference between the progressed Sun and the natal Sun $Half\,Solar\,Arc =$ the moving midpoint of the progressed Sun and natal Sun $Double\,Solar\,Arc =$ the moving point that reflects the progessed Sun/natal Sun angle.