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About this eBook

Reference notice: Astrodynes are a set of calculations developed by Elbert Benjamine and William Drake in 1946. They measure the strength and functionality of the planets, aspects, signs and houses in any birth chart.

They're employed in The Hermetic System of Astrology to clarify the astro-data embedded in individual birth charts.

The calculations are explained in Brotherhood of Light Course 16 – *Stellar Healing* – by CC Zain and *The Astrodyne Manual* by Elbert Benjamine and all the information presented in this book is referenced to these two sources.

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Dedication: *Astrodynes* is dedicated to Elbert Benjamine and William Drake. Thanks for developing the calculations and providing us with the means to measure the data in our birth charts.

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Author's note

According to an entry on Wikipedia astrology is the study of the movements and relative positions of celestial objects as a means for divining information about human affairs and terrestrial events.

Well...that's a popular conception based on the star-gazing practiced by fortune-tellers, but it's a misconception when applied to Hermetic astrology.

Science, according to an entry on Wikipedia, is a systematic enterprise that builds and organizes knowledge in the form of testable explanations and predictions about the universe. And according to this definition Hermetic astrology is a science.

It's an organized data-base of testable explanations and predictions about the soul and the role that the planets and zodiac signs play in its intelligence and ability development. The universe embraces everything that exists and that includes you. So, Hermetic astrology is an organized body of testable esoteric knowledge. It's the science of the soul and stars.

Hermetic astrology provides a truck-load of evidence-based science that refutes the claims of its uninformed opponents.

It is not fortune-telling and its theories have never been tested by astronomers and biologists who dismiss astrology as nonsense without investigation.

The hallmark of Hermetic astrology is the birth chart.

It's a chart or map of the planets and zodiac signs that's constructed for a specified time and place. And Hermetic astrology's evidence-based science proves that your chart defines your character and provides a blueprint for the subsequent development of your innate intelligence and ability.

In 1946 when Hermetic astrology added measurement to its spectacular body of testable explanations Elbert Benjamine explained:

‘This is a period of technological development. Radar, television, atomic energy, jet-propelled planes, rockets and machines operated through remote control are a few of the recent developments due to greater technological knowledge. And it would be strange if astrology, during this period, did not experience certain technological improvements. We consider astrodynes – Stellar Dynamics – to set up a still further milestone marking the progress of astrological knowledge and practice.’

And with their development Hermetic astrology became truly scientific. The numbers rewrote the chart interpretation handbook and permit a better understanding of the astro-psycho-physical laws.

The numbers take the estimation and guesswork out of astrology, so the data embedded in your birth chart becomes much more interesting. Each astrological message is tagged with a number score that clarifies its meaning.

Hermetic astrology provides the only mathematically sound method of measuring birth chart data. As developed by Elbert Benjamine and William Drake, the astrodynes are the system’s official measuring procedure, but they have not been widely adopted by the astrological community. Information explaining their use and purpose is scant.

Astrodynes are also known as cosmodynes, but it is not good science to call the same thing by different names. Good science employs consistency in its terminology. The identification references astrodynes and cosmodynes mean the same thing.

With astrodynes Hermetic astrology went from top-notch to superb. But at the moment there isn’t a great demand for scientific astrological information. People will have to be educated to know the benefits of Hermetic astrology and their birth charts and that, when it comes to astrology, the days of belief, guesswork, estimation, speculation and conjecture are now long gone.

Dennis Sutton,
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An astrodyne fact-file

Astrodyne: a unit of astrological power

Harmodyne: a unit of astrological harmony

Discordyne: a unit of astrological discord

Astrodynes: an identification reference that refers to the astrodynes, harmodynes and discordynes collectively

The astrodyne calculations are based on observed astrological principles

The astrodynes are relative measurements that permit power, harmony or discord scaling and comparison

Astrodynes, harmodynes and discordynes are not absolute measurements

The astrodyne percentage scores for a chart calculated for an almost accurate birth time can be considered reliable

When the astrodynes are applied to the same birth chart on two different occasions they give the same measurements

And the astrodynes for your not quite accurate birth chart can be considered reliable for all practical purposes

Astrodyne words – a vocabulary list

Astrodynes: The set of calculations that measure the power and functionality of each planet, aspect, sign and house in any birth chart.

Astrodynes measure power.

Harmodynes measure harmony.

Discordynes measure discord.

Collectively astrodynes, harmodynes and discordynes are referred to as astrodynes.

Astrodyne: a unit of astrological power

Power: A reference that identifies the strength of a birth chart marker

Power score: The number of astrodynes possessed by a planet, aspect, sign or house in any birth chart that measures its power potential

Harmony - harmonious: A reference that identifies a birth chart marker as harmonious and fortunate

Harmodyne: a unit of astrological harmony that measures the function expressing in any birth chart

Harmony score: the number of harmodynes possessed by a planet, aspect, sign or house in any birth chart that measures its harmony potential

Discord - discordant: A reference that identifies a birth chart marker as discordant and unfortunate

Discordyne: A unit of astrological discord that measures the dysfunction expressing in any birth chart

Discord score: The number of discordynes possessed by a planet, aspect, sign or house in any birth chart that measures its discord potential

Astrodynes and planets

Dominant planet: The planet with the highest number of astrodynes

Prominent planet: A planet with more than 8.3% of a chart's total power

Harmonious planet: Any planet with a harmony score

Discordant planet: Any planet with a discord score

Best planet: The planet with the highest number of harmodynes

Worst planet: The planet with the highest number of discordynes

Astrodynes and aspects

Aspect: An angular relationship between 2 planets that has an observable astrological influence. Hermetic astrology identifies 10 aspects.

The aspects in your birth chart mark for thought-compounds in your not-conscious mind that have been formed and developed by experience.

Each aspect has a keyword description.

Neutral aspect: A conjunction, inconjunct or parallel aspect in any birth chart that marks for a not-conscious thought-compound that's embedded with neutral – no harmony-no discord – desire energy

Harmonious aspect: A trine, sextile or semisextile aspect in any birth chart that marks for a not-conscious thought-compound that's embedded with harmonious desire energy.

Harmonious thought-compounds desire fortunate events and conditions.

Discordant aspect: An opposition, square, sesquiquare or semisquare aspect in any birth chart that marks for a not-conscious thought-compound that's embedded with discordant desire energy.

Discordant thought-compounds desire unfortunate events and conditions which are destined to occur if nothing is done to harmonize the misguided thinking.

Best aspect: The aspect with the highest number of harmodynes

Worst aspect: The aspect with the highest discordyne score

Astrodynes and zodiac signs

Zodiac sign: A region of the zodiac that expresses its own distinct attitude-motivation and mode of living

Sun sign: The sign in which the Sun is located

Moon sign: The sign in which the Moon is located

Ascendant sign: The sign in which the ascendant is located

Dominant sign: The sign with the highest number of astrodynes

Best sign: The sign with the highest number of harmodynes

Worst sign: The sign with the highest number of discordynes

Astrodynes and houses

House: A segment of the birth chart related to definite life-matters, activities and social relationships that corresponds to a compartment of the astral body. There are 12 houses in the birth chart.

Dominant house: The house with the highest number of astrodynes

Best house: The house with the highest number of harmodynes

Worst house: The house with the highest number of discordynes

Symbols in astrology

The planets and zodiac signs in your birth chart and the aspects formed by the planets recorded on your chart's aspect grid are identified by symbols

The planets

☉	Sun
☾	Moon
☿	Mercury
♀	Venus
♂	Mars
♃	Jupiter
♄	Saturn
♅	Uranus
♆	Neptune
♇	Pluto

The zodiac signs

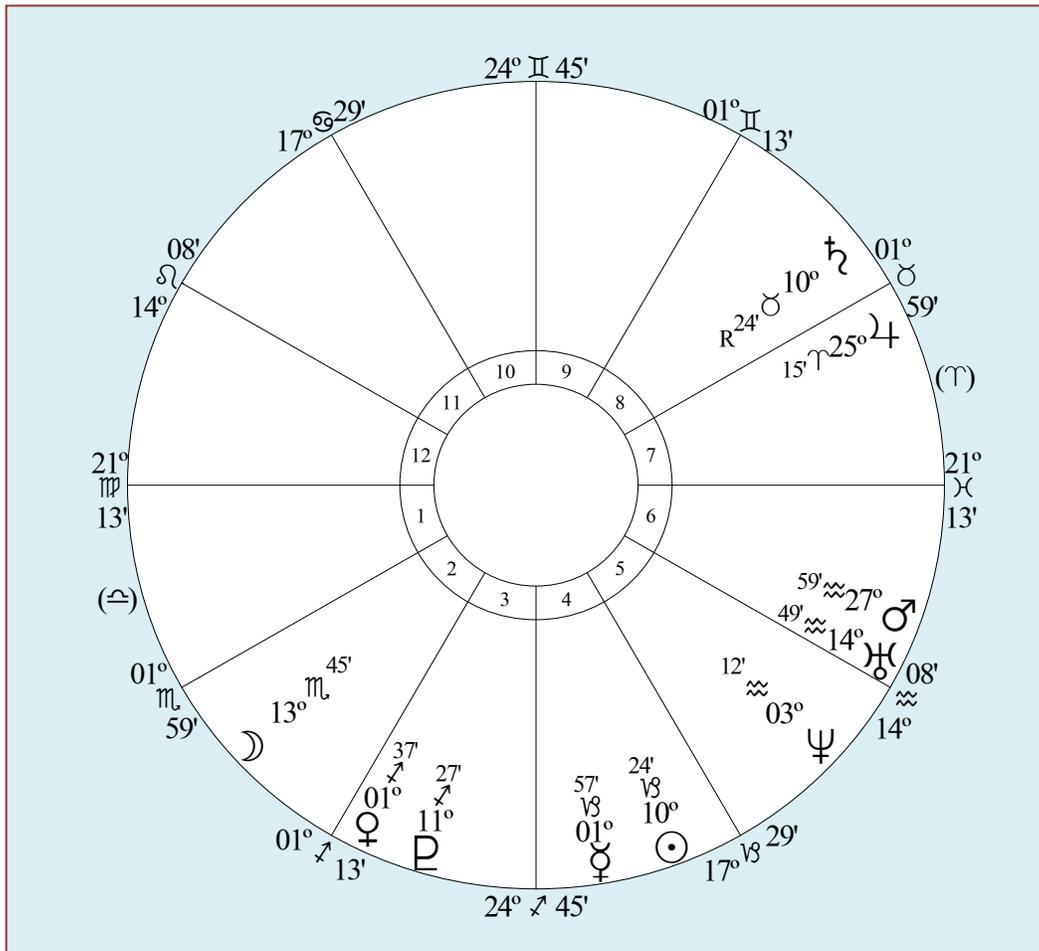
♈	Aries
♉	Taurus
♊	Gemini
♋	Cancer
♌	Leo
♍	Virgo
♎	Libra
♏	Scorpio
♐	Sagittarius
♑	Capricorn
♒	Aquarius
♓	Pisces

The aspects

♌	Conjunction	△	Trine
♍	Semisextile	◻	Sesquisquare
♎	Semisquare	⋈	Inconjunct
♏	Sextile	♋	Opposition
◻	Square		Parallel

The birth chart

The computer program takes in the birth data and calculates the birth chart. It's a reliable, time-efficient way of calculating the chart.



The birth chart is described as a wheel with 12 spokes that divide the chart into 12 sectors called houses.

The zodiac signs are placed around the outside of the wheel. A degree and minute of the zodiac is located on each house cusp.

The planets are located by sign and house inside the wheel.

Introduction

This book introduces you to Astrodynes.

They're a set of calculations that measure the strength and functionality of the data in your birth chart. The data must be interpreted and assessed and the measurements ensure more reliable judgments.

If you're new to Hermetic astrology suffice to say it's a standard system of astrology; but its comprehensive knowledge-base does include data that differs somewhat from the ideas and notions that are widely held.

The personal reference it uses – the birth chart – displays twelve zodiac signs, and the Sun, Moon and eight planets of our solar system.

It pictures 12 houses and the planets are located by sign and house.

The theory and practice of Hermetic astrology was originally based on observation and the estimation of power, harmony and discord of birth chart markers. And the chart's systematic assessment was based on demonstrable facts which defeated the commonly held beliefs and superstitions of the fortune-tellers.

The term power, harmony of discord was specifically created and introduced into Hermetic astrology to define birth chart potential in terms of strength (power), functionality and effectiveness (harmony) and dysfunction and ineffectiveness (discord).

Hermetic astrology's data-base of astrological knowledge enhances your capacity to understand your birth chart. Without it you're self-ignorant and constantly adapting to the unknown. With it you're in control of your life, health and happiness. You'll learn things about yourself that you didn't think it possible to know and your life will exceed all your expectations.

So, if you want to know who you are and why you exist your birth chart and Hermetic science will provide all the right answers.

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Your birth chart

Your birth chart is a force of nature and you need to develop a clear understanding of its structure and symmetry. And understanding the correspondence between you and your chart requires proper terminology.

Your character is an organized body of thoughts, feelings and impulses and Hermetic astrology explains that thought-elements having a similar vibratory rate form into thought-cells and that your birth chart reveals the thought-cell structure of your soul, mind, not-conscious mind, unconscious mind or character, whatever you choose to call it, at the time of your birth.

The term thought-cell activity precisely describes the not-conscious agent that is responsible for your behavior and the events and conditions you experience.

Operating in an environmental setting thought-cells express intelligence and ability and define your life story as a series of developmental experiences.

So how you behave and live your life is just your not-conscious thought-cell activity doing its thing. You, the objective observer and thinker, have powerful desires, distinct attitudes, behavior styles, aptitudes, passions, ambitions and likes and dislikes and all these psychological attributes exist in your not-conscious soul-mind – not your brain.

As component parts of your character they blend to express a special type of intelligence and ability that defines your reason for being. And your intelligence and ability – not your genes – is the mark you stamp on the world.

So, your birth chart is a map of your character. It reveals all there is to know about your developmental past and future potential. Each planet has its character correlate that expresses and develops through the life-matters, activities and social relationships pertaining to the house where it is located.

The chart is a self-information and self-development resource and Hermetic astrology has a comprehensive data-base of knowledge on your birth chart.

The planets – the Sun and Moon for convenience are identified as planets – are the chief astrological influence affecting life on Earth. In your birth chart they mark for powerful not-conscious desires or urges that, as dynamic psychological forces, drive your life and behavior. And Hermetic astrology has a comprehensive data-base of scientific knowledge on each planet.

The zodiac signs provide the planets with distinct behavior styles, motivations, likes and dislikes and Hermetic astrology has a comprehensive data base on each zodiac sign. They have a correspondence with your physical body so they play an important part in your physical health or disease.

The aspects formed by the planets are angular relationships. They give the planets harmonious, discordant or neutral modes of expression that directly influence their functionality. Each aspect marks for a not-conscious thought-compound and a special type of experience and Hermetic astrology has a comprehensive data-base of scientific knowledge on each aspect.

The planets are lodged in the houses of the birth chart and each house represents a department of life – specific life-matters, activities and social relationships – through which events occur. Each house corresponds to a compartment of your not-conscious soul-mind where the psychological footprint of previous experience is saved in memory and Hermetic astrology has a comprehensive data-base of knowledge on each house.

The science of astrology, via your birth chart, explains your character and the events and conditions that will sustain your development. It explains how unseen forces from the heavens shape and influence your life and behavior. Hermetic astrology categorizes the planets as markers for not conscious thought-cell activity and the houses as markers for the events it attracts and all the data pertaining to the planets, aspects, signs and houses can be measured.

Measurement

Measurement is at the foundation of the modern scientific method and the voice of scientific authority confidently asserts: If it can't be measured it doesn't exist.

The science of measurement is called metrology. Quantitative measurement provides practical information, permits comparison and reduces confusion. And more accurate measurements provide data that is more accurate and reliable.

Measurement is the assignment of numbers or other symbols to characteristics of objects according to a set of rules.

It gives the thing or object being measured an amount or size and to be reliable and valid it must accurately measure the thing it is supposed to be measuring each time it is applied.

Measurement is a way of determining quantity, capacity, or dimension.

The distances you travel are measured in kilometers or miles. Your electricity usage is measured in kilowatt hours. Your internet usage is measured in gigabytes. The length of your local swimming pool is measured in yards or meters. The temperature is measured in degrees Celsius or degrees Fahrenheit; and time is measured in seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months and years.

Your height is measured in centimeters or feet and inches; your weight is measured in pounds or kilos; your age is measured in years; and your pay packet and wealth are measured in dollars and cents. Everything about you and everything you encounter is assigned a measurement.

Measurement permits comparison. If Joe is 6 feet tall and Bob is 5 feet 6 inches the numbers prove that Joe is taller than Bob; and if Joe is 35 and Bob is 42 the numbers prove that Bob is older than Joe.

It's the age of science and science will tell you that numbers prove everything. So science measures... population numbers, temperatures, the rise in ocean levels, the speed of light, the speed of electricity, the density of Uranium, the calories in a banana, the distance between New York and London, the rate of inflation and the cost to the economy of disease and sickness.

A measurement's reliability is judged by the extent to which it is free from random error. This entails consistency and repeatability. Independent observers should agree on the score that is given the same thing or object being measured.

Validity refers to the extent to which the measurement accurately reflects the thing or object being measured. Reliability comes first and a perfectly unreliable score cannot have any validity.

The score given the thing being measured, on two different occasions, provides an estimate of the measure's reliability. Reliability is judged by the extent to which the first measure is the same as the second – the test-retest correlation.

A perfectly reliable measure gives the same results each time it is tested. A completely unreliable measure gives different results – there's a complete lack of correlation each time the measure is applied. And any number of random errors can affect a measure's reliability.

So if you measure your height using a tape-measure you're measurement is expected to measure your height; and to be reliable and valid it must accurately measure your height each time it is applied.

Random errors can influence a measure's reliability and systematic errors can affect its validity, but evaluating the validity of the thing being measured is often a subjective process involving agreement based on personal opinion so validity disagreements can be a problem.

Scaling

Measurement takes you from abstract concepts – Jack is tall – to concrete representations – Jack is 6 feet tall – and by assigning numbers to things and objects it provides data that can be quantified, verified and qualified.

Quantitative data defines and qualitative data describes.

Scaling refers to the categorizing of measurement.

Measurement scales are used to categorize and/or quantify variables and scaling refers to the ways in which the numbers are defined and categorized. So a scale of measurement has certain properties that allow it to be used for a specified purpose.

The number values have (1) an identity and unique meaning; (2) an ordered relationship to one another; (3) equal scale units (the difference between 3 and 4 is equal to the difference between 11 and 12); and (4) a zero point below which no value exists. And there are four scales of measurement – nominal, ordinal, interval, and ratio.

In the nominal scale the numbers simply identify and classify. It's used when measuring religious or political affiliation.

In an ordinal scale the numbers indicate the relative position the thing being measured – as low/medium/high for example – but not the magnitude of the difference.

The interval scale has identity, magnitude, and equal intervals. It permits a comparison of the differences between the things being measured.

The ratio scale has identity, magnitude, equal intervals, and a minimum value of zero. And having a fixed zero value the quantity of the thing being measured – the weights of objects for example – can be compared.

Mathematics and astrology

Astrology has been around for a very long time and for most of that time so-called astrologers assessed horoscopes and made guesses and told fortunes. It's still going on today as psychic impressions continue to trump scientific acumen.

But astrology should progress, and progress demands adequate adaptation to new conditions as they arise, and the use of new information.

The science of astrology must undergo constant revision as new knowledge emerges. And to fulfill its progressive destiny mathematics had to be applied to the birth chart to measure its data.

Power, harmony and discord are properties possessed by the planets, aspects, signs and houses in any birth chart and comparing these fundamental properties is a mathematical process.

It's a relative measurement that permits direct comparison so the power, harmony and discord possessed by each planet, sign or house in a specified chart can be compared.

The measurement process first considers the birth chart factors that contribute to a planet's power, harmony and discord and observation revealed that these factors are the houses and aspects. So, Hermetic astrology established a standard rule, based on this observation, which attempted to identify those planets in any birth chart that had the most power.

These planets were identified as prominent and it was assumed that a prominent planet, due to its power, marked for a high volume of not-conscious thought-cell activity that expressed given aptitudes.

But take the premise that a planet in your birth chart, due to its house position and aspects, must have a lot of power. And you can assess each planet's power using this premise.

And take the premise that a planet, due its aspects, must have a lot of discord. And you can assess a planet's discord using this premise too. But that's as far as you can go.

Deductive reasoning can't take you beyond the information contained in the premise. It just teases out information that may not have been immediately obvious.

Deductive reasoning can't tell you how much power a planet in your chart has, but mathematics can. Mathematics comes to the rescue and allows you to discover the correct solution to the problem. It allows you to measure the amount of power. If you really want to think where no one has ever thought before you need to employ mathematics and inductive reasoning.

Inductive reasoning – carried out by you the thinker – is a logical process in which a number of theories that are found to be true are combined to obtain a specific conclusion. It's involved in prediction, forecasting and behavior and astrology is all about predicting, forecasting and behavior.

Most mathematics is about discovering a correct solution to a problem and in astrology the measurement of astral-force presents a problem. And Elbert Benjamine knew that Hermetic astrology required a way of reliably measuring the astro-data in any birth chart.

He believed that the life-data encoded in your birth chart was mathematically drafted and that mathematics would allow you to have a greater understanding of what the data meant.

So your birth chart is a mathematical structure and mathematics is the central tool for measuring the chart's data.

Mathematics permits the quantitative and qualitative measurement of your birth chart. It's the means by which more reliable conclusions can be drawn from the astrological data. It takes away the guesswork when evaluating the astro-data and provides a clearer understanding of what the data means.

All technology – and the birth chart is technology – starts with measurement; and mathematics is the key to understanding astrological information.

When mathematics is applied to your birth chart the chart data takes on dynamic new meanings.

Knowledge follows measurement and when the strength and functionality of each planet, aspect, sign and house in your chart is measured your capacity to make sense of what is really going on in the precursor realm of not-conscious thought is greatly enhanced.

Mathematics and astrology are a dynamic combination, but mathematics can't prove or disprove astrology.

It is used to measure the strength and functionality of astral-force, adds precision, and makes the interpretation and assessment of birth chart data much more reliable. That's all – what more could you want.

Mathematics eliminates guesswork and estimation from the chart assessment process and this represents breakthrough knowledge.

So measurement in astrology is all about measuring the power, harmony and discord that's encoded in any birth chart.

It's a quantitative and qualitative measurement and you need to grasp the concept of energy quantity and energy quality. It requires a standard measuring system.

Its purpose is to eliminate estimation, guesswork and uncertainty and its objective is to enhance the reliability and meaning of the astrological data.

So Hermetic astrology had a problem and mathematics solved it.

Mathematics solved the problem imposed by an uncertain rule that was used to estimate the strength and functionality of each birth chart marker and led to a better understanding of the chart, the consciousness it models, the harmony and discord embedded in the chart and the harmony and discord variations that take place as the chart progresses.

When mathematics is applied to your birth chart you have dynamic new insights into how your intelligence and ability is inclined to express both now and in the future.

You're able to collect and assess self-information that has been mathematically measured.

It is so much easier than trying to guess the strength and functionality of each birth chart marker, but there's a good chance that you have little interest in elementary mathematics so you'll be delighted to learn that all the adding, multiplying and subtracting in astrology is done by a computer program.

Power, harmony and discord

The astrology code pictured in your birth chart reveals how your character has been formatted by experience in accordance with the code's specifications. It provides you with a potential to develop a special kind of intelligence and ability through experience; and scientific astrology breaks this potential down into three variables that can be measured – a power potential, harmony potential and discord potential.

So the identification reference **power, harmony and discord** is not describing a theoretical entity.

In astrological science power, harmony and discord are definite things. They exist and can be defined and measured in individual birth charts. And your birth chart is encoded with power, harmony and discord.

The word **power** defines the strength of the planet, aspect, sign or house being measured.

It describes its influence and permits comparison so you're able to judge the relative strength of each planet, aspect, sign and house in your birth chart.

The power of each marker is set at a specific level – levels range between high and low – so you're able to judge what's strong and weak.

Each birth chart marker has its not-conscious character correlate.

They're embedded with desire energy and psychokinetic power; and the birth chart marker and its character correlate have the same amount of power.

So a marker's power measures the level at which its character correlate is set and the strength of its desire power.

Power is the sustainability factor.

It measures the strength or power of the not-conscious driving force – its psychokinetic power – and its potential to influence your conduct and demonstrate events.

It expresses as frequency of engagement, measures aptitude and the potential to turn aptitude into ability through training and practice. So your birth chart's power profile is providing you with powerful information.

In astrology the word **harmony** is an identification reference that describes something that exists.

It's a fortunate, beneficial influence that can be defined and measured and it's judged in terms of its character and degree of intensity and certainty. This permits comparison.

The harmony of each harmony marker is set at a specific level – levels range between high and low – so you're able to judge where the harmony is in your birth chart.

The harmony markers in your chart have their character correlates and they're embedded with harmonious thoughts, feelings and desires. And a marker's harmony measures the level at which the harmony is set.

The harmony indicates a harmonious feeling response to a pleasant situation and you experience harmony as good-fortune, lucky-breaks, easy adaptation to environment, help and assistance, pleasant family and social relationships, health, economic success, smooth sailing, mental comfort, peace of mind, contentment, magic moments and blissful levels of happiness, joy and delight.

The harmony markers in your birth chart have different levels of harmony and you can view the high harmony markers as your trump cards.

In your thought portfolio they represent assets that are paying you a worthwhile dividend.

They mark for not-conscious thought-cell groups and thought-cell structures that express harmonious feel-good thoughts, feelings and desires. Your thinking is free from discord and its harmony potential moves in the direction of fortunate events and outcomes. And by building more harmony into the thought-cells you can earn even bigger rewards and benefits.

Harmony is the pleasure principle.

It measures the harmony that's embedded in your not-conscious soul-mind which represents proper leaning.

Harmony is the teaching mechanism employed by nature that is letting you know that you are being successful because you're doing something right. And you will always feel harmony when you succeed in overcoming discord.

In astrology the word **discord** is an identification reference that describes something that also exists.

It's an unfortunate, detrimental influence that can be defined and measured and it's judged in terms of its character and degree of intensity and certainty. This permits comparison.

The discord of each discord marker is set at a specific level – levels range between high and low – so you're able to judge where the discord is in your birth chart.

The discord markers in your chart have their character correlates and they're embedded with discordant thoughts, feelings and desires. And a marker's discord measures the level at which the discord is set.

The discord represents a discordant thought and feeling response to an unpleasant situation and you experience discord as mishap, misfortune, misadventure, stressful conditions, adaptation difficulties, enmity and opposition, unpleasant family and social relationships, sickness, disease, failure, a rough patch, problems, struggle, mental discomfort, dark thoughts, distress and despair.

The discord expressed by the animal propensities, common to human-life, gravitates to the sordid, putrid and rotten.

The discord markers in your birth chart have different levels of discord and you can view the high discord markers as major trouble spots.

In your thought portfolio they represent liabilities that are costing you in a small or big way. They mark for not-conscious thought-cell groups and thought-cell structures that express discordant thoughts, feelings and desires.

Your thinking is misguided and loaded with discord and its destructive intent moves in the direction of mishap and misfortune, which builds more discord into the thought-cells. It has no benefit and earns you no rewards.

Discord is the pain principle.

It measures the discord that's embedded in your not-conscious soul-mind which represents misguided learning.

Discord is the teaching mechanism employed by nature that is letting you know that you are not being successful because you're doing something wrong.

Power markers

A power marker is a birth chart factor that contributes to a planet's power.

The term power is astrological jargon. It describes the strength or influence of a planet in any birth chart and two factors contribute to a planet's power: (1) Its house position and (2) the aspects it forms.

Careful observation of people and their birth charts has determined that a planet's power is influenced by its house position and its angular relationship with the other planets – its aspects. And that some houses are stronger than others in the sense that the planets located in them have more power.

This resulted in the development of a house-power profile which gave houses 1 and 10 the most power and house 6 the least. The house-power profile – with the houses listed in descending power order – looks like this: House 1, 10, 7, 4, 11, 8, 9, 12, 2, 3, 5 and 6. It means that a planet in house 10 has more power than a planet in house 8; and a planet in house 5 has less power than a planet in house 12.

And careful observation has revealed that each aspect has an orb of influence – a distance from perfect – that measures its strength. The strongest aspects, due to their orb of influence, are the conjunction and opposition and the parallel that's calculated by declination. The next strongest aspects, due to their orb of influence, are the square, trine, sextile, sesquisquare and semi-square. And the weakest aspects are the semi-sextile and inconjunct.

An aspect's power is determined by its aspect type and distance from perfect so the closer an aspect is to perfect the more power it has. And each aspect a planet forms increases its power.

The power of a planet in any birth chart is measured by its house position and aspects. And a planet's power, which measures its strength, allows its influence to be generally classified as strong, moderate or weak.

Harmony markers

A harmony marker is a planet or angular relationship – aspect – that expresses in a way that is considered fortunate and beneficial.

The term harmonious is astrological jargon. It identifies and describes the influence of the astrological marker as favorable, fortunate and helpful.

The harmonious planets are Venus and Jupiter. Venus is classified as harmonious because it has a mild, affectionate, friendly, pliable and amiable nature. The planet of love is pleasant, sociable, peaceful, charming, clingy and convivial and she's estimated to cause one quarter of humanity's good fortune.

Jupiter is classified as harmonious because it has a warm, genial, generous, charitable and tolerant nature. The planet of abundance is jovial, cheerful, optimistic, benevolent and helpful and it's estimated to cause one half of humanity's good fortune.

There are three harmonious aspects – the trine, sextile and semisextile.

The trine aspect is classified harmonious because its nature expresses a desire to attract fortunate luck events. The harmony expresses as supportive environmental conditions, favors, spontaneous good-luck, lucky breaks and good-fortune.

The sextile aspect is classified harmonious because its nature expresses a desire to attract fortunate opportunity events. The harmony expresses as easy adaptation to environment, favors, support and opportunities to develop ability.

The semisextile aspect is classified harmonious because its nature expresses a desire to attract growth events. The harmony expresses as favorable circumstances that support the development of ability but to make the most of what's on offer the energy has to be concentrated and focused.

Discord markers

A discord marker is a planet or angular relationship – aspect – that expresses in a way that is considered unfortunate and detrimental.

The term discordant is astrological jargon. It identifies and describes the influence of the astrological marker as unfavorable, unfortunate and harmful.

The discordant planets are Mars and Saturn. Mars is classified as discordant because it has a harsh, rash, impulsive, impatient, reckless and angry nature. The planet of strife is violent, vengeful, belligerent and insensitive and he's estimated to cause one fourth of humanity's troubles.

Saturn is classified as discordant because it has a cold, insecure, fearful and selfish nature. The planet of poverty is self-interest driven, greedy, miserly and covetous and it's estimated to cause one half of humanity's troubles.

There are four discordant aspects – the opposition, square, sesquisquare and semisquare.

The opposition aspect is classified discordant because its nature is inclined to attract separation events. The discord expresses as a conflict of interest that unrelentingly tears things apart.

The square aspect is classified discordant because its nature is inclined to attract obstacle events. The discord expresses as frustration that can turn violent in response to people and matters viewed as barriers.

The sesquisquare aspect is classified discordant because its nature is inclined to attract agitation events. The discord expresses as an agitation response to a sudden, disruptive disturbance.

The semisquare aspect is classified discordant because its nature is inclined to attract friction events. The discord expresses as annoyance and irritation to a disagreeable circumstance.

Measuring power, harmony and discord

Power, harmony and discord are properties possessed by the planets, aspects, signs and houses in your birth chart and measuring these properties requires a standard measuring scale.

The power count is a quantitative measurement and the harmony or discord count is a qualitative measurement.

The measuring scale built into the mathematical procedure permits direct comparison. Comparing power, harmony or discord properties is an intellectual exercise. And it's only by giving a chart's component parts a number score that you eliminate estimation, guesswork and uncertainty from the assessment process.

So the measurement of your chart's power, harmony and discord profile requires a mathematical procedure to do the measuring.

In the chart the planets are the dynamic factors so the measurement procedure starts by giving the birth chart factors, which influence a planet's power, harmony and discord, parameters that are arbitrarily established and builds into the calculations the factors that modify their harmony or discord. Then using the measurement scores for the planets the power, harmony or discord of each sign and house is measured.

Measuring power, harmony and discord is all about direct comparison and scaling. Being able to compare the power scores of each birth chart marker permits scaling by power. You know what's strong and weak. And being able to compare the harmony or discord score of each marker permits scaling by harmony or discord. You know what's harmonious and what's discordant.

There's no guesswork, estimation or uncertainty. But there's a fundamental problem. The thing being measured – your not-conscious thought-cell activity – can't be tested by an objective observer to validate the reliability of your chart's measurements.

Part 2

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What are astrodynes?

The scientific study of mind and the intelligence and ability it expresses requires a mind-map and a theory that makes use of mathematical measurement.

It requires a mathematical procedure that can be universally applied to measure the power, harmony or discord of each planet, aspect, sign and house in any birth chart.

The standard units of measurement used in Hermetic astrology are astrodynes, harmodynes and discordynes.

Harmodynes and discordynes are special names derived from astrodynes.

They represent the correct language to use when measuring power, harmony and discord.

Astrodynes measure astrological power, harmodynes measure astrological harmony and discordynes measure astrological discord.

As standard units of measurement they permit comparison, eliminate ambiguities, facilitate communication and enhance reliability. And the set of calculations that do the measuring are collectively called Astrodynes.

Astrodynes are a standard measuring system that can be applied to any birth chart.

The numerical values used in the calculations were obtained by converting fundamental astrological assumptions into numbers. And the base figures and principles employed in the calculations measure the strength and functionality of your astrology code and its character correlates.

Astrodynes are a modern technique or tool for measuring the power, harmony and discord that's embedded in any birth chart.

They are not a test that needs to be validated.

They're a mathematical procedure – a set of mathematical calculations based on astrological principles.

The factor to be measured is a planet, aspect, sign or house and the astrodynes do the measuring. They tag each planet, aspect, sign and house with a number score – measure the central tendencies of your thought and feeling world – and are an indispensable aid to chart interpretation.

The relative measurement of a planet's power, harmony or discord allows it to be directly compared with the other planets.

The astrodynes are the only measuring system that has even been available to the astrological community and you don't need to learn the technicalities of the calculations.

They're handled by the Horoscope chart calculation program.

Your birth chart has a power potential, harmony potential and discord potential and the astrodynes measure this potential allowing you to make reliable judgments and comparisons and enhancing your capacity to understand your not-conscious mental world.

This measurement dimension to chart interpretation cannot be gained through reasoned analysis.

The measurements were modeled on a number of birth charts before they were accepted as providing a level of accuracy considered reliable enough for practical purposes.

There's no doubt that the astrodynes are the greatest aid to chart delineation ever devised.

The astrodynes changed astrological science by dynamically enhancing the meaning of the astrological message.

Each planet has an unchanging central tendency and a variable mode of expression and the power, harmony and discord scores for each planet, aspect, sign and house give the astrological text encoded in your chart a far more reliable description.

The number scores given each planet, aspect and sign allow you to know the strength and functionality of their character correlates. And the numbers that describe the influence of each house provide you with a reliable description of the events and conditions you're likely to experience on your life journey.

The numbers help you to transform your astrology code into a very accurate self portrait; and the astrodynes for your almost accurate birth chart provide a set of numbers that you can consider reliable.

Astrodynes measure power

Your birth chart reveals how your thought and feeling world has been assembled by experience; and each marker in the chart has strength and functionality. Their relative strength is measured as so many astrodynes. The word astrodyne denotes astrological power.

An astrodyne is a unit of astrological power.

Astro means pertaining to the stars and a dyne is a unit of dynamic measurement. The measurement quantifies, as so many astrodynes, the power of each planet, aspect, sign and house in any birth chart. It measures the volume of astrological power using an interval scale where each astrodyne unit possesses the same amount of power and the minimum amount of power is zero. The measurement quantifies the power at which each birth chart marker is set.

An astrodyne is a fixed measurement. It's an exact value related to an astrological constant – a planet, aspect sign or house – in any birth chart. And the term astrodyne – like most units of measurement is essentially arbitrary.

It's been made up. There is nothing inherent in nature that states that a unit of astrological power should be called an astrodyne. It's just a standard unit of measurement that evolved, first for convenience and then for necessity. It measures the power of each planet, aspect, sign and house in any birth chart and allows these markers to be given percentage descriptions.

So the amount of astrological power possessed by each aspect, planet, sign and house in your birth chart is measured as so many astrodynes. And their astrodyne power scores measure the strength of their character correlates.

The power of a planet equals the power of its thought-cell correlate. Each is set at the same level. Horse power measures the power of the engine in your car and astrodyne power measures the power of the thought-cell groups in your not-conscious soul-mind.

More power ups the potential

Each planet, aspect, sign and house in your birth chart has a set level of power. It's measured as so many astrodynes and their power scores permit comparison. The measurements allow you to rate their power and the planets, aspects, signs and houses with more power have their potential raised.

Potential is a latent, but unrealized ability and your birth chart reveals your capacity to develop a special type of intelligence and ability in the future. As a map of your character it reveals the latent qualities and abilities that you possess that may be developed. So your potential at birth is possible but not yet actual and the markers in your birth chart with a high astrodyne count have a higher potential. More power ups their potential to develop and keep on developing.

More power facilitates the conscious reception of the not-conscious mental activity and your potential to develop a particular character trait, attitude or ability is indicated by the markers in your birth chart with the most power.

Their not-conscious correlates have a stronger, more powerful, driving force – a stronger urge, desire or impetus. More power expresses as incessant desire and a stronger motivation. It acts as a propeller and the development of great ability requires a powerful motivation.

With more power there's more energy of a specified type available and more energy is needed to maintain interest, sustain effort and attain a higher level of achievement. Regular engagement and constant contact requires more power. More power marks for an unceasing need for satisfaction, a higher level of emotional vividness and a more vivid and memorable experience.

More power ups the potential. And the planets, aspects, signs and houses in your birth chart with the most power have an increased capacity to demonstrate their potential via you, their agent here on Earth.

The astrodyne power rule

In astrology the word power is used to describe strength or force and each planet, aspect, sign and house in any birth chart has power.

It's measured in astrodyne units and the astrodyne power of each marker measures its capacity to exert a force and do something.

The planet, sign and house with the highest astrodyne score is designated dominant and they represent the most important influences in any chart. A rule is a generalized statement that describes what is true in most or all cases.

Your birth chart is a blueprint for the development of a special type of intelligence and ability and the life you're now living is the result of previously acquired intelligence and ability expressing in an environmental setting that provides events and conditions that are distinctly human.

Each marker in the chart has its thought-cell correlate and those with the most power define your life story.

The markers with the most influence are the planets, aspects, signs and houses with the most power. And by focusing on these markers you can accurately sketch your character and life experience. They allow you to place the emphasis on what's strong and outstanding and downplay what's weak and lacking in importance.

The astrodyne power rule states

The planets, aspects, signs and houses in your birth chart with the highest astrodyne scores have the most power and influence. As your astrological hot-spots they identify the principal attributes of your character and the life-matters, activities and social relationships that are most inclined to engage your attention and sustain the development of your innate intelligence and ability.

Harmodynes measure harmony

There are harmony markers in your birth chart and their thought-cell correlates are predisposed to express harmonious thoughts, feelings and impulses. Thought energy, like any energy, can express constructively or destructively; and the harmony of a harmonious planet, aspect, sign or house is measured as so many harmodynes. The word harmodyne denotes astrological harmony.

An astrodyne is a single base unit for measuring astral-force and harmodynes are derived units from these base units.

A harmodyne is a unit of astrological harmony.

Astrodynes measures the quantity of energy and harmodynes measure its quality as harmonious. The measure uses an interval scale where each harmodyne unit possesses the same amount of harmony and the minimum amount of harmony is zero. The measurement quantifies as so many harmodynes the harmony possessed by the harmonious planets, aspects, signs and houses in any birth chart.

A harmodyne is a fixed, but not absolute measurement. It's a harmony value related to an astrological constant – a planet, aspect sign or house – in any birth chart. And the harmodynes possessed by a planet, aspect, sign or house in your almost accurately timed birth chart quite reliably measure the harmony embedded in their character correlates. The harmony of a birth chart marker and its thought-cell correlate is set at the same level.

Harmodynes are the means by which the harmony embedded in your birth chart is measured. They permit harmony scaling. They measure the harmony level at which your not-conscious thought-cell activity is set at birth.

They measure the functionality of a planet, aspect, sign or house as harmonious and fortunate and the expression of their thought-cell correlates as harmonious, effective, suitably proper and constructive.

The harmodyne power rule

Pleasant events and conditions in your soul's evolutionary past have caused it to feel harmonious feel-good states of consciousness. As harmonious memory footprints they're embedded in your soul's consciousness and your birth chart reveals your evolutionary past.

There's harmony embedded in your chart and harmonious desire energy seeks to demonstrate fortunate events and conditions.

The harmony of a planet, aspect, sign or house in any birth chart is measured as so many harmodynes. As a grading measure they quantify a chart's harmony potential; and each harmonious marker has a different amount of relative harmony. This permits comparison and harmony scaling. You're able to know which markers have the most harmony and which have the least.

The harmony of a birth chart marker and its thought-cell correlate is set at the same level. So your chart allows you to develop a profile of harmonious not-conscious thought-cell activity. You're able to judge and assess thought-cell activity as high or low harmony.

Harmonious desire energy has a harmony footprint. It is naturally inclined to attract fortunate events, beneficial conditions and various advantages such as good health, support and good fortune and with more harmony the events are inclined to be more beneficial and more fortunate. More harmony, as suitably proper thought-cell activity, ups the potential for opportunity and luck.

The harmodyne power rule states

Those markers in your birth chart with the highest number of harmodynes have the most benefit. They're your astrological assets. They express their nature harmoniously and their thought-cell correlates, as useful and valuable character traits, are embedded with harmonious desire energy that works to attract fortunate events and conditions.

Discordynes measure discord

There are discord markers in your birth chart and their character correlates are inclined to express discordant, misguided thoughts, feelings and impulses.

The discord of a discordant planet, aspect, sign and house is measured as so many discordynes. A discordyne is a unit of astrological discord.

The single base unit for measuring astral-force is an astrodyne and discordynes are derived units from this base unit. Astrodynes measures the quantity of energy and discordynes measure its quality as discordant.

The measure uses an interval scale where each discordyne unit possesses the same amount of discord and the minimum amount of discord is zero. The measurement quantifies as so many discordynes the discord possessed by the discordant planets, aspects, signs and houses in any birth chart.

A discordyne is a fixed, but not absolute measurement. It's a discord value related to an astrological constant – a planet, aspect, sign or house – in any birth chart. And the discord measure of a marker and its character correlate in your almost accurately timed birth chart is set at the same level.

Discordynes are the means by which the discord embedded in your birth chart is measured. They permit discord scaling. They measure the discord level at which your not-conscious thought-cell activity is set at birth.

Discordynes measure the functionality of a planet, aspect, sign or house as discordant and the expression of their thought-cell correlates as misguided, destructive, dysfunctional and ineffective.

Discord does not compromise ability or your pursuit of intelligence and spirituality, but it does have mishap consequences. You're life education involves hard knocks and the pain and discord you feel needs to be monitored carefully.

The discordyne power rule

Your soul on its life journey has encountered unpleasant events and conditions and their legacy is saved in memory as feel-bad states of consciousness. Your soul has a thought-cell history that is documented in your birth chart. So there's discord embedded in the chart and discordant desire is naturally inclined to move in the direction of adversity and misfortune.

The discord of a planet, aspect, sign or house in any birth chart is measured as so many discordynes. The measurement quantifies a discord potential. Each discord marker has a different amount of discord and this permits comparison and discord scaling. So you're able to know which markers have the most discord and which have the least. The discord of a birth chart marker and its thought-cell correlate is set at the same level.

Your chart's discord markers allow you to develop a profile of discordant non-conscious thought-cell activity. You can rate your thought-cell activity as high or low discord. Discordant desire energy works to attract mishap, adversity and disadvantage – things like problems adapting to new circumstances, a lack of support, disease, injury and failure – and with more discord the events are inclined to be more unfortunate. More discord ups the potential for struggle and adversity, but only if you ignore the discord warnings and do nothing to manage or change your ineffective responses to problem situations.

The discordyne power rule states

The markers in your birth chart with the highest number of discordynes have a high misfortune potential. They're your astrological liabilities. They express their nature discordantly and their thought-cell correlates, as character flaws and defects, are embedded with discordant desire energy. But the harm and misfortune they attract initiates struggle and greater effort so your astrological liabilities can turn into assets when they benefit your intelligence and ability development.

The primary function of astrodynes

Your birth chart is not a chance arrangement of planets and zodiac signs. It's a blueprint for the development of a special type of intelligence and ability; and when you were born a human soul your birth chart mapped the fruits of previous experience. It mapped your character, intelligence type and innate aptitudes, at that moment in time, and the primary function of the astrodynes is to measure the power and functionality of the chart's data so that you can make more reliable judgments regarding yourself.

The planets, aspects, signs and house in your birth chart are assigned numbers for two reasons.

First, they permit quantitative and qualitative comparisons; and second they clarify and enhance the meaning of the astrological messages. You can only start mining the chart for data when you give each astrological marker a power, harmony or discord score.

Your birth chart is a bulletin board of coded messages.

It provides you with inside information about your character – and the purpose of the astrodyne calculations is to measure the power, harmony or discord potential possessed by each planet, aspect, sign and house in the chart. The measurements assign numbers to the outstanding attributes of your character and life. They provide you with a set of numbers that you can use to illuminate the meaning of the astro-data.

So your birth chart comes with a set of numbers and they're meant to be consulted and used. But to scientifically study something it has to be observed and measured and your character and life can only be observed and measured by you. So you're the only person who can translate the data encoded in your birth chart into reliable self-information.

What the astrodynes can and can't do

Astrodynes are not a test that needs to be validated.

They're a tool for measuring the astro-data in your birth chart.

What's being measured is the strength and functionality of the planets, aspects, signs and houses and their character correlates.

Astrodynes fact-check

The astrodynes allow you to enhance the accuracy of your astrological judgments and to make nearly perfect predictions about your not-conscious thought-cell activity and the events and conditions that support or impede your intelligence and ability development.

By converting the astro-data into quantitative and qualitative values the astrodynes enhance the reliability and practical usefulness of the information.

They eliminate guesswork, estimation, bias and uncertainty.

They make the data easier to understand.

They allow you to use mathematics to describe your behavior.

Reason is used to check the psychic impressions stimulated by the chart and the numbers provide practical information that can assist the reasoning process.

But there is an element of uncertainty. Your capacity to make reliable reasoned judgments about your birth chart and yourself is limited by your astrological expertise and self-understanding.

The astrodynes do have interpretative properties, but they can't be used to measure improvement.

A slight improvement in the functionality of your intelligence and ability signs for effective self-development. But only you know if you've made any improvement. You're the only person who knows your current level of contentment, satisfaction, social usefulness and spirituality.

And you can't use the numbers to measure things like success and competence either.

As learned behaviors, happiness and satisfaction, success and failure and competence and incompetence are conditioning factors built into the thought-cells by experience. And how far you develop your spiritual potential is entirely up to you.

Your chart operates within its own frame of reference and this includes time, place, family, society and culture. So you can't compare your chart with another.

And relative measurement only permits direct comparison of chart factors.

Your ability to do something may require a large measure of specialized intelligence or very little and the astrodynes do measure intelligence and aptitude. (They do not measure intelligence as an IQ score.) But they don't measure the proficiency of your job performance – that comes with practice.

The numbers do measure the essence of each life experience – how you feel about it – and your mental and emotional responses represent your personal reality.

The astrodynes do not change astrology's knowledge base, but they do add reliability to its application. And they don't permit precise prediction.

They do extend the mathematical analysis to predict the details of your future behavior but this is not an exclusively mathematical exercise.

It involves behavior factors such as conditioning, the potential to learn, the initiative to act on and apply acquired knowledge and the freewill to change your conduct and these things may not be subject to measurement.

Precise prediction requires a judicious merger of mathematics, conditioning by experience and current environment.

Some take-away messages

- (1) The astrodynes can only be applied to an almost accurate birth chart;
- (2) During the measurement process the measurement unit does not change so the larger number represents a greater amount of the attribute being measured;
- (3) The astrodynes permit relative comparison regarding the strength or power of each planet, aspect, sign and house – Saturn is stronger than Mars, Venus is weaker than Pluto, Sagittarius is stronger than Taurus, Libra is weaker than Capricorn;
- (4) Learning to apply the numbers properly is crucial; and
- (5) Their extensive application, by you, in other people's charts won't help you extract meaning from your own birth chart.

So don't try and make the astrodynes do what they can't.

The astrodynes are here to help

Measurement can be a complicated process and the astrodyne calculations are complex and voluminous.

They're based on accepted astrological principles and a reliable assessment of your birth chart requires an understanding of how the numbers work.

They have interpretive properties.

They permit scaling and grading.

Your birth chart has you asking important questions and the astrodynes are here to help you get the right answers.

You have measurement and estimation skills.

You use them when cooking, buying food, wrapping birthday presents, keeping appointments and solving problems.

You have number skills that you use when playing cards, darts or tennis.

But only you know your attitude towards measurement.

You probably learned to measure by becoming aware of the physical attributes of the thing you wanted to measure and you naturally compared objects having the same attributes – like trees. And to do the measuring you needed a standard unit that gave you better precision and clear communication. So you know about feet, inches, centimeters, liters, pounds, gallons, hours, minutes and megabytes.

Measurement plays an important part in scientific astrology; and the birth chart and the astrodynes are the two great technological breakthroughs in the science of the soul and stars.

Measurement involves comparing an amount of the attribute to be measured with a unit that is chosen to quantify that attribute in order to provide a number. And in astrology the attribute being measured is the power of the planets, aspects, signs and houses in any birthchart.

The unit that does the quantifying is an astrodyne.

The numbers describe the measurement outcome – Uranus is stronger than Pluto; Jupiter is weaker than Mercury – and you don't need to become familiar with the measurement process – only the end results.

The astrodynes are here to help you conduct an in-depth examination of your birth chart and character.

By giving each birth chart marker a number score they clarify the meaning of the messages encoded in the language of the stars. But the attributes your chart is measuring are not physical.

They're not things you can see like the length of a room, the size of a packet of soap powder, or the height of a tree. Or things you can survey like the number of people with red hair or the most popular show on television. Or things you can count like the number of weeks to Christmas or the number of pages in a book.

They're your character traits – your thoughts, feelings, desires, ambitions, likes and dislikes – so you need to develop an awareness of your character and the language that astrology uses to describe it.

With astrodynes you enter the extraordinary world of measuring the relative strength and functionality of the thought-cell activity that's taking place in your not-conscious soul-mind.

For example, Venus in your birth chart measures the strength and functionality of your social urge and it's a subjective, personal experience.

You experience your social urge as a desire to sing, dance, socialize, have fun or give and receive affection. And you won't extract any meaningful information about your social urge by comparing it with your best friend's.

So when it comes to you and your birth chart you need to develop a mental concept of the attribute – the desire or character trait – that's being measured.

The astrodynes assign numerical values to astrological principles.

The measurement is both quantitative and qualitative. And you can feel confident that the application of astrodynes in your own birth chart has been done correctly.

Now you can integrate your measurement skills into making reliable judgments about the data that's encoded in your birth chart and to guiding your intelligence and ability development.

The astrodynes enhance the reliability of your data analysis.

Your initial task when assessing your birth chart involves an assessment of its power, harmony and discord and the astrodynes are here to help.

Some signs and planets have a higher level of importance than others and the astrodynes put you in the know.

Without the astrodynes you're back to guessing whether planet A has more power than planet B.

You should use the numbers to make more precise judgments about your not-conscious thought-cell activity.

The measurements allow you to take precautionary measures to enhance your harmony potential or reduce your discord potential.

The astrodynes introduce reliability into the measurement process.

With each planet, aspect, sign and house in your chart being awarded a power, harmony or discord score your diagnostic capacity is greatly enhanced.

It is much easier to understand the influence of a planet, aspect, sign or house when its power and functionality is measured.

Your birth chart is a self-information provider and the astrodynes are here to help you extract meaning and make sense of the data.

When it comes to assessing the thought-cell activity that's taking place in the not-conscious region of your mind the numbers put you in the picture. And skill in the use of astrodynes has an immediate practical outcome.

What they reveal is only limited by your level of astrological expertise.

The astrodynes are here to help.

They enhance your capacity to make reliable judgments about your birth chart.

The discord numbers exert pressure. They hammer home the need to change ineffective behavior.

The harmony and discord measurements enhance and augment your decision-making.

The value of the information encoded in your birth chart is immeasurable and your chart's power, harmony and discord profile makes you wiser.

Part 3

Computing astrodynes

A background briefing may be helpful

Measuring planet power

Above average power marks for prominence

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Measuring planet discord

Measuring aspect power

Measuring aspect harmony

Measuring aspect discord

Measuring sign power, harmony or discord

Measuring house power, harmony or discord

Errors in measurement

Reliability of measurement

A background briefing may be helpful

There's a surprising amount of mathematics involved in astrology and for most novices this is a dilemma.

The calculation of a birth chart involves addition, subtraction and multiplication but its technical stuff and hard to understand and before chart calculation programs became available very few people had the mathematical skills to calculate their own charts. It was a big problem that has now been solved by computer technology but lest you think that knowing how to calculate your chart will enhance your capacity to understand its coded data think again. It won't. You don't have to know how to write and publish a book to know how to read it.

Arithmetic is the branch of mathematics concerned with numerical calculations – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division – and to calculate a chart's astrodynes, harmodynes and discordynes it is necessary to add, subtract, multiply and divide.

But in 1946 when students got the opportunity to measure the power, harmony and discord values of the planets, aspects, signs and houses in their charts many were unable to grab the opportunity because the calculations were just too complex, tedious and time-consuming.

So it was a great day for astrology when the astrodyne calculations were performed instantly by a computer program. More than anything the chance of error was eliminated. But lest you think that knowing how to do the calculations will enhance your ability to employ numbers to extract a better understanding of your chart-data think again. It won't.

So now, with your birth chart and its astrodyne report being calculated by the Horoscope chart calculation program you're the big winner. But a background briefing on what contributes to a planet's power, harmony or discord and how the power, harmony or discord scores for each sign and house are calculated may be helpful.

Measuring planet power

The measurement of a planet's power is not a trivial matter. It starts the measurement process so it's crucial that the factors that contribute to a planet's power have been determined by rigorous scientific observation. And then the calculations that do the measuring must reliably measure what they're supposed to be measuring.

Two factors in your birth chart contribute to a planet's power – (1) its house position and (2) the aspects it forms – and to calculate a planet's power requires that the parameters that measure the high and low scores for each house in the chart and each aspect be given number values.

The high score measures their maximum power; the low score measures their minimum power and the distance between the two measures a gradual decrease in power. And aspects involving the Sun, Moon and Mercury, because they have slightly more power, are given slightly larger parameters.

The measurement of a planet's house power and aspect power involves a calculation based on the set parameters. And a planet's total power – as so many astrodynes – is the sum total of its house power and aspect power. The totals permit their scaling by power. So you're able to make comparisons and judge which planet has the most power and which one has the least.

A planet's power marks for a relative level of thought-cell activity. Thought-cell activity sources aptitude and measures ability. And the power of a planet and its thought-cell correlate is set at the same level.

More power marks for a higher level of thought-cell activity, more constant contact, enduring character traits, outstanding aptitude and sustained development. So the measurement of a planet's power – the most important measurement of all – must be reliable.

Above average power marks for prominence

There are ten planets pictured in your birth chart but two other points in the chart act very much like planets. They are the ascendant – the degree and minute on the eastern horizon – and the Midheaven – the degree and minute at the zenith of the chart – and their power scores are calculated as if they are planets. So your chart's planet power grid lists 12 dynamic data-points – 10 planets, the ascendant and Midheaven – and each has a percentage of the chart's total power.

The average percentage score is 8.3% (100% divided by 12) and any planet including the ascendant or Midheaven that has a score of more than 8.3% has above average power. And you should rate any planet in your chart with above average power as prominent.

There may be four, five, six or more prominent planets in your chart and each one has an above average potential to influence your life. Their thought-cell correlates are in a high state of activity so they have an above average potential to influence your thoughts, feelings, sentiments, moods and aspirations. They can demonstrate events and conditions that reflect how they feel and can express ability that has an above average potential for sustained development. Their high level of thought-cell activity expresses in your daily life as your habitual behaviors and preferred interests or life-matters that regularly engage your time and attention.

This matter of above average power and planet prominence is very important to grasp and understand. The prominent planets in your chart mark for aptitudes that, with proper education and on-the-job-training, can be developed into ability. They mark for thought-cell groups with an above average potential to demonstrate events and conditions – when they get turned on by inner-world astrological events and receive the green light from your local environment. So they're playing a lead role in your life story and the development of your special type of intelligence and ability.

Measuring planet harmony

Three factors contribute to a planet's harmony. They are the harmonious aspects it forms, its sign location and its mutual receptions.

The harmonious aspects are the trine, sextile and semisextile and their power scores convert into a harmony score. So a trine aspect with a power score of 7 astrodynes has a harmony score of 7 harmodynes.

But modifications to a harmony score can occur due to the nature of the planets involved in the aspect. If Venus or Jupiter is party to a harmonious aspect Venus increases its harmony by a quarter and Jupiter increases it by a half. And if Mars or Saturn is party to a harmonious aspect Mars decreases its harmony by a quarter and Saturn decreases it by a half.

When a planet and its sign location have a natural affinity their compatible energy union expresses harmoniously and there are three levels of harmony.

A planet in its exaltation sign has a high level of harmony; a planet in its home sign has a moderate level of harmony; and a planet in its harmony sign has a slight level of harmony. And the astrodyne calculations consider this situation by awarding 3 harmodynes to a planet in its exaltation sign, 2 harmodynes to a planet in its home sign, and 1 harmodyne to a planet in its harmony sign.

Mutual reception occurs when two planets occupy the exaltation or home sign of each other. It results in a harmonious exchange of energy and the two planets in mutual reception are each awarded 5 harmodynes.

So a planet's total harmony, which benefits its functionality, is the sum of the harmodynes it receives due to its harmonious aspects, its sign location (if any) and its mutual receptions (if any.) And you need to know where the harmony is in your birth chart.

Measuring planet discord

Two factors contribute to a planet's discord. They are the discordant aspects it forms and its sign location.

The discordant aspects are the opposition, square, sesquisquare and semi-square and their power scores convert into a discord score. So a square aspect with a power score of 5 astrodynes has a discord score of 5 discordynes.

But modifications to a discord score can occur due to the nature of the planets involved in the aspect. If Venus or Jupiter is party to a discordant aspect Venus decreases its discord by a quarter and Jupiter decreases it by a half. And if Mars or Saturn is party to a discordant aspect Mars increases its discord by a quarter and Saturn increases it by a half.

When a planet and its sign location have an unnatural affinity their incompatible energy union expresses discordantly and there are three levels of discord.

A planet in its fall sign has a high level of discord; a planet in its detriment sign has a moderate level of discord; and a planet in its inharmony sign has a slight level of discord. And the astrodyne calculations measure this situation by awarding 3 discordynes to a planet in its fall sign, 2 discordynes to a planet in its detriment sign, and 1 discordyne to a planet in its inharmony sign.

So a planet's total discord, which impairs its functionality, is the sum of the discordynes it receives due to its discordant aspects and its sign location – and you need to know where the discord is in your birth chart.

It plays a crucial role in your intelligence and ability development but the discord, expressing as misguided thought-cell activity, can be viewed from three different perspectives. It can be viewed as psychological dysfunction that causes harm and misfortune, as a prod to make greater effort, or as nature's way of teaching you what you're doing wrong and in each instance the solution for you involves behavior change.

Measuring aspect power

Hermetic astrology identifies ten aspects that the planets can form. Each has an easily observed effect on life. Nine are measured by a planet's angular relationship along the zodiac belt and one is measured by their distance from the equator – their declination. They contribute to a planet's power.

Each aspect is measured by a specific number of degrees and they all have different orbs of influence that extend a definite number of degrees either side of the degree that measures the perfect aspect.

So, if the distance between two planets in your chart falls within this orb of influence an aspect of a definite type is formed. And an aspect's orb of influence provides the parameters for measuring its power. These parameters, as high and low scores, represent a gradual decrease in power but complexities arise when the house positions of the planets, which contribute to a planet's power, alter the parameters and aspects involving the Sun, Moon or Mercury are given larger orbs.

Your body's electromagnetic form is tuned to electrical frequencies ruled by the Sun and Moon in your birth chart and the electrical currents that flow over your nerves are tuned to a frequency ruled by Mercury. And any planet that aspects the Sun, Moon or Mercury has easy access to your electromagnetic form. Ease of access is regarded as providing a slight increase in power which is measured by giving aspects involving the Sun, Moon or Mercury a slightly larger orb.

So the measurement of an aspect's power is a little complicated but this need not bother you.

The Horoscope chart calculation program does the measuring and records each aspect's power score on your chart's aspect grid. And this very important data allows you to know which aspects in your chart have the most power and which have the least.

Measuring aspect harmony

There are 3 harmonious aspects and they always express harmony. So each harmonious aspect in your birth chart has a harmony score.

A trine aspect is formed when two planets are 120° apart in the zodiac. Its orb of influence – depending on the planets involved and their house positions – extends from 6° to 12°. Its harmony expresses as luck, good fortune and very favorable outcomes.

A sextile aspect is formed when two planets are 60° apart in the zodiac. Its orb of influence – depending on the planets involved and their house positions – extends from 5° to 8°. Its harmony expresses as opportunities, assistance and favorable environmental circumstances.

A semisextile aspect is formed when two planets are 30° apart in the zodiac. Its orb of influence – depending on the planets involved and their house positions – extends from 1° to 4°. Its harmony expresses as a chance for growth and development.

And the power of a harmonious aspect expresses as harmony. So a sextile aspect with 4 astrodynes has a harmony of 4 harmodynes.

But modifications to the harmony score do occur. If Venus or Jupiter is party to a harmonious aspect Venus increases its harmony by a quarter and Jupiter increases it by a half. And if Mars or Saturn is party to a harmonious aspect Mars decreases its harmony by a quarter and Saturn decreases it by a half.

It is much easier to understand the relative level of harmony embedded in a harmonious aspect when the harmony is measured as so many harmodynes and the harmony score is recorded on your chart's aspect grid. It provides valuable data that you need to know about.

Measuring aspect discord

There are 4 discordant aspects and they always express discord. So each discordant aspect in your birth chart has a discord score.

An opposition aspect is formed when two planets are 180° apart in the zodiac. Its orb of influence – depending on the planets involved and their house positions – extends from 8° to 15° . Its discord expresses as separation, a mental tug-of-war and a very unfortunate outcome.

A square aspect is formed when two planets are 90° apart in the zodiac. Its orb of influence – depending on the planets involved and their house positions – extends from 6° to 12° . Its discord expresses as obstacles and frustrating environmental circumstances.

A sesquisquare aspect is formed when two planets are 135° apart in the zodiac. Its orb of influence – depending on the planets involved and their house positions – extends from 3° to 6° . Its discord expresses as a disruptive circumstance that stirs up agitation.

A semisquare aspect is formed when two planets are 45° apart in the zodiac. Its orb of influence – depending on the planets involved and their house positions – extends from 3° to 6° . Its discord expresses as an annoying circumstance that stirs up friction and indecision.

And the power of a discordant aspect expresses as discord.

So an opposition aspect with 8 astrodynes has a discord score of 8 discordynes. But modifications to the discord do occur. If Venus or Jupiter is party to a discordant aspect Venus decreases its discord by a quarter and Jupiter decreases it by a half. And if Mars or Saturn is party to a discordant aspect Mars increases its discord by a quarter and Saturn increases it by a half.

Measuring sign power, harmony or discord

When you look at your birth chart it's easy to see that the planets are located by sign. And the power, harmony or discord score of a planet goes to the sign in which it is located.

A sign's power score sign is measured by adding the power of the planets located in it, plus one-half the power of its planetary ruler if it is a single rulership sign or one-quarter of its planetary rulers if it is a double rulership sign. And a sign's harmony or discord score is measured by adding the harmony or discord scores of the planets located in it and one-half the harmony or discord of its planetary ruler if it is a single rulership sign or one-quarter the harmony or discord of its planetary rulers if it is a double rulership sign. (There are minor technicalities that influence these power, harmony or discord measurements but they need not concern you.)

The harmony or discord scores used in the measurements are net scores. A net harmony score indicates that the number of harmodynes possessed by the planet exceeds the number of discordynes and a net discord score indicates that the number of discordynes exceeds the number of harmodynes.

So each sign in your birth chart has a different level of power and you will find that the signs with one, two, three or more planets located in them will have the highest power scores.

A net harmony score indicates that the sign has a general predisposition to express a suitably proper attitude-motivation and constructive behavior that has a fortunate outcome. A high-harmony sign marks for a good attitude and rewarding lifestyle choices.

A net discord score indicates a tendency to express a misguided attitude-motivation and destructive behavior that has a harmful outcome. A high-discord sign marks for a bad attitude and unrewarding lifestyle choices. It's requesting you to engage in some effective behavior modification.

Measuring house power, harmony or discord

The planets in your birth chart are lodged in houses and their power, harmony or discord scores influence the power, harmony or discord of the houses in which they are located.

The power of a house is measured by adding the power of the planets located in it and one-half the power of its cusp ruler if it is single rulership sign or one-quarter the power of its cusp rulers if it's a double rulership sign. And the harmony or discord score of a house is measured by adding the harmony or discord scores of the planets located in it and one-half the harmony or discord of its cusp ruler if it is a single rulership sign or one-quarter the harmony or discord of its cusp rulers if it is a double rulership sign. (Minor technicalities that affect these power, harmony or discord scores need not concern you.)

The harmony or discord scores used in the measurements are net scores. A net harmony score indicates that the number of harmodynes possessed by the house exceeds the number of discordynes and a net discord score indicates that the number of discordynes exceeds the number of harmodynes.

So each house in your birth chart has a different level of power and you will find that those with one, two, three or more planets located in them will have the highest power scores.

And you'll also find that the life-matters, activities and social relationships ruled by a house with a net harmony score are inclined to travel a generally favorable course; and that the life-matters, activities and social relationships ruled by a house with a net discord score are inclined to travel a difficult, troublesome path.

But the discord is not inevitable and you can take steps to monitor and manage your trials and tribulations. The discord is requesting you to change yourself on the inside and to upgrade your misguided thinking or imprudent attitude that is the real cause of your problems and difficulties.

Errors in measurement

All measurement involves some degree of error. So you're not able to quote an exact value for a measured physical quantity.

There's always an element of uncertainty.

And you're not able to quote an exact value for a measured non-physical quantity either like the power of a planet in your birth chart.

This has nothing to do with the fundamental principles on which the astrodynes are based or the number values given these principles.

It's just the nature of measurement.

The measurement of a planet's power as so many astrodynes actually measures two pieces of information – the measurement based on the available data and the uncertainty.

So you could say that the astrodyne measurements for an almost accurate birth time are reliable but they are not accurate.

And this means that the measurements for your almost accurate birth chart are sufficiently reliable for all practical purposes.

Errors in measurement with the astrodynes may be due to errors in the original values used in the calculations. Or the number values assigned to the measurements may be unreliable.

But it's difficult to test if the astrodynes measurements correlate with the criterion.

Do they reliably measure the strength and functionality of your astrology code and its character correlates?

So at this stage it is best to presume that the astrodyne power values given each house and aspect, and the harmony and discord values given each aspect, and the harmony and discord values given mutual reception and essential dignity are reliable.

But, your birth time is not absolutely accurate so there will be errors in measuring what's being measured – your character.

The introduction of computer technology into the calculation of the birth chart and its progressed aspects has revealed that the best practical results require a birth time that's recorded to the second.

You won't have one...but an almost accurate birth time will construct an almost accurate birth chart that has the correct ascending degree and each planet located in the right house.

Such a chart has a minimal measurement error.

But...your progressed chart is a forecast model of thought-cell stimulation and slight errors in your birth time do have a flow-on effect resulting in errors with the timing of dates when a planet changes house and errors in calculating the start, peak and finish dates of progressed aspects involving the birth chart and progressed ascendant and Midheaven.

Errors in measurement are one thing, but errors of judgment when evaluating the measurements or making sense of the information they provide is another that must be recognized.

You're using numbers to make reasoned judgments regarding a particular astrological marker and errors easily occur with the actual analysis of the data and predicting how it will express simply because these matters involve reasoned judgments that can easily get it wrong.

It's a potential involving personal carelessness that needs to be recognized and you should identify its nature and source and take steps to control it.

A measurement system can be accurate but not precise, precise but not accurate, neither, or both.

Eliminating error improves accuracy, but does not change precision.

The astrodynes can be considered valid as the measuring system is both accurate and precise, but their level of accuracy can be improved by greater precision with the recording of the birth time and the geographical coordinates of the birth place.

At this time the validity of the astrodyne measurements is unknown.

Their validity is confirmed by the accuracy of what they measure – the power, harmony or discord of each planet, aspect sign and house in any birth chart. And if there's an error in the measurement's reliability there's an error in its validity.

Reliability of measurement

The astrodynes are reliable in the sense they will give the same answer no matter how many times they measure the same birth chart. In other words – if the astrodynes measure the same birth chart twice they will give the same number scores to each aspect, planet, sign and house. In this respect their reliability is absolute. So the astrodyne measurements for any birth chart are reliable because when they're repeated they give the same results.

But the accuracy of a calculation is the nearness of the calculation to the true value so a measurement's reliability depends upon an accurate scale for quantifying what it's measuring.

Testing the measurement's reliability involves measuring the extent to which the calculation actually measures the thing it is supposed to measure and it's generally believed that if you torture the data long enough you can make the measurements prove anything you want. So the subjective nature of the measurements makes their reliability very difficult to test.

The subjective experience of your thought and feeling world can't be objectively investigated by an interested observer asking questions so only you can know if the measurements for your chart are reliable. But a self-test of the measurements requires a high degree of self-knowledge and the ability to rank in power order the dynamic not-conscious drivers that propel your life and behavior.

You start your astrological journey with an almost accurate birth time and the chart that's constructed for this time can only be considered reliable if it has the right ascending degree and each planet located in its correct house.

Major structural changes can take place in a chart within 30 seconds of its birth time and some astrological expertise is required to determine if the planets' house locations are correct. So, if it's convenient, you should have the astrodynes calculated for a chart timed for one minute prior to and one minute after your birth time.

It's very important to have a reliable planet power profile and this astrodyne test will reveal if a one minute time change results in structural changes to the chart that alter the power of the planets.

An approximate or imprecise birth time must result in a chart with an erroneous and unreliable set of numbers so the reliability of your chart's measurements depends upon birth data that is accurate enough to give a reliable measurement of what's being measured. Birth data accuracy, involving your birth time and the latitude and longitude coordinates of your birth place, is essential. It influences the measurement's reliability.

The astrodynes are reliable to the extent that the number values used in the calculations are reliable and in regard to this matter Bill Drake and Elbert Benjamine wrote:

'Just how great (a measurement) value to give to house prominence in comparison to aspect prominence is open to a wide difference of opinion. But if we give it no value for fear it may not be correct, we will never establish a method of computing planetary power. It is better to do the best we can in the light of present knowledge, and should future statistical studies show error in the evaluation given, we can then adjust to the greater precision indicated.'

The scientific and personal usefulness of the astrodynes in chart assessment depends upon their reliability. So if the numerical values used in the calculations are incorrect the measurements will be incorrect and unreliable.

A reliable measurement measures what it's supposed to be measuring so the reliability of your chart's astrodynes can only be determined by you testing the measurements in regard to what they're supposed to measure – your character and the life story that sustains your intelligence and ability development.

The reliability of the astrodynes can only be measured by testers using them in the laboratory of life.

Part 4

The new astrology

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The new astrology

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...and Stellar Dynamics is to astrology what the silicon chip is to the computer age. It transforms astrology, revolutionizes the way astrology is understood and provides a set of measurements that enhance the clarity of the astro-data. And with Stellar Dynamics came a new vocabulary of astrological jargon to describe and explain the data.

Your natural potential is encoded in your birth chart and astrology is the science of finding and utilizing your natural potential. So you're using your chart to find and utilize your potential.

Astrodynes are a set of calculations that measure the data in your birth chart. And when you work with measured data you enter the amazing world of Stellar Dynamics. The numbers measure your character and its merits, strengths, faults and imperfections. Relative measurement has replaced estimation and guesswork and with computer technology performing the calculations we now know what Stellar Dynamics looks like.

Your character is not chaotic. It's an organization of thoughts, feelings and impulses and the astrology code displayed in your birth chart reveals how your intelligence and ability has been formatted by experience.

Your life is not chaotic. It's a series of developmental experiences that sustain the development of your special type of intelligence and ability. That's the reason you're here. The chart is a model of the character you were born with and the astrodynes measure the strength and functionality of each planet, aspect, sign and house. The end result is astrology with numbers – Stellar Dynamics.

Your birth chart is a map of your developmental past and future potential. It provides data about your not-conscious thought-cell activity and its psychokinetic potential.

Stellar Dynamics measures the coded data.

Each planet, aspect, sign and house has its thought-cell correlate and Stellar Dynamics allows you to have a close encounter with your not-conscious soul-mind. It allows you to extract a more reliable meaning from the data.

Your character is a network of thoughts, feelings and impulses – it's an internet of thoughts and feelings with a spiritual potential – and Stellar Dynamics allows you to make reliable decisions regarding who you are, why you are here and how best to manage your intelligence and ability development. But you have to turn the coded data and numbers into words and sentences that make sense to you. And then you have to apply the data in a way that ensures that at all times you're getting the best out of yourself.

Stellar Dynamics is all about assessment. It provides measured data that you can work with to maximize your intelligence and ability development.

Stellar Dynamics measures your birth chart and now-astrology and your progressed chart – as inevitable astrological events – times when not-conscious thought-cell groups will be stimulated into activity. Temporary thought-cell structures, in accordance with how they feel, attract new events and conditions into your life and Stellar Dynamics measures their strength and functionality. The numbers allow you to develop and initiate effective strategies for dealing with what's coming up. So, no matter what, your intelligence and ability is always moving forward.

Astrology + astrodynes = Stellar Dynamics and Stellar Dynamics measures the power potential, harmony potential or discord potential of each planet, sign, aspect and house in your birth chart.

Stellar Dynamics launched astrology into the age of numbers and measurement.

Your consciousness – your soul – is the sum of its measurable attributes and Stellar Dynamics provides your thought and feeling world with a set of numbers.

Measuring you

You're living in an age when everything is measured.

Your age, height, weight, foot size, blood pressure, cholesterol levels and golf score are measured. You can have the amount of iron and vitamin E in your blood measured. And attempts have even been made to measure the level of emotion primarily by measuring bodily processes.

Chances are you've had a basic blood chemistry test. It may have been done to measure substances that help show how well your kidneys are working or how well your body is absorbing sugars. But it was probably done to measure the levels of sodium, potassium, chloride, and bicarbonate in your body. These minerals keep your body's fluid levels in balance and are necessary to help the muscles, heart, and other organs work properly.

Sodium plays a major role in regulating the amount of water in your body. It's necessary for many body functions, like transmitting electrical signals in the brain and muscles, and sodium levels are measured to detect whether there's the right balance of sodium and liquid in the blood to carry out those functions. Potassium is essential to regulating how your heart beats and low levels are associated with muscle weakness and cramps.

A basic blood chemistry test also measures other substances like blood urea nitrogen and creatinine. Blood urea nitrogen is a measure of how well your kidneys are functioning and high level creatinine can indicate that they're not working properly. Blood tests focusing on cholesterol levels can determine the LDL (bad) and HDL (good) cholesterol levels as well as triglyceride levels. High blood cholesterol is a risk factor for coronary heart disease.

Blood tests show whether the levels of different substances in your blood fall within a normal range – the range of levels seen in 95% of healthy people in a certain group.

For some tests the normal range depends on your age, gender, race and other factors. The measurement of chemical substances in your blood helps your medical practitioner to identify potential problems when early intervention as treatments or lifestyle changes may work best. The numbers allow you to get a better understanding of what's going on and this allows you to monitor the situation more accurately.

Your physical self has a chemical profile that can be measured, but it's highly likely that you have never entertained the idea that your character and the amount of confidence, curiosity, aggression, enthusiasm, optimism, insecurity, originality, idealism and spirituality you've got can be measured too.

These character traits vary in their strength and functionality.

Some are well developed, others are weak. Some are functional and effective, others are dysfunctional and ineffective. They represent the building blocks of your life and consciousness; and Hermetic astrology provides the only method of measuring your birth chart and its character correlates.

Hermetic astrology can measure the strength and functionality of each planet, aspect, sign and house in your birth chart.

It can measure the relative strength and functionality of the thought-cell groups and thought-compounds that comprise your character.

It measures your character and its potential to experience a specified event or disease.

Your birth chart provides you with another set of measurements.

And, as a well-educated thinker, you should be very interested in having access to personal information like this.

Your astrology code can be measured

Once you tag a planet in your birth chart with a distinct set of thoughts, feelings and impulses you become aware of its influence on your character and behavior.

Venus is friendly, charming and affectionate; Mars is forceful, harsh and aggressive; Jupiter is jolly, generous and optimistic; and Saturn is serious, cautious and pessimistic.

You possess all these traits, but some are striking and outstanding while others are weak and inconspicuous.

So there's no doubt that if the thoughts, feelings and impulses that constitute your mental world could be measured you would have a much better understanding of yourself.

But the only model you will ever have of your mind or character – the astrology code that's pictured in your birth chart – can't be measured by a set of scales, tape-measure or survey.

Your thought and feeling world has no physical properties. So measuring your mental self requires a measuring method that is unique, reliable and valid.

Your astrology code is embedded with power, harmony and discord. And having reliable power measurements of the mental traits and characteristics it defines would provide you with priceless information when it comes to knowing yourself and taking control of your life and intelligence and ability development.

The harmonious numbers would allow you to live in harmony with nature and to develop intelligence and ability free from discord.

And the discordant numbers would allow you know where your misguided thinking and behavior is inclined to have a mishap outcome.

They would allow you to monitor or forgo painful experiences. And the value of information like this is beyond measurement.

But when you were born your parents, unaware of your astrology code, took a hit and miss approach to finding and developing your potential.

They provided you with educational, sporting, creative and artistic opportunities that were designed to bring out your potential.

Through these experiences you learnt what you liked and disliked, what your interests were and what you could and couldn't do. And your parents guided your life into channels that supported what they found.

But your potential is unique, specialized and very, very personal. It embraces wants, needs, intellectual interests, skills, abilities, likes and dislikes. And now you're in a position to know about your astrology code's potential as it applies to you.

Your birth chart is a mathematical structure and measurement integrates mathematics into its interpretation.

It's measuring mental attributes and character traits and when you perceive the properties of a particular attribute or trait you can compare it with other attributes and traits.

Measurement permits comparison – you're able to see what's strong and what's weak and which behavior traits are expressing effectively and which ones aren't.

The astrology code pictured in your birth chart can be measured.

It's a blueprint for the development of intelligence and ability and the power, harmony or discord of its 22 letters can be measured.

Some letters are powerful and strong. Their influence is very pronounced.

Others with less power have their influence proportionally reduced.

Some letters are harmonious and expressing in a way that is effective, constructive and beneficial. They're inclined to have a fortunate outcome.

Others are discordant and expressing in a way that is ineffective, destructive and detrimental. They're inclined to have an unfortunate outcome.

And you already have some awareness of the character traits, attitudes and likes and dislikes your chart describes.

They're part of your self-conscious experience.

And through real-life experience you already have some awareness of the events and conditions that your chart indicates will feature in your life story.

The chart is providing you with the opportunity to interpret, discover and explore yourself.

It's all about you so you're the best person to do the interpreting and exploring.

Number scores would clarify and enhance the meaning of the astrological data and the astrodynes are here to do the measuring.

Measuring not-conscious thought-cell activity

The astrodynes for your birth chart are not only measuring the strength and functionality of the 22 letters in your astrology code, they're measuring the strength and functionality of their character correlates.

The thought-cell groups that comprise your character have their astrological markers and the astrodynes measure how much energy of each planetary type has been accumulated by your soul on its evolution journey at the time of your human birth.

Your birth chart is a map of your character.

The planets and zodiac signs have their character correlates and the astrology code pictured in the chart measures your character. But there's more to your mental world than the thoughts and feelings you experience.

Your total consciousness is a thought-built intelligence unit and the thoughts and feelings you consciously experience are the tip of a mighty reservoir of thoughts, feelings and impulses, most of which don't make their way into your conscious field of awareness.

Your life is just your not-conscious thought-cell activity doing its thing.

Not conscious thought-cell activity influences your conscious thinking and behavior and attracts events and conditions; and the astrodynes measure the strength and functionality of your not-conscious thought-cell activity.

Accumulated experience saved in memory determines the level at which the not-conscious thought-cell activity is set and your birth chart measures what's been accumulated up to the time of your human birth.

The astrodyne power of each planet in the chart measures the psychokinetic power of its thought-cell correlate and each thought-cell group works from the inner-plane, using the psychokinetic power it possesses, to attract events and conditions that reflect the way it feels.

Thought-cell activity, through the law of affinity, influences every event and condition you experience and reason alone won't modify or redirect your thought-cell activity.

Your not-conscious thought-cell activity can be harmonious or discordant. Harmonious thinking is constructive, well intentioned, suitably proper and effective. It has a fortunate outcome.

Thinking that is discordant is destructive, misguided, improper and ineffective. It has an unfortunate outcome. And your not-conscious thought-cell activity influences your body's bio-chemical activity via the endocrine glands and their secretions.

So your birth chart and its astrodyne report provide you with a measured description of your thought and feeling world.

Your chart measures the strength and functionality of your not-conscious thought-cell activity.

The harmony markers in the chart measure the harmony that's embedded in their thought-cell correlates; and the discordant markers measure the discord that's embedded in theirs.

You experience harmonious thought-cell activity as pleasant thoughts and feelings and agreeable situations and conditions.

And you actively engage with the activities, interests, people and places that you like. They cause you to feel good.

You experience discordant thought-cell activity as unpleasant thoughts and feelings and disagreeable situations and conditions.

And you actively disengage with the life-matters, interests, people and places that you dislike (if you can). They cause you to feel pain and discomfort.

Your birth chart allows you to sort an organized bundle of thoughts, feelings and impulses by their harmony or discord scores.

Harmonious thought-cell activity desires fortunate events and conditions and discordant thought-cell activity desires unfortunate events and conditions and your birth chart measures the strength and functionality of your not-conscious thought-cell activity.

Its development has taken the line of least resistance and its current mode of expression represents your conditioning by experience.

It has established itself in your life as your preferred interest and activities and the conditions under which you live; and it expresses in your daily life as your intelligence and ability and not-conscious habits.

A few words about signal strength and quality

Your soul is intimately connected to the universe.

It's a receiving set for the astral signals being transmitted by the planets.

A planet's signal strength in your birth chart is measured as so many astro-dynes and this allows you to judge the strength of its thought-cell correlate in your not-conscious mind.

The signal quality of a planet is measured as so many harmodynes or discordynes and you can grade the functionality of its thought-cell correlate as harmonious and fortunate or discordant and unfortunate.

Natal astrology is the actual measurement of the thought-elements that comprise your character.

It plots, via your now-astrology, when these character factors will be stimulated into activity.

Your character is an organized body of thoughts, feelings and impulses that have the same vibratory rates as their astrological markers in your birth chart.

The signal strength of each planet is different and in an almost accurately timed chart their astrodyne scores quite reliably measure their signal strength.

You probably enjoy watching television and in the same way as the reception quality of a television station is influenced by its signal the reception quality of a planet in your birth chart is influenced by its signal. And your chart's astrodyne report allows you to know which planets have a strong or weak signal and whether the signal is harmonious and free from static and interference or discordant and disturbed.

A planet with a high astrodyne count has a strong signal and the planet with a low astrodyne count has a proportionally weaker signal.

But signal quality is a different issue.

A television station's signal quality can be clear and free from interference or pixilated and loaded with static. It affects your viewing enjoyment.

Reception problems can be caused by a number of factors.

You may be living in an area with deficient coverage or fringe reception or you're trying to receive signals from outside the intended area of coverage of a transmitter.

The signal strength can be affected by interference or signal overload.

The causes and solution of each problem can be very different so it's important that you identify exactly when you have the problem.

You may have a television that allows you to check the signal strength and quality.

The signal strength will generally range between 70 and 90. This is normal.

If you're at the lower end of the range, moderate weather conditions like clouds, rain or snow may affect the signal. However, you should still see a clear picture.

Signal strength under 70 means you are experiencing some signal interference. There may be a severe storm in the area where you live which could result in signal loss.

And just like your television viewing can be upset by a station that has a disturbed, disrupted signal, your peace of mind can be troubled and upset by a planet in your birth chart that has a discordant, disturbed signal.

Each planet has strength and functionality and their harmony or discord scores reveal their signal quality.

Those with a high astrodyne count are sending a strong signal; and if they're harmonious the signal is loud and clear, but if they're discordant the signal is loud and loaded with discord and static.

And just like you can take steps to improve a television station's picture quality you can take steps to improve the vibratory quality of a discordant planet in your birth chart.

What's indicated by a planet in your birth chart is not an inevitable, unalterable condition.

You can change what's indicated by changing yourself.

You can change or modify the disturbed thoughts and feelings that represent your response to a signal coming from a discordant planet and you can take steps to build up and strengthen the deficiencies indicated by a weak signal.

Your birth chart has discord sectors – areas of dysfunction that mark for misguided thought-cell activity – but you can always take steps to improve the functionality of your thought and feeling world.

Relative measurement clarifies coded messages

The planets, aspects, signs and houses in your birth chart have power, harmony and discord properties. And the mathematical procedure called astrodynes measures these properties.

The process involves a scale that measures the relative strength and functionality of each birth chart marker and this permits direct comparison.

So the measurements for each planet are considered in relation to all the other planets.

Relative means they are comparative – they are not absolute or independent – and relative measurement permits power, harmony and discord scaling.

Your astrology code contains coded data that to be of value must be reliable and easily understood.

It requires a clear and easy to understand translation and this requires the elimination of guesswork, vague generalizations and hypothetical assumptions.

This is best achieved by statistical analysis and measurement.

Relative measurement clarifies coded messages.

It allows you to know the relative strength and functionality of each marker in your astrology code and their character correlates.

Your chart's astrodynes provide you with a set of numbers.

They measure the strength of each planet, aspect, sign and house as so many astrodynes; and they grade their functionality as so many harmodynes or discordynes.

Relative measurement makes the data easier to understand.

Each marker in your birth chart has its character correlate and relative measurement allows you to know your character in terms of what's strong, what's weak, what's functional and what's dysfunctional.

Relative measurement makes it easy to identify your strengths and weaknesses.

It allows you to make definite statements about yourself.

Your chart reveals what's going on in the not-conscious region of your mind and relative measurement helps you to clarify and understand your not-conscious self.

You can view your birth chart as a bulletin board of coded messages that you have to sort. And the relative measurements given each planet, aspect, sign and house allow you to sort the data into an accurate hierarchy of relevance.

You're then able to give the data a more reliable translation.

The measurement of energy comes first; its description comes second.

Each planet marks for a dynamic not-conscious driver that has an unchanging central tendency and a variable mode of expression.

Each is embedded with desire energy and the astrodynes measure their strength and functionality.

So relative measurement permits a more reliable assessment of the astrological text and the character it documents.

Your birth chart is a mathematical structure and the application of relative measurement permits the reliable identification of your chart's outstanding predispositions.

It permits the sorting of data by its power and functionality.

This is marvelously elegant.

The chart documents your past history and future potential.

It reveals how your intelligence and ability has been for-matted by experience and the kind of work that your special type of intelligence and ability is best able to perform.

Relative measurement improves your capacity to make reliable judgments regarding your astrology code.

It allows you to fine-tune the astrological message and the advice.

It gives greater clarity to what makes you tick.

It allows you to gain a better understanding of your own thinking and to eliminate guesswork that so often gets it wrong.

Your astrology code contains coded messages that are all about you and relative measurement helps you to crack your code; but the significance of relative measurement to you – the often unwise thinker – can't be measured.

Astrodynes enhance data reliability

Your birth chart is a personal resource so its data is all about you.

Your life is an expression of your mind and your birth chart is a map of your mind. Your life is just your character doing its thing and your character expresses thoughts, feelings and intelligence in response to the events and conditions you experience. Your birth chart is embedded with a unique attractive-repulsive force called polarity so you're naturally predisposed to attract some experiences and repel others. What eventuates is deemed necessary by nature to ensure the development of the special type of intelligence and ability that's encrypted in your astrology code.

Your character or not-conscious mind can be described as a group, society or alliance of thought-cells groups that generate their own meaning and experience, operate in an environmental setting and negotiate and interact with each other. You express behavior traits, attitudes, aptitudes, talents and skills. You have a set level of aggression, adventure, fear, caution, hope, joy, devotion, optimism, confidence, mirth and affection and your entire character is neatly summarized in your birth chart.

You're motivated by your strongest not-conscious desires. You act on their behalf; and your birth chart measures their strength and influence.

But sorting this organized bundle of thoughts, feelings and impulses by their strength and functionality requires a tool that permits their relative measurement. And the astrodynes perform this all-important task.

So your birth chart contains data about your character, mentality, temperament, personality, attitude-motivations, likes and dislikes, aptitudes and natural talents. It contains data about the life-matters, activities and social relationships that are inclined to grab your attention and sustain the development of your innate intelligence and ability; and the astrodynes enhance the reliability of all the data.

Chart content drilldown with astrodynes

Your birth chart is a personal electron microscope. It allows you to see what your eyes can't – the thought-cell structure of your not-conscious soul mind. The chart is a record of your soul's evolutionary journey. It's written in the language of the stars.

Your DNA and protein profiles provide powerful information, but your birth chart goes beyond genes and chemicals and enters the dynamic world of thoughts, feelings and impulses – the building blocks of consciousness. It defines your special type of intelligence and ability and place in the universe.

Your birth chart is an identification tag, an archive of previous experience and a blueprint for future development. It's a repository of self-information and it doesn't matter which marker grabs your attention there's big data demanding your attention. Each planet, aspect, sign and house reveals data that's waiting to be discovered, drilled and understood.

The planets mark for dynamic psychological urges that express intelligence and ability and the zodiac signs mark for attitude-motivations that express likes and dislikes.

The zodiac signs are divided into 3 sub-sections called decanates and they modify the general trend indicated by the sign's common mode of expression.

Each aspect marks for a harmonious or discordant thought-compound that expresses an exclusive type of thought-cell activity that's predisposed to attract a pleasant or painful educational experience. And the houses mark for life-matters, activities and social relationships that, as environmental settings, source the events and conditions that engage your attention.

The planets, by their aspects, sign and decanate locations and house positions provide data that has to be drilled with care and investigated sensibly.

As data points each one represents an important piece of the puzzle that your birth chart is inviting you to solve.

The data is providing powerful information, but it's meaning is not always obvious so your investigative drilldown must be conducted in a manner that is thorough and where possible substantiated by real-life evidence.

And the astrodynes for your chart, by measuring the power, harmony or discord of each marker, allow you to develop a profile of yourself that puts everything into a correct perspective. But your life circumstances and evolutionary level may not allow you to fully grasp and fulfil your destiny as indicated by your astrology code.

The planets and their sign and decanate locations code for a special type of intelligence and ability that's honed on the anvil of experience. And the houses in your chart with high astrodyne scores and those where the Sun, Moon and Mercury are located define event trends and environmental settings that ensure the job gets done.

Hermetic astrology provides statistical and other data. Statistics is more than the numbers. It's primarily a carefully worked out method of analyzing numerical data; and a great deal of Hermetic astrology's knowledge base, as the science of the soul and stars, has been acquired through statistical analysis. Evidence-based science allows you to drill the data with confidence.

Your birth chart is a truth teller. It's not a fortune-teller. And to learn the personal truths it contains you're drilling its data using astrodynes and Hermetic astrology's chart assessment procedure. Your objective is to find yourself in the chart and if you follow the rules and drill the data honestly you will.

Personal truth sets you free and liberation information invites you to be who you are in the full knowledge that the sustained development of your special type of intelligence and ability represents your reason for being. It's the reason why you exist.

The new astrology

Everything is changing and it's not just technology and science that's driving the change. Technology is changing the way movies, TV shows and music are produced. Money is changing how the business world operates and the commercialization of sport. People are changing traditional concepts of marriage and the role of women in the Catholic Church. And measurement changed the way the birth chart is interpreted, assessed and understood.

Measurement rewrote the birth chart interpretation handbook and eliminated the need to make judgments based on rules made necessary by the old astrology.

The new astrology employs astrodynes to measure the power, harmony or discord possessed by each planet, aspect, sign and house in your birth chart.

A planet's power measures the relative strength of its psychological correlate and defines its capacity to attract events and influence your behavior. This introduces conditioning by experience into the chart's assessment. All your behavior is a learned response to circumstance with the birth chart providing a model of the behavior that's inclined to be learned. Environment and thought-cell formation go hand in hand and you may not know where you're going, but you will always end up where your thought-cells want to be.

The planet with the most power is called the dominant planet. Its character correlate, as your dominant psychological driver, defines conspicuous traits and behaviors. It marks for wants and needs that will play a dominant role in your intelligence and ability development.

The planet with the most harmony is called the best planet. Yours marks for suitably proper thought-cell activity and fortunate events and conditions. It has a success potential.

The planet with the most discord is called the worst planet. Yours marks for misguided, improper thought-cell activity and unfortunate events and conditions. It has a failure potential.

The worst planet is an astrological trouble-spot. It tends to cause a special type of adversity, calamity, distress or disease and should always be viewed as a self-development antagonist. But you can harmonize the discord by changing the ineffective, misguided behavior that inevitably leads to mishap.

In the new astrology the sign with the most power is called the dominant sign. It may or may not be the sign occupied by the Sun or Moon, but it maps an outstanding attitude that has well defined likes, dislikes and inclinations.

Signs possess harmony or discord and the sign with the most harmony is called the best sign. It marks for a 'good' effective attitude. The sign with the most discord is called the worst sign. It marks for a 'bad' ineffective attitude that inclines towards misguided effort, failure and poor social relations.

In the new astrology the house with the most power is called the dominant house. It marks for a life-matter, interest or relationship that's inclined to become your central life activity.

The house with the most harmony is called the best house. It marks for life-matters, activities and relationships that are predisposed to travel a pleasant, successful course.

The house with the most discord is called the worst house. It marks for life-matters, activities and relationships that are predisposed to travel a rough and troublesome course. They have a high mishap and failure potential, but you can change the misguided thinking that's taking you there.

Your birth chart transports you to the precursor realm of not-conscious thought. It allows you to have a close encounter with your soul and the life experience that's been destined by God to develop your special attributes and abilities. And the old astrology has been revolutionized by numbers that measure your character and its merits, strengths, faults and imperfections.