

The 12 Houses, house quadrants, and House systems



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Grouping of Houses



- ▶ Hemispheres - above/ below horizon
- ▶ Left and Right of - MC/IC
- ▶ Quadrants - 1,2,3,4 - each quarter of the wheel

- ▶ Qualities and Modes - Relate to the natural wheel and Modalities

Traditional

Angular (like cardinal) 1-4-7-10

Succedent (like fixed) 2-5-8-11

Cadent (like mutable) 3-6-9-12

Psychological - Relate to Natural wheel and elements

Houses of Life Spirit (Fire)- 1-5-9

Houses of Substance (Earth) 2-6-10

Houses of Relating(Air) 3-7-11

Houses of Soul (Water) 4-8-12

▶ Psychological Houses

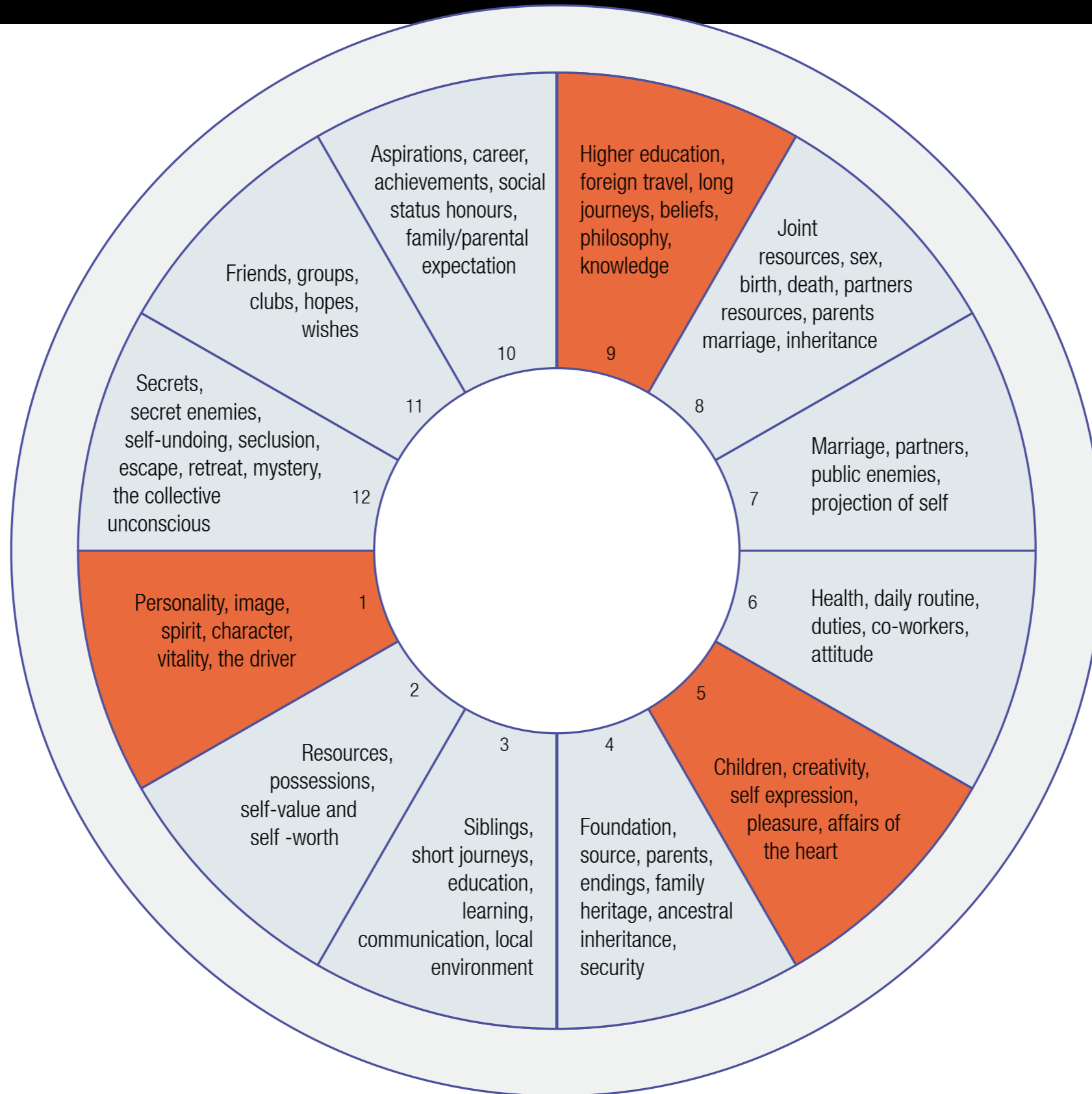


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Houses of Spirit : 1 - 5 - 9



Ascendant
(ASC)



Houses of Spirit

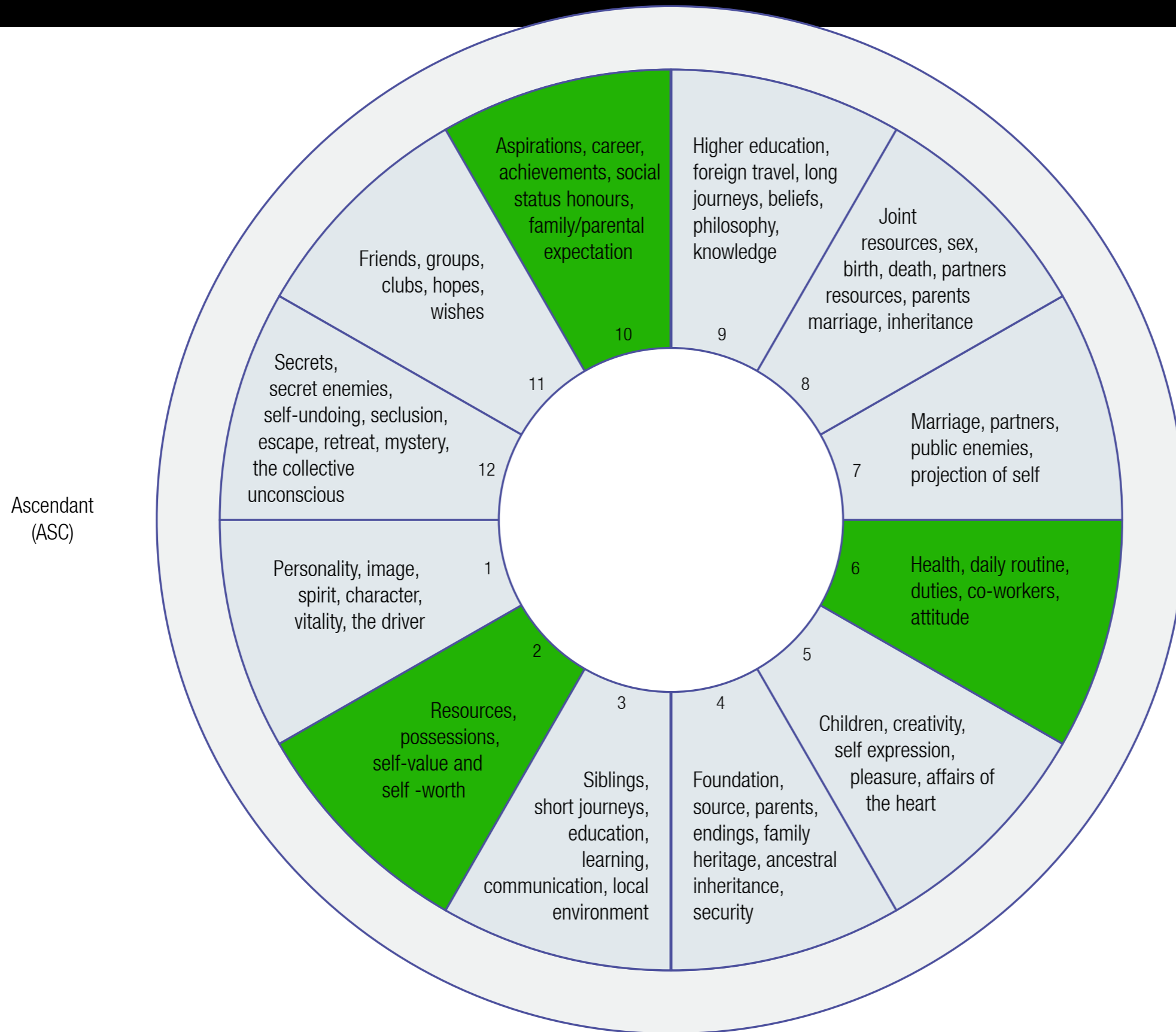


- ▶ 1-5-9
- ▶ Fire related
- ▶ animate, self expression
- ▶ activity energy release
- ▶ life force

- ▶ 1 - Angular - identity spark
- ▶ 5 - Succedent - strengthen confirm, identity
- ▶ 9 - Cadent - express identity

- ▶ eg This is the nature of Natural houses, but do consider the quality of:
eg: Earth signs, in the natural fire houses
or Water signs, in the natural fire houses

Houses of Substance : 2-6-10



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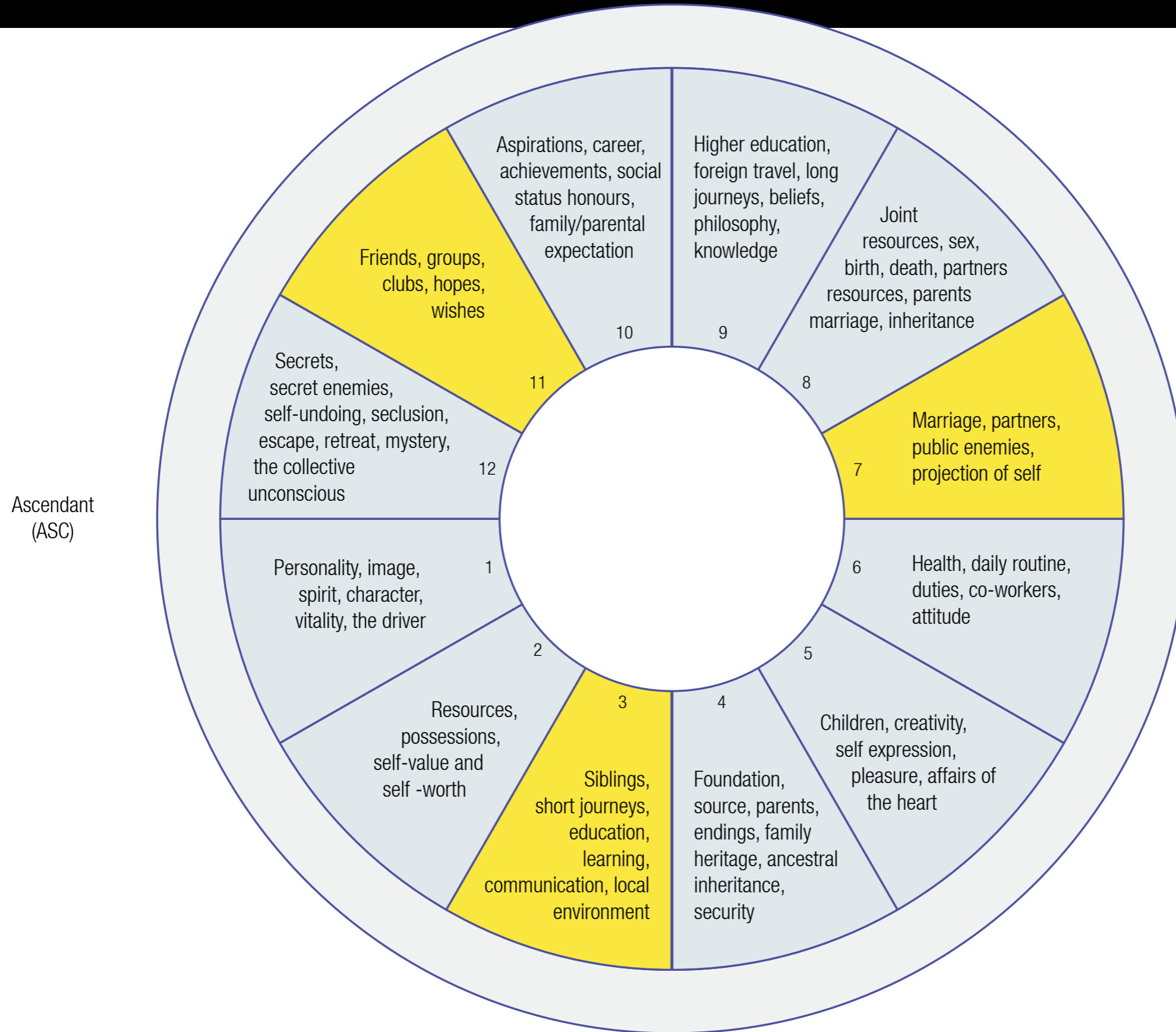
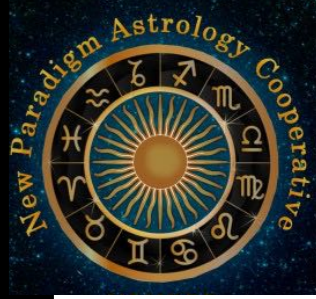


- ▶ 2-6-10
- ▶ Earth related, matter
- ▶ Resources, skills, refinement, perfection, productivity

- ▶ 2 - Succedent - body and matter
- ▶ 6 - Cadent - resources delineated
- ▶ 10 - Angular - maintain material existence

- ▶ eg This is the nature of Natural houses, but do consider the quality of:
eg: Air signs, in the natural earth houses
or Water signs, in the natural earth houses

Houses of Relating : 3 - 7 - 11



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- ▶ 3-7-11
- ▶ Air related, relationship houses
- ▶ Detachment, distance, perspective, intellect, communication

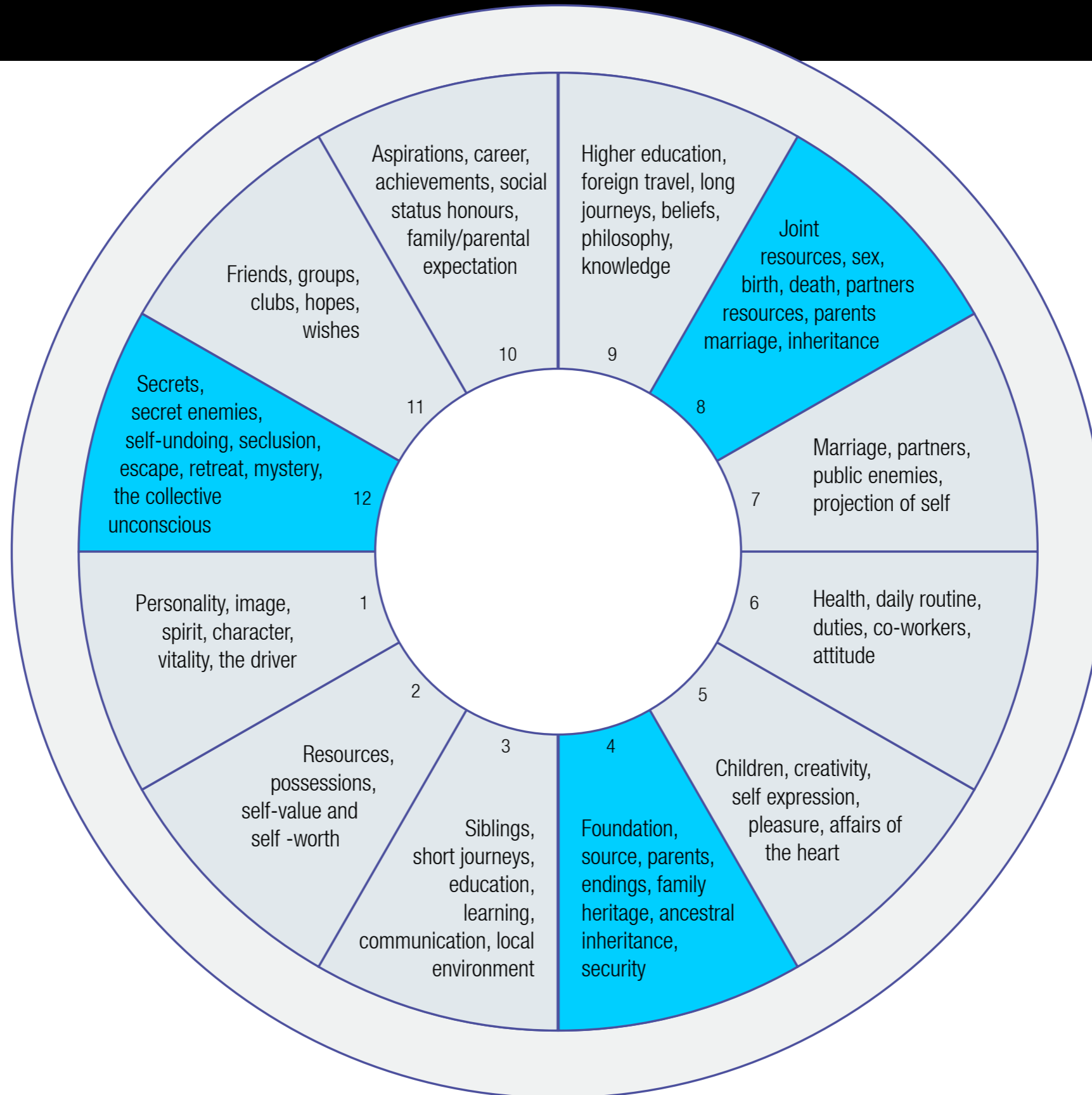
- ▶ 3 - Cadent - movement, development, communication, mental, language
- ▶ 7 - Angular - like minds, perspectives, sharing, power of 2
- ▶ 11 - Succeedent - stabilise viewpoints with others, share ideas

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eg: Fire sign, in the natural air houses
or Water signs, in the natural air houses

Houses of Soul : 4 - 8 - 12



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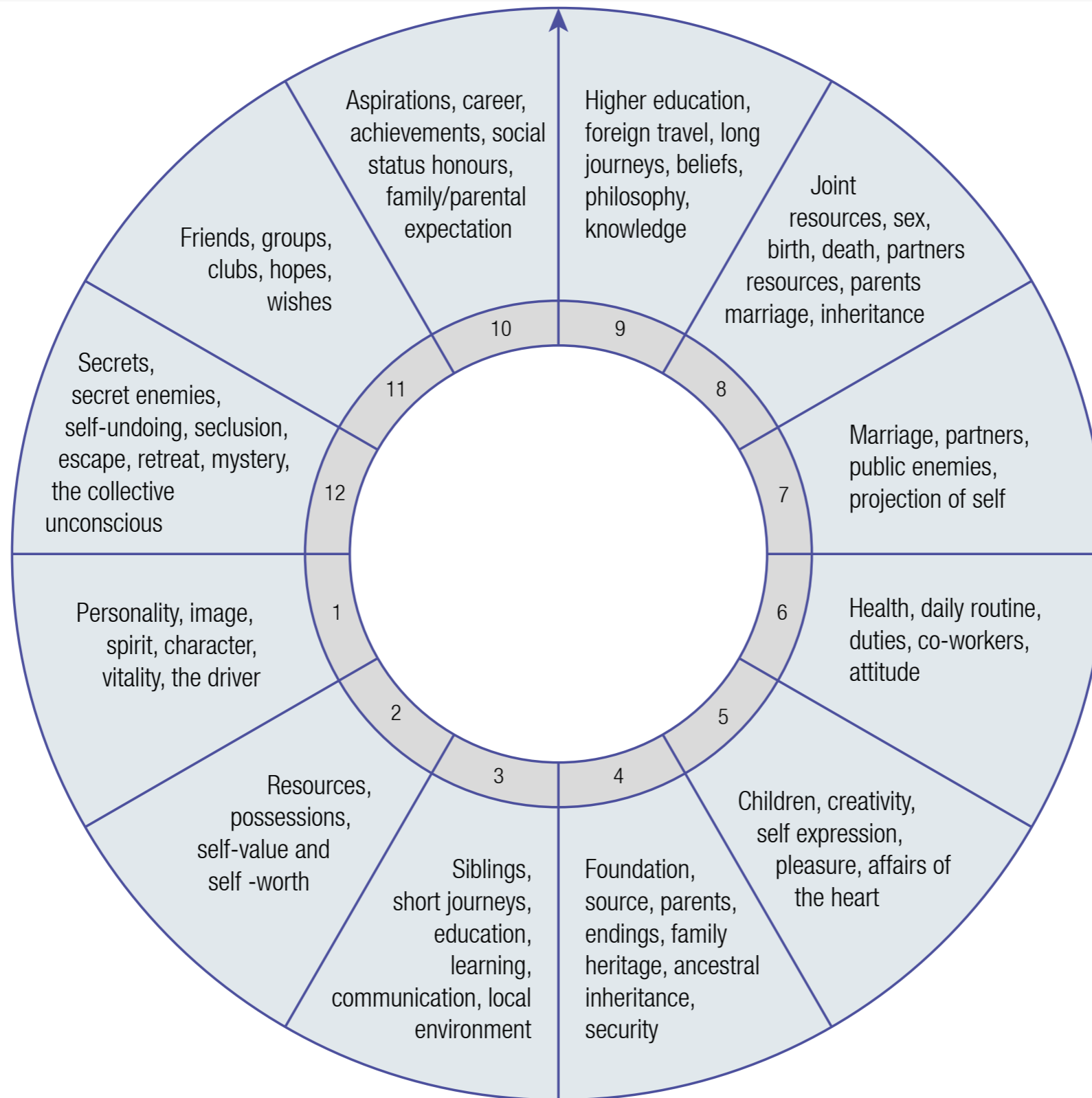


- ▶ 4-8-12
- ▶ Water related, feeling houses, emotions, beneath surface
- ▶ Instinct, reflection, love, family

- ▶ 4 - Angular - depth of feeling, source, background, unconscious, endings
- ▶ 8 - Succedent - feelings strengthened by others, merging, trusting, giving of self
- ▶ 12 - Cadent - unity of all, collective unconscious,

- ▶ eg This is the nature of Natural houses, but do consider the quality of:
eg: Air signs, in the natural water houses
or Fire signs, in the natural water houses

Meanings of Houses Natal Astrology



1st House



- ▶ Qualities - Angular, Masculine,
(Cardinal, spirit, Aries, Mars)
- ▶ The House of personality
- ▶ Personality, body, conditions at birth
- ▶ Personal identity, stature, colour, complexion, vitality
- ▶ Beginnings, appearance, personality, outlook, attitude, vitality, identity, self image, persona, birth, self expression, physicality, incarnation, face, mannerisms, quirks
- ▶ How we take control and drive our lives, the one at the helm
- ▶ Awareness of self and projection into the world, physical being
- ▶ Physical appearance, body image, presentation of self
- ▶ Face we show the world, ascendant is our mask
- ▶ Spontaneous, instinctive
- ▶ Conditions of birth, entering the world, new situations, how we get out of bed

2nd house



- ▶ Qualities - Succedent, feminine, (substance, fixed, Taurus, Venus, unfortunate)
- ▶ House of money, possessions, self value
- ▶ Our relationship to substance and physical world, attitude toward resources, self esteem
- ▶ Earning power, resources personal, material security, earning ability, capacity for pleasure, our personal garden, self esteem-worth, self value, capacity for pleasure, wealth
- ▶ Material comfort, earnings, wealth, finance, manner fo attaining wealth, assets, income, gain,
- ▶ Succedent houses, 5th wealth of father, 8th partner, 11th friend benefactors

3rd House



- ▶ Cadent - Air, Masculine
(relating, Mutable, Gemini, Mercury, fortunate)
- ▶ House of Communication
- ▶ Our relationship to our immediate environment, surroundings and first encounter with equal others
- ▶ The neighbourhood, siblings, early learning, language early schooling, communication style, short trips, speaking, concrete lower mind, thought, concentration, ideas, information, intelligence, nervous energy, cars
- ▶ Literal mind, conscious ideas, language
- ▶ First communication with brothers and sisters, cousins
- ▶ Awareness of power of word, relating, sharing
- ▶ Neighbours, messages,
- ▶ Ability to express ourselves and communicate, skills, language, words, writing

4th House



- Qualities - Angular, feminine
(Soul, Cardinal, Cancer, Moon)
- The house of family and home!
- Establishing inner and outer foundations and initial experience of belonging!
- Family, nurturing/unconditional parent, family of origin, roots, emotional security, real estate, end of life, foundations, heritage, home, inner self, endings
- Home, security, inner security
- Familial past and conditions, ancestry,
- Hidden treasure(physical) bowels of earth, land, farming, nationalism, patriotism, tradition, history
- Beginnings and endings
- Unconscious emotional experiences

5th House



- Qualities -Succedent, masculine
(Spirit, fixed, Leo, Sun, fortunate)
- The house of pleasure, creativity, self expression, giving birth to a sense of self!
- Children, romance, love affairs, pleasure, speculation,
- risk, recreation, hobbies, creativity, inner child, play, fun, speculation, drama, risk, inner child, hobbies , pleasure, creativity
- Personal charisma, charm, uniqueness
- Personal creative power, social relating, narcissistic reflections, love through creative expression
- Pregnancy, sex of children, health of children, procreation, conception
- Pleasure, gifts, indulgence, joy, clothes, leisure, risk ,
- Risk, gambling, stock market player(money houses)

6th House



- Qualities - Cadent, feminine
(Substance, mutable, Virgo, Mercury,unfortunate/weak)
- The house of service, routine, health, duty, work,
- Self-examination, improvement, daily ritual, tasks
- Work, health, co-workers, day to day, hygiene/diet, service, duty, pets, habits, self perfection,rituals, co-workers, Illness, disease, condition and cause,
- Employees, tenants, servants, shepherds, au -pairs, cleaner
- Pets , small animals,
- weakness and afflictions

7th House



- Qualities - Angular, masculine
(Cardinal, relating, Libra, Venus)
- The house of partnership, our significant one to one relationships and encountering the equal other!
- Open enemies, Partnerships, Marriage, divorce, husband/wife, Cooperation, business partners, counsellor/client, mirrored awareness, competitors, shadow selves, mirrored awareness
- Equal partner, contractual relationships
- Spouse, sweetheart, lover
- Outside world - moving, opposing forces, competition

8th House



- Qualities - Succedent, feminine
(Fixed, Soul, Scorpio, Mars/Pluto, unfortunate)
- The house of sex, death, taxes
- Joint resources, personal transformation, through trust, intimacy,
- Sharing, resources -emotional, financial, sexual
- Obligations with others- taxes, debt etc
- Death- experiences, initiations, passages, transformation
- Intimate relationships, shared, resources, taxes, finance\
- Mystery, joint finances, inheritance, wills, death, endings,
- Union/Love, emotional bonds, betrayal, grief, rage, jealousy, fear,
- Depth understanding,
- Loss, decay, anxiety, legacies, testaments, consolidation, withdrawal, re-evaluation, acceptance of loss, letting go

9th House



- **Qualities - Cadent, masculine**
(Mutable, Spirit, Sagittarius, Jupiter, fortunate)
- The house of search for meaning and personal belief system
- Higher education, travel, knowledge, wisdom, religion, philosophy, quest for truth, cross-cultural awareness, higher mind, metaphysics, publishing, law
- house of long journeys, quest for truth, meaning , learn about other ways of being, broaden understanding of self and world
- Expansion of consciousness, search for meaning,
- Unfamiliar environments, foreign, foreigners, pilgrims, explorers,
- Widening knowledge, dreams, astrology, mysticism, divination, shamanism, science, philosophy, scholarships, university

10th House



- Qualities - Angular,
(Cardinal, substance, Capricorn, Saturn)
- The house of our public image, reputation, status and place in world!
- Profession, vocation, career, public image, ambition, social status, authority figures, contribution to world, socialising parent,
- Parental and societal expectations,
- Goals, laws, man made, natural
 - Communal responsibility and duty
 - Quest to become autonomous
 - Honour, judgements, public decisions
 - Consciousness of rule in world
 - Employers, bosses, glory, dignity, acclaim, recognition, advancement, success, fame,
 - Awards , trophies, prizes,

11th House



- Qualities - Succedent, masculine,
(Fixed, Relating, Aquarius, Saturn/Uranus, fortunate)
- The house of social interactions, ideals, and place in community!
- Friends, friendship, supporters, colleagues, brotherhood, sisterhood, group involvement, global awareness, social activity, circles, ideals, goals, hopes and wishes, visions, future, conscious dreams, altruism
- Community concerns, organisations, political nature,
- Evolution of collective psyche
- “Good Fortune” , beneficial fate, positive hope, trust, praise, goals, ambitions,
- Those who share our aims
- Fidelity and falseness of friends
- Freedom, optimism, confidence, strength, motivation

12th House



- Qualities- Cadent, feminine
(Mutable, soul, Pisces, Jupiter/Neptune, weak/unfortunate)
- The house of hidden resources, connection to familial and personal and collective unconscious!
- Karma, mysteries, inner self, unconscious dreams, images, self undoing, escape, place of confinement, spirituality, retreat, hidden strengths, family fate, undertow
- Inherited patterns, family fate, imprisonment, isolation
- Withdrawal from life, what lies beneath, ancestral fate, inherited complexes and shadows,
family patterns,- dis-ease, disorder, chaos, skeletons of past
- Subliminal awareness,
- Secret self, hidden, restrained,
- Personal/collective salvation, spirituality, redemption, personal sacrifice
- Paranoia, phobias, scandal, despair eg 8th-12th connections suicide
- Large animals, a mount for men,

House Systems



- ▶ Placidus is the most commonly used house system, (difficult for extreme latitudes north and south)

Porphyry - preferred by Evolutionary astrologers, and me, as it divides houses between angles evenly, (used since 2nd century ACE)

- ▶ Other house systems include Quadrant House systems- division between angles
 - Morinus, Campanus, Regiomontanus, Koch, Meridian, Alchabitius, all have own formulas for division of quadrants, see examples following

Whole sign Houses

- ASC- DSC can be anywhere in 1st-7th house,
- MC-IC vary will be in either 9th or 10th house, or IC 3rd or 4th

Equal (30° each), like natural wheel except starting from ASC

House systems



- ▶ There are many differing house systems
- ▶ Different formulas are used to define house cusps
- ▶ Developed at different times and becoming popular in different ages
- ▶ House systems are derived from different formulas applied by dividing quadrants between angles, or dividing ecliptic

- ▶ Michelsen - Book of Tables

- ▶ More on house systems -
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/House_%28astrology%29
- ▶ Astrological software, and many choices for which house system to use. Experience, testing, preferences will help you decide what system to use

Different Astrological House Meanings



- ▶ Different rulerships and associations are made for certain houses depending on what type of astrology you are practising
- ▶ All have their own sets of meanings, principles and techniques
- ▶ **Natal Astrology** - What we are learning
- ▶ **Mundane Astrology** - eg- 5th house, president, culture of a nation
10th house the government of a nation
- ▶ **Financial Astrology** - 2nd house bank, 1st the Institution
- ▶ **Horary Astrology** - e.g. 1st house querent, 7th house astrologer.
- ▶ **Derivative houses** - locating people,
-e.g. boss' 10th - child 5th - 5th house from 10th house,
- Partners 7th - friend 11th - 7th house from 11th
- ▶ **Medical** - parts of body - 2nd house ears, 1st house eyes

Evolutionary Astrology and NPA



From Jeffery Wolf Greene

- have used the porphyry system for over twenty years, and continue to do so. Very few people remember anymore that this system was in fact the system of choice during the 1800's. It's origins come from a christian mystic named porphyry.....fourth century AD.

As you know it conceives that were one was born that local space is equal relative to the mc, asc, desc, ic. the primary number in the system is 3 which for my purposes, evolutionary astrology, is perfect.....past, present, future..... and of course is the primary number in all advanced math.

It is a spatial based system versus time based as in Placidius.

So for all those reasons.....

Natural Houses

Natal Chart

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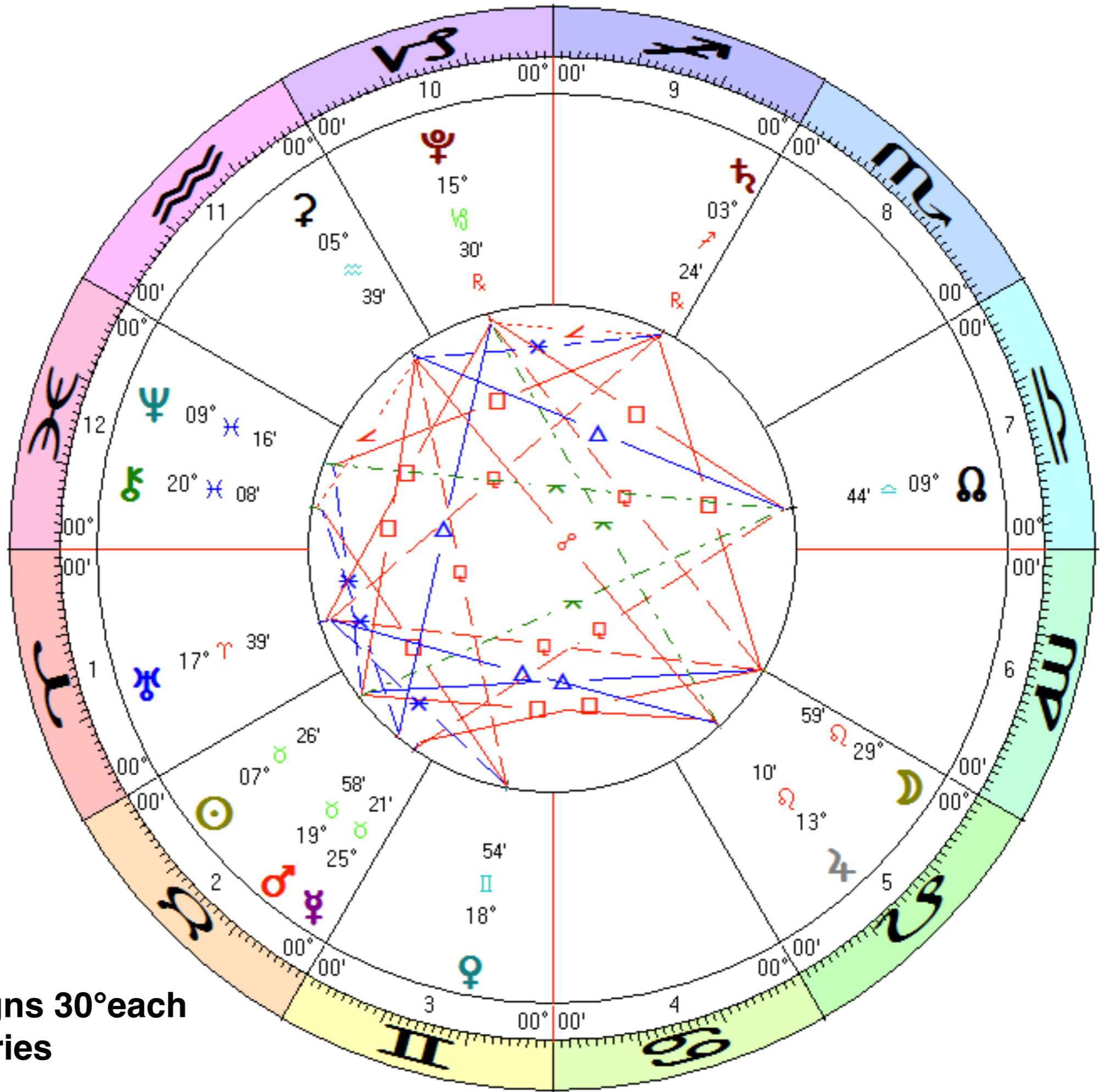
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Geocentric

Tropical

0° Aries

True Node



Natural Chart

All houses and signs 30° each

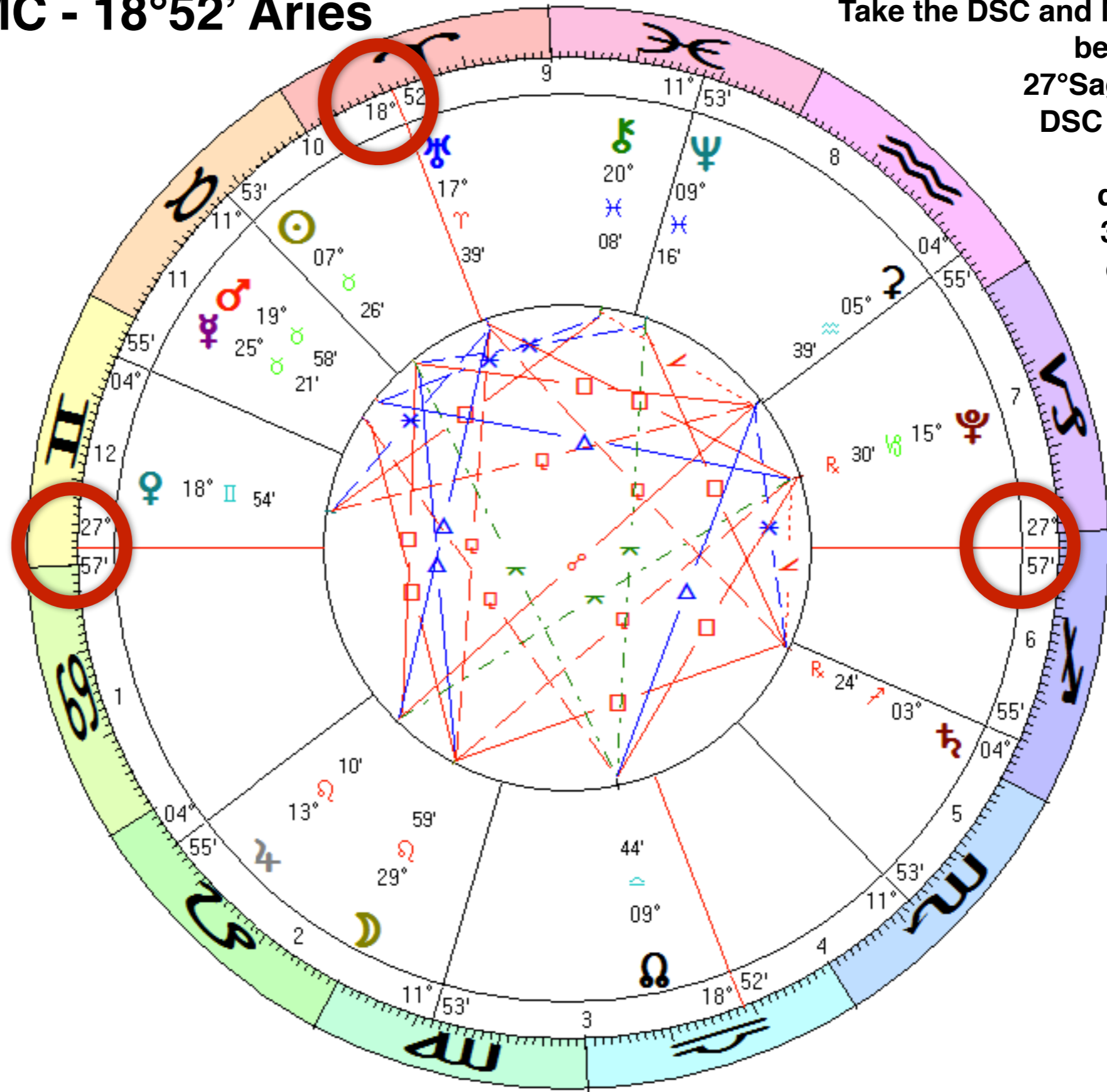
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MC - 18°52' Aries

Porphyr House system
Take the DSC and MC degrees
between each
27°Sag - 18°Aries
DSC - MC = 112°

divided by 3
34° each for
each house



ASC 27°57' Gemini

**All SIGNS are
measured in
30° degrees
60' minutes**

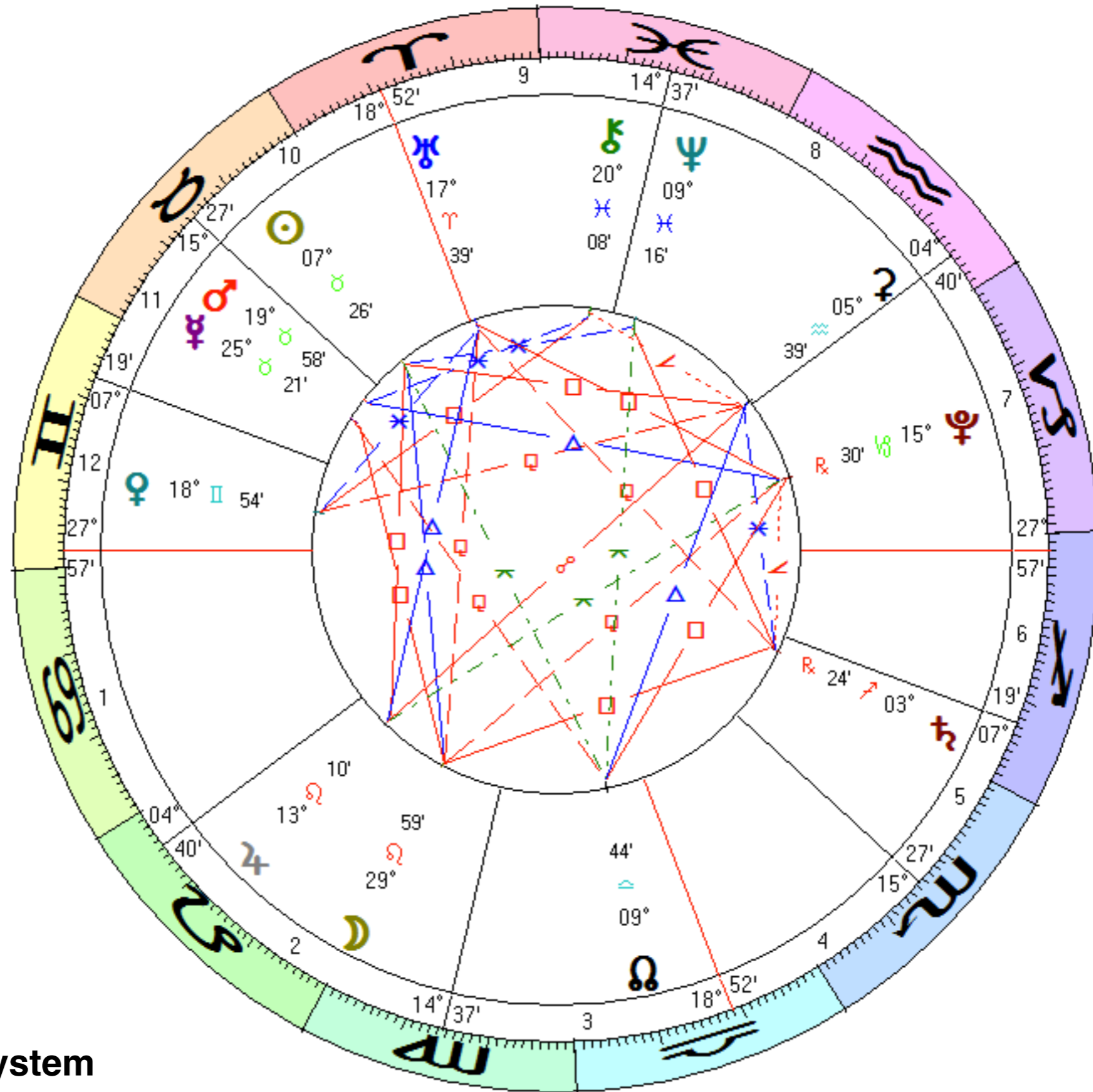
All houses are not 30° each

Placidus Houses

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**Placidus house system
collapses in extreme latitudes**

Equal Houses

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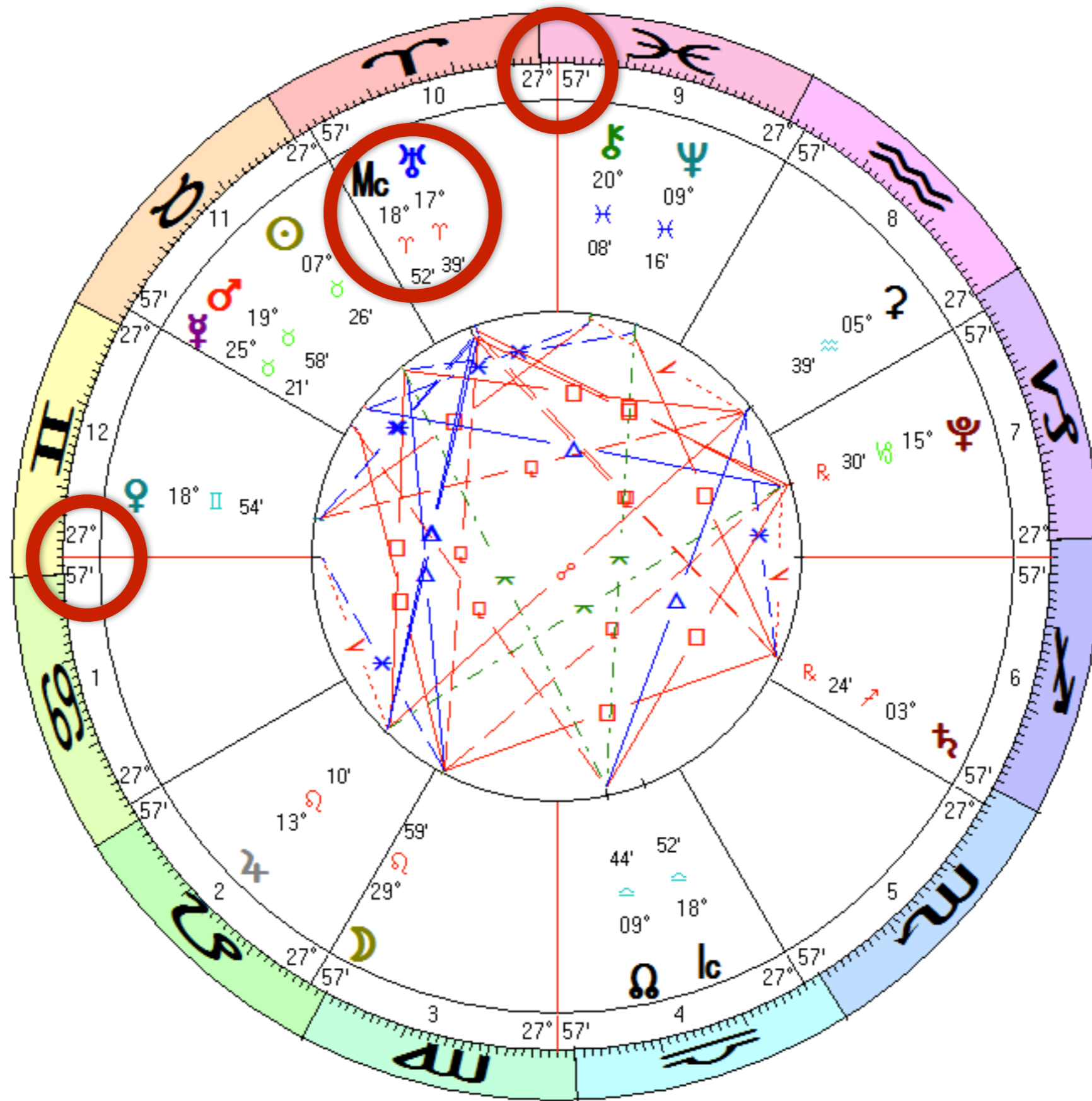
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Tropical

Equal

True Node



- ▶ Equal (30° each), like natural wheel except starting from degree of ASC .
- ▶ MC also not at cusp of 10th house

Whole Sign Houses

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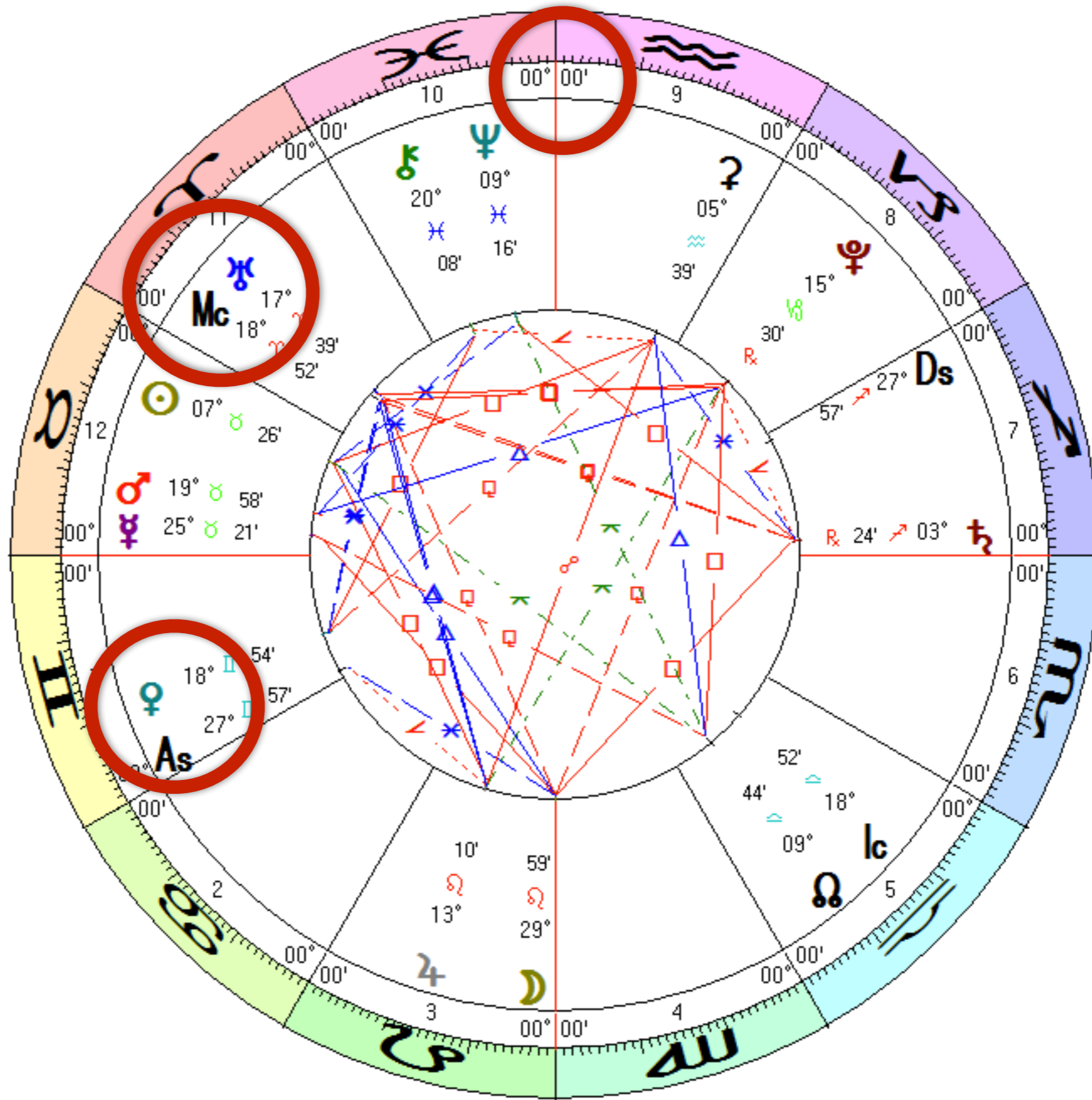
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Geocentric

Tropical

Whole Signs

True Node



Whole sign house system the only system that does not relate to the Earth/Sky or MC to 10th house.
To use this system it is best to be a seasoned astrologer first.

House systems and cusps



- ▶ Different house systems will give different house cusp positions
- ▶ A 4 minute error in birth time will move cusps
- ▶ Ptolemy gave a 5 degree orb to house cusps (with Equal House system)
- ▶ Use cusp at end of houses, not beginnings
- ▶ Middle of a house is its strongest points, planets at end of a house/cusps can be read as being in next house
- ▶ Monitoring transits, shows which house system works best
- ▶ <http://www.stariq.com/main/articles/p0001054.htm>