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BOOKS READ FROM OR REFERENCED:

- Lama Anagarika Govinda, *Foundations of Tibetan Mysticism*
- Franz Pfeiffer, *Meister Eckhart*, Volume 1, trans. C. de B. Evans
- C.G. Jung, CW 8, *The Structure and Dynamics of the Psyche*, "On Psychic Energy"; "The Transcendent Function"

DIAGRAMS embedded in these notes:

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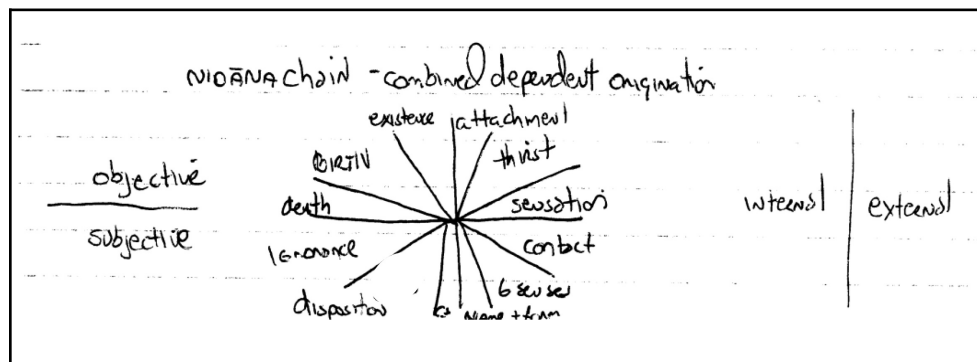
NOTES:

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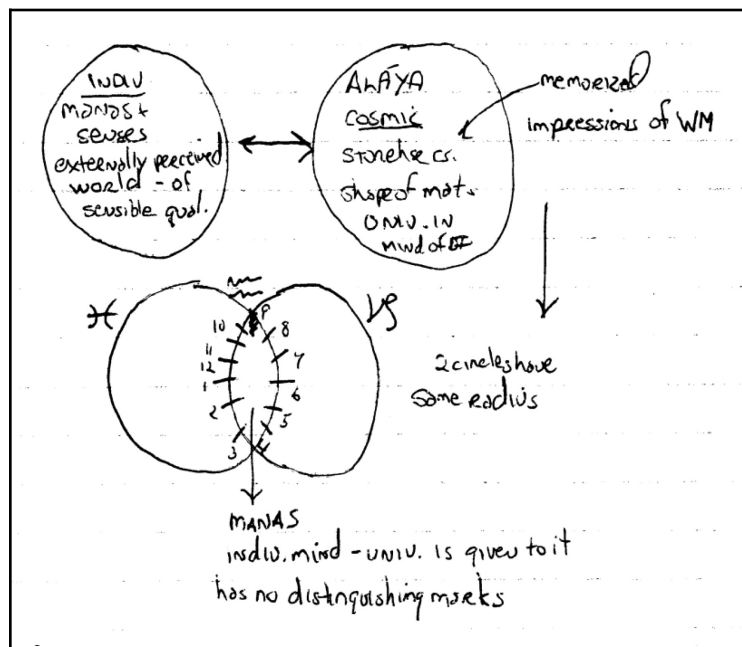
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[FIGURE 1978 0405-1-AB. Nidana Chain correlated with Twelve Houses. CS = Consciousness. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

Govinda, p. 74, double role of mind: [Note: Lama Anagarika Govinda, *Foundations of Tibetan Mysticism*.]



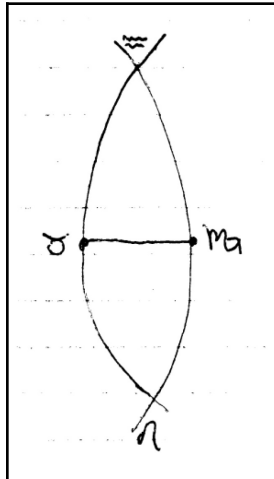
[FIGURE 1978 0405-2-AB. Diagram correlating Capricorn, Aquarius, Pisces with Alaya, Manas, and Manovijnana. Indiv. = Individual; CS. = Consciousness; Qual. = Qualities; Mat. Univ. = Material Universe; DI = Demiurgic Intellect; WM = World-Mind. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

Nidana chain -- arranged around vesica -- is within manas.

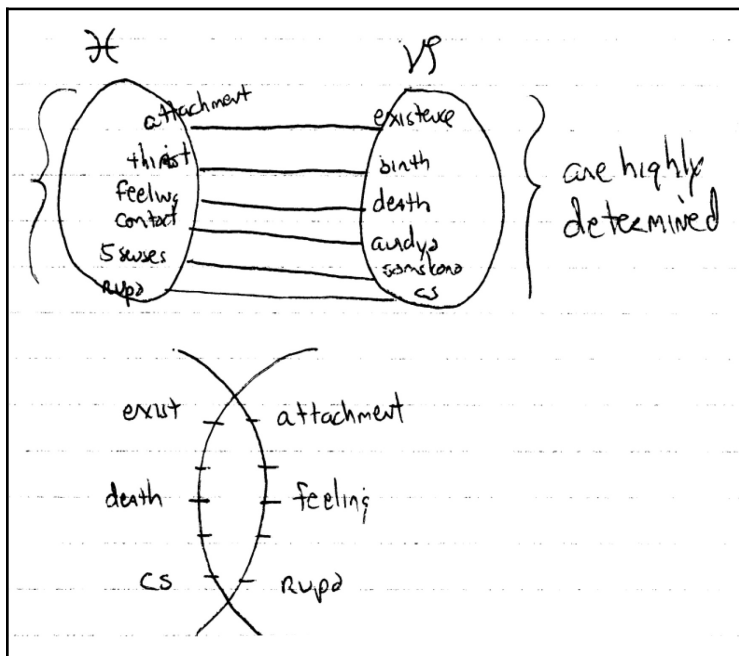
10-3 are cosmic (part of alaya).

4-9 are individual (part of individual).

Four fixed signs define Man -- universal Idea of Man.



[FIGURE 1978 0405-3-AB. Four Fixed Signs Define Idea of Man. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]



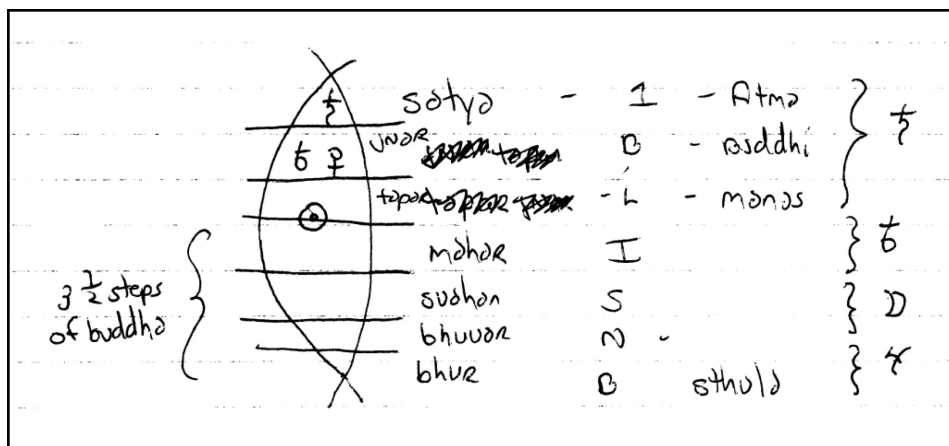
[FIGURE 1978 0405-4-AB. Nidana Chain as Cosmic and Individual. CS = Consciousness. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

When two circles are joined they switch sides.

Individual becomes cosmic.

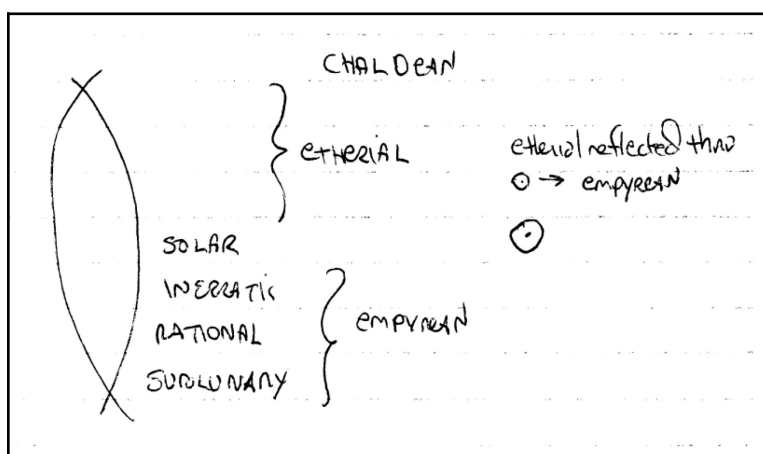
Cosmic becomes individual.

Divides vesica into 7 lokas and talas.



[FIGURE 1978 0405-5-AB. Seven Levels of the Cosmic Mind correlated with Tenth House Dignities. 1 B L I S N B = One Being Life Intellect Soul Nature Body. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

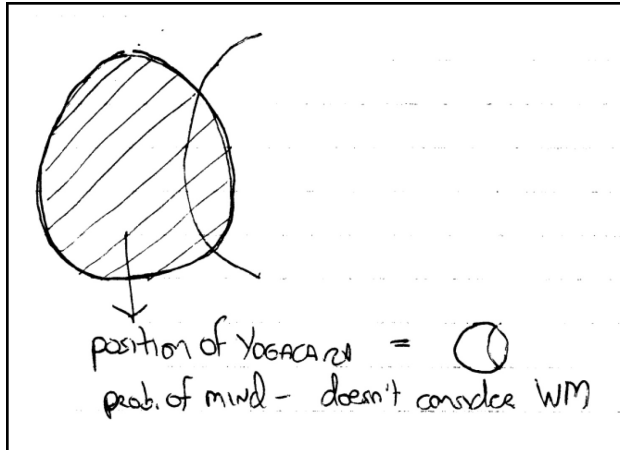
He [Buddha] spoke from the Solar world -- $3\frac{1}{2}$ coils of kundalini.



[FIGURE 1978 0405-6-AB. Chaldean Schema. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

Idea of Man includes all levels of being.

Human soul is the eternal eye of God (Eckhart). [Note: Possible reference to Sermon 96, p. 240, "The eye wherein I see God is the same eye wherein God sees me: my eye and God's eye are one eye, one vision, one knowing, one love." Franz Pfeiffer, *Meister Eckhart*, Volume 1, trans. C. de B. Evans, London: John M. Watkins, 1924.]

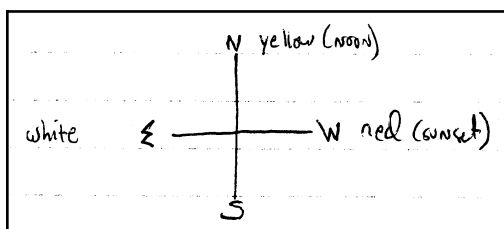


[FIGURE 1978 0405-7-AB. Yogacara Position: Individual Mentalism. Prob. = Problem; WM = World-Mind. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

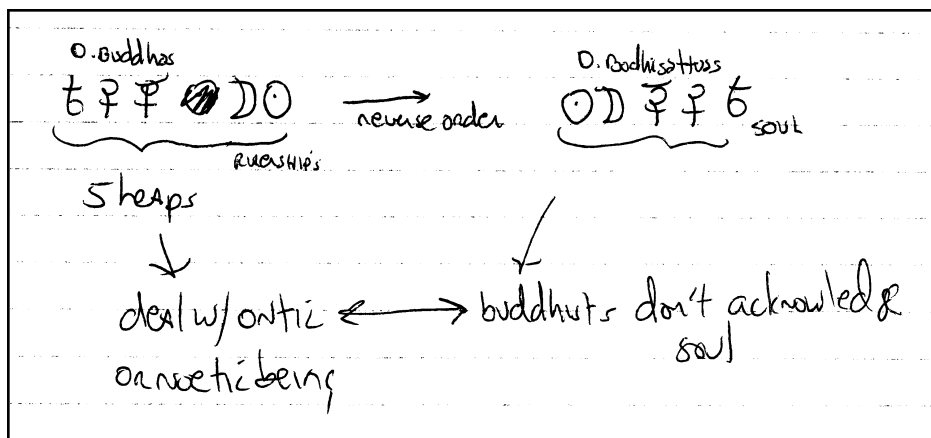
① VAIROcana (blue light)	- CS - ether	{ DHARMADHATU	- center - white	sight	W
MORNING ② Aksobhya (white light)	form - water	{ IGNORANCE	- E - blue - sound		
NOON Ratnasambhava	feeling - earth	{ MIRROR-LIKE	- N yellow - smell	N	
SETTING SUN Amitabha	percep. - fire	{ ANGER	- W red - taste		S
MIDNIGHT Amoghasiddhi	volition - AIR	{ EQUALITY	- S green - touch	E	
③		{ PRIDE	- E green - touch		
		{ DISCRIMINATION	- W red - taste		
		{ DESIRE	- S green - touch		
		{ ALL ACCOMPLISHING	- E green - touch		
		{ JEALOUSY	- S green - touch		
			comb. of earth (blue) + water (yellow)		

[FIGURE 1978 0405-8-AB. Table Correlating Five Suns, Five Dhyani Buddhas, Five Skandhas, Five Elements, Five Afflictive Emotions, Five Wisdoms, Five Directions, Five Colors, and Five Senses. Mid. = Midnight; CS = Consciousness. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

Our directions are different from Tibetan.



[FIGURE 1978 0405-9-AB. Colors and the Four Directions. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]



[FIGURE 1978 0405-10-AB. Dhyani Buddhas, Bodhisattvas, and Dignities. D. = Dhyani. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

Read on 24 tattvas.

Jung, Volume 8: Psychic Energy, Transcendent Function. [Note: C.G. Jung, CW 8, *The Structure and Dynamics of the Psyche*, "On Psychic Energy"; "The Transcendent Function".]

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