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SUBSUBJECTS: Reflective Consciousness, KWF (Knowing, Willing, Feeling), Four Causes and Four Levels of Knowing (Divided Line), Gods, Five Cosmic Skandhas, Nidana Chain, Daemon as Reflective Apparatus, Four Aspects of Knowing and Determinate vs. Indeterminate Cognition, Demiurgic Intellect, Seven Lokas and Chakras

BOOKS READ FROM OR REFERENCED:

- Aniela Jaffe, *The Myth of Meaning in the Work of C.G. Jung*
- Iamblichus, Thomas Taylor (tr.), *Iamblichus on the Mysteries of the Egyptians, Chaldeans, and Assyrians*
- C.G. Jung, CW 8, *The Structure and Dynamics of the Psyche*, "On the Nature of the Psyche"
- C.G. Jung, *The Psychology of Kundalini Yoga*
- Sir John Woodroffe (Arthur Avalon), *The Serpent Power*
- Sir John Woodroffe (Arthur Avalon), *The Garland of Letters*

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NOTES:

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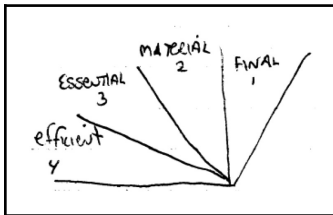
Jaffe -- *Myth of Meaning* -- last chapter [Note: Aniela Jaffe, *The Myth of Meaning in the Work of C.G. Jung*.]

Reflecting consciousness of man endows his life with meaning, is the stage on which our psychic life unfolds.

Has 3 aspects: willing, feeling (emotion), knowing -- modes through which consciousness relates to external world. Each has 4 aspects.



[FIGURE 1978 0510-1-AB. Four Aspects of Knowing, Willing, Feeling. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]



[FIGURE 1978 0510-2-AB. Aristotle's Four Causes correlated with Last Four Houses of the Metaphysical Chart. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

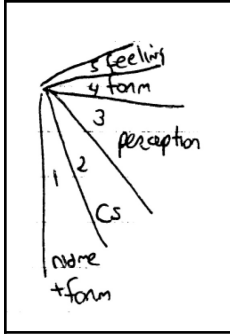
4 different ways of knowing an object: [Note: Numbering below relates to diagram above.]

- 1) Dot -- Intuition
- 2) Line -- Dianoia
- 3) Surface -- Opinion
- 4) Cube -- Sensation

Iamblichus -- how to know the appearance of a God, 86 ff.? [Note: Iamblichus, Thomas Taylor (tr.), *Iamblichus on the Mysteries of the Egyptians, Chaldeans, and Assyrians*.]

We don't see the Gods because we permit them to transform themselves into the vehicles of our reflective consciousness.

5 cosmic skandhas (or nidanas) -- are put together into a whole (aggregate) in Sagittarius which constitutes the personality.



[FIGURE 1978 0510-3-AB. Five Cosmic Skandhas. CS = Consciousness. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

AD [Anthony Damiani] -- switched 5 and 4.

1 -- 1st quadrant of nidana chain

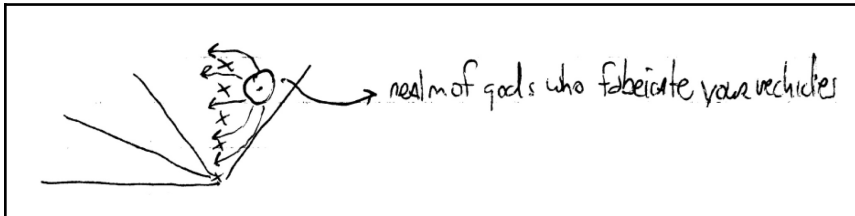
3 -- 2nd quadrant of nidana chain

4 -- 4th quadrant of nidana chain

5 -- 3rd quadrant of nidana chain

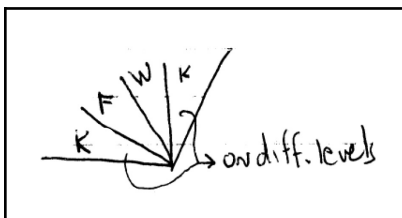
AD -- The hidden meaning of the nidana chain has been lost.

Sun in 3rd quadrant (causal intellect of universe) shines through fixed stars.



[FIGURE 1978 0510-4-AB. Divine Sun and Individual Vehicles. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

The very material of your sheaths are the energies of the Gods = archetypal luminosities in unconscious. (Nature of Psyche -- Jung) [Note: C.G. Jung, CW 8, *The Structure and Dynamics of the Psyche*, "On the Nature of the Psyche".]



[FIGURE 1978 0510-5-AB. Knowing, Willing, Feeling correlated with Last Four Houses of the Metaphysical Chart. K W F = Knowing Willing Feeling; diff. = different. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

4-fold aspects of feeling have been covered in discussion of emotion.

Daemon = totality of 3 modes and their content and the way they function -- the school you live in and learn from = your reflective apparatus as constituted by reason productive principles = guardian, tutelary spirit (reflective apparatus <not used psychologically> = vesica).

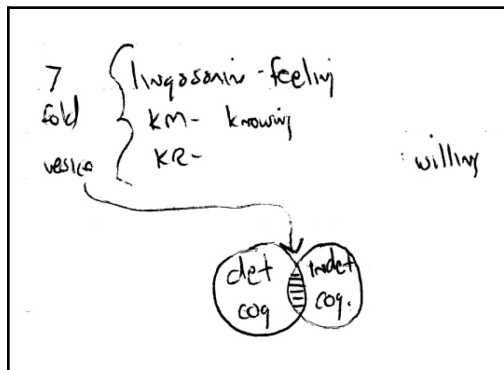
Knowing -- 4 aspects:

Sagittarius -- Final

Willing -- Capricorn -- Material -- indeterminate cognition

Feeling -- Aquarius -- Essential

Knowing -- Pisces -- Instrumental (Efficient) -- determinate cognition, reflective = apperception, not reflective consciousness. Reflective consciousness produces the determinate cognition.

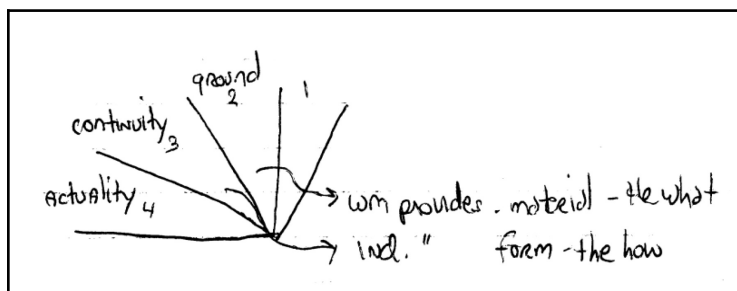


[FIGURE 1978 0510-6-AB. Indeterminate Cognition, Vesica (Knowing Willing Feeling), and Determinate Cognition. KM = Kama Manas; KR = Kama Rupa; Det Cog = Determinate Cognition; Indet Cog. = Indeterminate Cognition. Facsimile scan from AB class notes.]

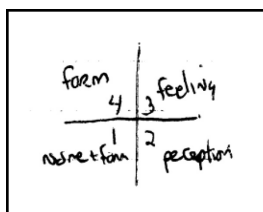
The determinate cognition excludes all functioning of lower manas -- all concepts are excluded from pure presentation -- primordial image. Reflective consciousness or recognition involves concepts. Manas reveals indeterminate as determinate in Pisces. What is determined is determined by the very nature of the organ which presents it which is without concepts (the concepts are superimposed or added by reflective consciousness). The vehicles are reflecting what is going on.

The final cause of knowledge is your own psychical essence. What we know is really ourselves =

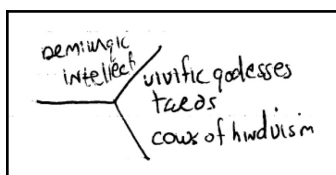
Demiurgic Intellect



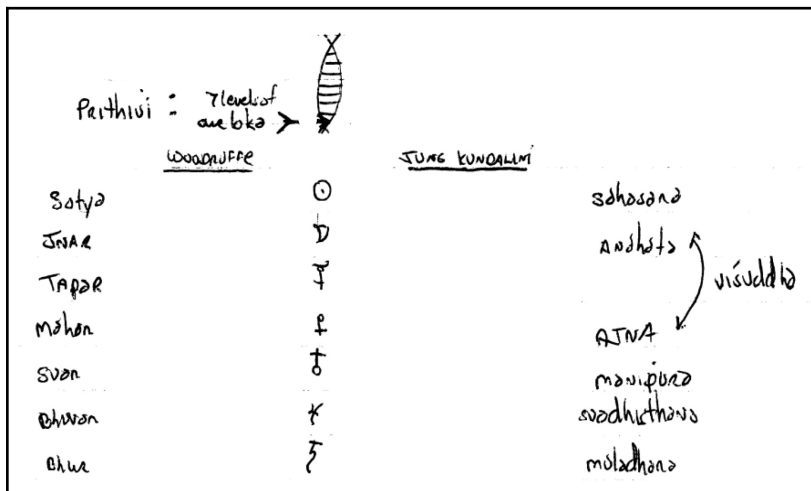
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Plotinus' Soul = Buddhist Nirvana

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