

In-Depth Astrological Delineation-Progressions

Progression

- The act of progressing; forward or onward movement
- *Astrology*. any of a variety of methods of comparing the natal chart to subsequent planetary positions in order to establish an optimum time to accomplish things or to establish the probable time an event occurred or will occur
- “Astrology does not foreshow events which are inevitable. It maps thought-cell activities which influence the thoughts and behavior and exert extra-physical power on the environment in such a way as to make certain events probable.”
- C. C. Zain – Progressing The Horoscope

Progressions are “Astral Weather Conditions”

- In Hermetic Astrology the natal chart is considered to represent the most powerful influences which impact our character, consciousness, and life experiences
- From the time of birth forward the planets continue to move through the chart by what is called “progressed motion”
- These progressed aspects of the planets create temporary astral weather conditions which impinge upon our unconscious mind or soul and stimulate us to think, feel, and act in specific ways
- Our thoughts, feelings, and actions, in turn, attract specific trends of events and experiences
- By calculating progressions we can look forward and determine the timing of events in our lives
- Progressions inform us whether or not we might experience sunshine or

storms with our health, windfalls or losses economically, make or break-off relationships, gain or lose employment, as well as numerous other types of activities

Three Types of Progressions

- In the Hermetic System of Progressions we work with three types of progressed movement - they are:
 - MAJOR PROGRESSIONS
 - MINOR PROGRESSIONS
 - TRANSITS

Major Progressions

- Major progressions are determined by the movement and position of the planets each solar day after birth
- One day is roughly equivalent to one year of life
- Each two hours after birth are equal to one month of life
- Each four minutes after birth equal one day of life
- Major progressions are placed in the secondary wheel of the chart
- Major progressions carry one-half the power (Astrodynes) of the natal chart and correspond to the major events and experiences in one’s life
- In analyzing major progressions attention is given to:
 - The progressed position of the planets
 - The type of aspect they form
 - The relative power, harmony, or discord of their natal positions
 - The houses they govern by rulership (look to the sign on the cusp of each house)

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Temporary Stellar Aerials

- Progressed planets are “Temporary Stellar Aerials” which attract events/experiences during their period of activity
- In the Hermetic System, progressions are allowed a 1° orb of aspect
- Progressions have specific dates when they enter orb of aspect, become perfect, and leave
- Applying aspects are considered to have greater power to attract events than separating aspects
- Progressions can stimulate four or more regions of the chart
- The natal house position of both planets
- The house position of both planets by progression
- The houses each planet co-rules, determined by the sign on the cusp of the house
- Reading a Progressions Report
- Progressions can be listed chronologically according to the date that aspects entered orb

Reading a Progressions Report

28	07/16/2006	♀ ♂ ☿r	05/14/2007	03/11/2008
29	08/13/2006	♀ π ♃r	06/11/2007	04/08/2008
30	08/25/2006	♂ √ ♂r	02/25/2008	08/27/2009
31	09/01/2006	♀ ♃ ♀p	04/22/2009	11/01/2011
32	01/11/2007	♀ ♂ ♂p	09/29/2008	08/19/2010
33	02/14/2007	☉ ∠ ☉r	02/23/2008	03/02/2009
34	02/14/2007	♁ ∠ ♁r	02/23/2008	03/02/2009
35	03/04/2007	☉ Δ ♃p	03/07/2008	03/13/2009

- Based on a one degree orb, the progression report includes the date a planet enters aspect
- The date the aspect becomes exact or perfect
- The date it leaves orb of aspect
- The first symbol in the series indicates the planet forming the aspect by progression

- The second symbol is the aspect
- The third symbol is the planet with which the aspect is being formed
- The letter “r” following the planet indicate that it is “radical” or a planet in the natal chart
- The letter “p” indicates that it is a “progressed” planet

Major Progressions of the Moon

- “The major progressed Moon moves through all twelve houses and makes all possible aspects to the other planets in 27.3 years. Because its thought-cells are so open an avenue for energy, its passage through each house in turn, averaging less than two and a half years, tends to bring the things signified by the department of life ruled by the house it is in at the time to the fore....”“...In some manner the popularity is apt to be affected by aspects involving the Moon. As it relates to the Mentality, the temporary mood is indicated by the planet to which it makes a progressed aspect.”
- C. C. Zain - *CS X-2 Natal Astrology: Progressing the Horoscope* page 71

Major Progressed Aspects of Moon Attract Only Sub-Major Events

- “Because long observation indicates that on the average a progressed aspect made by the Moon attracts an event only 1/7 as important as that attracted by a similar progressed aspect made by one of the other eleven positions, it is customary to designate major progressed aspects made by the Moon as sub-major progressed aspects. Progressed aspects made by any of the other eleven positions to birth chart Moon,

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however, are on the average as powerful to attract events as those made to other birth chart planets.”

- C. C. Zain - CS X-2 *Natal Astrology: Progressing the Horoscope* page 83

Minor Progressions

- Minor progressions are measured by the movement of the planets during one lunar month (approximately 27 ¼ days) after birth
- This means one complete passage of the Moon through the twelve signs of the zodiac after birth is equivalent to one year of life
- The movement of the Moon through each sign of the zodiac after birth equals one month of life
- The movement of the Moon through one degree of the zodiac equals one day of life
- Minor progressions carry one-eighth (1/8) the power of the natal chart and correspond to the minor events in one's life
- Special consideration is given when minors reinforce planets engaged in major progressions
- When using minors we primarily track conjunction and opposition aspects
- Minor Progressions are placed in the tertiary wheel of the chart
- “The indicated major event may be expected during the time the progressed aspect is within approximately one degree of the perfect aspect. The same orb of influence is effective for sub-major progressed aspects (major progressed aspects of the Moon), for minor progressed aspects, and for transit aspects.....”
- “For an event to be attracted by any of the three types of progression it is not necessary that any other type of

progression contribute to it. But during the period a major progressed aspect is within the indicated distance from perfect there will occur several brief periods when due to the major progressed Moon, ...or a minor progressed planet, or both, or several minor progressed aspects, forming an aspect with one of the planets involved in the major progressed aspect, or affecting the house ruling the anticipated event, the thought-cells working for the event are given unusual accessory energy. And it may confidently be expected the event will occur on one of these peaks of thought-cell activity.” – C.C. Zain

Transit Progressions

- Transiting aspects are the type of progressions commonly used by most astrologers
- They are measured by the ratio of one year after birth is equal to one year of life
- The complex mathematical formulas required for calculating Major and Minor Progressions has daunted amateur astrologers for centuries
- Transits are easy to calculate – one can merely look at the ephemeris for the current date
- In the Hermetic system of astrology the influence of transits is considered fairly insignificant
- Transits carry the power of one thirty-second (1/32) of the natal chart
- **Exceptions to this rule** are the transits of the slower moving planets through angular houses, and those planets forming conjunction or opposition aspects to natal or major progressed planets
- Transits are placed in the quaternary or outermost wheel of the chart

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Transits Function as “Triggers”

- “There is no difference in the influence exerted by Major Progressed aspects, Minor Progressed aspects and Transit aspects, other than in the volume of energy supplied the stellar cells as indicated by the importance and magnitude of the event attracted
- The events which many astrologers believe to be caused by transiting planets are in reality stimulated by major progressed aspects which are more powerful and enduring influences. Under such circumstances the transit, which merely triggers the Major Progression (which fails to work when no such Major Progressed aspect is present) is credited with responsibility for attracting the event.”
- C. C. Zain – Progressing The Horoscope

The Power of Progressions

- The Major Progression is the keg of dynamite
- The Minor Progression is the fuse
- The Transit is the match

Attracting Painful or Pleasurable Experiences

- ♀ Venus adds ¼ harmony
- ♃ Jupiter adds ½ harmony
- ♂ Mars adds ¼ discord
- ♄ Saturn adds ½ discord
- The nature of the progressed aspect contributes in part to type of events attracted
- Neutral: ⋈ || † ♂
- Harmonious: √ * △
- Discordant: < ☐ □ ♂
- The relative conditioning energy of a planet in the natal chart contributes

to its ability to attract pleasurable or painful experiences by progression

PLANETS

	Power	%	Harmony
♃	71.76	13.0	4.33
♃	66.52	12.0	32.72
♃	64.56	11.7	9.22
♃	63.08	11.4	3.83
♃	60.34	10.9	-0.51
♃	52.46	9.5	-8.33
♃	41.77	7.6	-14.63
♃	33.21	6.0	-17.71
♃	28.63	5.2	-0.17
♃	27.22	4.9	5.08
♃	24.93	4.5	-2.72
♃	17.96	3.3	-8.59
	<u>552.46</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>2.51</u>

Duration of Major Progressions

- Major progressions of the Moon last approximately 50 days
- Major Progressions of the Sun last for approximately two years
- Major Progressions of Mercury and Venus last for approximately eighteen months
- Major Progressions of Mars can last for three to four years
- Major Progressions of Jupiter last for approximately eleven years
- Major progressions of Saturn last fifteen or more years

Predicting Events

- **Importance of Event Depends Upon Intensity of Thought-Cell Activity**
- In predicting what events will be attracted into the life at a given time, therefore, the first thing to do is to consider the normal composition and activity of the thought-cells within the compartment of the astral body affected. Then consider the volume, type, and harmony or discord of the energy added to the stellar cells

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within the compartment, and estimate not merely the amount of activity which will result from this new energy supply, but also how the new energy supply modifies or accentuates their normal feeling of harmony or discord.

- C. C. Zain - CS X-2 *Natal Astrology: Progressing the Horoscope* page 16
- Each progressed aspect attracts its own type of event
- Harmonious and discordant progressed aspects do not annul each other – they attract different events

Houses

- The house cusp positions of the natal chart remain constant
- Planets progress forward or backward (if retrograde) into the houses impacting these departments of life
- Progressed aspects can stimulate four or more regions of the chart
- The natal house position of both planets
- The house position of both planets by progression
- The houses each planet co-rules, determined by the sign on the cusp of the house
- We look to the houses activated by progressions to determine what areas of life will be stimulated
- Progressions involving the First House impact the health, physical body, appearance, personality, temperament, self-image, self-consciousness, personal interests and desires.
- Progressions involving the Second House influence our income, expenses, possessions, finances, and values
- Progressions involving the Third House impact one's private

thoughts, mental interests, attitudes, studies, communications, writing, telephone calls, short trips, siblings, neighbors and neighborhood

- Progressions involving the Fourth House impact the home, father, real-estate, domestic matters, early childhood, conditions at the end of life, beginnings and endings.
- Progressions involving the Fifth House influence romance, love-affairs, sex, pleasures, creativity, entertainment, children, gambling, and speculation.
- Progressions involving the Sixth House stimulate activity in our employment, service, work-place, colleagues, coworkers, employees, tenants, diet, nutrition, food, illness, small pets.
- Progressions involving the Seventh House impact one's relationships, marriage, partnerships, allies, opponents, competitors, the public.
- Progressions involving the Eighth House influence matters of death, the end of things, spirit world, metaphysics, inheritances, legacies, other people's resources, partner's money, credit and debts.
- Progressions involving the Ninth House impact one's religion, philosophy, the higher mind, higher education, publicly expressed opinions, teaching, advertising, publishing, travel, international matters, import/export.
- Progressions involving the Tenth House stimulate one's reputation, status, honor, awards, business, career, bosses, superiors, mother.
- Progressions involving the Eleventh House influence Friends, acquaintances, associations, groups, clubs, organizations, hopes and

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wishes, social objectives, humanitarian goals.

- Progressions involving the Twelfth House impact one's secrets, mysteries, detective work, sorrows, disappointments, hidden enemies, places of confinement, prisons, jails, asylums, monasteries, ashrams, zoos, hospitals, social work, welfare, the occult, unseen psychic forces,

Interpretation Guidelines

- Whether or not a progressed aspect attracts fortunate or unfortunate events is determined less by the nature of the aspect by progression and more by the conditioning of the planet in the natal chart
- The more powerful of the two planets in the natal chart tends to be the stellar aerial that receives the greater stimulus
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- One can have an aspect and not attract an event
- A major progression can attract an event with no other reinforcement
- Major Moon progressions, Minors, and transits can help narrow the timing of events by adding thought-cell activity
- Interpreting progressions is an “art”

- You must take into consideration the education and training of the individual, and the mental habit-systems he or she has cultivated
- Focus only on the characteristics of the planets involved and the houses involved
- Eliminate concepts that are improbable due to birth chart predispositions
- You must consider the age of the individual and what events may be likely or unlikely based on the natural chronology of life events
- Note whether or not the environment in which the individual lives can allow the event to find full expression
- The astrologer must offer alternative expressions for any aspect
- The astrological counselor must offer suggestions as to how to best work with each aspect (the process of Alchemy)

Sample Chart: Piet Mondriaan

March 7, 1872, 6:00 a.m.

Amersfoort, Netherlands

Dutch Artist, important contributor to the De Stijl movement, and one of the founders of Neo-Plasticism

1892, Mondrian entered the Academy for Fine Art in Amsterdam

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1908 begins studying Theosophy and Anthroposophy

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1938 in the face of advancing fascism, Mondrian moves from Paris to London

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1940 Moves from London to Manhattan

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Dies February 1, 1944

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