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Lesson 1

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The Lunar Nodes

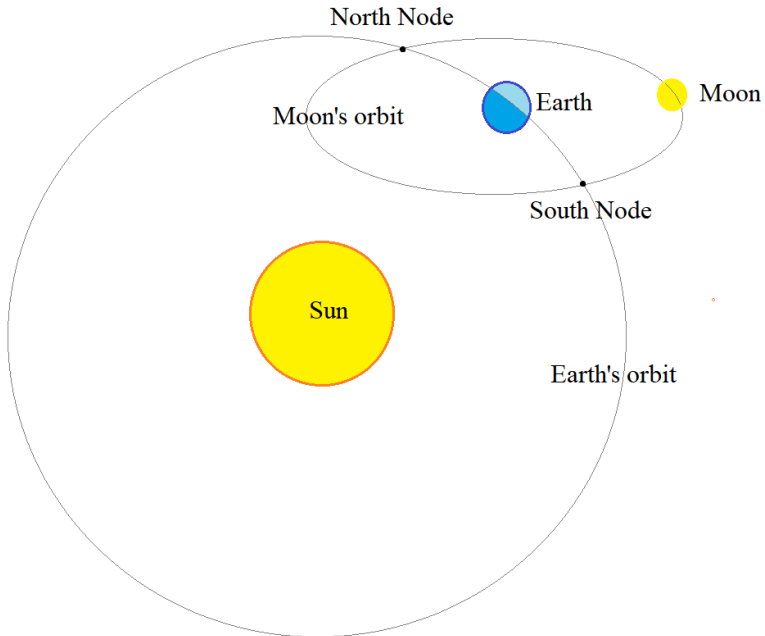
You already know a little about them, but in this lesson, you will find more useful information to complement the analysis of these important fictive points.

As seen earlier, there are two Lunar Nodes, the South Node, and the North Node. The drawing on the following page shows how they are created. On this drawing, see the orbit of the earth with the earth turning around the Sun. Look at the orbit of the Moon around the earth. It's not a perfect circle. It is quite elliptic. The points where the Moon's orbit crosses the orbit of the Earth are called "**North and South Lunar Nodes**".

If that is important to know on an astronomical point of view, it doesn't tell us what they mean in astrology, how the influence of the South and North Lunar Nodes operates. That's a very important concept to consider, especially in "karmic astrology".

However, and once again on an astronomical point of view, **there are Lunar Nodes and Lunar Nodes**. Why? Because there are two different approaches to the calculations leading to determine the positions of the Lunar Nodes. Consequently, as seen in the introduction to this book, there is what is called the "**mean**" Lunar Nodes and the "**exact**" or "**true**" Lunar Nodes. The

true nodes move back and forth, whereas the mean Lunar Nodes always move backward. They retrograde.



In this lesson, we will find out what the Lunar Nodes mean and how you can find them in the “**ephemeris**”, a book in which all the positions of the planets and other elements are listed day by day for a great number of years.

Let's have a look at the page of the ephemeris where we find the mean and true positions of the Lunar Nodes for a person born on the 29th of May 1917. On the line corresponding to that date, you see first, the day's number, then the TS (Sidereal Time or

cosmic time) of the day at midnight GMT, then the Sun, the Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto, and then you see the "true" Lunar Node at 11° retrograde in Capricorn, and next, the mean Lunar Node at 12°32' in the same sign. The difference is minimal; only one degree. Although it is not a drastic difference, if you prefer to use the true Lunar Nodes that's your choice, you can do that. I personally use the mean position and that is the one I will be teaching you about in this lesson.

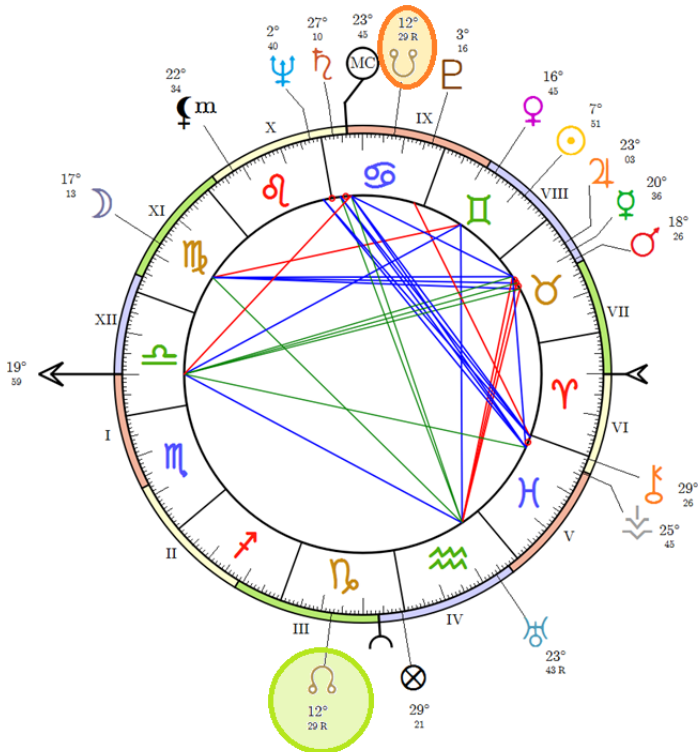
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Let's go ahead and then you see the rest of the lesson to explain what the South and North Lunar Nodes mean in a chart.

On the following page is the chart of the person born on the 29th of May 1917. The North Lunar Node is in Capricorn, and the South one is across the zodiac, in Cancer.

Remember: The North and South Lunar Nodes are directly opposed to one another. They also both represent opposed tendencies that cohabit within us. They tell us much about our life path.

The Lunar Nodes are a valuable source of information about karma, about our life path, about what we need to leave behind, to abandon, to let go, and also about where we need to go, what direction we need to take in this life.



South Node in House IX - North Node in House III

The South Lunar Node in Cancer in House IX in this chart represents what this person needs to let go, to get rid of, to detach themselves from. It globally represents what has had a very strong influence in the previous incarnation, a situation where this person felt probably quite secure, so much as to become dependent on, mainly because some important facets of that person's life were favourable (or not), and consistent with the profound influence that the situation had in various ways.

How the situation in our previous life was perceived, is what matters most in today's incarnation. Hence, we have brought back an instinctive need to reproduce similar situations and a similar behaviour due to the fact that we are cosmically but unconsciously connected to them. It is therefore natural to us, and it eventually becomes a prevalent part of our personality.

The South Lunar Node in House IX that you can see in the chart on the previous page represents the karmic influence of what this House represents. It could mean, for example, that this person lived with a foreigner or in a foreign country. Perhaps this person was travelling a lot or was an explorer searching for new territories or new countries. It can also indicate that this person was very interested and absorbed by the need to study.

As you know, House IX also represents studies, higher education, universities, and anything legal and official. It represents the way we deal with society on a philosophical point of view. When the South Node is in this House, it often indicates an insatiable craving for knowledge that creates a tendency to learn constantly, not necessarily getting anything concrete from what is learned. It is learning for the sake of learning or travelling for the sake of travelling.

Therefore, the position of the South Lunar Node tells us from the example chart that this person needs to adjust and do what needs to be done with concrete repercussions and consequences so that learning is motivated by a definite goal and not just for the thrill of acquiring more knowledge. It could be done with the view of accessing to a better job perhaps, or a better situation, or to realise an important project.

In this particular case of the South Node in House IX, if learning is not linked to a concrete objective, it may be better to forget about it and just learn what is necessary to keep on going in this present incarnation.

Nevertheless, because the North Node across from the South Node is naturally in House III, opposed to House IX, it indicates a need to communicate, teach, or share the acquired knowledge. That House makes learning a source of evolution of the ability to share with others what has been learned.

That way, what the person learns becomes more concrete. It becomes more objective and rational, instead of being a useless exercise that only confers personal satisfaction while it lasts.

Therefore, the North Node in House III shows that there is a need to improve communication as an essential medium to share and put to good use what has been mastered in House IX.

The North Lunar Node represents that towards which we should be tending to go in this present life. Consequently, in House III the North Node shows that the meaning of that House is the answer to the question of finding and knowing what to learn and how to use that knowledge.

However, apart from the positions of the North and South Lunar Nodes in Houses, they are also in signs. As you can see in the example chart, the South Node is in Cancer and the North Node is in Capricorn.

It is also necessary to consider the rulers of these signs. They are called “**regents**” in accordance with their positions in signs and Houses.

Last, but not least, the **aspects** created with other elements around the chart provide more information about the true and profound meaning of the South and North Lunar Nodes.

Let’s see what the Lunar Nodes in the signs have to teach us about our karma and life path.

First, you need to remember that if the South Lunar Node is in Aries, the North one is in Libra. If the South Lunar Node is in Taurus, the North one is in Scorpio. Have a look at the list presented on the following page and memorise it to spontaneously remember that the Lunar Nodes are opposed to one another and that because they are, they complement one another. It means that what you leave behind allows you to get more from life because it lightens your existential vehicle and makes it easier to drive it you where you want to go. This process is represented by the opposition between the North and South Lunar Nodes.

You will find a supplementary section at the end of this lesson to help you analyse the positions of the South and North Lunar Nodes in Houses. Use that section to read as many charts as you can until the roles of these elements become clear and meaningful. They are important in a chart as you will find out by

reading the supplementary section. Once again, however, do not copy/paste my words, use them only to inspire your personal definition an interpretation with your own words.

The Lunar Nodes in signs

South Node Aries	North Node Libra
South Node Taurus	North Node Scorpio
South Node Gemini	North Node Sagittarius
South Node Cancer	North Node Capricorn
South Node Leo	North Node Aquarius
South Node Virgo	North Node Pisces
South Node Libra	North Node Aries
South Node Scorpio	North Node Taurus
South Node Sagittarius	North Node Gemini
South Node Capricorn	North Node Cancer
South Node Aquarius	North Node Leo
South Node Virgo	North Node Pisces

There is also a supplementary section about the Lunar Nodes in signs to be used in the same manner. Avoid parrot-like interpretations, repeating what you read in the book. That would not make you a valuable astrologer.

Below is a list of the possible positions of the Lunar Nodes in the Houses. Memorise it to speed up your readings and understand the bond between these two inseparable elements.

In the list on the following page, you can see that if the South Lunar Node is in House I or Ascendant, the North one is automatically across in-House VII or Descendant. If the South Node is in House II, the North one is in House VIII. If the South Node is in House III, the North one is in House IX. If the South

node is in House IV, or NADIR, FC, the North one is in House X or MC, the MidHeaven, and so on and so forth.

The Lunar Nodes in Houses

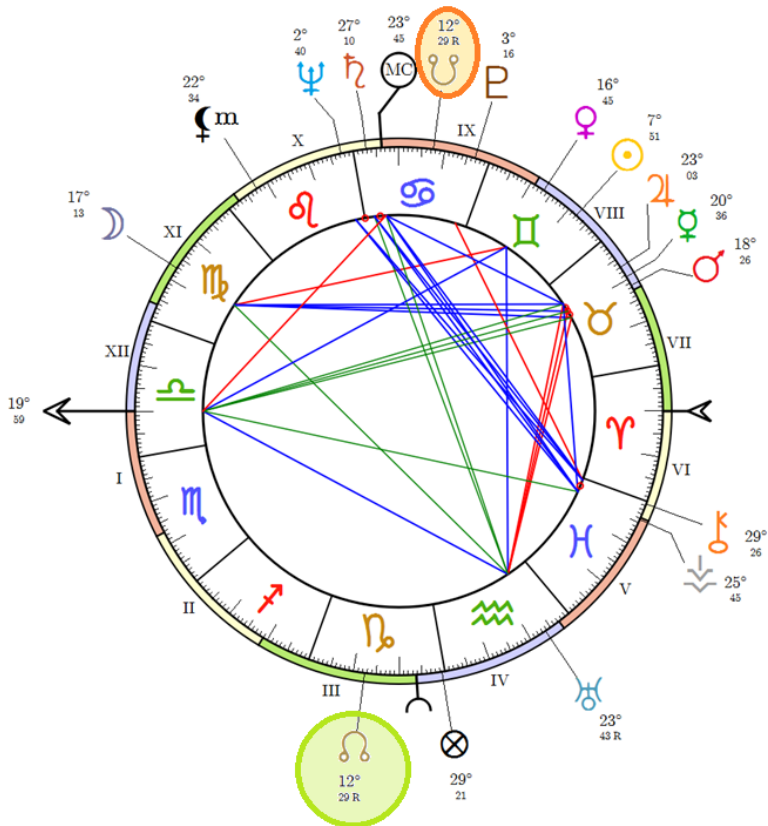
South Node House I (ASC)	North Node House VII (DESC)
South Node House II	North Node House VIII
South Node House III	North Node House IV
South Node House IV (NADIR)	North Node House X (MC)
South Node House V	North Node House XI
South Node House VI	North Node House XII
South Node House VII (DESC)	North Node House I (ASC)
South Node House VIII	North Node House II
South Node House IX	North Node Gemini House III
South Node House X (MC)	North Node House IV (NADIR)
South Node House XI	North Node House V
South Node House XII	North Node House VI

Memorise this because it is essential. As soon as you find out that someone has the North Node in a certain House or a certain sign, you know immediately that the South one is across in the opposite sign or House.

As a rule, only the North Node is listed in the Ephemeris. It is sufficient to determine that the South Node is at exactly the same degree in the opposite sign. Note that the South Node is not always shown in computer-generated charts such as the one below.

The Regents of the Lunar Nodes

I have mentioned earlier something about the “*regents*”. The *regents* are the rulers of the signs in which the Lunar Nodes are found. In the example chart shown at the beginning of this



In the chart above, you see that the North Node is in Capricorn and the South one is in Cancer. As a result, the North Lunar Node is “regented” by Saturn, ruler of this sign. The South Lunar Node is under the regency of the Moon, ruler of Cancer.

Next, we need to know where the Moon is in this chart. Its position in sign allows more information on the role of the South Lunar Node in this person's life. In this chart it is in Virgo, an **Earth-Mutable** sign. Because the Moon represents the emotions,

it means that this person tends to analyse and to rationalise emotions. It also indicates an emotional link with health, which is represented by the sixth sign, Virgo. That's one more element to better understand how the South Lunar Node operates.

As for the North Lunar Node in Capricorn in this chart, it is ruled by Saturn which becomes the regent of this Node. Saturn is in Cancer and Cancer is the sign where the South Lunar Node is. That complicates the process of dealing with the South Node because if it represents that from which we should strive to get away from, as soon as the person reaches out for the North Lunar Node, its energy and value are brought back in the opposite sign through the regent's position. Saturn is in Cancer in the MC (Midheaven) at the top of the chart. This position enhances the importance of Saturn but, knowing that the South Lunar Node is in Cancer as well means that Saturn is actually under the regency of the same element as the South Lunar Node, the Moon.

Because Saturn is in the Moon's sign (Cancer) it complicates the interpretation and even if we can explain what it means, the person is likely to find it difficult to adjust to the energies of the Lunar Nodes to realise important objectives or goals.

Understanding the potential of the combined influences of the regents of the North and South Nodes in Houses is as important as their positions in signs. In this lesson, you will find two supplementary sections. One about the positions of the regents in signs and a second one about their positions in Houses.

The regents provide further information about the basic influence of the South and North Lunar Nodes on our life path

and on the karmic reasons behind our most important choices in life.

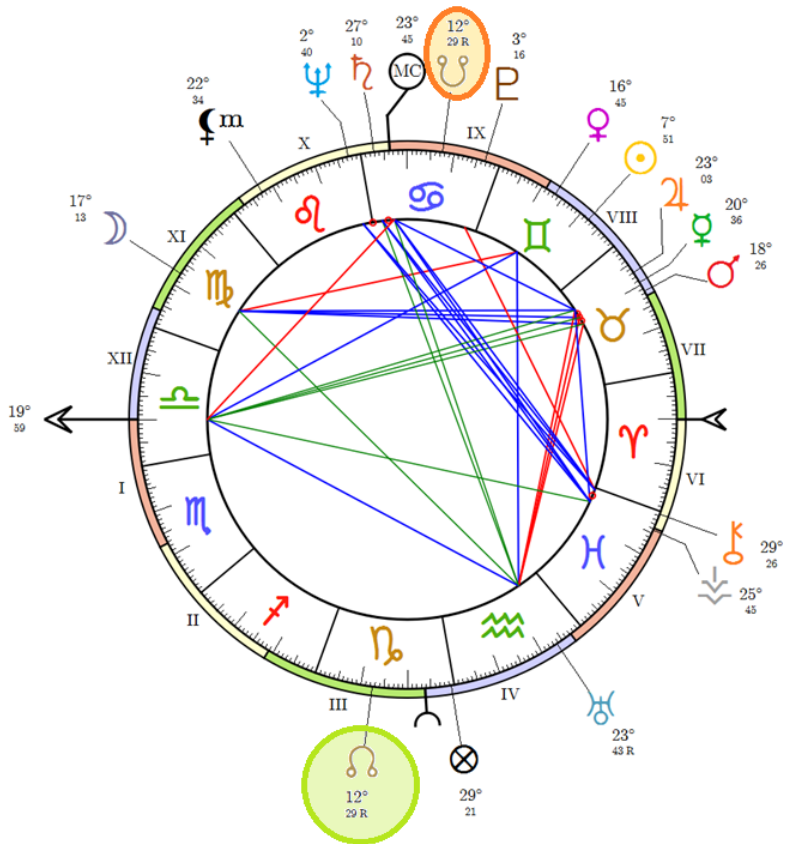
That's why their positions in signs and Houses, and the aspects, that we will discuss next, are so valuable to the reading of a chart from a karmic point of view. The aspects explain a lot about the way we deal with this present incarnation and where we are tending to go.

Do not forget that because you had a previous life, you will have a future life after this one. When you die, you will reincarnate in another body, another world, another country, another family, and another "you". However, you will bring back from this present life a lot of what has had a deep influence on your behaviour in various ways. Therefore, what you do in this life, what you achieve, is not just to fill out or pass the time that you spend on Earth; it is also to prepare for your next incarnation

Let's look at the example chart again to summarise what needs to be done.

- **The North Node is in Capricorn.**
- **The regent is Saturn**
- **The South Lunar Node is in Cancer**
- **The regent is the Moon**
- **The North node is in House III**
- **The South node is in-House IX**
- **The regent of the North Node, Saturn, is in Cancer**
- **The regent of the South Node, the Moon, is in Virgo**
- **The regent of the North Node, Saturn, in House X (MC)**

- The regent of the South Node, the Moon, is in House XI



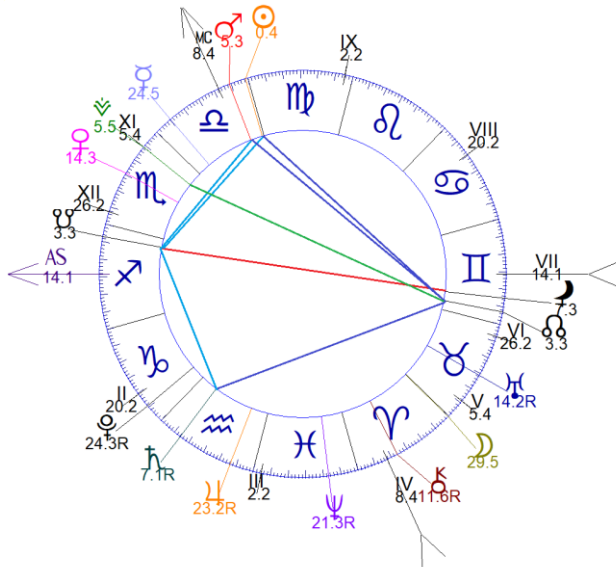
Once the list is complete, it can be analysed. Each element is addressed individually before they are blended to obtain a coherent interpretation of the Lunar Nodes.

Another task is to look for and analyse **the aspects** involving various elements in the chart with the South and North Lunar Nodes, and later with the regents of these Lunar Nodes.

To begin with, make a list of the aspects to the Lunar Nodes. They are drawn on the example chart presented on the following page.

- Saturn is sextile South Lunar Node and trine North Lunar Node.
- The North Lunar Node is trine Sun and Mars.
- the Sun and Mars are sextile South Lunar Node
- Vesta is inconjunct North Lunar Node and half-sextile South Lunar Node¹

When the list is drawn, we can start to interpret the aspects according to the positions of the South and North Lunar Nodes in signs and House.

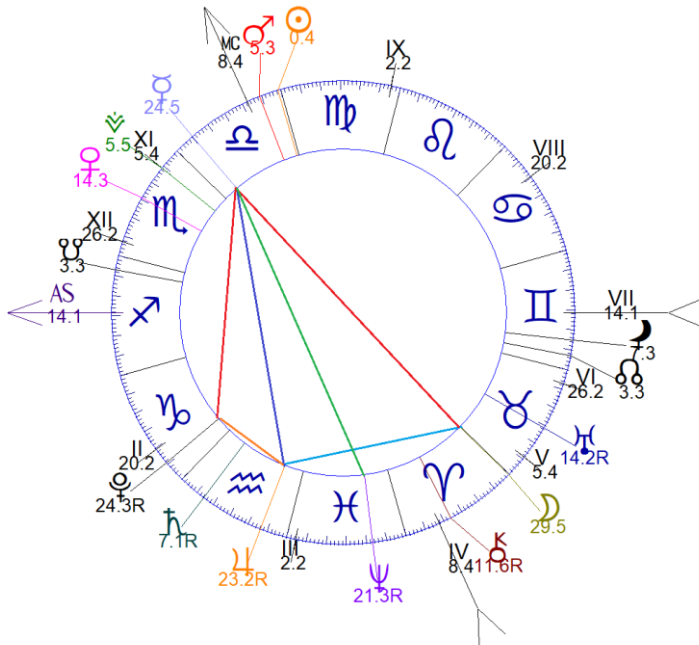


¹ In my opinion, the half-sextile is a difficult aspect and not a 'half-beneficial' one like many astrologers claim.

Next, we must consider the regents of each Lunar Node in signs and in Houses in aspect with other elements in the chart, as mentioned earlier.

The best way to tackle such complicated exercise, is to draw up a list similar to the one made for the aspects involving the South and North Lunar Nodes.

The picture on the previous page shows the aspects converging to the South and North Nodes. The picture below shows the aspects to the regents of the South and North Lunar Node.



The North Lunar Node is in Gemini and its ruler, Mercury is in opposition with the Moon. There is also an inconjunct with Neptune, and a trine with Jupiter, as well as a square with Pluto.

Once again, making a list of the aspects involving Mercury is essential until you master the technique.

Jupiter, regent of the South Lunar Node in Sagittarius, is in Aquarius, half-sextile Pluto, sextile Moon and trine Mercury, a very positive aspect showing that the potential to make good use of the South and North Lunar Node is increased.

Let's go over the whole process once more to end this lesson.

- 1 - Assess the positions of the Lunar Nodes in signs and in Houses
- 2 - Determine the regents of the Lunar Nodes (the rulers of the signs where they stand)
- 3 - Situate the regents of the Lunar Nodes in signs and in Houses
- 4 - List the aspects involving the Lunar Nodes with other elements in the chart.
- 5 - List the aspects involving the regents of the Lunar Nodes with other elements in the chart.

This procedure represents quite a lot of work when you begin the study of this technique of astrological analysis. However, with practice, you will gradually gain confidence and speed to observe and simultaneously analyse all the factors to take into consideration in your reading.

It is like mixing colours, akin to what the artist does on a canvas. Practice is essential to master the art. The experience of the beginner is that of the teacher. The same applies to astrology and to any other skill. Acquiring basic knowledge is a tiny portion of the process. Practice does the rest. Practise, practise, and practise again because that's how you will eventually become a master in your own art.

This is the end of this important lesson about the Lunar Nodes. Use the Supplementary sections in the following pages to guide your initial readings. Avoid the copy/paste approach. Use your own words as much as possible. The short aphorisms are only meant to inspire your personal analysis of the Lunar Nodes in a chart.

The next lesson deals with Lilith or Black Moon, a most interesting constituent of karmic astrology readings.

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