



# *The Astrological Heredity Research Project*

*Scrutinizing astrological  
correlations within families*

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*We are convinced that astrological heredity research is a promising field. Some results have already been found, and a great deal of good quality research material, i.e. family birth data, is simply waiting to be exploited to reveal its secrets.*

*Our aim is to carry out new and wide-scale research about astrological hereditary correlations. We feel that the very important possibilities offered in this respect by computer technology have never been used so far with the precise aim of carrying on astrological hereditary research on a large scale. The communication possibilities offered by the internet technology are also important to facilitate the research work we have embarked upon.*

*Carrying on research on astrological heredity is an exciting and wide project. We are hanging our lantern up expecting for other lights to come and join ours. We already have developed the project up to a certain point and are now expecting it could integrate new contributions, other experiments, knowledge, research capabilities and testimonies. We think that times are appropriate for an international researchers group to emerge and to work on this project with a common objective, in a stimulating, friendly and co-operative spirit. The more energy and capability concentrates on a project, the better the results. We are therefore seeking to enlarge our circle.*

## ***East meets West***

Mireille Martini and Didier Castille both collaborate with the group RAMS<sup>1</sup>. One year ago, they started to focus on the astrological heredity links by collecting birth data and by investigating the data according to a probabilistic model. The idea was to identify possible astrological effects and then using statistical methods to measure how the results observed in reality deviate from a theoretical model. By promoting their probabilistic model, they intend to establish scientifically that astrology is sound and relies on effective schemes. They also intend to help its recognition by academics.

R.Ramakrishnan is a systems analyst and software developer. He has taken to astrological research for about 10 years and since 1997, this has become a full time pursuit. He published elaborate studies about marriages and births for which he computed a large sample of genealogical data. His research attempts to design a mathematical procedure to account for the birth of children and their gender, from the chart of a parent. R.Ramakrishnan is therefore working on establishing a deterministic model in order to further astrological techniques, particularly those linked to the philosophical perspectives of astrology.

Both angles of approach are different, yet complementary. The research material used is of the same nature and we share the same quest for the truth. We are quite happy to have both research angles available within our group, as well as a representation of both the western and the eastern astrological systems. This gives our ambition a quite rich research potential.

Astrology is a dynamic field of knowledge. From its beginnings millenniums ago to nowadays, it has progressed a lot and we think it could progress much more. Be it interpretation or prediction, astrology proceeds, in its very nature, by generalisation. That is why we feel it is legitimate to use statistics and mathematical procedures to investigate and widen astrology. We wish to explore, without a priori, and put forward results for the astrological community to use, if it so wishes, in whichever way it wants to use them. Of course, we are looking forward to finding significant results that will raise the interest of the academic world, and the credit of astrology. We are convinced that this could have a serious impact on the vitality of astrology in terms of it being better considered by both the general public and the academic world.

## ***Some promising results show the way***

Heredity is a relevant research criterion for those who want to investigate astrology, for three main reasons:

- ✿ The observed variable, the hereditary link, is totally objective;
- ✿ A certain amount of astrological research in this field has already produced some results and deserves to be pursued (Choisnard, Gauquelin, Sachs, Brady, R.Ramakrishnan, Castille...);
- ✿ Official and reliable information sources exist and are available.

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<sup>1</sup> Research in Astrology via Methods of Science. This Paris-based organization promotes the application of formal research methods for the substantiation and refinement of astrology.

We are showing below some of the results we have already obtained from the data samples that we have:

### Testing certain correlations from our probabilistic approach

Aspects between Suns...  
...in married couples

...between Father and child

The histograms below show the breakdown of millions of married people according to the aspects formed by the spouses' suns.

The histograms below show the breakdown of millions of children according to the aspects formed by their sun and their father's sun.

Deviation to the mean %, left=real, right=random

Couples formed by people celebrating their birthday 60 days or less apart are significantly more numerous than others.

Father-Child pairs formed by people celebrating their birthday 70 days or less apart are significantly more numerous than others. These results are much more intriguing than those obtained with weddings.

### Investigation tracks from our probabilistic approach

Planetary concentrations within families:

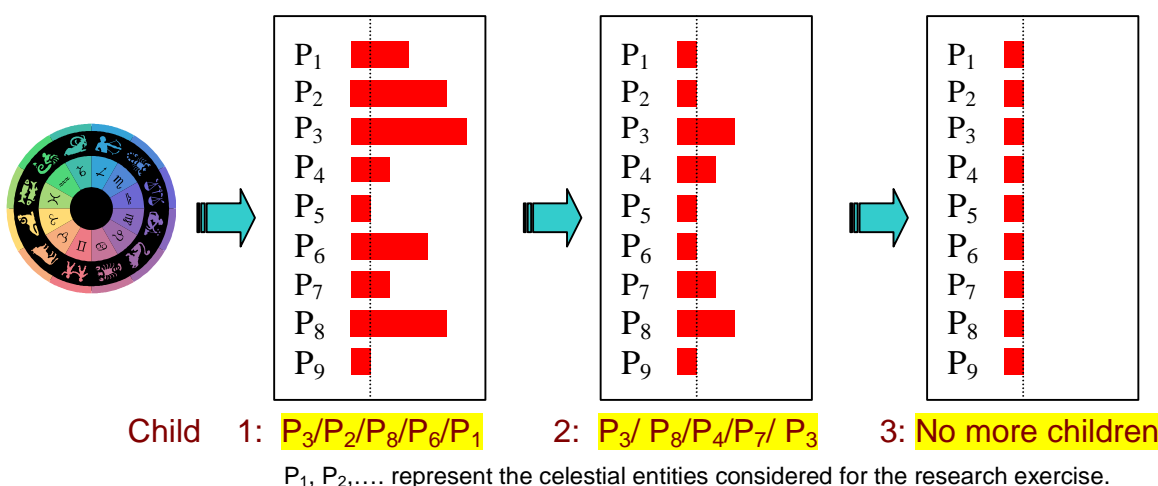
This graph represents 4 charts from people from the same family. The planetary and houses concentrations are very surprising (Pisces-Aries, end of Gemini, end of Leo, Sagittarius).

At first sight, it seems that such concentrations are not rare in families and it deserves to be studied.

That is one of our research objectives.

## The basis of our deterministic approach

The deterministic model for computing the birth dates of children and their gender from a parent's chart is based on the idea that every celestial body is endowed with a child giving potential depending upon its position in the natal chart and its resultant attributes. They collectively give children commensurate with their respective potentials that can be reduced to a time scale based on planetary operating periods. After giving a child every celestial loses a measure of its potential, the measure of reduction too being a function of its natal position. When the residual potential goes below a threshold level the celestial no longer participates in a child giving exercise. This idea can be pictorially represented as below:



The development of this model involves the following steps:

- Identify and catalogue the planetary placements that have been instrumental in making a child giving event happen and assign appropriate numeric strengths to them. There are a very large number of possible planetary placements and combinations that need to be catalogued this way.
- Devise a standard processing sequence that checks every chart and corresponds the actual event with the planetary combination on the operating period calendar, and then attempts to arrive at this combination independently based on the numeric strengths assigned to the catalogued combinations.
- Adjust potential assignments wherever necessary and make sure that such adjustments do not in any way event derivations for charts that have already been processed with the un-adjusted potentials.

☀️ A similar model is used for determining birth of siblings and their gender. For determining the birth of parents, a modified and simplified procedure as the one above is used.

☀️ The deterministic model also has a statistical component where in the light of the findings based on actual happenings, the textual edicts are validated in terms of the number occurrences of each combination that result in a fruitful event.

## Computing general rules in our deterministic approach

Of the nine entities – the Sun to Ketu (South Node in the Vedic terminology), astrological texts ascribe to Jupiter the highest potential to bestow children and it is designated as the significator of children. Mars on the other hand, is ascribed the least potential and is also said to inhibit the potential of other planets to bestow children. These are obviously general rules that are subject to many other positional influences. This general pattern however, should be discernable if one were to count the number of times that each of the nine entities occurs in an event producing combination. The table below gives these numbers for 777 'events' computed so far.

<b>Occurrence in a child giving planetary sequence</b>					
<b>(No. of children analysed : 777 )</b>					
Planet	As initiator or giver		As giver		In any position
	Number	%	Number	%	
Sun	<b>52</b>	<b>6.69</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>3.47</b>	<b>179</b>
Moon	<b>71</b>	<b>9.14</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>9.40</b>	<b>221</b>
Mars	<b>35</b>	<b>4.50</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>5.66</b>	<b>180</b>
Mercury	<b>102</b>	<b>13.13</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>15.44</b>	<b>312</b>
Jupiter	<b>133</b>	<b>17.12</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>12.87</b>	<b>332</b>
Venus	<b>90</b>	<b>11.58</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>16.99</b>	<b>343</b>
Saturn	<b>79</b>	<b>10.17</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>17.63</b>	<b>321</b>
Raahu (NN)	<b>177</b>	<b>22.78</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>11.33</b>	<b>362</b>
Ketu (SN)	<b>38</b>	<b>4.89</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>7.21</b>	<b>200</b>

### ***Our action plan***

☀ **Building a documentary fund** describing all types of research documents dealing with astrological heredity. Scientific documents and astrologers points of view would also be welcome. We also wish to exchange ideas, recommendations, experience, ...

☀ **Collecting informations** about international databases that could feed our research program. We have the possibility of a special access to French civil status files concerning millions of births that occurred between 1976 and 2000, providing dates of birth for parents and child. Such files exist in Switzerland, Canada and possibly in other countries, and are of great interest for our research. We also have available the results of a French family survey which provides the dates of birth for parents and all their children, for a 280.000 people sample.

☀ **Building a genealogical base** gathering birth data for people and their family. We already organised a data collection phase and we now hold 2.000 individual data. We consider that our sample size must reach a minimum of 10.000 individuals. Therefore, the collection phase has to be pursued. The work consists in:

- ◆ **Encouraging people**, astrologers or not, to provide genealogical trees (see special form in appendix). Genealogists associations could be contacted to get some input;
- ◆ **Guaranteeing the coherence and good quality** of the base by creating a global codification scheme that can take any kind of family links into account during the computing phase and by controlling the origin of the data provided;
- ◆ **Ensuring the transparency of our work** by making the database available to anyone in an anonymous version.

✿ **Publishing and promoting** our research results in a regular publication, on a website or in some friendly reviews.

✿ **Promoting** our results in academic circles, ie raising the interest of some academics and gaining a presence in scientific reviews, participating in seminars, etc.

## How to contact us

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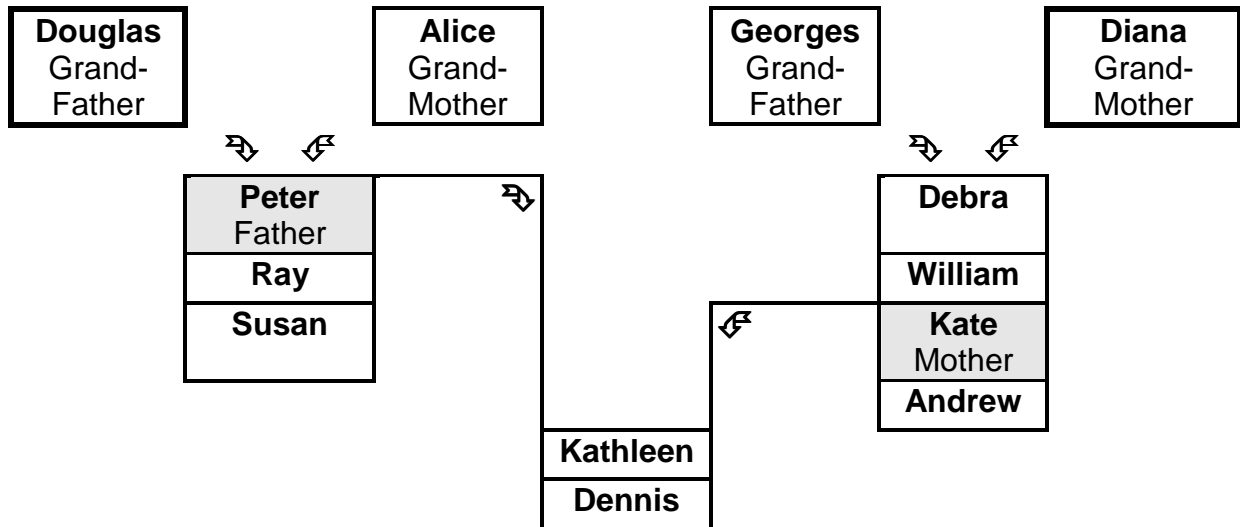
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## Appendix - Example of information needed

*The genealogical tree*



The couple is formed by Peter and Kate. They have 2 children (Kathleen and Denis). Peter is Douglas and Alice's son, Ray is his brother and Susan is his sister. Kate is Georges and Diana's daughter, Debra is her sister, William and Andrew are her brothers.

Name	First name	Gender	Date of birth				Place of birth		
			day	month	year	hour	Town	Country	
Green	Peter	1	27	03	1971	15	28	London	UK
O'Neil	Kate	2	15	07	1973	00	45	Chicago	Illinois
Green	Kathleen	2	12	12	1996	06	50	Ramsgate	UK
Green	Dennis	1	13	01	1998	16	05	Ramsgate	UK
Green	Douglas	1	31	05	1945	20	37	Southampton	UK
Clark	Alice	2	05	02	1947	10	00	Liverpool	UK
Green	Ray	1	15	04	1974	18	30	London	UK
Green	Susan	2	21	07	1976	22	35	London	UK
O'Neil	Georges	1	01	01	1950	18	30	Dallas	Texas
Bradley	Diana	2	12	08	1951	21	40	Los Angeles	California
O'Neil	Debra	2	09	11	1971	17	10	Chicago	Illinois
O'Neil	William	1	18	03	1977	14	55	Chicago	Illinois
O'Neil	Andrew	1	07	11	1980	02	50	Chicago	Illinois