

Historical Ephemeris Timelines: Light/Dark Ages - Later

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Astro-historical timeline 6:

Later Age of Light and Dark

Waning Neptune-Pluto hemicycle 657-905 CE

Key:

* = a period of change or a general trend

? = an uncertain date

+657	* ASIA: Western Turks disperse to Russia-Hungary & some later follow Mahmud of Ghazni to India	657 NE OPPN PL	Sc Ta
+	ROME: Pope Vitalian (657-672)		
+658	CHINA: max extent of Chinese influence in C Asia (incl Afghanistan, Kashmir, Oxus, Turkestan)	658 NE OPPN PL	Sc Ta
+	? C AMERICA: abrupt end of Teotihuacan civilisation (Mexico, city burned by attackers)		
+659	C ASIA: Chinese protectorates in West Turkestan, Ferghana, E Persia (659-665)	659 NE OPPN PL	Sc Ta
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+660		660 NE OPPN PL	Sc Ta 660 NE Sg
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+661	ISLAM: Umayyad Caliphate founded (661-946) at Damascus by Mo'awiya (Caliph 661-680)	661 NE OPPN PL	Sc Ta 661 NE Sg
+	* ISLAM: Umayyad building & art develops (661-750), major theological developments, gov't organisation		661 Sa CONJ NE Sg Sg
+662			661 Sa OPPN PL Sc Ta 662 PL Ge
+663	ROME: last visit to Rome by a Byzantine emperor, Constans II Pogonatus (641-668)	663 UR -SQR PL Aq Ta	663 UR Pi
+	E ASIA: Japanese withdrawal from Korea (ending 1st Japanese overseas expansion)		
+664	BRITAIN: Synod of Whitby: Catholic Saxon Church aligns to Rome, Celtic Church dies	664 UR -SQR PL Aq Ta	663 PL Ge
+	BRITAIN: outbreak of plague in Saxon kingdoms		664 UR Pi
+	ISLAM: Arab invasion of Afghanistan and incursion into NW India by 674		664 PL Ge
+665	BRITAIN: emigration of Celtic Christians from Ireland & Wales to Iceland and North America	665 UR +SQR NE Pi Sg	
+	C ASIA: expansion of Tibet into Turkestan and Tsinghai (NW China)		
+666		666 UR +SQR NE Pi Sg	
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+669	BRITAIN: Theodore of Tarsus, Archbp of Canterbury, organises RC Church, uniting rival kgdms		
+	* ASIA: height of Silla period in Korea (650-780) (flourishing of art, learning & Buddhism)		
+670	IBERIA: codification of Visigoth law in Spain		
+	ISLAM: Arab invasion of North Africa (Libya, Tunisia, Morocco)		
+671	CHINA: Buddhist monk I-Tsing travels to India and Malaya		671 UR Ar
+	INNOVN: 'Greek Fire', explosive missiles, developed in Byzantium, to be used against Arabs		
+672	C ASIA: conquest of Tarim Basin (Silk Roads) & Ladakh by Tibetans		672 Sa CONJ UR Ar Ar
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+673	BRITAIN: First Synod of English Catholic Church at Hertford; use of glass windows in churches begins	673 UR -sxt PL Ar Ge	
+	FRANCE: civil war and anarchy break out in Frankish kingdom, (673-687)	673 Sa CONJ UR Ar Ar	
+674	BYZANTIUM: Arabs besiege Constantinople (674-78), Byzantines survive (first major Arab failure)	674 UR -sxt PL Ar Ge	674 NE Cp
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+675	E EUROPE: Bulgars resettle south of Danube, to found new Bulgarian empire		675 NE Cp
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+676	ASIA: Korea unified by principal state of Silla		
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+677			677 Sa CONJ PL Ge Ge
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+678		678 Sa CONJ PL Ge Ge	678 UR Ta
+679	E EUROPE: Khazars overcome Bulgars in S Russia, expanding the Khazar Khanate (later wealthy)	679 Sa OPPN NE Cn Cp	679 UR Ta

+680	E EUROPE: Bulgars surge into Balkans; recognised rulers over Slavs by Byzantium in 681	679 UR -ssq PL Ta Ge	
+	IBERIA: Visigothic king, Wamba, becomes a monk	680 Sa OPPN NE Cn Cp	
+	BYZANTIUM: 6th Council of Constantinople condemns Monothelites & repudiates Roman primacy		
+	ISLAM: Sunni Caliph Yazid I defeats Shi'ite Husayn at Kerbela (escalation of long Sunni-Shi'ite rivalry)		
+681		681 UR +tri NE Ta Cp	
+682	SE ASIA: beginning of maritime expansion of Srivijaya (Sumatra, Hindu-Buddhist)	682 UR +tri NE Ta Cp	
+		683 UR -ssx PL Ta Ge	
+683	C AMERICA: Chan-Bahlum II, Maya lord (683-701)	683 UR +tri NE Ta Cp	
+		684 HALLEY'S COMET	
+684	ISLAM: Abdulmalik, Umayyad Caliph (684-705), Damascus (subdues opp'n Kharijites & Shi'ites)	684 UR +tri NE Ta Cp	
+	CHINA: Empress Wu (684-704) (capricious changes of little lasting effect, liberal backlash)	684 NE -qcx PL Cp Ge	
+685	ISLAM: ZENITH (685-715) of Umayyad Period in Mideast: major cultural developments	684 UR -ssx PL Ta Ge	
+	BRITAIN: Bt of Nechtansmere, Picts prevent Northumbrians from gaining control of Scotland	685 NE -qcx PL Cp Ge	685 UR Ge
+	ITALY: Ravenna 'Cosmography' (the first geographical gazetteer) published		
+686	BRITAIN: Sussex, last pagan kingdom in Saxon England, converted	686 NE -qcx PL Cp Ge	686 UR Ge
+687	FRANCE: Pepin the Younger (679-714) reunites & dominates Frankish state after Bt of Testry	687 NE on NE SNode	
+	ROME: Pope Sergius I (687-701)	687 UR on UR NNode	
+688		687 NE -qcx PL Cp Ge	
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+689		689 UR +sqt NE Ge Aq	689 PL Cn
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+690		690 UR +sqt NE Ge Aq	690 PL Cn
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+691	FRANCE: Clovis III, King of all the Franks (691-5)	691 UR +sqt NE Ge Aq	691 PL Cn
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+692	ISLAM: completion of Dome of the Rock, Jerusalem: Islam's first major monument	692 PL on PL NNode	692 UR Cn
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+693	ISLAM: fall of Armenia to Arabs; Byzantine Justinian II defeated at Bt of Sebastopolis	693 UR CONJ PL Cn Cn	693 UR Cn
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+694		694 Sa OPPN UR Cp Cn	
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+695	ISLAM: first Arab coinage in use	695 Sa OPPN UR Cp Cn	
+	IBERIA: persecution of Jews in Spain	695 UR +qcx NE Cn Aq	
+696	* ASIA: Khitan tribes raid Chinese borderlands in Mongolia	696 UR +qcx NE Cn Aq	
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+697	IRELAND: Ulster Celtic Church submits to Roman Catholic Church	697 UR +qcx NE Cn Aq	
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+698	INDIA: fall of Jains as Pallava Srimaravarman converts to Shivaism (death of 8000 Jains)	698 Sa CONJ NE Aq Aq	698 UR Le
+	N AFRICA: Carthage, Byzantium's last N African outpost, falls to Arabs; Berbers accept Islam 702		
+699	BYZANTIUM: revolt in Byz army begins period of instability & loss (699-717)	699 Sa CONJ NE Aq Aq	699 UR Le
+700	* BYZANTIUM: Greek replaces Latin as cultural language of Byzantium	700 NE -sqt PL Aq Cn	
+	* BRITAIN: Lindisfarne Gospels written; Psalms translated to Saxon; 'Beowulf', late Saxon epic		
+	* CHINA: golden age of Chinese poetry, to 850; major growth of cities and population		
+	* W AFRICA: rise of gold-trading Ghanaian kingdom		
+	JAPAN: Gyogi of Korea (670-749) interweaves Shinto & Buddhism		
+701	JAPAN: 'Taiho' codification of law (Emperor becomes sole owner of land, heredity prevails)	701 NE -sqt PL Aq Cn	
+702	E EUROPE: Tervel, Czar of Bulgars (701-717) (peak of Bulgarian power & wealth)	702 NE -sqt PL Aq Cn	702 NE Pi
+	* S AMERICA: decline of Mochica Culture (Peru, Lambayeque valley)	702 UR +ssx PL Le Cn	
+703		703 NE -sqt PL Pi Cn	
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+704		704 NE -sqt PL Pi Cn	
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+705	ISLAM: Walid I, Umayyad caliph (705-715) (building of Great Mosque, Damascus; Umayyad peak)		705 UR Vi +
+706		706 UR OPPN NE Vi Pi	
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+707	* C AMERICA: COLLAPSE OF MONTE ALBAN AND TEOTIHUACAN CULTURES (Mexico)	707 UR OPPN NE Vi Pi	
+	* S AMERICA: rise of Sican Culture (Peru, proto-Inca, heyday 850-1050)	707 UR +ssq PL Vi Cn	
+708	* S AMERICA: expansion of Huari state, Bolivia – conquest of Moche	708 UR OPPN NE Vi Pi	

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+709	E ASIA: Po Hai kingdom in Manchuria (set up on Chinese model by Korean rulers) (709-934)	709 UR OPPN NE	Vi Pi
+	ISLAM: Arab invasion of Samarkand, Bokhara & Turkestan under Walid I		
+710	BRITAIN: war between Saxons of England and Britons (Celts) of Cornwall	710 UR OPPN NE	Vi Pi
+	JAPAN: NARA PERIOD STARTS (710-84) (independent Jap culture grows, Shinto & Buddhism hybridise)	710 Sa CONJ PL Cn Cn	
+711	ISLAM: ARAB INVASION OF SPAIN & control of Straits of Gibraltar; end of Visigothic kgdm		711 PL Le
+712	BYZANTIUM: Bulgars at the gates of Byzantium (forcing tribute)		711 UR Li
+	ISLAM: Arabs conquer Sind (Pakistan) as far as Indus river		712 PL Le
+	* ITALY: zenith of Lombard kingdom (568-774) in North Italy		712 UR Li
+	ISLAM: Arab Samarkand, Seville & Cordoba, developing into major peripheral Islamic centers		
+713	CHINA: Ming Huang, emperor (713-756); MING RENAISSANCE in arts & learning, education, technology		
+714	* INDIA; migration of Zoroastran refugees from Persia – origins of the Parsis (NW India)	714 Sa OPPN NE Vi Pi	
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+715	FRANCE: Charles Martel, Merovingian chief minister (714-41) of Frankish kingdoms	715 Sa OPPN NE Li Ar	715 NE Ar
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+716	E EUROPE: Byzantium recognises independent Bulgaria		716 NE Ar
+	W EUROPE: Boniface leaves native England for Rome (Church evangelist & organiser in Europe)		
+717	BYZANTIUM: Leo III, Byz Emp (717-41) (Iconoclastic Dispute, holy images banned 717-843)	717 Sa CONJ UR Li Li	717 UR Sc
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+718	BYZANTIUM: Arab siege of Constantinople beaten by Byzantines (new Byzantine ascendancy)		718 UR Sc
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+719		719 UR -qcx NE Sc Ar	
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+720	ISLAM: Arabs attack France (Narbonne) (Europe at risk of Islamicisation)	720 UR -qcx NE Sc Ar	
+	INDIA: fall of the Gupta dynasty		
+721		721 UR -qcx NE Sc Ar	
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+722	GERMANY: St Boniface's mission to Germany (to counter Celtic Church & monastic rules)	722 UR +SQR PL Sc Le	
+		722 UR -qcx NE Sc Ar	
+723		723 UR +SQR PL Sc Le	
+724	RUSSIA: defeat of Khazars by Umayyads; conquest of Georgia		
+	JAPAN: Shomu, Emp of Japan; peak of Nara period & classical semi-Chinese culture		724 UR Sg
+	CHINA: est of Hanlin Academy, for the training of highest Mandarin officials		
+725	EUROPE: Venerable Bede (historian, 672-735) introduces dating by Christian Era		725 UR Sg
+	W EUROPE: Charles Martel begins expansion of Frankish lands (seed of Carolingian empire)		
+726	INDIA: Pala kgdm in Bengal & Magadha (725-1125) (Buddhist culture, Thai & Sumatran links)	726 UR -sqt NE Sg Ar	
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+727		727 UR -sqt NE Sg Ar	
+		728 UR -sqt NE Sg Ar	728 PL Vi
+728	* CHINA: new cultural influences arrive from India (via large traffic of Buddhist pilgrims)	728 Sa OPPN PL Pi Vi	728 NE Ta
+729		729 NE -tri PL Ta Vi	728 NE Ta
+730	* AMERICAS: ZENITH of MAYAN EMPIRE in Mexico	729 UR -sqt NE Sg Ta	729 NE Ta
+	EUROPE: Pope Gregory II (715-31) excommunicates Byzantine Emperor	729 Sa OPPN PL Pi Vi	
+	INNOVN: movable-type printing developed in China	730 NE -tri PL Ta Vi	
+	CHINA: local ruler unites six lands of Nan-Chao (resisting T'ang until 794)		
+731	BRITAIN: Venerable Bede's 'Ecclesiastical History of the English People'	731 NE -tri PL Ta Vi	
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+732	W EUROPE: Bt of Poitiers (Charles Martel) ends Arab expansion into Europe (Frankish growth)	732 NE -tri PL Ta Vi	732 UR Cp
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+733	INDIA: scholar king Yasovarman of Kanauj (@730-40) (patron of arts & Hindu religion)	733 NE -tri PL Ta Vi	
+	S INDIA: Chalukya Vikramaditya II (733-46) thrice invades Kanchi to make offerings at temples		
+734	BRITAIN: est of Archbishopric and school of York (later exercising Europe-wide influence)	734 NE -tri PL Ta Vi	
+		734 Sa CONJ NE Ta Ta	
+735		735 NE -tri PL Ta Vi	
+		735 UR -tri NE Cp Ta	
+736	INDIA: founding of the city of Delhi (later to be Indian capital)	736 UR -tri NE Cp Ta	
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+737		737 UR -tri NE Cp Ta	
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+738	CHINA: Emp Ming Huang ests schools in every district of Chinese empire	738 UR +tri PL Cp Vi	
+	W AFRICA: Arabs begin to raid NW Africa for slaves (beginning of long slave trade in NW Africa)		
+739		739 UR +tri PL Cp Vi	739 UR Aq
+740	* MIDEAST: creative period St John of Damascus (700-50) (liturgy & reform of musical notation)	739 Sa OPPN UR Cn Cp	739 PL Li
+	* RUSSIA: Khazars convert to Judaism (to avoid Byzantine & Islamic pressures)	740 UR +tri PL Aq Li	740 UR Aq
+	MIDEAST: Byzantines beat Arabs at Bt of Akroinon (turning Arab energy to N Africa)	740 Sa OPPN UR Le Aq	740 PL Li
+	N AFRICA: Berber rebellion against Arab rule in Algeria		
+741	ISLAM: revolts by Kharjites in Iraq & N Africa, Shiites in Iraq (against Sunni Umayyads)		
+	JAPAN: creation of gov't monasteries in every province; bldg of Great Buddha at Nara (by 752)		
+742	FRANCE: birth of Charlemagne (742-814)		742 NE Ge
+	MIDEAST: earthquakes in Syria & Palestine destroy many cities, thousands killed		
+743	INDIA: Gurjara-Pratihara dynasty (743-1036) unites N India (staving off Islam until 1100s)		
+	* C ASIA: Turkic tribes leave Siberia, to be replaced by Uighurs		743 NE Ge
+744	* CHINA: zenith of Chinese lyrical poetry: Wang Wei, Li Po, Po Chu-I, Han Yu (48,900 poems)		
+	* JAPAN: monk Gyogi (670-749) propagates Shinto & Buddhism as two aspects of same faith		
+745	BYZANTIUM: Constantinus V Copronymus (741-77) defeats the Arabs (renews Iconoclastic Dispute)	745 Sa CONJ PL Li Li	
+	ASIA: beginning of Uighur empire in Siberia (745-840) (tolerable to China)		
+746	BYZANTIUM: plague ruins Constantinople (spreading to Greece & Sicily, introd by Arabs)	746 Sa CONJ PL Li Li	
+747	CHINA: peak of Chinese landscape painting: Wu Tao-hsuan, Li Ssu-hsun, Wang Wei	747 UR +sqt PL Pi Li	747 UR Pi
+748	MED'N: Arab fleet destroyed during attack on Cyprus: failure of the Islamic advance	748 UR +sqt PL Pi Li	
+749	ASIA: Padmasambhava begins introduction of Tantric Buddhism into Tibet & Bhutan	749 UR +sqt PL Pi Li	
+750	* EUROPE: Gregorian music arises in W Europe; pipe organs spread west from Byzantium	750 UR +sqt PL Pi Li	
+	* EURASIA: CULTURAL ZENITH in INDIA, JAPAN, CHINA, RUSSIA, CORDOBA		
+	ISLAM: ABBASID BAGHDAD CALIPHATE founded by Abu al Abbas; Umayyad caliphate ends		
+	* CHINA: porcelain developed, China; * INDIA: 'Kamandaki', Hindu manual on govt and law		
+	ITALY: Lombards take Ravenna, end Byz power in Italy (re: schism betwn Rome & Byzantium)		
+	EUROPE: Merovingian dynasty ends in France; diffculties in Byzantine succession		
+751	ASIA: Bt of Talas River (Turkestan) sets boundary between China & Islamic world	751 Sa OPPN NE Sg Ge	751 PL Sc
+	W EUROPE: CAROLINGIAN PERIOD (751-814) – Pepin the Short, king of the Franks (750-68)	751 PL Peri 28Li	
+	EURASIA: paper-making & silk-weaving spread to Arabs & Europe (1150), via Chinese prisoners	751 UR +sqt PL Pi Li	
+752	* ASIA: zenith of Korean arts & sculpture	752 Sa OPPN NE Sg Ge	752 PL Sc
+	JAPAN: dedication of Great Buddha at Nara, peak of Buddhist fervour	752 UR -SQR NE Pi Ge	
+	ROME: Pope Stephen II (752-7) steers Roman Church away from Byzantium to links with Franks		
+753	* INDIA: spread of Tantric Buddhist & Hindu magical teachings (favouring goddess invocation)	753 UR -SQR NE Pi Ge	
+	INDIA: est of Rashtrakuta kgdm (753-973) in Deccan, by Dantidurga (overthrows Chalukyas)		
+754	* C ASIA: cultural links in Tibet switch from China to India	754 UR -SQR NE Pi Ge	754 UR Ar
+	ISLAM: Al-Mansur the Victorious, Abbasid Caliph (754-775, Abbasid power passes to Persians)		
+755	CHINA: An Lu-Shan's rebellion (755-763) in China; slow decline of T'ang civilisation (to 907)	755 UR -SQR NE Pi Ge	755 UR Ar
+	* ASIA: uprisings against China by Uighurs, Thais, Tangut, Mongol & Khitan peoples		755 NE Cn
+	* ISLAM: growth of Sufi mystical movement (Anatolia, Syria)		
+756	IBERIA: Emir Abd al Rahman ests independent Umayyad Caliphate of Cordoba (755-1031)		756 NE Cn
+	CHINA: Arabs aid China to crush rebellion (on resignation of Ming Huang, T'ang Emperor)		
+	ROME: foundation of the Papal State (donation of Frankish Pepin the Short)		
+757	JAPAN: art collection of Emperor Shomu presented to Todai-ju Temple (3000 objects)	757 UR +qcx PL Ar Sc	
+758	CHINA: establishment of Muslim trading quarter in Kanfu (Canton)	758 UR +qcx PL Ar Sc	
+	BRITAIN: supremacy of Mercia under Offa II (757-96)		
+759	FRANCE: Franks (Pepin the Short) eject Arabs from Southern France	759 UR +qcx PL Ar Sc	
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+760	MIDEAST: foundation of Turkish Empire by Tartar Turkic tribe in Armenia	760 HALLEY'S COMET	
+	* BRITAIN: zenith of Celtic book copying & illustration	760 UR +qcx PL Ar Sc	
+	INNOVN: Arabs adopt Indian numerals, decimal notation, and develop algebra & trigonometry		
+761	C ASIA: withdrawal of Chinese influence from C Asia, making way for Tibetan & Uighur growth	761 UR +qcx PL Ar Sc	
+762	ISLAM: Baghdad founded as capital of Abbasid Caliphate (previous capital was Damascus)		762 UR Ta
+	C ASIA: Uighur nomads convert to Manichaeism (after the Kagan meets Persian refugees in China)		
+763	C ASIA: Tibetan expansion into Tunhuang, Kansu, Tarim Basin, Nepal & Ladakh, to 840	763 Sa CONJ UR Ta Ta	763 UR Ta
+	CHINA: Tibetans sack western capital of Chang-An (China besieged by marauders)		763 PL Sg
+764	JAPAN: rise to power of monk Doko, under Empress Shotoku (764-70)		764 PL Sg
+	* W AFRICA: increase in trans-Saharan trade (gold, salt, slaves) and rise of rich trading towns		
+765	FRANCE: Carolingian Royal Court established Aix-la-Chapelle (Aachen) by Pepin the Short	765 Sa OPPN PL Ge Sg	
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+766	S INDIA: Rashtrakuta Krishnaraja I builds Ellora & Elephanta temples (classical Shaiva style)		

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+768	W EUROPE: accession of CHARLEMAGNE, Carolingian emperor (768-814) to Frankish throne	768 UR -sxt NE Ta Cn	
+		768 NE on NE NNode	
+769		769 UR -sxt NE Ta Cn	769 UR Ge
+		769 Sa CONJ NE Le Le	769 NE Le
+770	INDIA: Dharmapala, K of Pala (@770-883) in Bengal & Magadha (king over 100 years)	770 UR -sxt NE Ta Cn	770 UR Ge
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+771		771 UR on UR NNode	
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+773	ITALY: Charlemagne conquers Northern Italy (beginning long saga of rivalry of HRE vs Papacy)		
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+774		774 UR OPPN PL	Ge Sg
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+775	ASIA: Tibet invades Himalayan nations and makes treaty with China	775 UR OPPN PL	Ge Sg
+	ISLAM: Inquisition starts in Arab empire		
+776	E EUROPE: downfall of Bulgaria to Byzantine Greeks (revival in 790s)	776 UR OPPN PL	Ge Sg 776 UR Cn
+		776 UR -ssq NE Ge Le	
+777	BRITAIN: Kent & Wessex subdued; Offa, King of England (779-96) (Mercian dominance 779-821)	777 UR -ssq NE Cn Le	
+	W EUROPE: Charlemagne subdues the Saxons on mainland Europe		
+778			778 PL Cp
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+779	* CHINA: provincial capitals grow in strength; migrations to Yangtze valley; boom in trade		
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+780	E ASIA: collapse of Silla, political decline in Korea (780-935, with increasing imitation of China)	780 PL on PL SNode	
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+781	JAPAN: Emperor Kammu (781-806) (subdues Ainu peoples, moves capital to Kyoto, modernisation)		
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+782	BYZANTIUM: last Arab attempt to overcome Byzantium fails	782 UR -ssx NE Cn Le	782 UR Le
+	W EUROPE: Alcuin of York (735-804) organises higher education: CAROLINGIAN RENAISSANCE		782 NE Vi
+783		783 Sa CONJ PL Cp Cp	783 UR Le
+		783 UR -ssx NE Cn Le	783 NE Vi
+784	BRITAIN: building of Offa's Dyke (earthwork dividing Saxon England from Celtic Wales)	784 UR -qcx PL Le Cp	
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+785	CHINA: first known use of magnetic compass, in China	785 UR -qcx PL Le Cp	
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+786	ISLAM: building of Mosque of Cordoba, Spain (a peak of Muslim architecture)	786 Sa OPPN UR Aq Le	
+	ISLAM: Harun al Rashid, Abbasid Caliph (786-809, great caliph, patron of arts & sciences)	786 UR -qcx PL Le Cp	
+787	W EUROPE: VIKING (mainly Danish) RAIDS on EUROPEAN COASTS BEGIN	787 Sa OPPN UR Aq Le	
+		787 UR -qcx PL Le Cp	
+788	NW AFRICA: Idrisid dynasty of Fez (788-930) creates independent Islamic Morocco	788 Sa OPPN NE Pi Vi	788 UR Vi
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+789		789 Sa OPPN NE Pi Vi	789 UR Vi
+		789 UR -sqt PL Vi Cp	
+790	IBERIA: CORDOBA CALIPHATE under Harun-al-Rashid (patron of learning) in Cordoba	790 UR -sqt PL Vi Cp	
+	* C ASIA: conquest of Tarim, Dzungaria, Himalaya & W China by Tibetans, to 860		
+791	E EUROPE: Avar state in Hungary beaten by Charlemagne's attacks 791-796	791 UR -sqt PL Vi Cp	
+	* ATLANTIC: settlement of Faeroes, Iceland and eventually America by Irish monks		
+792	* BYZANTIUM: decline and instability until 820		
+	C ASIA: Buddhism adopted as the state religion of Tibet		
+793	NW EUROPE: VIKING THREAT TO EUROPE BEGINS – Danes destroy Lindisfarne monastery		
+	* N AMERICA: DAWN OF MISSISSIPPIAN CULTURE (towns and riverine horticulture, 800-1450)		
+794	JAPAN: HEIAN PERIOD (794-1185), Kyoto (dominated by Fujiwara clan 967-1068)	794 UR CONJ NE	Vi Vi 795 PL Aq
+	influence, growth of Buddhism & Fujiwara court, cent gov't reform, gradual devolution)		
+	ISLAM: opening of a state paper mill in Baghdad	794 UR -tri PL Vi Cp	795 UR Li
+795	MIDEAST: revolts in Egypt	795 UR -tri PL Vi Cp	796 PL Aq
+	NW EUROPE: Viking landings and settlements start (mainly Norwegian), dominance by 802	796 UR -tri PL Li Aq	796 UR Li
+796	FRANCE: Alcuin, Carolingian educator, founds a university at Tours	796 NE -tri PL Vi Cp	796 NE Li

+797 ISLAM: Harun-al-Rashid sends embassies to Charlemagne & T'ang emperor

797 NE -tri PL Li Aq

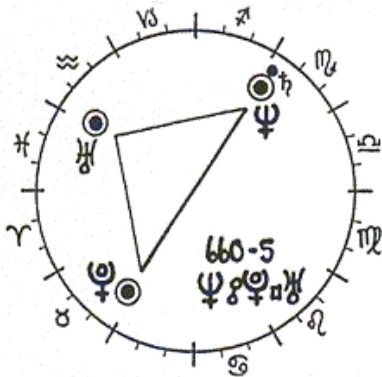
797 NE Li

+798 * ISLAM: Oriental & Hellenistic thinking meet, at Baghdad, Mecca, Damascus, Samarkand & Egypt

798 NE -tri PL Li Aq

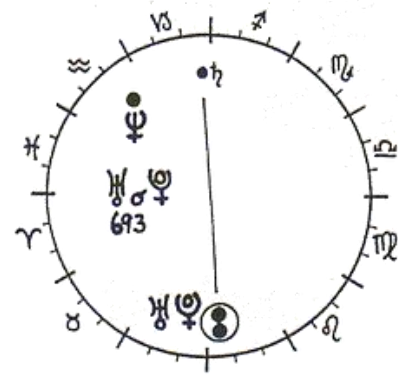
+799 C ASIA: Khazars invade Armenia

798 Sa OPPN PL Le Aq



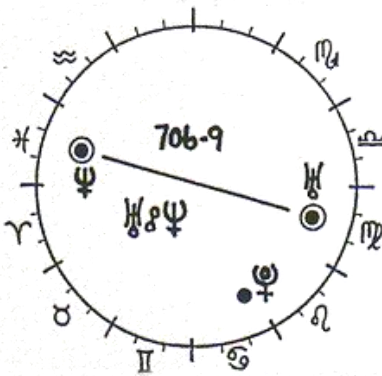
Neptune opposition Pluto square Uranus 660-65

Sudden end of Teotihuacan, Mexico; Hindu Srivijaya empire, SE Asia; expansion of Tibet; Umayyad Caliphate, Damascus; Arab invasion of Maghreb (N Africa); decline of Celtic church (Synod of Whitby); Silla period, Korea; Bulgars migrate to lower Danube from Ukraine; reduction of Byzantium (Arab pressure); revision of Quran (Othman); Turks disperse into Russia & India



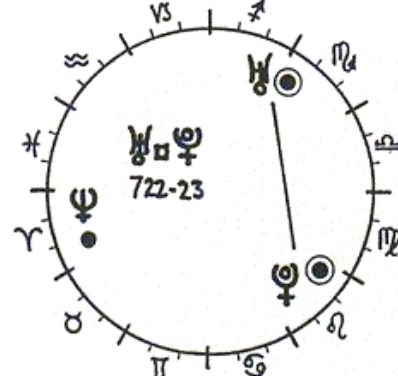
Uranus conjunct Pluto 693

Zenith of Umayyad Caliphate - Arab empire from Turkestan to Morocco; zenith of Khazar Khanate, Kazakhstan; golden age in T'ang China; zenith of Bulgars, SE Europe; Byzantine instability; decline of Mochica culture, Peru; Dome of the Rock completed, Jerusalem; persecution of Jews in Spain; Lindisfarne Gospels, Beowulf; decline of Teotihuacan & Monte Alban, Mexico



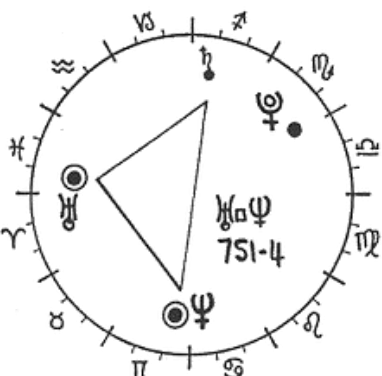
Uranus opposition Neptune 706-09

Collapse of Teotihuacan; Arab invasion of Spain & Sindh (Pakistan); Bulgars then Arabs besiege Constantinople (Byzantine low-point); renaissance in Ming China; Nara classical period, Japan; rise of Sican culture, Peru; expansion of Huari, Bolivia; wars between Saxons & Cornish



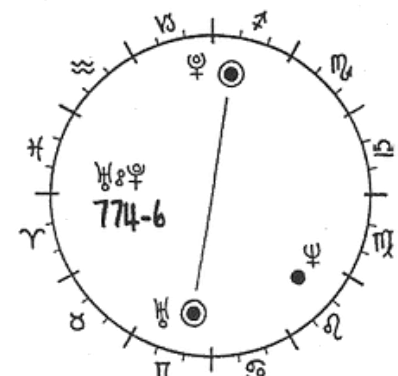
Uranus square Pluto 722-23

Rivalry between Celtic & Roman Christians in NW Europe; Charles Martel starts Frankish expansion, blocks Arab invasion in France; zenith of Mayan civilisation, Yucatan; Buddhist Pala kgdm, Bengal; fall of Gupta dynasty; India influences China (thru Buddhist pilgrims)



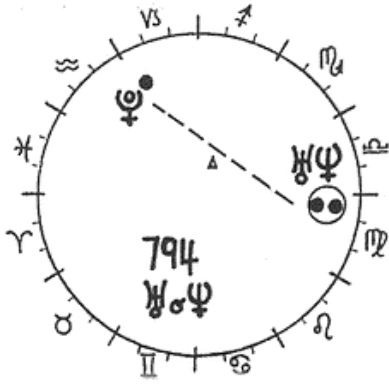
Uranus square Neptune 751-54

Islam meets China at Bt of Talas River, Turkestan; Frankish Carolingian dynasty (Frankish growth); slow decline of T'ang dynasty, China; first Turkic sultanate, Armenia; Umayyad Caliphate in Cordoba, Spain; Buddhist zenith, Japan (Great Buddha at Nara); Abbasid Caliphate, Baghdad; cultural zeniths in Japan, India, Russia, Cordoba, China; Rashtrakuta kgdm, Deccan, India



Uranus opposition Pluto 774-76

Charlemagne, Carolingian emperor, conquers; Byzantine revival (fall of Bulgars); Tibetan & Uighur expansion, C Asia; social change in Ming China; Saxon England united (King Offa); collapse of Silla, decline in Korea; Dharmapala, king of Pala & Maghada, Bengal (king for a century)



Uranus conjunct Neptune 794

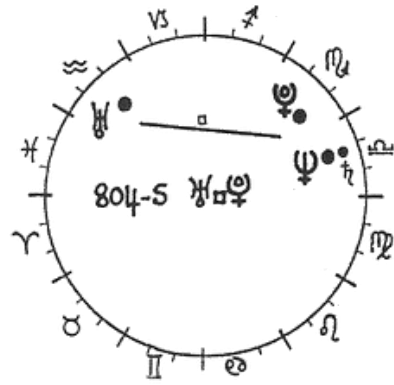
Serious Viking raids in NW Europe; Heian Buddhist period, Japan; urban Mississippi culture, American midwest; rise of Angkor (Cambodia) & Borobudur (Java); Maori migration to New Zealand; Huari decline, Peru; regionalisation of China, trade boom

- +800 * PACIFIC OCEAN: first Polynesian settlers reach Easter Island and New Zealand (850)
- + * SE ASIA: Khmer in Angkor rise to regional prominence; high civilisation in Java (Borobudur)
- + * AFRICA: state of Luba (Zaire) at zenith of development (source of later C African cultures) 800 NE -tri PL Li Aq
- + * S AMERICA: decline of HUARI CULTURE (Peru)
- + ISLAM: ZENITH OF ABBASID CALIPHATE OF BAGHDAD under Harun al Rashid
- + * BYZANTIUM: crucifixion artwork shows Christ's suffering & vulnerability for first time
- + EUROPE: CHARLEMAGNE crowned Holy Roman Emperor in Rome: HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE begins
- + EUROPE: final separation between East & West empires and Churches; Carolingian links with Arabs
- +801 N AFRICA: Aghlabid dynasty of Kairouan (801-909) establishes independent Libya 801 NE -tri PL Li Aq 801 UR Sc
- +802 W EUROPE: Germanic tribal laws codified by Charlemagne 802 UR Sc
- + SE ASIA: Angkorean (Khmer) Buddhist kingdom established by Jayavarman II
- +803 E EUROPE: Bulgarians throw off Tartar (Turkic) dominance
- + EUROPE: independence of Venice (to become wealthy trading city) recognised by Byzantium
- +804 EUROPE: expansion of Carolingian empire into E Germany **804 UR -SQR PL Sc Aq**
- + INDIA: Rashtrakuta Govinda II (794-813) expands Rashtrakuta empire across C India 804 Sa CONJ NE Li Li
- +805 ASIA: beginning of major Nestorian missionary expansion to Turkestan, Mongolia & China **805 UR -SQR PL Sc Aq**
- + C AMERICA: beginning of decline in southern Mayan building, science & trade (Guatemala) 805 Sa CONJ NE Li Li
- +806 * SE ASIA: building of Buddhist temple complex at Borobudur, Java
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- +807 * BRITAIN: Egbert of Wessex (802-39) dominant king in England (Wessex resists of Vikings) 807 UR +ssx NE Sc Li
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- +808 E EUROPE: Krum (808-14) reorganises Bulgaria & overturns Byz repression 808 Sa CONJ UR Sc Sc 808 UR Sg
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- +809 * E AFRICA: Kilwa Kisiwani and other trading towns founded along E African coast 809 UR Sg
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- +810 E EUROPE: Bulgarians conquer Sofia and defeat Byzantium (Byzantium weak) 810 NE Sc
- + PERSIA: Persian mathematician al-Khwarizmi devises algebra
- +811 811 UR on UR SNode 811 NE Sc
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- +812 EUROPE: Mikael I, Byz Emperor, concedes title of Basileus (emperor) on Charlemagne (812-20)
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- +813 MIDEAST: astronomy school established in Baghdad ; short Abbasid civil war – Baghdad sacked
- + ISLAM: Mamun, Baghdad Caliph (813-33) brings Augustan age of Arabian arts, learning & science
- +814 W EUROPE: death of Charlemagne (successor Louis the Pious, 814-40, Carolingian decline starts) 814 UR -sxt PL Sg Aq
- + 814 UR +ssq NE Sg Sc
- +815 BRITAIN: Egbert of Wessex defeats Britons in Cornwall (Wessex expansion in SW England) 815 UR -sxt PL Sg Aq
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- +816 C ASIA: Magian leader Babek harrasses Abbasid empire from Azerbaijan (Zoroastran revivalism) 816 UR Cp
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- +817 W EUROPE: Carolingian empire divided by Louis the Pious 817 Sa CONJ PL Aq Aq 817 PL Pi
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- +818 818 PL Pi
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- +819 819 PL Pi

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+820	ISLAM: Abbasid Caliphate reorganised; Taherite dynasty est'd at Khorasan	820 UR -ssq PL Cp Pi	
+	BYZANTIUM: Phrygian dynasty (820-67) reclaims Byzantine power (renews Byzantine flowering)		
+821	BRITAIN: end of Mercian supremacy in England (Wessex on rise)	821 UR +sxt NE Cp Sc	
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+822	IDEAS: est of House of Knowledge in Baghdad (translations from Greece, Syria, Persia, India)	822 UR +sxt NE Cp Sc	
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+823	* IDEAS: Samkara of Malabar (c788-850) (reinterprets Vedanta & Brahminism, founds schools)	823 UR +sxt NE Cp Sc	823 UR Aq
+		823 Sa OPPN NE Ta Sc	
+824	GERMANY: Louis the Pious offers personal protection of king to Jews in Germany	824 Sa OPPN NE Ge Sg	824 NE Sg
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+825	ITALY: rise of N Italian cities (eg Pavia, Venice) as centres of culture & literature	825 UR -ssx PL Aq Pi	
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+826	N EUROPE: Ansgar the missionary preaches in Scandinavia (Scania & Svealand)		
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+827	MED'N: Saracen occupation of Sicily (marking rise of widespread pirate raids on Med'n coasts)		
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+828	BRITAIN: Egbert of Wessex, High King of Saxon Heptarchy (828-39) (on defeat of Mercia (824-5))		
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+829		829 Sa OPPN UR Le Aq	
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+830	C EUROPE: Moravian nation (830-906) formed by Prince Moymir of Moravia (830-46)	830 NE -SQR PL Sg Pi	
+		830 Sa OPPN UR Le Aq	
+831	C AMERICA: Mayan classic period ends – central Maya states decline, Long Count calendar abandoned	831 NE -SQR PL Sg Pi	831 UR Pi
+		831 Sa OPPN UR Vi Pi	
+832	BYZANTIUM: Iconoclastic Dispute: persecution of icon worshippers in Byzantium	831 Sa OPPN PL Vi Pi	
+		832 NE -SQR PL Sg Pi	
+833		832 Sa OPPN PL Vi Pi	
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+834	MIDEAST: revolt of the Jats (Gypsies) in Iraq (against Abbasid rule)		
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+835	* INDIA: Rajasthani Pratihara kingdom (835-970) rules N India		
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+836	BRITAIN: Danes sack London and raid much of E England; 837 Saxons (Heptarchy) fight back	836 UR CONJ PL Pi Pi	
+	INDIA: struggle for control of Deccan, between Rashtrakutas & Pratiharas	837 HALLEY'S COMET	
+837	ISLAM: Abbasid capital moves to Samarra (brings gradual loss of control by Abbasids)	837 UR CONJ PL Pi Pi	
+		837 UR +SQR NE Pi Sg	
+838	MED'N: Arabs sack Marseilles and S Italy, defeat Byzantium in Asia Minor (threatening Europe)	838 UR +SQR NE Ar Cp	838 NE Cp
+	* IRELAND: est of first towns in Ireland by Vikings; immigration of Gallic refugees		838 UR Ar
+	E ASIA: end of Japanese period of imitation of China (last embassy to T'ang)		
+839	C ASIA: collapse of central control of the kingdom of Tibet	839 UR +SQR NE Ar Cp	839 UR Ar
+840	E EUROPE: Confederation of Slavic tribes under Moravian Moimir (to resist German land pressures)	840 UR +SQR NE Ar Cp	
+	C ASIA: Turkic Kirghiz (Siberians) overthrow Uighur empire (many Uighur migrate to Tarim Basin)		
+841	NW EUROPE: Vikings plunder Rouen & Paris; monarchy est'd in Norway; N Germany attacked 845	841 Sa CONJ NE Cp Cp	
+	CHINA: Wu Tsung, Taoist emperor, persecutes Manichaeans, Buddhists, Nestorians in China		
+	W EUROPE: foundation of Dublin by Vikings (as main base for operations in Ireland & Britain)		
+842	ASIA: Tibetan empire disintegrates		
+	BYZANTIUM: use & worship of icons re-established; Mikael III the Drunkard, Byz Emp (842-67)		
+843	W EUROPE: partition of Carolingian empire, into Italy, France, Germany (Treaty of Verdun)		
+	CHINA: Manichaeism destroyed in China after persecutions of Persian & Asian Manichaeans		
+844	BRITAIN: Kenneth MacAlpin, K of Scots & Picts (844-60) (1st king of united Scotland)		844 PL Ar
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+845	CHINA: general decline (persecution of Buddhists; currency inflation & imperial bankruptcy)		845 PL Ar
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+846	ITALY: Arabs pillage Rome, sack the Vatican, destroy Venetian fleet	846 UR +ssx PL Ta Ar	846 PL Ar
+	MIDEAST: Viking (Varangian) traders reach Baghdad		846 UR Ta
+847	* ISLAM: beginning of decline of Abbasid empire (gradual disintegration into local dynasties)	847 UR +ssx PL Ta Ar	
+848			
+849	* INNOVN: earliest use of gunpowder, in China (roots of new warfare)	849 Sa CONJ PL Ar Ar	
+850	C AMERICA: collapse of Classic Maya civilisation in Mexico	851 NE on NE SNode	
+	* S AMERICA: decline of Huari civilisation in Peru	851 UR +ssq PL Ta Ar	

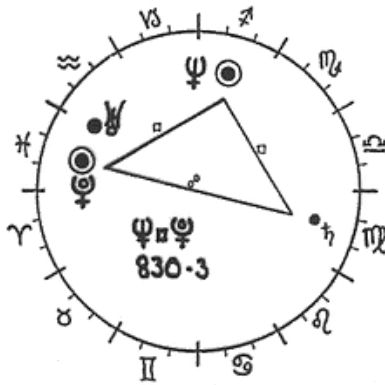
+ INDIA: Buddhism becomes defunct in India (overridden by Hindu & Jain religions)			
+ ISLAM: Arabs perfect the astrolabe (an astronomical observational device)			
+ RUSSIA: Rurik the Viking, ruler of Kiev (850-79) (Viking trade expansion to Black Sea & Med'n)			
+851 INDIA: foundation of Chola state (Madras area, later to be influential across Asia)			
+ C AMERICA: foundation of Chichen Itza, N Yucatan (to become leading Maya/Toltec city)			
+852 ROME: 'Papa Caput totius Orbis', proclamation of Papal supremacy on earth			852 NE Aq
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+853 INNOVN: publication of the first printed book, in China	853 UR +tri NE Ge Aq		853 UR Ge
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+854 * SE ASIA: Burmese establish a state at Pagan	854 UR +tri NE Ge Aq		
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+855 ITALY: Louis II, king of Italy & Holy Roman Emperor (855-76)	855 UR +tri NE Ge Aq		
+	855 UR on UR NNode		
+856 GREECE: Corinth wrecked by an earthquake, killing 45,000	856 UR +tri NE Ge Aq		
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+857 C EUROPE: Ratislav of Moravia (846-70) shifts Moravia from Frankish to Byzantine sphere			
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+858 EUROPE: Vikings attack & plunder S Spain, Mediterranean coasts and Asia Minor	858 NE -sxt PL Aq Ar		
+ JAPAN: Yoshifusa achieves Fujiwara domination of Imp court	858 Sa OPPN NE Le Aq		
+859 MIDEAST: establishment of Bagratide dynasty in Armenia by Ashot I	859 Sa OPPN NE Le Aq		859 UR Cn
+ C ASIA: downfall & splintering of Tibetan kingdom (affecting large areas of C Asia)			
+860 * SE ASIA: growth of great Khmer cities & architecture in Cambodia	860 UR +sqt NE Cn Aq		860 UR Cn
+ SCANDNVA: Gorm the Elder unites Denmark; BYZANTIUM: Vikings first raid Constantinople			
+861 W EUROPE: major towns of NW Europe under Viking attack, terror grows along coasts & rivers	861 UR +sqt NE Cn Aq		
+ ATLANTIC: landing on Iceland by Norwegian Vikings			
+862 RUSSIA: Novgorod founded by Rurik the Viking (the first Russian state)	862 UR +sqt NE Cn Aq		
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+863 E EUROPE: creation of Cyrillic alphabet in Moravia by St Cyril & Methodius	863 UR +SQR PL Cn Ar		
+	863 Sa OPPN PL Li Ar		
+864	864 UR +SQR PL Cn Ar		
+865 BYZANTIUM: Vikings attack Constantinople (richest city they had seen)	864 Sa OPPN PL Li Ar		865 NE Pi
+ BRITAIN: Viking occupation of Northumbria & Yorkshire	865 UR +SQR PL Cn Ar		
+ E EUROPE: Bulgars (Boris I (852-89)) and Serbians convert to Christianity			
+866 BYZANTIUM: Basil I, Byz Emp (867-86) brings revival (Macedonian Dyn 866-912) (Basilian laws)	866 UR +qcx NE Le Pi		866 NE Pi
+ JAPAN: Fujiwara Period (866-1160) (Fujiwara clan domination of Imperial Court)			866 UR Le
+867 BYZANTIUM: Patriarch Photius separates Orthodox Church from Rome (recognised by Pope 870)	867 UR +qcx NE Le Pi		867 UR Le
+ MIDEAST: Zenj rebellion in Chaldea (869-83)			
+868	868 UR +qcx NE Le Pi		
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+869 MED'N: Malta taken by Arabs	869 UR +qcx NE Le Pi		
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+870 BRITAIN: Danish Vikings occupy East Anglia	870 NE -ssq PL Pi Ar		
+ PERSIA: Persia virtually independent of Sassanid empire, under Saffarid dynasty (870-903)			
+871 BRITAIN: Alfred the Great, King of England (871-99) resists Danish pressure on England			
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+872 N EUROPE: unification of Norway under Harold Haarfagr, King of Norway (872-933)	872 UR +tri PL Le Ar		872 UR Vi
+ C ASIA: Samanids take control of Khorasan & Transoxiana (Bokhara intellectual centre of Islam)			
+873	873 UR +tri PL Le Ar		873 UR Vi
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+874 CHINA: popular uprisings and rebellions against T'ang emperor (874-884)	874 PL Aphn 29Ar		874 PL Ta
+ ATLANTIC: colonisation of Iceland by Vikings (high cultural level, outlasts Euro Viking ways)			
+875 C EUROPE: Sviatopluk of Moravia (870-94) takes Slovakia, Bohemia, Silesia (by 906)	875 UR +sqt PL Vi Ar		875 PL Ta
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+877 BRITAIN: Mercia partitioned between Saxons & Danes (boundary Watling Street)	877 Sa OPPN UR Pi Vi		
+	877 UR +sqt PL Vi Ta		
+878 ITALY: Arabs take Sicily from Byzantines	878 UR OPPN NE Vi Pi		
+ BRITAIN: Alfred the Great defeats Danes: Tr of Wedmore divides England btwn Saxons & Danes	878 Sa OPPN UR Pi Vi		
+879 EUROPE: the Pope and Patriarch of Constantinople excommunicate one another	878 Sa CONJ NE Pi Pi		879 NE Ar
+ ASIA: Nepal gains independence from Tibet	879 UR OPPN NE Vi Pi		879 UR Li

+880	EURASIA: widespread famine in many lands (weather conditions)	879 UR +qcx PL Li Ta	
+	JAPAN: Fujiwara Mototsune (first of many civil dictators, 'kampaku')	880 UR OPPN NE Li Ar	880 NE Ar
+881	FRANCE: Louis III of N France defeats Vikings	880 UR +qcx PL Li Ta	
+	W EUROPE: Charles III the Bald, Carolingian emperor (876-87) (Frankish kgdm reunited 884)	881 UR OPPN NE Li Ar	
+882	RUSSIA: Kiev becomes the chief town of Russian confederacy	881 Sa CONJ PL Ta Ta	
+		881 UR +qcx PL Li Ta	
+883		881 NE -ssx PL Ar Ta	
+		882 NE -ssx PL Ar Ta	
+884	W EUROPE: Charles III the Bald becomes King of France, reuniting Carolingian empire		
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+885	SCANDNVA: Harald Haarfagr (Fairhair) unites & organises Norway (became king 872)		885 UR Sc
+	* INDIA: Sankaracharya, philosopher reforms Vedic Hinduism		
+886	BRITAIN: Alfred the Great recaptures and rebuilds London		886 UR Sc
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+887	W EUROPE: separation of Germany & France (Carolingian empire falls, Charles II the Bald deposed)	887 UR OPPN PL Sc Ta	
+	S INDIA: decline of Pallava dynasty (in favour of Cholas) on death of Aparajitavarma (870-87)		
+888	FRANCE: Arabs occupy parts of coast of Provence	888 UR OPPN PL Sc Ta	
+	IBERIA: Abdullah, Emir of Cordoba (888-912)		
+	S INDIA: rise of Tamil Chola dynasty (888-1267) (replacing Jain Pallavas at Kanchi)		
+889	C AMERICA: end of building at Tikal, dominant Mayan centre (pop'n 100,000)	889 UR OPPN PL Sc Ta	
+890	* BRITAIN: Saxon England thrives under Alfred the Great (with new laws, security, economic upswing)		
+	* JAPAN: Japanese cultural renaissance in literature, art and poetry		
+891	NW EUROPE: writing of the 'Anglo-Saxon Chronicle' (891-1150)	891 UR -qcx NE Sc Ar	
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+893	BRITAIN: Alfred defeats Viking attacks on England (destroying Viking fleet)	893 UR -qcx NE Sg Ta	893 NE Ta
+	INDIA: major earthquakes kill approx 180,000	894 UR -qcx NE Sg Ta	
+894	MIDEAST: communistic Carmathian rebels overrun Arabia, Syria, Iraq, Mecca (891-906)	894 Sa OPPN NE Sc Ta	
+		894 UR on UR SNode	
+895	E EUROPE: expelled from Ukraine by Vikings & Khazars, Magyars move to Hungary	895 Sa OPPN NE Sc Ta	
+	MIDEAST: first Hebrew manuscript of the Old Testament (previously in Aramaic)	895 Sa OPPN PL Sc Ta	
+896	C EUROPE: 7 Magyar tribes under Arpad (896-907) settle in Hungary (later European scourge)	896 Sa OPPN PL Sc Ta	
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+897	JAPAN: Fujiwara Tokihira seeks to end gov't disintegration & corruption	897 UR -qcx PL Sg Ta	
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+898		898 UR -qcx PL Sg Ta	
+899	EUROPE: parts of Italy & Germany raided & devastated by Magyars from Hungary	899 UR -sqt NE Sg Ta	899 UR Cp
+900	* AMERICAS: TOLTEC PERIOD in Mexico (900-1325), capital Tula	900 Sa CONJ UR Cp Cp	
+	* AMERICAS: Second Pueblo Indian period in SW N America (advanced towns & architecture)	900 UR -sqt NE Cp Ta	
+	* NW EUROPE: zenith of Viking artforms (runic carvings, boats, ornaments)		
+	* BRITAIN: England reorganised into shires, with new judicial system of law		
+	* BRITAIN: zenith in Celtic arts (knotwork designs & metalwork, eg Tara brooch)		
+901	PERSIA: Samanid dynasty (819-999) at zenith	901 UR -sqt NE Cp Ta	
+902	* INDIA: growth of pilgrimage to holy places as a religious devotional practice	902 UR -sqt PL Cp Ta	
+903	* PACIFIC OCEAN: Polynesian settlement of Aotearoa (New Zealand) increases	903 UR -sqt PL Cp Ta	
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+904	BYZANTIUM: Constantinople attacked by Russian Vikings (commercial treaties est'd 907)		
+	C AMERICA: RISE OF NORTHERN MAYA – Chichen Itza becomes dominant centre of the Mayans		
+905	* EUROPE: Magyar, Viking & Arab threats coalesce European awareness & identity	905 NE CONJ PL Ta Ta	905 NE Ge
+	JAPAN: compilation of Kokinshu, a poetry anthology (Japanese scholarship loses Chinese infl)		



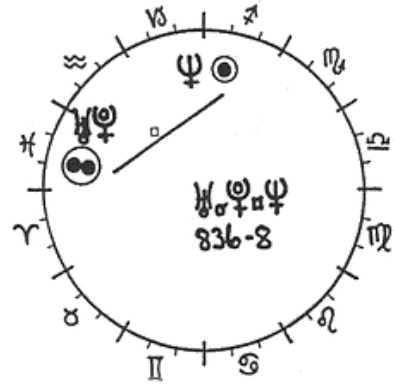
Uranus square Pluto 804-05

Charlemagne crowned Holy Roman Emperor - Carolingian empire from France to E Germany; zenith of Rashtrakuta kgdm, C India; decline of the Mayan city-states; final separation of Orthodox & Catholic churches; Abbasid cultural ascendancy in Caliphate of Baghdad; Buddhist temples at Borobudur, Java; Arabic trading ports along African east coast



Neptune square Pluto 830-33

Iconoclastic dispute, Byzantium; Gypsy revolt, Persia; Rise of north Italian cities; Arab incursions in France, Italy & Byzantium; Viking raids, NW Europe, Viking dominance of Ireland; Tibetan empire and Mayan and Huari cultures collapse; rise of Kievan Russia; chaos, persecution & imperial bankruptcy, China; Slavic confederation, Moravia; Japan breaks links with China; Pratihara kgdm, Rajasthan, NW India; Abbasid Caliphate slow decline; partition of Carolingian empire into France, Italy & Germany

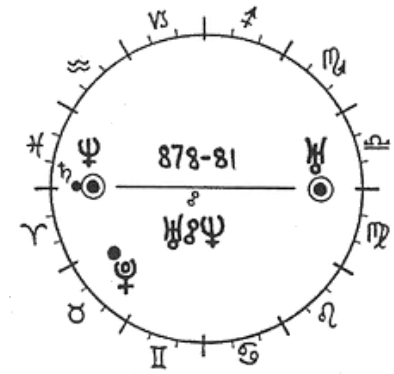


Uranus conjunct Pluto 836-38



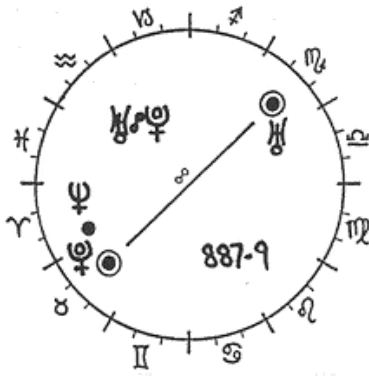
Uranus square Pluto 863-65

Byzantine revival; Viking terror and settlement, Russia, Britain & Ireland; rise of Bokhara as a centre of Islamic thought; creation of Cyrillic (Slavic) alphabet; growth of Khmer Cambodia; Bulgars & Serbs convert to Christianity; Fujiwara period, Japan; Alfred the Great, England, resists Viking settlement



Uranus opposition Neptune 878-81

Alfred the Great - England divided between Saxons & Danes; Viking colonisation of Iceland; Fujiwara dictatorship in Japan; Arabs take Sicily; famine across Eurasia (weather); Nepali independence from Tibet; schism between Catholic & Orthodox Christians; separation of Germany & France



Uranus opposition Pluto 887-89

Magyars expelled from Russia by Khazars, settling in Hungary; Viking threat blocked in Britain & France; England strong under Alfred the Great; Japanese cultural renaissance; Carmathian rebellion, Syria & Arabia; Tamil Chola dynasty, S India; Sankaracharya, philosopher, reforms Vedic Hinduism



Neptune conjunct Pluto 905

Rise of European identity and nation-states (under threat from Magyars, Vikings & Arabs); unstable Epoch of Five Dynasties in China; zenith of Umayyad culture in Cordoba, Spain; Magyars destroy Moravia; rise of Fatimids in Tunisia; Vikings granted Normandy (later to become Normans); rise of Northern Maya (Chichen Itza); Maori settlement of New Zealand increases; Toltec period, Mexico; peak of Viking culture

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