



# Astrology E-Alert

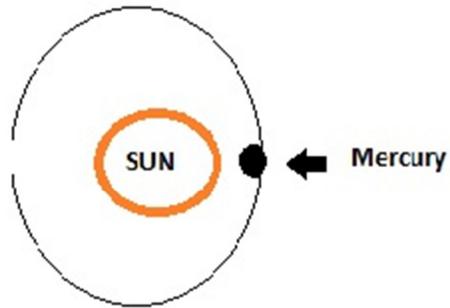
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## Mercury – The Smallest Planet

Over the past 2 weeks, I have had the chance to review some old manuscripts from the 1930s by author James Mars Langham. One of the planets that Langham focused intently on was none other than Mercury. I have discovered that what held true in the 1930s for Mr. Langham and his astrology research, continues to hold true today!

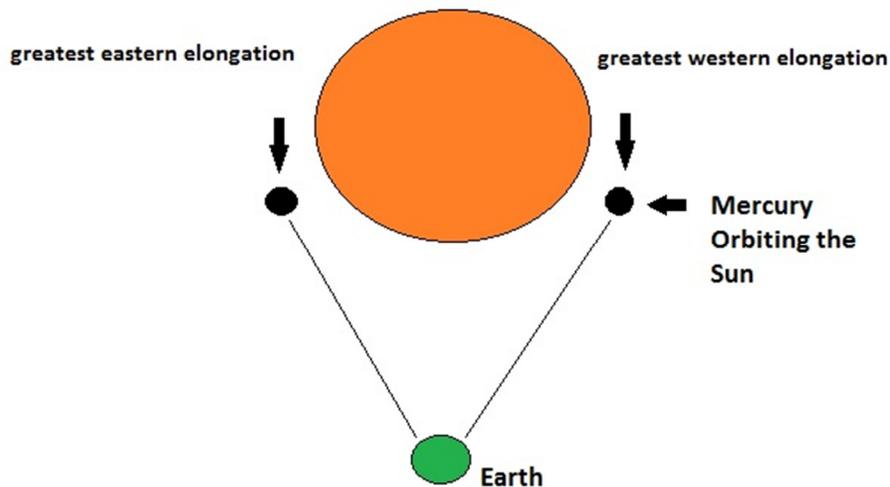
Mercury is the smallest planet in our solar system. Mercury is also the closest to the Sun. As a result of its proximity to the powerful gravitational pull of the Sun, Mercury moves very quickly – completing an orbit of the Sun in 88 days.

Scientists at NASA have now concluded that Mercury does in fact have a di-polar magnetic field. This field is strong enough to deflect solar wind particles that have emanated from the Sun. These solar winds then carry on towards the Earth. Scientists have also determined that Mercury has an eccentric orbit in which its distance from the Sun will range from 46 million kms to 70 million kms. When Mercury is *nearer* to the Sun (ie... 46 million kms away), it is moving at its fastest (~56.6 kms per second). When Mercury is *farther* from the Sun (ie... 70 million kms away), it is moving slower (~38.7 kms per second). The point where it is nearest to the Sun is called **Perihelion**. The point where it is farthest from the Sun is called **Aphelion**.

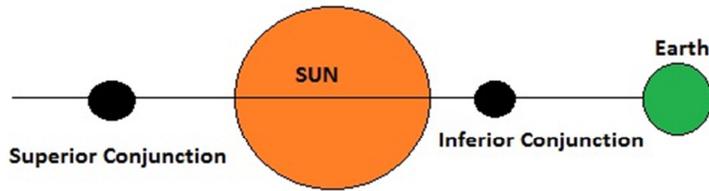


### Eccentric Orbit of Mercury

One other geometric idea to consider is the **Elongation** of Mercury. Elongation refers to the angle between the planet and the Sun, using Earth as a reference point.



Lastly, one must also consider the Superior and Inferior Conjunctions of Mercury. When Mercury is between the Earth and the Sun, it is in **Inferior Conjunction**. When Sun is between Earth and Mercury, then Mercury is said to be at **Superior Conjunction**. It helps to think of Mercury at Inferior Conjunction as being the start of a new 88 day cycle.



These various features of Mercury can be used as a tool to assist us in navigating the ups and downs of the markets.



**2014 S&P500 Price Chart with Mercury Features**

The above chart illustrates S&P500 price performance during 2014. I have overlaid this chart with Mercury greatest east and West elongation points (labelled E and W), Mercury Perihelion and Aphelion points (labelled P and A) as well as Superior and Inferior Conjunctions (labelled Inf and Sup).



### Australian All Ordinaries with Mercury Features

The above chart illustrates the Australian All Ordinaries price performance during 2014. I have overlaid this chart with Mercury greatest east and West elongation points (labelled E and W), Mercury Perihelion and Aphelion points (labelled P and A) as well as Superior and Inferior Conjunctions (labelled Inf and Sup).



### Stoxx 50 and Mercury Features

The above chart illustrates the Stoxx 50 price performance during 2014. I have overlaid this chart with Mercury greatest east and West elongation points (labelled E and W), Mercury Perihelion and Aphelion points (labelled P and A) as well as Superior and Inferior Conjunctions (labelled Inf and Sup).



### Gold Futures and Mercury Features

The above chart illustrates Gold futures price performance during 2014. I have overlaid this chart with Mercury greatest east and West elongation points (labelled E and W), Mercury Perihelion and Aphelion points (labelled P and A) as well as Superior and Inferior Conjunctions (labelled Inf and Sup).



### Twitter (Nasdaq:TWTR) and the Effect of Mercury

The above chart illustrates Twitter (Q:TWTR) price performance during 2014. I have overlaid this chart with Mercury greatest east and West elongation points (labelled E and W), Mercury Perihelion and Aphelion points (labelled P and A) as well as Superior and Inferior Conjunctions (labelled Inf and Sup).

There are many moving parts to the subject of Financial Astrology and Mercury is but one of those parts.

However, Mercury appears to play a significant role in impacting human emotion. I believe this is related to the fact that Mercury has a magnetic field which deflects the Sun's solar radiation towards Earth where it affects the emotions of the human animal.

When confronted with a stock, a commodity or a market index that is trading at short term overbought or oversold levels, pay strict attention to any Mercury features (elongation, perihelion, aphelion, inferior/Superior conjunctions) that may be about to occur. The chances of such a Mercury event aligning to a trend change are quite good indeed.

I recommend doing some back-testing on your favorite stocks or commodities to get a better feel for how Mercury plays a role in price performance. Remember to use suitable technical indicators to gauge the change of trend.

To assist you with some of your own back-testing, the following **2014** dates may be of interest:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Body</b>	<b>Phenomena</b>
2014/01/31	Mercury	Greatest Elongation East
2014/02/03	Mercury	Perihelion
2014/02/15	Mercury	Inferior Conjunction
2014/03/14	Mercury	Greatest Elongation West
2014/03/19	Mercury	Aphelion
2014/04/25	Mercury	Superior Conjunction
2014/05/02	Mercury	Perihelion
2014/05/25	Mercury	Greatest Elongation East
2014/06/15	Mercury	Aphelion
2014/06/19	Mercury	Inferior Conjunction
2014/07/12	Mercury	Greatest Elongation West
2014/07/29	Mercury	Perihelion
2014/08/08	Mercury	Superior Conjunction
2014/09/11	Mercury	Aphelion
2014/09/21	Mercury	Greatest Elongation East
2014/10/16	Mercury	Inferior Conjunction
2014/10/25	Mercury	Perihelion
2014/11/01	Mercury	Greatest Elongation West
2014/12/08	Mercury	Superior Conjunction
2014/12/08	Mercury	Aphelion

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To assist you in **2015**, the following dates are critical:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Body</b>	<b>Phenomena</b>
2015/01/14	Mercury	Greatest Elongation East
2015/01/21	Mercury	Perihelion
2015/01/30	Mercury	Inferior Conjunction
2015/02/24	Mercury	Greatest Elongation West
2015/03/06	Mercury	Aphelion
2015/04/10	Mercury	Superior Conjunction
2015/04/19	Mercury	Perihelion
2015/05/07	Mercury	Greatest Elongation East
2015/05/30	Mercury	Inferior Conjunction
2015/06/02	Mercury	Aphelion
2015/06/24	Mercury	Greatest Elongation West
2015/07/16	Mercury	Perihelion
2015/07/23	Mercury	Superior Conjunction
2015/08/29	Mercury	Aphelion
2015/09/04	Mercury	Greatest Elongation East
2015/09/30	Mercury	Inferior Conjunction
2015/10/12	Mercury	Perihelion
2015/10/15	Mercury	Greatest Elongation West
2015/11/17	Mercury	Superior Conjunction
2015/11/25	Mercury	Aphelion
2015/12/28	Mercury	Greatest Elongation East

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**The next regular E-Alert will be issued on January 16<sup>th</sup>.**

**Watch for a short update to be issued on or near January 9<sup>th</sup>.**

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