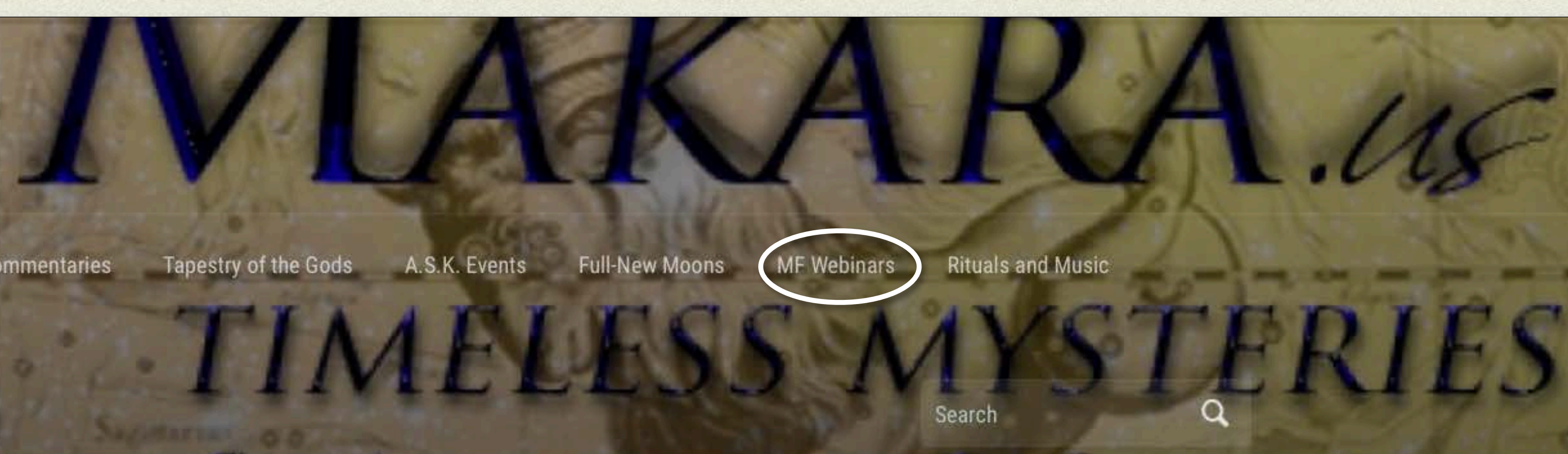


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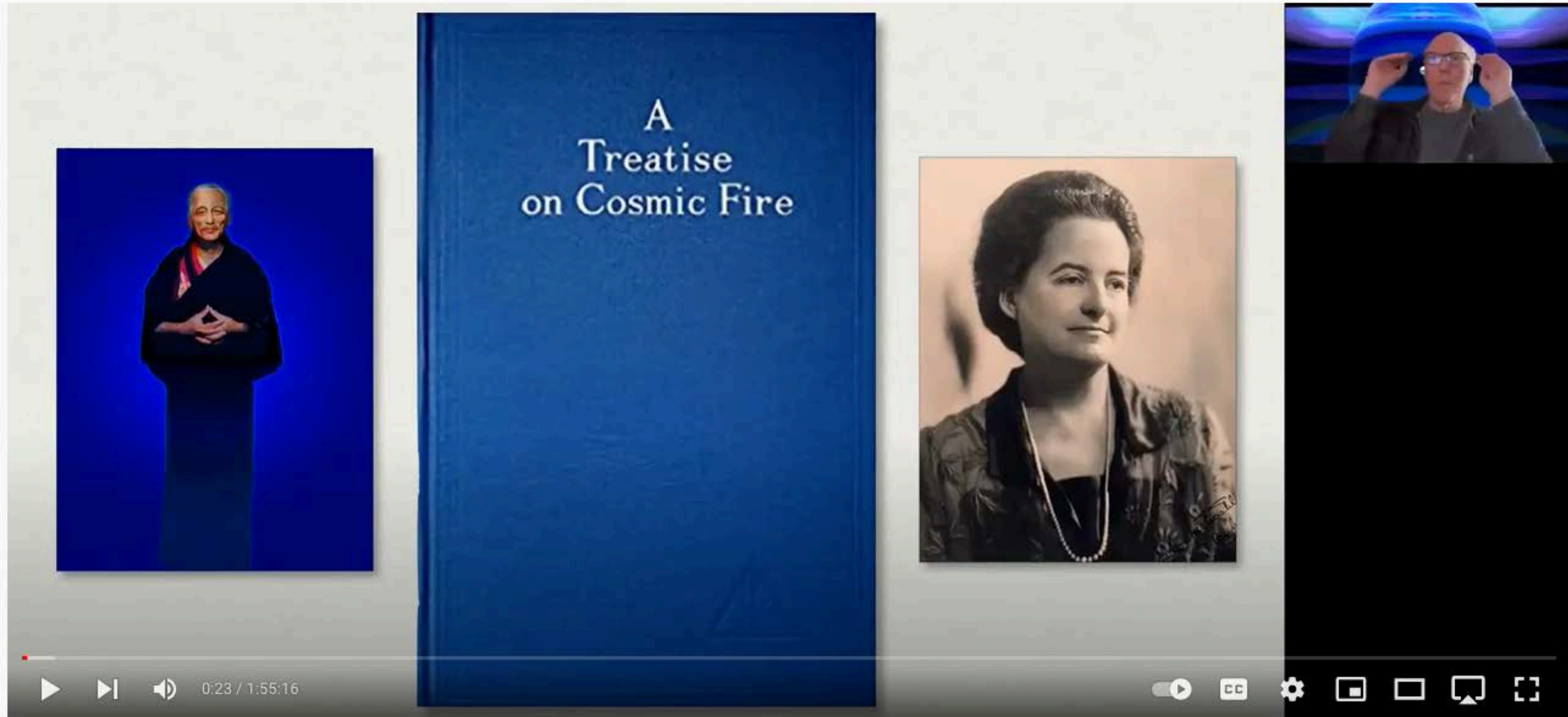
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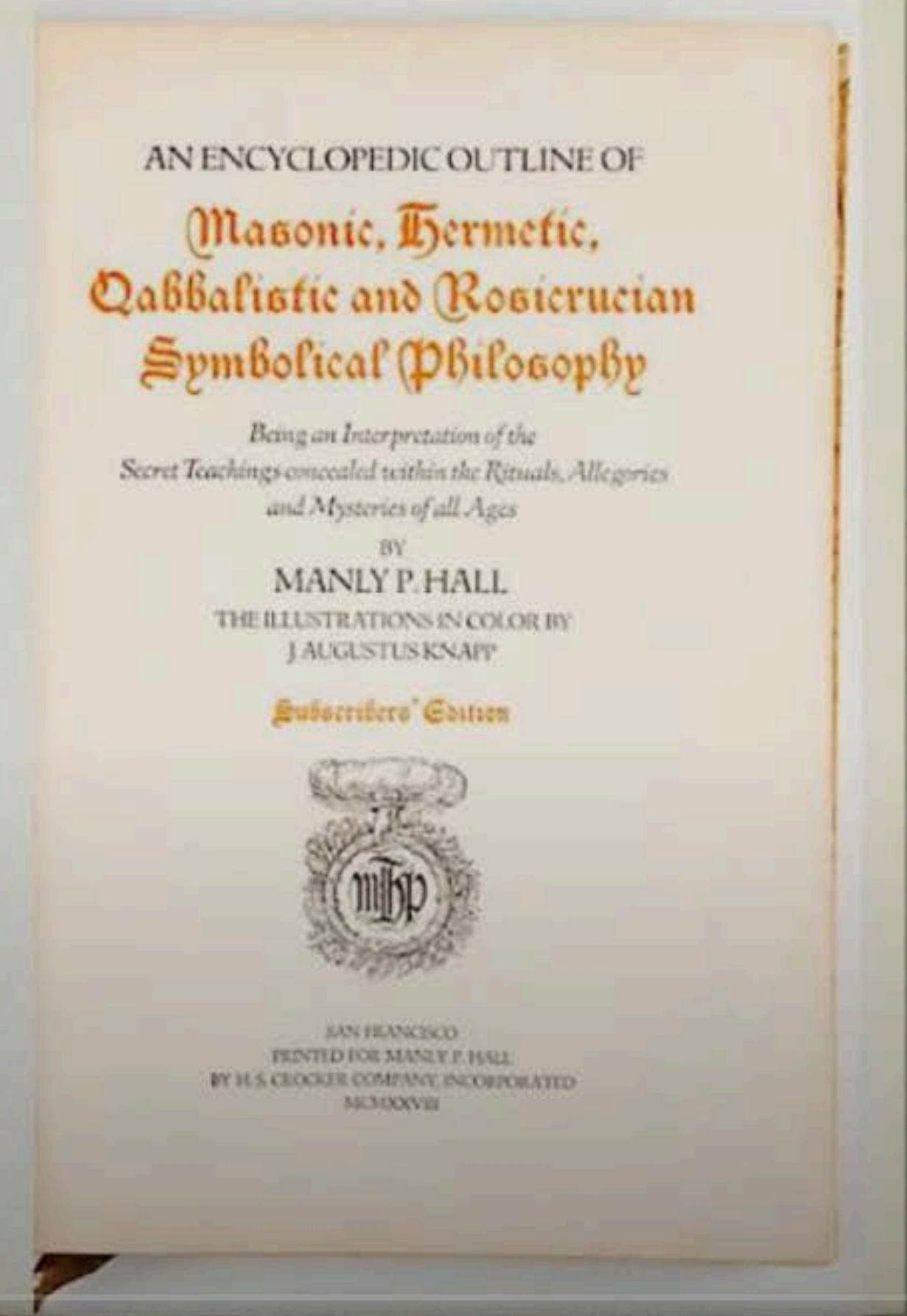
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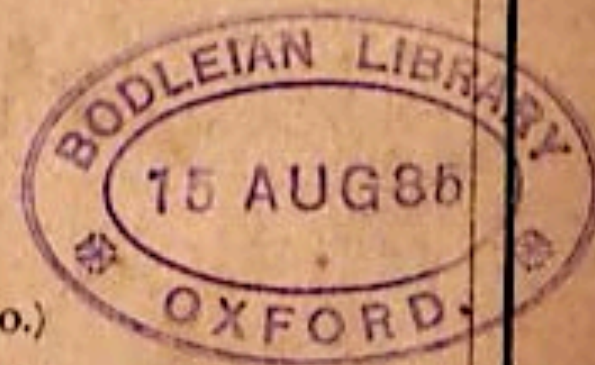
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CHAPTER XIV
THE COULOMB MISSIONARY
CONSPIRACY

On the 10th day of September [1884] the first growl of the coming tempest was heard, for we received from Adyar a lugubrious letter from Damodar, intimating that the Missionaries were hatching a plot, evidently with the help of Mme. Coulomb. He said that this woman was going about here and there, breathing vengeance against H.P.B. and the Society. The members of the Board of Control, to which I had confided the management of our affairs at Headquarters, became so tired of her and her wretched gossip, that

they tried to get her and her husband to go to Colorado, where Dr. Hartmann offered to present them with a gold-mine claim of his. They were both willing and anxious to go, and a day for their sailing, via Hong Kong and San Francisco, had been agreed upon, when they spoilt everything by saying that they held compromising letters of H.P.B.'s and that if they did not receive a bonus of Rs. 3,000, they should give the letters for publication. Of course, that stopped all negotiation; the Board held a meeting to which the accused were summoned, affidavits of their slanders were read in their presence, and they were expelled from membership in the Society.

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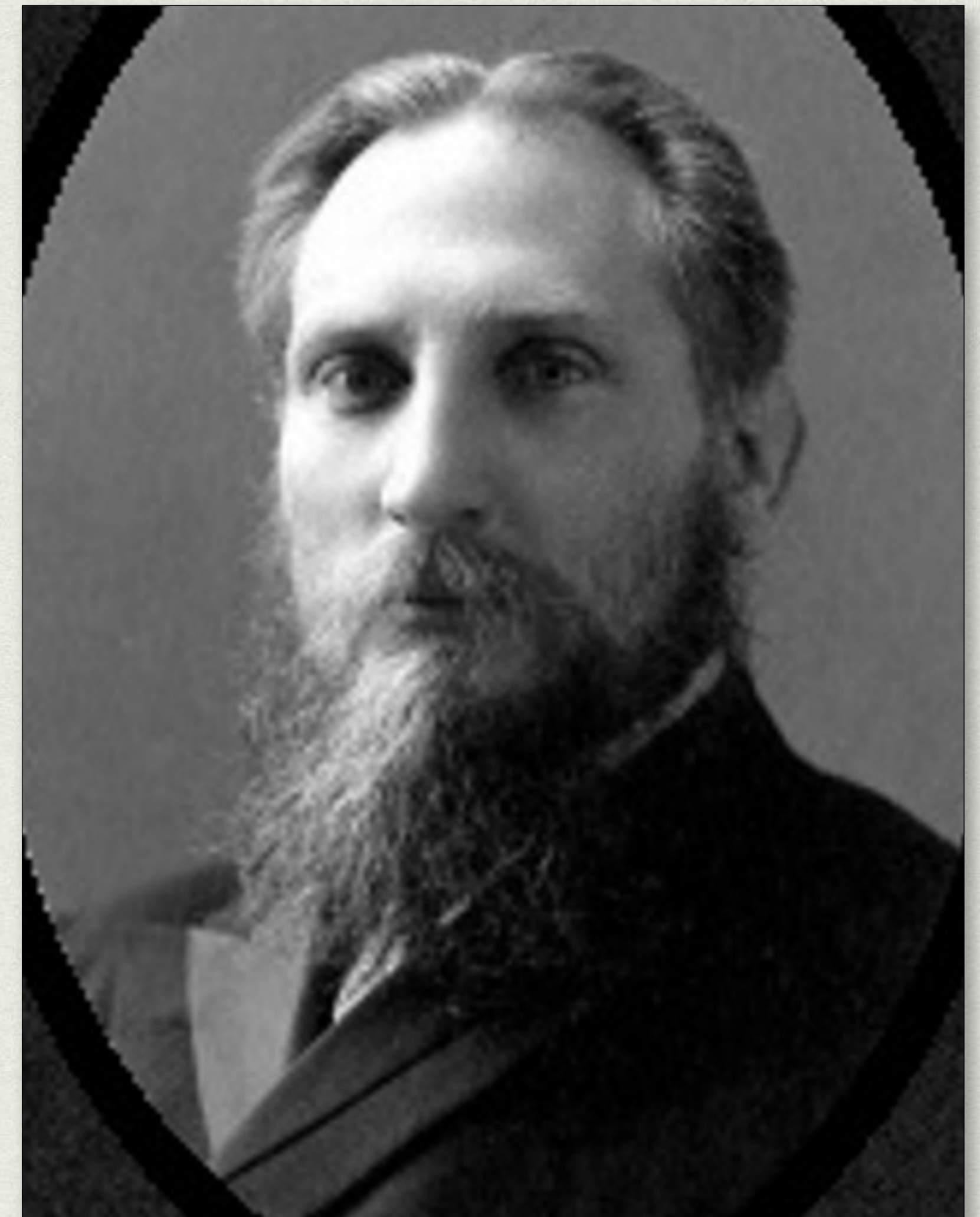
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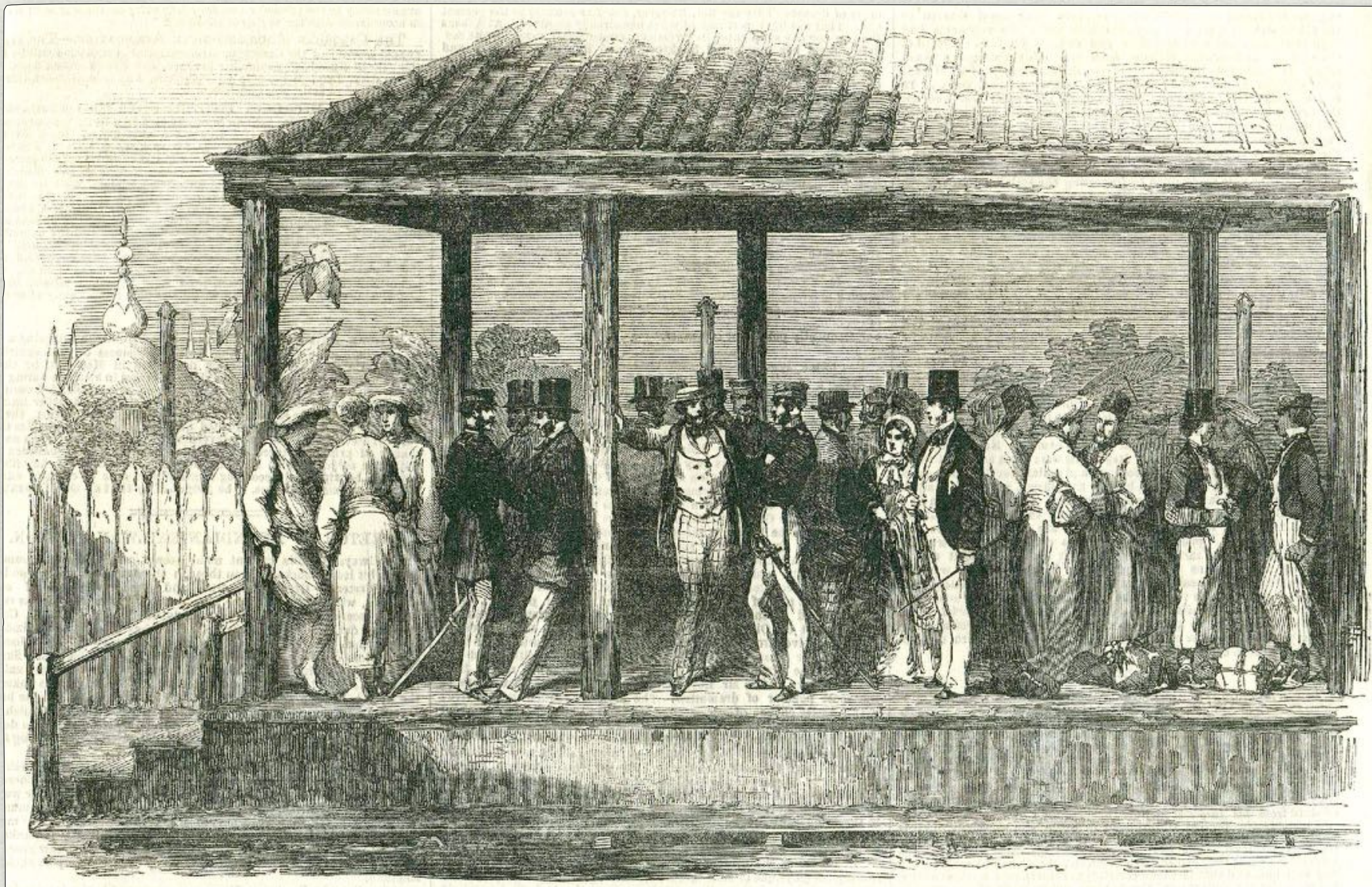


Isabel Cooper-Oakley, 1854-1913

I have no intention at this late day to flog this dead horse; the public have taken their sides, H.P.B. has cast off the burden of her earthly sorrows, and time is daily vindicating her greatness of character and dignity of life-aims. Her personal faults and weaknesses are well-nigh forgotten, and her reputation now rests upon the books she gave us, whose paramount value is being brought to view after the dust and smoke of the conflict have passed away. In company with Mr. Rudolph Gebhard, I returned to India in the first half of November, and Mme. Blavatsky followed in December, bringing with her Mr. Leadbeater and Mr. and Mrs. Cooper-Oakley, of London... Landing at Bombay on November 10, I lectured on the 12th, on "Theosophy Abroad", in Framji Cowasji Hall, to a packed audience, and one of the most enthusiastic I ever addressed.

Charles Leadbeater, 1854-1934





19th century Indian
railway platform

Madras was reached on the 15th, and what sort of reception I had the local papers of the day show. More than 300 students of the very Christian College whose professors had attacked H.P.B., and a large number of our Society members, met me at the station, with cheers, a band of musicians, addresses, garlands, and perfume-sprinklings. Their joy

and enthusiasm seemed boundless. The address read to me by the schoolboys is very flowery, but quivers with true affection. In certain of its sentences they touch the very heart of the mystery of the failure of the Missionaries to weaken our hold on the Indian public—for a mystery, indeed, it must have seemed to them. These Indian lads identify the

Theosophical Society with the revival of Sanskrit Literature, the reconciliation of Religion with Science, the throwing of light upon man's future state, the welding of the "incohesive" Indian castes and creeds into one brotherhood feeling of mutual sympathy, and the defense of Aryan wisdom and Hindu honor against all critics and all comers.

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* Indeed, if such an imaginary Chemist happened to be intuitional, and would for a moment step out of the habitual groove of strictly "Exact Science," as the Alchemists of old did, he might be repaid for his audacity.

† He who would allotropise sluggish oxygen into *Ozone* to a measure of alchemical activity, reducing it to its pure essence (for which there are means), would discover thereby a substitute for an "Elixir of Life" and prepare it for practical use.

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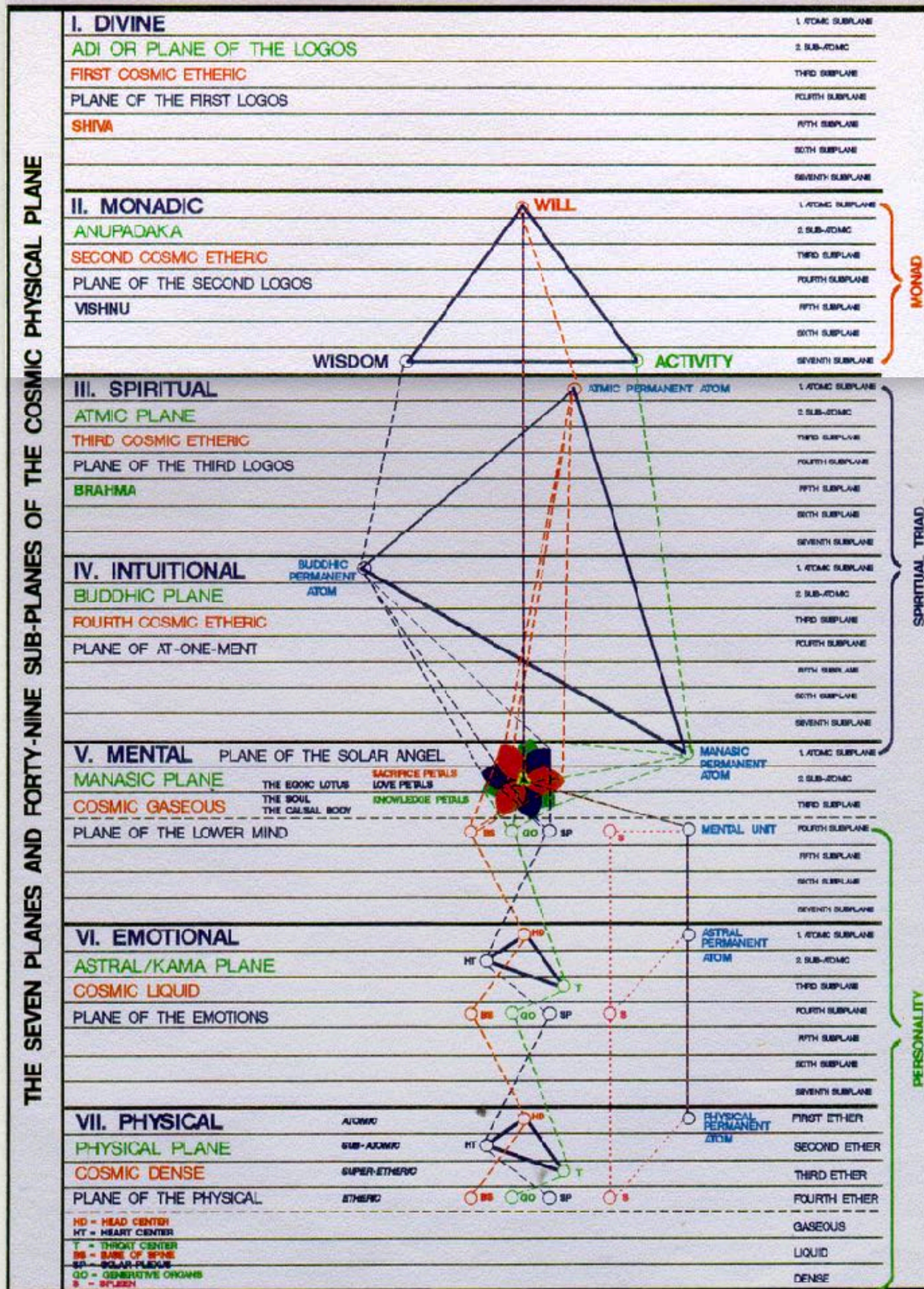
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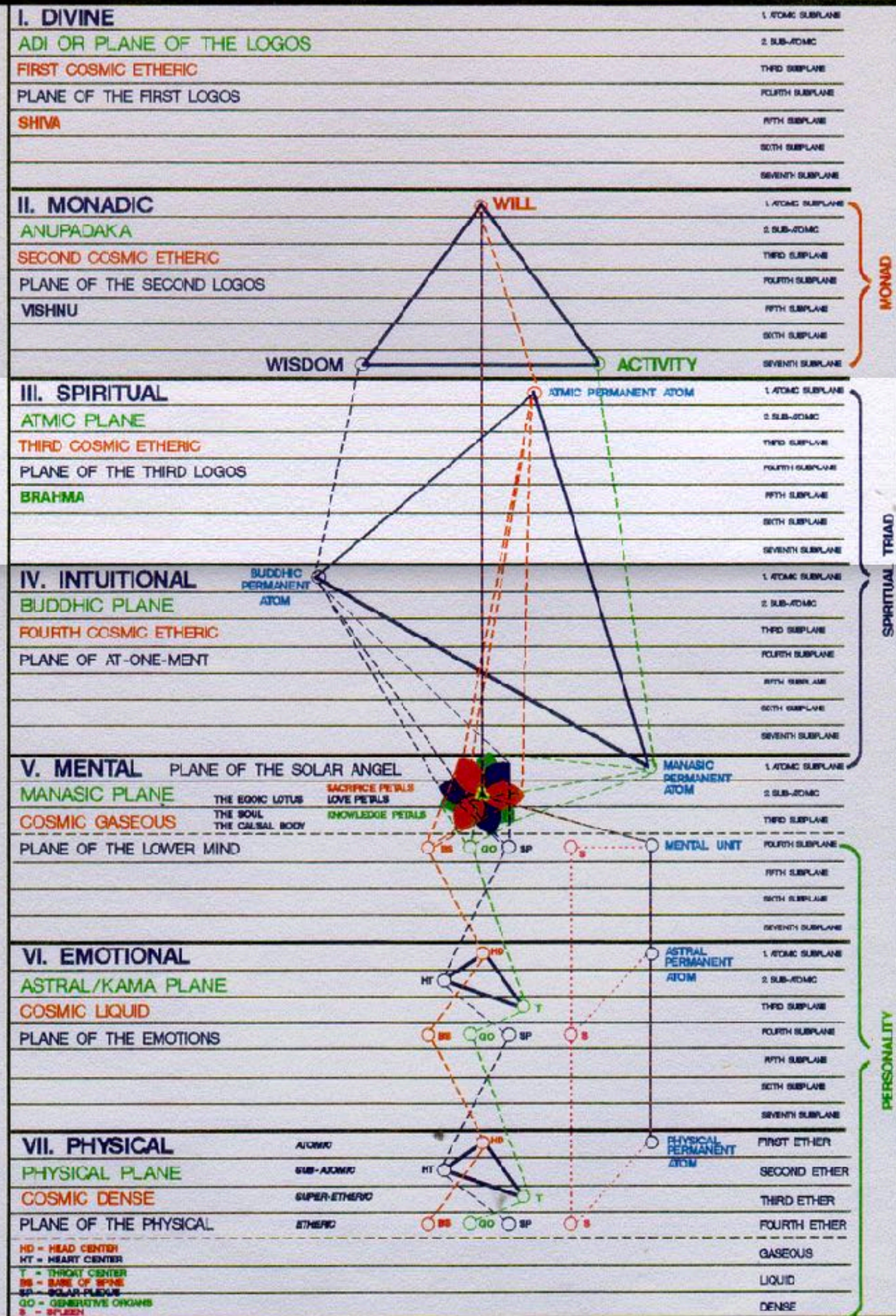
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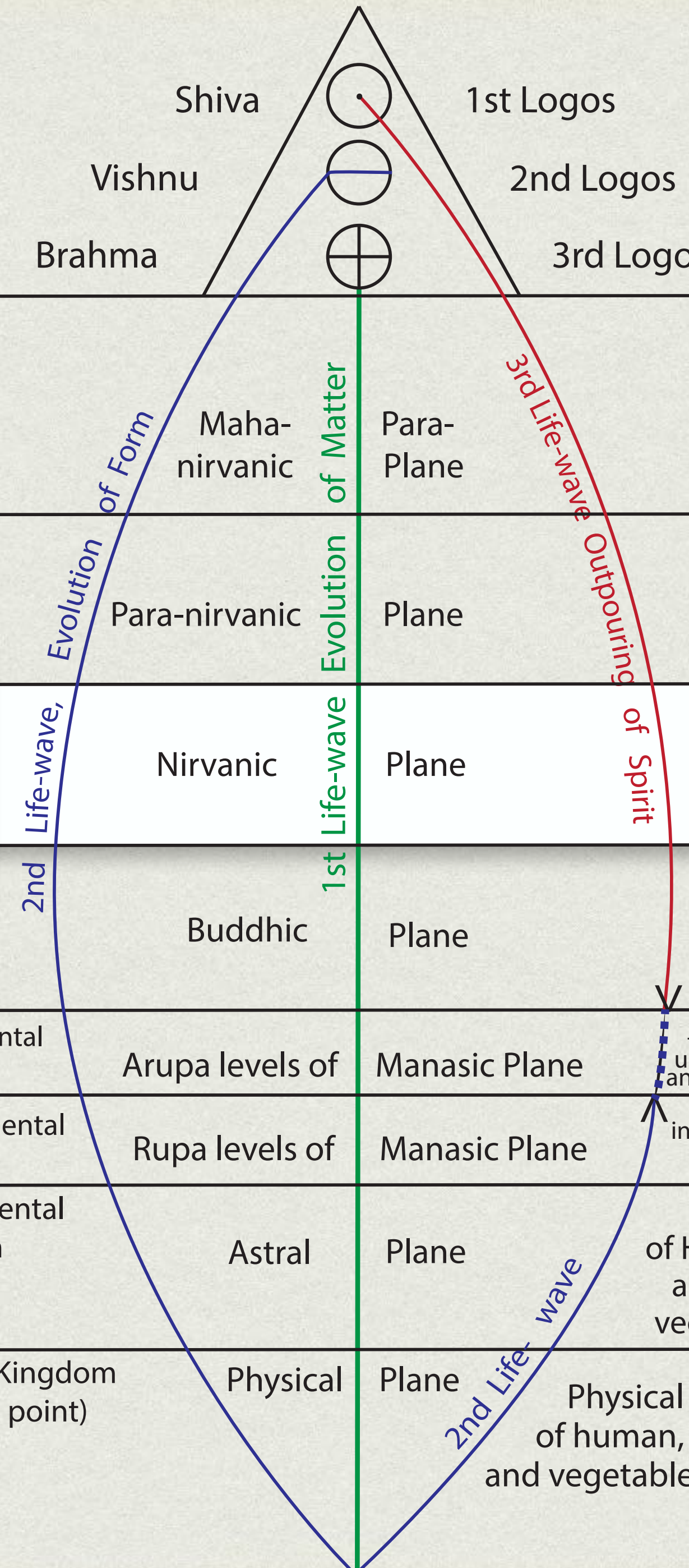
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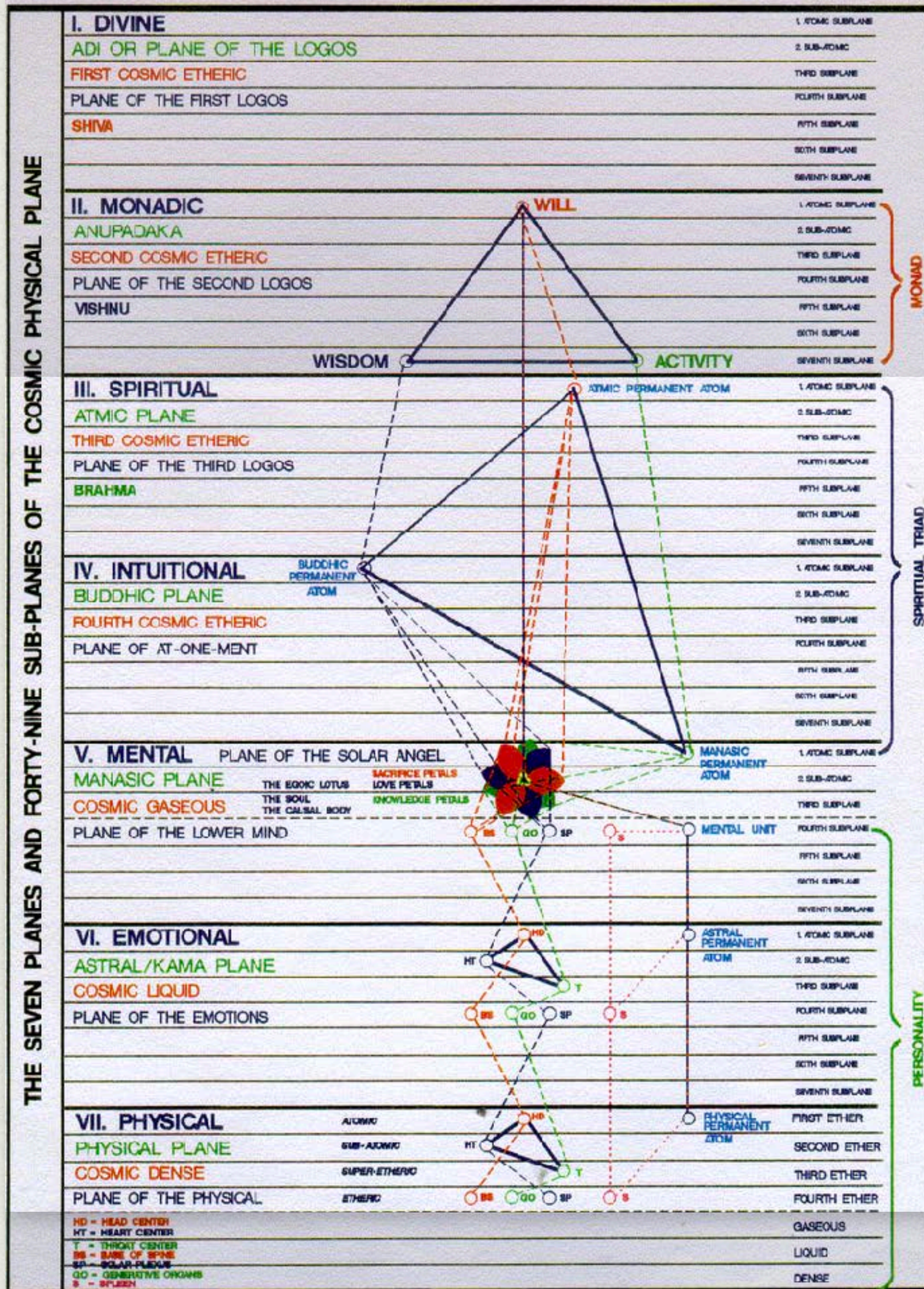
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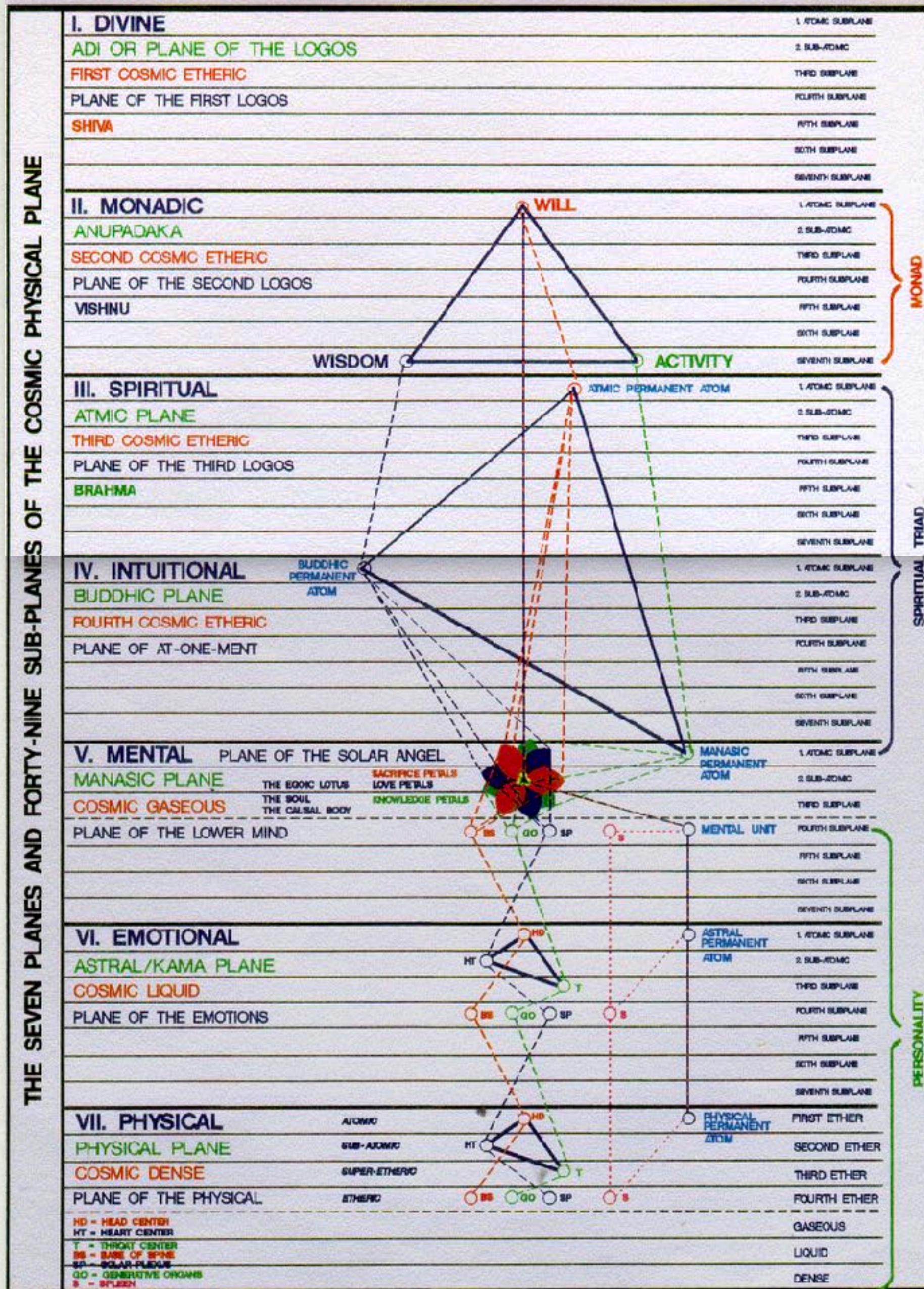
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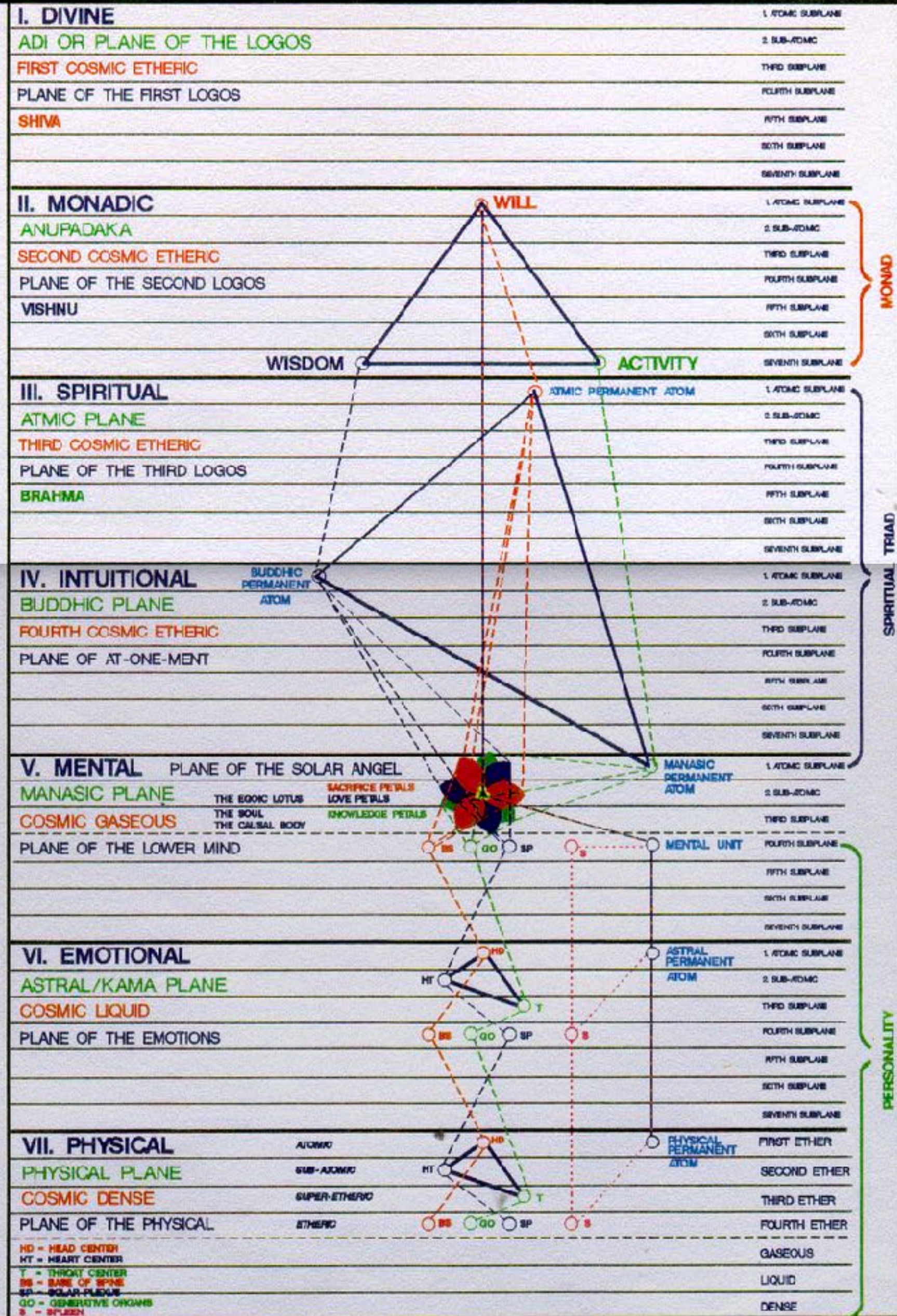
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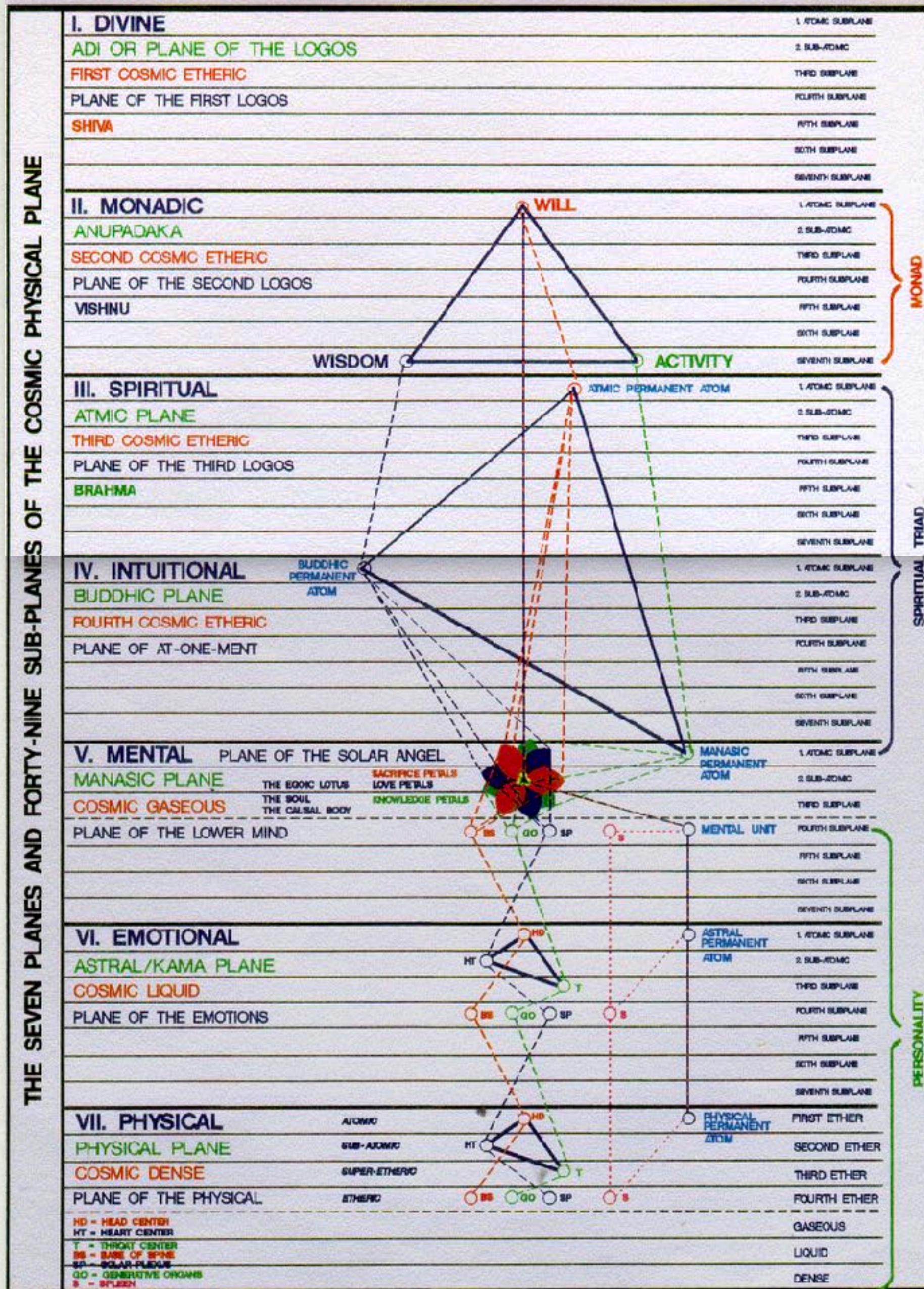


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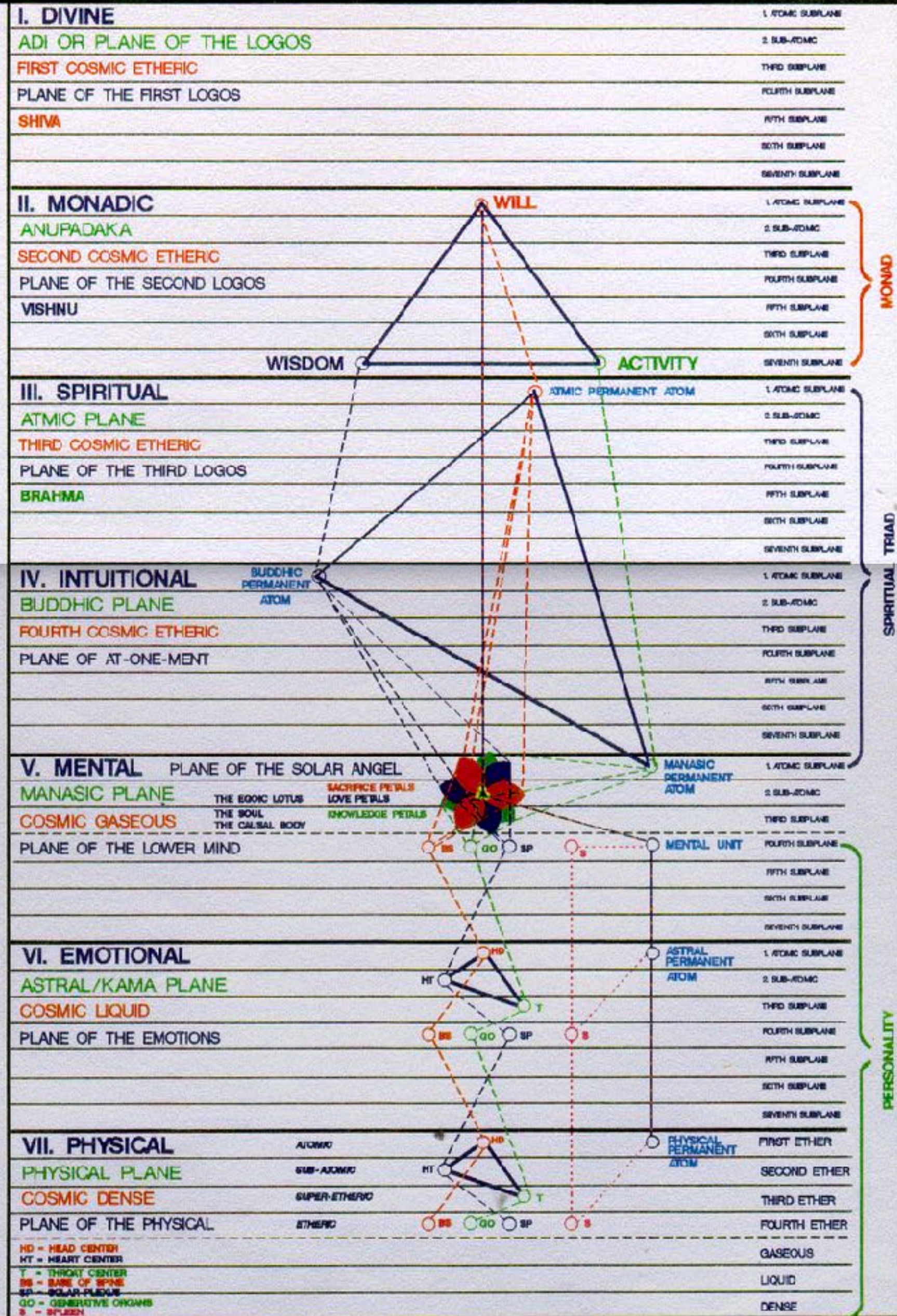
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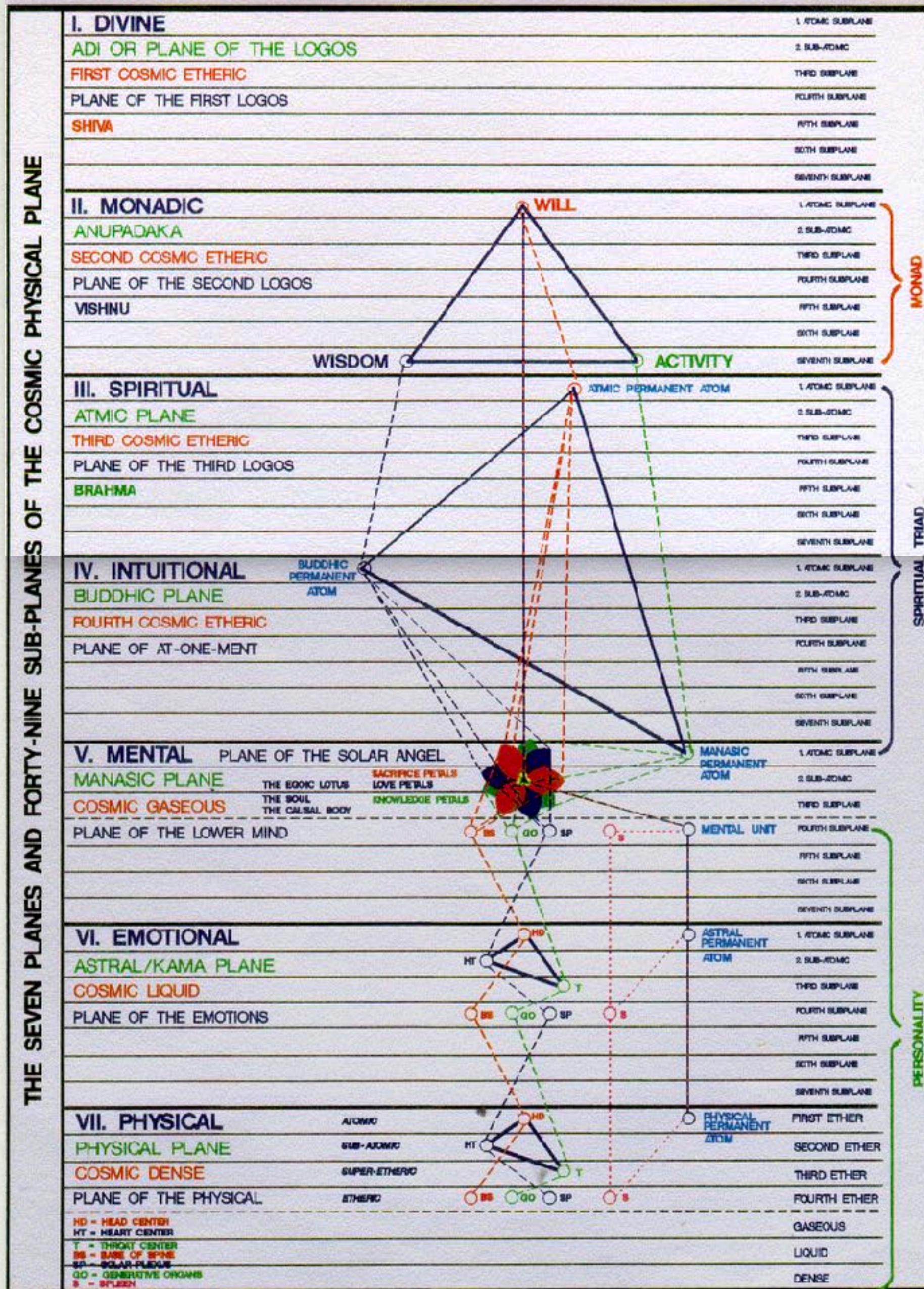
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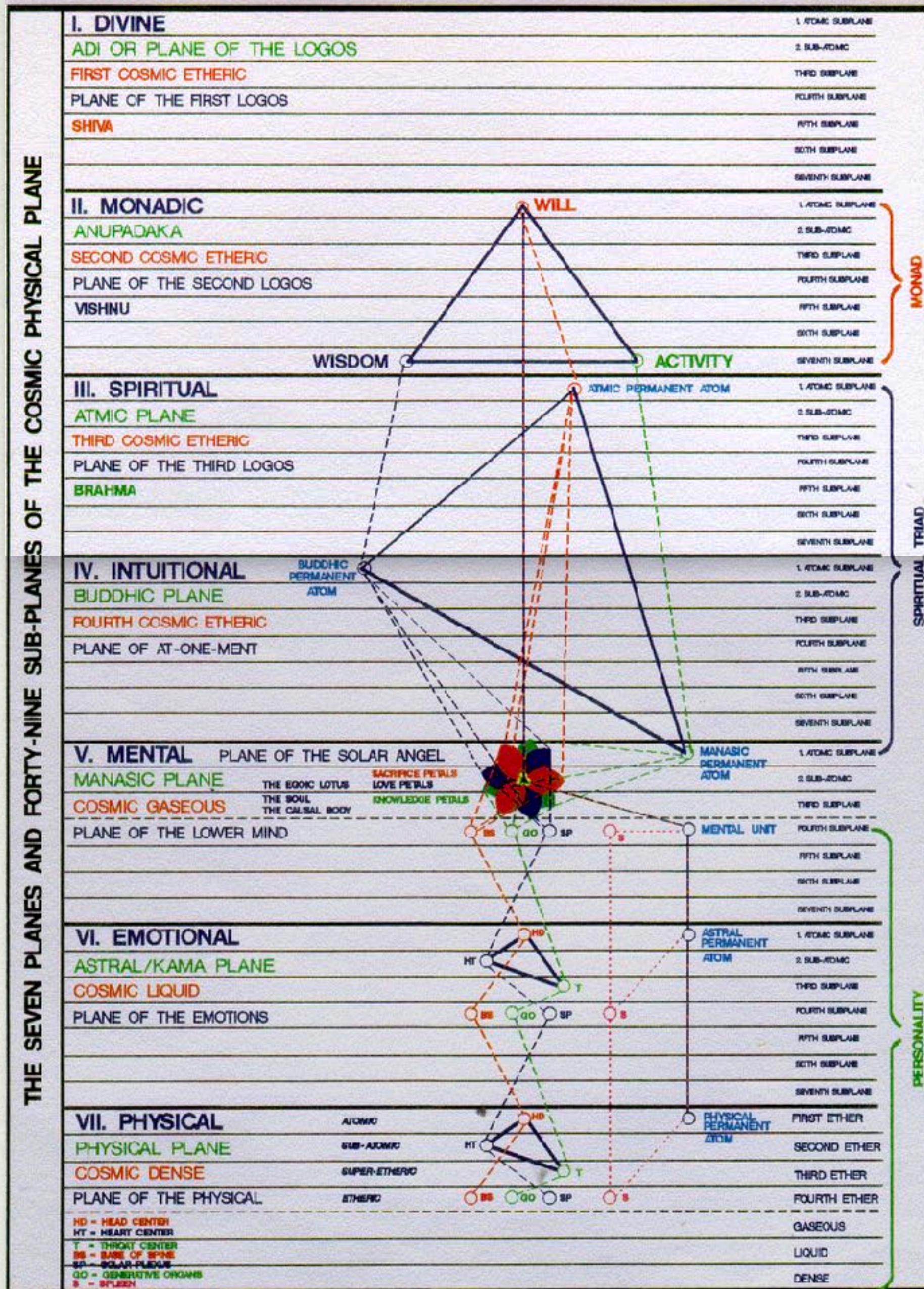
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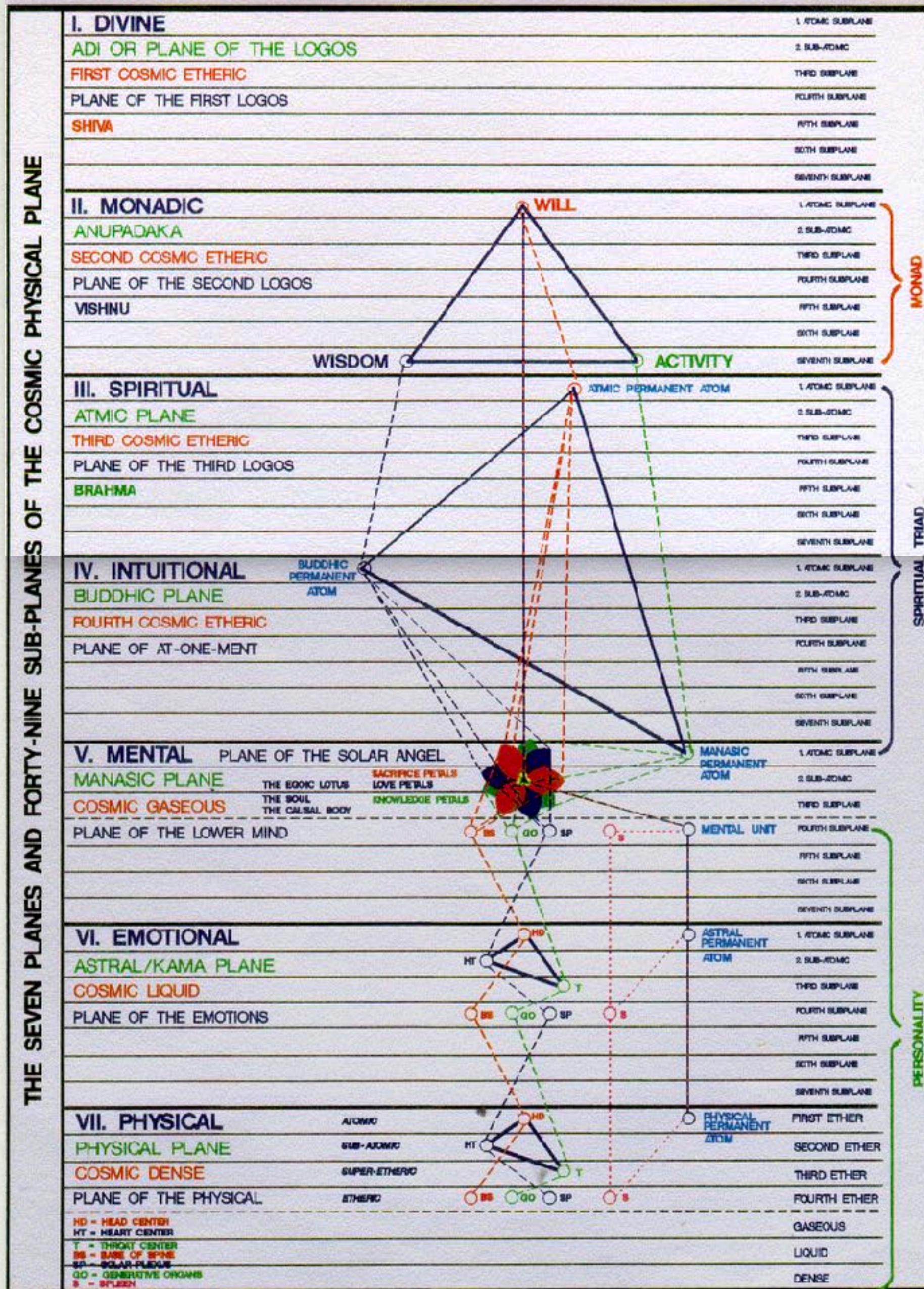


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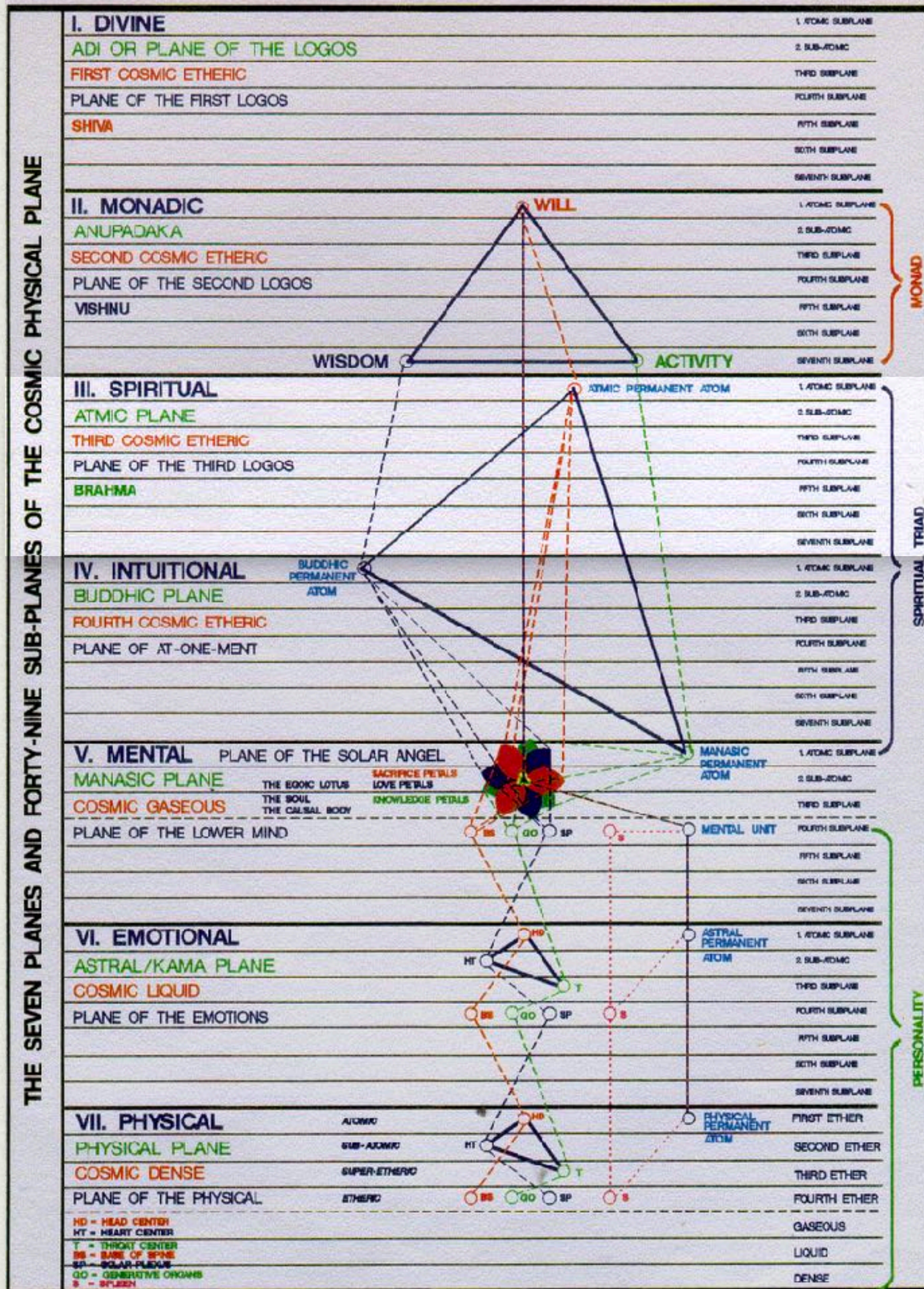


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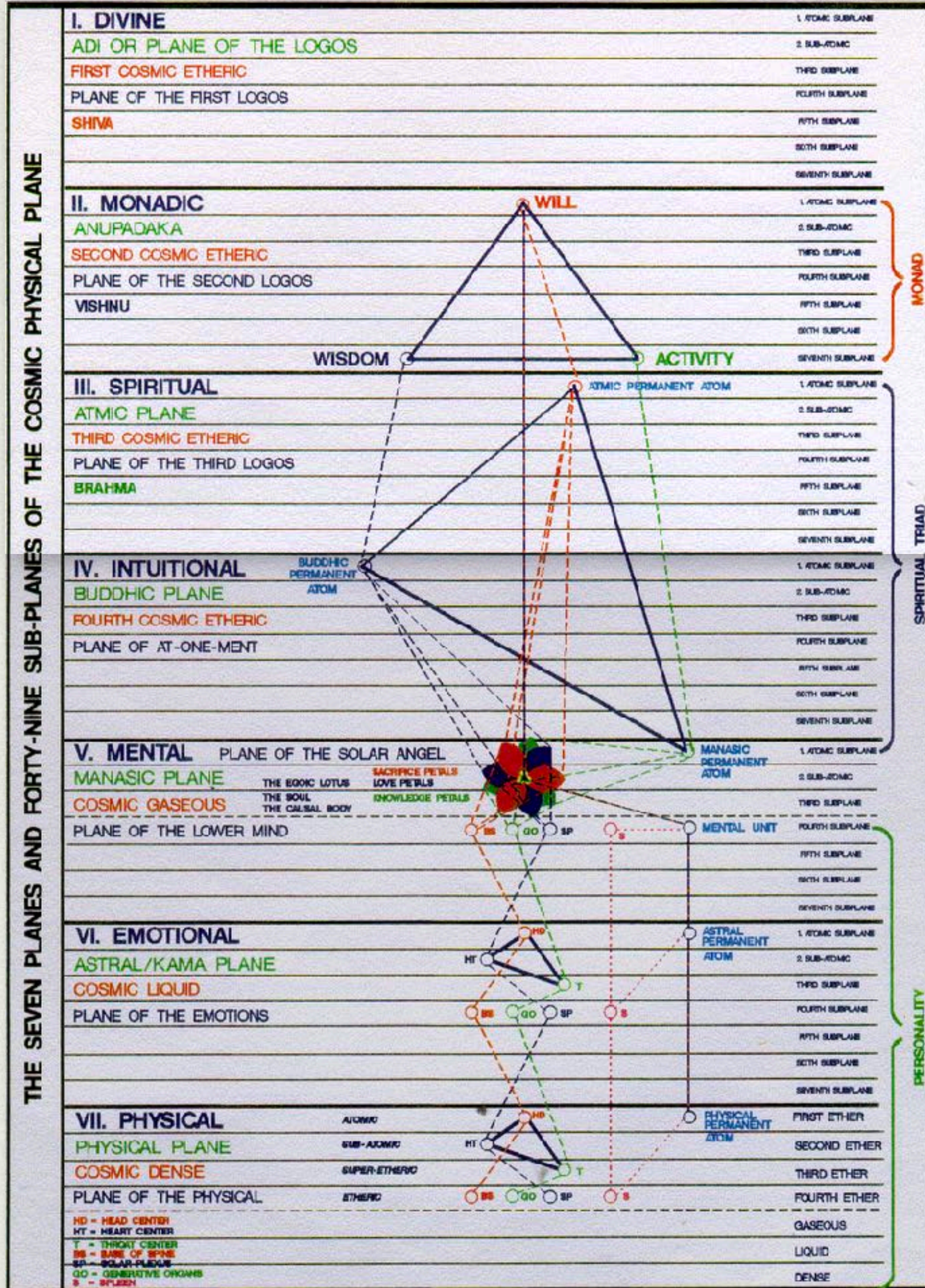
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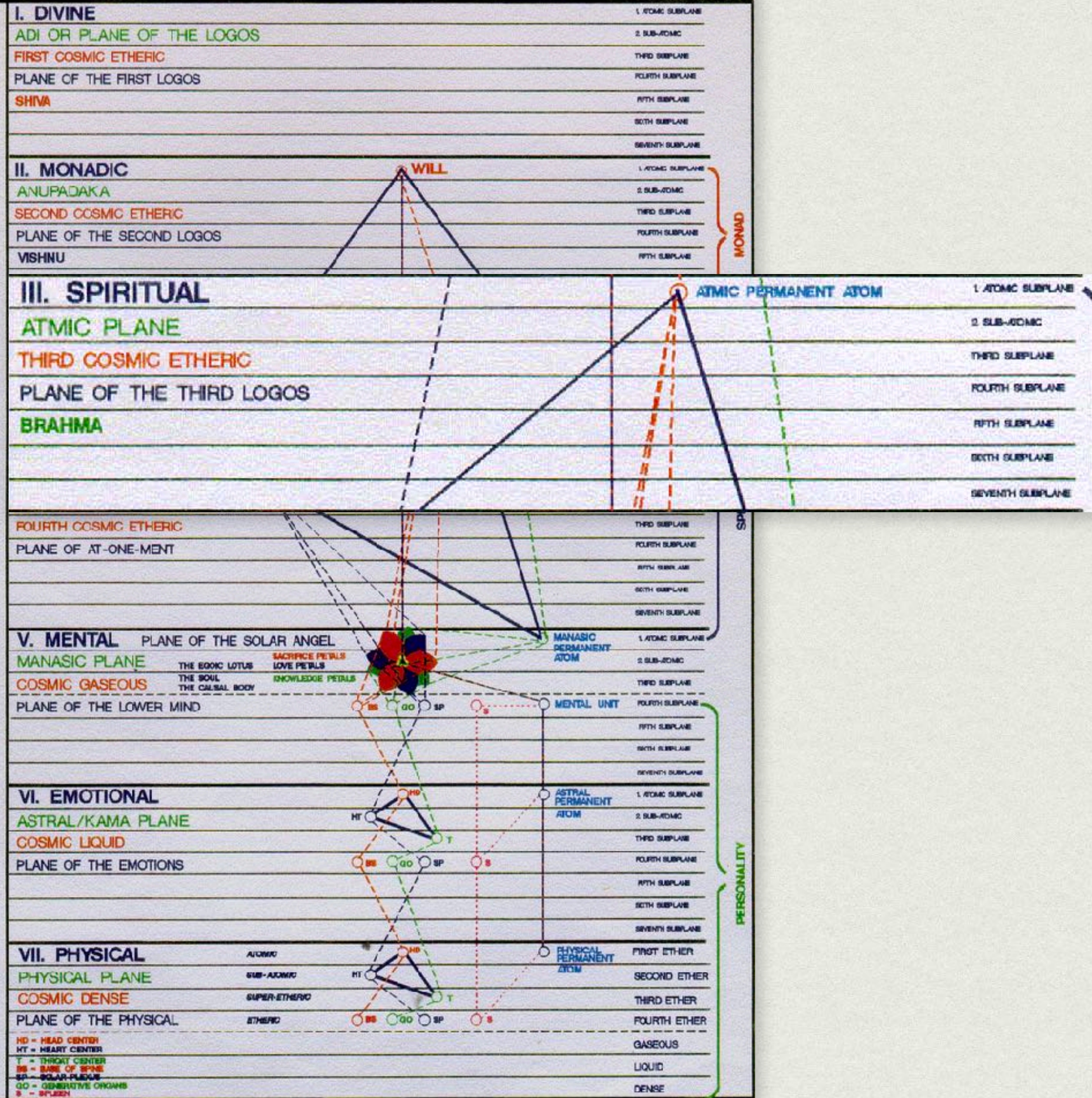
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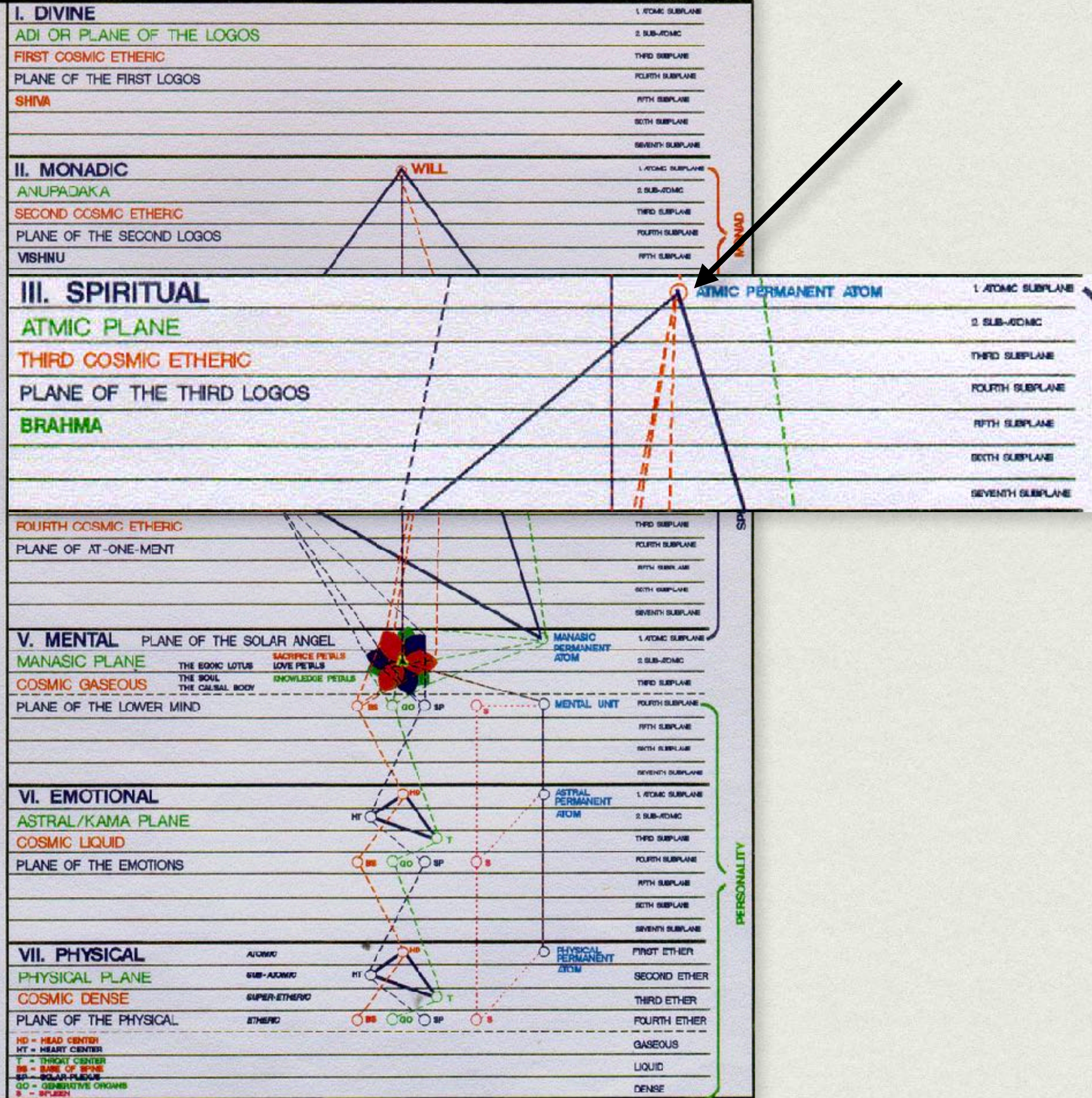


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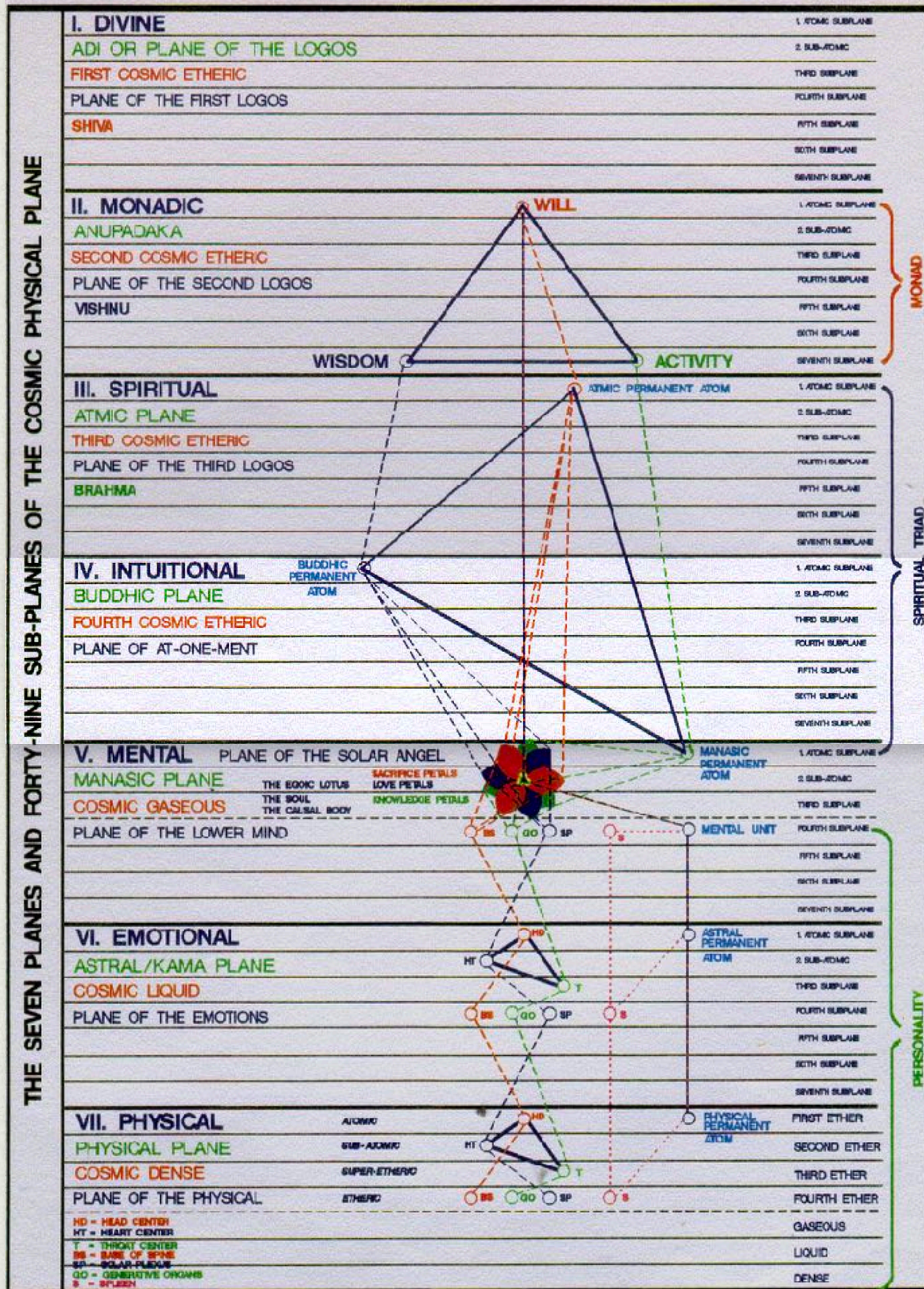
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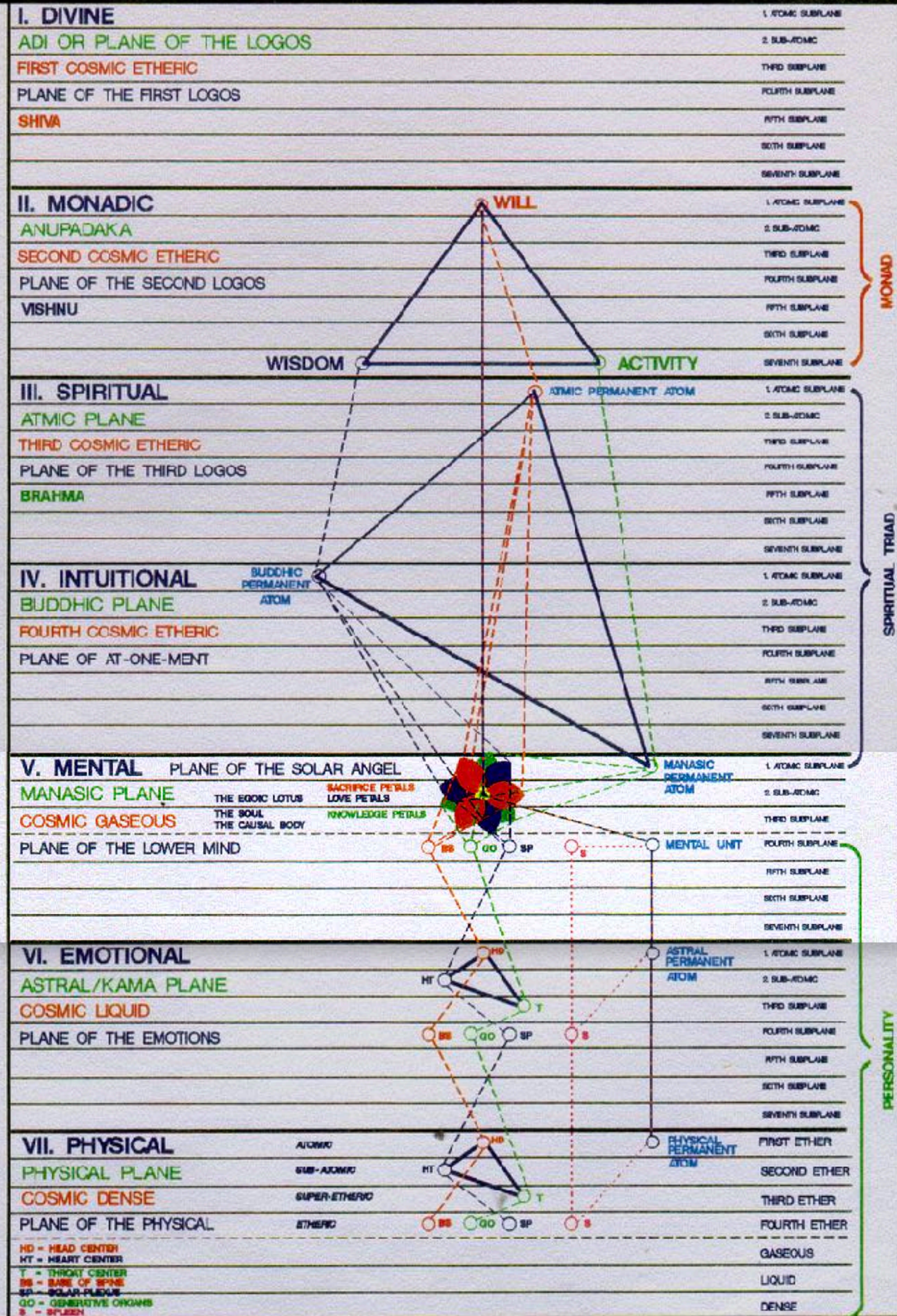
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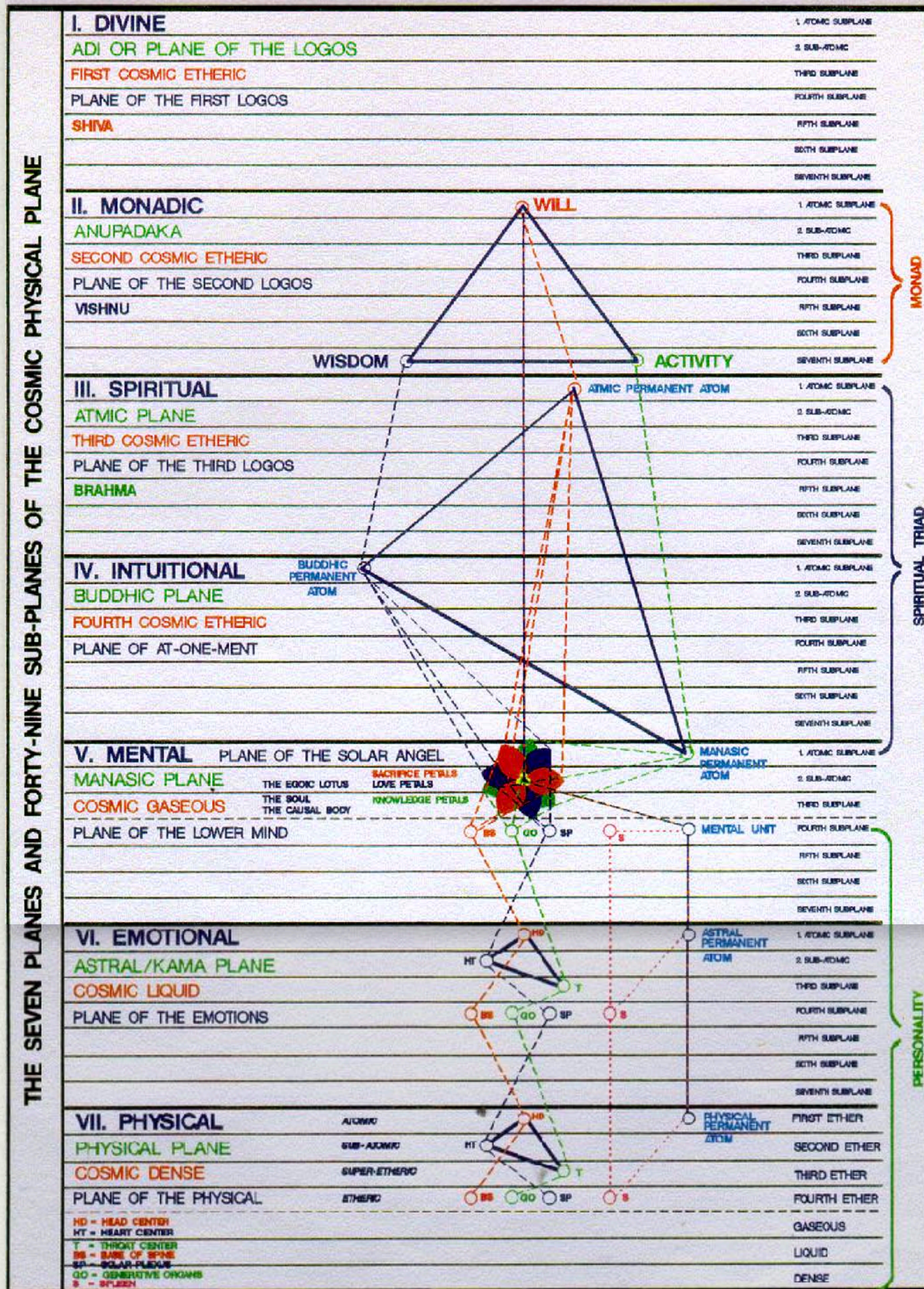
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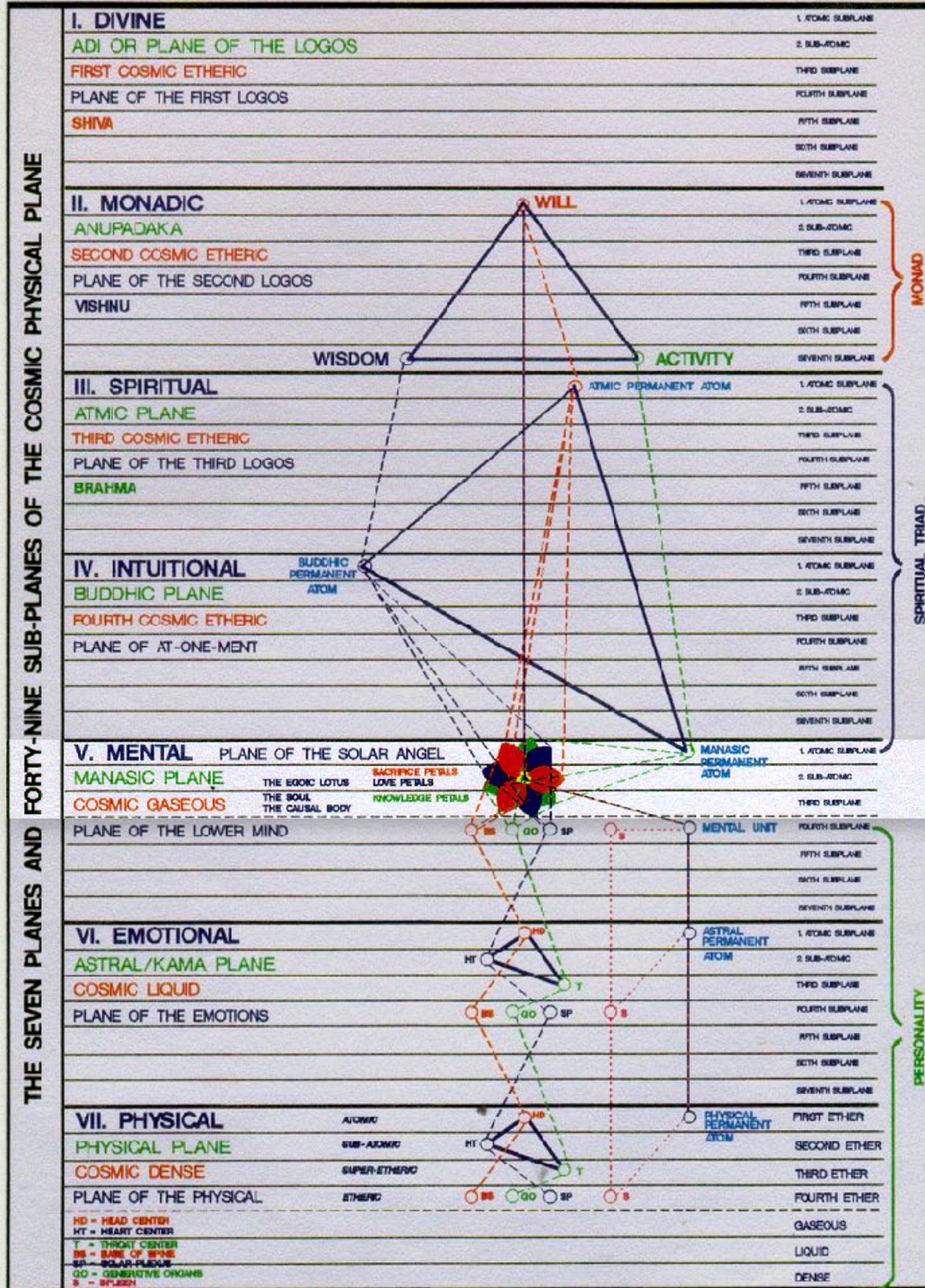


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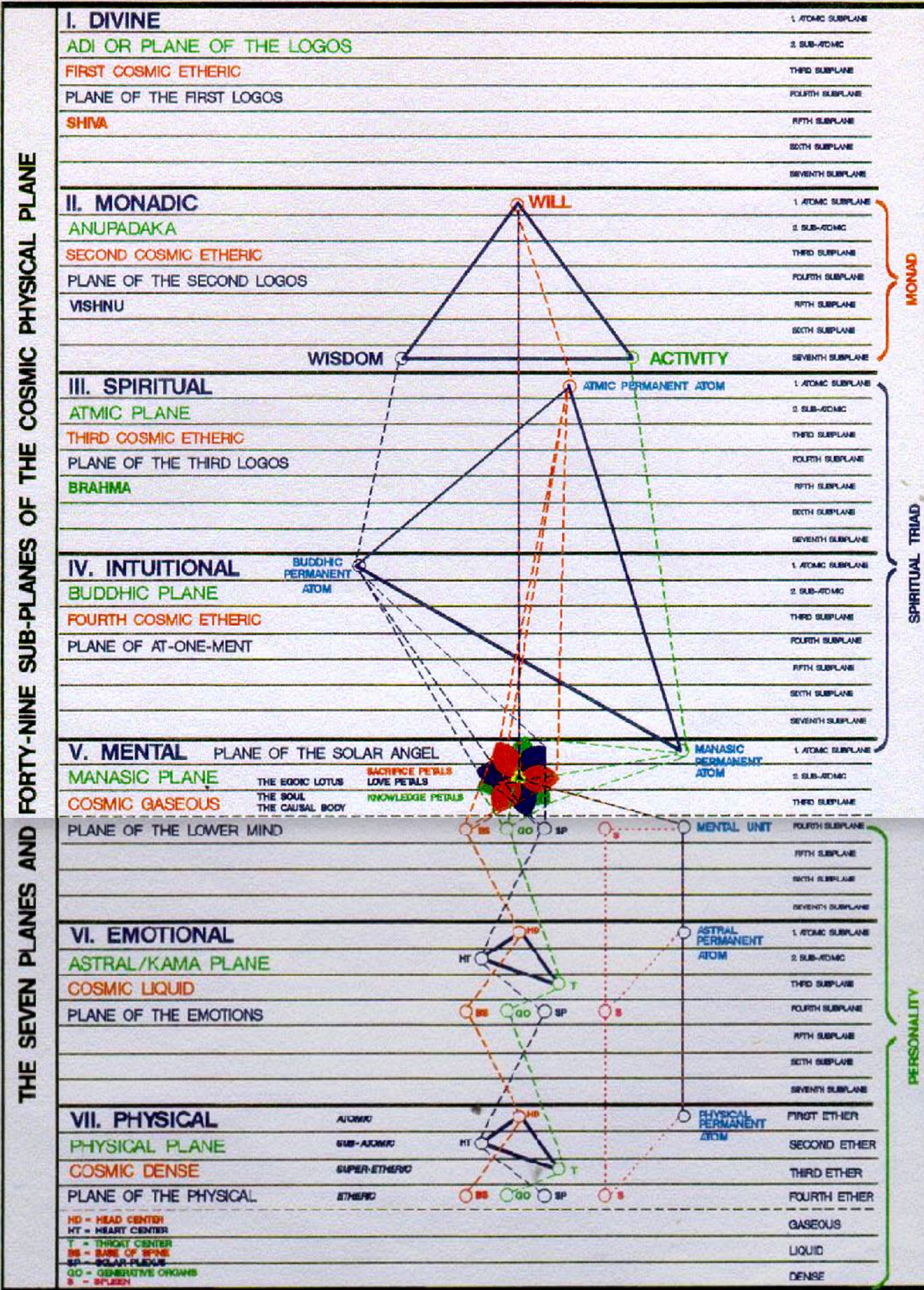


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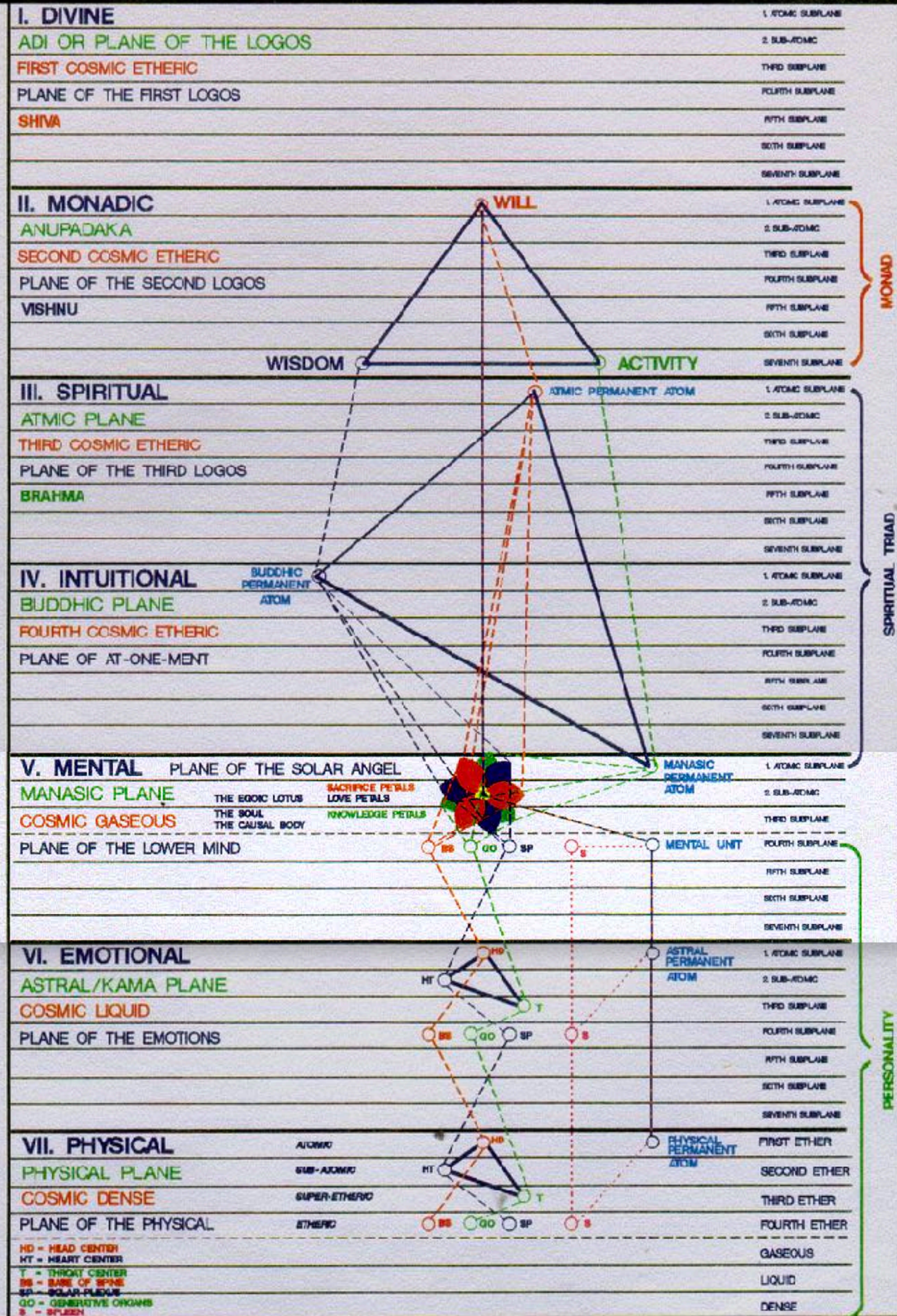
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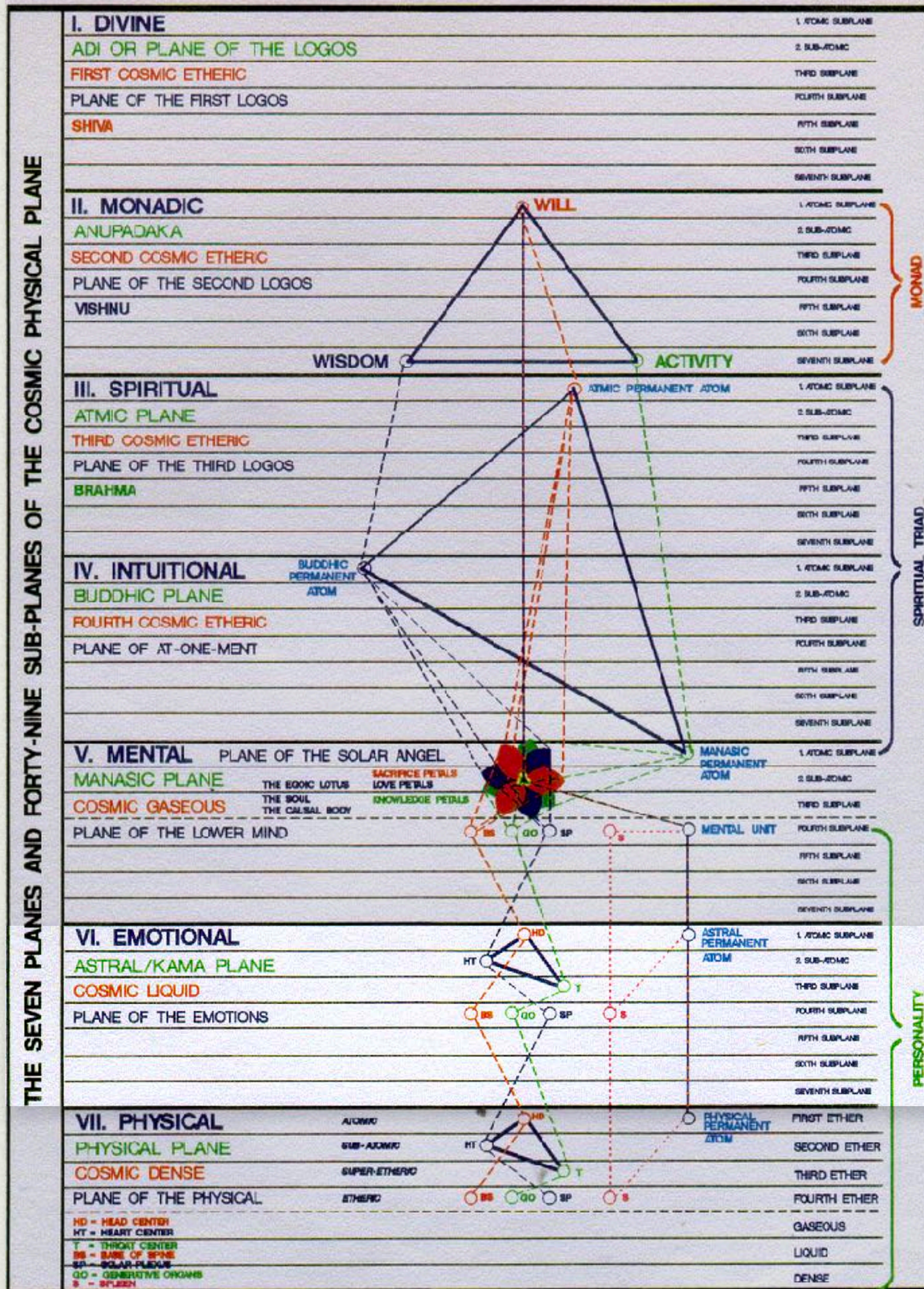
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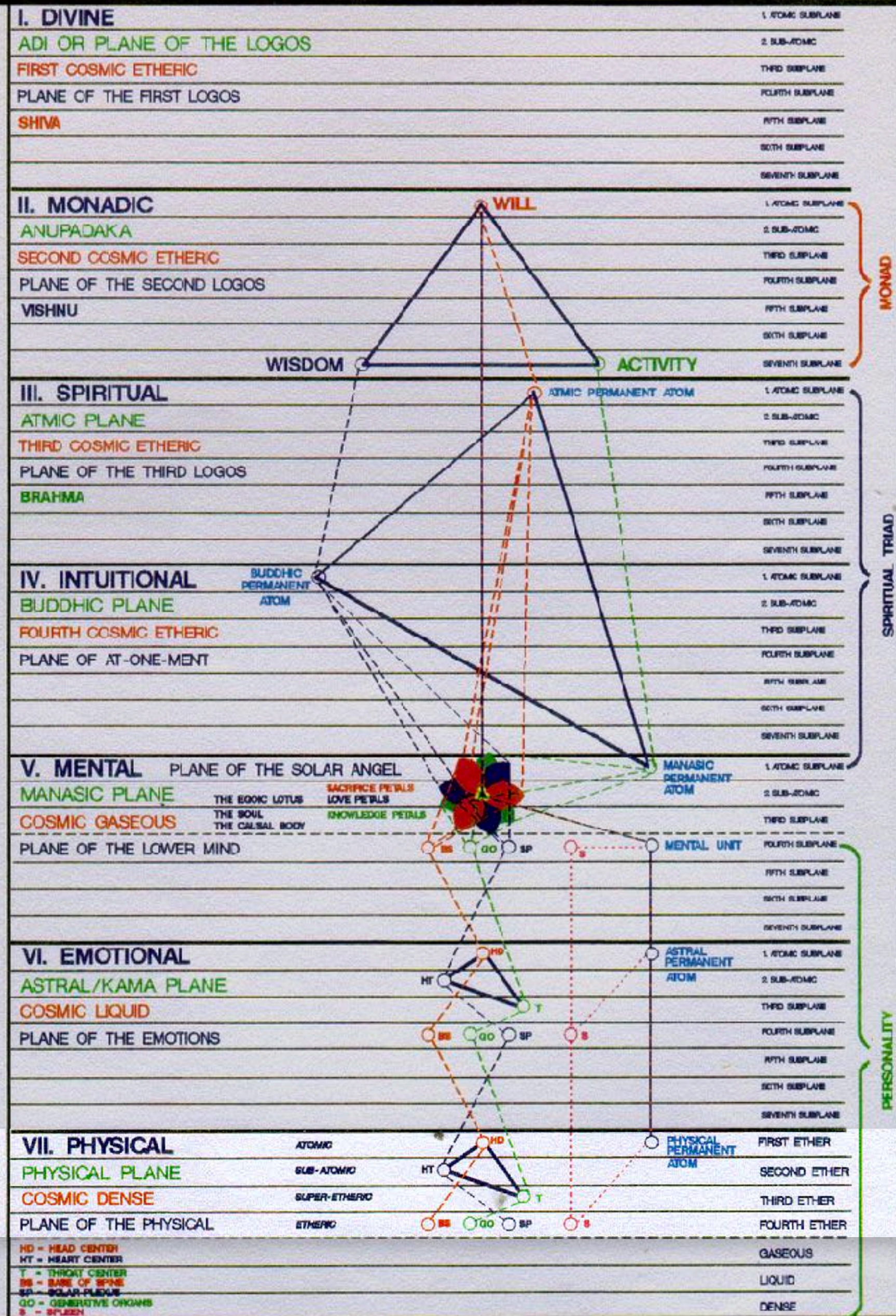
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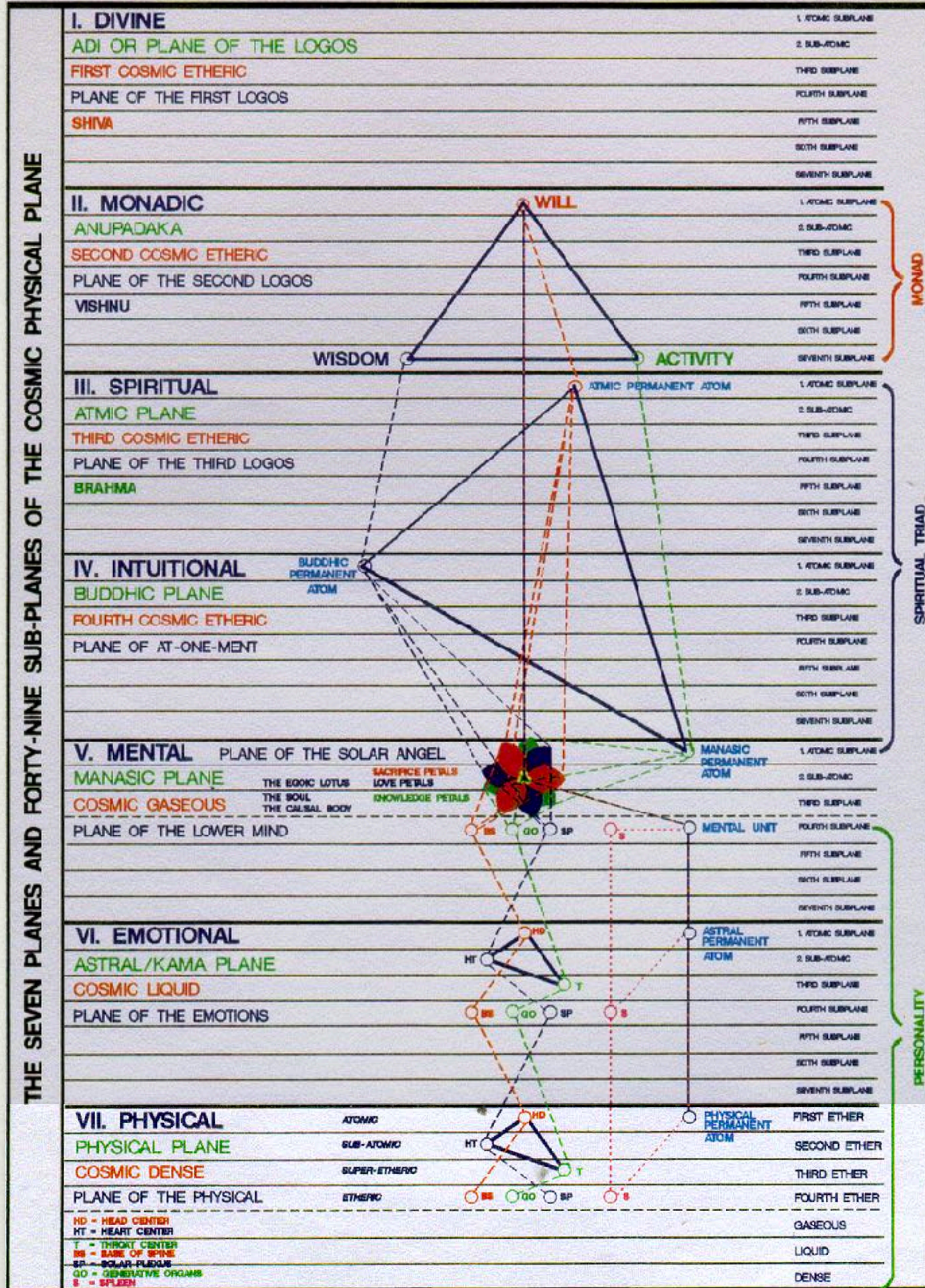
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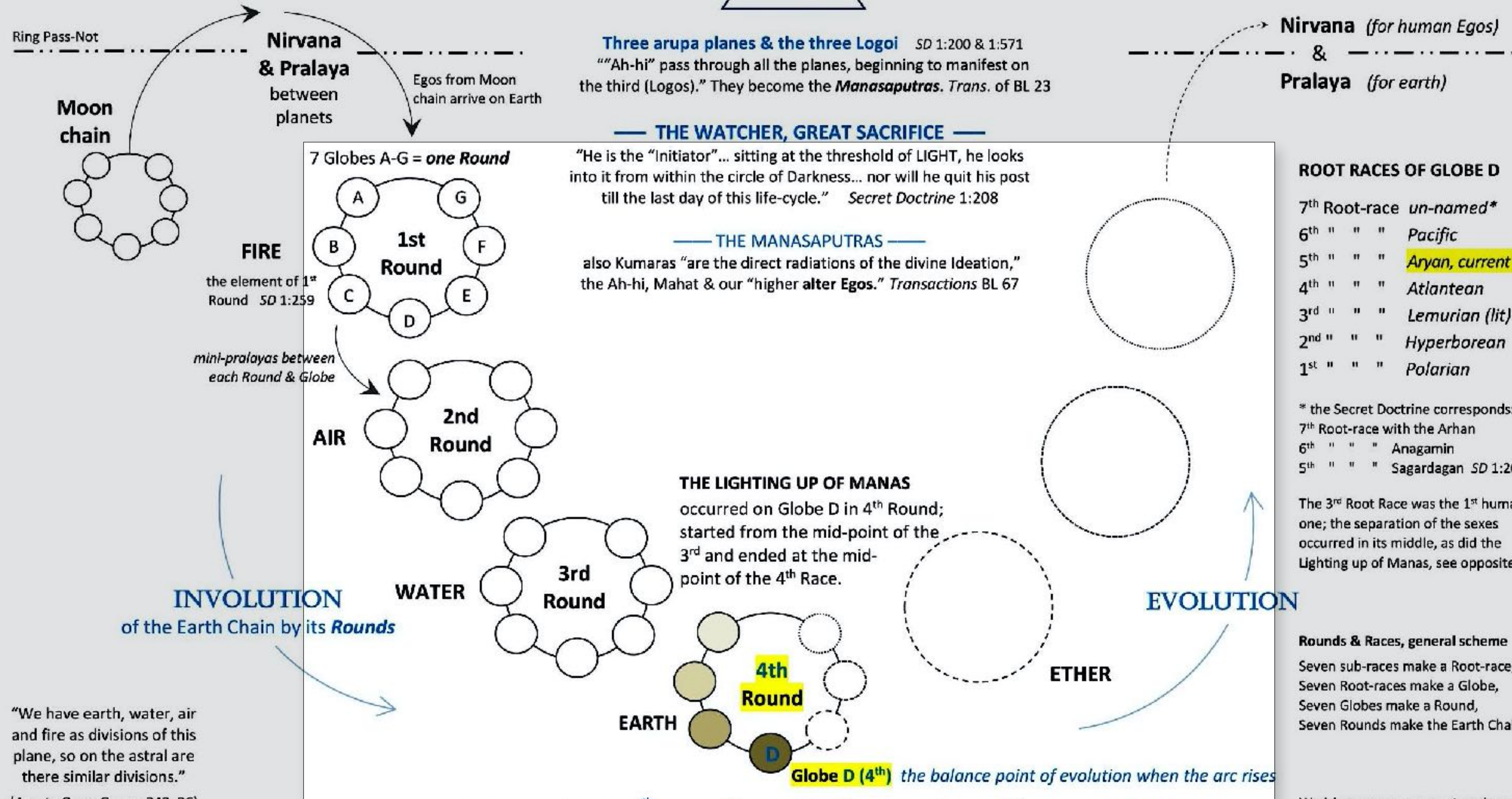
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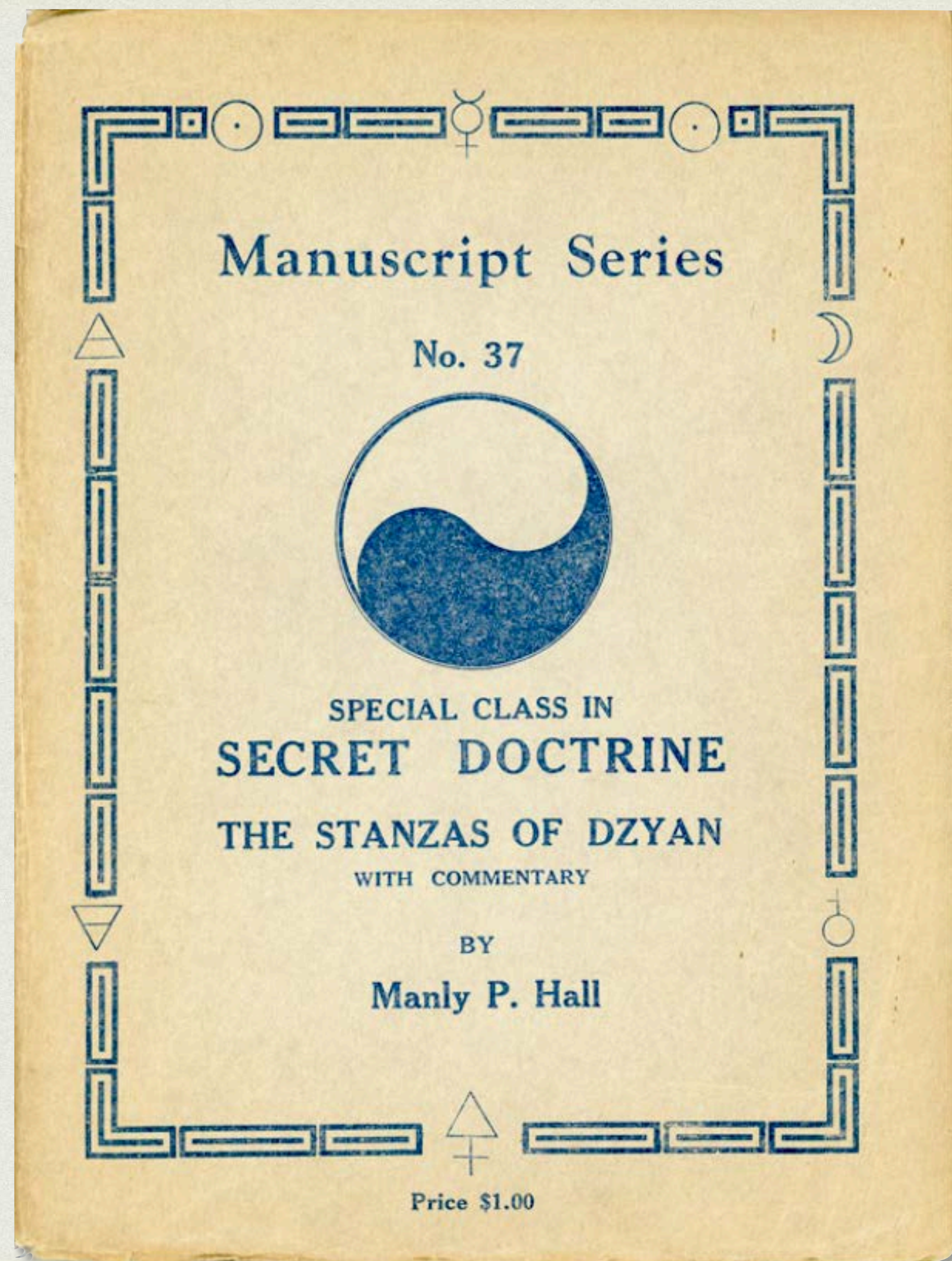
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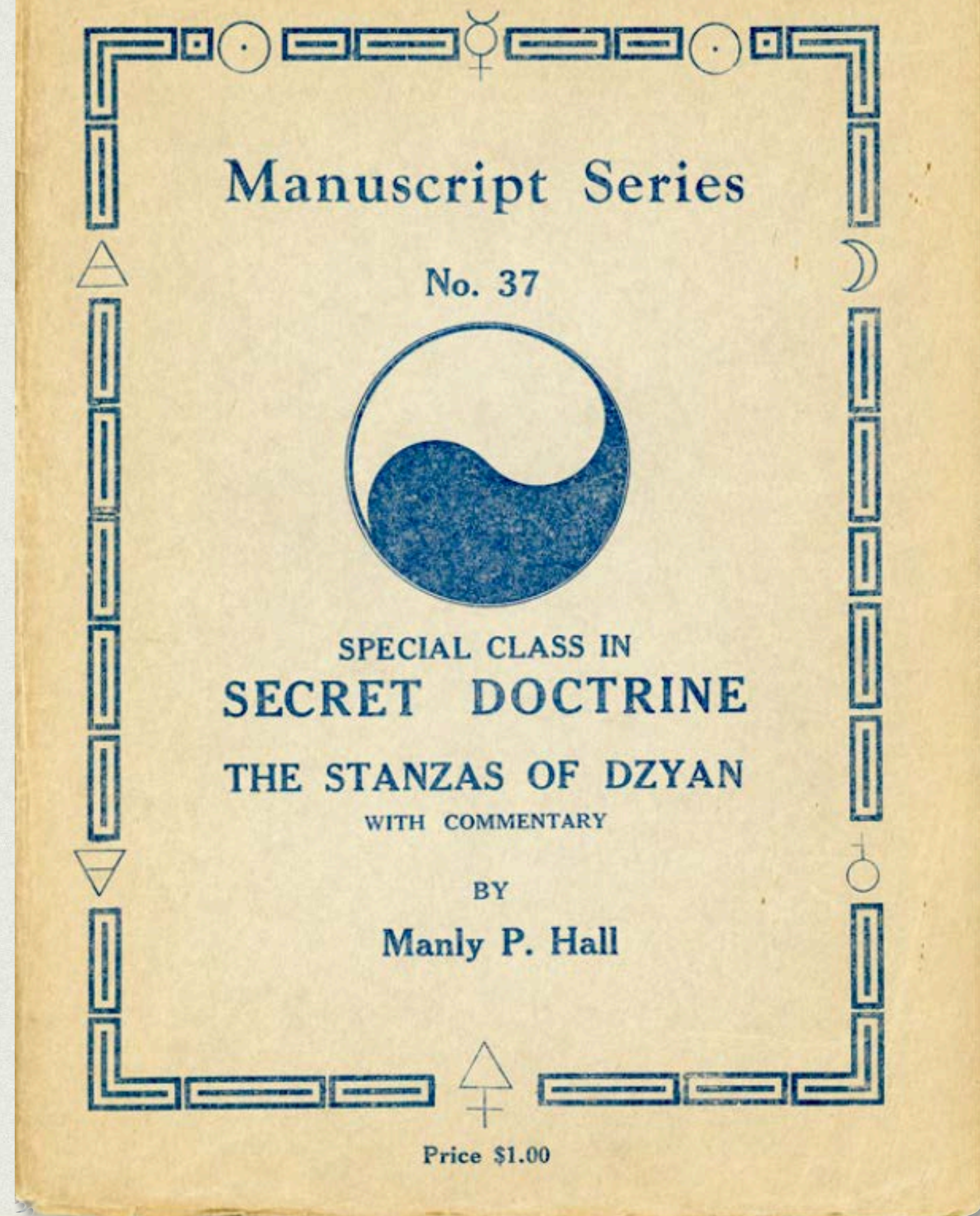
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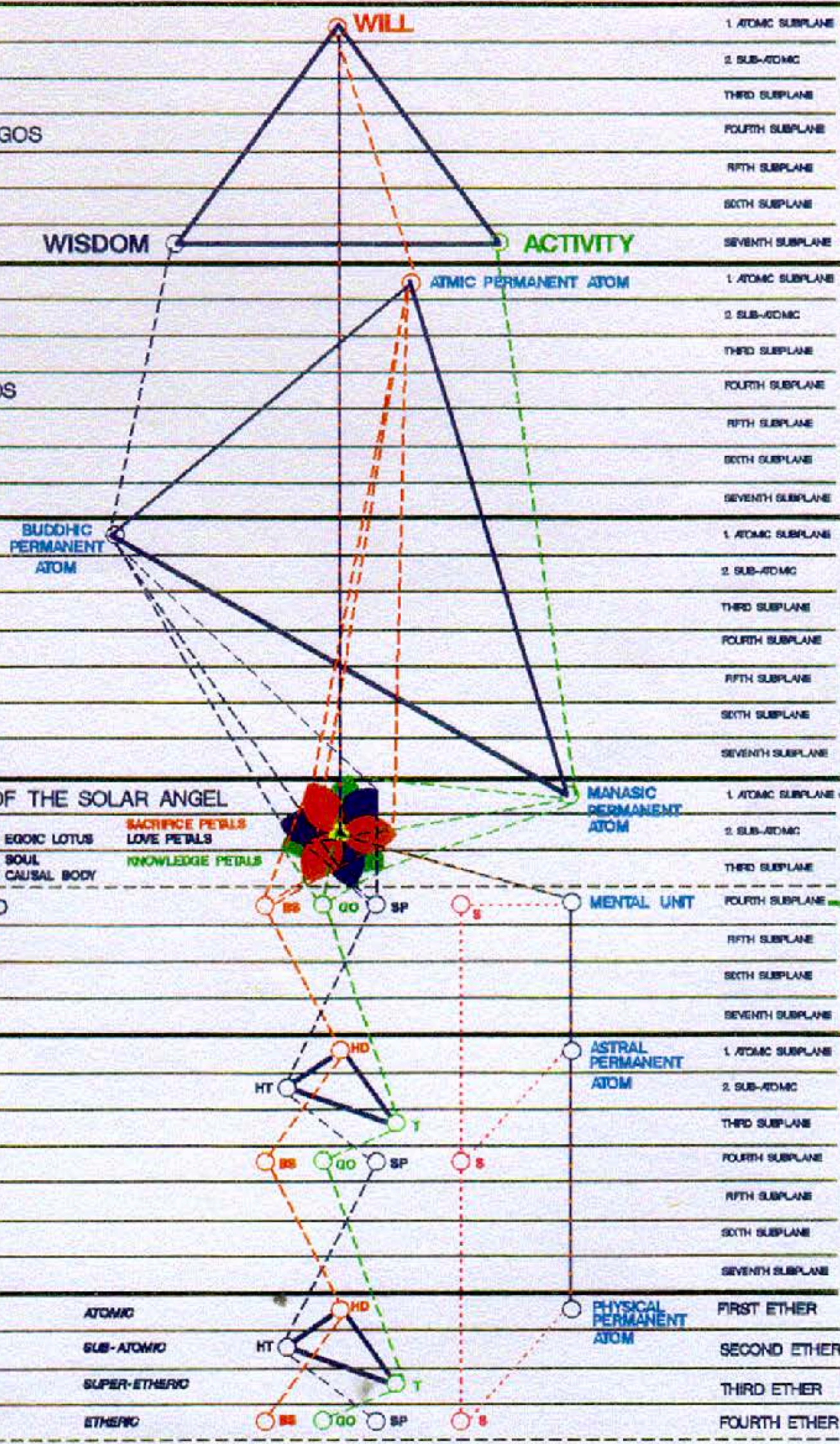
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FIRST COSMIC ETHERIC		THIRD SUBPLANE
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		SIXTH SUBPLANE
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PLANE OF THE SECOND LOGOS		FOURTH SUBPLANE
VISHNU		FIFTH SUBPLANE
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ATMIC PLANE		2. SUB-ATOMIC
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PLANE OF THE THIRD LOGOS		FOURTH SUBPLANE
BRAHMA		FIFTH SUBPLANE
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BUDDHIC PLANE		2. SUB-ATOMIC
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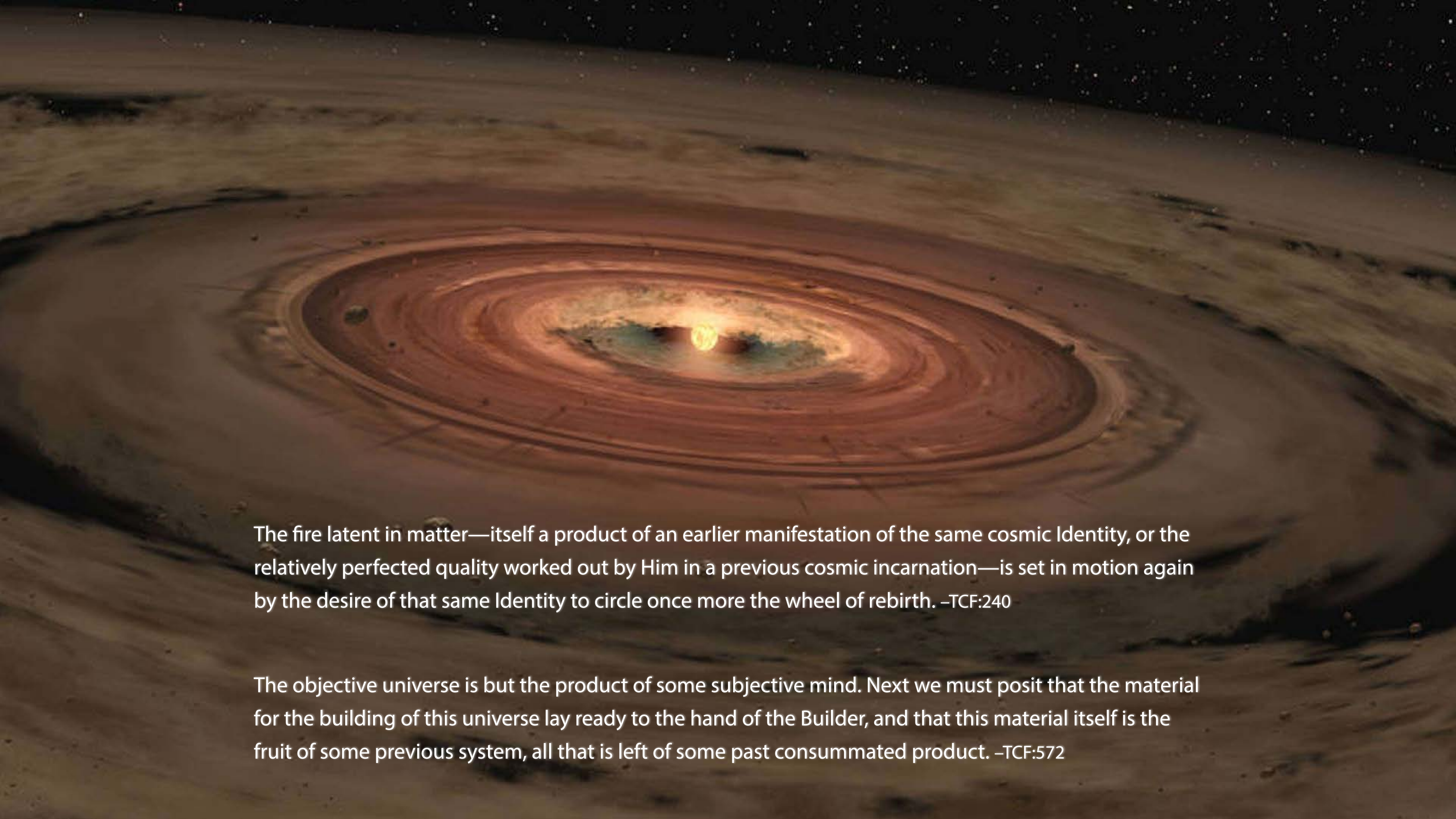
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2. THE SWIFT AND RADIANT ONE PRODUCES THE SEVEN LAYA CENTRES, AGAINST WHICH NONE WILL PREVAIL TO THE GREAT DAY “BE-WITH-US,” AND SEATS THE UNIVERSE ON THESE ETERNAL FOUNDATIONS SURROUNDING TSIEN-TCHAN WITH THE ELEMENTARY GERMS.

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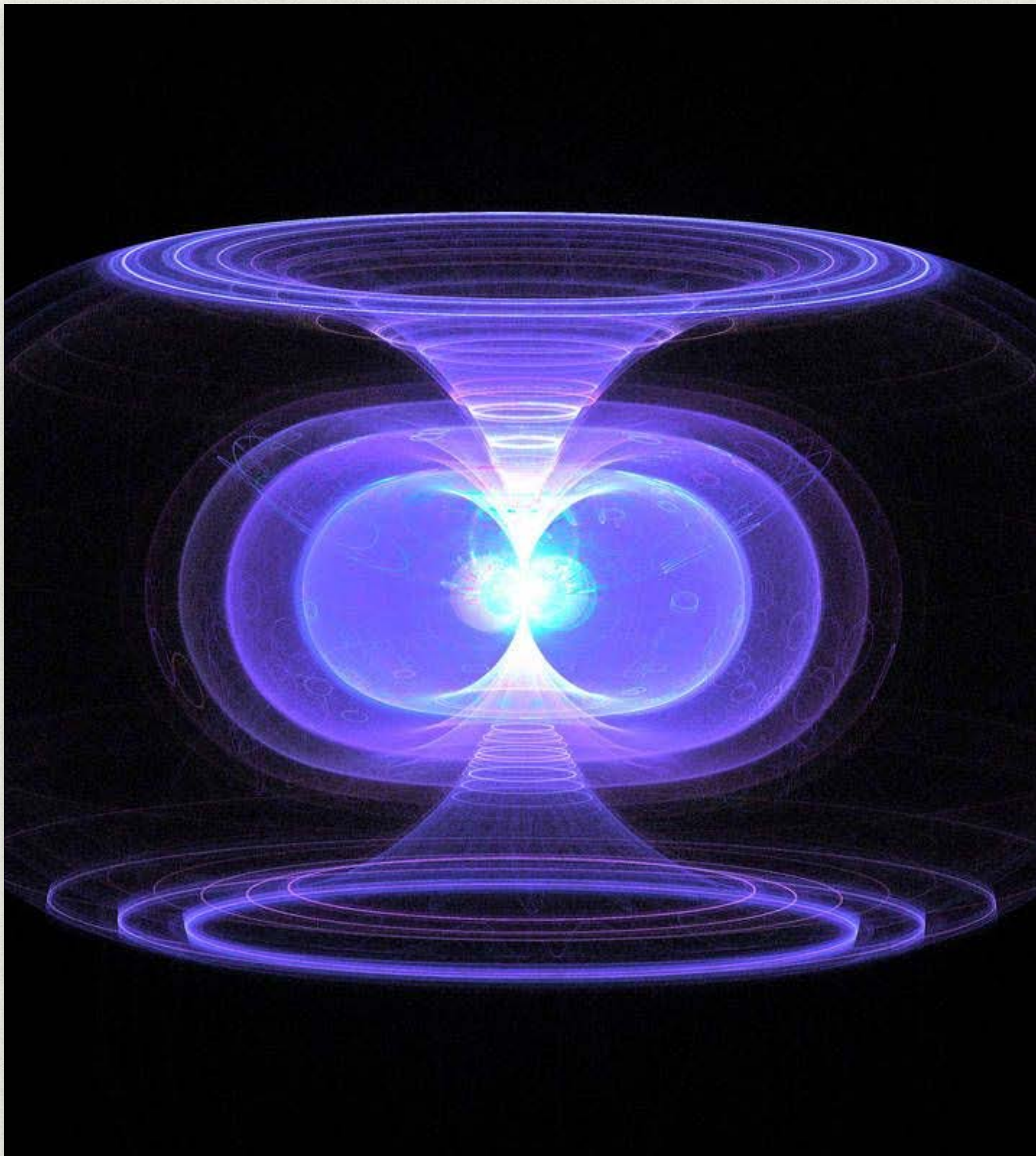
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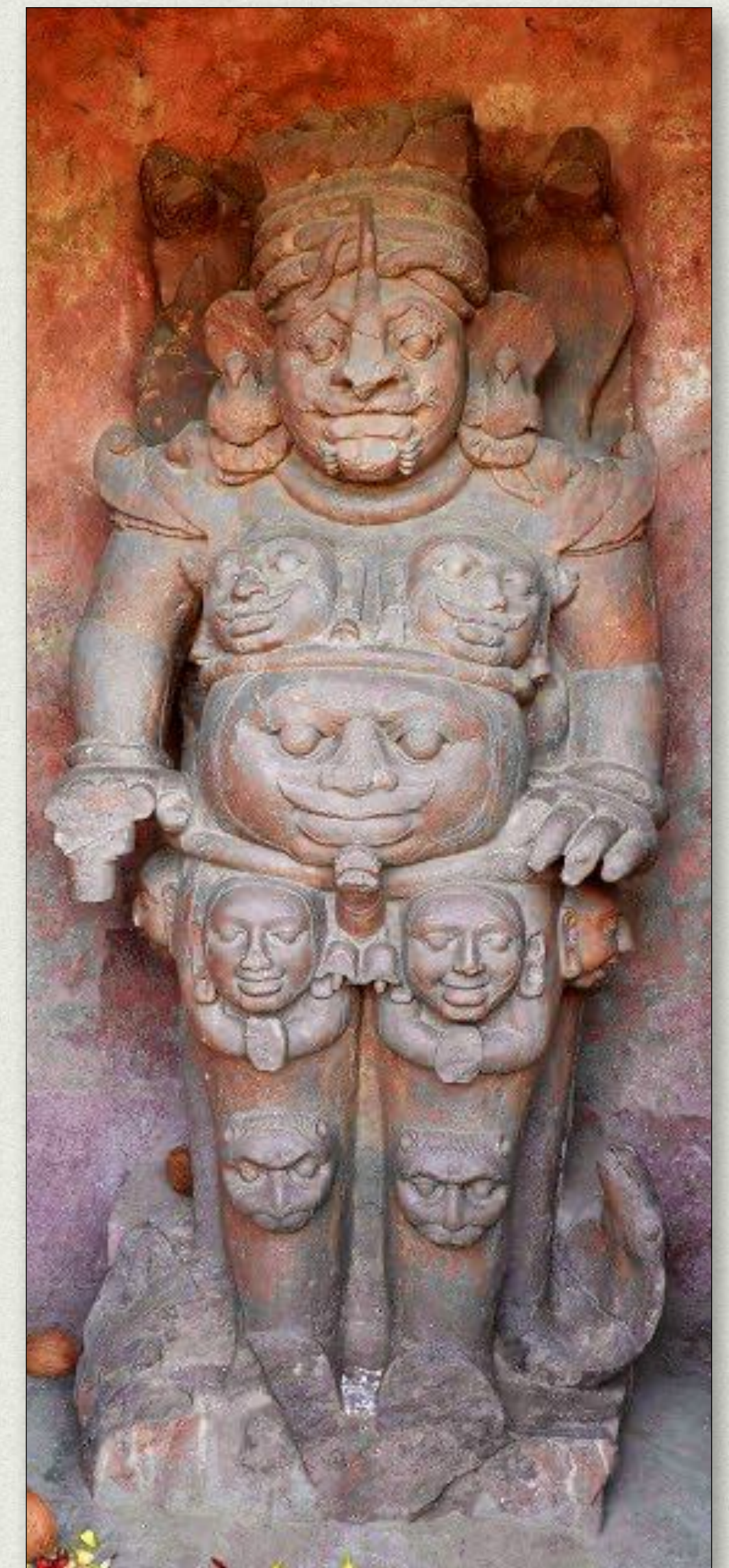
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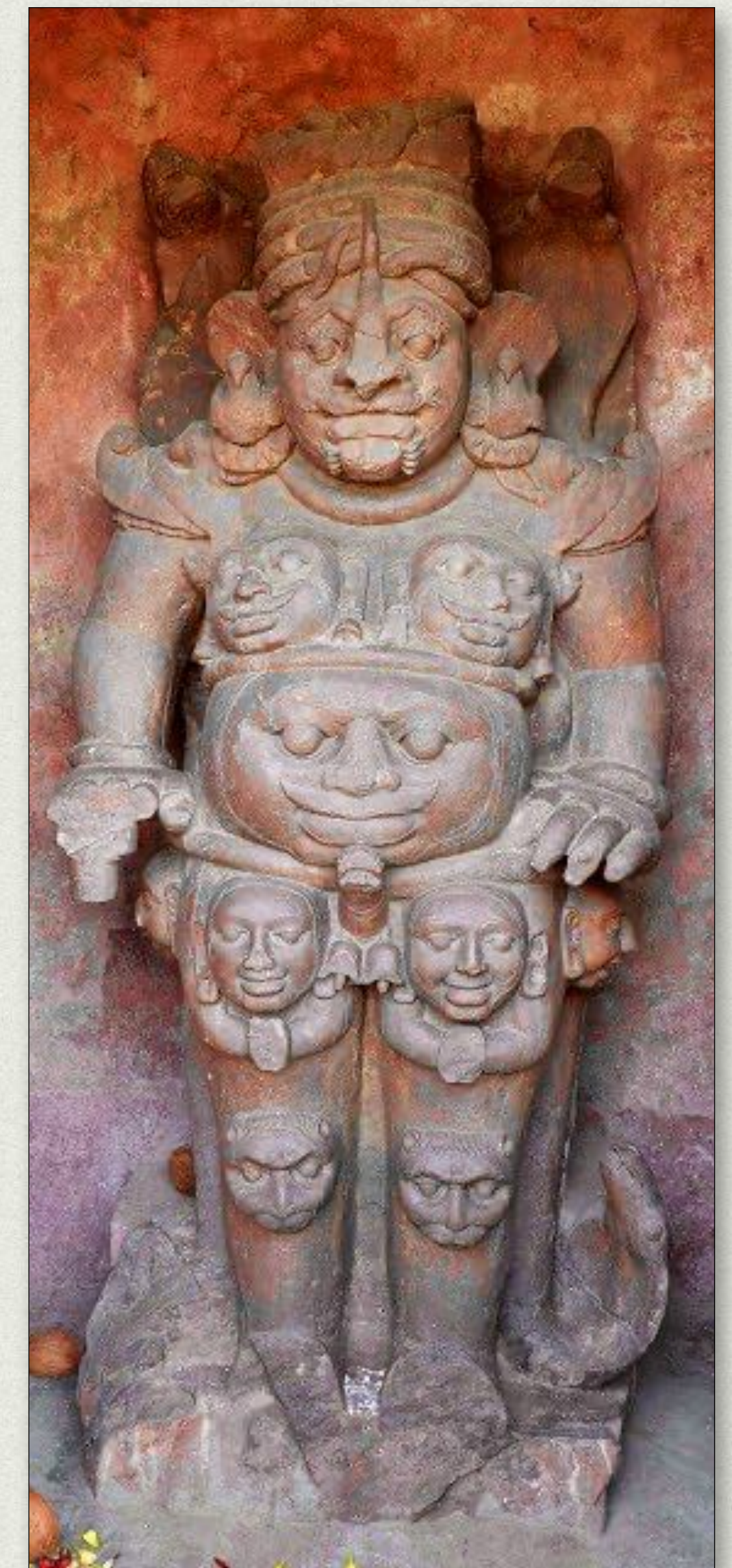
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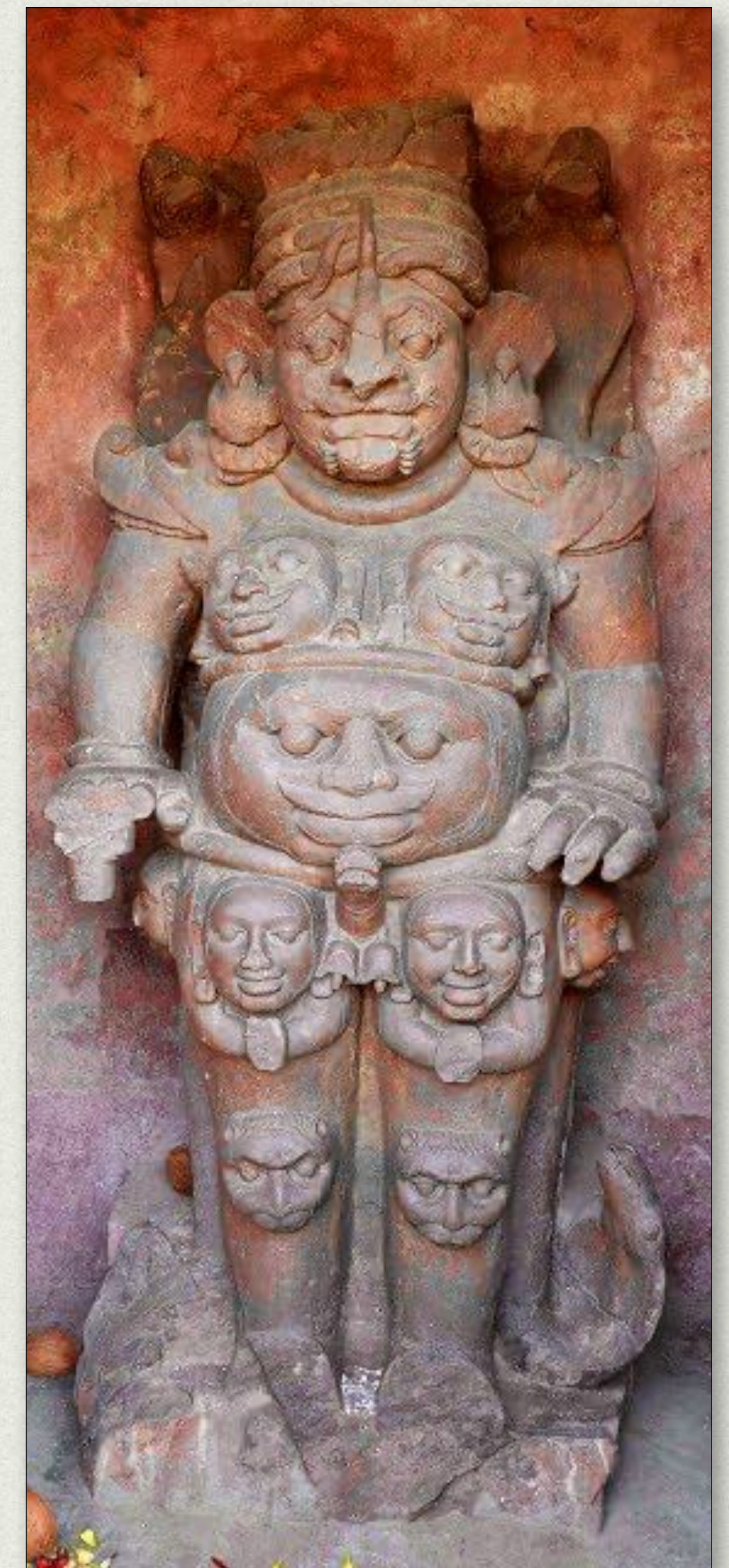
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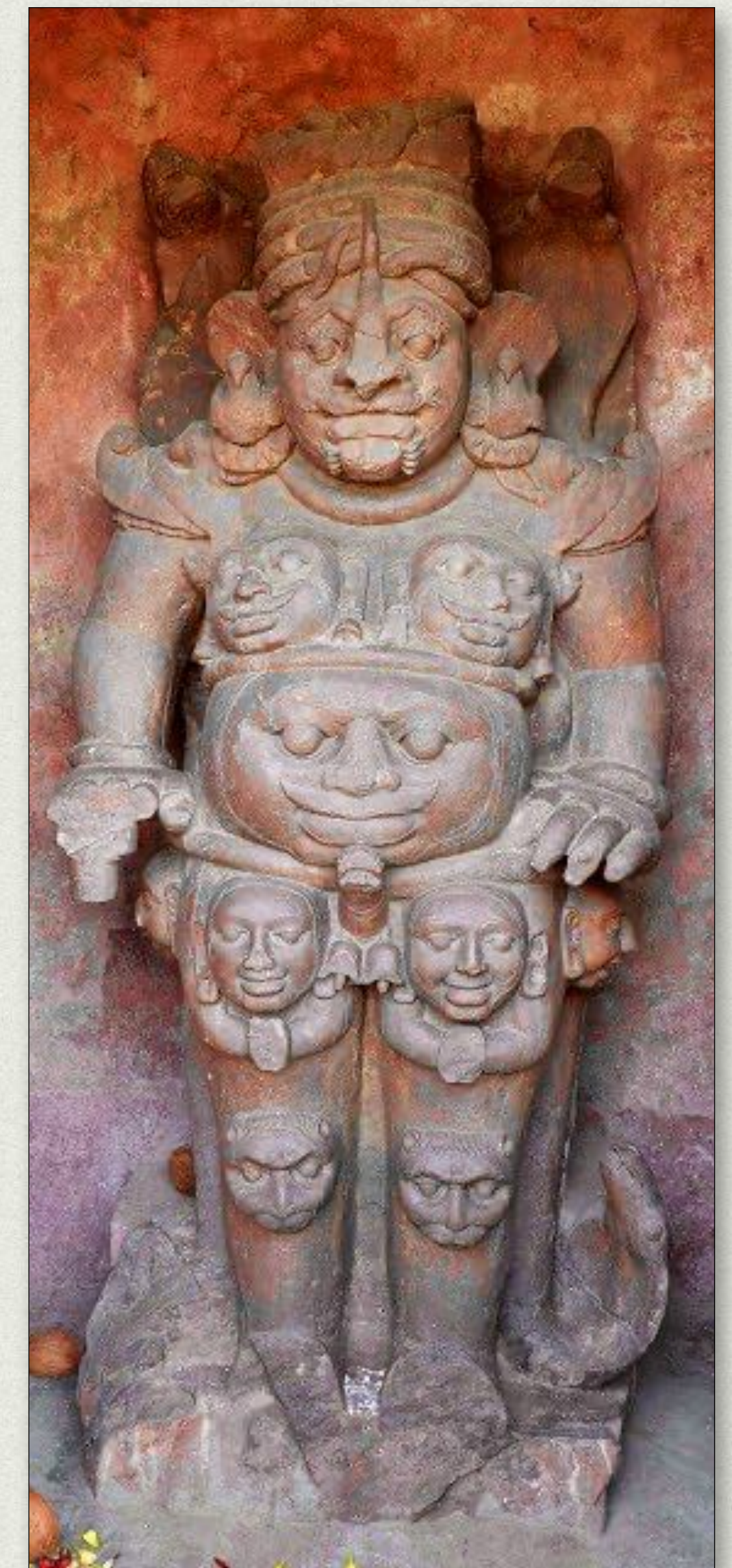
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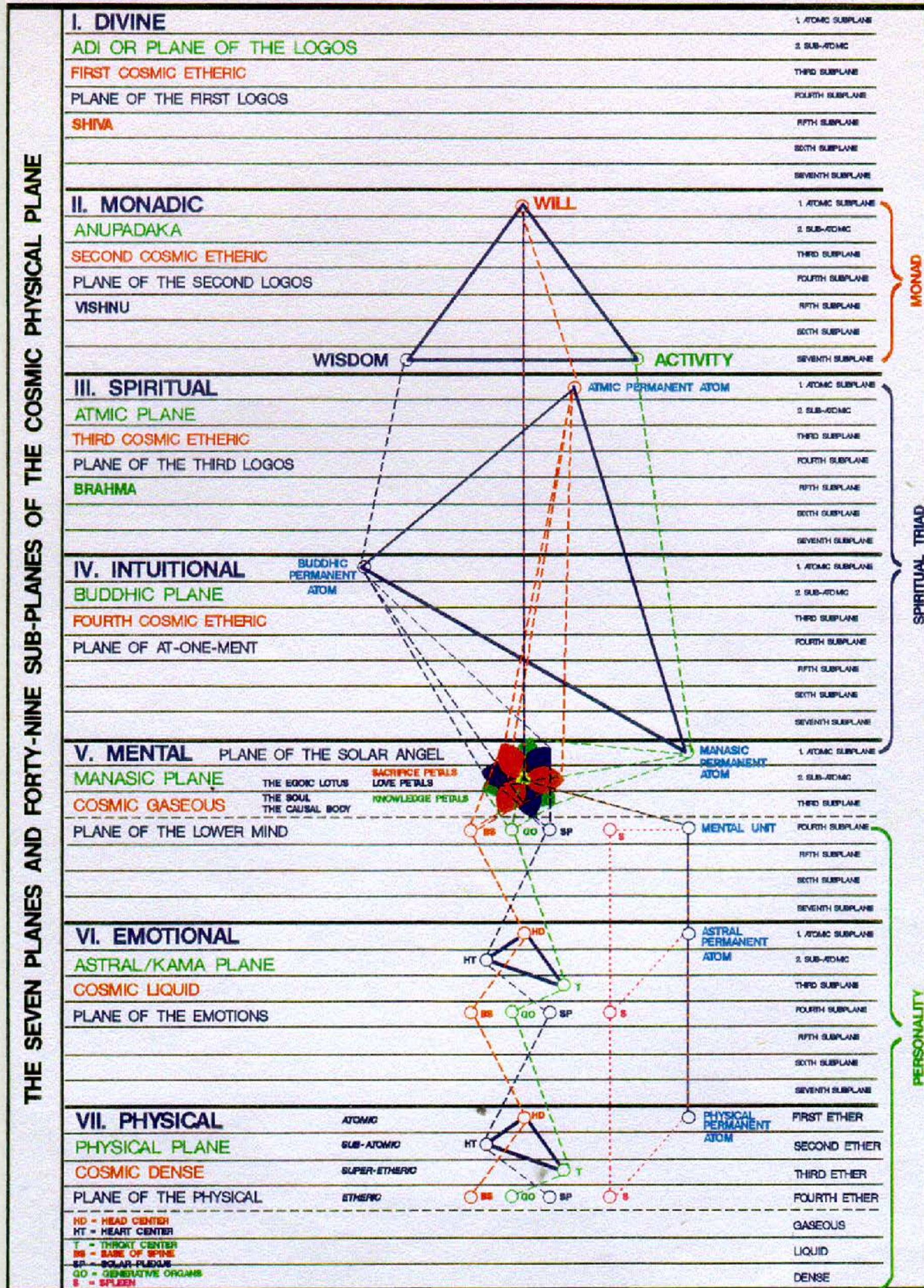
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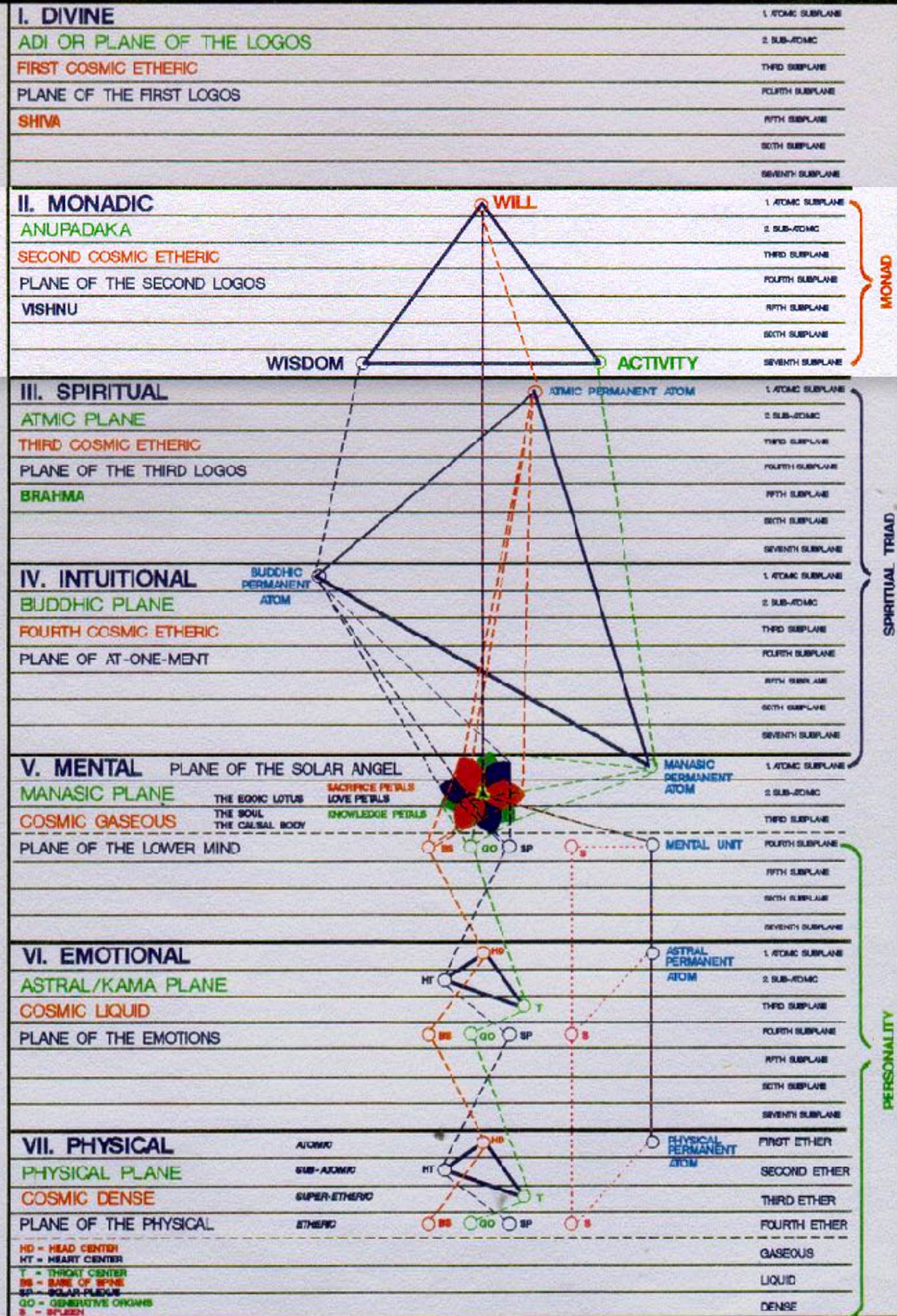
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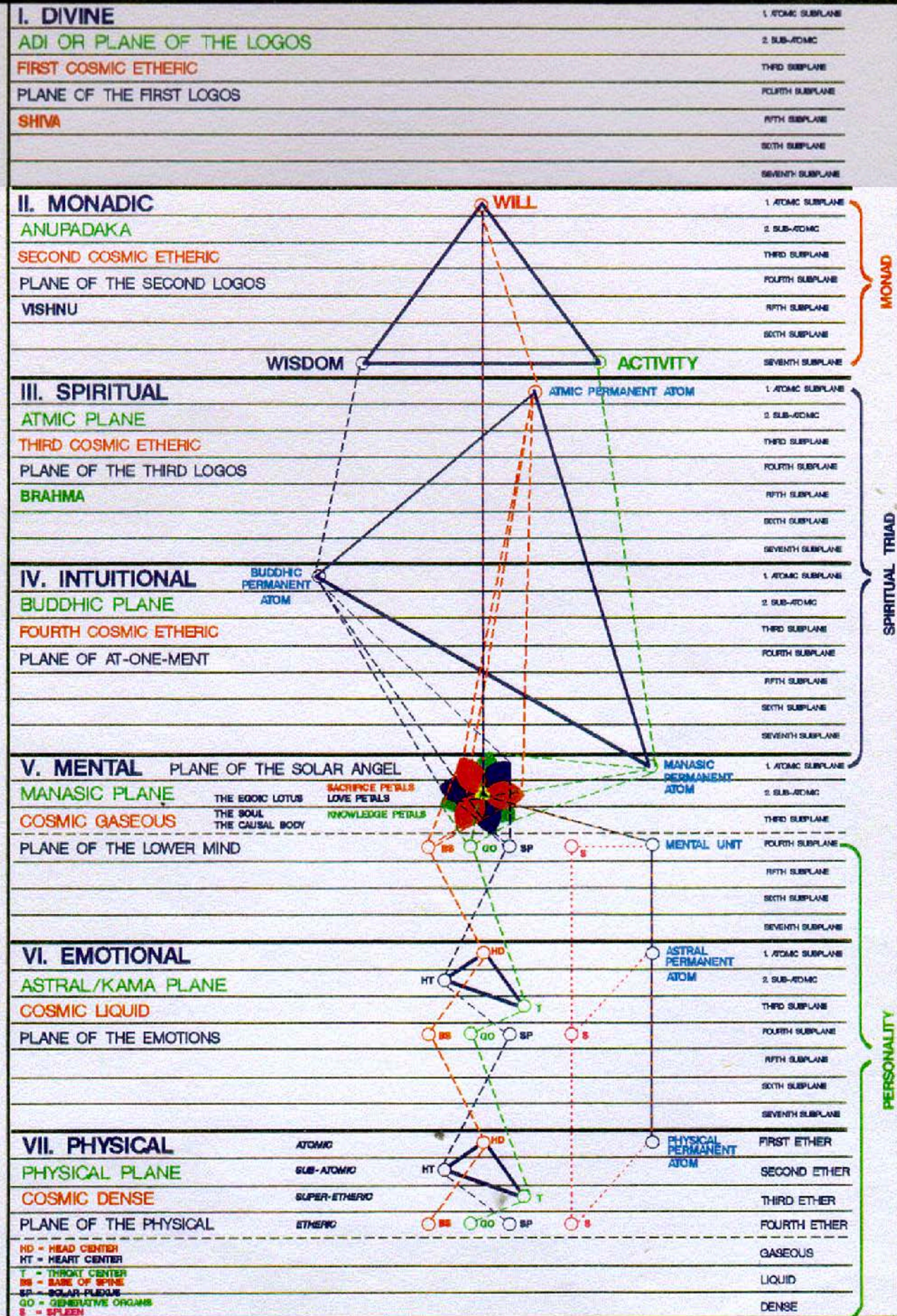
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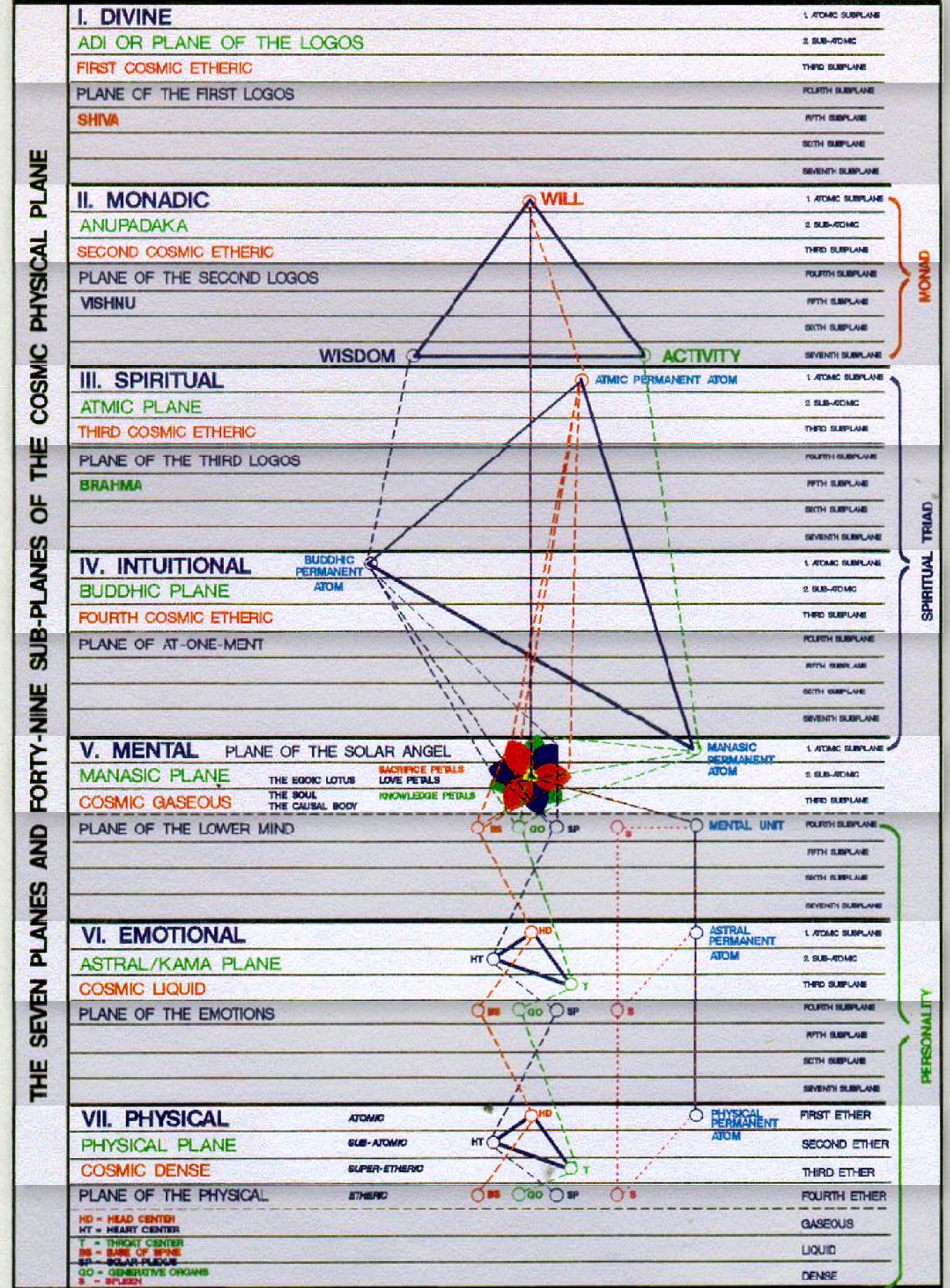
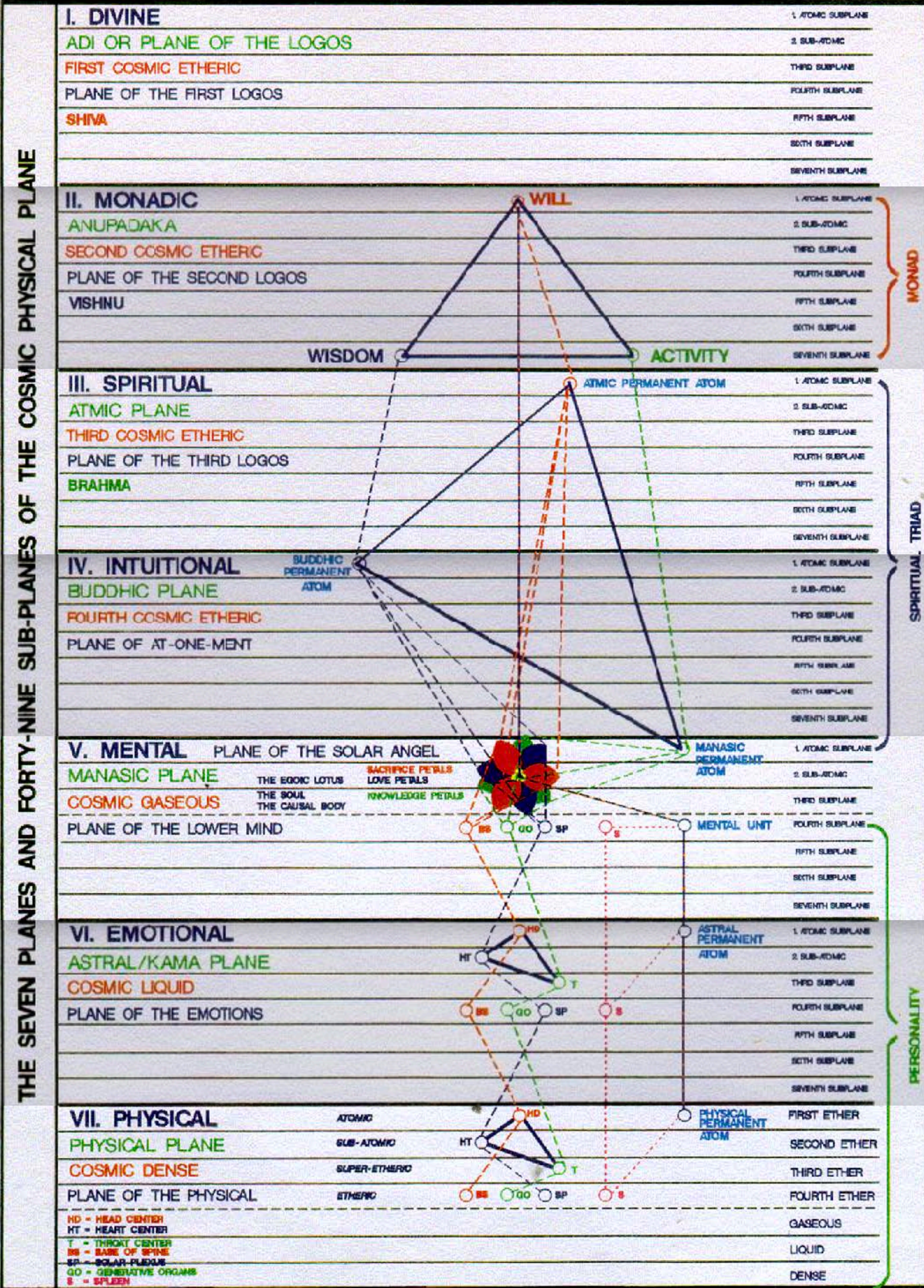
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