

Using retrograde cycles in financial astrology:

Those inner planets are very convenient for traders, as they provide us with more frequent opportunities to evaluate a complete retrograde cycle.

In fact, we have just entered a Mercury retrograde cycle, that we can incorporate into several trading tools

..... most common of these astrotools is the use of the retrograde and direct stations, as triggers for market reversals or breakouts.

Or we can use the retrograde stations, as market timing triggers to activate particular aspects, between other planets often used, at significant market swings.

Less commonly used, but of great importance for traders, is the determination and/or confirmation of historical pivot levels, that frequently serve as critical price support and resistance.

For example, in many markets, we can use the current Mercury retrograde cycle, by recording prices on these dates:

16-19 June 2006 ... first pass 21^ Cancer

04 July 2006 ... Mercury retrograde station 01:21^ Leo

28-31 July 2006 ... 2nd pass and Mercury direct 21^ Cancer.

11-14 Aug 2006 ... 2nd pass 01:21^ Leo

Watch for the same price to hit on the dates above, to confirm a critical pivot, sometimes the SAME LEVEL, as in a PREVIOUS Mercury retro period, as well !~!

In trending markets we will often see the price at an extreme level, away from our anticipated pivot when this happens, check the deviation of the price from the pivot and compare it to the previous hi/lo on the other side of the pivot for confirmation of a swing hi or lo.

This simple astrotool can be used in almost any market and can produce some very accurate results, as we have shown previously in analysis of many stocks, including Hardman, HDR = pivot at 1.91

As new pivots are confirmed, higher or lower in the overall trading range, then we also have another gauge of market strength over the course of several retrograde cycle periods.

We can use the same technique with ALL the other retrograde cycles as well, though these will be over longer time frames, too.

Often, we will see an inner retrograde cycle, within the time frame of retrograde outer body, like Mercury-within-Mars in June 2001 it is worth the time to research your own markets, taking BOTH retrograde cycles into account, during that May-July 2001 time frame.

That same period is a good example of retrograde stations adding to the significance of the day in question 11 May 2001 ... BOTH Mercury and Venus were in EXACT positive aspects to Neptune, while BOTH Mars and Neptune were on station to go retrograde, that same day.

Positive sentiment in the price action on 11 May 2001, saw XJO breakout above the previous resistance level, confirmed by the highs in August and November 2000, as well as February and March of 2001.

For many traders, these simple astrotools can be very handy, especially when used to confirm our regular technical analysis ... :)

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