## **Question:**

I would wish to be able to use Composite module to research on market behaviour when the planets are in retrograde and show the difference between when a planet is in retrograde and when it is in direct.

## Answer:

First of all, remember that it is better to use Phase Zodiac while analyzing the effect of retrograde/direct motion on the stock market. New Mercury phase (i.e., zero degree) corresponds to the culmination of retrograde motion.

Let us consider the motion of the Sun and Mercury at the same diagram:



Here the red line is the Sun's trajectory, and the blue one is the trajectory of Mercury. You see the Mercury dancing around the Sun, and the range of this dance if defined by the elongation angle (it is pure astronomy).

The phase Zodiac reflects this movement perfectly.

The diagram shows that Mercury starts its retrograde motion approximately 2 weeks before conjuncting the Sun and ends the retrograde motion after this conjunction. We can consider the conjunction as a central point of this retrograde motion; Mercury reaches there the maximum speed of retrograde motion. You need to know that this conjunction corresponds to New Mercury (i.e. zero degree of Mercury in Phase Zodiac).

Run the Astronomy (Composite) module in Timing Solution and set these parameters:



Look at the composite diagram now:



Here the black stripes correspond to the zones when Mercury is retrograde. Thus this diagram allows you to see three stages of Mercury's retrograde motion together with the price:



- 1) Mercury starts the retrograde motion;
- 2) Mercury conjuncts the Sun;
- 3) Mercury ends the retrograde motion.

Here we have analyzed Dow Jones Industrial Index (1985-2006). Looking at this diagram, it is hard to make certain comments on the trend in respect to Mercury's motion.

We can make at least one assumption: some uptrend movement (though not a strong one) begins several days after Mercury conjuncts the Sun:



Try to do the same thing for Venus. You will be able to make more certain assumptions:



The market makes this zigzag-like movement in respect to Venus's retrograde motion. It is interesting that its influence becomes stronger after Venus conjuncts the Sun.

For outer planets (Mars to Pluto), the rule is different. The retrograde movement is formed around the planet's opposition to the Sun.

As an example, let us look at New Jupiter. In Geocentric coordinates, New Jupiter corresponds to the Sun – Jupiter opposition. Jupiter makes its retrograde dance as far from the Sun as possible.



Thus the Jupiter movement looks:

Now look how the Jupiter movement affects the Dow Index. The blue arrow covers the period when Jupiter has started its retrograde motion. However, after the Sun opposition to Jupiter, something has happened in the sky. Jupiter is still retrograde though the market starts rising, and this rally continues till Jupiter starts its direct motion:



Thus, when we analyze markets in respect to planetary retrograde/direct motion, the Phase Zodiac is easy and convenient way to do that.

To complete this article, I will do the analysis for different financial instruments in respect to planetary retrograde motion (I will show only the most interesting findings):

## Gold

Price goes down when Jupiter is retrograde after the Sun - Jupiter opposition:



Price goes down when Saturn is retrograde before the Sun - Saturn opposition:



Price goes up when Neptune is retrograde after the Sun - Neptune opposition:



## **Euro/USD**

Mars is very influential. Price goes down when Mars is retrograde before the Sun - Mars opposition and after that it goes up:



Strong drop when Saturn starts its direct movement:



Price goes up when Uranus is retrograde after the Sun - Uranus opposition:

