

































































The month hexagrams of Hu Yigui 胡一桂

The system of the month hexagrams originates from the [Zhouyi Qimeng Yizhuan 周易啟蒙翼傳](#) from Hu Yigui 胡一桂 (13th century) in which it is called *shigua qiyue li* 世卦起月例, 'rules for generating the months from the generation hexagrams'. It is based on the system of the Eight Palaces from Jing Fang 京房 (see my [article](#)). In that system the hexagrams are divided in *gong* 宮, 'palace hexagrams', *shi* 世, 'generations' and two *gui* 魂, 'soul spirits'. Every hexagram has a *shi* 世 line, this is the line that, compared to the former hexagram, has changed (with the palace hexagrams as exception, they always have the 6th line as *shi*-line), in the table below designated with 's':

	宮 卦	一 世 卦	二 世 卦	三 世 卦	四 世 卦	五 世 卦	遊 魂	歸 魂
The Palace of Qian 乾	 1	 44	 33	 12	 20	 23	 35	 14
The Palace of Zhen 震	 51	 16	 40	 32	 46	 48	 28	 17
The Palace of Kan 坎	 29	 60	 3	 63	 49	 55	 36	 7
The Palace of Gen 艮	 52	 22	 26	 41	 38	 10	 61	 53
The Palace of Kun 坤	 2	 24	 19	 11	 34	 43	 5	 8
The Palace of Xun 巽	 57	 9	 37	 42	 25	 21	 27	 18
The Palace of Li 離	 30	 56	 50	 64	 4	 59	 6	 13
The Palace of Dui 兌	 58	 47	 45	 31	 39	 15	 62	 54

Hu uses this when he links the months from the Chinese calendar to the hexagrams:

一世卦陰主五月一陰在午也陽主十一月一陽在子
 也二世卦陰主六月二陰在未也陽主十二月二陽在
 丑也三世卦陰主七月三陰在申也陽主正月三陽在
 寅也四世卦陰主八月四陰在酉也陽主二月四陽在
 卯也五世卦陰主九月五陰在戌也陽主三月五陽在
 辰也八純上世陰主十月六陰在亥也陽主四月六陽
 在巳也遊魂四世所主與四世卦同歸魂三世所主與
 三世同一世二世為地易三世四世為人易五世與八

一世卦，陰主五月，一陰在午也；陽主十一月，一陽在子也。二世卦，陰主六月，二陰在未也；陽主十二月，二陽在丑也。三世卦，陰主七月，三陰在申也；陽主正月，三陽在寅也。四世卦，陰主八月，四陰在酉也；陽主二月，四陽在卯也。五世卦，陰主九月，五陰在戌也。陽主三月，五陽在辰也。八純，上世陰主十月，六陰在亥也；陽主四月，六陽在巳也。遊魂，四世所主與四世卦同。歸魂，三世，與三世同。

1. First generation hexagram:
 - a. *Yin* is master of the 5th month, *yin* at the first line belongs to (month) *wu* 午 (the 5th month HM).
 - b. *Yang* is master of the 11th month, *yang* at the first line belongs to (month) *zi* (the 11th month HM).
2. Second generation hexagram:
 - a. *Yin* is master of the 6th month, *yin* at the second line belongs to *wei* 未.
 - b. *Yang* is master of the 12th month, *yang* at the second line belongs to *chou* 丑.
3. Third generation hexagram:
 - a. *Yin* is master of the 7th month, *yin* at the third line belongs to *shen* 申.
 - b. *Yang* is master of the 1st month, *yang* at the third line belongs to *yin* 寅.
4. Fourth generation hexagram:
 - a. *Yin* is master of the 8th month, *yin* at the fourth line belongs to *you* 酉.
 - b. *Yang* is master of the 2nd month, *yang* at the fourth line belongs to *mao* 卯.
5. Fifth generation hexagram:
 - a. *Yin* is master of the 9th month, *yin* at the fifth line belongs to *xu* 戌.
 - b. *Yang* is master of the 3rd month, *yang* at the fifth line belongs to *chen* 辰.
6. The 8 pure (hexagrams, the palace hexagrams HM):
 - a. When the top generation line is *yin* it is master of the 10th month, *yin* at the 6th line belongs to *hai* 亥.
 - b. *Yang* is master of the 4th month, *yang* at the 6th line belongs to *si* 巳.
7. The 'travelling soul (hexagrams)':
 - a. The fourth generation is master here so (the principle) is the same as with the fourth generation hexagrams.
8. The 'returning soul (hexagrams)':
 - a. The third generation (is master here) so (the principle) is the same as with the third generation hexagrams.

This is a rough translation of the Chinese text – my translation of *zhu* 主 as 'is master' is not so pretty but you get the idea. What the text tries to tell is that from the first generation hexagrams the hexagrams with *yin* as a first line belong to the 5th month, and the hexagrams with *yang* as a first line belong to the 11th month. From the second generation hexagrams the hexagrams with *yin* as a second line belong to the 6th month, the hexagrams with *yang* as a second line belong to the 12th month.

Etc.

















When I give each month its own color in the system of the Eight Palaces it looks like this:

宮卦 一世卦 二世卦 三世卦 四世卦 五世卦 遊魂 歸魂

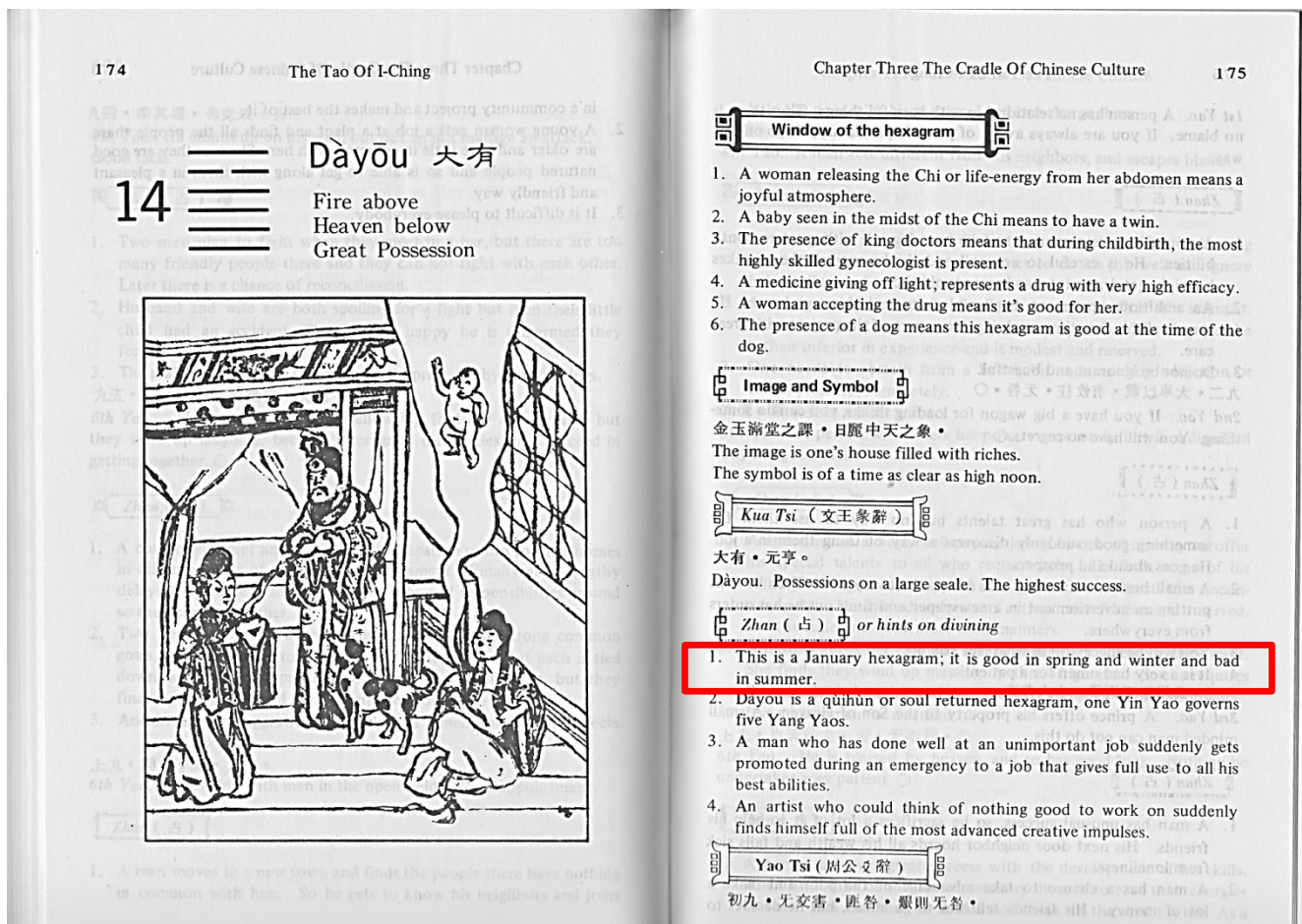
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	30	56	50	64	4	59	6	13
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	58	47	45	31	39	15	62	54

And when we distribute the hexagrams among the twelve months it looks like this:

Month	Start date								
1	4-2	11	13	14	18	31	32	53	63
2	6-3								
3	5-4								
4	6-5								
5	6-6								
6	7-7								
7	8-8								
8	8-9								

Month	Start date								
9	9-10	 15	 21	 23	 55				
10	8-11	 2	 29	 51	 58				
11	7-12	 9	 22	 24	 60				
12	6-1	 19	 26	 40	 50				

This is the system that Jou Tsung Hwa took from the Duanyi Tianji 斷易天機 and used in his book *The Tao of I Ching*, but in the wrong way. He says for instance at hexagram 14:



But the Duanyi Tianji 斷易天機 clearly mentions zhengyue 正月, which is the first month of the Chinese (solar) calendar, which starts at Februari 4th:

火天大有

離上乾下六親。☲火配土配金☱土配木配水

乾金歸寬外卦出現。寬父母兄弟父母妻財子孫

伏卯乙木冬吉

正月卦

夏平 秋凶

飛甲土春吉

評曰大有者寬也

柔德尊位官爵


日實掩惡揚

善豐財和義

廣納包容成

物之美自天

祐之吉無不利



解曰 婦人腹中一道氣喜氣也

卜得之後果還璧也

氣中二小兒有孕双生也

藥王臨產遇良醫也藥有光藥靈驗也

女人受藥受災也一犬戌日見喜

金玉滿堂之課

日麗中天之象

Which means that hexagram 14 doesn't belong to January but to February.

The next table summarizes the text of Hu's book:

月次	月建	世卦	六十四卦值月	阴阳
十一月	子	一世卦	《复》(䷗)、《贲》、《节》、《小畜》	阳
十二月	丑	二世卦	《临》(䷒)、《大畜》、《解》、《鼎》	
正月	寅	三世卦	《泰》(䷊)、《既济》、《恒》、《咸》	
		归魂卦	《大有》、《渐》、《蛊》、《同人》	
二月	卯	四世卦	《大壮》(䷡)、《睽》、《革》、《无妄》	
		游魂卦	《晋》、《大过》、《讼》、《小过》	
三月	辰	五世卦	《夬》(䷪)、《履》、《井》、《涣》	
四月	巳	八纯卦	《乾》(䷀)、《艮》、《巽》、《离》	
五月	午	一世卦	《姤》(䷫)、《豫》、《旅》、《困》	阴
六月	未	二世卦	《遯》(䷠)、《屯》、《家人》、《萃》	
七月	申	三世卦	《否》(䷋)、《损》、《益》、《未济》	
		归魂卦	《随》、《师》、《比》、《归妹》	
八月	酉	四世卦	《观》(䷓)、《升》、《蒙》、《蹇》	
		游魂卦	《明夷》、《中孚》、《需》、《颐》	
九月	戌	五世卦	《剥》(䷖)、《丰》、《噬嗑》、《谦》	
十月	亥	八纯卦	《坤》(䷁)、《震》、《坎》、《兑》	

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