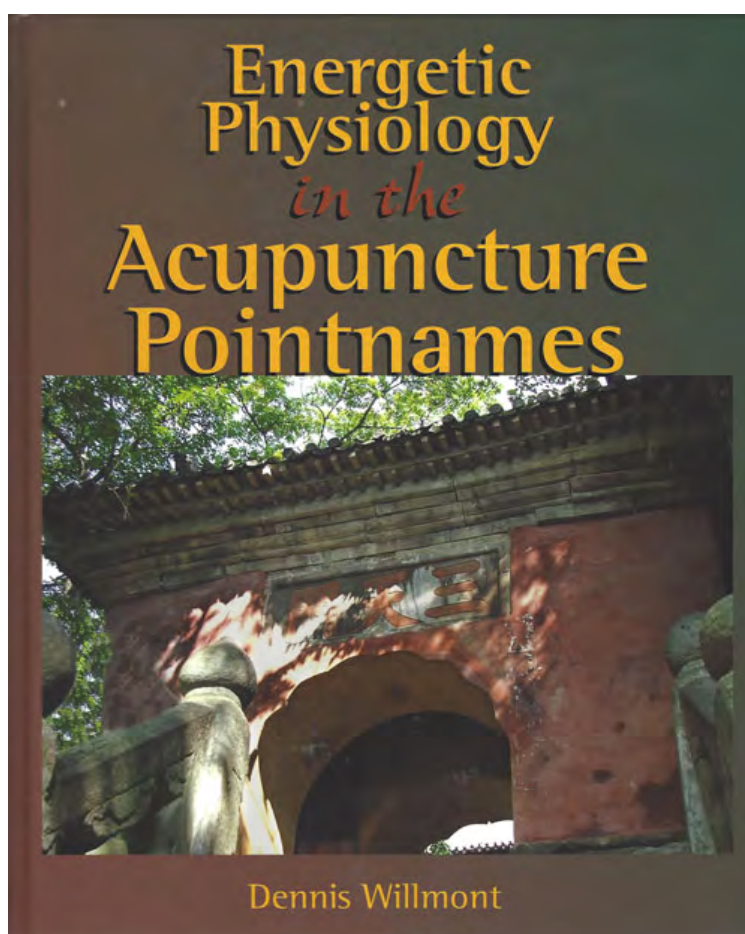




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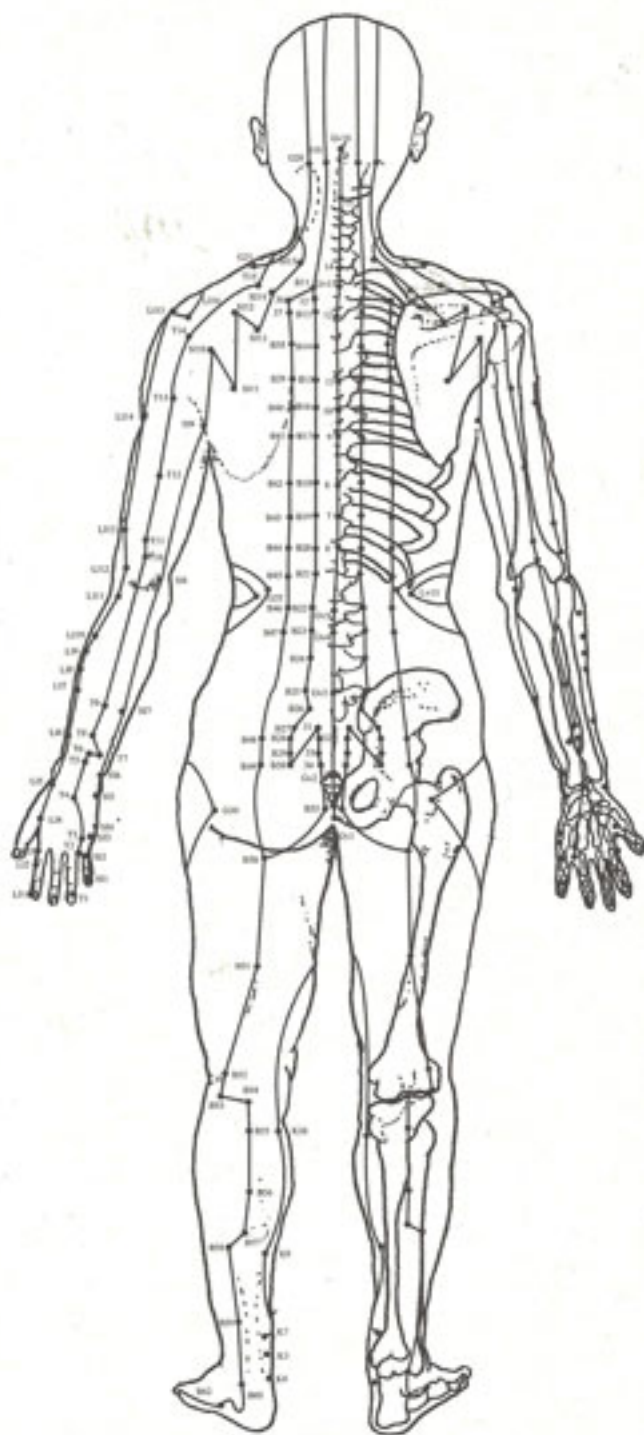


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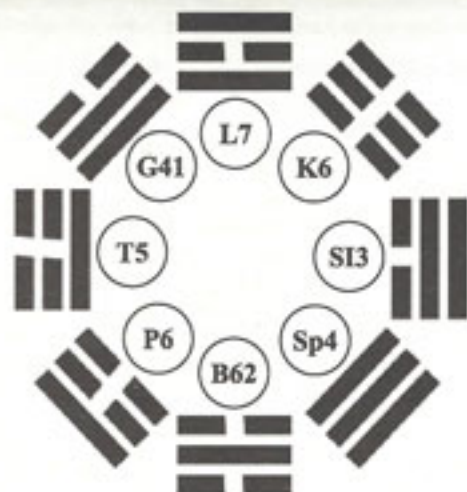
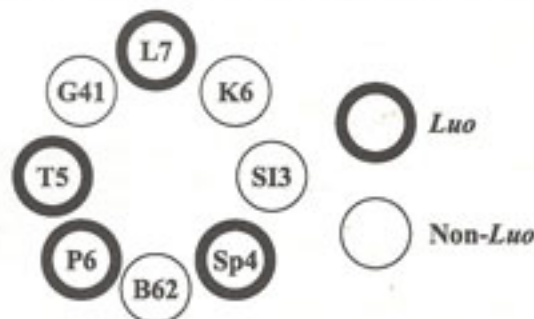
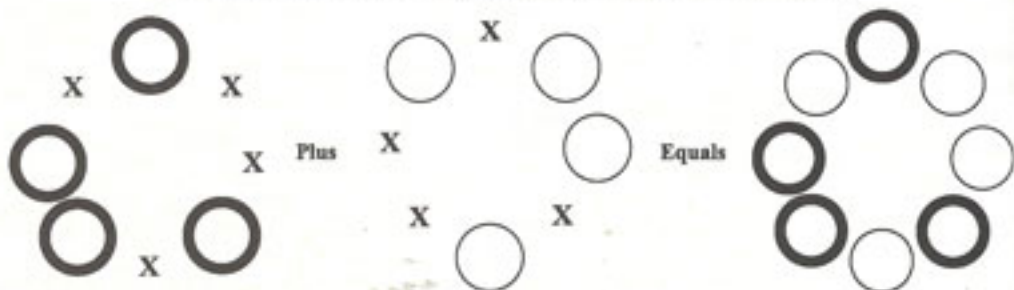


Figure 39: *Luo* and *Non-Luo* Point Master Points in the Later Heaven Sequence



The geometry of the integration of *Luo* and *non-Luo* Master Points within the structure of the trigrams further reveals a dynamically symmetric Heavens/Earth, Yin-Yang balance. The symmetry of this arrangement characterizes the nature of Dao not only in the macrocosmic creation of the universe but also in the microcosmic involution and evolution of human beings at conception and birth.

Figure 40: Geometric Integration of *Luo* and *non-Luo* Master Points



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