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I recalled the great Arahants of the Noble Council of Akanitta with faith.

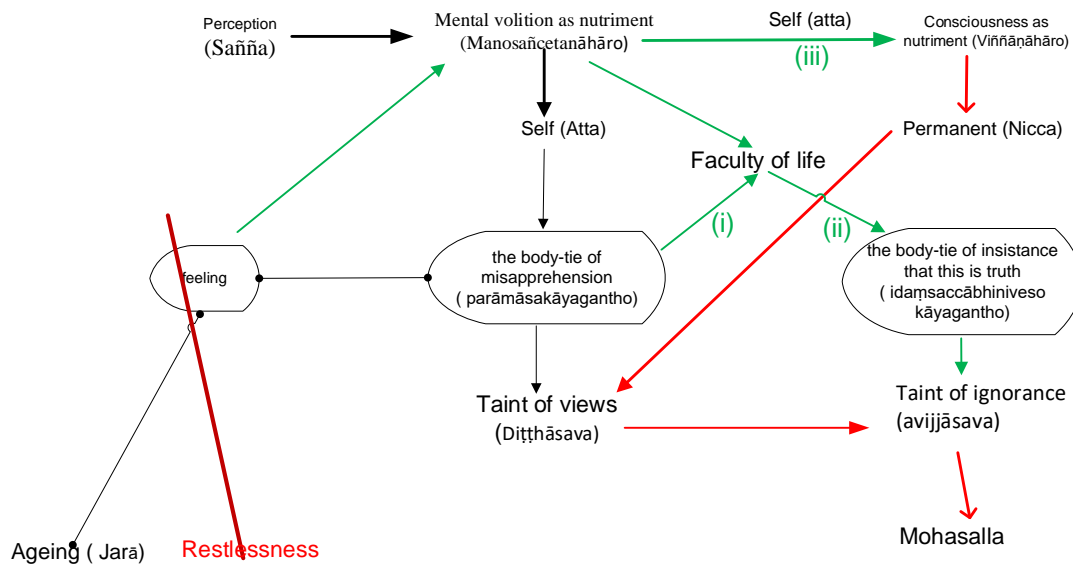
I repeated the Amurthaya 4 meditation of 18/08/2023. Link in the dependent origination, with consciousness as condition name and form (viññāṇapaccayā nāmarūpaṃ) is active here. Anti-clockwise rotation of oscillation diagram takes place. After that recalling the anti-clockwise rotation of the trident diagram due to barb of views, my mind focussed on round 6 step 4 (delight entering misapprehension) in slide 4 of the dukka table. It is understood that perception is confirmed here. How so?

We can see here the effect of the reversing of perception of permanency. The value of delight has exceeded the feeling here. Also, it is shown delight entering misapprehension with the support from underlying tendency to views. (*1)

Delight entering misapprehension with the effect of the reversing of perception of permanency, and the trident diagram rotating anti-clockwise by barb of views, and volition grasping to the value of feeling, perception is confirmed here. We can understand this as, if a piece of wood or an iron rod for a certain job is selected by the perception and then it is approved by mental volition as adequate. (*2)

- a. Here the piece of wood -form (rupa), should be taken as pre-determined by perception as this sort of wood piece should be taken. This is what is confirmed here. (*3)

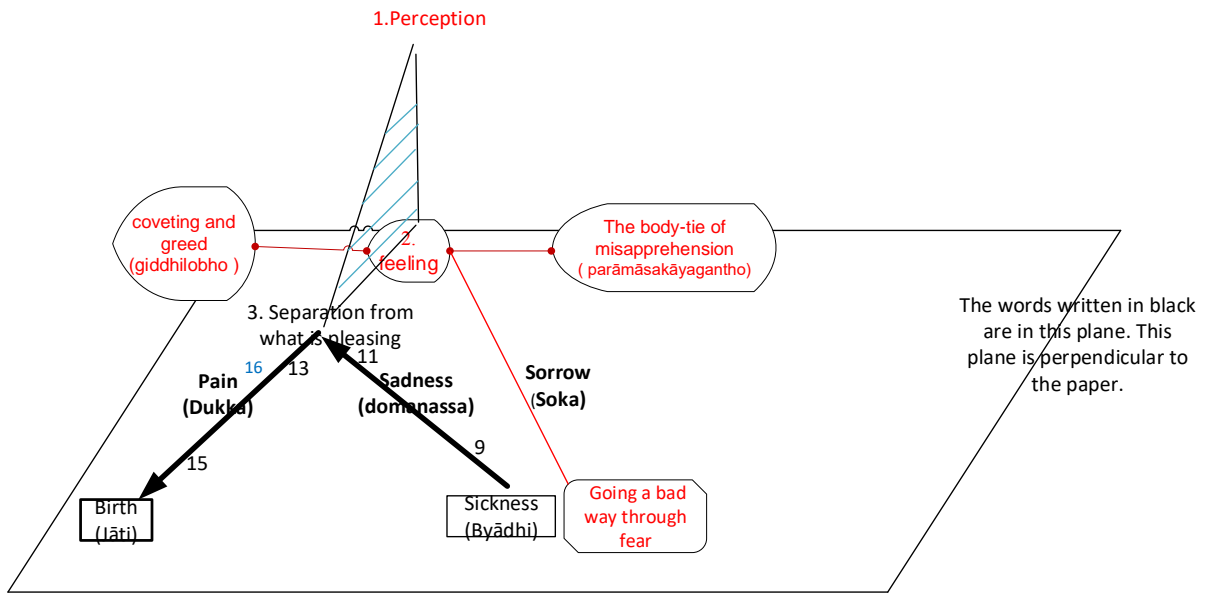
Furthermore, in the “self-path” discussed in the Nibbana meditation of 25/08/2018, Great Arahant Sahampathi said that in coming to taint of views due to permanency, this should be taken as leading to taint of views. The taint of views we get after perception is confirmed (by volition), should be taken as the taint of views after round 8.



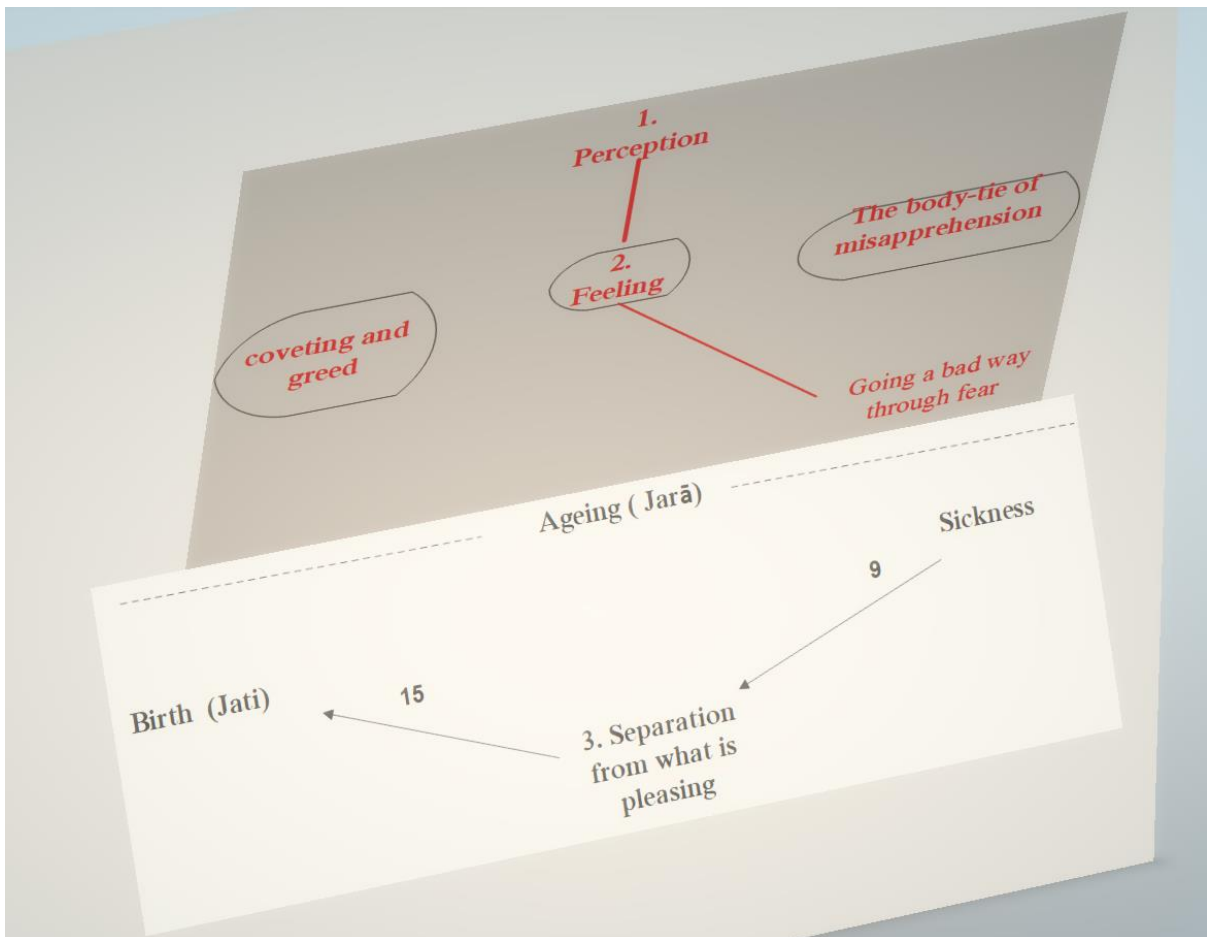
Movement of form-values from mental volition to “going bad way through fear” takes place with the rotation of the cone made up of “coveting and greed”, mental volition and “going bad way through fear”. In the oscillation diagram with lifted feeling, I saw an occasion where feeling is to be seen as perpendicular to the page and above misapprehension. (*4)

Here by doing volitional activity, namely unwholesome volitional activity like sexual misconduct and birth comes to be then vibration of the oscillation diagram takes place. You will understand this if you think that, the anti-clockwise rotation of the oscillation diagram is due to self, the clockwise rotation is due to volitional formations. If this duality is not done, then you can stay calm with fruit of attainment.

Here mark perception above the cone made up of birth, feeling and “going bad way through fear”. Mark “separation from what is pleasing” below, as shown in the diagram.



Parinibbana 2D



Parinibbana 3D

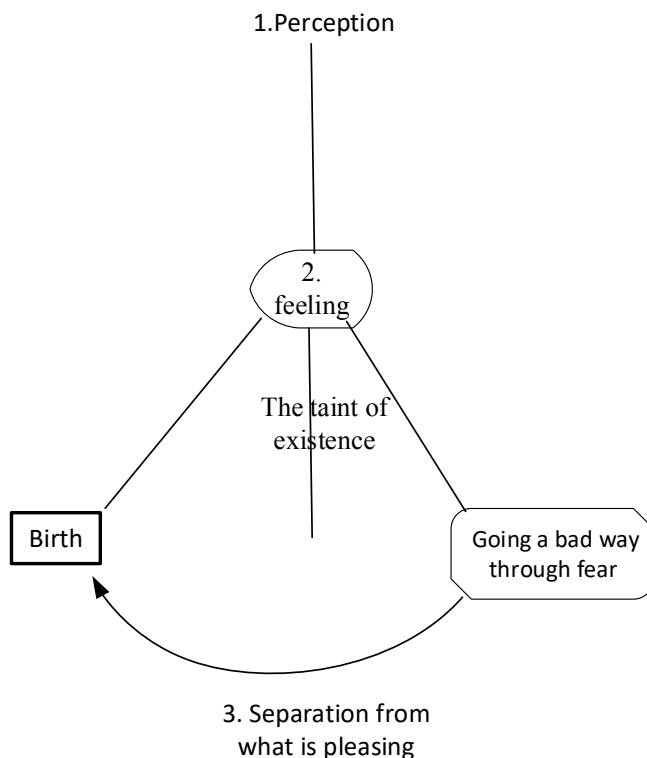
This diagram is named “Parinibbana” diagram. You will see above a 2D version and a 3D version of this diagram. (*5)

If we examine the 3D diagram, we see the doctrines marked in red, they are perception, feeling, coveting and greed, misapprehension, going bad way through fear. Furthermore, we can see that it is aging which is at the intersection and hence we have sickness, “separation from what is pleasing” and birth. They are marked in black.

Mindfully think of the two planes, plane marked in red, and plane marked in black and their perpendicular orientation to each other. At this time, just contemplating on this diagram alone is enough to bring about liberation.

As long as the above diagram is in mind, the mind remained unmoved. You can refrain from doing unwholesome deeds (sins) you have committed throughout the infinite cycle of life and birth. This way one can attain final nibbana (Parinibbana). (*6)

There are times when doctrines: 1 perception, 2 feeling, 3 “separation form what is pleasing”, are aligned in one line. In the “Parinibbana” 2D diagram it is shown when these 3 doctrines form a triangle. This is the “Parinibbana”.



The case, all in one line. ‘Parinibbana’ does not happen.

Also, given is the diagram where the 3 doctrines are positioned all in one line. Here we can see 1. perception, 2. feeling, 3.”separation from what is pleasing”

are all in one line and “taint of existence” is below feeling. This represents how birth comes to be from “going bad way through fear”.

Hence here when the 3 doctrines are positioned along the same line ‘Parinibbana’ does not happen. “Separation from what is pleasing” should be understood here as separation from the body you had.

The thing to be taken (a. above) here is the piece of wood - form, it is pre-determined by the perception that a piece of wood of this kind is to be taken.

(*7)

We should take this as what is confirmed here.

This is the meditation I did.

Foot notes added during the discussion on 02/09/2023.

(*1) This is marked as 6.4.

(*2) This means if one place the carpenter where the mental volition is, and take perception as his assistant (disciple), then you will understand the piece of wood the assistant brought, namely that piece of wood compatible for the shoddy table the carpenter (mental volition) is constructing, is the one chosen by the assistant (perception). Here we can take “this piece of wood is this form” as in section a. above.

(*3) Here you get the trident diagram.

(*4) At this point, if one is trying to understand what the Great Arahant Sahampathi said in the beginning, that feeling is to be seen as perpendicular to the page (in the oscillation diagram), and for which I said to use 4.4. We have used 7.7 but it is too strong. Here it is a different scenario. This is something post 4.4. If one thinks at this time, the “feeling value” that led to mental volition is understood if one thinks of it as represented by mental volition. That is, even though we directly talked about this form, think that “form value” is somehow represented by feeling. When the “feeling value” reach mental volition, the “feeling value” is represented by mental volition. Think of it that way. Actually, you should think as though form has not travelled, the representation of it has travelled.

(*5) Think about this as two planes. In one plane, marked in red you have perception, feeling, “coveting and greed”, “body tie of misapprehension” and “going a bad way through fear”. Aging is at the intersection of the two planes,

and we have mentioned this earlier. In the second plane marked in black, we can see sickness, “separation from what is pleasing” and birth. We have named this as “Parinibbana” diagram.

(*6) We have also given a second diagram showing when “Parinibbana” does not happen.

(*7) What we are saying here about what the carpenter is doing is that perception brought a shoddy piece of wood to make a shoddy table.

[[Notes added after the discussion]]

When I was doing this meditation, I stayed very calmly, with fruit of attainment for 7 minutes, observing the diagram with 1 perception, 2 feeling, 3 “separation from what is pleasing”, together with “going a bad way through fear” and birth, on the two sides. The Great Arahant Sahampathi explained what this is while I was writing. There is no wedge. There is no attachment to anything. There are no feelings of any value. Perception is absent.

If I add more here, we can say that in the oscillation diagram sorrow is steady. Now be mindful that sorrow is located along the spinning line. In the trident diagram perception is steady. In the “body-tie” line “coveting and greed” is steady. In the cone made up of birth, feeling, and “going a bad way through fear” taint of existence is steady. Being steady like this is a cause and condition for Nibbana.

So even if I say that this is steady, do not take it as been completely rigid. The stream of consciousness is like a fluid. Hence there are upward and downward movements. We have learned that at times, feeling can be seen as perpendicular (to the page). But when you compare it with the spinning you see instances of steadiness.

To add even further, in the 3rd meditation on Right Thought, slide 2, “separation from what is pleasing” happens first via “hate”. Path 1 here, volitional formations enter misapprehension, as permanent and the clockwise rotation of the oscillation diagram takes place. Investigate, with this rotation, in regard to volitional formations like sexual misconduct, “self” is marked as pointing downwards. If you remember now we form volitional formations from “going a bad way through delusion” because of the link in dependent origination, “ignorance as condition, volitional formations come to be” and we go to “

going a bad way through fear” because of the link “volitional formations as condition consciousness” and then after that we go upwards because of the link “consciousness as condition name-and-form”.

Now if we take volitional formations as permanent, then at path 1 it enters misapprehension, as permanent. After this, we can see “going a bad way through hate” happens.

Then, if you look at it that way you will understand that birth happens because of hate. So “separation from what is pleasing” comes after hate. Then you see the plane, the human plane you are in now. Think strongly that you are not going to cross this plane. This means the next plane, with its sicknesses, whether it is brahma world, animal realm or hell, think it as another plane.

This is what can be said as further additions.