Free pdf The blackbird singularity (2023)

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and changes the routledge companion to twenty first century literary fiction takes on this challenge mapping key literary traditions from the postmodern to the postcontemporary the focus is on the group of authors and works that are shaping the shape around us a significant and central intervention into contemporary literature this companion offers essential coverage of writers who have risen to prominence since then such as hari kunzru jennifer egan david mitchell jonathan lethem ali smith a l kennedy hilary mantel marilyne robinson and colson whitehead thirty eight essays by leading and emerging international scholars cover topics such as identity including race sexuality class and religion in the twenty first century the impact of technology terrorism activism and the global economy on the modern world and modern literature the form and format of twenty first century literary fiction including analysis of established genres such as the pastoral graphic novels and comedic writing and how these have been adapted in recent years accessible to experts students and general readers the routledge companion to twenty first century literary fiction provides a map of the critical issues central to the discipline as well as uncovering new perspectives and new directions for the development of the field it is essential reading for anyone interested in the past present and future of contemporary literature in a technologically suppressed future information demands to be free in the debut novel from hugh award winning author charlie stross in the twenty first century life as we know it have changed faster than light travel was perfected and the eschaton a superintelligent artificial intelligence has been created four hundred years earlier for government agencies that arise as a result of these events scattered over three thousand years of time and a thousand parsecs of space are beginning to rediscover their origins the new republic is one such colony it has existed for centuries in self imposed isolation rejecting all but the most basic technology now under attack by a devastating information plague the colony must reach out to earth for help a battle fleet is dispatched streaking across the stars to the rescue but things are not what they seem secret agendas and ulterior motives abound both aboard the ship and on the ground and watching over it all is the eschaton which has its own very definite ideas about the outcome when n meets a charismatic outsider called farzaneh he realises that something has been missing in his life they fall for each other and begin an intense and passionate relationship however farzaneh starts to isolate herself becoming obsessed and embroiled in her mysterious connection with the moon she is forced to reappraise everything he knows searching for meaning and identity while he violently collides with the limits of intimacy and love matt wilven s farzaneh and the moon captures all the frantic rhythms and passions of student 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challenges of his last job for security firm prime protection he swore he d stop risking his life on assignments then his good friend ted lewison head of prime protection asks him back for a routine mission guarding chinese scientist dr li and her seven year old nephew peter and mullins agrees the conference on ai bringing dr li to washington dc is barely under way when a team of assassins storms the room the carnage is great but mullins saves dr li and peter while the attackers kill the two other ai experts along with lewison his widows begs mullins to uncover the power behind the group claiming credit for the assassinations is double h homegrown or part of a larger international conspiracy enter eccentric tech billionaire robert brentwood who requests mullins continue to guard dr li and peter brentwood seeks the singularity and believes dr li holds the key mullins agrees in exchange for running his investigation through brentwood s extraordinary computer resources the quest leads him on an unexpected path from naval intelligence and the oval office to a secret research lab in the north carolina mountains no one can be trusted the race for the singularity is a global winner takes all contest yet terrifyingly a machine with capacity exceeding human intelligence can outstrip all controls while possessing no moral or ethical brakes as the ai stakeholders go all out mullins must face his own singularity the point of no return when not just he but his family and dr li s will become casualties in what amounts to war publisher description identical twins barry and harry krasner are house sitting at their great uncle s midwest farm it s peaceful at first but soon they realize there s something about the farmhouse that makes locals stay far away the twins are sure that the locked shed out back is their reason why but what they find there is more shocking than
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The Singularity: Emissaries 1879 in language as perceptive as it is poignant poet gwen nell westerman builds a world in words that reflects the past present and future of the dakota people an intricate balance between the singularity of personal experience and the unity of collective longing follow the blackbirds speaks to the affection and appreciation a contemporary poet feels for her family community and environment with touches of humor and the occasional sharp cultural criticism the voice that emerges from these poems is that of a dakota woman rooted in her world and her words in this moving collection westerman reflects on history and family from a unique perspective one that connects the painful past and the hard fought future of her dakota homeland grounded in vivid story and memory westerman draws on both english and the dakota language to celebrate the richly themed tallgrass prairie landscape and its great plains that returns her to a place filled with more than history an intense homage to the power of place this book tells a masterful story of cultural survival and the power of language

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Unless the Threat of Death Is Behind Them

1995-12-01 in general relativity a naked singularity is a gravitational singularity without an event horizon in a black hole there is a region around the singularity the event horizon where the gravitational force of the singularity is strong enough so that light cannot escape hence the singularity cannot be directly observed a naked singularity by contrast is observable from the outside the theoretical existence of naked singularities is important because their existence would mean that it would be possible to observe the collapse of an object to infinite density it would also cause foundational problems for general relativity because in the presence of a naked singularity general relativity cannot make predictions about the future evolution of spacetime some research has suggested that if loop quantum gravity is correct then naked singularities could exist in nature implying that the cosmic censorship hypothesis does not hold numerical calculations and some other arguments have also hinted at this possibility to this date no naked singularities and no event horizons have been observed

A catechism of ornithology

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