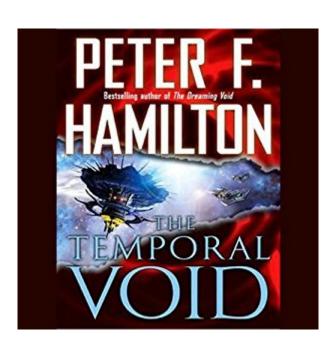
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Synopsis

Long ago, a human astrophysicist, Inigo, began dreaming scenes from the life of a remarkable human being named Edeard, who lived within the Void, a self-contained microuniverse at the heart of the galaxy. There, under the beneficent gaze of mysterious godlike entities, humans possessed uncanny psychic abilities, and Edeard's were the strongest of all. Equally strong was his determination to bring justice and freedom to a world terrorized by criminal violence and corruption. Inigo's inspirational dreams, shared by hundreds of millions throughout the galaxy-spanning gaiafield, gave birth to a religion - Living Dream. But when the appearance of a Second Dreamer seemed to trigger the expansion of the Void - an expansion that is devouring everything in its path -the Intersolar Commonwealth was thrown into turmoil. With the adherents of Living Dream determined to set forth on a dangerous pilgrimage into the Void, interstellar war threatens to erupt. With time running out, the fate of humanity hinges on a handful of people. There is Araminta, only now awakening to the unwelcome fact that she is the mysterious Second Dreamer - and to the dire responsibilities that go with it; Inigo, whose private dreams hint at a darker truth behind Edeard's legendary life; Paula Myo, the ruthless field operative of the Commonwealth, whose search for Araminta and Inigo is about to yield a most unpleasant surprise; and Justine, whose desperate gamble places her within the Void, where the godlike Skylords hold the power to save the universe...or destroy it.

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Customer Reviews

The second volume (middle third) of a 2041-page novel, The Void Trilogy. The first seven chapters and the first seven `Dreams' were published as The Dreaming Void (DV). Here the chapter numbering starts over, 1-5, but the `Dreams' continue in sequence, 8-12. Both the chapters and the `Dreams' are a bit better than in DV: chapters, 3Ã Â stars; `Dreams,' 4Ã Â; overall 3Ã Â rounded to 4.Before you begin The Temporal Void (TV), I very strongly urge you to read Pandora's Star (PS), Judas Unchained (JU), and DV in that order, because you will be lost in JU if you haven't read PS, lost in DV if you haven't read both PS and JU, and lost in TV if you haven't read PS, JU, and DV; and I doubt not that you will be lost in The Evolutionary Void (EV) if you haven't read all four of the above.For the most part the story is compelling, albeit it drags occasionally, and some of the `science' seems like an attempt to sound `scientific' by one largely ignorant of science. I would have to classify this as science-fantasy, rather than science-fiction. By comparison, L. E. Modesitt, in his mostly excellent fantasy saga of Recluce*, seems much more conversant with real science!

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