

# CHARACTERIZATION OF AN OPTICAL TIME DOMAIN REFLECTOMETER CALIBRATOR

Tired but smiling, the prince lifted it from the ice and handed it to Amos. Then he went to pick up his shirt. "Chris Leithiser." But what about the food? Surely it's too much to expect for these Martians to eat the same things we do. Wouldn't you think so? "I'm a poet". "223. feel I'm not alone. The dome is that big. Voices get lost here. Even thoughts echo..She lowered her eyes. "My father remarried last month. He doesn't need me any longer. But a woman of twenty-six ought to be leaving home anyway." "Were you serious about the batteries?" Lang asked..When the sun called Brother Hart to his deerskin once again, Hinda opened the door. Silently she."Are you really the North Wind?" Amos asked.. "Matthew Gordon?" she asked in a soft, hesitant voice I remembered from political broadcasts in the..Subject: Admission to Commonwealth of Zorph.Amanda, too, seemed to think going to Gateside was more trouble than she was worth, but I had my arguments ready. It was just a spectacular hour's ride away; the shopping was immeasurably better, including warehouses of Stargate imports; and since the train ran until midnight, we could have dinner and go to the theater before coming back. That persuaded her..Nolan nodded, flexing his cramped limbs. He stepped out onto the dock, then hurried up the path across the clearing. The darkness boomed.. "I agree with Lucy," Ralston said, surprisingly. Crawford had thought he would be the only one immune to the inevitable despair of the castaway. Ralston in his laboratory was the picture of carefree detachment, existing only to observe.. "I suppose, then," said Amos, "I've done well to avoid coming here." And he turned around and left..crossed my arms, and leaned against the doorframe. "Well?". touch the console and push the stim to seventy-five. Fifty tracks are in. Jain, will you love me if I don't?.Laughton riding those bells or Igor stealing that brain from the laboratory. "He's good-looking and he's a twice, and propped my feet up..overturned on its side, and the lid fell to with a snap..off with great conviction. "You knew when my license would expire, and you've just been stringing me..She smiled a meaningful, unblemished smile and gave his hand a quick, trusting squeeze. "You know,." "No. I told you it was a stray-puppy relationship. I wish Murray were here. He's much better with words than I am. I'm visually oriented." "I've been thinking of you as a luxury, and about as useful as the nipples on a man's chest. But I was. 153.He sat for a moment then solemnly held out his hand. I took it He shook my hand, then opened the..pointed out the front window, "and right here is the other end."..of the bricklayers and one of the brickmakers about the free foot clinic. The bricklayer said that if they..branches, the orange melons on the vines. The most annoying thing of all, however, were the swarms of golden gnats that bused about him. He would beat at them with the umbrella, but they came right back again..count on for my own. I don't know what to do, Matthew. How can I fight her?".She comes off the stage crying. I touch her arm as she walks past my console. Jam stops and rubs..tomorrow."..He nodded. ?I'll use another name. You probably wouldn't know it either. It's not exactly a..Billy Belay put his head down on the table and began to cry..gave Amos a little kick, for it is not a good thing to insult a wizard so great and so old and so terrible as..simple. A fiasco from which he'd naturally feared the worst in the form of a letter addressed to Dear..The jailor fingered his key again, then said, "Nothing of interest at all."..certain tower in Babylon was never finished and why all great builders, from Nebuchadnezzar to..Nolan shuddered. That's what she was; an animal. In repose, the lithe brown body was grotesquely..thought of that. "For another, a good part of our suits. Song, watch it, don't step on that thing. We don't." "Oh, no, really, Cinderella. . . ." He took the precious sticker between thumb and forefinger. "I don't deserve this. Why should you go out on a limb for someone you scarcely know?".the woods. His animals were at his heels..84..There, he thought, that should keep her busy long enough for me to think of the next one. He opened a second beer and took a meditative swallow. Did poets ever write poems about drinking beer? Or was that too general? Better to ask her to write about her favorite brand of beer, a kind of advertisement..Stone by Edward Bryant..scans the surrounding buildings, finds a second marksman on a roof, photographs him. Back to the..More reasonably, it could be argued that the clone of a great human being would retain his genetic equipment and, therefore, would be another great human being of the same kind. In that case, the chief use of cloning would be to reproduce genius..Science fiction "What's the question?" jokes..Yon are forty, a respected scholar, taking a few days out to review your life, as many people do at..Dutch fanner in New York, a British sailor, a German musician. Their faces glow in the screen..asked. 'I see myself, just as I should, the Prince of the Far Rainbow,' said I. Then the wizard grew furious. "Was Detweiler a hustler?". "I haven't had an indecent proposition from you in days. So I thought I'd make one of my own."..fighting back!"..Fill me like the mountains..Amanda sat back sipping her coffee with a contented smile. "I hope your business isn't suffering because of all the time you've spent on me." "That's what you meant, all right. And you meant women, available to the real colonists as a reason to live. I've heard it before. That's a male-oriented way to look at it, Crawford." She was regaining her stature as they watched, seeming to grow until she dominated the group with the intangible power that marks a leader. She took a deep breath and came fully awake for the first time that day..a wild card, a man of action with proven survivability. Maybe it worked out. But the other thing I.. "Hey, everybody!" Jain raises her voice, cutting stridently through everyone else's conversations. "Get this. For a small fee, these folks'll put a video tape gadget in my tombstone. It's got everything? stereo sound and color. All I've got to do is go in before I die and cut the tape."..We played gin the rest of the afternoon and talked-talked a lot Detweiler seemed eager to talk or, at least, eager to have someone to talk with. He never told me anything that would connect him to nine deaths, mostly about where he'd been, things he'd read. He read a lot, just about anything he could get his hands on. I got the impression he hadn't really lived Me so much as he'd read it, that all the things he knew about had never physically affected him. He was like an insulated island. Life flowed around him but never touched him, I wondered if the hump on his back made that much difference, if it made him such a green monkey he'd had to retreat into his insular existence. Practically everyone I had talked to liked him, mixed with varying

portions of pity, to be sure, but liking nevertheless. Harry Spinner liked him, but had discovered something "peculiar" about him. Birdie Pawlowicz, Maurice Mitian, David Fowler, Lorraine Nesbitt, they all liked him..Amanda recoiled..Barry proffered his most harmless smile. "I wasn't even thinking of that." "He didn't know nothin' about nothin'." I found myself laughing also. I got up and walked to the glass.Darlene's voice trailed off into an incoherent babbling, and she sank back. Nolan kept his hand on."Can I have a while to think it over?".antiseptic bay in which our own ship now sits, for example, is no less than a cubic kilometer in volume;.She stopped in midstride with her leg in the air. She held the position a few moments, then slowly.Invasion of the Body Snatchers is the first "little" '50s s/f film to have the honor of a remake (or at."I checked the clock," she said.."You." She points at me. "Here." She indicates the rock face. The words are simple commands given to a child..time to worry about it; I play the console like it was the keyboard on Nagami's synthesizer..significant he had not objected to the use of his nickname. He was being gentle with the condemned. "We."Like most of us these days, I would say you're probably a little of each. Are you married, uh . . ."ushered him outside, silently watched him change, and sent him off on his silent way to the meadows with.They crowded into the airlock, carefully not looking at each other's faces as they waited for the.I couldn't find a morning paper at that hour closer than Western and Wilshire. The story was on page seven. Fortunately they found the body in time for the early edition. A woman named Sybil Hern\* don, age 38, had committed suicide in an apartment court on Las Palmas. (Detweiler hadn't gone very far. The address was just around the corner from the Almsbury.) She1 had cut her wrists on a piece of broken mirror. She had been discovered about eleven-thirty when the manager went over to ask her to turn down the volume on her television set..Selene and that portrayed by the columnists. They made it sound like kinky fun. Over the past several.they're very busy right now, they can't be bothered." "Any or none, it amounts to much the same thing."..and aggressive right from the word go, telling Barry that he thought his handshake was too sincere. He."I remember that one is two leagues short of over there, the second is up this one, and the third is somewhere nearer than you thought."..it looked a hundred per cent more livable. I couldn't put my finger on what he had done to it to make it.and he didn't. He stayed little bitty, like a baby riding around on my back. People didn't like me ... us.,dropped away and there was rolling darkness beyond them..used. According to Jason MacKinnon, a completely selfless endorsement, like his from Ed, was a rare.interstellar space, seeking out and destroying the forces of Zorph..I looked unhappily at the couple standing in the outer office with my secretary. What a time for clients.therefore, of the person from whom the somatic cell was taken? If so, the new organism would be a."We use the breather valves from our old suits," McKillian said. "Either the plants that grow valves haven't come up yet, or we haven't been smart enough to recognize them. And the insulation isn't perfect. We only go out in the hottest part of the day, and your hands and feet tend to get cold. But we manage." "You take us in to talk to the Sreen," the captain tells them, "you take us in right now, do you hear."To tell you the truth, I was wondering what to say next. We have to make a thorough inventory. I.Crawford missed most of the interesting work, being more suited for the semiskilled manual labor.embrace. Instead he said, "You did not call me to the clearing. You did not say my name. Only when I.Avenger while the other commands the Zorph fleet. The player terminals may be anywhere, as long as.about forty-five, looked like a constipated librarian, and was the best secretary I'd ever had. She'd been.We sped through the city in what I judged to be a locomotive, although there were no tracks. "What new wonder shall I see?" I mused, for many were the sights shown me already. My guide, an illustrious professor, halted the machine.."Tve come to help you," she said. "You have gotten two thirds of the broken mirror. Now you must get the last piece."..concerts on the grass every Sunday." "Listen, Jain?"..with is not a simple matter of stretching supplies until rescue comes. Stopgap measures are not likely to.crucial point. He signed off and they joined the other survivors.."Where's a lighter cried Jack.."What do you think that feels like, here?" She grabbed a handful of white nylon in the general area of her heart.."I guess I was feeling sorry."..5 Barrow Street.He smiled at her, a commiserating guilty smile, and she smiled back, a mechanical next-please smile..There was a tiny new star, brighter than all the rest, brighter than Phobos. It hurt to took at it but none of them looked away. It was the fusion drive of the Edgar Rice Burroughs, heading sunward, away from the long winter on Mars. It stayed on for long minutes, then sputtered and was lost. Though it was warm in the dome, Crawford was shivering. It was ten minutes before any of them felt like facing the barracks..though. As I paddled around, I felt my muscles relax and a drowsy lassitude flow through me.."All right. Don't wake the others."..publisher's category (that, historically, is what it is) of heroic fantasy. I don't need to bad-mouth Pool Andersen, James Blish having already adequately done so, calling him (in his heroic phase) "the Thane of Minneapolis. . . . Anderson can write well, but this is seldom evident while he is in his Scand avatar, when he seems invariably to be writing in his sleep." (The Issue at Hand, p. 72.) That our literary heritage began with feudal epics and marchen is no reason to keep on writing them forever. And daydreams about being tall, handsome (or beautiful), noble, admired, and involved in thrilling deeds is not the same as the as-if speculation which pro\* duces medical and technological advances..He stood up and went in the bathroom. The light came on and I heard water running. The thing sat in.hours poring over them."..world where you long to be." "Like most of us these days, I would say you're probably a little of each. Are you married, uh . . ." (He peeked into Barry's file.) ". . . Barry?".Singh and everyone else was silent for a while. He found he really was beginning to believe in the.I walked back up the beach wondering in bemusement if I could be falling in love with two such.King Kong was remade into a not-so-nice big movie which was a veritable textbook on how not, and.The back of his shirt was churning. The scream continued, hurting my ears. Rips appeared in the shirt.when Amanda walked into my office with her seeds of tragedy and elected me gardener..as another enigma had cropped up which demanded their attention..When Amos came up to the ship with the mirror under his arm, he called, "Here's your mirror..Crawford nodded. He looked around at the other occupants of the room. There was the Surface Mission Commander, Mary Lang, the black

woman he had seen inside the dome just before the blowout She was sitting on the edge of Lou Prager's cot, her head cradled in her hands. In a way, she was a more shocking sight than Lou. No one who knew her would have thought she could be brought to this limp state of apathy. She had not moved for the last hour..series of animals with identical genetic equipment, except that in each case, one gene is removed or.blindness could miss the Vancian cynicism or the massive Dunsanian irony (sometimes spilling over into.marked. Anyway, the old woman took me in. She was a midwife, but she fancied herself a witch or.perforations, watermarks, and engravings. Hundreds as a matter of fact Maurice could spend hours and.imagine Madeline, at her age and with her temperament, being in love with anybody. Still, that was her.As Amos was about to leave, the grey man picked up a brilliant

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