



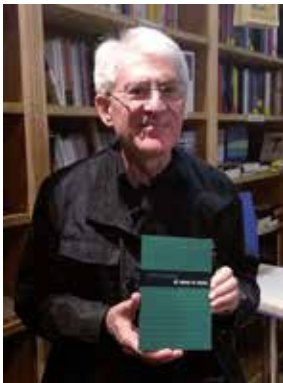
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I GOD RESET FAILED

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Science fiction masterpiece, fun but unsettling.

A super-computer, programmed by a supreme entity, rules over the entire Universe.

As a consequence of some errors in the software, the people of the Earth start acting in a self-harming, self-destructive way. The repeated efforts to try and reset the software failed miserably. The supreme entity and the computer don't know how to 'reset' the whole situation.

An alien, disguised as a human, is sent to Earth with the task of finding out the source of the problem. His name is Alex.

Alex creates a relationship with humans and after a while realizes that the problems in the software are increasing in number: the solar system is creating duplicates of itself. This means that Alex is living parallel lives, together with all of the inhabitants of the Earth (but he is the only one aware of that). Alex is able to communicate with the computer, so they try to get on top of the problem, but in the final pages the powerful computer makes a confession. He says that he's tired, that he wants to give up and let humans take care of themselves.

A great allegory for those who believe that we are close to the "point of no return".

Arturo Severini is a retired Telecommunications Engineer and he wrote many short stories and novels. His writing is brilliant and he is a master in handling all the stages of narration: from the opening to the ending; therefore his stories are gripping, they shock the reader's conscience and linger in his mind.