



TRANSIT

LOGLINE

Five people ripped out of their everyday lives and deposited in a bleak military facility must work together to determine their purpose and save humanity.

COMPS

FRINGE meets LOST,
JACK RYAN & QUANTUM LEAP

GENRE

Science Fiction



SYNOPSIS

Three dimensions that can not survive without each other face a central threat -- One of the dimensions wants to destroy the other two without realizing they will share the same fate.

Five chosen people from across the multiverse band together under a shaky truce to overcome competing politics and work together to avoid annihilation.



tone

A political thriller wrapped as a science fiction with familiar dread and tense chaotic tension.

theme

Not too dissimilar to our own current global political strife, this series tackles coveted fears, irrational beliefs, and the dark quest for power.



THE SERIES WORLD

Transit is a series about a multiverse comprised of four worlds that face mutually assured destruction if a political compromise is not achieved. Tensions exist between three of the worlds, M1, M2, and M3, which together form a multiverse along with the now uninhabited M4. Each of the three conflicting worlds is populated with the same people, mirror images of each other, though vastly different, living entirely different lives.

Ninety-nine percent of the population is unaware that the multiverse even exists. Government officials have been using the wormhole connecting the worlds for generations. Only a select few have been allowed to traverse the multiverse for peacekeeping and research.

Generations ago, M4 was wiped clean of all of its inhabitants. No one knows how or by whom. All that has been ascertained is that the successful genocide was carried out by one of the other worlds using radioactive material. Today, M4 is a wasteland, still carrying traces of the contaminate, which makes it uninhabitable.

This event created tensions among the worlds' leaders, which has led to an arms race due to growing paranoia and self-preservation. While M1 and M2 were busy trying to create bigger, more destructive weapons in order to protect themselves from each other, M3 went unnoticed.

Transit picks up when Benjamin, a scientist from M3, becomes aware of his government's intent to wipe out M1 and M2. Realizing this will collapse the entire multiverse, Ben sets out to gather what he considers peacekeepers from the other worlds. He hopes that together, they can stop M3 before it's too late -- Only no one trusts his motives when they discover M4 was wiped out by his government.

THE VERSES



M1

An Orwellian-type world government controls all information. Most of the citizens are oblivious of their government's machinations. Leadership is inadequate and weak. A lack of resources has driven this world into hard times.

M1's leaders are distrustful of everyone else and feel a sense of supremacy. They are fearful that the outside influence of both M2 and M3 would threaten their way of life. As a result, M1 has closed off all ties to the other worlds in an effort to preserve their rule.

THE VERSES



M2

Highly advanced technology, money, and power drive them. Since money drives everything, people's lives and their health are not important at all to policymakers.

M2 distrusts M1 due to the unknown cause of the destruction of M4, which they believe M1 was responsible for. Their paranoia is fueled by the fact that M1 is closed off and shrouded in secrecy. This fear of M1 causes M2 to turn a blind to M3, whom they do not consider a threat.

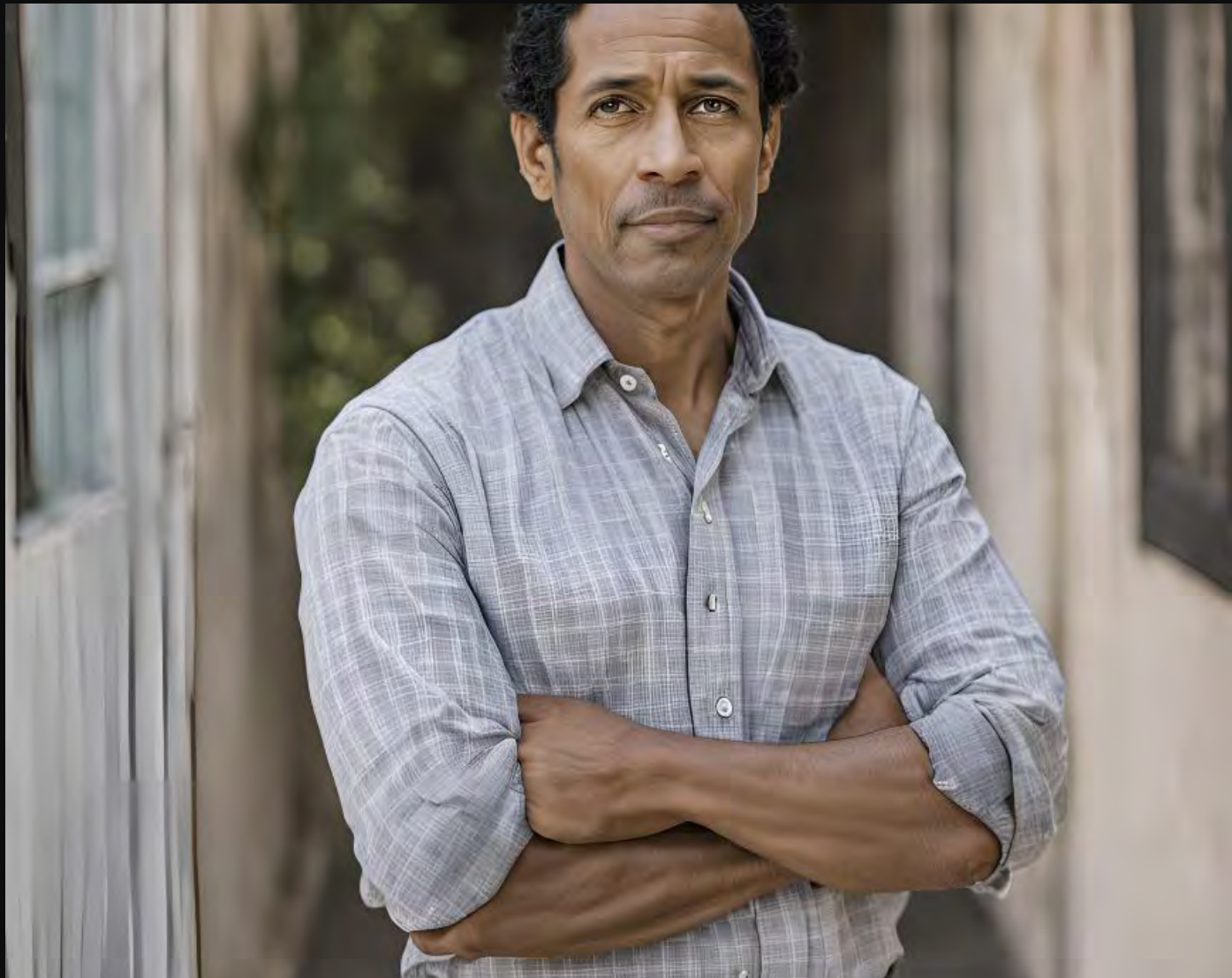
THE VERSES

M3



This is an emerging universe. Times are hard, but the outlook is bright. They've learned from M1 and M2's mistakes and are doing things differently. Even though the government rides its citizens like a horse, they have flourished and prospered. The economy is working and being uplifted by sheer drive and ambition. Unlike in the other worlds, the people support their government, and there is harmony and a sense of union.

While in the shadows, M3 has taken full advantage of being ignored as the lesser evil by both M1 and M2. Knowing that M1 and M2, if left to their own devices, will destroy the entire multiverse with their arms race, M3 has devised a plan to eradicate a threat and intends to wipe out both M1 and M2, to save themselves. They intend to collapse the wormhole to the other worlds entirely. They are ego-driven enough to believe they have figured out a way to bring their plan to fruition successfully without destroying their planet in the process.



BENJAMIN

50s

The character we follow is the variant of Benjamin from M3. A high-level quantum physicist. While being one of the first brought on to the "Manhattan Project" type program, he's also one of the first to theorize the complete collapse of the multiverse if the weapon is used, though his objections fall on deaf ears. With a logical/scientific mind and an empathetic heart, Benjamin did not always value human life. A family trauma that hit close to home during the early days of the weapons program forced Benjamin to reflect on himself and grow to respect human life, which eventually led him to form a team from around the multiverse to infiltrate and dismantle the weapons program from the inside out.

Occasionally arrogant in his genius, he has blindspots in his thinking, reasoning, etc., that his ego would never let him admit, but said blindspots could potentially cause a disaster if left unchecked.

His variant on M1 suffered a similar family trauma and thus acts relatively similar, i.e., trying to better himself. That being said, his variant on M2 did not experience the trauma, which makes him function very differently and almost Machiavellian by comparison.



DR. ZORA THOMPSON

The true target of Benjamin's:

DR. ZORA THOMPSON (early 40s; Asian; a human hanging on to life by her last frayed thread) is a widow and loving mother to Darby. They have a healthy relationship but feels the strain of balancing parenthood and her demanding career as anthropologist. She is in quarantine on M2 and that is why she is unable to be taken. Her Doppelganger (an unscrupulous criminal defense lawyer on M1) is taken back to M3 in her place. Her cold demeanor clashes with Darby and causes friction in the team's dynamic.

DARBY THOMPSON

17, Asian/White A girl with a blue mohawk) lives in M2, with her Scientist mother (who she shares the same name with but uses she middle name to prevent confusion). Despite her efforts, she is mistakenly kidnapped and taken to M3 but is crucial for our story because she is the one that is going to save the universe. She is abducted from M2 by mistake. Wise beyond her years and resourceful, she will prove to be useful by her ability to bring consensus/agreement to the group. She doesn't exist on M1. Her doppelganger on M3 died as an infant.





NICK “NIX” DIORIO

XX is a weapon system that can be effective through the wormhole and/or can be transferred to other verses.

NICK “NIX” DIORIO (mid-30s; engineer trustafarian wannabe artist). Nix graduated summa cum laude from MIT. Pulled from M2. He will help develop the blueprint of the XX?? That will help save M3. (Potentially, his Variant in M3 is an engineer, while his M2 counterpart who becomes part of the team is a Billy Madison-esque Slacker. This mission is the first thing to excite him and give his life meaning. He signs on for the rush/adrenaline high, knowing that if worst comes to worst, he'll still have his trust fund to fall back on. A proponent of saying, "A successful entrepreneur has to put everything into a project, and if that project fails, they just have to start over again till it doesn't fail." He says this from a place of privilege and unironically, not realizing that most people don't get a do-over when they risk it all.)

KARL BOURGEWITZ

He is a big part of the weapon system as he used similar weapons in his time in the Military.

KARL BOURGEWITZ (early 70s; ex-military; sleeps on an army cot rolled up every morning you never knew he was there.) Can organize details to within an inch of its life and can project manage the fuck out of anything. Pulled from M1 seconds before he committed suicide because he felt his purpose was over. Unlike the others, he feels like he has nothing to go back to. (Maybe he was alive before the One World government of M1 took over. Thus, he remembers a time when his world more resembled the freedom of M2 and M3, even if he was just a child at the time. Being brought to M3 and seeing a world function as his world once did while he was a child revitalizes him. He hopes that in helping the team, he will be allowed to live in either M2 or M3 as a reward.)





DEBRA HINES

(early 30s) Scientist who works on Ben's team in M3. She's a brown-nosing physicist who's eyeing Ben's job. Debra is unaware of the covert operation Ben is running with the five person team to save the multiverse.

APRIL BLOCK

(late 20s) She is a weapons engineer and is pulled from M1 because her doppelganger on M2 is in a coma. She is naturally suspicious of M3 and finds it hard to drop her guard but can totally see that M3 is overreacting to M1. Despite her reservations, she acts as a big sister to Darby. The person the teen feels the most connected to in the group.





AL FOSTER

(late 50s) Shlubby, is a career government worker who is closer to his retirement pension than is to actually caring about his job. Was assigned to Ben's team as a punishment for both of them. Is a good guy at heart but doesn't always do his job well.

MARSHALL THOMPSON

(early 40s) On M3, he is an efficient soldier that thrives on order. Ben calls on him to get the job done. He has no family and no loyalty besides money. His doppelganger on M2 was killed in a car accident. Darby is stunned to see "her father" on M3 and takes it hard when her affection isn't returned. Marshall begins to soften once he understands how his presence affects her.



SEASON

TRAIN IS MEANS OF TRANSPORTING BETWEEN WORLDS, CONNECTS TO ABANDONED STATIONS POSITIONED IN M1, M2, M3, AND M4. FIVE PEOPLE ARE KIDNAPPED AND TAKEN TO M3 TO STOP BUILDING OF WMD. THEY ARE GIVEN PERMISSION TO RETURN TO HOME WORLD WITH RESPONSIBILITY OF TRAVERSING INDEPENDENTLY AT THEIR LEISURE.

A-STORYLINE: WILL THE GROUP STOP M3'S WMD FROM GOING OFF IN TIME? ESPIONAGE, CAN THESE ORDINARY MISFITS INFILTRATE THE M3 MANHATTAN-ESQUE PROJECT TO DETONATE A WMD. THEY WILL HAVE TO ASSUME THE IDENTITIES OF THE M3 TEAM I(WHO HAS DISPERSED AFTER COMPLETING THE WMD BUILD. THE DOPPLEGANGER TEAM MUST USE THEIR IDENTICAL DNA/ FINGERPRINTS TO PULL THE KILL SWITCH ON THE WMD BEFORE IT GOES OFF.

B-STORYLINE: WHO IS LEAKING MISINFORMATION TO M2 AND WHY (DESTABILIZING FORCE) ? FORCE) ?

M1 POPULATION IS OPENLY KNOWLEDGABLE ABOUT MULTIVERSE AND SUSPICIOUS OF M2 AND M3 ACTIVITIES. WHEREAS M2 IS NOT OPENLY KNOWLEDGEABLE OF THE VARIOUS WORLDS, ONLY THE GOVT. HAS THAT INFORMATION AND SOMEONE LEAKS IT TO THE POPULACE TO EVENTUALLY PREPARE FOR POSSIBLE INVASION. M2 GOVT. BECOMES PARANOID BECAUSE THEY HAVE SUSPICIONS THAT M1 OR M3 ARE LEAKING INFORMATION TO DESTABILIZE THEIR WORLD, OR A WHISTLEBLOWER WITHIN THE M2 GOVT, A COORDINATED TERRORIST ATTACK IN ALL THREE WORLDS AT THE END OF THE SEASON FORCES THE GOVT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MULTIVERSE IN ORDER TO FIGURE OUT THE CULPRIT.



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