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Remembrance of Earth’s Past Trilogy (地球往事)

The Three-Body Problem (2006)
The Dark Forest (2008)
Death’s End (2010)

Set against the backdrop of China's Cultural Revolution, a secret military project sends signals into space to establish contact with aliens. An alien civilization on the brink of destruction captures the signal and plans to invade Earth. Meanwhile, on Earth, different camps start forming, planning to either welcome the superior beings and help them take over a world seen as corrupt, or to fight against the invasion. The result is a science fiction masterpiece of enormous scope and vision.

"War of the Worlds for the 21st century." – Wall Street Journal

The title refers to the three-body problem in orbital mechanics, which has no general closed-form solution given its chaotic nature.