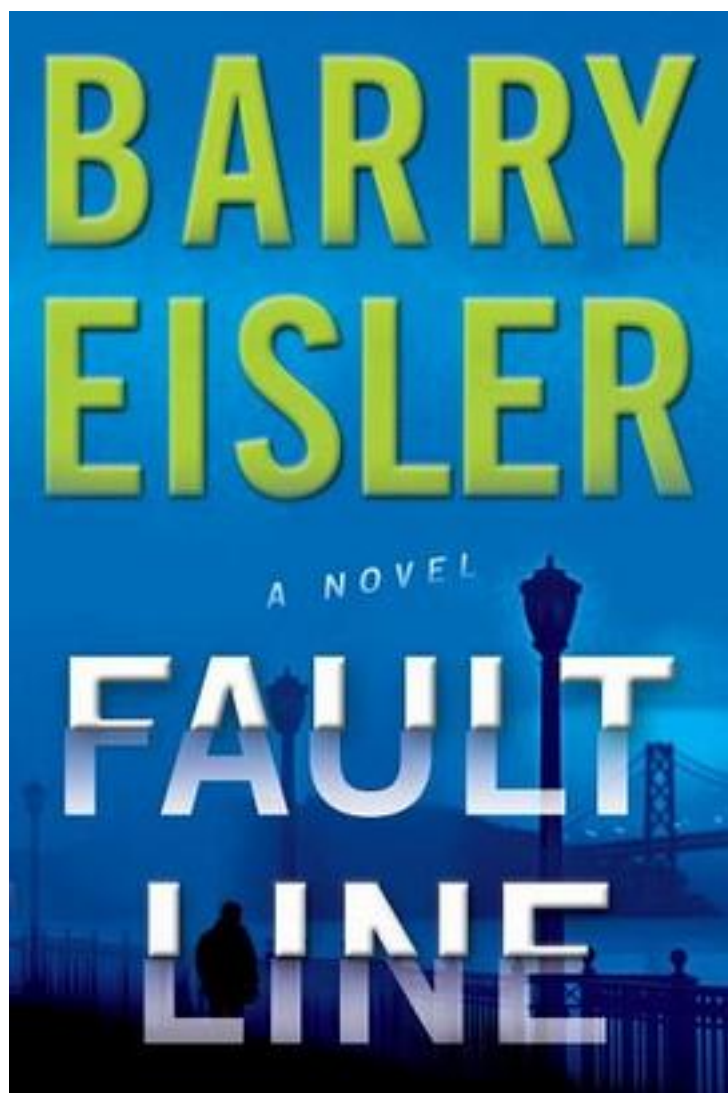


Fault Line



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Silicon Valley: the eccentric inventor of a new encryption application is murdered in an apparent drug deal. Istanbul: a cynical undercover operative receives a frantic call from his estranged brother, a patent lawyer who believes he'll be the next victim. And on the sun-drenched slopes of Sand Hill Road, California's nerve center of money and technology, old family hurts sting anew as two brothers who share nothing but blood and bitterness wage a desperate battle against a faceless enemy.

Alex Treven has sacrificed everything to achieve his sole ambition: making partner in his high-tech law firm. But then the inventor of a technology Alex is banking on is murdered, the patent examiner who reviewed the innovation dies—and Alex himself narrowly escapes an attack in his own home. Off balance, out of ideas, and running out of time, he knows that the one person who can help him is the last person he'd ever ask: his brother.

Ben Treven is a military liaison element, an elite undercover soldier paid to “find, fix, and finish” high-value targets in the United States global war on terror.

Disenchanted with what he sees as America's culture of denial and decadence, Ben lives his detached life in the shadows because the black ops world is all he really knows—and because other than Alex, whom he hasn't spoken to since their mother died, his family is long gone.

But blood is thicker than water, and when Ben receives Alex's frantic call he hurries to San Francisco to help him. Only then does Alex reveal that there's another player who knows of the technology: Sarah Hosseini, a young Iranian American lawyer whom Alex has long secretly desired—and whom Ben immediately distrusts. As these three struggle to identify the forces attempting to silence them, Ben and Alex are forced to examine the events that drove them apart—even as Sarah's presence, and her own secret yearnings, deepens the fault line between them.

A full-throttle thriller that is both emotionally and politically charged, Fault Line centers on a conspiracy that has spun out of the shadows and onto the streets of America, a conspiracy that can be stopped by only three people—three people with different worldviews, different grievances, different motives. To survive the forces arrayed against them, they'll first have to survive one another.

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What ‘s the problem with horny female character! Piss off! 咳，我觉得Barry Eisler其实是有点直男癌的。不过本书最大的问题大概是……作为Rain宇宙的一部分，智商和情商加起来都不行让人捉急。

烂小说。还有，我曾经以为想得出“特种兵哥哥贴身保护硅谷律师雅痞弟弟”这种设定的人一定很懂。

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Fault Line by Barry Eisler

虽然《断层线》曾经登上《纽约时报》畅销书榜（第18位），但小说实在是有点虎头蛇尾。全书的三分之二都在小打小闹，刺激程度比许多警匪剧类型的美剧差得远了。小说的核心是一个名叫“黑曜石”的数据加密软件，发明者在软件中加了一些后门之类的...

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