First let me say that this edition I'm reviewing is a two for one. You get both The Integral Trees and The Smoke Ring in one volume, which certainly makes it worth the price. Secondly, The Smoke Ring was published four years after The Integral Trees. But reading The Smoke Ring, immediately after the Integral Trees, makes it a much more enjoyable and stronger book. I doubt I would have enjoyed it quite as much had I read it four years after reading The Integral Trees. Both of these novels are concept novels in the hard science fiction genre, which is both a strength and a weakness. You can write a book review and share your experiences. Other readers will always be interested in your opinion of the books you've read. Whether you've loved the book or not, if you give your honest and detailed thoughts then people will find new books that are right for them. 1. Intellectual Property On The Net. I also have not made use of the Ringworld game or the book Larry Niven's Guide to Known Space or whatever it was called, since I don't have either. I've found it easiest to treat Protector as two stories, "The Adults" (the first part, which was first published separately under that name) and "Vandervecken". Up to three dates are given for each story: A "TOKS" date, the date given in the timeline in Tales of Known Space. No Naked Ads -> Here! $urlZ. The integral trees omn., p.46. The Integral Trees - Omnibus, p.46. Larry Niven.Â Straight lines, rare in a tree, were unheard of here, save (rarely) for long beams of blue-white or yellow-white sunlight breaking through the murk. Where he saw these, he corrected his course to cross them. This close to crossyear, north would be at right angles to Voy and the sun.Â Rather turned up the volume. â€œReception isnâ€™t good, but Iâ€™m hearing you. Iâ€™m nearly out, moving north, coasting. Title: The Integral Trees (The State series, Book 2) (State (Blackstone)) Author(s): Larry Niven ISBN: 1-4708-9878-0 / 978-1-4708-9878-6 (USA edition) Publisher: Blackstone Audio, Inc. Availability: Amazon Amazon UK Amazon CA Amazon AU. July 2013 : USA Audio edition. Title: The Integral Trees: The State, Book 2 Author(s): Larry Niven Publisher: Blackstone Audio, Inc. Availability: Amazon. July 2013 : Australia Audio edition. Title: The Integral Trees: The State, Book 2 Author(s): Larry Niven Publisher: Blackstone Audio, Inc. Availability: Amazon AU. July 2013 : Canada Audio edition. Title: The ... Integral Trees Book Cover. When I review hard SF, I often loathe to give away juicy details about the setting, because discovering them is part of the joy of reading such books. I donâ€™t really have such reservations with Integral Trees because Niven front-loads most of the hard science into a gigantic expository dump in the first few dozen pages. Everything you need to know about the setting is condensed at the beginning of the book, accompanied by helpful diagrams that help you understand it. So I donâ€™t really feel bad for spoiling it here.Â The one exception to this rule are the titular integral trees, which are absolutely massive. The largest of the trees grow up to about a hundred kilometers in length, and are tidally locked with respect to the neutron star.