Calculus and Crack—Keith Daniel Person 2014-11-03

The location is South Central Los Angeles, 1985, and every kid on the block is getting paid in full selling crack cocaine, but not DAIQUAN JOHNSON. He’s a slow to learn but good with his hands kind of kid whose dream is to become an engineer one day. DAIQUAN is hard working and doesn’t give in easily, but all the determination in the world may not prove enough for a passing grade in a major they said he had no business in. Academic probation, a teenage father, and below average math skills are just part of his problems. DAIQUAN’S worse fear is soon realized when he finds that his confederate battle flag waving Calculus professor, GODDAME has a hatred for the color black. The continuously applied stress-strain curve of life events diverts DAIQUAN’S attention away from higher education while he contemplates a potentially lucrative and illicit offer from his best friend back in the hood, Michael Miller, nicknamed Deadly Paws. But if DAIQUAN decides to challenge the Jim Crow calculus instructor, he must get a perfect score on his final exam or dwell in a world where crack is king.