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What does this mean for the future of work?

The increasing development of the technology has led us to make wonderful achievements for the mankind, one of those and maybe the more impactful for our lives are robots. But robots not only can make our lives easier by doing the tedious task at home, they can also replace us in that same tedious tasks in our jobs.

To say that by 2050 robots will have taken most of our jobs, is a half truth because that will only happen with the current jobs. By that time more than half of the jobs will be ones that do not exist right now, and that will push us to grow as a society. Any job that can be done by a robot is not a human job. We as humans are more than machines and we can do things they cannot and those things will be our jobs in the future. Workers of the future will be much different, they will be adaptive multitaskers who will need to find their way among the vast variety of highly creative jobs that will be created.

But here comes the big question, what will happen with those who cannot adapt to this incoming future?. For them the future is either going to be very good or very bad, if the society is wealthy enough probably they won't even need to work. If we have machines that do those tasks in which they could work but in a better and cheaper way we cannot force them to be better. Probably they will have a fixed salary to allow them to consume and move the economy and that will be it. In the other hand life is always under the firm hand of the natural selection and if the society cannot handle having non workers well, that will be all folks.