Shenzhen has become one of the most important places in the world of tech.

Living in Shenzhen is in many ways like living in the future.

Zowee operates a factory. They make cheap smartphones and other electronics.

they’ve built a complex where workers can live right beside the factory line.

that are going to build a smartphone end-to-end completely by robots

The end goal of something like this is to get the quality of the products higher, to bring costs down from less labor

All workers have been replaced by one lonely final inspector.

the robots rise and send millions of workers to the unemployment line.

QR codes

Instead you scan QR codes to pay for everything: restaurants, groceries, even buskers.

But there’s also a dark side.

very worried that they have your face in the facial recognition - like, the facial recognition system.

Most of the websites we know and love are blocked in China, replaced with Chinese equivalents that the government can monitor

, she took me to this restaurant staffed entirely by robots

It turns out it is possible to access the freedom-loving internet here, via what’s called a VPN

SpaceX

trips would be completed in less than half an hour

here is called point-to-point space travel the idea is you get in a rocket with a couple hundred other people and you blast off above the atmosphere and you spend about an hour traveling above the earth

they could do a trip from New York to Shanghai in this sort of way in about 39 minutes

nearly 150 million passengers took a long-haul international flight per year

there are over 800 routes these routes are servicing over 150 million passengers 10 hour flight

there are three big challenges that stand in the way of point-to-point space travel becoming a reality cost logistics and safety

The cost of This travel will be 2 times cheaper

The market is huge but …