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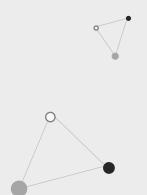
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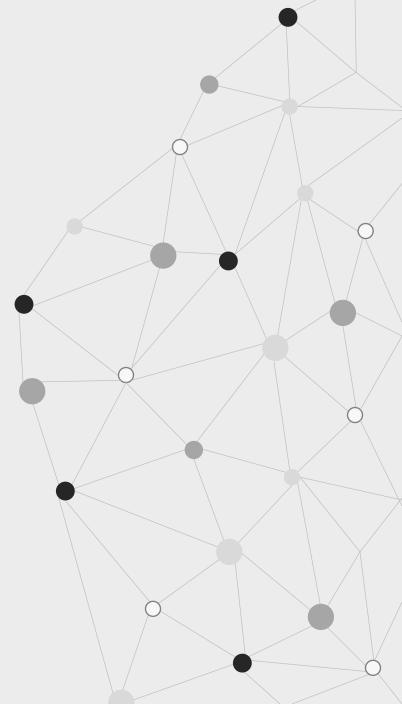
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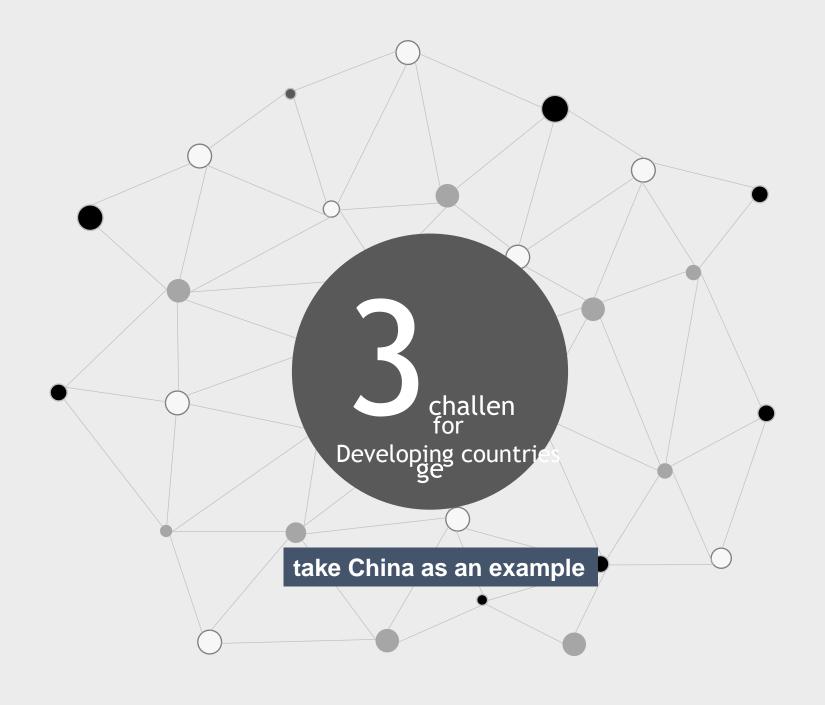






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Challenges



Destabilize the social structure

The imbalance between the development of technology and the adjustment of social structure

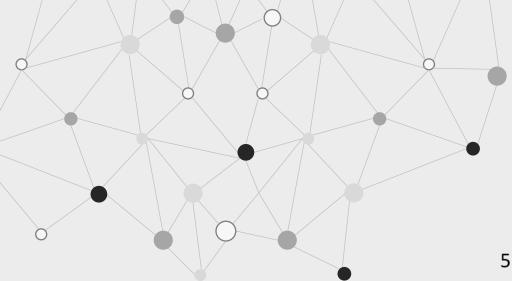


Unemployment problem
Resulting in surplus labor diversion problem



Resulting in new social gaps:

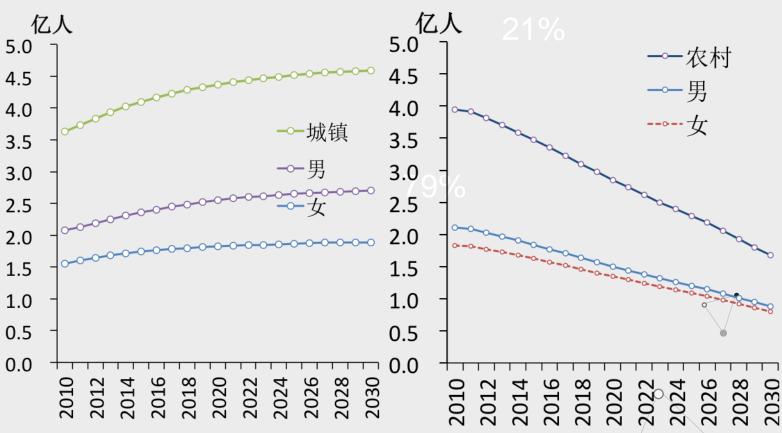
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The gap between regions.

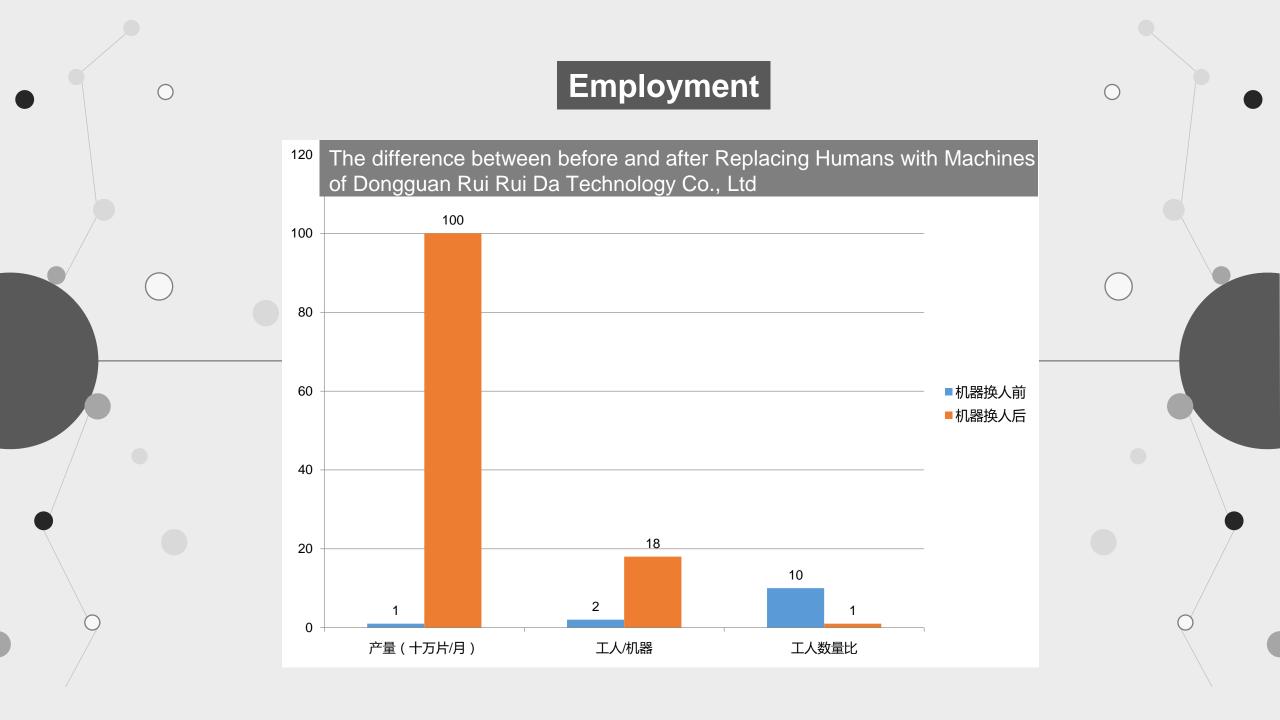


Destabilize the social structure

If machines replace people, the employment of populations from rural to urban becomes a serious problem, and social structures will become unbalanced

The trend of changes in labor force population in rural and urban areas from 2010-2030









Intelligent manufacturing is a capital and technology intensive projects, the cycle of investment and return is very long, almost only the world top 500 and large-scale manufacturing enterprises can really have a chance to do intelligence, how to let the small and medium-sized enterprises be into intelligent manufacturing rapidly become a pressing problem. This problem will also show that the gap between enterprises will be enlarged.



The more developed countries or regions, tend to the faster speed of technological diffusion. The backward countries or regions, often only used the mature technology, it must widen the gap with the developed countries.

