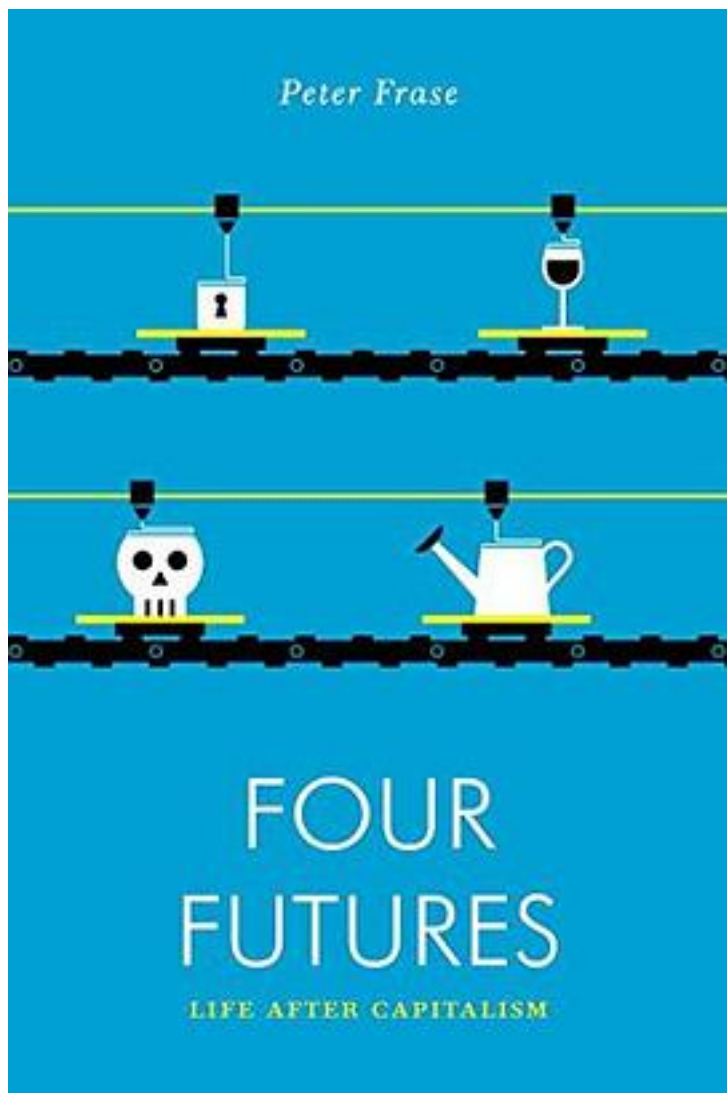


# Four Futures



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Peter Frase argues that increasing automation and a growing scarcity of resources, thanks to climate change, will bring it all tumbling down. In *Four Futures*, Frase imagines how this post-capitalist world might look, deploying the tools of both social science and speculative fiction to explore what communism, rentism, socialism and exterminism might actually entail.

Could the current rise of real-life robocops usher in a world that resembles *Ender's Game*? And sure, communism will bring an end to material scarcities and inequalities of wealth—but there's no guarantee that social hierarchies, governed by an economy of “likes,” wouldn't rise to take their place. A whirlwind tour through science fiction, social theory and the new technologies already shaping our lives, *Four Futures* is a balance sheet of the socialisms we may reach if a resurgent Left is successful, and the barbarisms we may be consigned to if those movements fail.

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## 评论

看完背脊凉，不实现先众生平等缩短贫富差距的话，4个未来一个都不好，而按照人类的天性是先众生平等是万万不可能的。加上科技的发展未必能在天然资源的衰竭之前解决问题，dystopian怕是不远了。

很有趣，结合当下人类面临的AI和环境问题这最严峻的两大问题，从资本主义和政治的角度分析，畅想了4种可能的未来（两个utopia两个dystopia）。最后作者也说未来的路是靠现在的我们来选择，还引用了老毛的话“革命不是请客吃饭”，所以既是最成功的革命，也会有失败者和牺牲者，

自动化和资源危机阴影下对未来社会的思想实验。我认为就是rentism和exterminism的结合体，实际上我们现在的社会已经开始了。在资源abundant甚至不是特别scarce的社会里，UBI对于打破体制的解决方案出现率很高

This book provides a framework about how leftism theory fits in an era of automation and ecological crisis/collapse. Very insightful on a lot of the problems that are relevant even today. Also, the author is a huge sci-fi fan.

说Universal Basic Income是向Communism转型的第一步。Andrew Yang任重道远...

还是听象叔的话，好好再读读。我当年不知道干嘛去了，废物

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## 书评

虽然试图描绘未来是危险且无谋的，但人类还是无法抑制想像未来的渴望，尤其当时代发生巨大变动的时候，例如，二十世纪初的未来主义就是一个明证，源起于艺术领域，后来蔓延到文学，电影，和其他的领域。或许诚如100年后的我们去看那个技术经济飞跃发展，从而改变了整个世界结构...

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