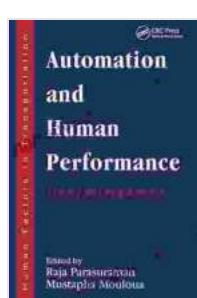


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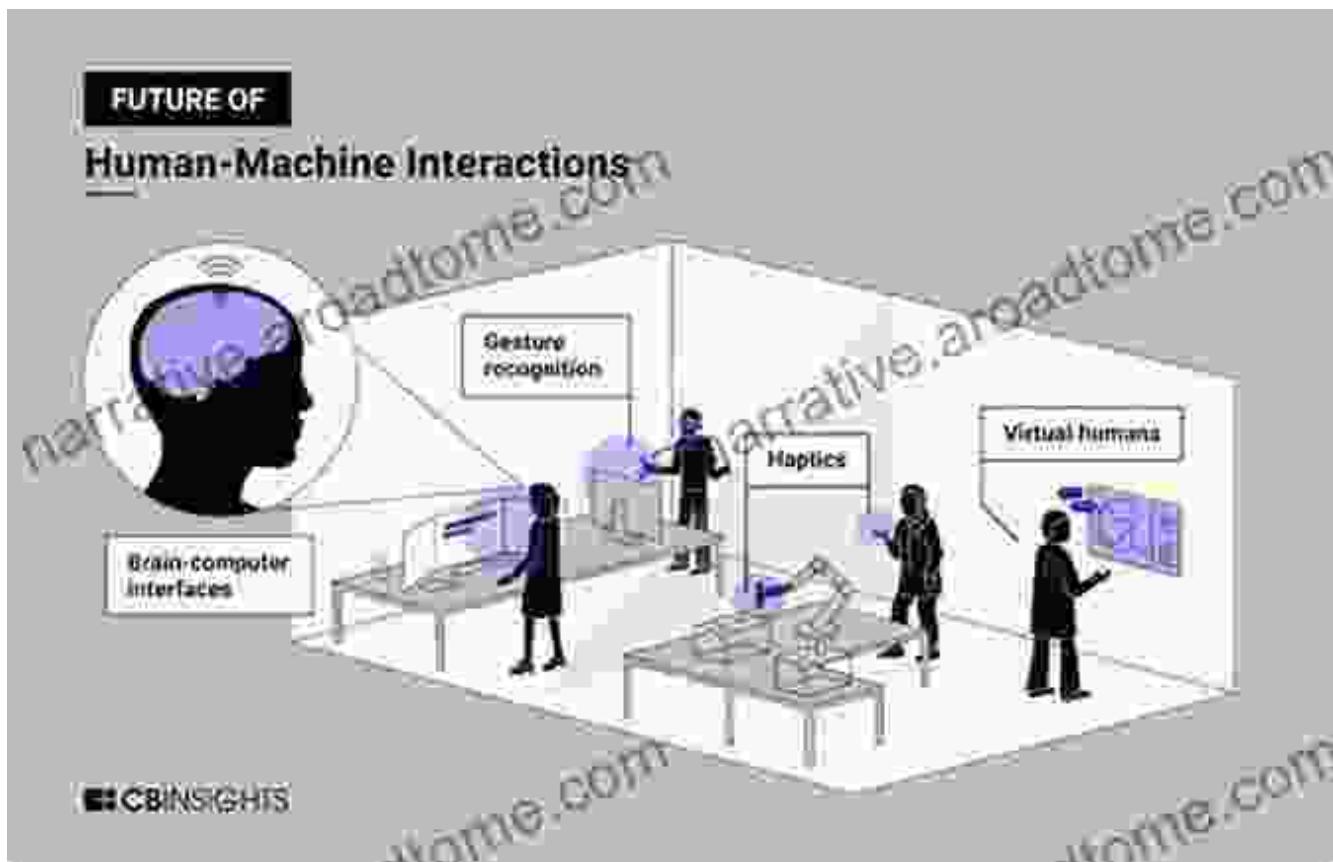
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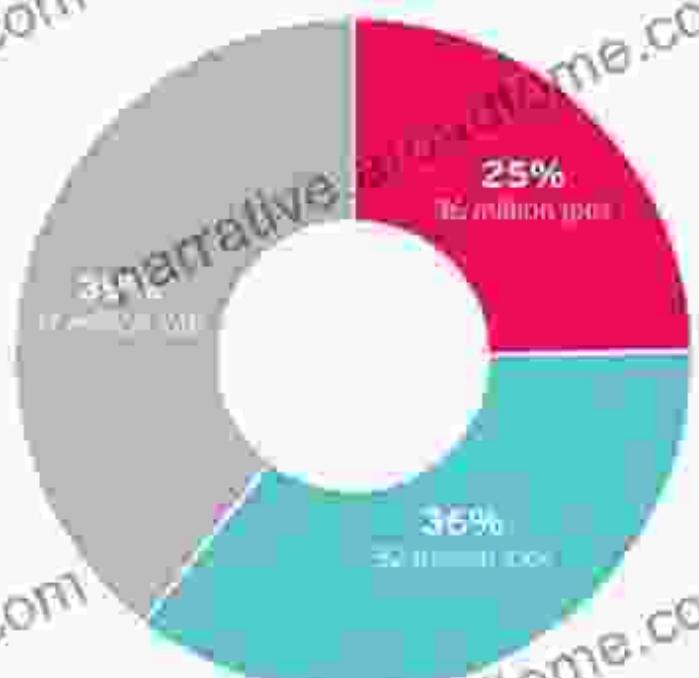
Most jobs are not highly susceptible to automation

Source: Employment by automation potential

**Potential for automation**

*(volume of tasks within the job that are susceptible to automation)*

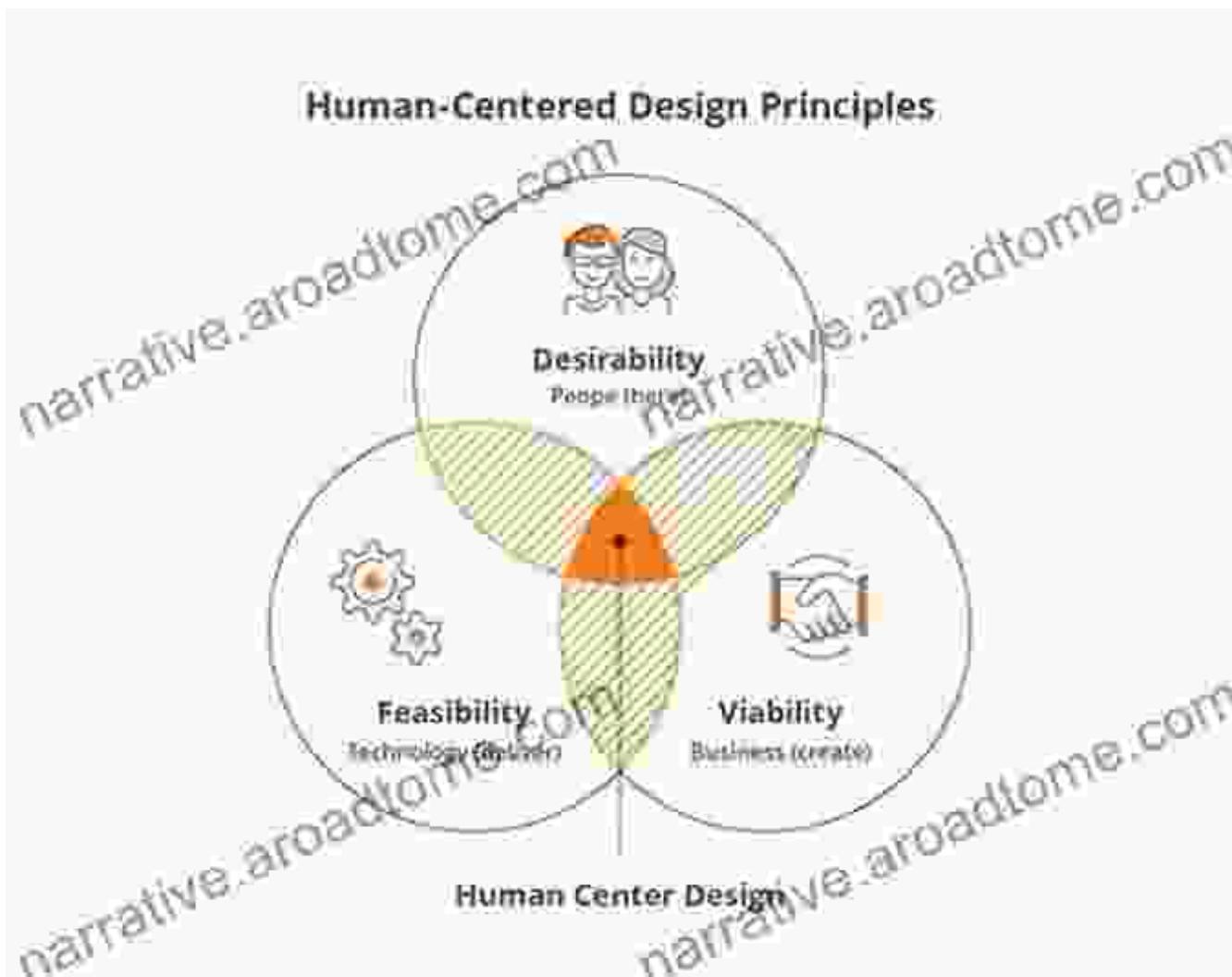
- High (70% or more)
- Medium (30% - 70%)
- Low (0% - 30%)



Source: Brookings Institution, U.S. Census, TMSI, and McKinsey (2013).

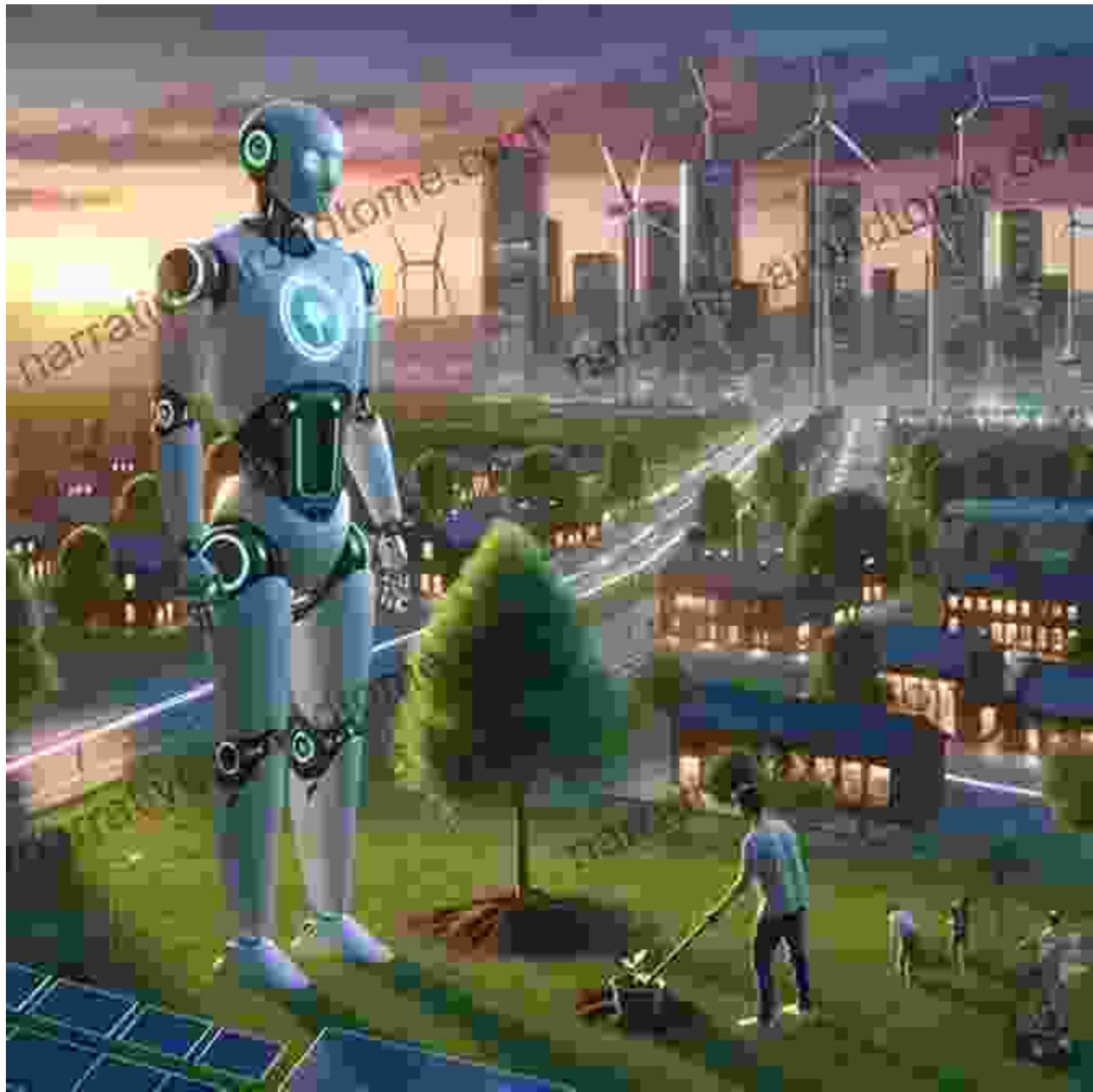
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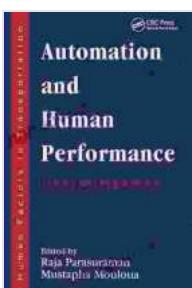
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The final chapter of the book looks ahead to the future of automation and its potential impact on society. It explores emerging trends such as AI, machine learning, and robotics, and discusses the ethical and societal implications of increasing automation. The book concludes with a vision for a future where automation and human performance are synergistically combined to create a more prosperous and fulfilling world.



Automation And Human Performance Theory And Applications is an indispensable resource for anyone interested in the transformative role of automation in the modern workplace. It provides a comprehensive understanding of the theoretical and practical aspects of automation, empowering readers to harness its power to enhance productivity, improve

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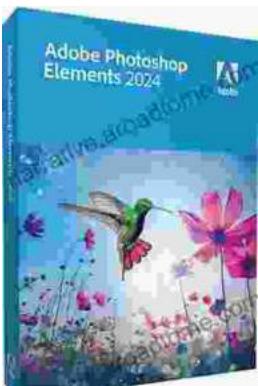
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