

7th German-Brazilian Dialogue on Science, Technology and Innovation

WORK ORGANIZATION AND SKILLS REQUIREMENT IN THE DIGITAL ERA

Afonso Fleury

Polytechnic School (Poli) – University of São Paulo

IF AT&T DOES NOT MOVE FAST, IBM WILL RULE THE WORLD.

STATEMENT HEARD IN SEMINAR LIKE THIS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX, 1985 TIME OF THE MICROELECTRONICS REVOLUTION

Sometime ago ...



Organização do trabalho:

- uma abordagem interdisciplinar
- sete estudos sobre a realidade brasileira

Work organization:

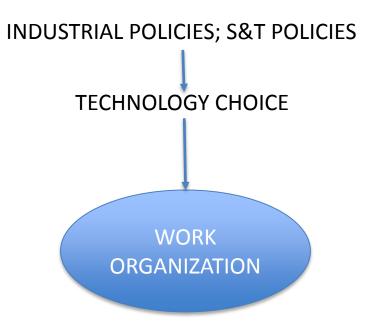
- an interdisciplinar approach
- seven studies about the Brazilian reality

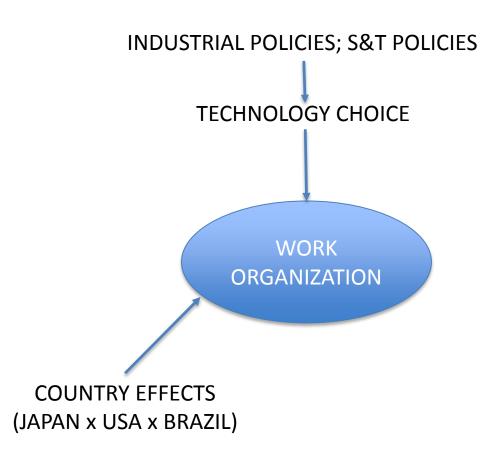
Afonso Fleury e Nilton Vargas

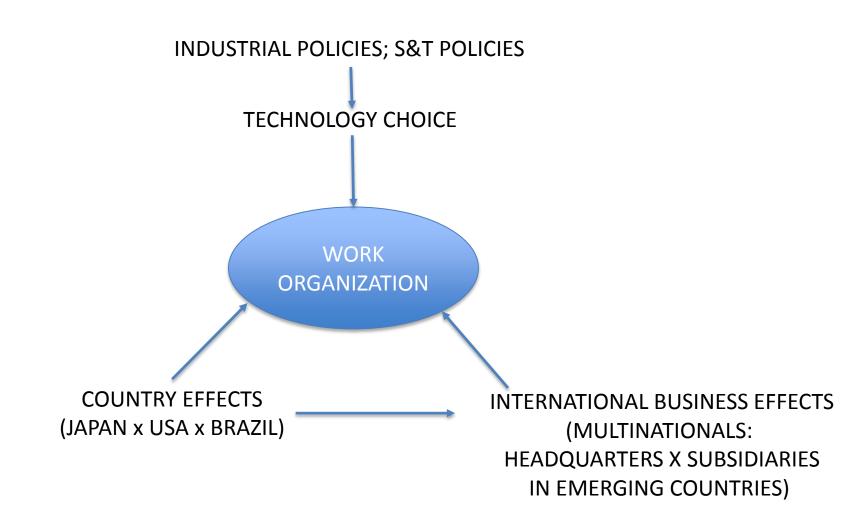
Editora Atlas, 1983

What can I say about work organization in the digital era?

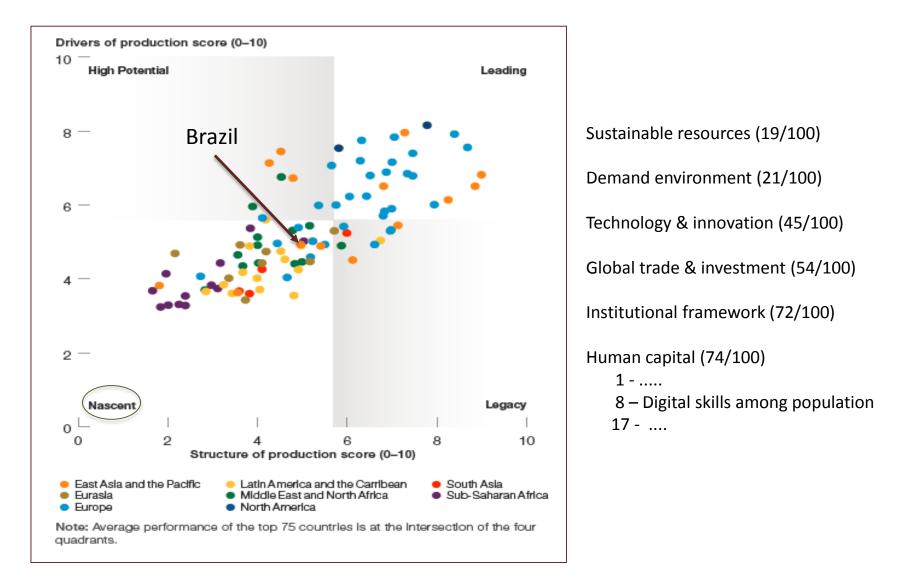








Readiness for the future of production

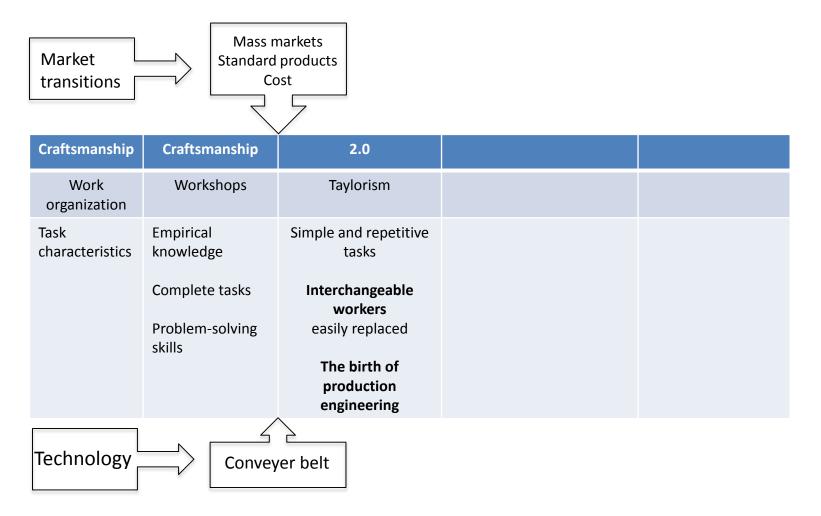


Source – Readiness for the Future of Production (WEF, 2018)

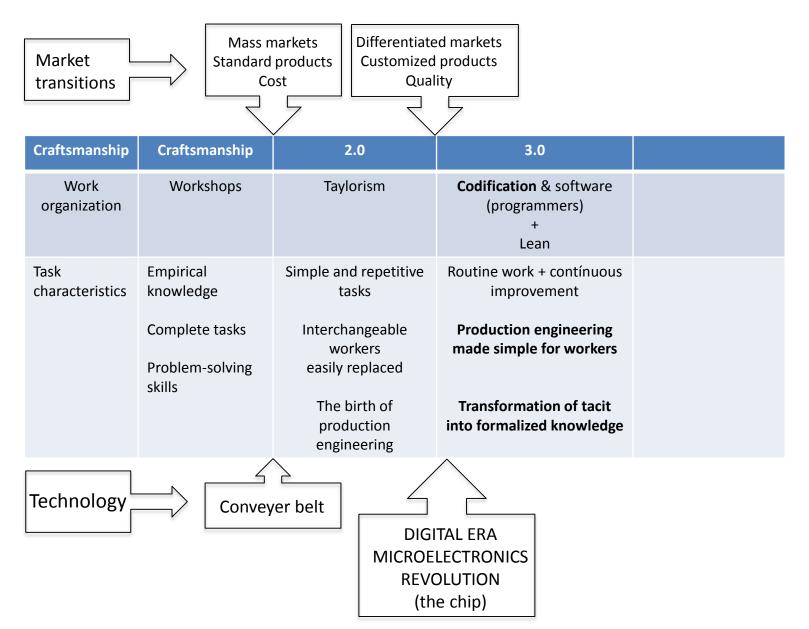
AGENDA

- 1. The evolution of work organization and skill requirements
- 2. The evolution of work organization and skill requirements in Brazil: drivers and anchors
- 3. Challenges
- 4. Concluding remarks

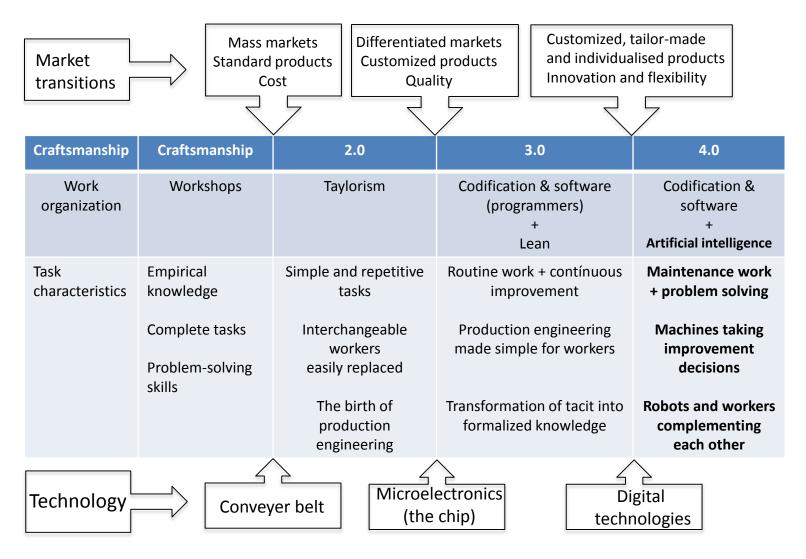
1. The evolution of work organization and skill requirements



1. The evolution of work organization and skill requirements



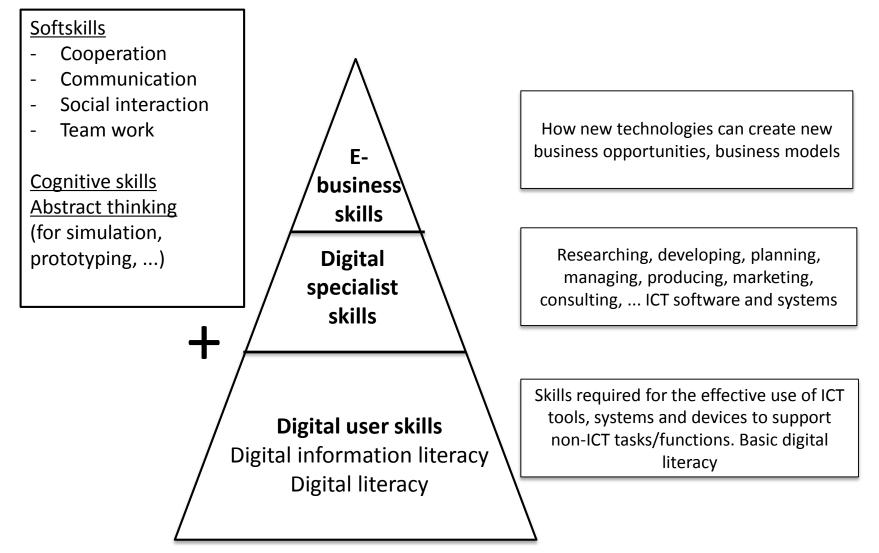
1. The evolution of work organization and skill requirements



1. The change in tasks and skills

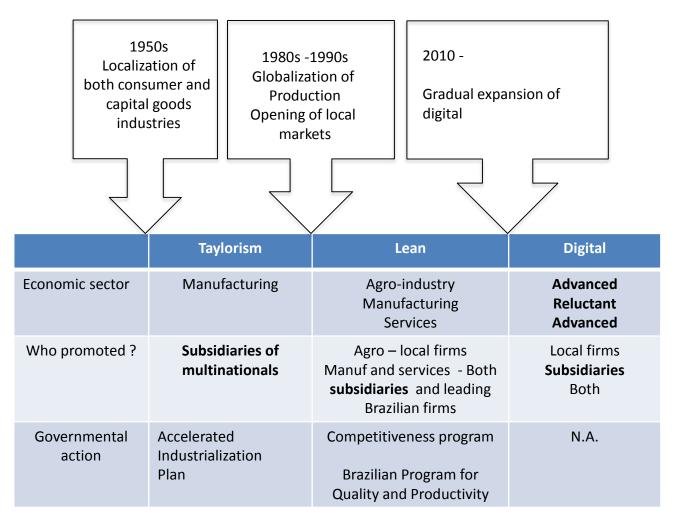
Cognitive	3.0 Lean	4.0 Digital
Manual	2.0 Taylorism	3.0 Lean
	Routine	Non-routine

1. Skills for digital transformation

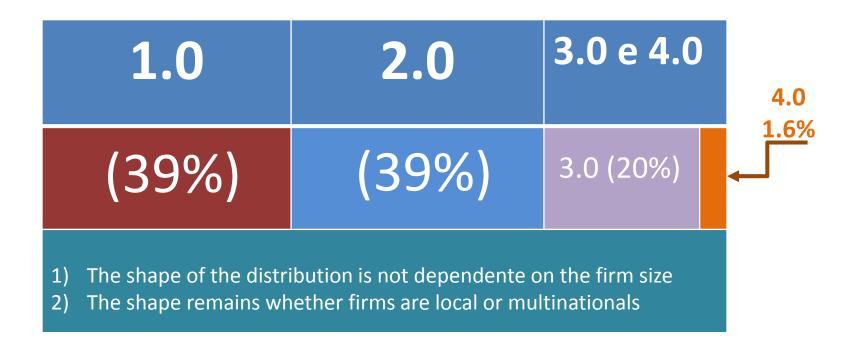


Source: European Commission, 2014

2. Work organization and skills requirement in Brazil



Current stage of development of firms in the Brazilian industry



Fonte: CNI – Confederação Nacional da Industria 2017

3. Challenges

Deindustrialization

A) When foreign capital takes control of Brazilian-owned firms

Cases: Embraco, Embraer, Braskem, ...

B) When any firm closes its local operations (fully or partially)

are multinationals closing their local subsidiaries operations due to the possibilities created by the use of digital Technologies?

Agro-industry

Services (several business áreas are doing well with digital)

3. Challenges

The enhancement of digital literacy and digital capabilities will depend on:

- new forms of education, professionalization and requalification
- new forms for contractual agreements

4. Concluding remarks

To accelerate the modernization of Brazilian manufacturing:

the formulation of a national program for digital dissemination
(digital is a key element for country competitiveness in the global economy)

- the expansion of local capabilities in digital technologies
 - creating and enforcing existing **digital innovation ecosystems**
 - enforcing international partnerships
- expansion of multinationals by counteracting trends to reshore or backshore that are stimulated by digital technologies

THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

Afonso Fleury

acfleury@usp.br