

# Weekly Discovery

We SHARE to inspire and ignite ideas!

#### **1D PRINTING**

# Transformer Robots Can Be Printed on **Demand in Just 13 Minutes**



Introducing a recyclable 1D printed robot, which only requires up to 13 minutes to be fabricated, that can complete missions in small spaces or uncommon shaped corners. Learn more at IEEE.

Source: New Scientist (12 July 2017)

## DATA SECURITY

## **IBM's Plan to Encrypt Unthinkable** Amounts of Sensitive Data



IBM announced that it has a method to encrypt all levels of data within a network and its new mainframe can run 12 billion encrypted transactions in a day. Marking a big leap in the race of data security. Source: Wired (17 July 2017)

INNOVATION

# BondicEVO<sup>™</sup> Liquid Plastic Welder

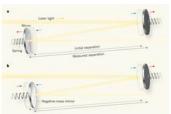


Instant plastic in seconds! This device can fix your broken products and bond materials together in a matter of seconds.

Source: Kickstarter (2017)

#### SENSORS

## **Precision Measurement: Sensing Past** the Quantum Limit



Scientists have developed a method that could improve current sensor technology by breaking through the constraints that quantum physics have on sensors performance.

#### 3D PRINTING

#### This 3D-Printed Human Heart Can Do Everything a Real One Can



Researchers have 3D-printed an artificial heart using a soft, flexible material. The proof of concept design which enabled pumping blood-like fluid at human bodylike pressures was successfully tested. Read the full research paper.

Source: Futurism (17 July 2017)

#### DRONE SAFETY Pyrotechnic Parachute a Proposed Solution for Falling Commercial Drones



Drones will no longer crashed to the ground in the event of a collision or loss of power, this is made possible by a parachute that will be activated when it detects something is wrong during flight. Source: <u>ZD Net</u> (17 July 2017)

#### MATERIALS How a Bike Helmet Protects Your Head



This innovative helmet adopts a mesh layer of polycarbonate cones and a multidirectional impact system to spread impact force to reduce injury to the cyclist's head when crashing.

Source: Popular Mechanics (14 July 2017) SOLAR

# How China Floated to the Top in Solar



Asian superpower China is leading the world in finding green solutions and is now the largest renewable energy investor. Read on to understand the rise of its solar energy initiatives and the impacts on U.S. solar industry.

Source: TIME (18 July 2017)

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#### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

# AI Creates Fake Obama

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ficial intelligence was utilized to recreate Obama's face, expressions and even lip movement when talking. This technology has possible applications to detecting fake videos. Also read the paper.

Source: IEEE spectrum (12 July 2017)

#### DRONES

**THOR Transformer Drone Hovers and Cruises With No Compromises** 



Researchers from SUTD have designed a prototype drone with the ability to fly vertically and horizontally.

Source: <u>IEEE spectrum</u> (17 July 2017)

#### ROBOTS AT WORK

**Boston-Based Locus Robotics Builds** Autonomous Warehouse Robots



The short video shows how multiple robots can coexist and work collaboratively with humans in the warehouse by leveraging on the LRAN system (Locus Robotics Advanced Navigation).

Source: Tech Crunch (17 July 2017)

#### SUPERCAPACITOR

Team Develops Fast, Cheap Method to Make Supercapacitor Electrodes for Electric Cars, High-Powered Lasers



Engineers have developed a faster and cheaper way of mass producing supercapacitors and are able to charge/discharge their electrical load faster as well. Find more at Nature.

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