



## 'Take me to the nearest donut shop' — GM to launch ads & commerce to OnStar

The car manufacturer is preparing to launch AtYourService, a program that will bring discounts and information on nearby businesses to its OnStar subscription service. GM has already struck deals with Dunkin' Donuts and travel booking site Priceline.com, the latter of which will allow users to book hotels while on the move. This IOT (Internet of Things) feature will soon feature a bespoke location based (LBS-IOT) platform for relevant ads and special offers from merchants.



## Your future kitchen knows when food is spoiling, tells you what to make for dinner

According to Whirlpool, kitchen surfaces will act like touchscreens, and integrate with video conferencing (e.g. if you need to ask mom about a recipe), text messages and alerts from social-network feeds. You'll be able to put a pot or skillet anywhere on a surface, and it will detect the item, and start heating it up. The kitchen will also recommend customized recipes based on ingredients you already have. This is possible due to what Whirlpool calls a smart vessel



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## Zuta's robotic, wireless and portable printer was a headline at CES

The tiny printer made all the big headlines at CES 2015. The wireless printer works for about an hour and is rechargeable via micro USB. Users can print on all sizes of paper and it works without drivers and can print from Macs, PCs iOS and Android.

The size — just 10.2 centimeters in diameter — is a big selling point for the product. It is aimed at users who only need a printer infrequently and in places where traditional access — think a coffee shop or at a hotel — is not always applicable. The fact that it also works with smartphones and tablets is a big deal, too. More often than not, I wind up needing to print documents from my phone more than my laptop. The pre-order price — is \$199.99. The printer is available in white and black. It comes with a print cartridge that is good for at least 100 pages. Additional cartridges are available for pre-order.



## Siri can finally turn lamps on and off with a \$50 device called Switch

Switch is essentially a wall power outlet that connects to the Internet. Once the Switch is plugged into the existing outlet, the user then plugs a household product (for this example, we'll say Christmas lights) into the Switch. After that, the user can control the Christmas lights via the Switch app, so it's easy to toggle the lights on or off with a virtual switch. And thanks to HomeKit, the app is compatible with Siri, so theoretically all a user would have to do is announce "Turn on the Christmas lights," and the lights would pop on.



## Sony unveils 4K action camera to supercharge your sports videos

Sony unveiled its first 4K-ready action camera, the FDR-X100V, which allows users to record point-of-view shots in full 4K resolutions. The camera, which will go on sale in March for \$500, can shoot videos with a resolution of 3,840 x 2,160 pixels and comes with a new wind noise reduction feature that maintains high sound quality despite wind noise. It's also water resistant to protect against splashes, drops in the snow, rain and other wet conditions. The camera includes Sony's Steady Shot feature, which stabilizes videos, though this feature only works when shooting in HD, not in 4K.



## New smartphone battery recharges in less than two minutes

Your next smartphone could charge in less than two minutes. During Mashable's demo, the Galaxy S5 battery went from almost empty to 100% in less than two minutes.

Rather than trying to improve the capacity of the battery itself, the company redesigned the internal structure of the battery so it can charge rapidly.



## IO Hawk is part skateboard, part Segway — and it's wonderful

The IO Hawk, by the company with the same name, is a self-balancing motorized personal transporter. Similar to the Segway (but minus the handle bars), the product is powered by batteries, motors and uses slight pressure from your feet to guide it where you want it to go. When you shift your balance, the device responds and moves in that direction. The IO Hawk weighs in at 22 pounds and can travel up to 6 mph. There are also lights behind the base as a security measure



## Audi reveals a smartwatch that lets you talk to your car

Tied directly to Audi's piloted driving A7 prototype, the wearable allows the driver to communicate with the car. Based on the presentation, one of the device's functions will be to unlock the car. Hopefully, the wearable device communication will include things such as controlling the vehicle's engine, windows, temperature and the like. It works using NFC.