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The system also offers an upgrade path to Polaris 3D software and the Encelium networked light management system for more sophisticated, enterprise-level control or integration to building automation systems via BACNet. It is a solution for a variety of room or multi-room applications including new, retrofit and multi-phase construction projects.

The company is targeting Simplux at schools, commercial offices, warehouses and places where a wired solution is a challenge.

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"In a world of near infinite compute power and an exponential growth in data, we are focused on empowering every developer to build applications for this new era of intelligent cloud and intelligent edge," said Nadella.

At the conference, Microsoft released four new services as part of its Cognitive Services bundle, which is a set of application tools based on Azure that allows developers to build apps for Apple iOS, Google Android and Windows.

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"We are shooting for a terabit/second over 100 metres, 100Gbits/s at 300 metres and 10Gbits/s at 500 metres—all those are 200 to 1,000 times better than traditional DSLs," said Cioffi, whose research at Stanford in the 1980s led phone companies to embrace DSL for broadband.

"Those numbers could be off 10-25%, but even if they are off by 10x, it's still a substantial improvement—there's a lot of opportunity here," said Cioffi who is now a professor emeritus at Stanford and chairman of Adaptive Spectrum and Signal Alignment (ASSIA), a developer of DSL software.

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With that prospect in mind, Western Digital rolled out earlier this week a new embedded flash drive, called iNAND 7250A, specifically designed as an automotive-grade storage device able to perform reliably in extreme conditions in and around the vehicle -- including ambient temperatures down to -40oC and up to 105oC.

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In the brewing battle between Nvidia's AI car computing platform and an Intel-Mobileye platform, Nvidia now appears to be building momentum.

According to Egil Juliussen, director research, Infotainment & ADAS at IHS Automotive, Toyota has become the fourth major car OEM publicly committed to Nvidia's Drive PX for their highly automated vehicle. The other three OEMs are Audi, Daimler, and VW Group.