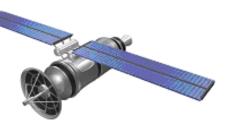
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Among the developers is Vayyar Imaging, the Israeli sensor specialist. It's XRR platform aimed at advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) is a single 4D imaging radar chip with a range of up to 300 meters. The radar chip also provides a 180-degree field of view, operating without the need for an external processor.

The 4D feature refers to the chip's ability to measure distance and relative velocity along with the azimuth of objects and their height relative to the road level.

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The Series C round, led by BlackRock and Hewlett Packard Enterprise, brings Mythic's total funding to \$165.2 million. The company said it would use the funds to accelerate plans for volume production of its analog AI chip products as well as working on next generation hardware while building out its software portfolio.

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With the increasing shift of workloads to the cloud, complex security requirements and the growing number of edge devices the demand for data centric compute has accelerated. By combining compute with best-in-class hardware accelerators, Marvell's OCTEON 10 DPU offers a significant TCO advantage and features numerous industry firsts. Delivering three times the performance and 50 percent lower power compared to previous generations of OCTEON, the newly announced solution is the first to be designed on a 5nm process to incorporate Arm Neoverse N2 cores, as well as the first inline artificial intelligence/machine learning (Al/ML) hardware acceleration, the first integrated 1 terabit switch and the first to incorporate vector packet processing (VPP) hardware accelerators.

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Renesas and MaxPower are collaborating to offer improved efficiency power semiconductor products used in power tools, vacuum cleaners, industrial motor drives and mobility applications. A leading example product is driving a full-size BLDC vacuum motor that will allow for improved performance in traditional cordless upright and canister vacuums.

## **Qualcomm Enhances Snapdragon Performance**

Qualcomm was one of the few companies making important announcements during the first day of this year's (mostly virtual) Mobile Word Congress.

Though not actually present, the San Diego-based chip group outlined details of its latest Snapdragon 888 Plus chipset, which now has a 3GHz prime CPU core and a much improved AI engine that Qualcomm says offers a 20% better performance compared to the original Snapdragon 888 launched six months ago.

Several companies, including Motorola, Asus, Vivo and Xiaomi have already said they plan to use the Plus engine in devices to be introduced by the third quarter of the year.

Perhaps more significantly for the long term, Qualcomm said it is winning increased support for 5G mmWave frequencies globally, and introduced what it says is the first 3GPP release 16 small cell platform, the FSM200xx, as well as higher performance 5G Distributed Unit (DU) X100 accelerator cards.

Both should give the 5G ecosystem a major boost and accelerate the shift towards 5G virtual/ Open RAN.