



KS&R's DIGITAL DISPATCH

Week Ending: May 04, 2018

Top Stories This Week

[Sprint And T-Mobile Try Again, But Antitrust Hurdles Remain The Same](#)

Several years ago, Sprint's largest shareholder, SoftBank, quietly approached two of the nation's top regulators with a question: If Sprint were to merge with T-Mobile, would the government approve it? ([cnbc.com](#))

[As Windows 10 April 2018 Update Lands, Microsoft Lists Old Features Being Cut](#)

Microsoft has published a table of the all the features that it is deprecating or removing from the new Windows 10 April 2018 Update that started rolling out on Monday. ([zdnet.com](#))

[Artificial Intelligence As A Service Market Worth 10.88 Billion USD By 2023](#)

According to a new market research report "Artificial Intelligence as a Service Market by Service Type (Software Tools and Services), Technology (Machine Learning and Deep Learning, and Natural Language Processing), Organization Size, Vertical, and Region - Global Forecast 2023", published by MarketsandMarkets™, the AI as a Service Market size is expected to grow from USD 1.52 Billion in 2018 to USD 10.88 Billion by 2023, at a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 48.2% during the forecast period. ([prnewswire.com](#))

Products & Services

[All 21 Apps And Games Launching On Oculus Go](#)

The Oculus Go virtual reality headset is now available at a starting price of \$200, and Facebook showed off its flagship VR social apps at its F8 developer conference today. ([venturebeat.com](#))

[LumiWatch Smartwatch Turns Your Arm Into A Touchscreen](#)

Like the idea of a device that doesn't need to be picked up or carried around? ([cnet.com](#))

Emerging Technology

[IBM Files Patent That Tackles Challenges of Running A Blockchain On IoT Devices](#)

IBM has developed a method for using a blockchain on a network of Internet of Things devices to execute smart contracts, another sign that Big Blue sees bigger applications in the fledgling space. ([crn.com](#))

[You May Soon Be Able To Control Your Home With A Smart Wall](#)

Forget a smart speaker, soon you may be able to control your smart home with a few taps on your wall. ([theverge.com](#))

Mergers, Acquisitions, & Partnerships

[Disney, Twitter Team Up To Create Social Media Content](#)

Walt Disney Co. is working with Twitter Inc. to create live sports programming and other content for the social media platform, part of a push to turn Twitter's service into a destination for premium streaming video. ([staradvertiser.com](#))

[NBCUniversal And Google Partner Up For VR Content](#)

NBCUniversal and Google have announced a partnership to produce virtual reality content based on shows from NBC's broadcast network and various cable channels. ([fiercecable.com](#))

Industry Reports

[DroneDeploy Releases New Construction Solution To Put A Drone On Every Construction Site](#)

US: DroneDeploy, a drone software company with the largest drone data platform in the world, launched its construction solution to meet the industry's growing demand for aerial site intelligence. ([geospatialworld.net](#))

[Younger Consumers Adopt Voice Technology Faster, But Use Voice Assistants Less, Report Claims](#)

Here's an odd juxtaposition for you. According to a new report on voice assistants released today by PwC, younger users are adopting voice technology at a faster rate than their older counterparts, but are somehow using their voice assistants less often. ([techcrunch.com](#))

[Verizon Taps Cisco, Juniper For Intelligent Edge](#)

Verizon, along with Cisco and Juniper Networks, is using software-defined networking (SDN) technology to combine all of its existing service edge routers for Ethernet and IP-based services onto a single platform, improving the operational efficiency of its networks while also adding increased functionality and flexibility. ([lightreading.com](#))