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“LENS OF ENCRYPTION“

A new camera could prevent companies from collecting embarrassing and identifiable photos and videos from devices like smart home cameras and robotic vacuums. It's called PrivacyLens and was made by University of Michigan engineers. PrivacyLens uses both a standard video camera and a heat-sensing camera to spot people in images from their body temperature. The person's likeness is then completely replaced by a generic stick figure, whose movements mirror those of the person it stands in for. The accurately animated stick figure allows a device-relying on the camera to continue to function without revealing the identity of the person in view of the camera. Also this smart device that removes personally identifiable information before sensitive data is sent to private servers will be a far safer product. With this level of privacy protection, the engineering team is hoping to make patients more comfortable with using cameras to monitor chronic health conditions and fitness at home.

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“ORACLE’s NEXT INVESTMENT”

Oracle plans to invest more than \$6.5 billion to set up its first public cloud region in Malaysia, the company said on Wednesday, the latest major investment by a global tech firm into the Southeast Asian country. Technology giants including Microsoft (MSFT.O), Alphabet unit Google (GOOGL.O) and China's ByteDance have announced billions of dollars of digital investments into Malaysia since last year, mostly in cloud services and data centres, powering an infrastructure boom driven by growing demand for artificial intelligence (AI). A cloud region is the physical, geographic location where a company's public cloud facilities are located. Oracle's venture is set to be one of the largest single tech investments so far, outpacing the 6.2 billion planned spending by Amazon's cloud unit AWS announced last year.

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“THE BIGGEST SMISHING”

Police in New Zealand have stopped a major "smishing" operation orchestrated by a teenager, who used fake text messages to collect personal data from thousands of mobile phones. Smishing, a form of phishing that uses text messages instead of emails, has become a growing concern in the digital landscape. Unlike traditional phishing, where scammers use email to trick victims into sharing sensitive information, smishing involves sending deceptive text messages. The scammer in this case used an SMS Blaster, a device that acts like a false cell tower, tricking nearby phones into connecting to its network. New Zealand police described the device as something they had never encountered before in the country. According to authorities, the teen sent out thousands of fraudulent texts, with approximately 700 messages sent in a single night.

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