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**SIZE COMPARISON**

(original sizes)

SMARTPHONE LENS

SLR LENs
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**Smartphone Lens**
Smartphones display all objects from near to far with the same sharpness.

**SLR Lens**
The depth of field can be set selectively with large SLR lenses.
Optical systems can capture and interpret hand movements contactlessly – this is ideal in sterile workplaces such as hospital operating rooms.

**SURGICAL HAND-TRACKING SYSTEM**

detailed view from below

Two infrared (IR) cameras capture the scene like two human eyes from slightly shifted perspectives. A 3D camera, which is based on the propagation time of light, verifies the distance.
FLAT SCREENS

In contrast to early cathode ray tubes, flat screens save a great deal of energy per unit area. Impressive global production capacities meet the high demand for these displays.

**ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION AT SAME DISPLAY SIZE**

- **100%**: Cathode ray tube
- **25%**: LCD

**PRODUCTION OF FLATScreens WITHIN ONE HOUR**

- **200,000** smartphone displays
- **2** football fields

Total area of produced flat screens (TVs, tablets, smartphones, and others)
LCD vs OLED

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LCD DISPLAY STRUCTURE

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**OLED DISPLAY STRUCTURE**

Organically luminous materials in OLED displays do not require a separate light source, which makes their construction depth much thinner.

**OLED – Organic Light Emitting Diode**

These layers together are around 200 times thinner than a human hair.

- **TFT** = thin-film transistors
- **carrier material** (glass or plastic)
- **organic layers**
  Molecules are electrically excited to make them glow.

**LIGHT DIRECTION**

**display resolutions** in pixels

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