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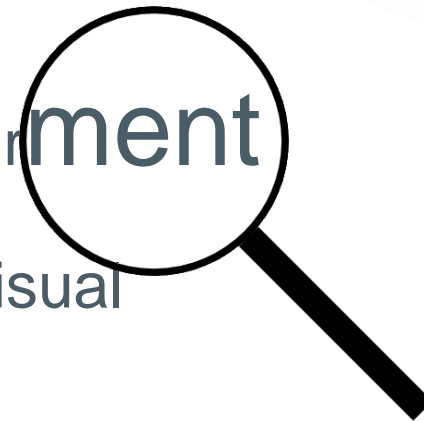
Digital Magnifying Systems, Voice-Based and AI Tools for Inclusion in Education and Everyday Life

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Introduction

- People with slight visual impairment
- Compensation with glasses or contact lenses
- Compensation of severe visual impairment
- Our topic is „digital tools for severe visual impaired and blind people“



Introducing myself

- Come from Gießen near by Frankfurt, Germany
- Young city with 94K citizens (42K Students)
- Work for Technical University of Middlehessen
- BliZ – Center for blind and visual impaired students
- Since 2005 Senior Adviser at BliZ



A few eye diseases

CATARACT/CORNEAL OPACITY



GLAUCOM/MYOPIA



MACULAR DEGENERATION



COLOR BLINDNESS

Aids for severe visual impaired people 1/2

- **Digital Video Magnifying Systems for objects and printed templates**
Desktop/Mobile Video Magnifier and Video Magnifier using PC / Notebook Display
- **Magnification Software for PC's or Mobile devices (Smartphone / Tablet)**
Build-in Operating System / Commercial Magnification-Software
- **Optical magnification aids**
Monoculars, magnifying glasses or Telescope

Aids for visual impaired People 2/2 (picture examples)

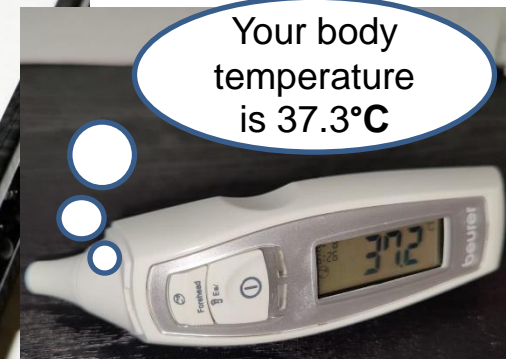
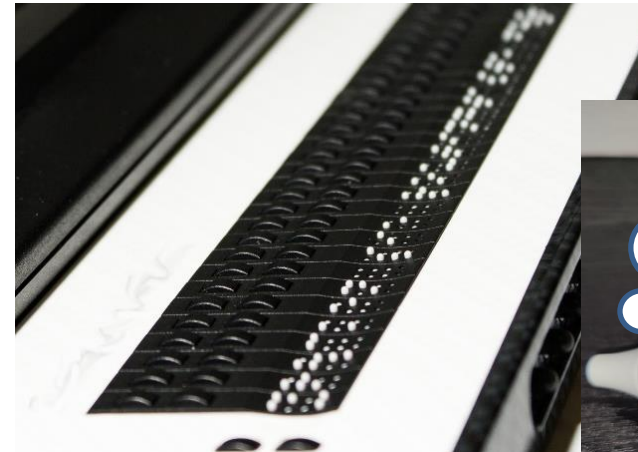


Aids for fully blind people 1/2

- **The white cane** for mobility
- **Braille on paper print** to read books and skripts
- **Braille display/braille Tablet** for using with Computer
- **Screenreader** to read texts on Computers by synthetic voice
- **Voice recorders** to take notes
- **Items with Voice-Output** to use everyday life

Aids for fully blind people 2/2 (picture examples)

14 25 36	Braille-Alphabet				
A	B	C	D	E	F
G	H	I	J	K	L
M	N	O	P	Q	R
S	T	U	V	W	X
Y	Z				



AI in aids for blind and severe visual impaired people

- **WeWalk a smart cane with obstacle detection and navigation with voice output**
 - warns the user of a collision with an object using vibration
 - navigates to a bus stop and says which bus will arrive next
 - lets the user know when the desired bus stop has been reached
- **Smart glasses - OrCam**
 - can read texts to the user by using synthetic voice output
 - recognize and communicate saved faces – who is coming to me?
 - identify colours and banknotes the contents of a packaged product

AI in aids for blind an visual impaired people



Conclusion

- Technological progress has brought about many new devices in electronic aids
- Made people's lives easier
- Researches provide new lifechanging tools
- That means more hope for blind and visual impaired people



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**Thank you
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