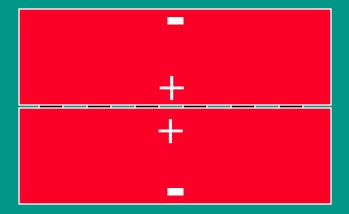
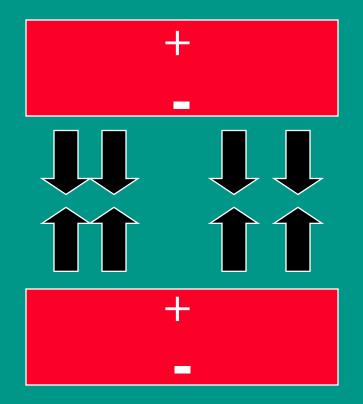


How does magnetic levitation work between two magnets?

Like charges repel



Opposites attract



How is magnetic levitation used for transportation?

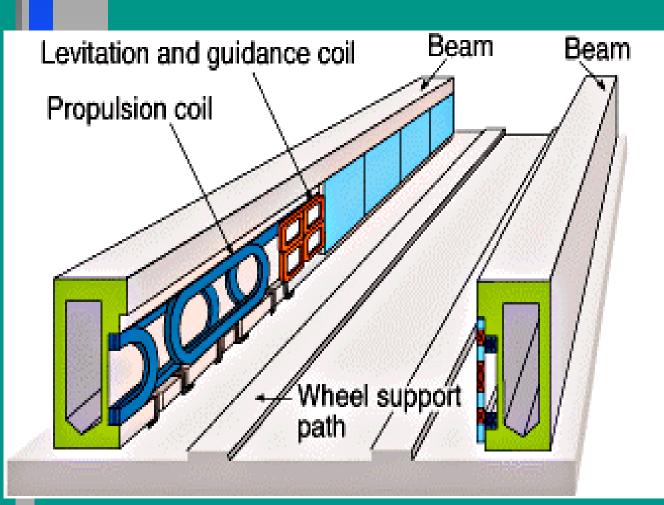
- > Trains
- > Shuttles
- Shipping industry to move packages
- Airport passenger relocation



Magnets push apart

Magnets on track

Typical "dual-beam" Magnetic Levitation train rail system



Have you ever seen a real magnetic levitation train?

If so where?

Existing Mag Lev Trains

- Disney World
- Japan
- China
- Germany
- Pennsylvania
- Washington State



The Guideway

The "Transrapid" hovers over a double track guideway. It can be mounted either atgrade or elevated on slim columns and consists of individual steel or concrete beams up to 62 m in length.

What are some advantages of magnetic levitation trains over fuel-burning trains?

- More efficient
- Cleaner burning
- Less land consumption for tracks
- > Faster
- Quieter

Land Consumption Percentages



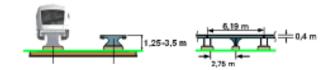
Where are magnetic levitation trains usually located in reference to other trains?

- Sometimes next to roadways
- > At ground level
- Slightly above the ground
- > High above the ground

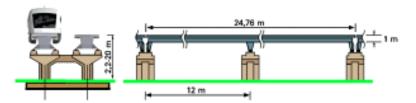
Guideway Types

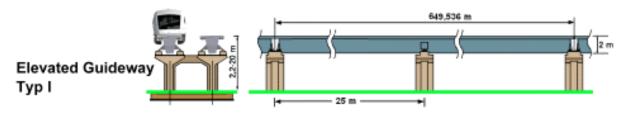


At-grade guideway Typ III



Elevated Guideway Typ II





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Pittsburgh International Airport to Greensburg

Route length	47 miles	Vehicles	8 (5 sections each)
Stations	4	Invest cost	\$ 2.7 billion
Trip time	28 minutes		

A Magnetic Levitation Transportation System is made up of many smaller subsystems. Can you identify the following subsystems?

- What is the structure?
 - Track, support columns, train
- What propels the train?
 - Electricity
- What makes the train levitate?
 - Electromagnets
- How do people get on/off the trains?
 - Loading / unloading stations
- What controls the train's movement?
 - Computer systems

What 4 forces are always acting on objects that are moving?

- Lift
- Thrust
- Drag
- Weight (gravity)

