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## **WARR Hyperloop II**





# **About WARR**

WARR = **W**issenschaftliche **A**rbeitsgemeinschaft für **R**aketentechnik und **R**aumfahrt

- Student group since 1962
- First German hybrid rocket (1974)
- Multiple project groups (~350 member):
  - Hybrid cryogenic rockets (WARR-Ex 3)
  - CubeSat miniature satellites (MOVE-II)
  - Space elevator prototypes/competitions
  - Interstellar space flight studies





#### **The Vision**

#### In 35 min from Munich to Berlin (580 km at ~962 km/h)







# **The Hyperloop Concept**

**High-Speed Ground Transportation System** Proposed by Elon Musk (SpaceX, Tesla) in 2013

> Track: elevated vacuum tube Speed: 1200 km/h







# **The Hyperloop Concept**



Air bearing based capsule concept from the initial alpha study (2013) (http://www.spacex.com/hyperloopalpha)





# **SpaceX Hyperloop Pod Competition**



Competition vacuum tube at SpaceX, Hawthorne, California





# **SpaceX Hyperloop Pod Competition**

- Student competition to encourage innovation and prototype development
- 1.2 km vacuum tube provided by SpaceX
- Optional pusher vehicle for propulsion





#### **The Team**









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## Compressor

- Low pressure compressor Larzac 04 C5 (Alphajet)
- Powered by 30 kW electric motor
- Capacitive water cooling

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## **Passive Levitation**

 Passive electrodynamic suspension with permanent magnets

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- Lift through relative motion over conductive track
- Motion on wheels until liftoff speed

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## **Braking**

• Fail-safe, spring actuated pneumatic friction brakes

 Wear-free electrodynamic eddy current brakes

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# Computer

- Microcontroller based control and navigation system
- Controller communication via CAN
- Ground station control via tube network

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# **Energy Supply**

- 450V Lithium Ion battery system
- Custom battery management system
- Vacuum-tight pressure container

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# **Testing**

- Subsystem level testing:
  - Braking test stand
  - Levitation test stand
  - Sensor testing
  - Vacuum testing:
    - Pneumatics
    - Electronics
    - Compressor
  - Battery testing
  - ...

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## **Pre-Competition**

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- Flexibility is necessary
- Testing is key
- Customs can be a pain
- Magnets produce drag

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- Magnets and Batteries kept in customs for separate inspection
- Team members flew in batteries with carry-on luggage
- Know your backup plans

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- Motor controller of low-speed propulsion blew on-site
- Any system can fail
- Have a backup system ready

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- Testing always takes longer then expected
- Additional tests can be deemed necessary at any time
- Be well prepared, stay late and finish your safety checks asap

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# **Competition Day**

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- Pusher vehicle performed below expectations and liftoff speed
- Magnets unmounted for competition run to reduce drag
- Be flexible in your design

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#### **The Winners**

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## Next up?

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## **Competition II**

- Competition Weekend II
  25. 27.08.2017
- Judging criteria: "Fastest Pod"
- Design Choice: "As light and fast as possible"

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# WARR Hyperloop II: The Team

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#### Pod II

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Competition II vehcile unveiling in July 2017

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# Thank you!

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