

Numerical Simulations of the Ice Accretion Process on Transmission Lines

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Background

transmission line icing



ice coating galloping of transmission line



• Jones (1998) estimated ice accretion thickness using a simple ice accretion model.

$$R = \frac{1}{\rho_i \pi} \sum_{j=1}^{N} [(P_j \rho_0)^2 + (3.6V_j W_j)^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

P: precipitation rate (mm h⁻¹), *W*: liquid water content, *j*: time

- Farzaneh (2000) discussed the mechanism of the freezing process of supercooled water droplet impacting on wires, and calculated coefficient of collision, capturing and freezing by wind tunnel test and physical models. Based on these results, Makkonen (2008) establish the wire icing model, used to estimate ice thickness.
- Degaetano et al. (2008) use WRF to forecast short-term ice accretion for electric utilities, but it is only for freezing rain.

Background

• The basic situation ice coating galloping of transmission line in February 2010 in Hubei province



• Weather observed data from state meteorological administration could not reflect these weather phenomena. Accurate forecasting use WRF can provide scientific basis for disaster prevention and reduction of power facilities.

Data and method

• Micaps data

observational precipitation

 (daily merged precipitation dataset)

• WRF V3.4.1

Data and method

- Microphysics scheme
 Lin
 WSM6
 → single parameter scheme
 Thompson → double parameter scheme
- Planetary boundary layer physics scheme
 YSU
 ACM2

Model domain



Sensitivity test

Initial condition meteorology	NECP(6h 1 $^\circ$ $ imes$ 1 $^\circ$)	
Longwave radiation scheme	RRTM scheme	
Shortwave radiation scheme	Dudhia scheme	
Cumulus parameterization scheme	shallow convection Kain-Fritsch	
Cumulus parameterization scheme	(new Eta) scheme (D01)	
Land surface model	Noah land surface model	
Surface layer scheme	Monin-Obukhov scheme	

	Microphysics scheme	Pbl physics scheme
Case - 1	Lin	YSU
Case - 2	WSM6	YSU
Case - 3	Thompson	YSU
Case - 4	Lin	ACM2
Case - 5	WSM6	ACM2
Case - 6	Thompson	ACM2

Weather situation—2010,2,9 20:00

500hPa



700hPa



<u>850hPa</u>



surface



Preliminary Simulated Results

6-h accumulated rainfall







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0 2.5 5 7.5 10 12.5 15 17.5 20 22.5 25



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Weather phenomena



Weather phenomena in 53 stations with ice coating galloping of transmission line during February 10th to 11th , 2010



• Adjust the WRF domain and physics schemes for better simulated rainfall.

• Evaluate the wind to simulate ice coating galloping of transmission line, and seek forecast factors to judge galloping.



Thank you