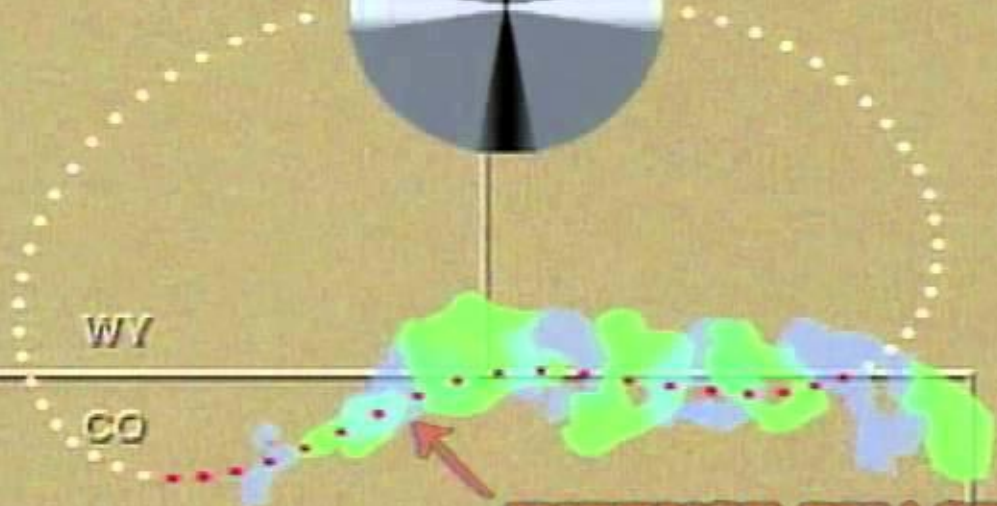


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**INTENSE PHASE**



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00:00:42,370 --> 00:00:38,800  
supercells are rotating thunderstorms

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00:00:44,530 --> 00:00:42,380  
that can cause tornadoes and hail the

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00:00:46,420 --> 00:00:44,540  
most widely accepted theory for storm

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00:00:49,450 --> 00:00:46,430  
spin up produces a pair of counter

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00:00:51,940 --> 00:00:49,460  
rotating supercells but such pairs are

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00:00:54,130 --> 00:00:51,950  
rarely observed in the troposphere and a

7  
00:00:58,660 --> 00:00:54,140  
theory is needed that produces a single

8  
00:01:01,570 --> 00:00:58,670  
supercell a new mathematical model

9  
00:01:03,280 --> 00:01:01,580  
called vertical rotating draft has been

10  
00:01:05,770 --> 00:01:03,290  
developed that includes the gross

11  
00:01:09,430 --> 00:01:05,780  
features of a supercell in highly

12  
00:01:13,870 --> 00:01:09,440  
idealized form this new model produces a

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00:01:15,850 --> 00:01:13,880

single supercell principal ingredients

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00:01:20,680 --> 00:01:15,860

of the model include rotation about a

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00:01:22,210 --> 00:01:20,690

vertical axis horizontal convergence in

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00:01:27,420 --> 00:01:22,220

the middle troposphere caused by the

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00:01:27,430 --> 00:01:32,920

buoyancy

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00:01:32,930 --> 00:01:40,610

and the Coriolis force

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00:01:45,230 --> 00:01:42,860

when these ingredients are used in fluid

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00:01:47,090 --> 00:01:45,240

dynamic equations the horizontal

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00:01:49,760 --> 00:01:47,100

pressure gradient is found to be zero

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00:01:51,200 --> 00:01:49,770

and air parcels move along inertial

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00:01:54,320 --> 00:01:51,210

circles projected on a horizontal

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00:01:56,210 --> 00:01:54,330

surface this circular motion gives the

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00:01:57,860 --> 00:01:56,220

model and inertial oscillation that

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00:02:03,380 --> 00:01:57,870

appears to have been overlooked in

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00:02:05,870 --> 00:02:03,390

previous supercell models the inertial

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00:02:08,210 --> 00:02:05,880

oscillation consists of a long quiescent

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00:02:12,530 --> 00:02:08,220

phase when the draft diameter is large

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00:02:14,780 --> 00:02:12,540

and rotates anti cyclonic Lee and a

31

00:02:17,630 --> 00:02:14,790

short intense phase when the draft

32

00:02:21,410 --> 00:02:17,640

diameter is small and rotates cyclonic

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00:02:23,960 --> 00:02:21,420

ly one cycle of mathematically driven

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00:02:25,910 --> 00:02:23,970

animation represents 13 hours of

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00:02:29,150 --> 00:02:25,920

quiescent phase and five hours of

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00:02:31,640 --> 00:02:29,160

intense phase during the intense phase

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00:02:36,500 --> 00:02:31,650

of the inertial oscillation the rotating

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00:02:39,530 --> 00:02:36,510

draft resembles a supercell rising

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00:02:41,990 --> 00:02:39,540

parcels of air expand causing the draft

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00:02:46,150 --> 00:02:42,000

to expand and rotate anti cyclonic Li

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00:02:53,260 --> 00:02:46,160

the updraft changes to a downdraft

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00:02:57,949 --> 00:02:55,670

downdraft is driven by evaporative

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00:03:01,580 --> 00:02:57,959

cooling and updraft by condensation

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00:03:04,130 --> 00:03:01,590

alietan expanding flow interacts with the

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00:03:13,150 --> 00:03:04,140

Coriolis force to produce anti cyclonic

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00:03:17,990 --> 00:03:15,380

contracting flow interacts with the

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00:03:23,380 --> 00:03:18,000

Coriolis force to produce cyclonic

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00:03:27,560 --> 00:03:25,610

additional physical ingredients of the

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00:03:30,460 --> 00:03:27,570

model include translation of the

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00:03:33,440 --> 00:03:30,470

rotating draft and vertical wind shear

51  
00:03:35,120 --> 00:03:33,450  
the rotating draft moves at a constant

52  
00:03:38,150 --> 00:03:35,130  
height above the surface of the earth

53  
00:03:40,970 --> 00:03:38,160  
the intense phase has a small buoyant

54  
00:03:44,030 --> 00:03:40,980  
draft cyclonic rotation marked by a

55  
00:03:46,340 --> 00:03:44,040  
track that turns to the right this right

56  
00:03:49,700 --> 00:03:46,350  
turn is a salient feature of actual

57  
00:03:51,950 --> 00:03:49,710  
supercells the quiescent phase has a

58  
00:03:55,550 --> 00:03:51,960  
large negatively buoyant draft with

59  
00:03:58,010 --> 00:03:55,560  
antipsychotic rotation latent heating

60  
00:04:00,410 --> 00:03:58,020  
changes the downdraft to an updraft in

61  
00:04:02,300 --> 00:04:00,420  
the middle of the intense phase this

62  
00:04:04,460 --> 00:04:02,310  
flow reversal interacts with the

63  
00:04:07,790 --> 00:04:04,470

vertical wind shear to cause the right

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00:04:09,650 --> 00:04:07,800

turn the latent energy required to

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00:04:12,290 --> 00:04:09,660

support this inertial oscillation is

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00:04:18,770 --> 00:04:12,300

greatest during the quiescent phase when

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00:04:20,479 --> 00:04:18,780

the draft diameter is large a supercell

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00:04:23,270 --> 00:04:20,489

storm that produced one and one half

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00:04:26,630 --> 00:04:23,280

centimeter hail is documented by radar

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00:04:29,060 --> 00:04:26,640

echoes spaced 30 minutes apart these

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00:04:32,750 --> 00:04:29,070

echoes become increasingly stronger as

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00:04:35,540 --> 00:04:32,760

the supercell bills the track turns to

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00:04:38,450 --> 00:04:35,550

the right hail is produced and strong

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00:04:41,409 --> 00:04:38,460

echoes are recorded the echoes then

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00:04:43,580 --> 00:04:41,419

weaken as the supercell dissipates

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00:04:45,530 --> 00:04:43,590

application of the mathematical model

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00:04:48,830 --> 00:04:45,540

starts in the middle of the quiescent

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00:04:51,140 --> 00:04:48,840

phase the first week radar echoes are in

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00:04:54,440 --> 00:04:51,150

theory created by a growing up draft in

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00:04:56,570 --> 00:04:54,450

a predominantly downward airflow after

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00:04:58,580 --> 00:04:56,580

the turning point the strong echoes and

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00:05:03,500 --> 00:04:58,590

hail are created in theory by a

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00:05:05,690 --> 00:05:03,510

predominantly upward airflow data from

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00:05:07,790 --> 00:05:05,700

the documented supercell storm generally

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00:05:10,310 --> 00:05:07,800

support the intense phase of the model

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00:05:12,220 --> 00:05:10,320

however the quiescent phase of the model

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00:05:14,510 --> 00:05:12,230

is not supported by the storm data

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00:05:18,440 --> 00:05:14,520

possibly because the quiescent phase

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00:05:20,360 --> 00:05:18,450

requires too much latent energy the new

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00:05:22,460 --> 00:05:20,370

mathematical model called vertical

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00:05:24,380 --> 00:05:22,470

rotating draft has an inertial

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00:05:26,540 --> 00:05:24,390

oscillation with an intense phase that

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00:05:29,270 --> 00:05:26,550

resembles a single supercell

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00:05:31,520 --> 00:05:29,280

this intense phase starts with a

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00:05:34,550 --> 00:05:31,530

predominantly downward flow that causes

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00:05:39,320 --> 00:05:34,560

the draft to contract and spin up partly

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00:05:41,600 --> 00:05:39,330

by action of the Coriolis force more

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00:05:43,340 --> 00:05:41,610

research remains to be done they

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00:05:45,440 --> 00:05:43,350

predominantly downward flow that

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00:05:47,780 --> 00:05:45,450

theoretically occurs before the turning

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00:05:51,140 --> 00:05:47,790

point in a supercell track needs to be

102

00:05:53,690 --> 00:05:51,150

detected and measured this down flow if

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00:05:56,510 --> 00:05:53,700

confirmed by measurements would strongly