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Isentropic Analysis
on A Composite Case of Winter Cyclogenesis

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I.INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this paper is to make use of a composition case to complement and clarify earlier work of individual case studies on the surface cyclogenesis by analyzing isentropic trajectories. Cases selected for this study are characterized by deep polar air outbreaks into the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean from off the North American continent. Cyclogenesis of interest took place downstream of the polar anticyclone. These areas are chosen for present study because they have reasonably good coverage and quality of surface and radiosonde observations. For this reason, results offer some hope for representativeness.

An early work of Palmen and Newton (1951) depicted three dimensional air motion on an isentropic surface for a typical North America polar air outbreaks. Averaged vertical motion computed from isentropic trajectories in their case showed that the strongest descent took place in the lower latitude parts of polar outbreaks. In that study, trajectories were constructed by a procedure in which the kinematic relation was the only constraint. The loose constraint may lead to the inaccuracy of the trajectories and thus the doubtful quantitative results.

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摘要

结果显示在 0=326°K等熵面上的平均下降速度和解連續方程所得的瞬时下降速度大小相當。但在低壓區則前者

懂後者之半,主要由於絕熟假定近致。低壓生成發展之動能來源由軌跡顯示,除由該區之可用位能轉換之外,上游的水氣區內內不量動能的輸出。