



Response to guozigou highway avalanche disasters Prevention and control of case study research

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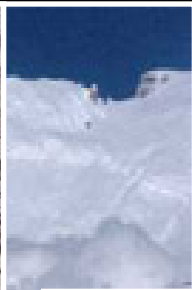


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1. Project background—Avalanche hazard



Avalanches are deadly ice natural disasters. It is called "white death". Avalanche happened very suddenly, movement speed, a large quantity of collapse. It can destroy forest, destroyed or lost houses, roads, traffic, safety of life at, infrastructure and vehicles, etc. To the human production activities and a large impact on the natural environment.



Bury the house



Destroy the forest



Destroy the vehicle

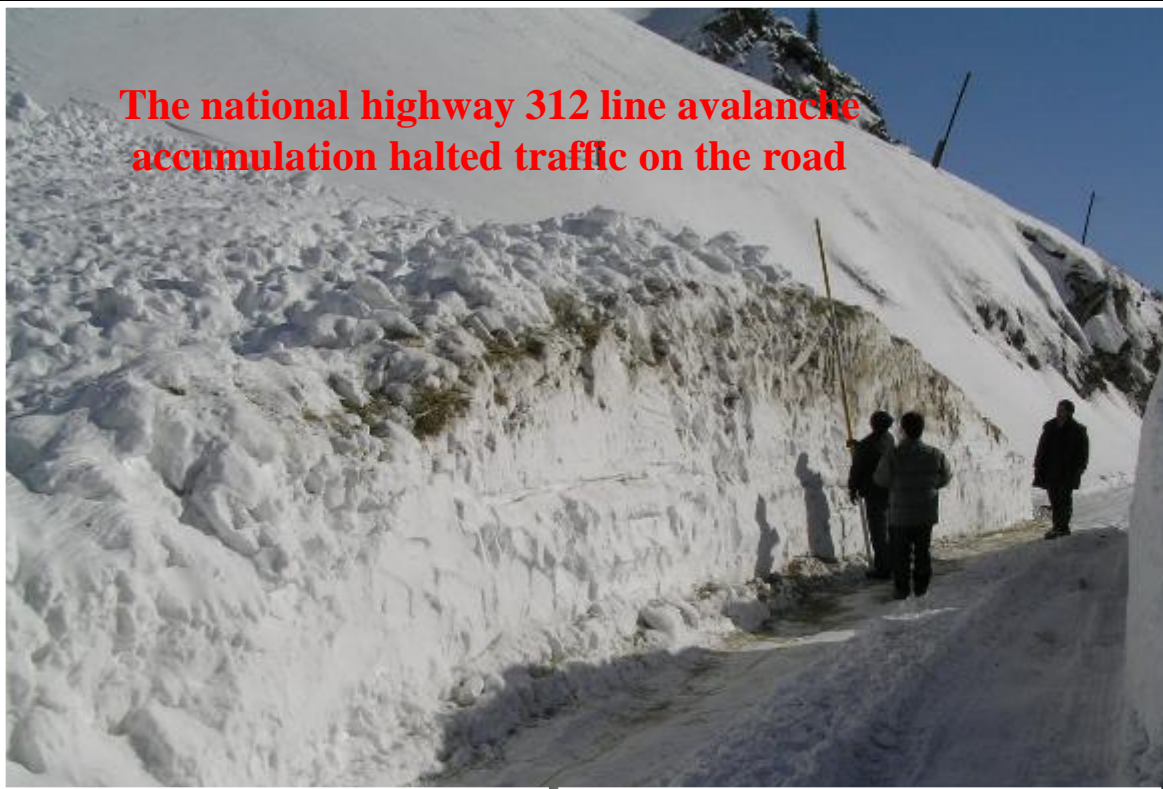


Interrupt the traffic

1. Project introduction—Avalanche hazard



The national highway 312 line avalanche accumulation halted traffic on the road



Snowploughs clear snow



Interrupt the traffic



Forklift truck cleared

伊犁公路总段那拉提公路段所辖路段国道217线K724-K819路段(玉希冀勒盖隧道至巴音布鲁克)为季节性通车路段,由于此段公路为山岭重丘区,山高路险,最高海拔达3000米以上,道路技术标准低,安全隐患多。每年的10月15日至第二年的6月1日基本上是大雪封山,按照以往的养护惯例,现对该段道路封闭交通,时间自2005年10月15日至2006年6月1日止。

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Mandatory airtight transportation

1. Project introduction—Avalanche hazard



According to our survey statistics, since the 70 s, national highway 312 line guozigou sections for highway avalanche disaster death toll at 63, cut off traffic 172 hours per year on average, each block 11000 vehicles, is the winter of 1994, K4769 + 560, a huge avalanche, the avalanche 100000 m³, a minibus in gansu province were buried, 17 people inside the car only three people live, the other 14 people died of cold or suffocate.

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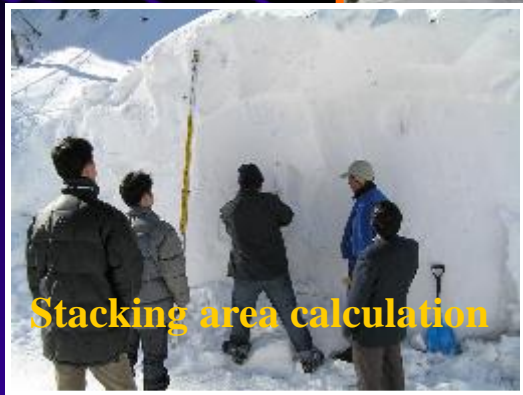


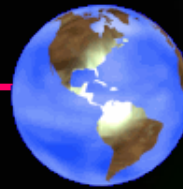
10 PM on March 13, 2008, xinjiang in the northwest guozigou avalanche happened about 13 kilometers distance from state road 312 line, undertake in fruit valley inside a tunnel in the second line of west-east gas project construction of 22 workers were buried, so far, a total of 6 people were rescued and 16 people were killed.

2. Causes and mechanism of an avalanche



Field survey research, collect the basic data of highway avalanche.





2. Causes and mechanism of an avalanche

1 Highway cause an avalanche

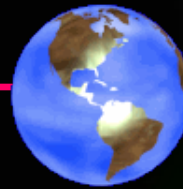
Through a lot of investigation, field test and data analysis, highway avalanche causes mainly summarized as the internal factors and external factors.

Internal factors

Highway avalanche happened must have three basic conditions: snow thickness, slope gradient and slope vegetation conditions, these conditions determine the avalanche happened inevitability.

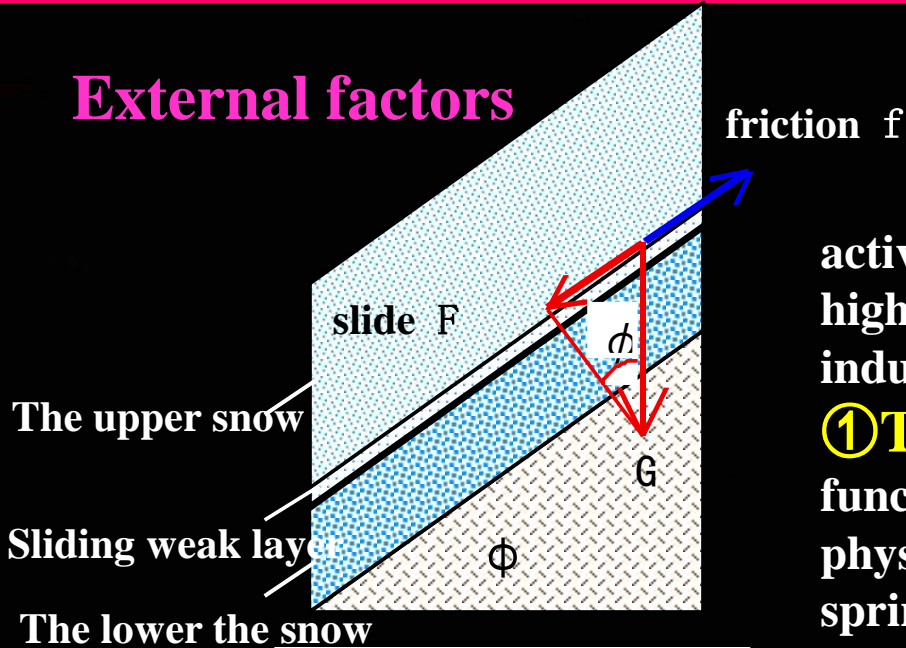


And avalanche paths within the remit of snow area, internal stress and strength against snow, layers structure conditions and other factors.



2. Causes and mechanism of an avalanche

External factors



Is the causative factor of cause an avalanche activity outside conditions. Inductive avalanche of highway development in the process of the main inducing factors are:

① **The role of the spring melting.** From the function type can be divided into osmotic stress, physical chemistry, etc., and is often said that the spring snow inducing factors, is actually through the snow, such as temperature, density, crystal changes in the way.

② **The outside dynamic action.** Mainly include earthquake, human engineering activities, etc. Human engineering activities on the snow slope destruction is through the trees down, skiing, blasting operation, changes made to the original condition of the stability of the slopes of snow or redistribute changes in surface snow, trigger avalanches occur.

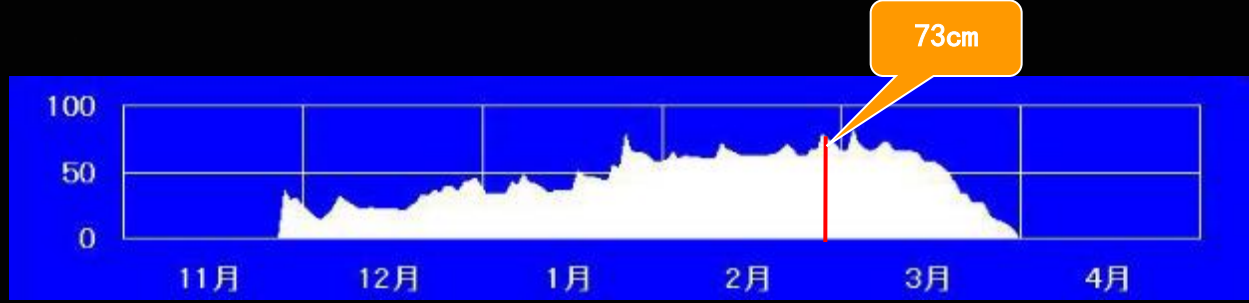




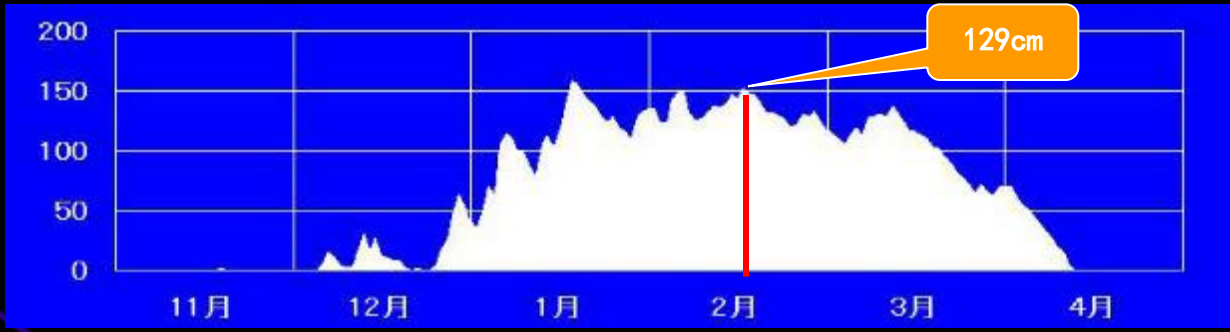
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II Snow thickness threshold slope stability

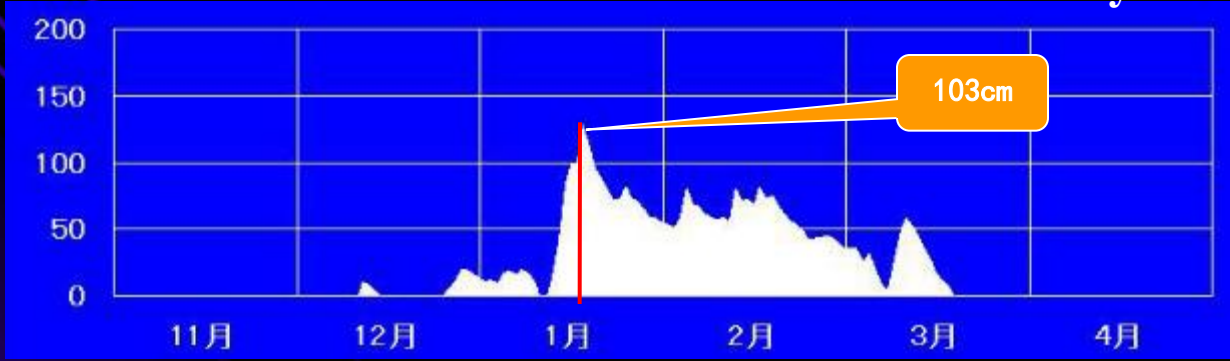
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In 2002-2003 K4739+500 Snow cross section observation



In 2002-2003 K4754+000 Avalanche observatory



In 2002-2003 K4771+000 Snow cross section observation

2. Causes and mechanism of an avalanche



II Snow thickness threshold slope stability

From G312 line Guozigou avalanche observatory in 1996 ~ 2015 data: fruit valley avalanche sections of a snow thickness more than 30 cm is the avalanche risk threshold, snow accumulated more than 80 cm depth on average, the groove avalanche fruit valley.

Slopes of snow on the critical thickness we cant through stable snow cover the force balance equation of calcul

$$h_k \sin \alpha \cdot \gamma = C + F \cdot \cos \alpha \cdot \gamma$$

In the formula: C: Snow cover and the frictional resistance between the hills;

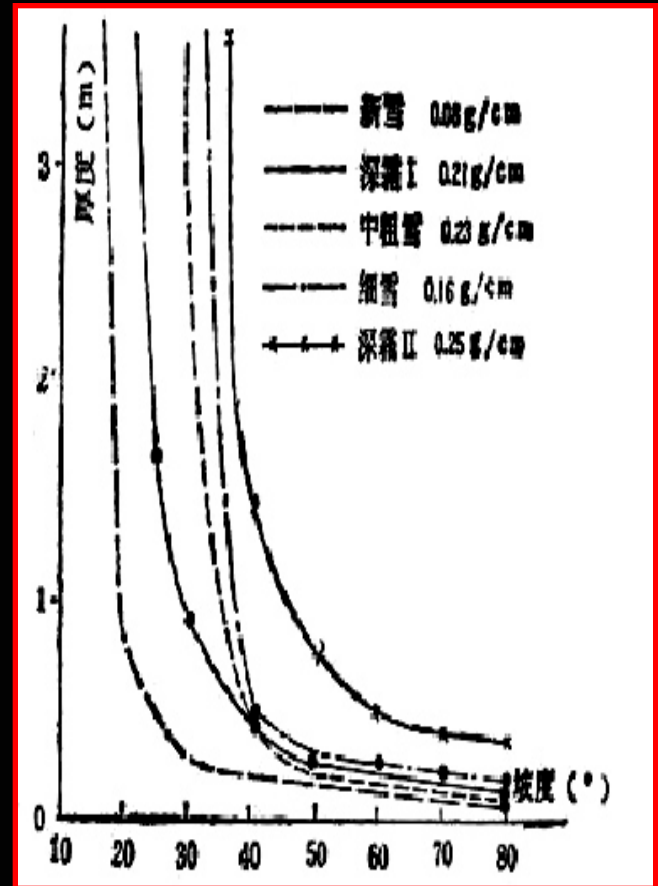
γ : The density of snow cover (g/cm³);

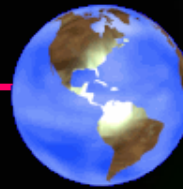
F: The internal friction coefficient of snow;

α : Slope gradient Angle (°)。

From the site investigation and happened in the past 520 avalanche slope data through data regression, after finishing, get highway avalanche stable snow cover the calculating formula of the critical thickness (hk) :

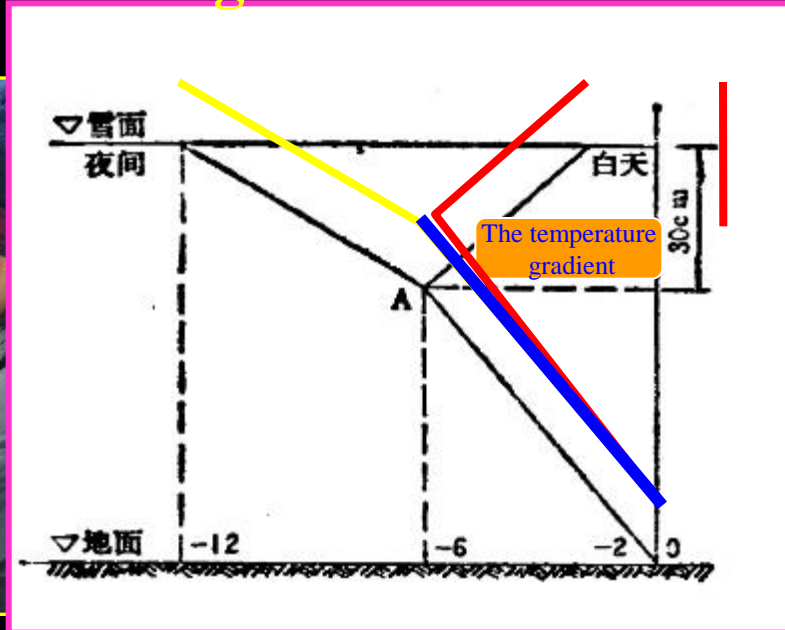
$$h_k = \frac{C}{r \sin \alpha - F \cdot \cos \alpha}$$





2. Causes and mechanism of an avalanche

III Falling snow temperature gradient value

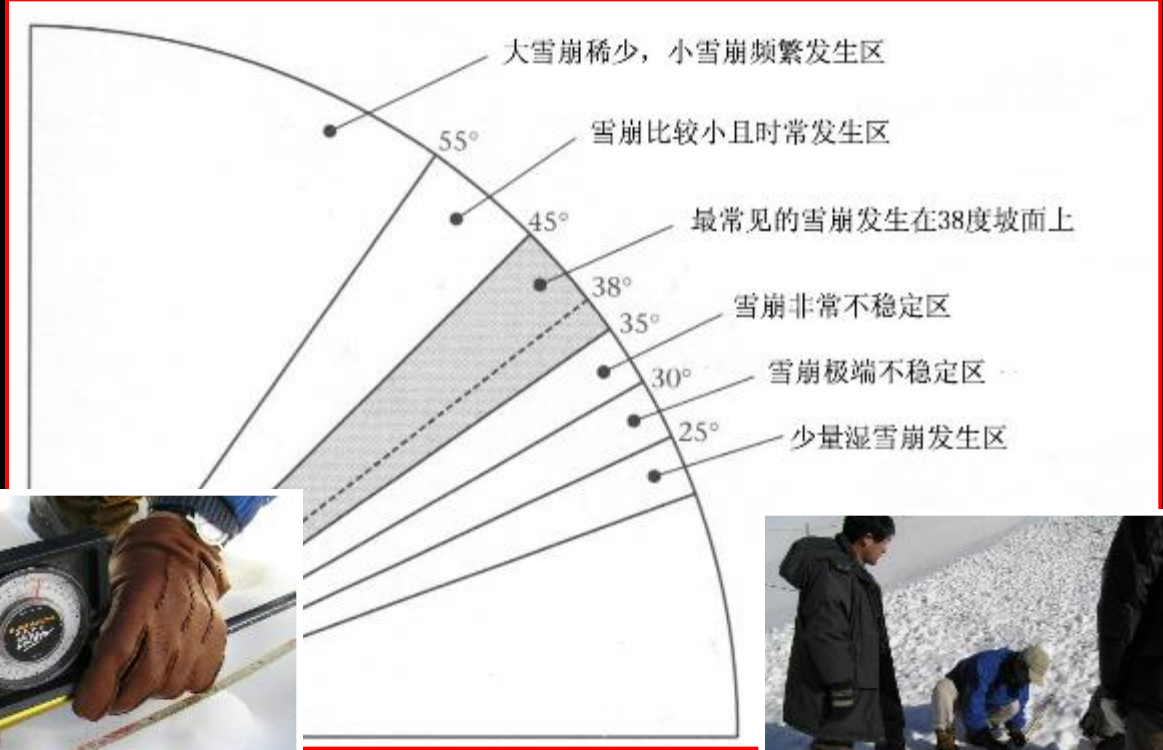


From the field detection of 60 section analysis, in the snow cover internal temperature is lower than or equal to 0 °C, the temperature with the height from the linear change, until about 30 cm from the surface of the snow, because of the upper air and the influence of solar radiation and the diurnal variation is different. Slash OA said snow layer temperature gradient. We concluded that temperature gradient is the main factor that an avalanche of snow crystals changes cause fracture, the gradient value is larger, the more prone to avalanches.



2. Causes and mechanism of an avalanche

IV Prone to avalanche slope gradient value



According to our field survey measurements and collection of 520 avalanche data analysis, it is concluded that highway avalanche prone to slope gradient range of 35 ° to 45 ° .



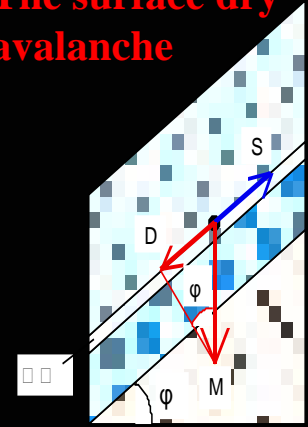
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V Highway avalanche of classification and recognition method

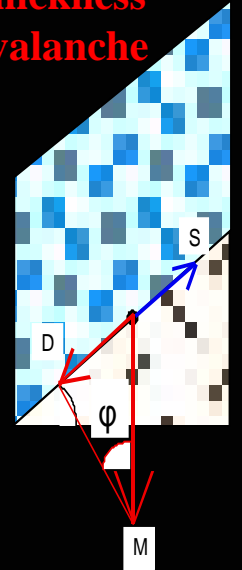
- ① Through the past experience and field investigation, put forward the highway should set basin, snow avalanche groove, an avalanche avalanche stacking cones, plant characteristics of avalanche area, access to the masses and so on five aspects to identify.
- ② Mainly based on the mechanism of avalanches occur, the nature of the sliding surface is divided into: January to December - surface dry avalanche, 2 to 3 months for full-thickness wet avalanche.



The surface dry avalanche



Full-thickness wet avalanche



- ③ Summarized on the basis of avalanche path morphology, density, humidity, the division of physical state highway avalanche types and properties.



2. Causes and mechanism of an avalanche

VI The avalanche danger degree of judgement and the comprehensive evaluation system

At all levels of the various factors evaluation score

According to our experience and technical conditions, based on 61 snow observation data and satellite images to judge on the basis of the supplementary data and field measurement generalizations highway avalanche risk evaluation method system.

| 因素 | 级 别 | 评价得分 |
|------|---|------|
| 斜坡 | 1. 未满30 | 4 |
| | 2. 30~40 | 7 |
| | 3. 40以上 | 10 |
| 植被 | 1. 裸露地, 草地树高未满2m的灌木, 树冠疏密度未满20% | 10 |
| | 2. 低矮的树: 疏密度未满20~100% 中高大的树: 疏密度未满20~50% | 9 |
| | 3. 中高大的树: 疏密度50%以上 高大的树: 疏密度20~50% | 7 |
| | 4. 高大的树: 疏密度50%以上 | 4 |
| 积雪深度 | 1. 未满50cm | 0 |
| | 2. 50~100cm | 6 |
| | 100~200cm | 7 |
| | 200cm以上 | 9 |

Risk classification benchmarks

| 危险度 | 得 分 | 评 价 | 备 注 |
|-----|-------|-----------|---|
| A | 27以上 | 很容易发生雪崩 | 处于具有一定的积雪厚度的斜面, 就很容易的发生雪崩 (发生率30~50%以上) |
| B | 23~26 | 引发雪崩的起因一般 | 处于具有一定的积雪厚度的斜面, 就很容易的发生雪崩 (发生率10~30%以上) |
| C | 20~22 | 引发雪崩的可能性小 | 处于具有一定的积雪厚度的斜面引发雪崩的可能性小 (发生率未满10%) |



4. The main research results—Avalanche mechanical properties and the motion law of research

I Avalanche impact test results

Impact is also called an avalanche avalanche and avalanche stress momentum, is one of the important parameters of avalanche dynamics, at the same time and the avalanche region of the highway project construction, prevention engineering is directly related to the design of an avalanche, the problem of avalanche impact becomes the core issue of avalanche dynamics research and observation.

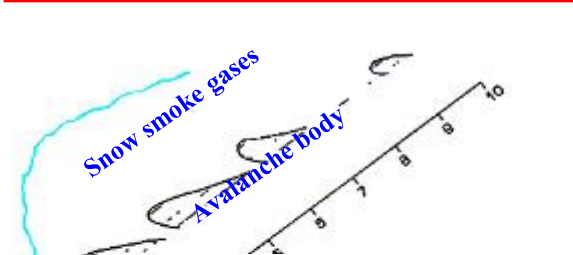




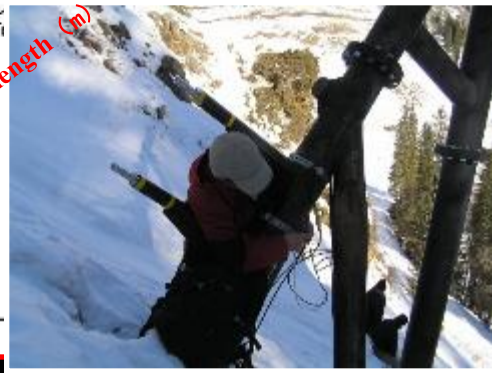
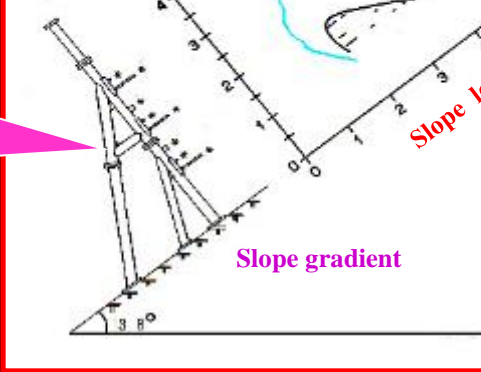
3. Avalanche mechanics and motion



Impact test arrangement



冲击力测定装置



When the beta in 20 ~ 25 ° , the calculated value of P is bigger than the measured values.

When the beta is less than 25 ° , the calculated value of P is smaller than the measured values.

Avalanche impact changes over the avalanche body height, the size of the largest impact appears near the 1.45 m height.

Avalanche impact time data records

Through the experiment, on the basis of empirical data analysis for simplified formula for computing the highway avalanche impact P:

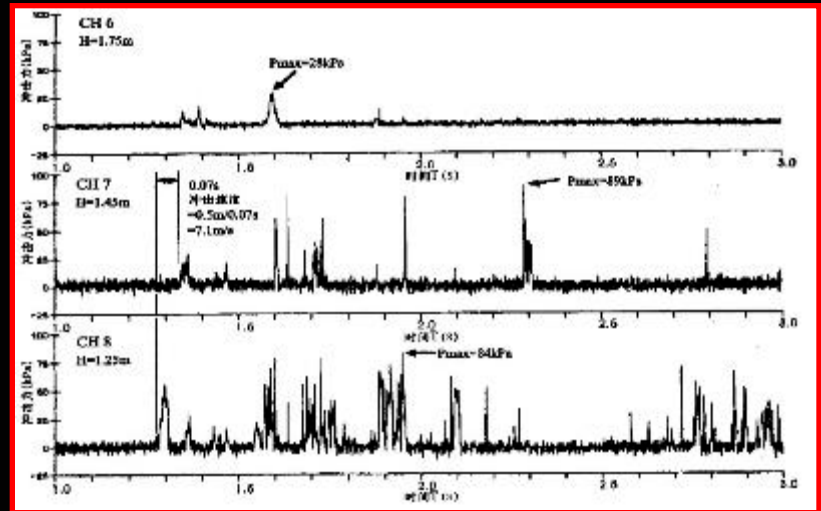
$$P = 2.5 \rho V \sin \beta \cdot g \cdot 10^{-3}$$

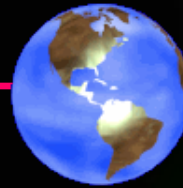
In the formula: ρ : An avalanche of snow density;

V : Avalanche speed;

β : The Angle between the avalanche direction and obstacles;

g : Acceleration of gravity.



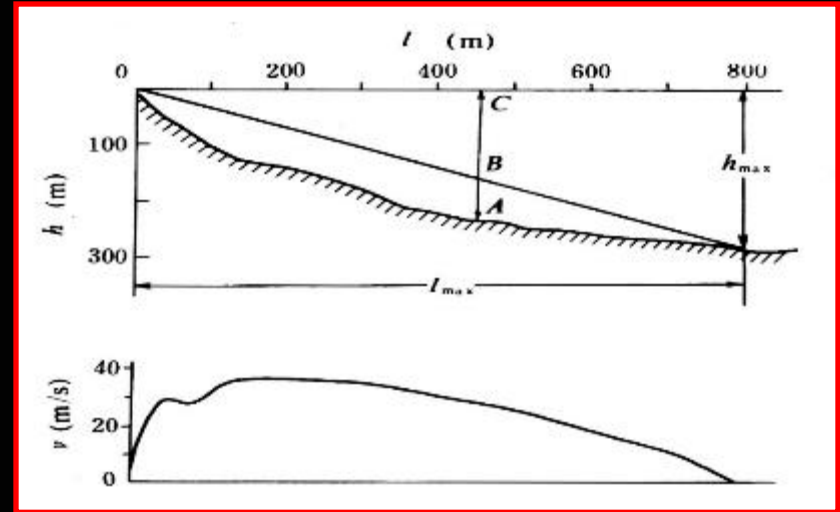
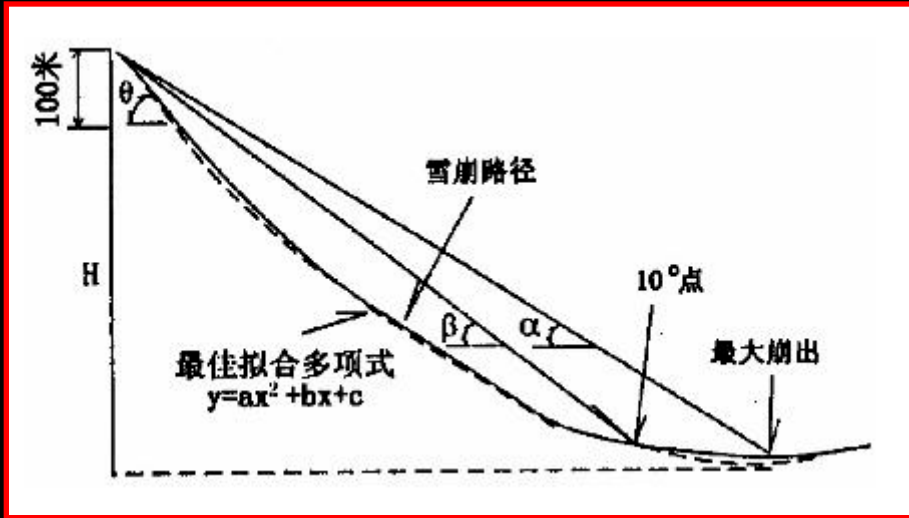


3. Avalanche mechanics and motion

II Largest avalanche movement history

Used to calculate an avalanche of terrain parameters

Graphical method modified avalanche maximum range



Use of statistical methods, based on the multiple regression terrain parameters, through the xinjiang tianshan highway 206 avalanche related parameters of the path analysis, draw the following regression equation:

$$L = 0.928 - 7.9 \times 10^{-4}H + 1.4 \times 10^{-2}Hy'' \theta + 0.04$$

Based on avalanche process simulation test the analysis of the field data, and the largest avalanche cast process calculation formula of the calculation results are identical with each other.

Largest avalanche behind cheng calculation results can also use the graphical method for correction.

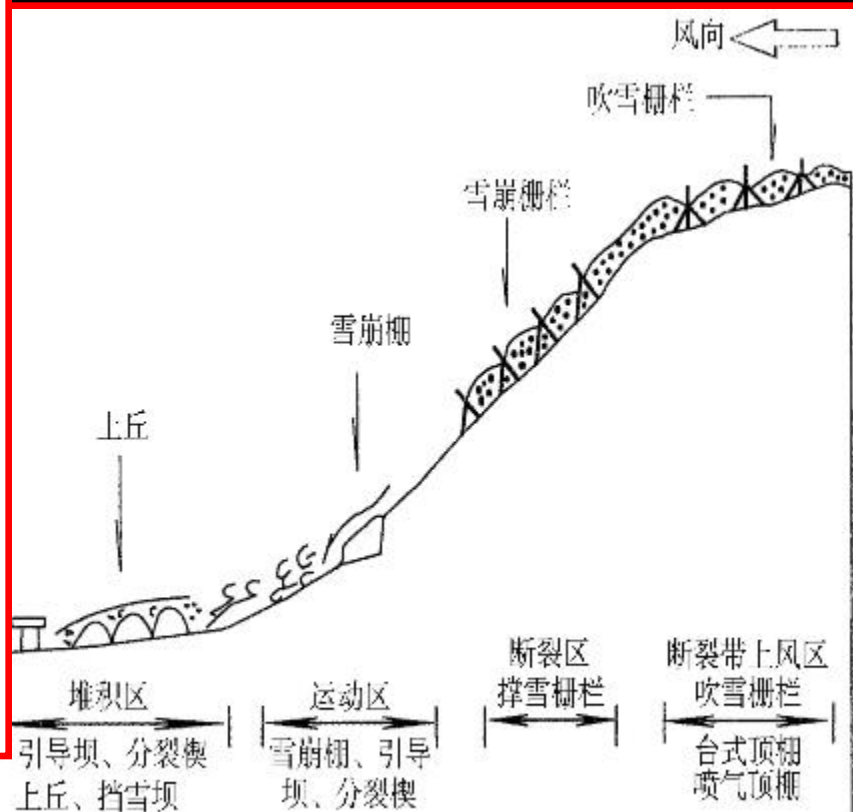


4. An avalanche of prevention and control measures and principles

Highway comprehensive type diagram the avalanche control project



Highway avalanche control measures configuration principle





5. The engineering application cases

| Relying on the selection of engineering and construction

Guozigou avalanche size 107 national highway 312, test engineering in K4750 + 700 ~ + 200 and K4769 K4752 + 200 avalanches governance, around the four avalanches occur every year, for highway damage degree is the largest, we adopt snowbreak, snow fences, retaining dam, energy dissipation pool combined comprehensive control measures, etc.

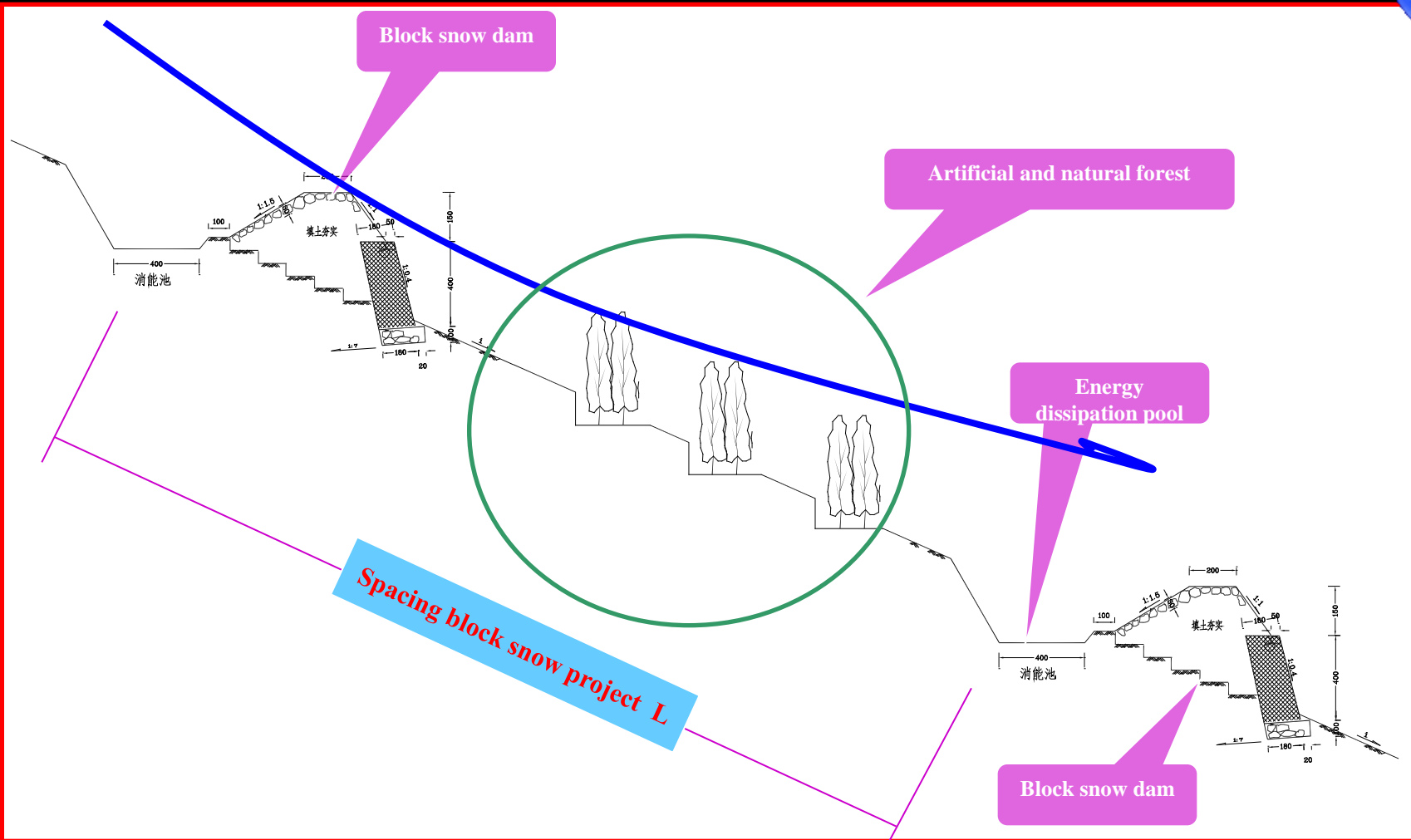
| 位 置 | 雪崩类型 | 最大雪崩量 (m ³) | 高差/路径长度 (m) | 治 理 方 案 | 防治效果 |
|-----------|------|-------------------------|-------------|--|------|
| K4769+560 | 沟槽雪崩 | 110000 | 1280/2390 | 分段在发生区、运动区设置防雪林、消能池、挡雪坝  | 最好 |
| K4750+700 | 沟坡雪崩 | 61000 | 630/1360 | 发生区: 钢板网稳雪栅栏 运动区: 钢管挡雪栅栏  | 好 |
| K4751+900 | 沟槽雪崩 | 75000 | 710/1650 | 发生区: 钢管稳雪栅栏 运动区: 消能池、挡雪坝 | 较好 |
| K4752+200 | 坡面雪崩 | 56000 | 520/1230 | 发生区: 钢管稳雪栅栏 运动区: 钢板稳雪栅栏 | 好 |

5. The engineering application cases



K4769 + 560 belong to Yin slope avalanches, an avalanche source most of the funnel shaped, set the snow covers an area of about 2.3 Km², groove is 2400 m long, winding valley and branch lander, scarp, average slope around 36 ° , trough cross section into "U" shape. Valley walls of an avalanche of snow sports and mark clearly and profile control corrosion mark clear, avalanche movement route is long, has obvious area, movement area and accumulation area, avalanche size is bigger.

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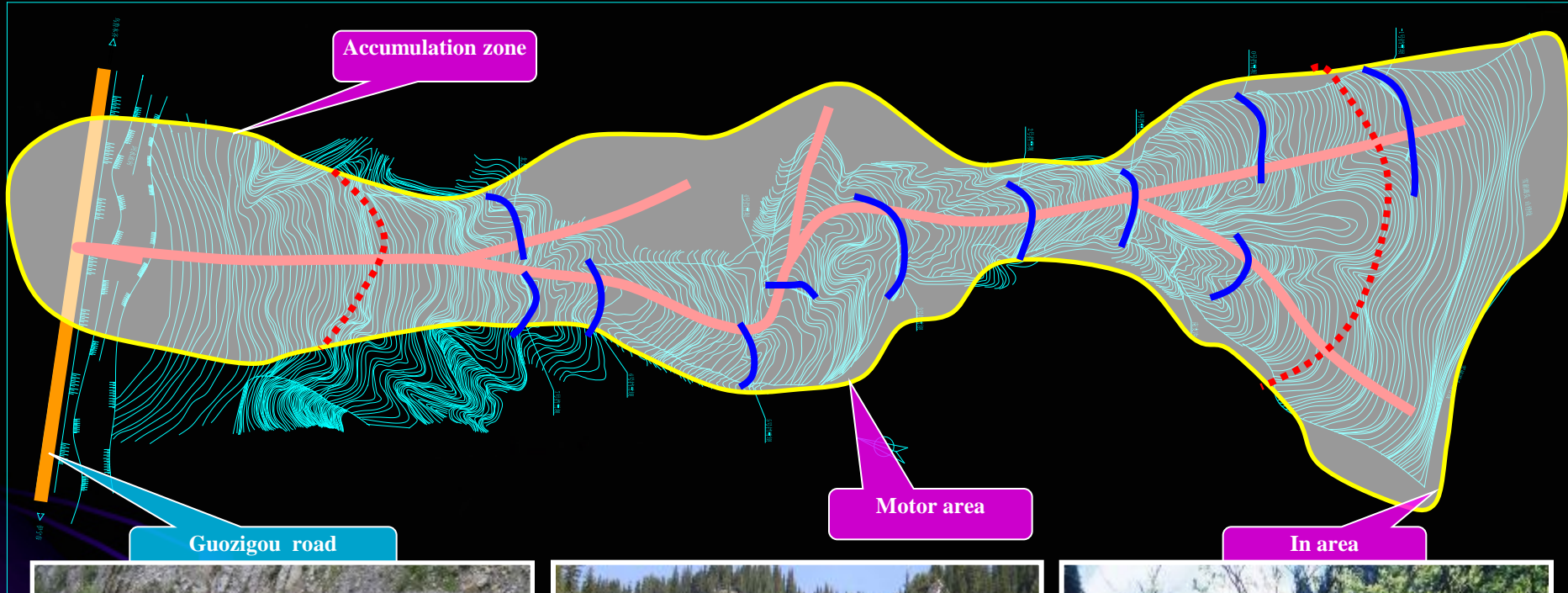


Highway avalanche control measures at home and abroad on the basis of investigation and cause analysis, first proposed and implemented a harm for change, dry shelter forest, energy dissipation pool, build by laying bricks or stones engineering with the combination of ecological environmental protection system for the prevention and control.

5. The engineering application cases



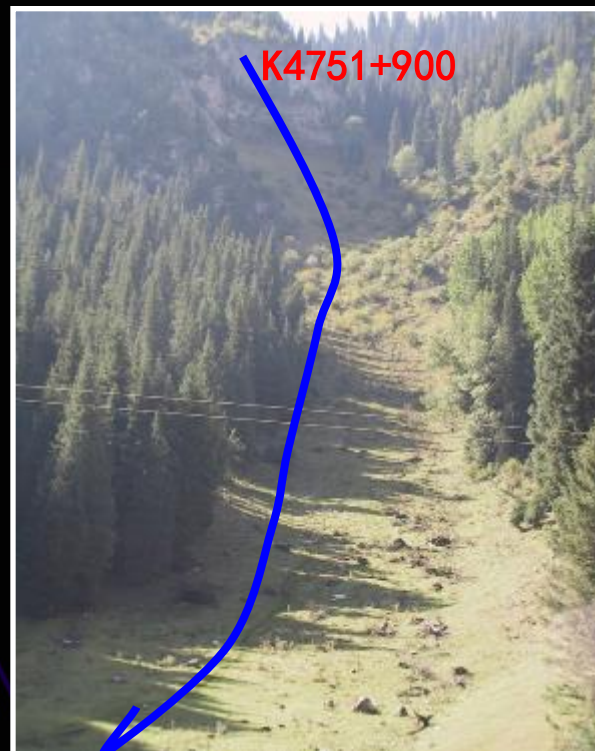
K4769+560 Avalanche paths engineering layout



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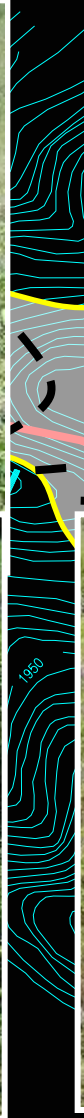
Avalanches occur area of 500 ~ 1000 m away from the road, the terrain slope for the on wide below narrow sector average slope grade $36^{\circ} \sim 39^{\circ}$, snow area is large. Slope soil fertile, thin under thick soil layer, side slope vegetation grew well, the average height of 30-100 cm, but only a few trees, area, movement area dividing line is not obvious, avalanche happened every year.





5. The engineering application cases

K4750+700 Ditch slope avalanches path engineering layout





5. The engineering application cases

II Prevention and control engineering design basis

According to the investigation data and test engineering survey, regression avalanche movement region block snow dam project number and spacing of the formula:

$$L=2k \sqrt{R^2 - (R - h)^2}$$

The type is a empirical formula, the formula of the sensitivity is strong, its value in the slope gradient, snow density, Angle of internal friction, cohesive force, the thickness of snow, snow slope coefficient of crude.

Using the avalanches governance experience data regression avalanches occur region stability snow fence engineering spacing calculation formula:

$$L = \frac{2tg\beta}{tg\beta - tg\varphi} H$$

L-Snow engineering spacing () ; -Slope Angle;

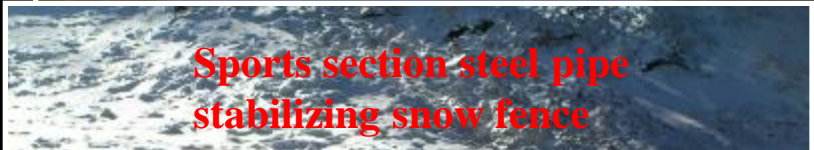
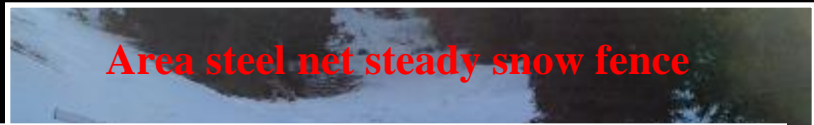
H-Stable snow cover thickness (m) ; -Slopes and the friction coefficient of the snow,

The values 0.5-0.7.



6. Engineering benefit observation

I The effect of governance of snow





6. Engineering benefit observation

Benefit analysis table before and after road engineering avalanche road construction

**关于国道 312 线果子沟路段公路雪崩防治
试验工程的初步效益**

国道 312 线新疆果子沟公路全长 36KM, 是乌鲁木齐至伊犁和霍尔果斯口岸的必经之路, 日交通量大, 经济意义非常重要。因冬季降雪导致 K4736-K4772, 国道 312 线的果子沟雪崩防治公路交通阻断影响很大, 如影响时间每年有 4 个月左右, 严重影响对新疆的交通、经济等, 有时会造成人员伤亡, 社会影响恶劣, 造成的经济损失很大。

果子沟雪崩防治工程全长 25 KM, 全线防治路段在不同程度上有雪崩, 但相对危害较小。据不完全统计, 自 1968 年以来果子沟雪崩已造成 28 人死亡, 造成最大的雪崩发生在 K4750-K4772 的路段, 在祁连山内共死亡 17 人。

为彻底解决果子沟雪崩防治问题, 2002 年 12 月新疆交通科学研究所对果子沟雪崩进行了防治研究。

经过 3 年的艰苦研究, 课题组基本掌握了果子沟雪崩防治工程防治规律, 于 2004 年 5 月提出雪崩防治防治工程设计方案。已在果子沟路段按照雪崩防治工程实施了 4 处, 分别为桩号 K4751+900、K4752+700 和 K4756+500 处。其中在雪崩防治工程

雪崩防治工程效益分析表

| 路段桩号 | 雪崩次数 | 交通中断时间 (小时) | 经济损失 (万元) | 人员伤亡 (人) |
|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| K4751+900 | 10 | 100 | 100 | 0 |
| K4752+700 | 12 | 120 | 120 | 0 |
| K4756+500 | 15 | 150 | 150 | 0 |
| 其他路段 | 80 | 800 | 800 | 17 |
| 合计 | 117 | 1170 | 1170 | 17 |

量级以上河流, 最少投资额共为 2002 年的 210 万元, 新疆果子沟雪崩防治工程实施后, 在正常管理条件下, 按 30 年计算可减少损失 300×30=9000 (万元), 具有一批的社会经济效益。

关于公路雪崩防治工程实施后对公路交通阻断危害程度实际调查分析, 不但从雪崩, 不真山洪雪崩危险, 不断积雪, 及因雪崩造成地气, 地气、积雪、雪崩等逐步积累雪崩成因及成因下取值的, 按照公路雪崩防治工程, 对雪崩防治工程实施, 实施雪崩防治工程, 保证国家长治久安, 具有十分重大的意义。

新疆公路管理局伊犁公路总段
二〇〇五年三月二日

Fruit valley avalanches occur each year nearly 107, often occur on a large scale avalanches, cause traffic jams, cut off traffic 172 hours per year on average, each block 11000 vehicles, four experiment project for the harm is the most serious sections of an avalanche, but from 2005 site investigation confirmed that the 4 avalanche hazard under control, not an avalanche, and other governance between highway avalanche 59. Seriously affect the transportation safety.

6. Engineering benefit observation



II Ecological environmental benefits



Motor area no. 1 dam in snow



Motor area no. 2 dam in snow



Motor area no. 3 dam in snow



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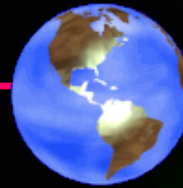
II Ecological environmental benefits

Ecological benefit evaluation, we according to our country forestry industry standards, using biological community average high and the average coverage of two indicators:

Biological effect change within shelter forest in different periods

| | The average coverage | The average high | Community dominance | uniformity | Diversity index |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Before the construction | 0.38 | 3.1 | 0.71 | 0.38 | 1.43 |
| After a year of construction | 0.67 | 6.5 | 0.82 | 0.51 | 0.7 |
| After two years of construction | 0.74 | 7.2 | 0.86 | 0.58 | 0.52 |

Ecological shelter forest vegetation coverage and biomass were higher than before construction, built of shelter forest system, improved the avalanche path small environment of moisture and light conditions, created a relatively good small environment, increase the species diversity of the region.



6. Engineering benefit observation

III Water conservation of soil and water loss



K4769 + 560 an avalanche paths integrated protection system of the implementation of the test project, can solid snow of 100000 cubic meters a year, conversion into water is 38000 cubic meters of water, to keep the regional soil water, shelter forest and vegetation of pouring etc all have important role.



**Warm congratulations on
The security and disaster relief coordination workshop
A complete successful!**

Thank You

**China xinjiang traffic science research institute
May 2016**

