



Lightning location system in Croatia

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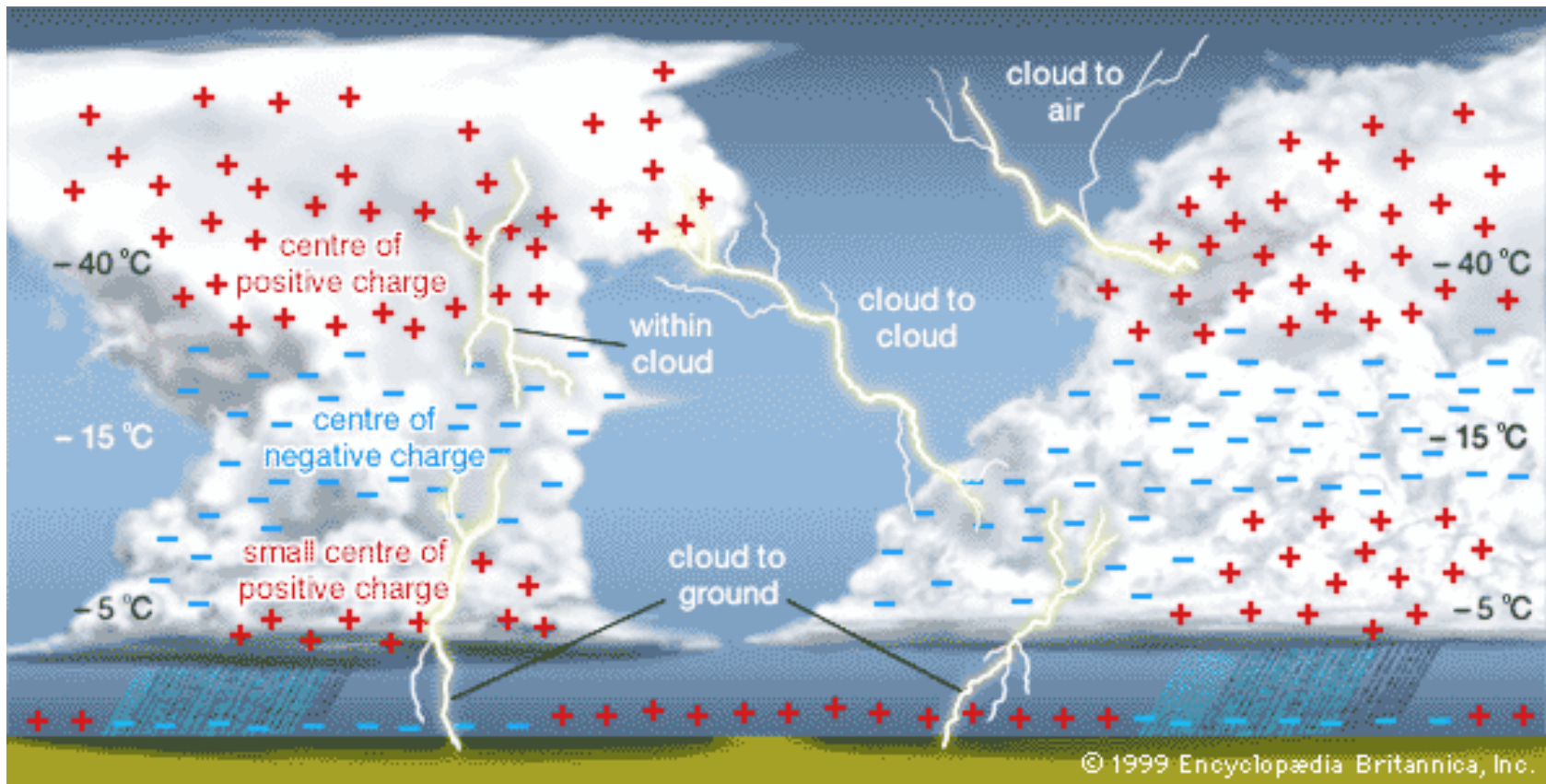
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Presentation outline

- ❑ Lightning – simplified physical model
- ❑ Lightning location system LINET
- ❑ LLS measured lightning data
- ❑ Lightning statistics for Croatian TSO
- ❑ Protection of overhead lines from lightning
- ❑ Conclusion

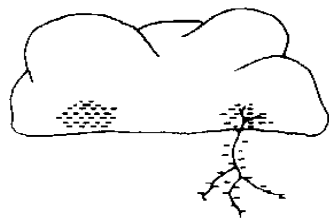
Lightning – simplified physical model

□ Electrical charge in the clouds

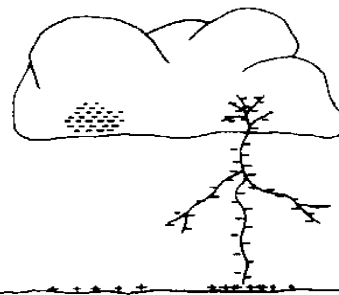


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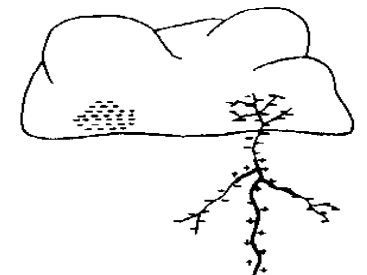
- Typical lider progression and multiple lightning flashes



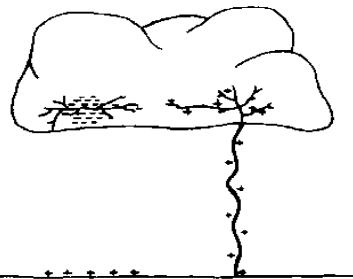
a) Charge separation



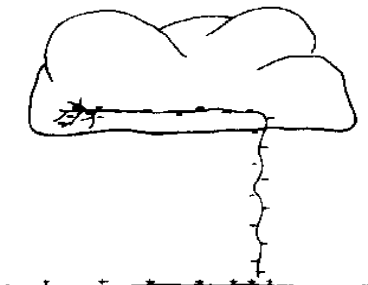
b) Lider progression



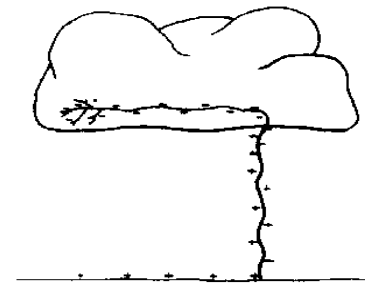
c) First stroke



d) First stroke discharge



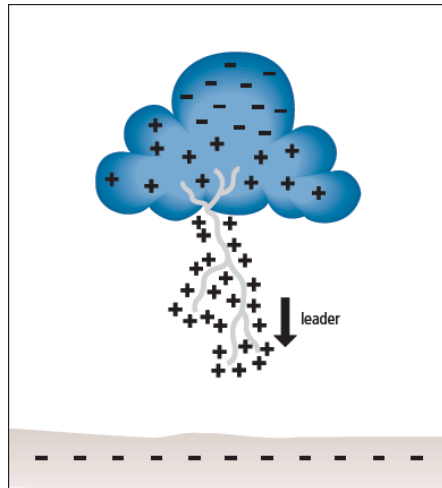
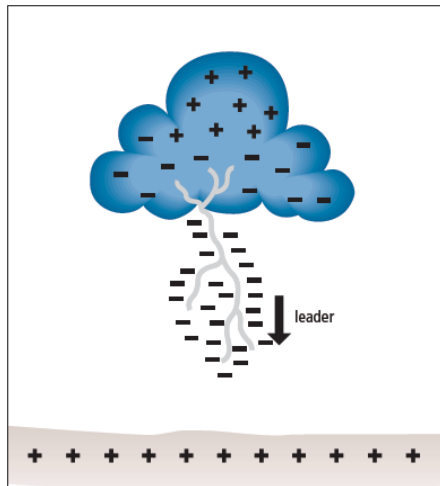
e) Second flash progression



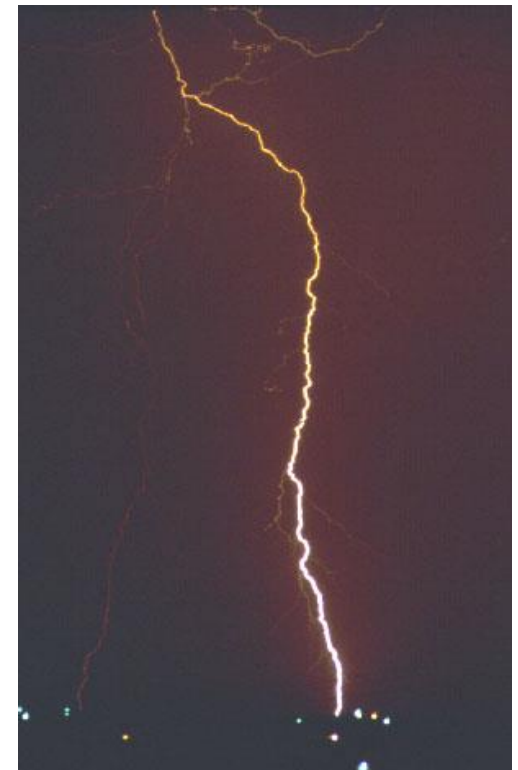
f) Second flash discharge

Lightning – downward stroke

- Downward stroke to the ground



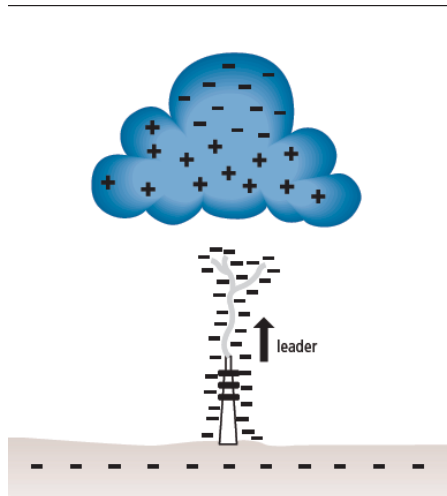
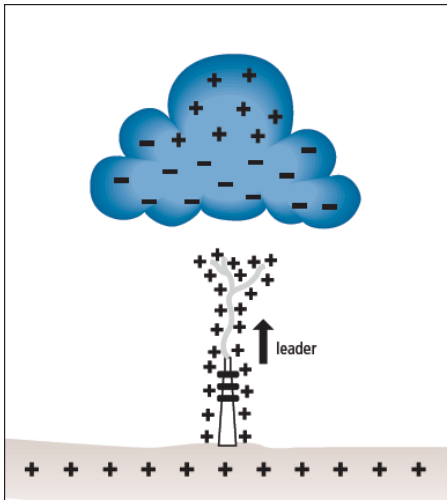
First stroke



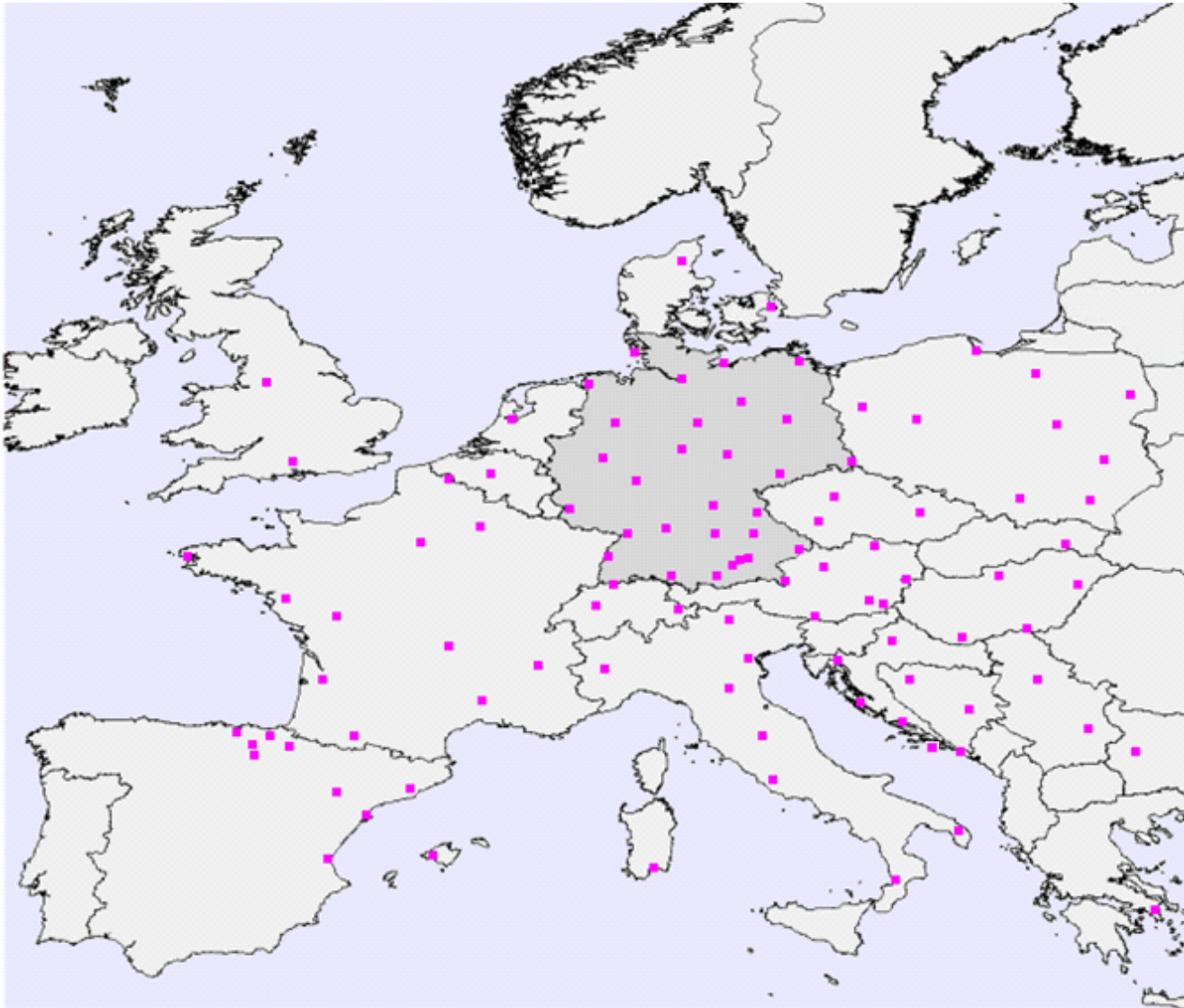
Multiple stroke

Lightning – downward stroke

- Upward stroke to the towers



Lightning location system LINET – sensor positions



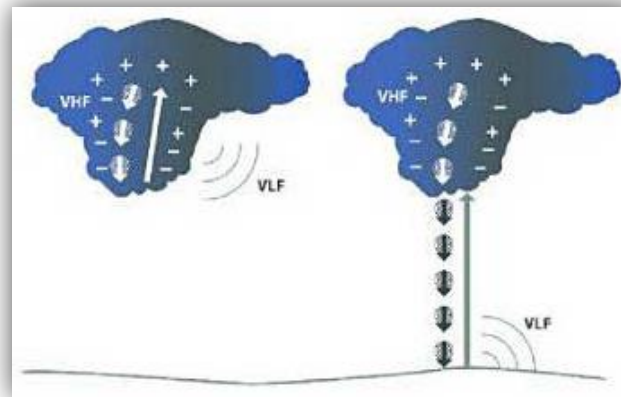
Lightning detection



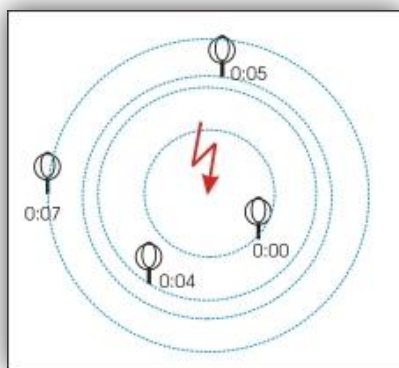
Lightning stroke
(offshore Dubrovnik)



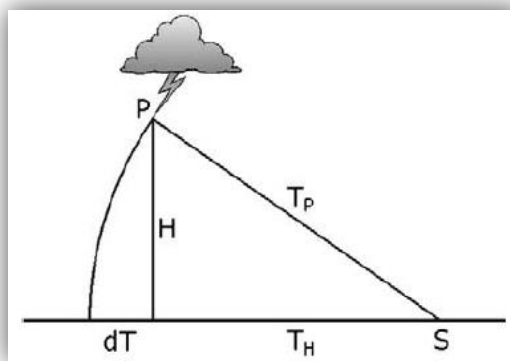
Lightning sensor measures magnetic flux in time in frequency range (1 kHz – 200 kHz)



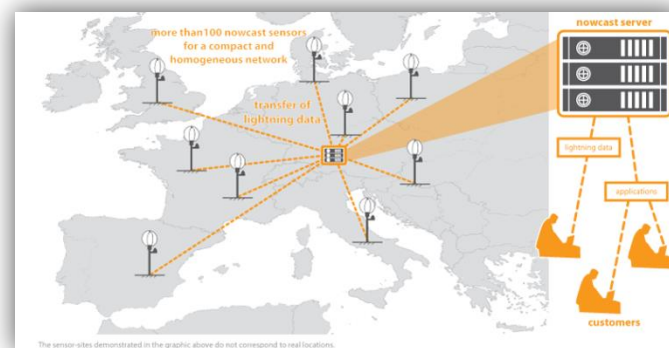
VLF/LF frequency range for detection of lightning strokes



TOA (Time-Of-Arrival) method for locating lightning

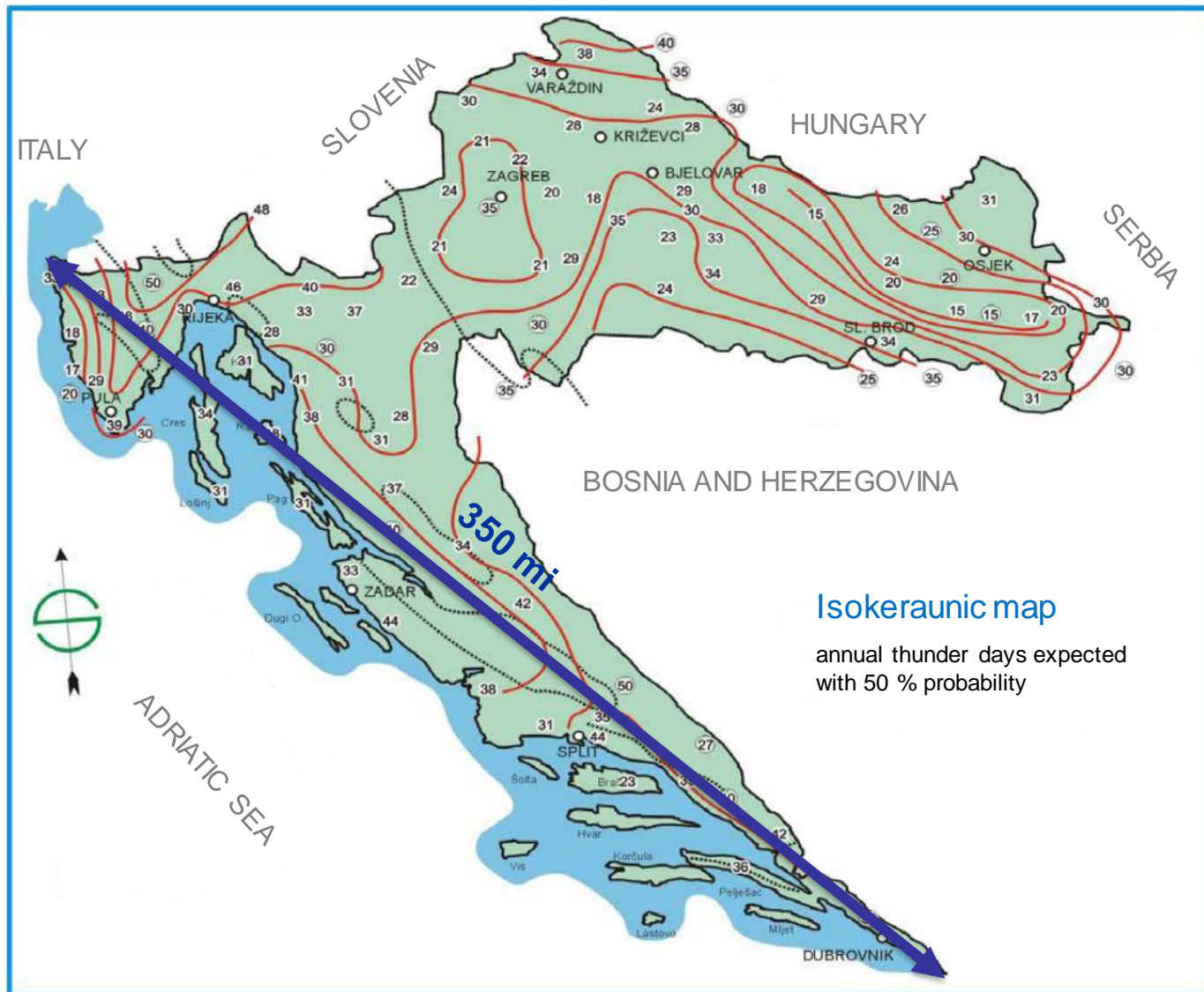


LINET 3D algorithm for determination of lightning altitude



Data flow:
Sensors -> LINET center -> Users

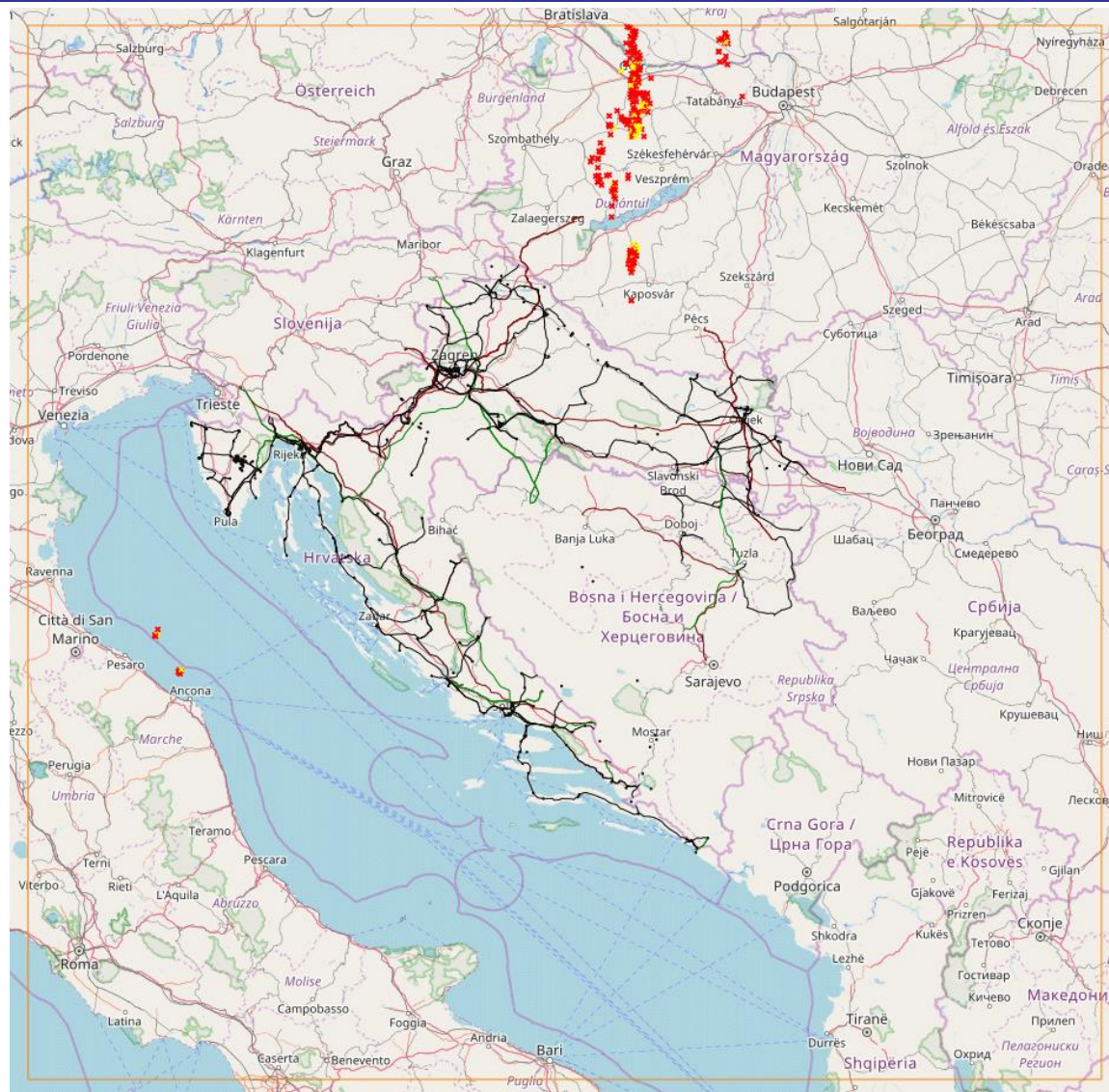
Isokeraunic map of Croatia



Isokeraunic map

annual thunder days expected
with 50 % probability

Thunderstorm movement monitoring



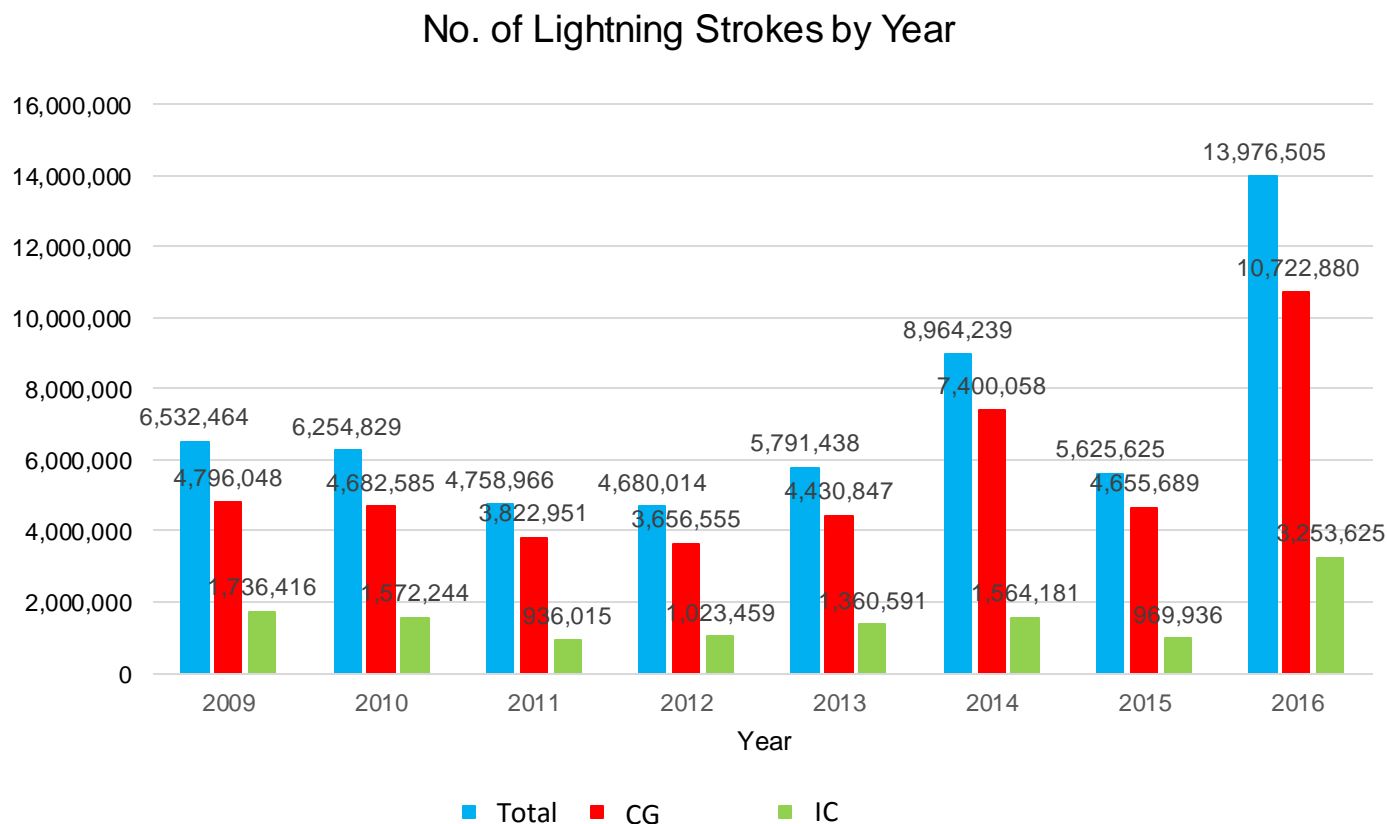
12.9.2017.
00h – 24h

* 1h frames

347 533
lightning strokes
detected

LLS measured lightning data

- 9 years of lightning data
- Number of lightning strokes

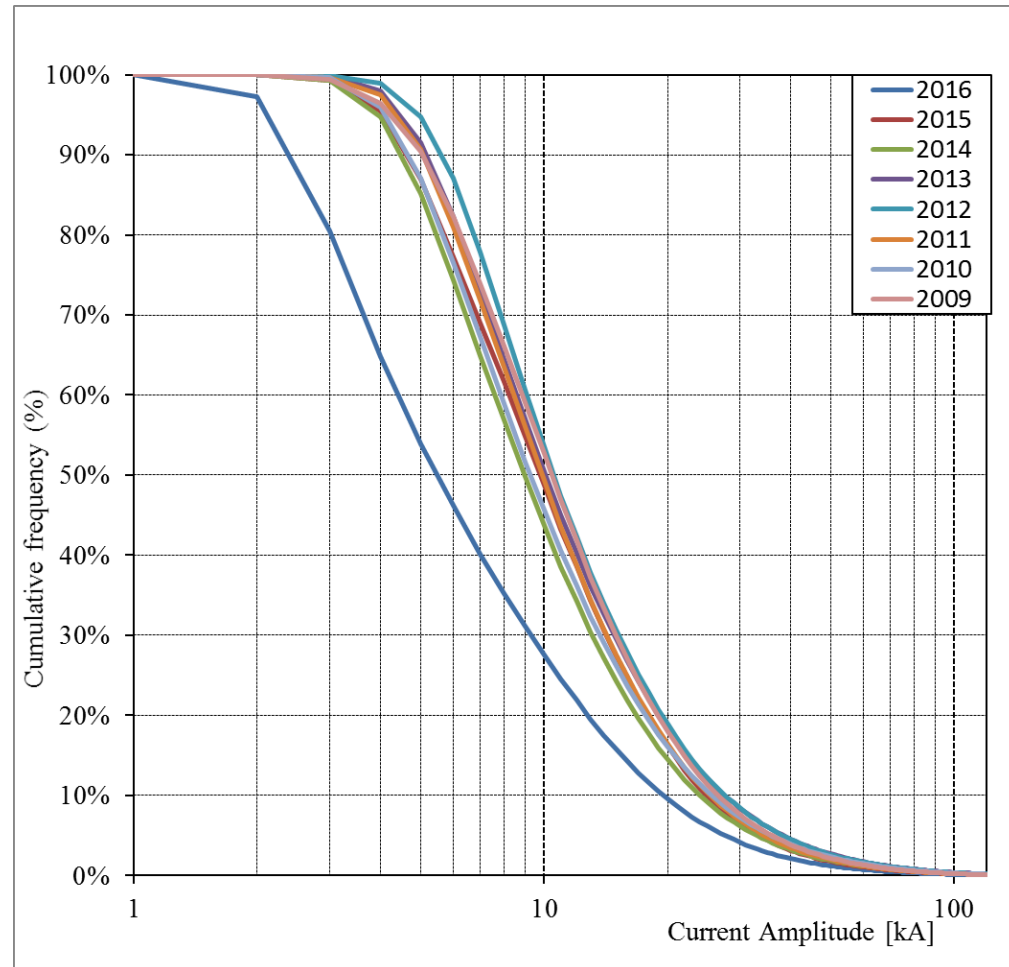


LLS measured lightning data

❑ Cumulative amplitude distribution

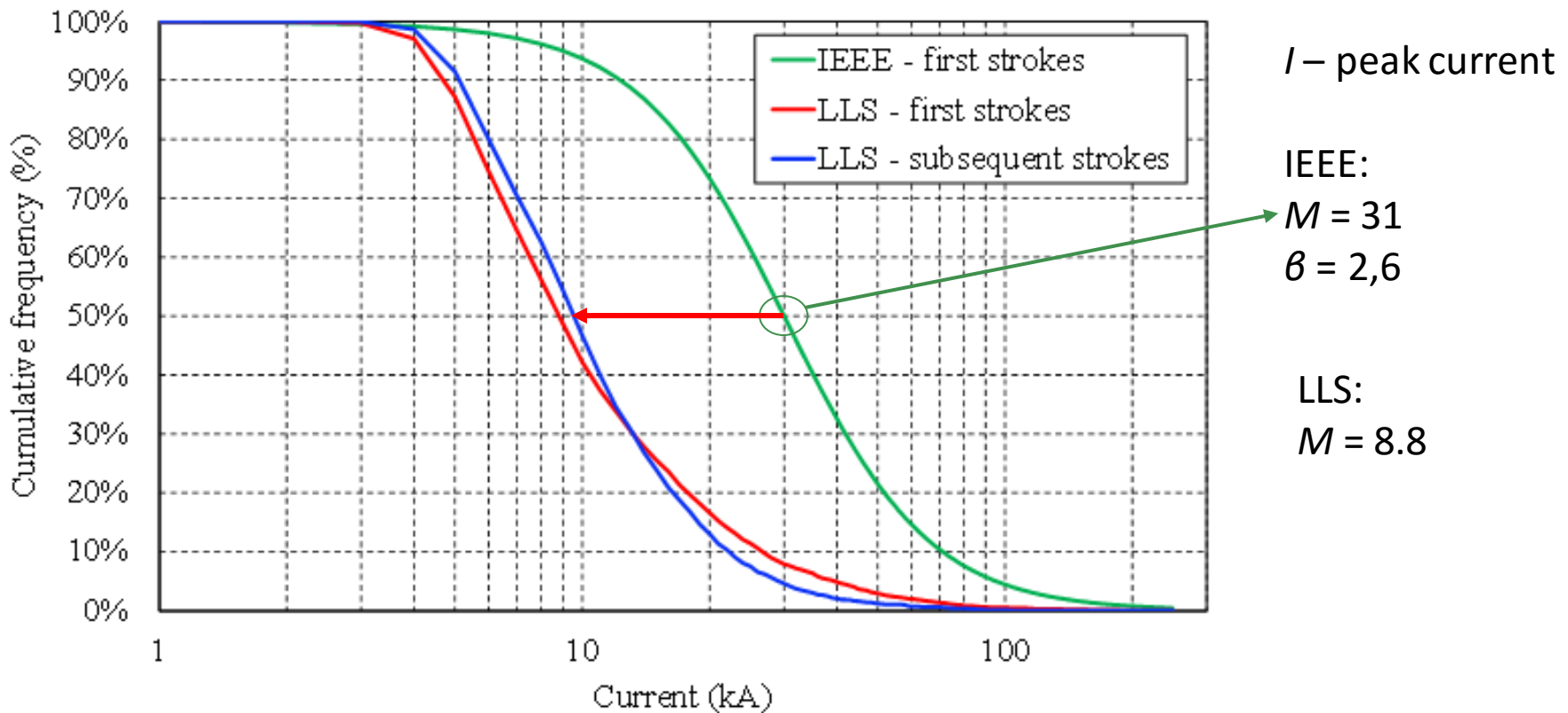
- ❑ Negative polarity
- ❑ Cloud to ground strokes
- ❑ 2009 – 2016

- ❑ Optimization of Lightning detection algorithm at the end of 2015
 - ❑ Better detection of small current lightning in 2016

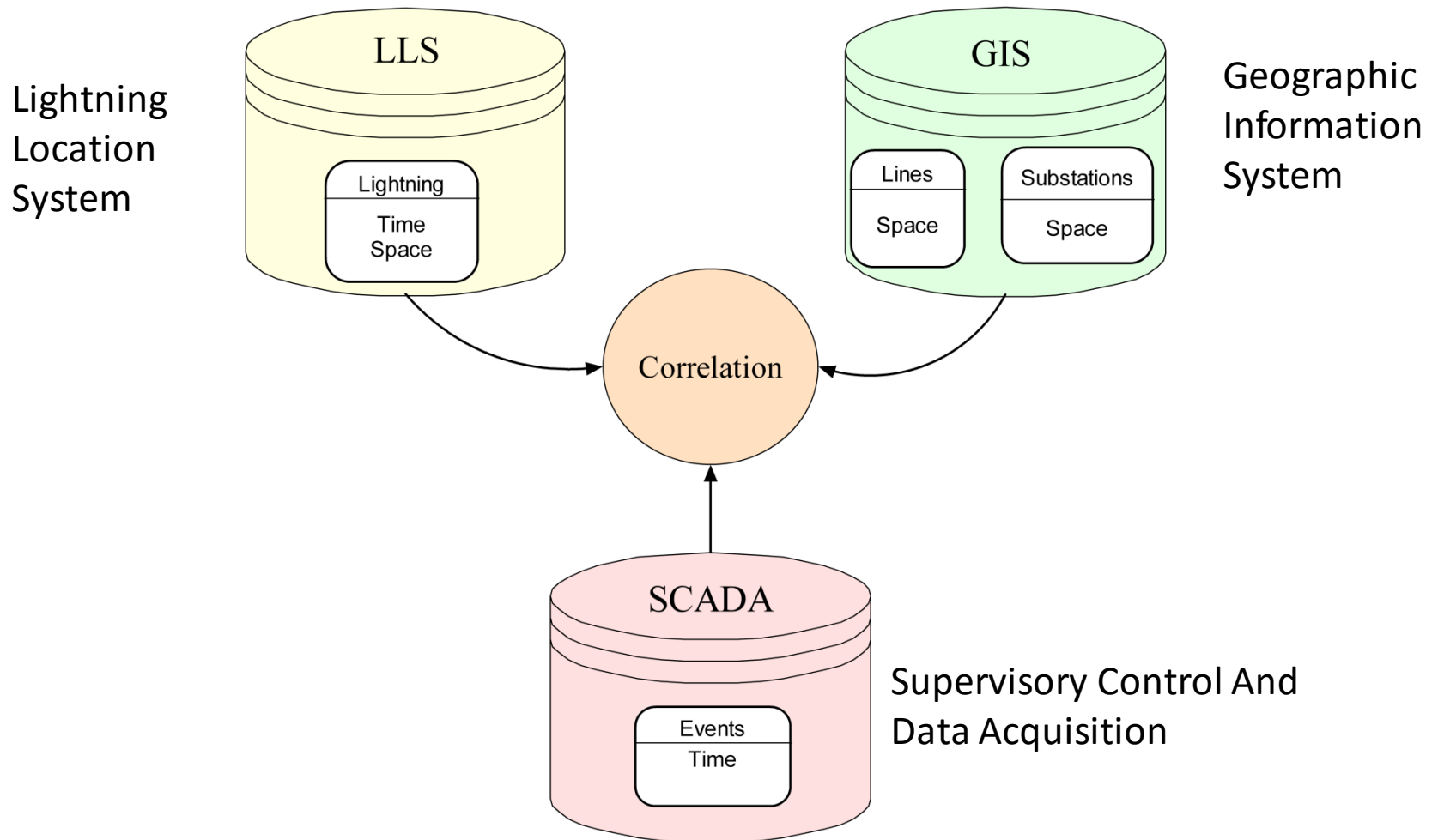


Measured Lightning Data

- Cumulative frequency of lightning occurrence
 - IEEE distribution
 - LLS measurements



Lightning Correlator



Lightning activity close to 220 kV line Konjsko - Orlovac

4.5.2009. 15:20h – 17:20h

* 10 min interval



LLS spatial correlation

- GIS data on transmission network
 - Spatial correlation with lightning data



Lightning statistics for Croatian TSO

- Transmission network
 - 339 lines 110/220/400 kV AC
 - 8 457 km

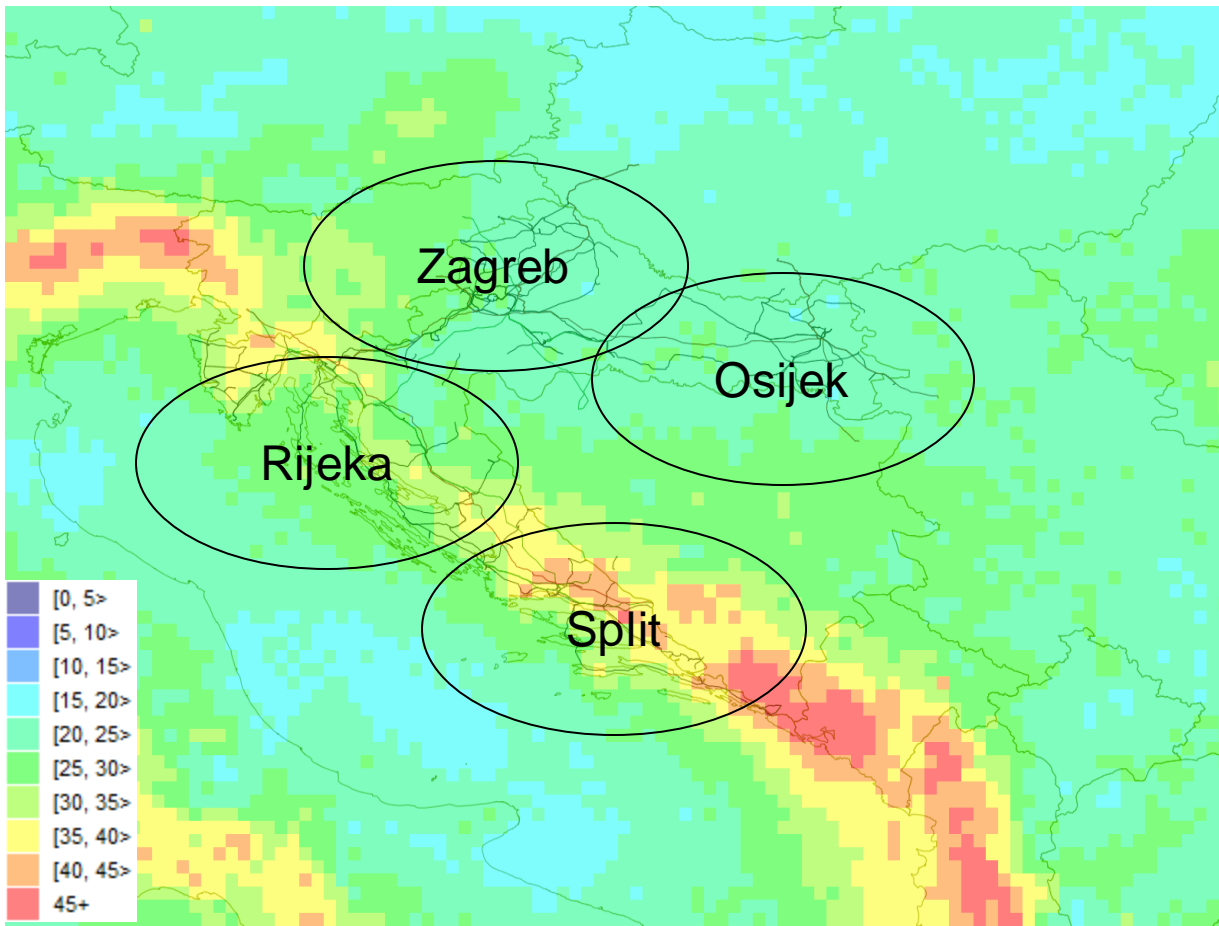
		400 kV	220 kV	110 kV	Total
2016	No. of transmission lines	15	27	297	339
	Transmission lines length [km]	1 676.225	1 468.082	5 313.616	8 457.923
	Alarm zone surfaces [km ²]	3 391.696	3 014.185	11 424.409	17 830.290
	No. of strokes	91 908	84 993	290 267	467 168
	No. strokes / 100 km of transmission line	5 483	5 789	5 463	5 523
	Stroke density [stroke / km ² year]	27.10	28.20	25.41	26.20

Lightning statistics for Croatian TSO

- ❑ SCADA registered CB (circuit breaker) operations
- ❑ CB operations due to lightning
- ❑ CB operations due to close strokes (near short circuit)

		400 kV	220 kV	110 kV	Total
2016	No. of line bays	33	53	483	569
	Total No. of CB operations	390	1 407	10 121	11 918
	No. of operations/ No. of line bays	20.9	26.5	11.8	20.946
	No. of correlated CB operations	3	21	238	262
	No. of correlations/ 100 km line length	0.179	1.430	4.479	3.098
	No. of operations CB due to close strokes	1	2	54	57

Isokeraunic level of Croatia



Transmission region	Number of correlated CB operations
Split	146
Rijeka	98
Osijek	12
Zagreb	6

Lightning statistics for Croatian TSO

- ❑ CB operations due to lightning per voltage level
- ❑ CB operations due to lightning per transmission region

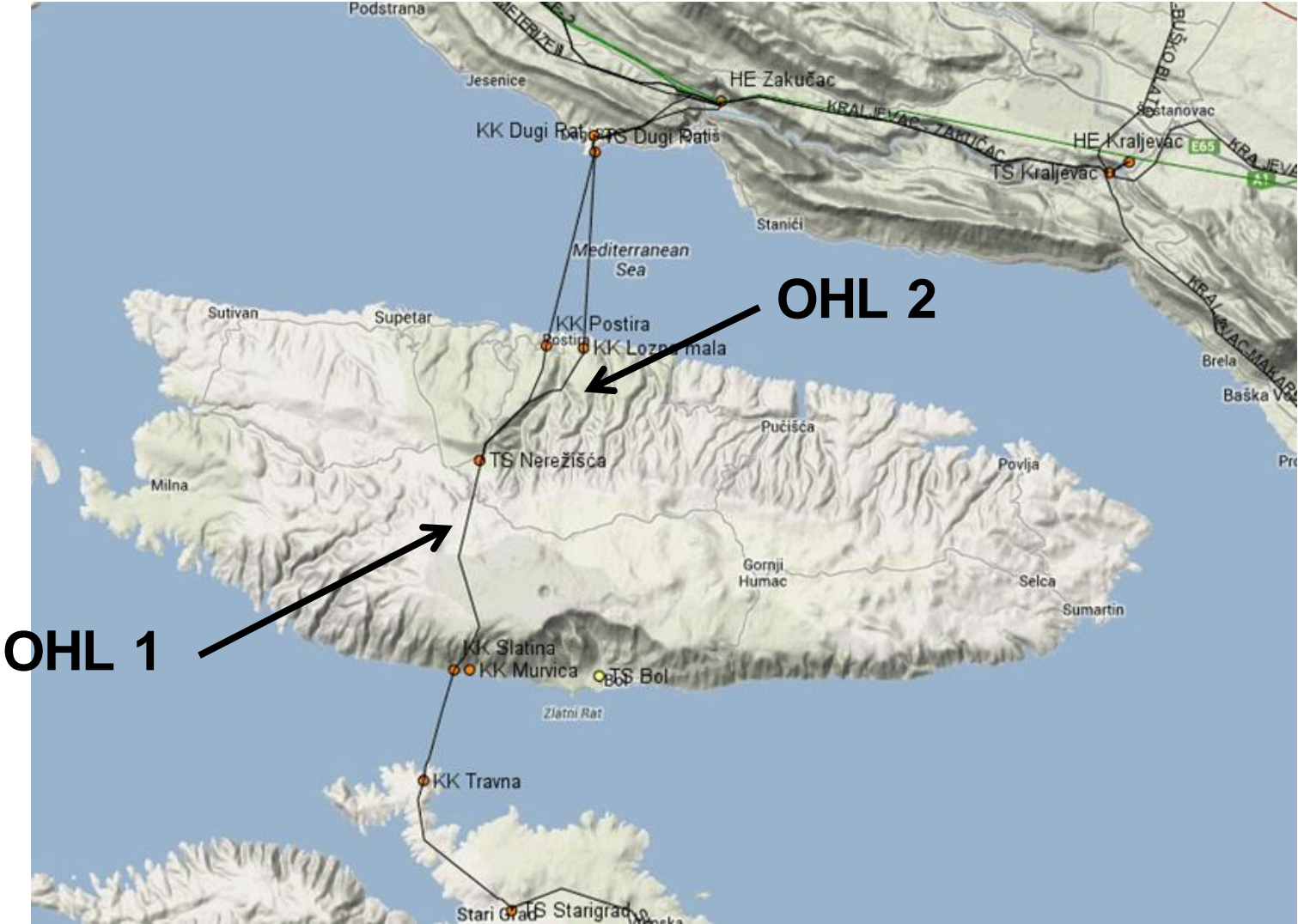
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LSAs operation on OHL 110 kV Ston - Komolac

- ❑ Line length: 44 km
- ❑ 110 LSAs (Line Surge Arresters) – zinc oxide surge arrester installed in July 2007
- ❑ Configuration obtained by computer simulations
 - ❑ Overhead line parameters, grounding tower resistance
 - ❑ Results not applied completely
 - ❑ Modified twice during the first six years of operation
 - ❑ 6 LSAs dismantled due to mechanical damages
 - ❑ 50 towers with 1 LSA, 24 towers with 2 LSAs and 2 towers with 3 LSAs

110 kV transmission network of the island of Brač



Line Surge Arresters installation

- ❑ OHL 1 – 110 kV OHL Nerežišća – Stari Grad
 - Line section length: 8.228 km
 - 25 LSAs installed
 - 3 towers with 1 LSA, 8 towers with 2 LSAs, 2 towers with 3 LSAs

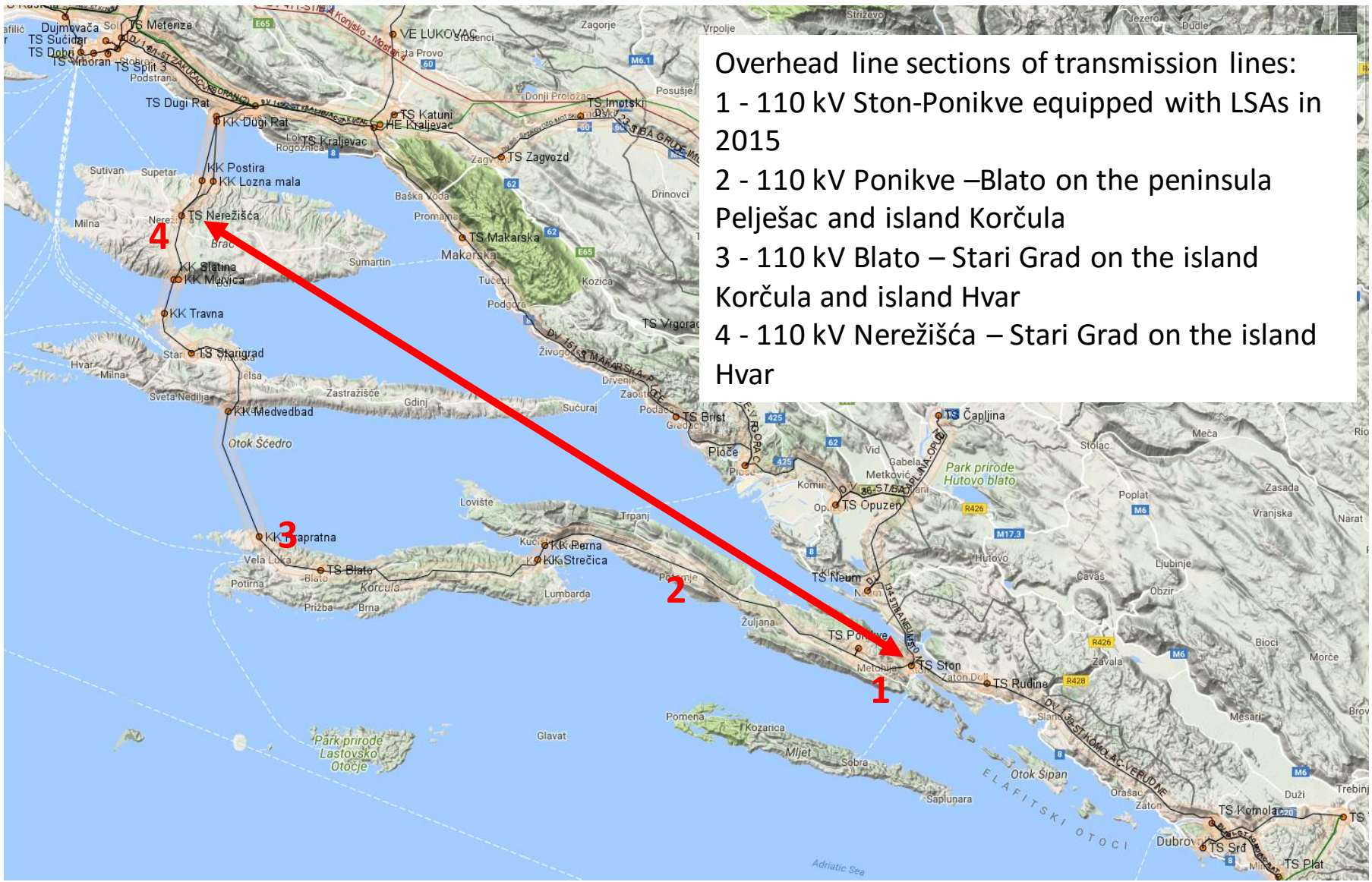
- ❑ OHL 2 – 110 kV OHL Dugi Rat – Nerežišća 2
 - Line section length: 5.929 km
 - 20 LSAs installed
 - 15 towers with 1 LSA, 1 tower with 2 LSAs, 1 tower with 3 LSAs

- ❑ LSAs – zinc oxide surge arrester:
 $U_c = 78 \text{ kV}$, $U_r = 108 \text{ kV}_{\text{eff}}$, IEC Class: II, Nominal discharge current: 10 kA, Discharge current withstand strength (4/10 μs): 100 kA_{peak}

Tower data



Future projects for LSAs implementation



- 1 - 110 kV Ston-Ponikve equipped with LSAs in 2015
- 2 - 110 kV Ponikve –Blato on the peninsula Pelješac and island Korčula
- 3 - 110 kV Blato – Stari Grad on the island Korčula and island Hvar
- 4 - 110 kV Nerežišća – Stari Grad on the island Hvar

Conclusion

- ❑ Lightning location system in Croatia – benefits for all technical systems
- ❑ Time and spatial correlation of the relay protection system data and LLS data
- ❑ Number of outages of OHLs in relation to the lightning activities decreased
- ❑ Possible improvements and further analyses needed
- ❑ Future application to OHLs in the Southern part of Croatian transmission network



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