Some current and future

research on Bora wind

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OUTLINE

- Background, $Fr_{vert} = U/(Nh) \le 1$ (or ~ 1)
- Bora and Related (Sub)Structures
- Pulsations, Rotors, Turbulence
- Future Avenues

Most of data here by Dept. Geophysics & partly by Met. & Hyd. Serv. Croatia

Other: e.g., Aircraft data MAP'99, Grubišić QJRMS 2004 → Večenaj et al. BLM 2012





Origins of bora gusts: a) atmos. turbulence (mean speed = solid, TKE = dotted, b) eddies due to waves (Mnt, KH, etc.) breaking, rolling down the slope, c) sliding air. *Kozmar et al. J. of Wind Eng. & Industrial Aerodyn. 2012, photo by T. Kozmar, 43 km S of Split, Croatia*

Satellite SAR data, Kuzmić et al. Acta Adriatica, 2013 in press



Left: gap-type of bora, Vratnik Pass & Oštarije Pass | Right: "all-over" wave-breaking transient WB over mnt. flanks severe bora type



TYPICAL BORA EPISODE, SENJ, 08/12/2001; 6TH H EXPANDED – <u>PULSATIONS</u>! <u>sampling 1 sec.</u> Grisogono & Belušić Tellus 2009

Pulsations: WS > 28m/s shaded, θ by 1K, 09 UTC 08/12/2001, a \rightarrow d) 650, 750, 850, 950 sec. **A**, **B** = individual pulsations, *Belušić et al. QJRMS 2007*





Courtesy of Mark Zagar, VESTAS, DK, 2010, submitted to Tellus as Rakovec et al. 2013 Redone simulation after Belušić et al. QJRMS 2007 (using COAMPS) now using WRF WRF 111m

Init: 2001-12-08_15:00:00 Valid: 2001-12-08_15:30:00



Same as the former but vertical x-section (gridpoints): ~ Krk island ← Senj

-Pulsation cause in this case: 1) KHI

-Other possibilities: 2) eddies from Mnt. Wave-Breaking vortex tilting advected down to sfc.

3) propagating lee waves, due to transience in the MWB region; "waveguide" between sfc. & MWB region in the lee

Senj, 2006



(a) 4-day raw <u>4 Hz data</u> near-sfc. time series, 07-11/01/2006, streamwise wind comp. u, 1h mean superimposed (b) 4 h with 10 min mean superimposed; Večenaj et al. 2010 \Rightarrow **TKE** ~ 10 – <u>20 m²s⁻², E ~ 0.5 – 1 m²s⁻³</u>; related poster on turb. integral length-scale by Večenaj et al. 11



1500

1000

altitude [m]

500

15.5

1

16

16.5

17

OUTPUT FROM GEOGRID V3.1.1 WE = 136 ; SN = 136 ; Levels = 0 ; Dis = 0.333333km

Central Adriatic coast, Dugopolje, upwind from Split





- Related poster on obs. based 1D TKE long-lasting bora case by Babić et al.
- For non-Bora downslope (katabatic) flow, a weakly-nonlinear Prandtl model developed, ICAM2013, Slovenia

Dugopolje: modeled pulsations at noon, > 12 h... Simulated by Kristian Horvath using WRF (work in progress)

Dataset: dmn4 b91 RIP: rip csec Fest: 12.00 h Valid: Horizontal wind speed Potential temperature Horizontal wind vectors

Valid: 1200 UTC Wed 28 Apr 10 (1200 LDT Wed 28 Apr 10) XY= 35.2, 16.1 to 102.9,122.5 XY= 35.2, 16.1 to 102.9,122.5 XY= 35.2, 16.1 to 102.9,122.5





Dugopolje, summertime bora case - continued





Logarithmic law - black Log. adjustment to the power low - grey $\alpha = 0.189 \pm 0.049$ $u_* = 0.74 \pm 0.31$ m/s

 $z_0 \approx 0.145 m$

bora wind $\uparrow \leftrightarrow (\alpha, u_*, z_0) \downarrow$

bora: moderate \leftrightarrow strong => suburban \leftrightarrow rural u(z)

Other bora- & its turbulence issues...

Anomalous refraction of radio-waves, Viher et al. J. Atmos. Sol. Ter. Phys. 2013

> Air-pollution: O_3 VOC, NO_x , Telišman Prtenjak et al. Met. Appl. 2013

> New generalized z-less mixing length-scale: $\Lambda = \frac{const \cdot (TKE)}{r}$ (Grisogono QJRMS2010) into mesoscale models

Fire-protection research, agriculture, traffic, future bora scenarios, etc.

 $S \mid (1 + Ri/Pr)$

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Figure 12. Schematic diagrams of the two dynamic pressure effects of mountain waves on katabatic flow. The upper diagram shows that, depending on location, katabatic flow can be either strengthened (upper slope case) or weakened (lower slope case), due to the integrated column pressure structure of the mountain wave and the locally induced pressure gradient (arrows). The lower diagram shows that a breaking mountain wave aloft causes rapid pressure fluctuations which, in turn, causes rapid katabatic flow fluctuations.

Poulos et al. JAS 2007

Daytime pulsations: upstream variability

Scorer parameter of the background flow shows an upstream variability during daytime (including unstable sfc. layer)

Related to lee side pulsations?







10 15 20 25 30 34 36 38 40 42 46 48 50 55 60 65 70 75 80 90

- ALPEX 1982 → R.B. Smith, JAS '85,'87 & J. Klemp & D.
 Durran, Cont. Atmos. Phys.'87. → Strong(est) Bora is a type of severe downslope windstorm
 Mountain wave-breaking usually occurs... Fr_v = U/(Nh) ≤ 1
- 3D MODELING of Bora from late '90s onward... DA (2km)

in ALADIN (8km) helps operationally

• $1 \rightarrow 5$ Hz wind sampling since ~2001...

fine remote sensing data still missing

New info come from **MAP** – airborne data, PV analysis, fine-scale modeling

Jets & wakes ↔ mountain gaps & peaks

PV banners separate individual bora wakes & jets, $L_x \sim 10 - 25$ km