

# Case study of a bora event at the Dubrovnik airport

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# ■ Introduction

- Bora is strong and gusty wind (N-NE)
- crosswind up to 70kt
- significant difficulties in the aircraft taking off and landing procedures at Dubrovnik airport



# Introduction

Predmet: Meteorološka ispitivanja  
na aerodromu "Rijeka" i  
"Dubrovnik".

Piloti naših avio prevoznika vrlo često izjavljuju da su na aerodromima "Rijeka" i "Dubrovnik" veoma teški uslovi letenja u odredjenim vremenskim situacijama.

Na sastanku predstavnika Savezne uprave za civilnu vazdušnu plovību, JAT-a, INEX ADRIA AVIOPROMET-a i AVIOGENEX-a, održanog na dan 16. juna 1971. godine, donet je zaključak da se na ovim aerodromima izvrši detaljno ispitivanje odredjenih vremenskih situacija, pri kojima su karakteristični i teški uslovi letenja.

S obzirom na gornje, predlažemo da se u prostorijama Savezne uprave za civilnu vazdušnu plovību, na dan 12. jula 1971. god. u 9 časova održi koordinacioni sastanak na kome bi se utvrdio plan i program ispitivanja, kao i tehničko-finansijska pitanja.

Da bi olakšali i ubrzali rad na ovom sastanku, mi smo napravili predlog programa, koji vam se dostavlja u prilogu.

- **1966 Proposal for the research of bora at LDDU**
- **In 1971, NHMI calls a meeting with partner Airports, ATS, NHMI, and Airlines**

# ■ Introduction

- the influence of the crosswind and wind shear on air traffic is examined within **SESAR 2020** programme, according to solution PJ.04 Total Airport Management and PJ.18 Trajectory Management
- WINDCUBE400S-AT LIDAR and 3D Windmaster Pro ultrasonic anemometer were installed
- Measurements span from 14 December 2017 to 14 April 2018

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# ■ Anemometer and Lidar setup



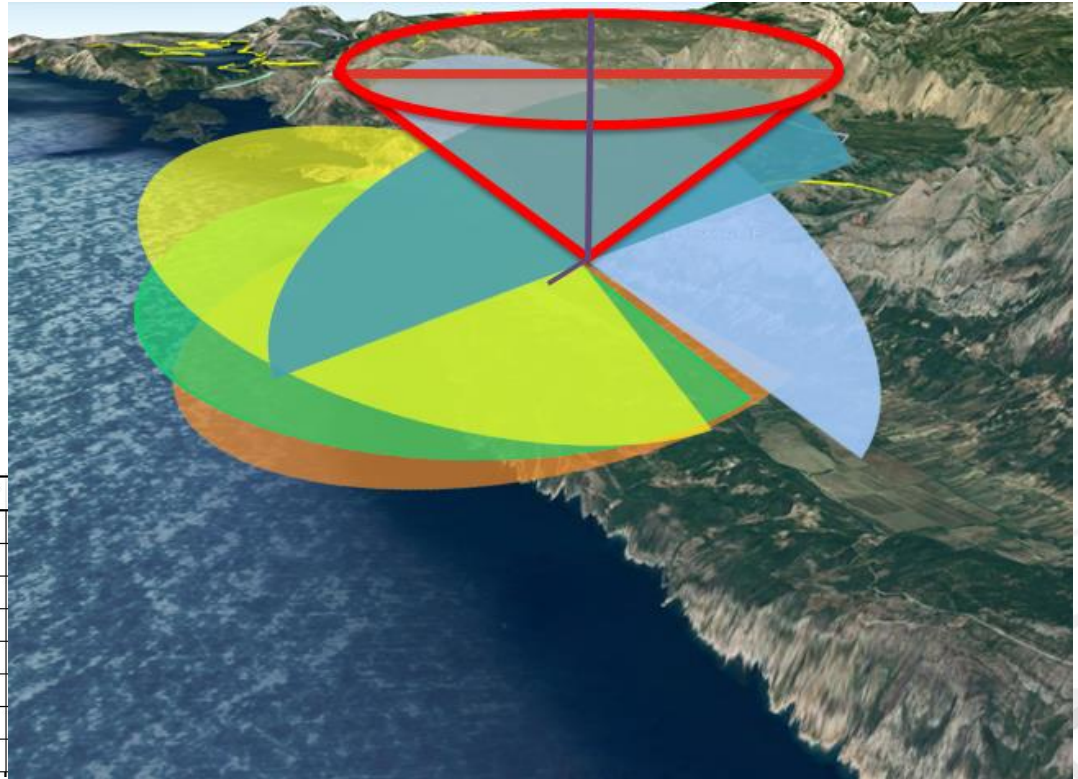
# ■ Anemometer and Lidar setup



- 3D WindMaster Pro ultrasonic anemometer (Gill Instruments)
- 3 m and 10 m height measurements
- Wind speed up to 65m/s
- Sampling Frequency 10 Hz
- Fourier spectral analysis, estimation of TKE and its dissipation rate



# Anemometer and Lidar setup



| Scan Index | Scanning scenarios   | ID Scan | Display resolution (m) | Duration (min) |
|------------|----------------------|---------|------------------------|----------------|
| #1         | PPI Median Approach  | 89      | 120                    | 1.11           |
| #2         | PPI Initial Approach | 74      | 120                    | 1.00           |
| #3         | PPI Touchdown        | 76      | 120                    | 0.50           |
| #5         | LOS Vertical         | 112     | 50                     | 1.50           |
| #6         | PPI wind mode        | 37      | 50                     | 0.50           |
| #7         | LOS Met Mast         | 134     | 50                     | 1.50           |
| #8         | 1 RHI mountain       | 111     | 50                     | 0.26           |
| #8         | 1 RHI RWY12          | 111     | 50                     | 0.26           |

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# ■ Objectives of the study

3D distribution of turbulence:

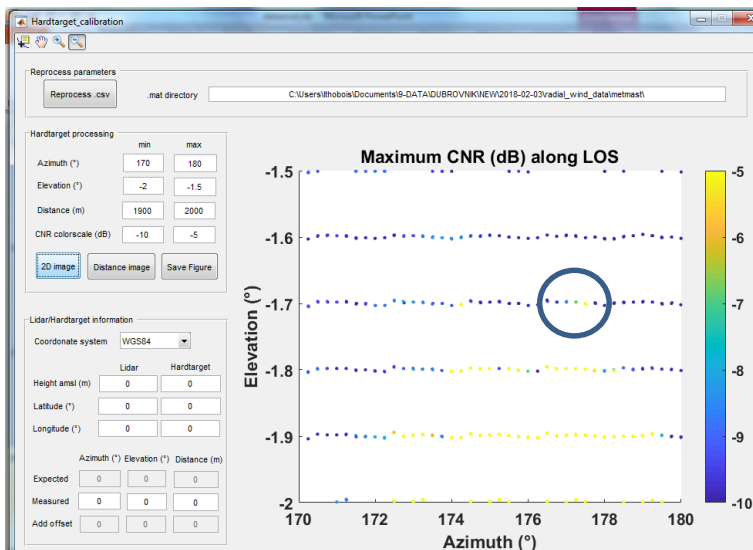
- Retrieve turbulence information from Lidar measurements;
- Compare measurements performed by the LIDAR and the anemometer of mean wind speed and its standard deviation;
- Calibrate values obtained from Lidar to the values obtained from the anemometer

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# Determination of azimuth and elevation angles and distances

- Horizontal distance = 1,91 km
- Vertical difference = 86 m
- Check the pointing of the line of sight with multiple PPI scans

| Instrument     | WGS84       |             | Easting   | Northing   | Elevation Height (ft) | Terrain Elevation Height (m) |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
|                | Lat DD.dddd | Long DD.ddd | UTM (m)   |            |                       |                              |
| Scanning Lidar | 42.581762   | 18.25131    | 274437.79 | 4718035.88 | 775.92                | 236.5                        |
| Met mast       | 42.5644139  | 18.25356111 | 274560.00 | 4716103.36 | 547.90                | 167                          |
|                |             |             | 166021.55 | 0.00       | 0.00                  |                              |
|                |             |             | 166021.55 | 0.00       | 0.00                  |                              |



- Multiple PPI scans have been configured to sweep
- 2 Max CNR obtained
- Choice of the second one at 177.5°, -1.7° and a distance of 1931 m

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# ■ Case study

| #   | Date           | Time (UTC)            | MAX WSPD | MAX GUST | GUSTS        | Comment                 | EPISODE name     | Bora type                |
|-----|----------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 1   | 17/18.12.2017. | 1100-1400 & 1700-0830 | 25       | 34       | rare         |                         |                  | Gap flow                 |
| 2   | 18/19.12.2017. | 1700-0830             | 24       | 31       | occasionally |                         |                  | st BORA                  |
| 3   | 19/20.12.2017  | 2130-0130             | 21       | 31       | rare         |                         |                  | Gap flow                 |
| 4   | 20/22.12.2017  | 2000-0000             | 29       | 40       | frequent     |                         |                  | gap flow => Bora ? => N? |
| 5   | 29.12.2017     | 1230-2330             | 23       | 32       | some         | light precipitation -RA |                  | not recognized (gap)     |
| 6   | 02-03.01.2018. | 1930-0400             | 28       | 41       | frequent     |                         |                  | st BORA                  |
| 7   | 21-22.1.2018.  | 1900-1800             | 37       | 60       | frequent     | light precipitation -RA | STRONGEST        | st BORA => deep          |
| 8   | 23-24.1.2018.  | 1100-0800             | 29       | 49       | frequent     |                         |                  | st BORA                  |
| 9   | 10/11.2.2018.  | 1430-0600             | 31       | 42       | frequent     |                         |                  | st BORA                  |
| 10  | 15.2.2018.     | 0030-0830             | 29       | 37       | occasionally |                         |                  | st BORA                  |
| 11  | 15/16.2.2018.  | 1730-0830             | 22       |          | without      |                         |                  | Gap flow                 |
| 12  | 23/24.2.2018.  | 0130-0700             | 23       |          | without      |                         |                  | Gap flow                 |
| 13a | 24/25.2.2018.  | 1800-0800             | 25       | 36       | rare         |                         | LONG episode 24- | Gap flow                 |
| 13b | 25/26.2.2018.  | 0800-0900             | 30       | 41       | frequent     | light precipitation -RA |                  | Gap flow                 |
| 14  | 21/22.3.2018.  | 1400-1800             | 36       | 52       | frequent     | light precipitation -RA |                  | st BORA                  |



# ■ Bora event on March 21-22, 2018

**2018-03-21 13:34:35.201**

System ID: WLS400s-113

Latitude:

Longitude:

Accumulation time: 250 ms

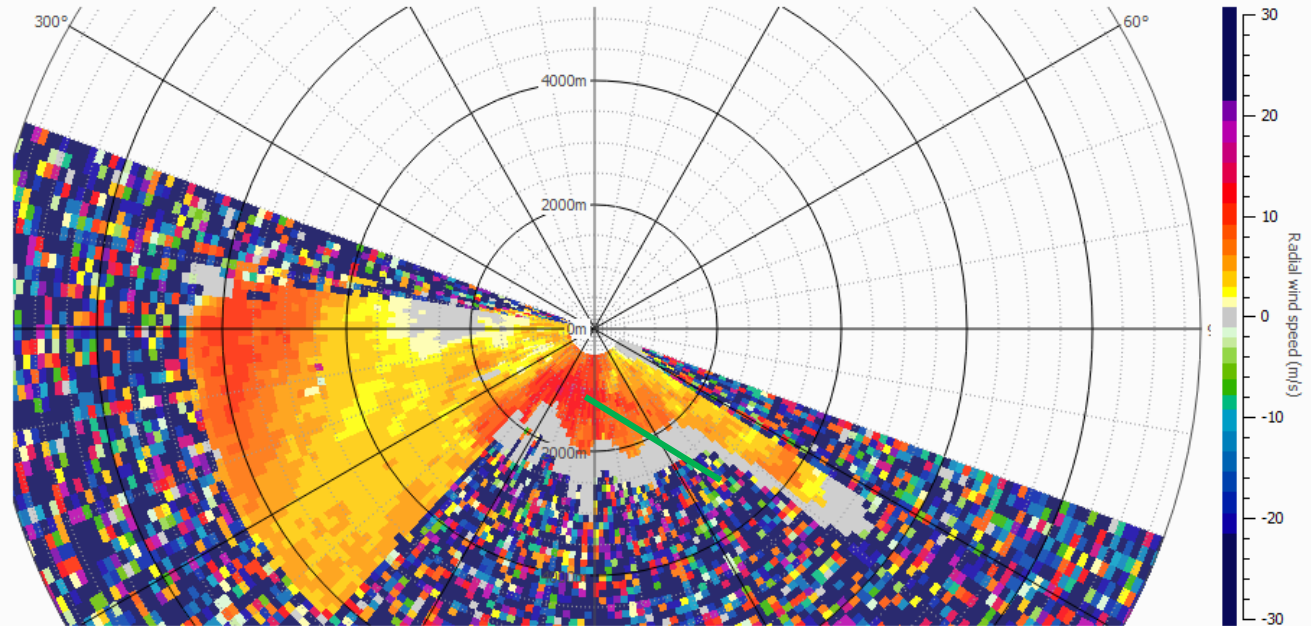
Range gate length: 200 m

Rotation speed: 6 °/s

Elevation: -2.000 °

Scan ID: 76

Resolution ID: 7



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2018-03-22 09:00:22.967

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Latitude:

Longitude:

Accumulation time: 250 ms

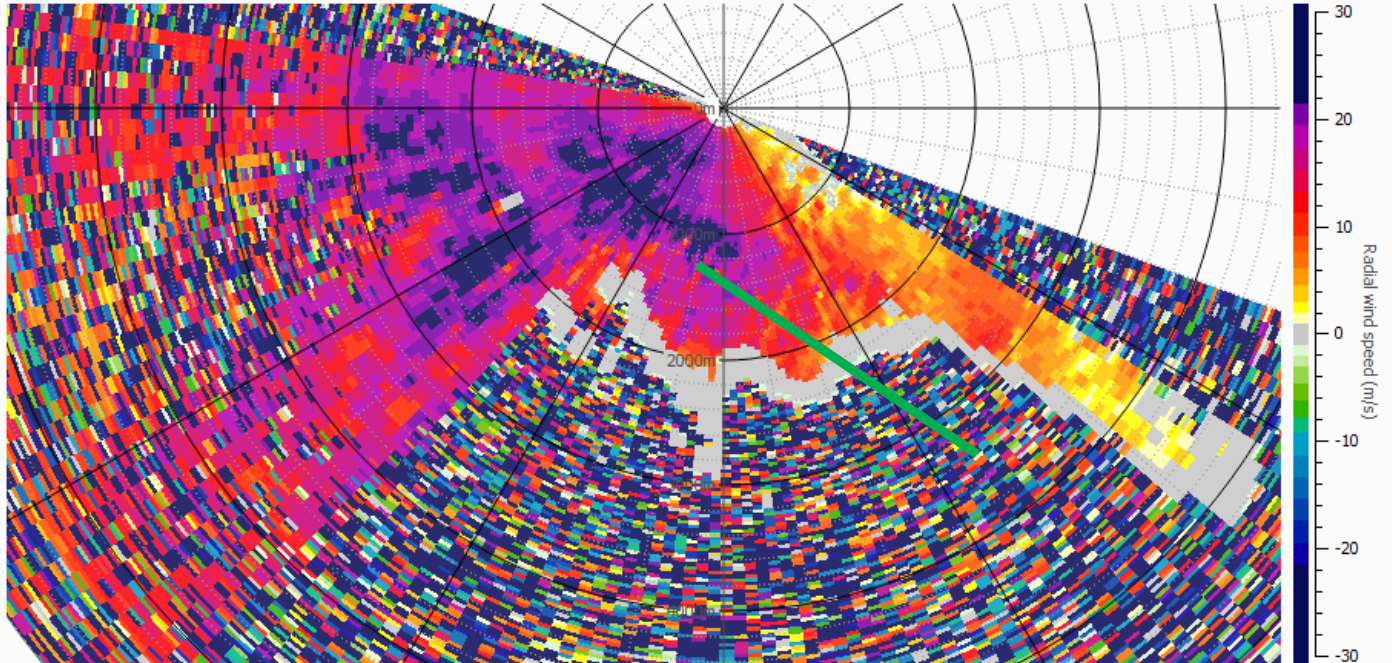
Range gate length: 75 m

Rotation speed: 6 °/s

Elevation: -2.000 °

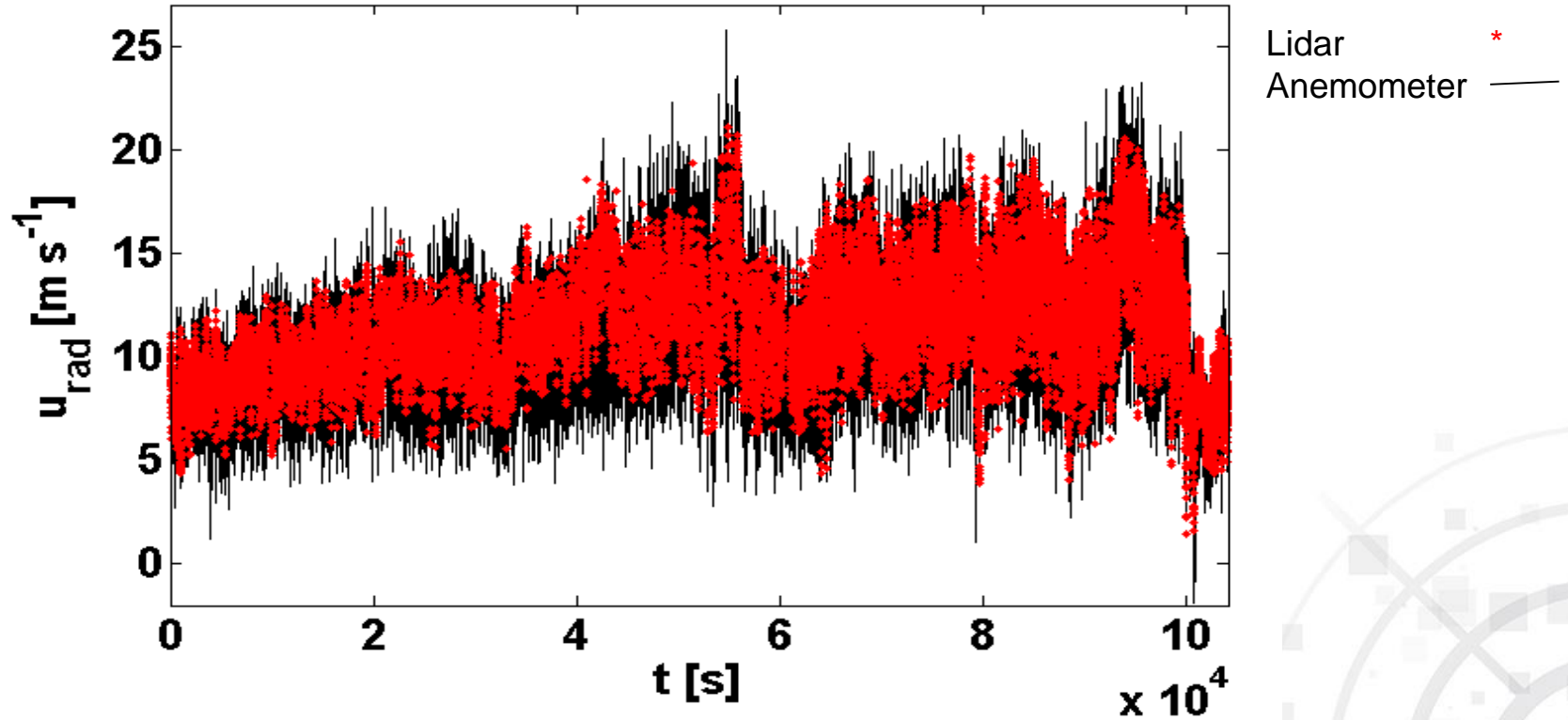
Scan ID: 142

Resolution ID: 9



For more interesting bora scans => Jadran Jurković „Small mesoscale features during bora at Dubrovnik airport” 17h

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# ■ Future work

- Explore possible link between the standard deviation of Lidar and anemometer data;
- By establishing the connection we will be able to relate st. dev. from Lidar data with TKE and its dissipation from anemometer;



Thank you for your attention!

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