

ZOOGEOGRAPHICAL REGIONALIZATION OF THE SERBIA ACCORDING TO THE AFFINITY OF LOCAL FAUNAS OF THE SKIPPERS AND BUTTERFLIES (LEPIDOPTERA: HESPERIOIDEA & PAPILIONOIDEA)

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ABSTRACT

Integrated list of skippers and butterflies of Serbia is shown. We also conducted faunal analyses of established species. Based on previous research, some regions have been identified as center of certain faunal groups. Degree of similarity of selected areas is established by Jaccard index

method. By Cluster analyses has identified links between isolated areas. Specific faunal elements of certain areas have been separated – they are differential species. Summarizing the obtain results, zoogeographical map of the skippers and butterflies of Serbia is done.

Key words: butterflies, faunal elements, zogeography, Serbia

1. INTRODUCTION

According to modern concept, diversity center of Lepidoptera in Palaearctic area is Western China. This area was settled by ancestor line from Gondvana (Varga, 2002). That is where migration and diversification began. Thanks to that greatest number of European skippers and butterflies belong to Palaearctic species group. East Asia species using the northern route (closed forest habitat) are indicated as Arboreal. East Asia species using the southern route (open habitats) are indicated as Oreal. Balkan Peninsula has been inhabited by both groups. That process has been repeated on several occasions from several directions. The success of migration depended on local environmental factors. Jagged territory enabled survival of species of different affinities. Thanks to that, particular territory has specific assemblage of species. That is, we talk about “faunal elements”.

The main zoogeographical task is to establish faunal and areal elements of certain groups. Based on that, further on, zoogeographical data chart can be done.

The skippers and butterfly faunal element research and definition has a long tradition. The first significant contribution was given by (Pagenstecher, 1909), than (Hormuzaki, 1929, 1930), (Rebel, 1932-33) as the leading expert of that time was first to conduct faunal analyses of skippers and butterflies of Balkan Peninsula. After Rebel several authors (see references: Annotated Bibliography) have contributed faunal

elements definition. In this paper we adopted the system given by (Kudrna et al., 2015).

Vegetation and phytogeographic chart was first done by (Adamović, 1907), followed by Fukarek and (Jovanović, 1983), (Gajić, 1984) and (Stevanović et al., 1995).

The first zoogeographic chart of Serbia was done by (Kobelt, 1904) based on Mollusca. He singled out three provinces: Carpathian-Transilvanian, North Balkan as well as Albanian-Macedonian. Some times later (Pavlović, 1912), based on snail studies of Serbia in that time, singled out five provinces. The first zoogeographic chart of entire contemporary Serbian territory, was done by (Hadži, 1931) based on cryptobiotic species study. Finally, (Matvejev, 1968) did zoogeographic chart of Serbia based on birds distribution.

Having that in mind we can come up with an assumption (as antithesis) that Serbia has skippers and butterflies with heterogenous composition and historically conditioned disposition and in a compliance with current ecological condition. Accordingly, Serbian territory in a sense of zoogeography, is not homogenus but with clearly distinguished areas.

2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

In order to answer these questions eleven provinces on the territory of Serbia has been chosen.

Faunistic data were taken from the existing literature (Tab. 1).

(Jaccard's, 1902) index was used to present the degree of dissimilarity between zoogeographic regions: $R = 100 C/A+B - C$

where:

A = number of species in the richest fauna;

B = number of species in the poorest fauna;

C = number of species common to both faunas.

For agglomerate clustering, UPGMA method were used (Sokal and Rohlf, 1995). Estimations were done

using the program FLORA (Karadžić and Marinković, 2009).

3. RESULTS

Based on previous studies of butterfly fauna of Serbia (Tab. 1) list of established species has been done. Distribution of species is shown broken into 11 areas, that are set aside on basis of previous findings. Faunistic affiliation of each species is added, according to (Kudrna et al., 2015).

Table 1. List of provinces and previous papers on distribution of butterflies in Serbia.

No.	Provinces	Data for Butterflies (References)
1	Pannonicum	Andjus, 2008; Jakšić i Nahirnić, 2011; Jakšić et al., 2008; Lorković und Siladjev, 1982; Popović et al., 2014.
2	Dacicum	Andjus, 2008; Zečević, 2002.
3	Carpathicum	Gradojević, 1930-31; Jakšić, 2006.; Zečević, 2002; Živojinović, 1950.
4	Moesicum	Jakšić, 2011; Popović i Đurić, 2014; Swaay et al., 2007; Tuleschkow, 1932.
5	W-Rhodope	Jakšić, 2003; Nahirnić, 2011; Swaay et al., 2007.
6	Serbicium	Gradojević, 1930-31; Jakšić, 2015.
7	Dinaricum (Illyricum)	Dodok, 2003; Đurić & Franeta, 2011; Jakšić, 2011; Jakšić i Nahirnić, 2014.; Nahirnić et al. 2015.
8	Bertiscum	Jakšić, 2003-
9	Scardicum	Jakšić, 1998.
10.	10a. Sub-Aegean 10b. Sub-Adriaticum	Jakšić, 1986; Jakšić & Ristić, 1999; Kogovšek et al., 2012; Popović et al., 2014; Swaay et al., 2007.
11.	Ponišavlje	Popović i Đurić, 2014; Todorova, und Petkoff, P., 1915

Table. 2. List of butterfly species recorded in Serbia. Faunal elements according to (Kudrna et al., 2015).

			FAUNAL ELEMENTS (Kudrna, Pennerstorfer & Lux, 2015)												
			1. PANNONICUM	2. DACICUM	3. CARPATHICUM	4. MOESICUM	5. W-RHODOPE	6. SERBICUM	7. DINARICUM (Illyricum)	8. BERTISCUM	9. SCARDICUM	10+11. FRAGMENTATED AREAS			
	LEPIDOPTERA														
	HESPERIOIDEA														
	HESPERIIDAE														
1	<i>Erynnis tages</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
2	<i>Carcharodus alceae</i> (Esper, 1780)	Med	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
3	<i>Carcharodus lavatherae</i> (Esper, 1783)	EM	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1		
4	<i>Carcharodus flocciferus</i> (Zeller, 1847)	EO	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0		
5	<i>Spialia phlomidis</i> (Herrich-Schäffer, 1845)	EO	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1		
6	<i>Spialia orbifer</i> (Hübner, 1823)	EO	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0		
7	<i>Syrichtus proto</i> (Ochsenheimer, 1808)	EO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		
8	<i>Syrichtus cribrellum</i> (Eversmann, 1841)	ES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
9	<i>Pyrgus carthami</i> (Hübner, 1813)	EO	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0		
10	<i>Pyrgus sidae</i> (Esper, 1782)	EO	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0		
11	<i>Pyrgus andromedae</i> (Wallengren, 1853)	BM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		
12	<i>Pyrgus malvae</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		

13	<i>Pyrgus serratulae</i> (Rambur, 1840)	ES	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
14	<i>Pyrgus cinarae</i> (Rambur, 1840)	EO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
15	<i>Pyrgus armoricanus</i> (Oberthur, 1910)	EO	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
16	<i>Pyrgus alveus</i> (Hübner, 1803)	ES	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
17	<i>Pyrgus trenbevensis</i> (Warren, 1926)	ES	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
18	<i>Heteropterus morpheus</i> (Pallas, 1771)	ES	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
19	<i>Carterocephalus palaemon</i> (Pallas, 1771)	Hol	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
20	<i>Thymelicus lineola</i> (Ochsenheimer, 1806)	Hol	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
21	<i>Thymelicus sylvestris</i> (Poda, 1761)	EO	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
22	<i>Thymelicus acteon</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	EO	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
23	<i>Hesperia comma</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Hol	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
24	<i>Ochlodes sylvanus</i> (Esper, 1777)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
PAPILIONOIDEA												
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25	<i>Zerynthia polyxena</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	EO	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
26	<i>Zerynthia cerisy</i> (Godart, 1822)	EO	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
27	<i>Parnassius mnemosyne</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EO	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
28	<i>Parnassius apollo</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
29	<i>Iphiclides podalirius</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
30	<i>Papilio machaon</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
PIERIDAE												
31	<i>Leptidea sinapis</i> (Linnaeus, 1758) complex	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
32	<i>Leptidea reali</i> (Reissinger, 1989) – <i>juvernica</i> Williams, 1946 complex	ES	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
33	<i>Leptidea duponcheli</i> (Staudinger, 1871)	EO	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
34	<i>Leptidea morsei</i> (Fenton, 1882)	ES	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
36	<i>Anthocharis gruneri</i> (Herrich-Schäffer, 1851)	EO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
37	<i>Euchloe ausonia</i> (Hübner, 1806) complex	Med	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
38	<i>Aporia crataegi</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
39	<i>Pieris brassicae</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
40	<i>Pieris mannii</i> (Mayer, 1851)	EO	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
41	<i>Pieris rapae</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Hol	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
42	<i>Pieris ergane</i> (Geyer, 1828)	EO	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
43	<i>Pieris napi</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
44	<i>Pieris balcana</i> (Lorković, 1968)	ES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
45	<i>Pontia edusa</i> (Fabricius, 1777)	ES	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
46	<i>Colias erate</i> (Esper, 1803)	ES	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
47	<i>Colias crocea</i> (Fourcroy, 1785)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
48	<i>Colias myrmidone</i> (Esper, 1781)	EO	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
49	<i>Colias balcanica</i> (Rebel, 1903)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
50	<i>Colias hyale</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
51	<i>Colias alfacariensis</i> (Ribbe, 1905)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
52	<i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
RIODINIDAE												
53	<i>Hamearis lucina</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EM	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
LYCAENIDAE												
54	<i>Lycaena phlaeas</i> (Linnaeus, 1761)	Hol	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
55	<i>Lycaena helle</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	ES	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
56	<i>Lycaena dispar</i> (Haworth, 1802)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
57	<i>Lycaena virgaureae</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
58	<i>Lycaena tityrus</i> (Poda, 1761)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
59	<i>Lycaena alciphron</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	EO	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
60	<i>Lycaena hippothoe</i> (Linnaeus, 1760)	ES	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
61	<i>Lycaena candens</i> (Herrich-Schäffer, 1844)	Mon	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
62	<i>Lycaena thersamon</i> (Esper, 1784)	EO	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
63	<i>Thecla betulae</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
64	<i>Favonius quercus</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
65	<i>Callophrys rubi</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
66	<i>Satyrium w-album</i> (Knoch, 1782)	ES	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0

67	<i>Satyrium pruni</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
68	<i>Satyrium spinii</i> (Fabricius, 1787)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
69	<i>Satyrium ilicis</i> (Esper, 1779)	EO	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
70	<i>Satyrium acaciae</i> (Fabricius, 1787)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
71	<i>Lampides boeticus</i> (Linnaeus, 1767)	Tro	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
72	<i>Leptotes pirithous</i> (Linnaeus, 1767)	Tro	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
73	<i>Cupido minimus</i> (Fuessly, 1775)	ES	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
74	<i>Cupido osiris</i> (Meigen, 1829)	EO	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
75	<i>Cupido argiades</i> (Pallas, 1771)	Hol	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
76	<i>Cupido decolorata</i> (Staudinger, 1886)	EM	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
77	<i>Cupido alcetas</i> (Hoffmannsegg, 1803)	ES	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
78	<i>Celastrina argiolus</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
79	<i>Pseudophilotes vicrama</i> (Moore, 1865)	EO	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
80	<i>Pseudophilotes bavius</i> (Eversmann, 1832)	EM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
81	<i>Scolitantides orion</i> (Pallas, 1771)	ES	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
82	<i>Glaucoopsyche alexis</i> (Poda, 1761)	ES	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
83	<i>Iolana iolas</i> (Ochsenheimer, 1816)	EO	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
84	<i>Phengaris arion</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
85	<i>Phengaris teleius</i> (Bergsträsser, 1779)	ES	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
86	<i>Phengaris alcon</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	ES	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
87	<i>Kretania pylaon</i> (Fischer, 1832) complex	ES	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
88	<i>Plebeius argus</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
89	<i>Plebeius idas</i> (Linnaeus, 1760)	Hol	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
90	<i>Plebeius argyrognomon</i> (Bergsträsser, 1779)	ES	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
91	<i>Agriades optilete</i> (Knoch, 1781)	BM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
92	<i>Eumedonia eumedon</i> (Esper, 1780)	ES	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
93	<i>Aricia agestis</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
94	<i>Aricia artaxerxes</i> (Fabricius, 1793)	BM	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
95	<i>Aricia anteros</i> (Freyer, 1838)	Mon	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
96	<i>Cyaniris semiargus</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
97	<i>Polyommatus escheri</i> (Hübner, 1823)	EM	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
98	<i>Polyommatus dorylas</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	EO	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
99	<i>Polyommatus icarius</i> (Esper, 1789) (<i>syn. amandus</i>)	ES	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
100	<i>Polyommatus thersites</i> (Cantener, 1834)	ES	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
101	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
102	<i>Polyommatus eros</i> (Ochsenheimer, 1808)	ES	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
103	<i>Polyommatus daphnis</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	EO	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
104	<i>Polyommatus bellargus</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
105	<i>Polyommatus coridon</i> (Poda, 1761)	EO	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
106	<i>Polyommatus admetus</i> (Esper, 1783)	EO	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
107	<i>Polyommatus ripartii</i> (Freyer, 1830)	EO	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
108	<i>Polyommatus damon</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	ES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
NYMPHALIDAE												
109	<i>Libythea celtis</i> (Laicharting, 1782)	EO	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
110	<i>Argynnis paphia</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
111	<i>Argynnis pandora</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	EO	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
112	<i>Argynnis aglaja</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
113	<i>Argynnis adippe</i> ([Schiffermüller], 1775)	ES	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
114	<i>Argynnis niobe</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
115	<i>Issoria lathonia</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
116	<i>Brenthis ino</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	ES	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
117	<i>Brenthis daphne</i> (Bergsträsser, 1780)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
118	<i>Brenthis hecate</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	ES	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
119	<i>Boloria eunomia</i> (Esper, 1799)	Hol	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
120	<i>Boloria euphrosyne</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
121	<i>Boloria titania</i> (Esper, 1793)	Hol	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
122	<i>Boloria selene</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	Hol	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
123	<i>Boloria dia</i> (Linnaeus, 1767)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
124	<i>Boloria pales</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
125	<i>Boloria graeca</i> (Staudinger, 1870)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
126	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Hol	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

127	<i>Vanessa cardui</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Cos	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
128	<i>Aglais io</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
129	<i>Aglais urticae</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
130	<i>Polygonia c-album</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
131	<i>Polygonia egea</i> (Cramer, 1775)	EO	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
132	<i>Araschnia levana</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
133	<i>Nymphalis antiopa</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Hol	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
134	<i>Nymphalis polychloros</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
135	<i>Nymphalis xanthomelas</i> (Esper, [1781])	ES	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
136	<i>Nymphalis l-album</i> (Esper, 1780)	ES	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
137	<i>Euphydryas maturna</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
138	<i>Euphydryas aurinia</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	ES	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
139	<i>Melitaea cinxia</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
140	<i>Melitaea phoebe</i> (Goeze, 1779) complex	ES	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
141	<i>Melitaea arduinna</i> (Esper, 1784)	EO	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
142	<i>Melitaea trivia</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	EO	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
143	<i>Melitaea didyma</i> (Esper, 1779)	ES	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
144	<i>Melitaea diamina</i> (Lang, 1789)	ES	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
145	<i>Melitaea aurelia</i> (Nickerl, 1850)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
146	<i>Melitaea athalia</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
147	<i>Melitaea ornata</i> (Christoph, 1893)	ES	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
148	<i>Limenitis populi</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
149	<i>Limenitis camilla</i> (Linnaeus, 1764)	ES	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
150	<i>Limenitis reducta</i> (Staudinger, 1901)	EO	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
151	<i>Neptis sappho</i> (Pallas, 1771)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
152	<i>Neptis rivularis</i> (Scopoli, 1763)	ES	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
153	<i>Apatura metis</i> (Freyer, 1829)	ES	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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155	<i>Apatura iris</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
156	<i>Kirinia roxelana</i> (Cramer, 1777)	EO	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
157	<i>Kirinia climene</i> (Esper, 1784)	EO	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
158	<i>Pararge aegeria</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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161	<i>Lasiommata maera</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
162	<i>Lopinga achine</i> (Scopoli, 1763)	ES	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
163	<i>Coenonympha rhodopensis</i> (Elwes, 1900)	Med	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
164	<i>Coenonympha arcania</i> (Linnaeus, 1760)	EM	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
165	<i>Coenonympha glycerion</i> (Borkhausen, 1788)	ES	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
166	<i>Coenonympha orientalis</i> (Rebel, 1910)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
167	<i>Coenonympha leander</i> (Esper, 1784)	EO	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
168	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
169	<i>Pyronia tithonus</i> (Linnaeus, 1771)	EM	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
170	<i>Aphantopus hyperantus</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
171	<i>Maniola jurtina</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
172	<i>Hyponephele lycaon</i> (Kühn, 1774)	ES	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
173	<i>Hyponephele lupina</i> (Costa, 1836)	ES	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
174	<i>Erebia ligea</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	ES	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
175	<i>Erebia euryale</i> (Esper, 1805)	Mon	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
176	<i>Erebia manto</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
177	<i>Erebia epiphron</i> (Knoch, 1783)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
178	<i>Erebia orientalis</i> (Elwes, 1909)	Mon	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
179	<i>Erebia aethiops</i> (Esper, 1777)	EO	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
180	<i>Erebia medusa</i> (Fabricius, 1787)	ES	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
181	<i>Erebia albergana</i> (Prunner, 1798)	Mon	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
182	<i>Erebia gorge</i> (Esper, 1805)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
183	<i>Erebia rhodopensis</i> (Nicholl, 1900)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
184	<i>Erebia ottomana</i> (Herrich-Schäffer, 1847)	Mon	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
185	<i>Erebia cassioides</i> (Reiner & Hochenwarth, 1792)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
186	<i>Erebia pronoe</i> (Esper, 1780)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
187	<i>Erebia melas</i> (Herbst, 1796)	Mon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0

188	<i>Erebia oeme</i> (Hübner, 1804)	Mon	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
189	<i>Erebia pandrose</i> (Borkhausen, 1788)	BM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
190	<i>Melanargia galathea</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
191	<i>Melanargia larissa</i> (Esper, 1784)	EO	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
192	<i>Satyrus ferula</i> (Fabricius, 1793)	EO	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
193	<i>Minois dryas</i> (Scopoli, 1763)	ES	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
194	<i>Hipparchia fagi</i> (Scopoli, 1763)	EM	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
195	<i>Hipparchia syriaca</i> (Staudinger, 1871)	EO	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
196	<i>Hipparchia semele</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EM	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
197	<i>Hipparchia volgensis</i> (Mazochin-Porshnjakov, 1952)	EM	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
198	<i>Hipparchia statilinus</i> (Hufnagel, 1766)	EM	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
199	<i>Arethusa arethusa</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	EO	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
200	<i>Brintesia circe</i> (Fabricius, 1775)	EO	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
201	<i>Chazara briseis</i> (Linnaeus, 1764)	ES	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0

Following procedure summarizes results of faunal origin analyses, which is shown in Tab. 3 and Fig. 1.

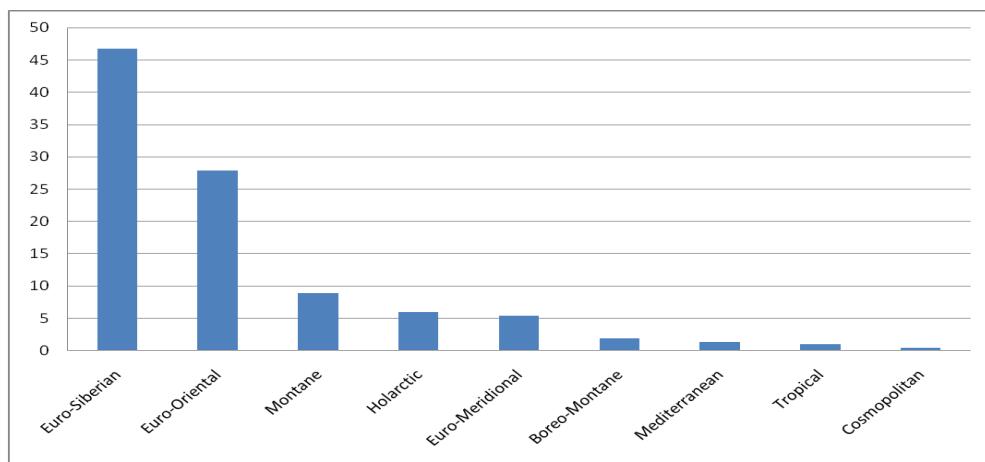


Fig. 1. Faunistic composition of Serbian butterflies.

Table. 3. Faunistic composition of Serbian butterflies: **ES** – Euro-Siberian, **EO** – Euro-Oriental, **Mon** – Montane, **Hol** – Holarctic, **EM** – Euro-Meridional, **BM** – Boreo-Montane, **Med** – Mediterranean, **Tro** – Tropical, **Cos** – Cosmopolitan.

	The assemblages of species (“faunal elements”) of Serbian butterflies								
	ES	EO	Mon	Hol	EM	BM	Med	Tro	Cos
No.	94	56	18	12	11	4	3	2	1
%	46.76	27.86	8.95	5.97	5.47	1.9	1.4	1	0.5

Results show that 94 (46%) out of 201 established butterfly species belong to Euro-Siberian faunal elements. Besides them Euro-Oriental elements stand out with 56 (27%) species. The other seven groups of faunal elements together make up only 1/4 species in butterfly fauna of Serbia.

Further procedure analyses degree of closeness/difference between 11 appointed regions, comparing number of common species (Tab. 4). The results show that list number of common species in

Pannonicum and Dacicum area compared to other areas. This is understandable because it is about fauna of plains, with modified steppa character versus hill-mountain fauna areas with primary forest vegetation. Large mountain ranges of Serbia have the largest number of common species, resulting in greatest number of habitats. Additionally the value has been enlarged by dominant Euro-Siberian species as most represented one in that area.

Table. 4. An overview of a total number of butterfly species in the studied areas (A) and the number of species common to both faunas (C).

	A. TOTAL NO. OF SPECIES	C								
		2. DACICUM	3. CARPATHICUM	4. MOESICUM	5. W-RHODOPE	6. SERBICUM	7. DINARICUM (Illyricum)	8. BERTISCUM	9. SCARDICUM	10 + 11. FRAGM. AREAS
1. PANNONICUM	102	70	85	94	74	88	98	79	78	68
2. DACICUM	99		81	92	78	87	89	77	83	73
3. CARPATHICUM	124			119	92	102	112	96	101	77
4. MOESICUM	159				108	127	139	114	119	81
5. W-RHODOPE	111					95	98	85	92	68
6. SERBICUM	135						126	102	107	76
7. DINARICUM (Illyricum)	156							113	124	85
8. BERTISCUM	134								113	76
9. SCARDICUM	144									78
10+11. FRAGMENT. AREAS	97									-

Table. 5. The degree of similarity coefficient (%) of the butterfly fauna in the analyzed areas obtained by Jaccard's coefficient.

	2. DACICUM	3. CARPATHICUM	4. MOESICUM	5. W-RHODOPE	6. SERBICUM	7. DINARICUM (Illyricum)	8. BERTISCUM	9. SCARDICUM	10.+11. FRAGM. AREAS
1. PANNONICUM	53	60	56	53	59	61	50	46	52
2. DACICUM		57	55	59	59	53	49	52	59
3. CARPATHICUM			72	64	65	67	59	60	53
4. MOESICUM				67	76	79	64	65	46
5. W-RHODOPE					63	58	53	56	48
6. SERBICUM						76	61	62	49
7. DINARICUM (Illyricum)							64	70	50
8. BERTISCUM								68	49
9. SCARDICUM									48

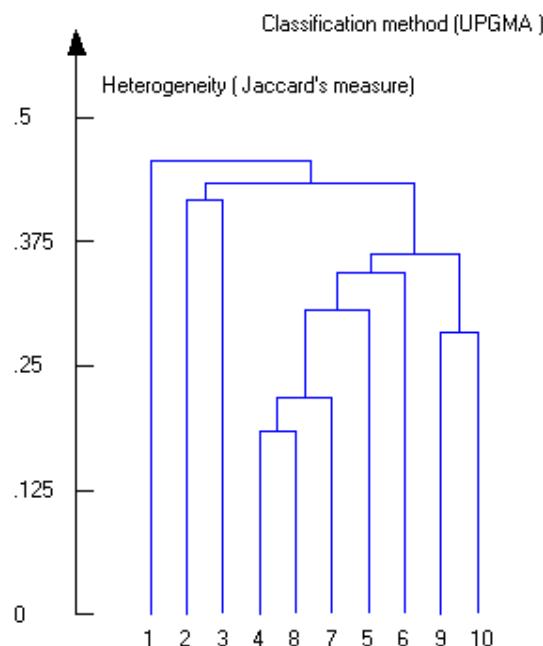


Fig. 2. Cluster tree of areas in Serbia according to composition of butterfly fauna.

Jaccard's coefficient analyses show the same value. The biggest difference exist between submediterranean and continental areas, as well as Pannonicum and Dacicum areas on one hand and inland on the other (Tab. 5).

In that sense Cluster analyses show clear confines within analyzed areas – four clusters. On the other hand, Cluster analyzes indicate mutual proximity of some regions within given Cluster (Fig. 2; Tab. 6). For example, it is completely normal for Pannonia region and Dacia area to be in the same Cluster, the same goes for Šar-Planina Mt. (Scardicum) area and Prokletije Mt. (Bertiscum).

As it is shown in Tab. 4 and Tab. 5 the existence of large number of common species in compared areas disables their zoogeographical separation. Actually, this fact indicates that analyzed area belongs to same zoogeographical unit of higher order. However, for zoogeographical separation into low order units, differential species can serve the purpose. These are the specific elements of fauna, usually presented in one area (Tab. 7).

Table. 6. Belonging to the clusters of selected regions in Serbia.

Cluster 1	Cluster 2	Cluster 3	Cluster 4
1. Fragment. areas: 10a. Sub-Aegean 10b. Sub-Adriaticum 11. Ponišavlje	2. Pannonicum 3. Dacicum	4. Moesicum 5. Carpathicum 6. W-Rhodope 7. Serbicum 8. Dinaricum (Illyricum)	9. Bertiscum 10. Scardicum

Table. 7. Differential species (specific faunal elements) of certain regions.

		FAUNAL ELEMENTS (Kudrna, Pennerstorfer & Lux, 2015)	1. PANNONICUM	2. DACICUM	3. CARPATHICUM	4. MOESICUM	5. W-RHODOPE	6. SERBICUM	7. DINARICUM (Illyricum)	8. BERTISCUM	9. SCARDICUM	10 + 11. FRAGMENTATED AREAS
LEPIDOPTERA	HESPERIOIDEA											
7	<i>Syrichtus proto</i> (Ochsenheimer, 1808)	EO								1		
8	<i>Syrichtus cibrellum</i> (Eversmann, 1841)	ES								1		
11	<i>Pyrgus andromedae</i> (Wallengren, 1853)	BM								1		
14	<i>Pyrgus cinarae</i> (Rambur, 1840)	EO								1		

	PAPILIONOIDEA								
	PIERIDAE								
33	<i>Leptidea duponcheli</i> (Staudinger, 1871)	EO				1	1	1	1
34	<i>Leptidea morsei</i> (Fenton, 1882)	ES	1						
36	<i>Anthocharis gruneri</i> Herrich-Schäffer, 1851	EO							1
37	<i>Euchloe ausonia</i> (Hübner, 1806) complex	Med	1	1					1
48	<i>Colias myrmidone</i> (Esper, 1781)	EO	1	1	1				
49	<i>Colias balcanica</i> Rebel, 1903	Mon					1		
	LYCAENIDAE								
55	<i>Lycaena helle</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	ES			1				
80	<i>Pseudophilotes bavius</i> (Eversmann, 1832)	EM						1	1
85	<i>Phengaris teleius</i> (Bergsträsser, 1779)	ES	1						
91	<i>Agriades optilete</i> (Knoch, 1781)	BM							1
97	<i>Polyommatus escheri</i> (Hübner, 1823)	EM					1	1	
102	<i>Polyommatus eros</i> (Ochsenheimer, 1808)	ES		1	1		1	1	
108	<i>Polyommatus damon</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	ES						1	1
	NYMPHALIDAE								
116	<i>Brenthis ino</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	ES			1				
119	<i>Boloria eunomia</i> (Esper, 1799)	Hol		1	1	1			
121	<i>Boloria titania</i> (Esper, 1793)	Hol					1	1	1
122	<i>Boloria selene</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	Hol		1	1		1		
124	<i>Boloria pales</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	Mon						1	1
125	<i>Boloria graeca</i> (Staudinger, 1870)	Mon						1	1
131	<i>Polygonia egea</i> (Cramer, 1775)	EO	1		1				1
138	<i>Euphydryas aurinia</i> (Rottemburg, 1775)	ES					1		
141	<i>Melitaea arduinna</i> (Esper, 1784)	EO		1	1	1			
153	<i>Apatura metis</i> (Freyer, 1829)	ES	1						
157	<i>Kirinia climene</i> (Esper, 1784)	EO		1	1	1			
162	<i>Lopinga achine</i> (Scopoli, 1763)	ES		1					
166	<i>Coenonympha orientalis</i> (Rebel, 1910)	Mon					1	1	
173	<i>Hyponephele lupina</i> (Costa, 1836)	ES				1			1
176	<i>Erebia manto</i> (Schiffermüller, 1775)	Mon						1	
177	<i>Erebia epiphron</i> (Knoch, 1783)	Mon						1	1
178	<i>Erebia orientalis</i> (Elwes, 1909)	Mon			1				
181	<i>Erebia albergana</i> (Prunner, 1798)	Mon			1				
182	<i>Erebia gorge</i> (Esper, 1805)	Mon							1
183	<i>Erebia rhodopensis</i> (Nicholl, 1900)	Mon						1	1
184	<i>Erebia ottomana</i> (Herrich-Schäffer, 1847)	Mon			1		1	1	1
185	<i>Erebia cassioides</i> (Reiner & Hochenwarth, 1792)	Mon						1	1
186	<i>Erebia pronoe</i> (Esper, 1780)	Mon						1	1
187	<i>Erebia melas</i> (Herbst, 1796)	Mon						1	1
188	<i>Erebia oeme</i> (Hübner, 1804)	Mon			1			1	1
189	<i>Erebia pandrose</i> (Borkhausen, 1788)	BM						1	1
191	<i>Melanargia larissa</i> (Esper, 1784)	EO		1			1	1	
195	<i>Hipparchia syriaca</i> (Staudinger, 1871)	EO				1	1		
196	<i>Hipparchia semele</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	EM	1	1	1	1			1

There are 46(23%) of these specific faunal elements. Their mapping can regionalize Serbia zoogeographically (Fig. 3).

The question of demarcation level mark remains open. Classification principles and demarcation level defined in details by (Fosberg & Pearsall, 1993). According to the modified Sclater-Wallace scheme of

zoogeographical subdivision of land we have levels of Region-Subregion-Province.

Here separated entities could be identified as Province or Subprovince. In literature, the terms “Region”, “District”, “Area” etc. are also encountered for the same level of demarcation.

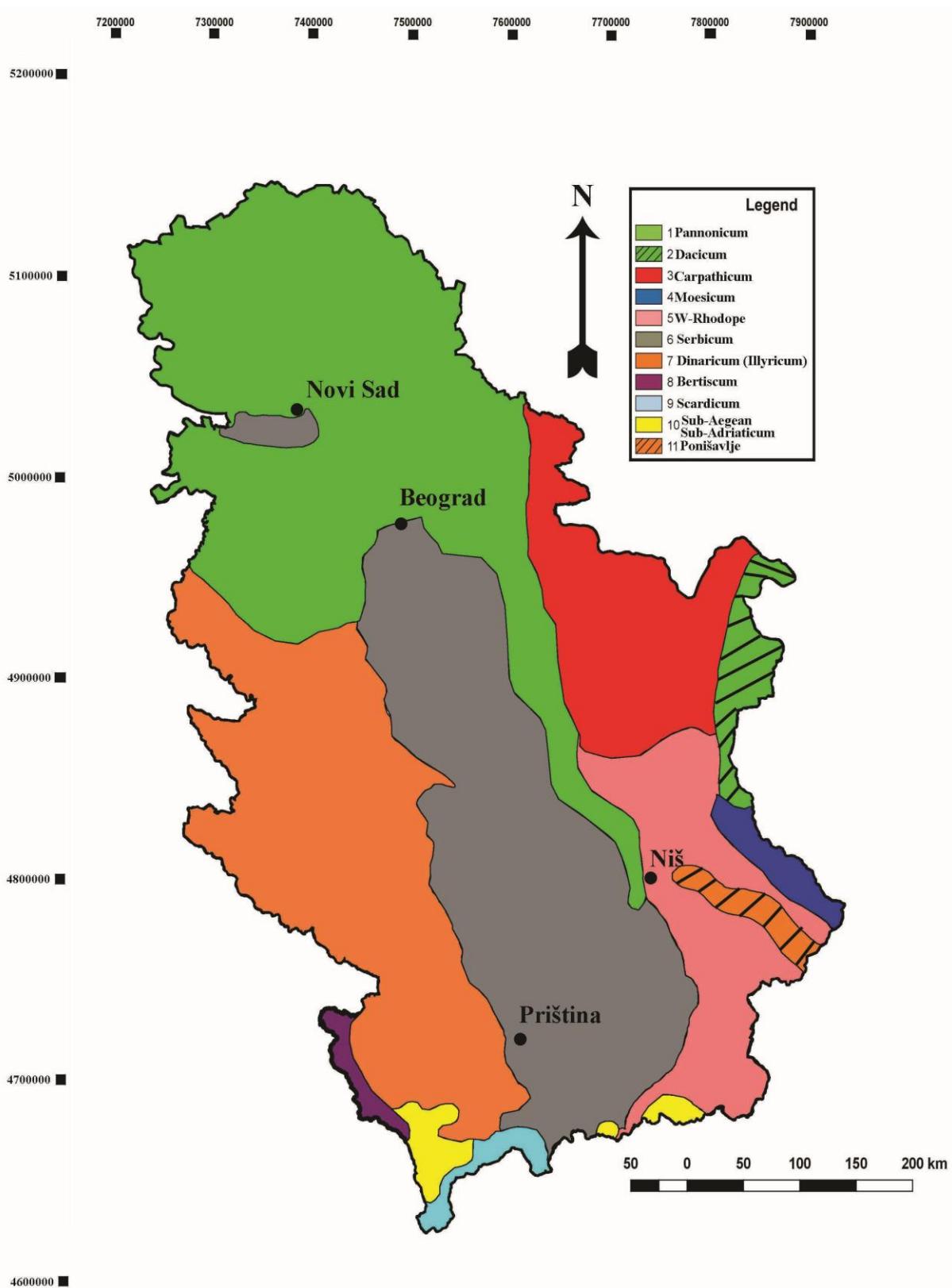


Fig. 3. Zoogeographical regionalization of the Serbia according to the affinity of local faunas of the butterflies (Lepidoptera: Hesperioidae & Papilionoidea). See text below for further details. (Drawn by PhD Aleksandar Valjarević using GIS software's QGIS 2.14.2 and Global Mapper V 17.1. Data for map using by professor Predrag Jakšić, and after that georectified and digitized in Transverse Mercator projection and WGS 84 datum.)

Main characteristics of selected provinces:

1. The Pannonicum Province

Geographically it extends to Pannonia and Peripannonia area comprising Vojvodina (except Fruška Gora Mt. and Vršac Mountains), Mačva and Morava Valley.

Fauna is poorer due to strong anthropogenic pressure.

Clima: Cfwb x'', where C = mild temperate-mesothermal climate; f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Genisto-Quercetum roboris s. lat.*; *Festucion rupicolae Aceri tatarici-Quercetum*.

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of submediterranean broad-leaved woodlands and shrubs and Biomes of steppes and woodland steppes.

Typical species of butterflies: *Leptidea morsei* (Fenton, 1882), *Euchloe ausonia* (Hübner, 1806), *Colias erate* (Esper, 1803), *Colias myrmidone* (Esper, 1781), *Phengaris teleius* (Bergsträsser, 1779), *Apatura metis* (Freyer, 1829), *Hipparchia semele* (Linnaeus, 1758).

2. The Dacicum Province

It includes parts of Vlaska lowland in Serbia, in other words area of former Dacian Sea in Timok region, Ključ, and Vidin region.

Fauna is exceptionally poorer due to strong anthropogenic pressure.

Clima: Cfwb x'', where C = mild temperate-mesothermal climate; f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging above 22°C; x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Quercetum pedunculiflorae moesiacum*.

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of submediterranean broad-leaved woodlands and shrubs; Biomes of steppes and

woodland steppes and Biomes of south-European mostly broad-leaved woodlands.

Typical species of butterflies: *Euchloe ausonia* (Hübner, 1806), *Colias erate* (Esper, 1803), *Colias myrmidone* (Esper, 1781), *Polygonia egea* (Cramer, 1775), *Melanargia larissa* (Esper, 1784), *Hipparchia semele* (Linnaeus, 1758).

3. The Carpathicum Province

Geographically it includes Vršac Mountains, Djerdap, Miroc, Homolje, Kucaj towards Rtanj Mt.

Clima: dominant Cfwb x'', where C = mild temperate-mesothermal climate; f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn; as well as Dfwb x''.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Fagetum montanum s. lat.*

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of south-European mostly broad-leaved woodlands.

Typical species of butterflies: *Colias myrmidone* (Esper, 1781), *Polyommatus eros* (Ochsenheimer, 1808), *Boloria eunomia* (Esper, 1799), *Boloria selene* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Melitaea arduinna* (Esper, 1784), *Kirinia climene* (Esper, 1784), *Lopinga achine* (Scopoli, 1763), *Hipparchia semele* (Linnaeus, 1758).

4. The Moesicum Province

Geographically it includes Stara Planina Mt.

Clima: Dfwb x'', where D = continental-microthermal climate (a mean temperature above 10°C in the warmest months and a coldest month average below -3°C); f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Abieti-Fagetum s. lat.*, *Piceetum excelsae montanum s. lat.*, *Piceetum excelsae subalpinum s. lat.*, *Pinetum mugi s. lat.*

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of European mostly coniferous forests of boreal type, some with elements of broad-leaved forests.

Typical species of butterflies: *Lycaena helle* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Polyommatus eros* (Ochsenheimer, 1808), *Brenthis ino* (Rottemburg, 1775), *Boloria eunomia* (Esper, 1799), *Boloria selene* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Polygonia egea* (Cramer, 1775), *Melitaea arduinna* (Esper, 1784), *Kirinia climene* (Esper, 1784), *Erebia orientalis* Elwes, 1909, *Erebia albergana* (Prunner, 1798), *Erebia ottomana* (Herrich-Schäffer, 1847), *Erebia oeme* (Hübner, 1804), *Hipparchia semele* (Linnaeus, 1758).

5. The W- Rhodope Province

It includes Rhodope Mountains in Serbia, towards Rtanj Mt. in the North.

Clima: Dfwbx'', where D = continental-microthermal climate (a mean temperature above 10°C in the warmest months and a coldest month average below -3°C); f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Quercetum frainetto-cerris s. lat.*, *Fagetum montanum s. lat.*

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of south-European mostly broad-leaved woodlands.

Typical species of butterflies: *Leptidea duponcheli* (Staudinger, 1871), *Boloria eunomia* (Esper, 1799), *Melitaea arduinna* (Esper, 1784), *Kirinia climene* (Esper, 1784). Also, *Colias balcanica* Rebel, 1903 can be expected in this area because it is distributed on the opposite side of border in Bulgaria

6. The Serbicium Province

It includes Šumadija and extends towards Skopska Crna Gora Mt. in the South; in the West it is bordered by River Ibar and extends towards Kopaonik Mt. and Rudnik Mt. Butterfly fauna of Fruska Gora Mt. also belongs to this area.

Clima: Cfwbx'', where C = mild temperate-mesothermal climate; f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Quercetum frainetto-cerris s. lat.*

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of submediterranean broad-leaved woodlands and shrubs; Biomes of south-European mostly broad-leaved woodlands and Biomes of steppes and woodland steppes.

Typical species of butterflies: *Leptidea duponcheli* (Staudinger, 1871), *Hyponephele lupina* (Costa, 1836), *Hipparchia syriaca* (Staudinger, 1871).

7. The Dinaricum (Illyricum) Province

It covers an area from Cer Mt. in the North to Metohija Valley. In the East it extends to Kopaonik Mt. and towards border with Montenegro and Bosnia and Herzegovina in the West.

Clima: Dfwbx'', where D = continental-microthermal climate (a mean temperature above 10°C in the warmest months and a coldest month average below -3°C); f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Quercetum frainetto-cerris s. lat.*, *Fagetum montanum s. lat.*, *Piceetum excelsae montanum s. lat.*

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of submediterranean broad-leaved woodlands and shrubs; Biomes of south-European mostly broad-leaved woodlands and Biomes of European mostly coniferous forests of boreal type.

Typical species of butterflies: *Colias balcanica* Rebel, 1903, *Polyommatus escheri* (Hübner, 1823), *Polyommatus eros* (Ochsenheimer, 1808), *Boloria titania* (Esper, 1793), *Boloria selene* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Euphydryas aurinia* (Rottemburg, 1775), *Coenonympha orientalis* Rebel, 1910, *Erebia ottomana* (Herrich-Schäffer, 1847), *Melanargia larissa* (Esper, 1784), *Hipparchia syriaca* (Staudinger, 1871).

8. The Bertiscum Province

It includes Paštrik, Prokletije Mt. of Metohia, Bogičevica, Hajla, Žljeb and Mokra Gora Mt.

Clima: ET = polar and alpine climate with average temperatures below 10°C for all 12 months of the year.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Quercetum petraeae s. lat.*, *Piceetum excelsae montanum s. lat.*, *Pinetum heldreichii s. lat.*, *Oxytropidion dinaricae*, *Seslerion comosae*.

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of European mostly coniferous forests of boreal type.

Typical species of butterflies: *Leptidea duponcheli* (Staudinger, 1871), *Pseudophilotes bavius* (Eversmann, 1832), *Polyommatus damon* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Boloria titania* (Esper, 1793), *Boloria pales* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Boloria graeca* (Staudinger, 1870), *Coenonympha orientalis* Rebel, 1910, *Erebia manto* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Erebia epiphron* (Knoch, 1783), *Erebia rhodopensis* Nicholl, 1900, *Erebia ottomana* (Herrich-Schäffer, 1847), *Erebia cassiooides* (Reiner & Hochenwarth, 1792), *Erebia pronoe* (Esper, 1780), *Erebia melas* (Herbst, 1796), *Erebia oeme* (Hübner, 1804), *Erebia pandrose* (Borkhausen, 1788).

9. The Scardicum Province

Geographically it covers Šar-Planina Mt., Ošljak Mt., Kodža-Balkan Mt., Rudoka Mt., Vraca Mt., Korab Mt. and Koritnik Mt.

Clima: ET = polar and alpine climate with average temperatures below 10°C for all 12 months of the year.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Abieti-Fagetum s. lat.*, *Piceetum excelsae montanum s. lat.*, *Pinetum peucis s. lat.*, *Edraiantho-Seslerion*, *Seslerion comosae*.

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of stony grounds, pastures and woody on stony and Biomes of European mostly coniferous forests of boreal type.

Typical species of butterflies: *Syrichthus proto* (Ochsenheimer, 1808), *Pyrgus andromedae* (Wallengren, 1853), *Pseudophilotes bavius* (Eversmann, 1832), *Agriades optilete* (Knoch, 1781), *Polyommatus escheri* (Hübner, 1823), *Polyommatus eros* (Ochsenheimer, 1808), *Polyommatus damon* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Boloria titania* (Esper, [1793]), *Boloria pales* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Boloria graeca* (Staudinger, 1870), *Hyponephele lupina* (Costa, 1836), *Erebia epiphron* (Knoch, 1783), *Erebia gorge* (Esper, 1805), *Erebia rhodopensis* Nicholl, 1900, *Erebia ottomana* (Herrich-Schäffer, 1847), *Erebia cassiooides* (Reiner & Hochenwarth, 1792), *Erebia pronoe* (Esper, 1780), *Erebia melas* (Herbst, 1796), *Erebia oeme* (Hübner, 1804), *Erebia pandrose*

(Borkhausen, 1788), *Melanargia larissa* (Esper, 1784).

10a. The Sub-Aegean Province (fragments)

It includes Serbian parts of Crna Reka River basin and Serbian part of River Pčinja.

Clima: Cfwbx'', where C = mild temperate-mesothermal climate; f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Querco-Carpinetum orientalis s. lat.*

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of submediterranean broad-leaved woodlands and shrubs.

Typical species of butterflies: *Pyrgus cinarae* (Rambur, 1840), *Anthocharis gruneri* Herrich-Schäffer, 1851, *Euchloe ausonia* (Hübner, 1806), *Leptidea duponcheli* (Staudinger, 1871), *Polygonia egea* (Cramer, 1775).

10b. The Sub-Adriaticum Province (fragments)

It includes the valley of Beli Drim River and associated tributaries: Prizrenka Bistrica River, Topluga River, and Erenik (Ribnik) River.

Clima: Cfwbx'', where C = mild temperate-mesothermal climate; f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x'' = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Quercetum trojanae s. lat.*

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of submediterranean broad-leaved woodlands and shrubs.

Typical species of butterflies: *Zerynthia cerisy* (Godart, 1822), *Euchloe ausonia* (Hübner, 1806), *Leptidea duponcheli* (Staudinger, 1871), *Polyommatus damon* (Schiffermüller, 1775), *Polygonia egea* (Cramer, 1775).

11. The Ponišavlje Province

It covers valleys of Nišava River, Visočica River, Jarma River and associated tributaries including southern slopes of Stara Planina Mt. and Vidlič Mt.

Clima: Cfwbx", where C = mild temperate-mesothermal climate; f = significant precipitation during all seasons; w = dry winters (in which the driest winter month average precipitation is less than one tenth the wettest summer month average precipitation); b = warmest month averaging below 22°C (but with at least 4 months averaging above 10°C); x" = the second precipitation maximum occurs in autumn.

Natural Potential Vegetation: *Syringo-Carpinetum orientalis*, *Quercetum Frainetto-cerris s. lat.*

Dominant biome type:

Biomes of submediterranean broad-leaved woodlands and shrubs.

Typical species of butterflies: *Syrichtus cibrellum* (Eversmann, 1841), *Leptidea duponcheli* (Staudinger, 1871), *Polyommatus damon* (Schiffermüller, 1775).

4. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

Although in general it belongs to Central European faunal type, butterfly fauna of Serbia could still be zoogeographically separated. This separation is enabled by specific geological and tectonic history, diversifying ecological condition in territory, by richness and presence of specific faunal elements. Phytogeographical separation of Serbia (Gajić, 1984) identifies four main provinces: Pannonia, Moesia, Illiricum and Skardicum-Pind. (Hadži, 1931) geographical chart have three entities separated: Pannonia, Moesia and Illiricum. In this paper, presented chart basically coincides with Gajić and Hadži with one difference, that 11 zoogeographical entities have been recognized.

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