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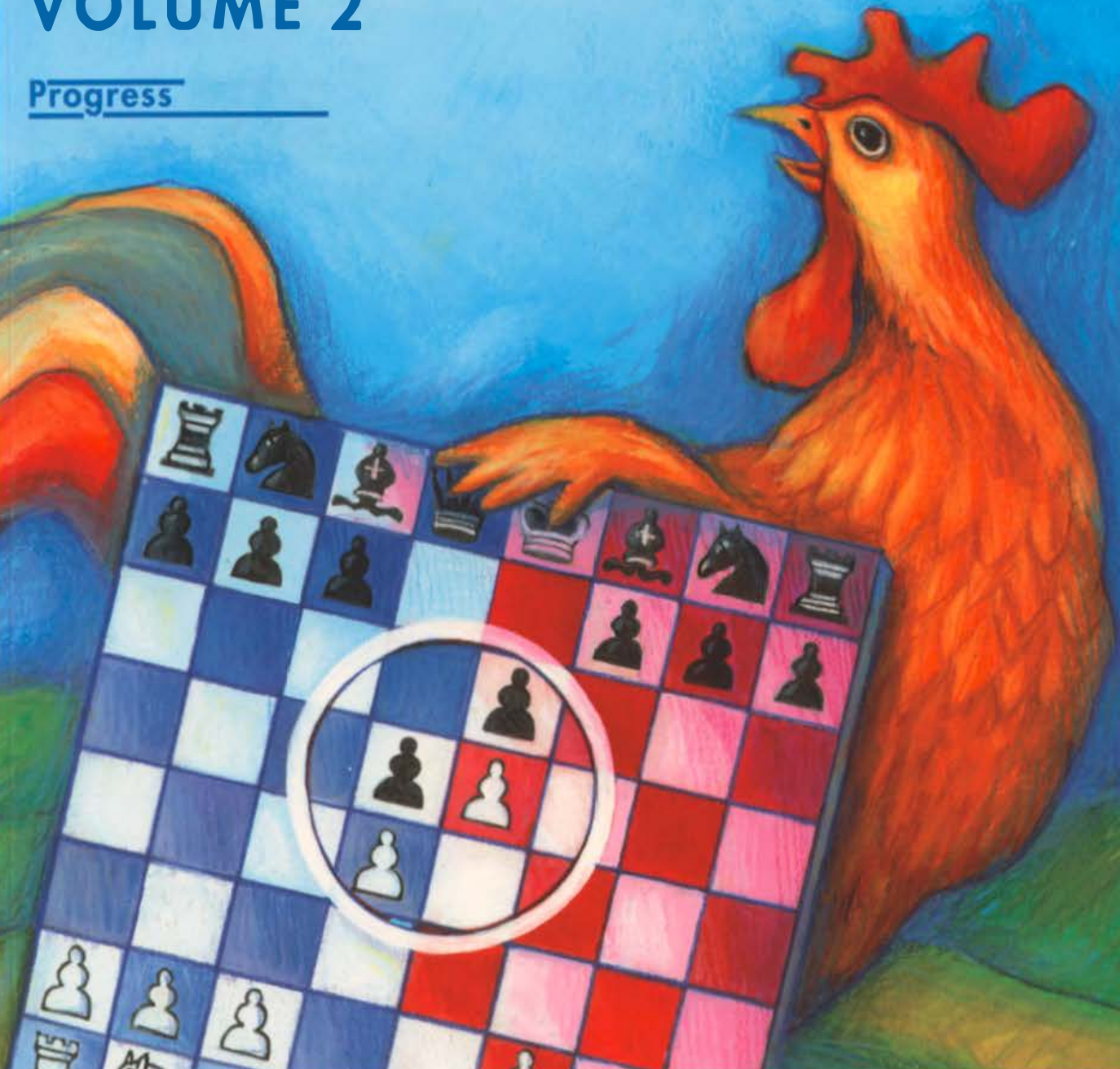
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Foreword

It gives me great pleasure, for several reasons, to introduce the author of this book. In the first place, not only are we contemporaries but we also come from the same area: he comes from Cheliabinsk and I from neighbouring Zlatoust. So “Zhenya” Sveshnikov and I have known each other from childhood. We often played together in the junior teams of the Russian Federation, and then the Soviet Union. We both had the same trainer: Leonid Aronovich Gratvol, who was fanatically devoted to developing junior chess. It is perhaps thanks to him that the future grandmaster grew to love not only the work of chess analysis but also coaching, which he started relatively young. Usually, active players prefer tournament play to spending time and energy on other chess activities. Yet Evgeny Ellinovich has managed, not only to win over seventy international tournaments during his long career, but also to bring on the talents of dozens of grandmasters and masters.

Secondly I should mention the high quality of analysis of my old comrade, his conscientiousness and his basic honesty, which I came to appreciate many times in the years when Grandmaster Sveshnikov was one of my trainers during my difficult matches against Garry Kasparov.

Thirdly, I am anxious to stress that our collaboration continues in various ways. Evgeny Ellinovich helps me prepare for important events, teaches in the Anatoly Karpov School and willingly assists when I fly with colleagues to promote the game of chess in distant regions of Russia. I should add that he often does this on his own initiative as well; it is thanks to him that chess schools

have revived in the Altai and South-Urals regions.

Finally I must mention his fanatical and stubborn work in researching the openings, which eventually brought him brilliant success. I recall that thirty years ago, during a USSR championship event, I said to him pityingly: “Zhenya, why do you keep torturing yourself by playing that Sicilian with ...e7–e5? Choose something simpler and you’ll play much more easily!” Today I have to admit that I was wrong: he was right not to listen to me: today everybody plays the Sveshnikov Variation! And as a fellow native of the Urals, I am pleased that this system is also known as the “Cheliabinsk Variation”.

Unfortunately, his monograph on the Sveshnikov Sicilian has until now remained practically the only publication by this grandmaster in the Russian language. But now finally this new theoretical work of Evgeny Sveshnikov is available. It is devoted to the popular 3. e5 system against the French Defence. Its popularity is once more largely due to its constant adoption by Sveshnikov, who has developed a fantastic feel for its nuances. It has helped him amass a plus-score (70% from over 150 games!) against such French Defence experts as Evgeny Bareev. The author believes that Black cannot equalise against the Advance Variation and to date no-one has been able to prove the contrary.

I consider this book to be a real manual, original in its conception and excellent in its execution. It not only teaches you how to play a specific variation of the French Defence, it also helps you understand many strategic ideas and their practical application in



the middlegame, which for the majority of players is even more important.

A book by such an outstanding grandmaster and theoretician should prove useful to a wide readership. Club, Internet and weekend tournament players will find that Volume 1 will quickly give them a good grounding in

what is really a very unpleasant (for Black) plan of attack. Masters (and even grandmasters) will find in Volume 2 a real master-class by the world expert in this variation.

Anatoly Karpov
Many-times World Champion

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Evgeny Sveshnikov and Anatoly Karpov



Introduction

I have been using the 3. e5 system against the French Defence for about thirty years. How did this weapon become part of my arsenal? In the 1970s chess information was not as readily available as it is in today's computer age; it was difficult to obtain it and process it. I got into the habit of self-reliance, trusting solely my own ideas. I understood that the move 3. e5 was not objectively the strongest, but I had no desire to compete with such experienced French-specialists as, for instance, Vaganian, in the long and complex lines that arise after the main continuation 3. ♖c3. Thus I chose the 3. e5 system against the French (and similarly 2. c3 against the Sicilian) for practical reasons, since I understood that my opponents would be focusing their attention on the moves 3. ♖c3 and 3. ♗d2 which were much more popular at that time.

By the end of the 1980s I had accumulated enough theoretical and practical material on the 3. e5 system. I prepared a talk for my pupils which I ended up giving to over a thousand people. What I found interesting was this: when I tried to teach concrete variations to players of 2nd or even 1st Category, they just looked bored and remembered nothing. On the other hand, if I explained a typical idea by means of an illustrative game, they learnt it for ever. So for learning a new pattern it is best to use well-annotated games, in which the main ideas and plans of both sides can be clearly explained. When the pupil understands the general idea he can memorise the concrete variations more easily.

At the start of the 1990s I wrote a quite extensive article on 3. e5!? for *New in Chess Year*

Book. The very positive response to that article prompted me to undertake the present book project, well aware that it would require not just a lot of time ...

It is well known that the choice of a plan is based on the pawn structure in the centre and the dynamic placement of the pieces. In my opinion it is not very useful to talk about a particular pawn structure without placing it in the context of a concrete opening. A student who has not reached at least the minimum level of candidate master will have difficulty in assimilating such material. My teaching experience tells me that the material can be assimilated much better if it is taught in the context of an actual opening.

I decided to begin this book with an explanation of the main ideas for each side; each plan is illustrated with games and extensive commentary. Other things being equal, I have given preference to games by the players who were the first to employ a particular plan. Incidentally, most of the annotations were made without consulting a computer, and in this lies their chief merit, since all the ideas are "human". Of course, the variations were then checked later with analysis engines, to eliminate crude oversights. The computer is a valuable assistant for the technical work but in the realm of ideas it is actually, with rare exceptions, of little use.

Further on we present the reader with a series of test positions and solutions to reinforce what has been learnt. Since one of the most common themes of the Advance Variation is to blockade the centre and play against the weakened dark squares, I have included a chapter on this topic.



I wanted to write a book that would be interesting and instructive not just to ordinary players but also to candidate masters, masters and even grandmasters. The practical strength of a player and his understanding of the opening are often at different levels. It often happens that even experienced players go astray in unfamiliar positions. That is why even for them it is useful to reflect once again upon the “why”, the general bases underlying the concrete variations that they have memorised.

For advanced players who have studied the first two chapters of Volume 1, I have provided in Volume 2 some reference material in tabular “Encyclopaedia” format, plus theoretically important games with light notes only – to encourage independent analysis. I have also drawn attention to what at present appear to be the most critical positions.

Chess is not just a sport – it is also an element of culture, which is why I usually begin my opening studies with a historical review. I consider it essential to pay tribute to all those who have contributed to the development of this variation, and to trace its development.

Volume 1 (Basic Course) consists of:

- 1) Historical overview
- 2) Explanation of the plans for both sides through games annotated in detail

3) A chapter on blockade

4) Test positions

After assimilating this material you can move onto a more professional study (“one step at a time”).

Volume 2 (Advanced Course) consists of:

1) Theoretically important games for independent analysis

2) Encyclopaedia

3) Conclusions: the likely future development of the 3. e5 system

4) Games for further study

5) The latest theoretical developments

Naturally I hope that this two-volume work will become not only a manual for club, Internet and weekend tournament players, but will also prove a useful reference for masters and even grandmasters.

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That I have been able to bring this immensely time-consuming but equally interesting work to a successful conclusion is very much due to the efforts of International Master Vladimir Barsky, whom I should like to thank sincerely here for his collaboration in the development and completion of this book project.



Symbols

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
	King		Bishop
	Queen		Knight
	Rook		Pawn
+	Check	#	Mate
x	captures	N	new move
0-0	short castling	0-0-0	long castling
∞	unclear position	∞	compensation for the material
±	White has a slight advantage	∓	Black has a slight advantage
±	White has a clear advantage	∓	Black has a clear advantage
+−	White has a decisive advantage	−+	Black has a decisive advantage
1-0	Black resigns	0-1	White resigns
=	equal position	½-½	Draw
→	with attack	↑	with initiative
⇝	with counterplay	□	only move
!?	interesting move	?!	dubious move
!	good move	?	bad move
!!	brilliant move	??	very bad move
ICC	Internet Chess Club	ACP	Association of Chess Professionals
PCA	Professional Chess Association		
♁	White to move	♚	Black to move



Chapter 1

Theoretically important games for independent analysis

In computer databases there are over 25,000 games beginning with the moves 1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 (C02 in the classification of the Encyclopaedia of Chess Openings). To save the reader from drowning in this sea of information, I have selected about fifty games for their instructional or theoretical value. I hope that my comments (sometimes short, sometimes quite extensive) on these games will provide a sound basis for your own investigations of this opening, since it is difficult to achieve good competitive results in modern chess without carrying out your own independent analytical work.

The first part of this chapter consists of games by great figures in chess history, by world champions and by the great chess thinker David Ionovich Bronstein. Then I present games organised into thematic sections and arranged chronologically within each section. I want to stress once again that each such classification is always relative in character.

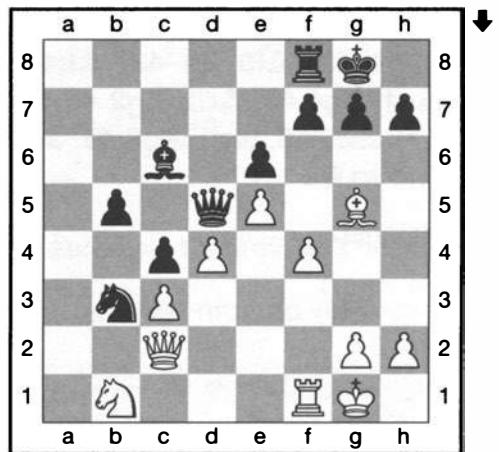
Counterplay for Black on the queenside

Game 1

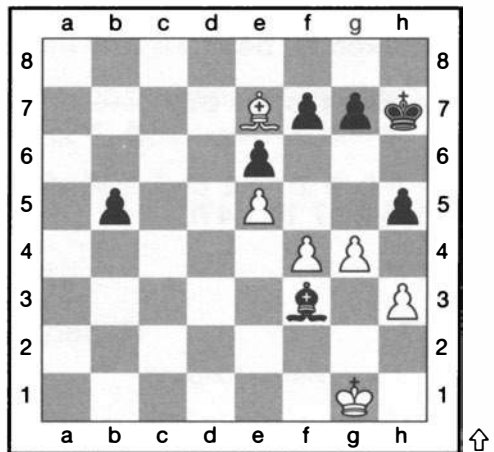
N.N. – Greco
Europe 1620

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3
 ♘c6 5. ♗f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e3 c4 7. b3 b5
 8. a4 a6 9. axb5 axb5 10. ♖xa8 ♗xa8
 11. bxc4 dxc4 12. ♙e2 ♗ge7 13. 0-0
 ♗d5 14. ♙d2 ♙e7 15. ♗g5 ♙xg5

16. ♙xg5 0-0 17. ♙f3 ♗a5 18. ♙xd5
 ♗xd5 19. f4 ♙c6 20. ♗d2 ♗b3 21. ♗c2



21... ♗xd4 22. cxd4 ♗xd4+ 23. ♔h1 ♙e4
 24. ♗c3 ♗c5 25. ♗d2 ♙d3 26. ♖c1 ♖c8
 27. ♗b3 cxb3 28. ♗xc5 ♖xc5 29. ♖xc5
 h6 30. ♖c3 b2 31. ♖b3 b1♗+ 32. ♖xb1
 ♙xb1 33. ♙e7 ♔h7 34. g4 ♙e4+ 35. ♔g1
 ♙f3 36. h3 h5





37. g5?

37. ♖f2 h×g4 38. h×g4 (38. ♖g3 g×h3
39. ♗×f3 ♗g6 40. ♙b4 ♗f5 41. ♙d2 h2
42. ♗g2 ♗e4 43. ♗×h2 ♗d3 44. ♙e1 ♗c4
45. ♗g3 b4 46. ♙d2 b3 47. ♙c1 ♗c3--)
38...♙×g4 39. ♗e3 ♗g6 40. ♙f8 f6 41. exf6
g×f6 42. ♗e4 ♙f5+ 43. ♗d4 ♙c2 44. ♗c3
♙d1 45. ♗d2 ♙g4 46. ♗e3 ♗f5 47. ♙d6 e5
48. f×e5 f×e5 ♞.

**37...♗g6 38. ♗f2 ♙d5 39. ♗e3 h4
40. ♗f2 ♗f5 41. ♗e3**

41. g6 ♗×g6 42. ♙×h4 b4 43. ♙e7 b3 44. ♙a3
♗f5 45. ♗e3 ♙g2--.

**41...♙g2 42. ♙f8 g6 43. ♙b4 ♙×h3
44. ♙e1 ♗g4 45. ♙d2 ♙g2 46. ♗f2 h3
47. ♙c1 ♙d5 48. ♗g1 ♗g3 49. ♙e3 h2+
50. ♗f1 h1 ♞+**

White resigned.

Play on both wings

Game 2

**Cochrane – Staunton
Match, London 1841**

**1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. f4?! ♞b6 6. ♗f3 ♗h6 7. ♙d3 ♙e7**

7...c×d4 8. c×d4 ♙d7 9. ♙c2 ♗b4 10. ♗c3
♗×c2+ 11. ♞×c2 ♗f5 12. ♞d3 h5 ♞.

**8. ♙c2 0-0 9. 0-0 f5 10. ♗h1 ♙d7 11. h3
♞ac8 12. a3 a5 13. ♞g1?**

13. d×c5 ♙×c5 14. b4 ♞.

13...c×d4 14. c×d4 ♞c7

14...♙e8 ♞.

15. ♗c3 ♗a7 16. g4?!

16. ♙d3! ♞.

16...b5

(see next diagram)

16...♗b5 17. ♙d2 ♗×c3 18. b×c3 g6 ♞.



17. g×f5?

17. g5 ♗f7 18. ♙d3=.

17...b4??

17...♗×f5 ♞.

18. f×e6?

18. f6! ♙×f6 19. exf6 ♞×f6 20. a×b4 a×b4
21. ♗e2+-.

18...♙×e6= 19. ♗g5?!

19. a×b4 a×b4 20. ♞a6 ♞.

**19...♙×g5 20. f×g5 ♗f5 ♞ 21. ♙×f5 ♙×f5
22. ♗e2?**

22. a×b4.

22...♙e4+ 23. ♗h2 ♞c2

23...♞f2+ 24. ♗g3 ♞f7--.

24. ♞e1

24. a×b4 ♞f2+ 25. ♗g3 ♞×e2 26. ♞×c2
♞exc2 27. b×a5 ♗c6 28. ♙e3 ♞e2 ♞.

24...♗b5-- 25. ♙e3 ♞d3 26. ♞g3 ♞c2

White resigned.



Development advantage for Black

Game 3

McConnell – Morphy

New Orleans 1850

Morphy provides a clear demonstration of how to play against 5. f4.

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6 5. f4?! ♚b6

5...cxd4 6. cxd4 ♚b6 7. ♗f3 ♗h6 8. ♗c3 ♗f5 9. ♗a4 ♚a5+ 10. ♖d2 ♖b4.

6. ♗f3 ♖d7 7. a3 ♗h6 8. b4 cxd4 9. cxd4 ♜c8

9...♗f5! 10. ♖b2 ♜c8.

10. ♖b2

10. ♗c3! ♗xd4 11. ♚xd4 ♚xd4 12. ♗xd4 ♜xc3 13. ♖b2 ♜c8 14. ♖e2.

10...♗f5 11. ♚d3?

11. ♚d2 ♖e7 12. ♖e2 f6!? 13. g4!? (13. 0–0 fxe5 14. fxe5 0–0±) 13...♗h6 (13...♗fxd4?!

14. ♖xd4 ♗xd4 15. ♚xd4 ♜c1+ 16. ♖d1±) 14. exf6 gxf6 15. f5 ♗f7 16. ♗c3 ♖g8 17. fxe6 ♖xe6∞ or 12...h5! 13. 0–0 a6.



11...♖xb4+! 12. axb4?

12. ♗bd2.

12...♗xb4–+ 13. ♚d2 ♜c2 14. ♚d1 ♗e3

White resigned.

1.1 Games by World Champions

After studying the games with 3. e5 featuring World Champions, I can safely say that from the viewpoint of opening theory they contributed nothing of importance. But world champions are world champions, and it is obviously interesting to see how they handled this opening. In Volume 1 we have already seen some games by world champions; now we are going to look at a few further interesting examples.

In the following game the first World Champion did not handle the opening very well. White won only thanks to an unsound piece sacrifice by his opponent.

For and against the blockade

Game 4

Steinitz – Tinsley

London 1899

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6 5. ♗f3 f6 6. exf6?!

Why develop the opponent's pieces for him? 6. ♖d3 or 6. ♖b5 would be better.

6...♗xf6 7. ♖d3 ♖d6 8. 0–0 0–0 9. ♜e1 ♖d7

9...♚b6=.

10. ♗bd2?!

10. ♗a3.

10...cxd4 11. cxd4 h6

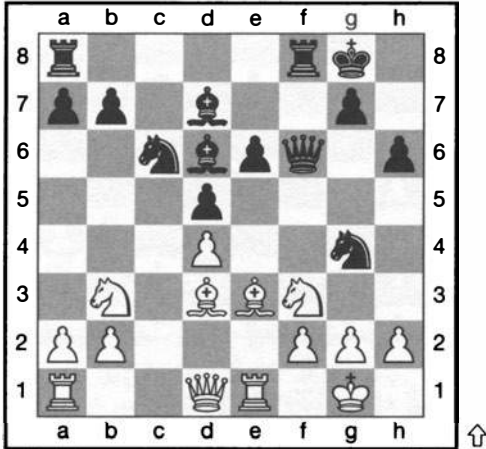


11...♖c7♞.

12. ♖b3 ♖g4 13. ♗e3

13. h3?! ♖xf2 14. ♗xf2 ♖h4+ 15. ♗e2
(15. ♗g1 ♖xf3--+) 15...♖g3→.

13...♖f6



14. ♗c2

14. h3 ♖xe3 15. ♖xe3 e5 16. dxe5 ♖xe5
17. ♗b5 ♗c6 18. ♖bd4 ♖xf3+ 19. ♖xf3
(19. ♖xf3 ♖e5 20. g3 ♖xf3 21. ♖xf3 ♖xb2
22. ♗xc6 bxc6♞) 19...♖xb2 20. ♖b1 ♖f6♞
(20...♖xa2!?)∞.

14...♖b4 15. ♗b1 ♖ac8 16. a3 ♗xh2+?

16...♖c6 17. ♖d3 e5!?)=.

17. ♖xh2 ♖xe3 18. fxe3 ♖f2+ 19. ♗h1
♖c2+

19...♗a4 20. ♖d2!±.

20. ♖e2+- ♖xe3 21. ♖d3

Black resigned.

Play on both wings

Game 5

Capablanca – Paredes
Havana (casual game) 1901

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
5. f4?! cxd4 6. cxd4 ♖b6 7. ♖f3 ♗d7

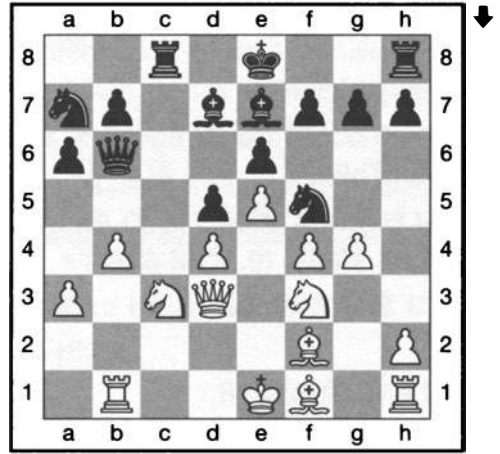
7...♖h6! 8. ♖c3 ♖f5 9. ♖a4 ♖a5+ 10. ♗f2
b5 11. ♖c3 b4 12. ♖a4 ♗a6♞.

8. ♖c3 ♖c8 9. ♖b1 ♗b4 (9...♖h6♞)

10. ♖d3 a6 (10...♖h6) 11. a3 ♗e7

12. b4 ♖h6 13. ♗e3 ♖f5 14. ♗f2 ♖a7

(14...h5!?)=) 15. g4



15...♖b5?

15...♖h6 16. h3 ♗b5=.

16. ♖a4+- ♖c7 17. gx f5 ♖xa3 18. ♖xa3
♖c2 19. ♗d3 ♖xa4 20. ♖xa4 ♗xa4
21. ♗d2 0-0 22. f6 gx f6 23. ♗h4
♗h8 24. ♗xf6+ ♗xf6 25. ex f6 ♖g8
26. ♖hg1 h6 27. ♖e5 ♖xg1 28. ♖xf7+
♗g8 29. ♖xh6+

Black resigned.

The future world champion played the opening very uncertainly, probably owing to his youth.

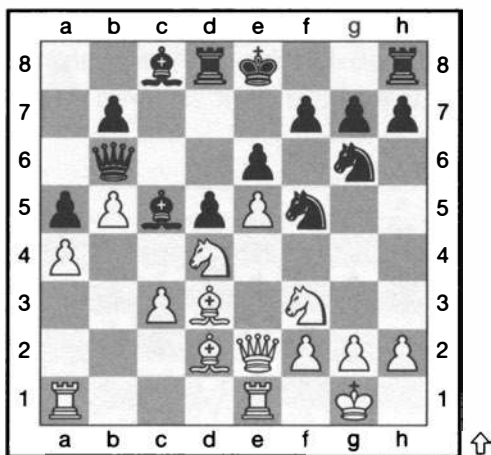
Blockading knight

Game 6

Euwe – Abdul Satar
Indonesia (simul) 1930

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
5. ♖f3 ♗d7 6. dxc5 ♗xc5 7. ♗d3 ♖c7
8. ♖e2 ♖ge7 9. b4 ♗b6 10. 0-0 ♖g6
11. ♖e1 a5 12. b5 ♖ce7 13. a4 ♗c5
14. ♗d2 ♖d8 15. ♖a3 ♗c8 16. ♖c2 ♖f5
17. ♖cd4 ♖b6

(see next diagram)



18. ♙xf5 exf5 19. ♙g5 ♙e7 20. ♙xe7
 ♜xe7 21. e6 f6 22. ♜h4 0–0 23. ♜hxf5
 ♜xf5 24. ♜xf5 ♜fe8 25. ♜g4 g6 26. ♜d4
 ♜d6 27. ♜f3 ♜d8 28. ♜e3 ♙xe6 29. ♜ae1
 ♙f7 30. ♜xe8+ ♙xe8 31. ♜e3 ♙f7
 32. ♜e7 ♜b6 33. h4 ♜d8 34. ♜e6 ♙xe6
 35. ♜xe6

Black resigned.

Euwe carried out very well the idea of his predecessors – 6. dxc5 and 9. b4 followed by occupation of the d4 square. He used the same strategy in another simultaneous game: 5... h6 6. ♙d3 a6 7. dxc5 ♙xc5 8. 0–0 ♜c7 9. ♜e2 ♙d7 10. ♜bd2 ♜ge7 11. b4 ♙a7 12. ♜b3 b5 13. ♙d2 g6 14. ♜bd4 g5 15. h3 ♙b8 16. ♜fe1 ♜f8 17. a4± (Euwe–Ahmed, Indonesia (simul) 1930), although he did not succeed in converting his advantage and even went on to lose.

In the following game Alekhine failed to use this idea.

For and against the blockade

Game 7

Alekhine – A. Marshall
 England (simul) 1923

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. ♜f3 ♜d7?!
 5. c3 f6 6. ♙f4 ♜b6 7. ♙b5+?!

7. dxc5 ♙xc5 8. b4 ♙f8 9. ♜d4± is a strong continuation for White.

- 7... ♙d7 8. ♙xd7+ ♜xd7 9. exf6 ♜xf6
 10. ♜e5 (10. 0–0±) 10... ♜c8 (10...
 ♜b5!±) 11. a4 a5?!

11... cxd4 12. 0–0 ♙d6 13. cxd4± .

12. ♜b3 (12.0–0±) 12... ♜a6?!
 (12... ♜bd7±) 13. ♜b5+ ♜fd7?!

13... ♜bd7 14. ♜xd7 ♜xd7± .

14. 0–0 ♙d6 15. ♜g6?!

15. $\text{♜xd7!?$ ♜xd7 16. ♙xd6 ♜xd6 17. ♜xa5
 0–0 18. ♜d2 ♜b6± .

- 15... ♙xf4 16. ♜xf4 ♜c4 17. ♜e1?

17. ♜a3 ♜xa3 18. ♜xa3 0–0 19. g3= .



- 17...0–0 18. ♜xe6 ♜b6 19. ♜xf8 ♜xb5
 20. ♜xd7 ♜xb2+ 21. ♜xc5 ♜f5 22. ♜f1
 b6 23. ♜a6 ♜c2 24. ♜c7 ♜e3 25. ♜a3
 ♜e4 26. f3 ♜xg2+ 27. ♜h1 ♜h4

White resigned. Alekhine played badly in this game and lost as a result of his mistake on move 17. On the whole he handled this variation better with the black pieces.

Play on both wings

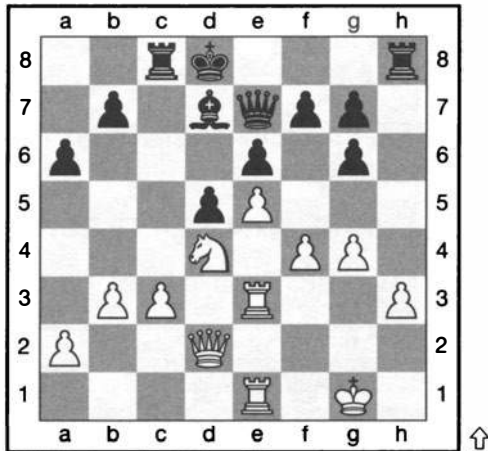
Game 8

Nimzowitsch – Alekhine
 St. Petersburg (Preliminaries) 1914

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. dxc5 ♜c6
 5. ♜f3 ♙xc5 6. ♙d3 ♜ge7 7. 0–0 ♜g6



8. ♖e1 ♔d7 9. c3 ♘b6 10. ♖a3 a6
 11. ♗c2 ♙c7 12. ♙xg6 hxg6 (12...fxg6!?)
 13. ♙f4 ♗e7 14. ♗cd4 ♖c8 15. ♗d3 ♙b6
 16. ♗xc6 ♖xc6 17. ♙e3 ♗d8 18. ♙xb6
 ♗xb6 19. ♗d4± ♖c4 20. b3 ♖c8 21. ♖e3
 ♖h5 22. ♖ae1 ♗a5 23. ♗d2 ♗a3 24. h3
 ♗e7 25. g4 ♖h8 26. f4 ♗d8



27. ♗h2

27. c4 dxc4 28. ♖c1 ♗e8 (28...g5 29. f5→)
 29. ♖xc4 ♖xc4 30. bxc4 ♗c5±.

27...♗c7 28. f5 gxf5 29. gxf5 ♗h4
 30. ♗g3 ♗h6 31. ♖f1 ♗b8 32. ♗f4
 exf5 33. ♗xh6 ♖xh6 34. ♗xf5 ♖g6+
 35. ♗h2 ♙xf5 36. ♖xf5 d4 37. cxd4
 ♖c2+ = 38. ♗h1 ♖c1+

Draw.

Botvinnik only ever encountered this system as Black and his opponents (apart from Levenfish) failed to put up serious resistance.

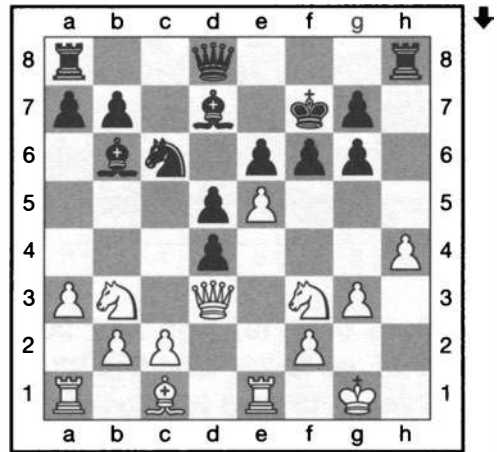
Counterplay by Black on the kingside

Game 9

Bondarevsky – Botvinnik
 Absolute USSR Championship,
 Leningrad/Moscow 1941

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. ♗f3 ♗c6
 5. ♙d3 cxd4 6. 0-0 ♙c5 7. a3 ♗ge7
 8. ♗bd2 ♗g6 9. ♗b3 ♙b6 10. ♖e1 ♙d7
 11. g3 f6 12. ♙xg6+ hxg6 13. ♗d3 ♗f7
 14. h4

Without the participation of his b-pawn – to attack the c6-knight – White cannot establish control of the dark squares d4, e5 and g5.



14...♗g8 15. ♙d2 ♗h7 16. ♙b4 g5!±
 17. ♗xh7 ♖xh7 18. exf6 gxf6 19. hxg5 e5
 20. gxf6 ♗xf6 21. ♙d6 ♖e8 22. ♗h4 ♖g8
 23. ♗h2 ♙f5 24. ♖e2 d3 25. ♖d2 dxc2
 26. f4 ♙e3 27. ♙xe5+ ♗xe5 28. fxe5 ♗e7
 29. ♖f1 c1♗

White resigned.

Pawn sacrifice, Black's struggle against the central blockade

Game 10

Smyslov – Lisitsyn
 Moscow Championship 1942

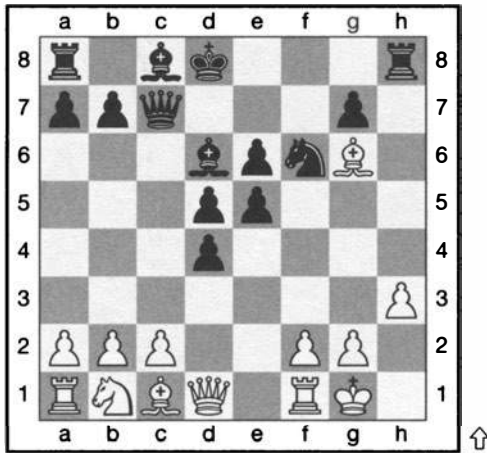
1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. ♗g4

Smyslov sacrifices a pawn à la Nimzowitsch, but does not even equalise.

4...♗c6 5. ♗f3 cxd4 6. ♙d3 ♗c7 7. 0-0
 f6 8. ♙xh7 ♗xe5 9. ♗xe5 fxe5 10. ♙g6+
 ♗d8 11. h3 ♗f6 12. ♗d1 ♙d6

(see next diagram)

Having given up both his centre pawns and relinquished control of the centre, White has clearly lost the opening battle.



13. c3 dxc3 14. ♖xc3 ♔d7 15. a4 a6
 16. ♗g5 ♗e8 17. ♗xe8 ♗xe8 18. ♖c1 ♖d7
 19. f4 exf4 20. ♗xf4 ♗xf4 21. ♖xf4 ♖c8
 22. ♖d3 ♗d8 23. a5 ♖e8 24. ♖ff1 ♖c6
 25. b4 ♖c4 26. ♖a2 ♖xc1 27. ♖xc1 ♖d6
 28. ♖b3 ♖e4 29. ♖b2 ♖f8 30. ♖xf8+
 ♖xf8 31. ♖d3 ♖f6 32. ♖e5 ♖f4 33. ♖d4
 ♖c1+ 34. ♗h2 ♖f4+ 35. ♗g1 ♖c1+
 36. ♗h2 ♖c7 37. ♗g1 ♗c8 38. ♖f3 ♖c3
 39. ♖xc3+ ♖xc3 40. ♗f2 ♖a2 41. ♖d4
 ♗d7 42. b5 axb5 43. ♖xb5 e5 44. h4
 ♗c6 45. ♖a7+ ♗d7 46. g4 d4 47. ♖b5
 ♖c3 48. ♖a3 ♗e6 49. h5 ♗d5 50. ♗e1
 d3 51. g5 e4 52. h6 e3 53. ♖b1 ♖xb1
 54. hxg7 d2+ 55. ♗e2 ♗d4 56. g8 ♖
 ♖c3+ 57. ♗f3 d1♖+

White resigned.

Advantage in development for Black

Game 11
Tal – Sokolsky
 Vilnius 1955

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖b6
 5. ♖f3 ♖c6 6. a3 a5 7. ♗d3 ♗d7 8. ♗c2?!

8. 0–0! cxd4 9. cxd4 ♖xd4 10. ♖xd4 ♖xd4
 11. ♖e2 ♖ (11. ♖c3 ♖).

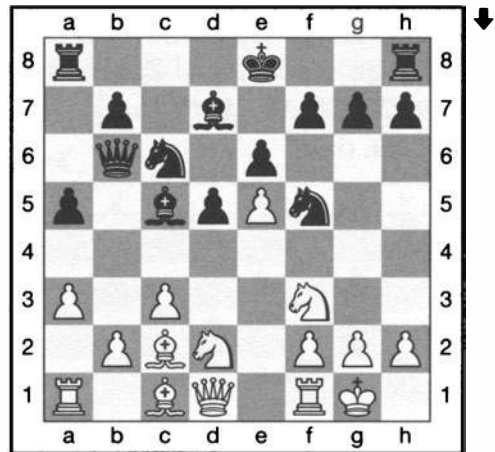
8... ♖h6 9. 0–0

9. b3!? cxd4 10. cxd4 (10. ♗xh6 gxh6
 11. cxd4 ♖g8 12. 0–0 ♖c8 13. ♖d2 ♖g4
 14. ♖d1 ♖xd4 15. ♖xd4 ♖xd4 16. ♖xd4

♖xd4 17. ♖xd4 ♖xc2 18. ♖d1 ♗g7 ♖) 10... ♖f5
 11. ♗xf5 exf5 12. ♖c3 ♗e6 13. 0–0 ♗e7 ♖.

9... ♖f5 10. dxc5 ♗xc5 11. ♖bd2?

11. ♗xf5 exf5 12. ♖bd2 0–0 13. ♖b3 ♖xe5
 14. ♖xc5 ♖xf3+ 15. ♖xf3 ♖xc5 16. ♗e3
 ♖b5 17. ♗d4 ♖.



11... ♗xf2+! ♖

A rare occurrence – Tal has failed to spot a tactical shot by his opponent!

12. ♖xf2 ♖e3 13. ♖e2 ♖xc2 14. ♖c4
 dxc4 15. ♖xc2 0–0–0 16. ♖e4 ♖b5
 17. ♗g5 ♖df8 18. a4 ♖d5 19. ♖e3 ♖b8
 20. ♖d2 ♖c6 21. ♖d6 ♖c7 22. ♖d4 h6
 23. ♖b5 ♗xb5 24. axb5 ♖d7 25. b6 ♖c5
 26. ♖xc5+ ♖xc5 27. ♖xa5 ♖a6 28. ♗h4
 g5 29. ♗g3 ♖d8 30. ♖a4 ♖xd6 31. exd6
 ♗d7 32. ♖xc4 ♖c8 33. ♖xc8 ♗xc8 34. b4
 ♗d7 35. ♗f2 ♖b8 36. b5 f6 37. c4 e5
 38. c5 ♗e6 39. ♗f3 f5 40. ♗f2 ♗d5 41. g3
 e4+ 42. ♗e2 f4 43. gxh4 gxh4 44. ♗g1
 ♖d7 45. h3

Draw.

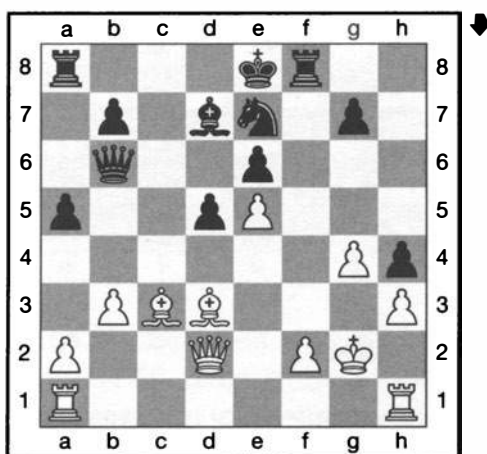
Petrosian played the French with Black and inevitably came up against 3. e5. He won three games, lost one (as a junior) and drew seven. In his later years he preferred the closed game resulting from ♖b6 and c4.

*Pawn sacrifice by Black for the initiative*

Game 12

Kholmov – Petrosian17th USSR Championship, Moscow 1949

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♖b6 6. ♙e2 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♘ge7
8. b3 ♘f5 9. ♙b2 ♙b4+ 10. ♖f1 h5
11. ♘c3 ♙xc3 12. ♙xc3 ♙d7 13. ♗d2
- a5 14. g3 h4 15. g4 ♘fe7 16. h3 f6
17. ♖g2 ♜f8 18. ♙d3 fxe5 19. ♘xe5
- ♘xe5 20. dxe5



- 20...d4 21. ♙xd4 ♙c6+ 22. ♖g1 ♗c7
23. ♜h2 0-0-0 24. ♙c4 ♘g6 25. ♗e3

Draw.

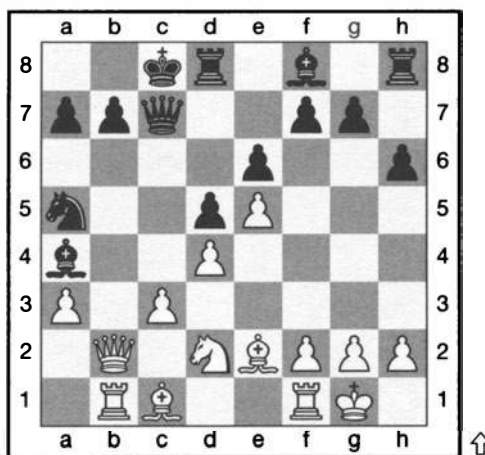
Space advantage

Game 13

Tal – Petrosian

USSR Championship (Semi-final), Tbilisi 1956

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♖b6 6. a3 c4 7. ♙e2 ♙d7 8. ♘bd2
- ♘a5 9. 0-0 ♘e7 10. ♜b1 h6 11. ♗c2 ♗c7
- (11...♜c8?) 12. b3!?
12. g3? 0-0-0 13. ♜e1; 12. ♜e1?
- 12...cxb3 13. ♘xb3 ♙a4 14. ♘fd2 ♘ec6
- 14...♜ac8! 15. ♗d3 ♘xb3 16. ♘xb3 ♘f5?
15. ♗b2 0-0-0?! (15...♜c8) 16. ♘xa5
- ♘xa5



17. c4! ♙e7 18. cxd5

18. c5 ♘c6 19. ♘f3 g5 20. ♙e3±.

- 18...exd5

18...♜xd5 19. ♘e4 (19. ♘c4 ♘c6 20. ♙e3 ♜hd8 21. ♜fc1±) 19...♙c2 20. ♘c3 ♙xb1 21. ♘xd5 exd5 22. ♗xb1 ♖b8 23. ♙f4±.

19. ♙d1?!

19. ♙d3!? h5 20. ♘f3 (20. f4 ♜h6 21. f5 ♜c6±) 20...♘c4 21. ♗e2 ♙d7 22. ♙g5±.

- 19...♙d7!

19...♙xd1 20. ♜xd1 ♘c4 21. ♘xc4 dxc4 22. ♙d2±.

20. ♙c2 ♖b8 21. ♙d3 ♜c8? 22. ♘b3 ♘c4 23. ♗a2 ♙a4

23...♜he8?.

24. ♙f5

24. ♙f4!/?±.

- 24...♙d7 25. ♙d3 ♙a4 26. ♙f5 ♙d7

Draw. A game worthy of those two great players!

Play on both wings, counterplay by Black

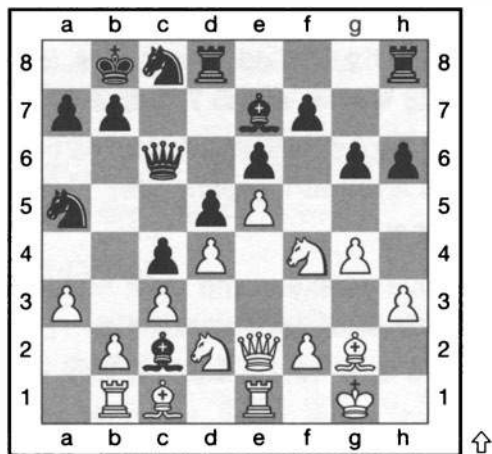
Game 14

I. Zaitsev – Petrosian37th USSR Championship, Moscow 1969

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♖b6 6. a3 c4 7. ♘bd2 ♙d7 8. ♙e2



♖a5 9. 0–0 ♗e7 10. ♗g5 h6 11. ♗h3
0–0–0 12. ♗f4 g6 13. ♖b1 ♜b8 14. g4
♙b5 15. ♖e1 ♗c8 16. ♙f1 ♙e7 17. h3 ♜c6
18. ♙g2 ♙a4 19. ♜e2 ♙c2



20. ♗xc4 ♙xb1 21. ♗xa5 ♜c7 22. b4
g5 23. ♗h5 ♜xc3 24. ♙d2 ♜d3 25. ♜d1
♙c2 26. ♜c1 ♙a4 27. ♙e3 ♗b6 28. ♙f1
♜g6 29. f4 ♖c8 30. ♜d2 ♖c2 31. ♙d3
♖xd2 32. ♙xg6 fxg6 33. ♙xd2 gxh5

White resigned.

When the play takes place on both wings, it is quite rare for Black to win; this game is one of the exceptions.

Spassky played this variation three times against Korchnoi, but lost two games and won only one. The two final encounters in their match in St. Petersburg (1999) deserve attention, but the most interesting game played by Boris Vasilievich was with Black in Moscow 1999 against Vlastimil Hort, where in a theoretically known position he unexpectedly sacrificed the exchange.

Play on both wings

Game 15

Spassky – Korchnoi

Candidates Final, Belgrade 1977

1. d4 e6 2. e4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e2!?

6. dxc5.

6... ♗ge7 7. ♗a3 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗f5
9. ♗c2 ♗b4

An opening tabia.

10. ♗e3

One of the possible continuations. White retains a slight advantage.

10. 0–0!? ♗xc2 11. ♜xc2 ♖c8 12. ♜d3±.

10... ♗xe3 11. fxe3 ♙e7 12. a3 ♗c6
13. b4

Somewhat premature; it would be better to play 13. 0–0 0–0 14. ♙d2 f6 15. exf6 ♙xf6
16. ♙c3 ♖c8 17. ♙d3±.

13...a6

A stronger line is 13...0–0 14. 0–0 f5=.

14. ♖b1 ♗a7 15. a4 ♗c6

15...f5 16. exf6 ♙xf6 17. 0–0 0–0 18. b5 axb5
19. axb5 ♗c8 20. ♙d2±.

16. ♙d2 a5

16...0–0 17. 0–0 f5 18. exf6 ♙xf6 19. b5 axb5
20. axb5 ♗e7 21. ♙b4 ♖f7±.

17. b5

17. bxa5 ♗xa5 18. 0–0 ♙c6 19. ♜c2±
(19. ♙b4 ♗c4 20. ♙xe7 ♜xe7 21. ♙xc4 dxc4
22. ♖a1 0–0±).

17... ♗b4 18. 0–0 0–0 19. ♜e1

19. ♖c1 ♗a2 20. ♖a1 ♗b4 21. ♜b3 ♖c8
22. ♖ac1±.

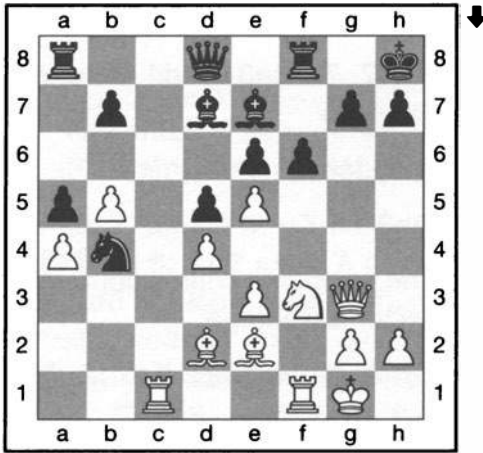
19... ♜h8?!

19... ♖c8 20. ♜g3 ♖c2 21. ♙d1 ♖c4 22. ♙b3
♖c8 23. e4±.

20. ♜g3 f6 21. ♖bc1?!

Here it would better to play 21. exf6 gxh6
(21... ♙xf6 22. ♗e5±) 22. ♖bc1 ♖g8 23. ♜f4
♙e8 24. e4↑.

(see next diagram)



21...f5! ⇒ 22. h4 ♖c8 23. h5

23. ♖xc8 ♙xc8 24. ♖c1 ♙d7 25. ♗g5 ⇒.

23...♖xc1 24. ♖xc1 ♗a2 25. ♖a1 ♗b4
26. ♗h3

26. ♖c1 ♗a2 27. ♖a1 ♗b4 28. ♖c1 =.

26...♙e8 27. ♗f2 (27. h6!?) 27...♗b6
28. g4

28. ♙xb4 axb4 29. a5 ♗c7 ♞.

28...g5 29. hxg6 ♙xg6 30. g5 = f4?!
31. exf4 ♗c2 32. ♖d1 ♙e4?!

32...♙a3 33. ♗f1 ♙e4 34. ♗h6 ±.

33. ♙e3

33. ♙c1! ±.

33...♗xe3 34. ♗xe3 ♗c7

34...♖c8 35. ♙d3 ♖c3 36. ♗e2 ±;

34...♙f5 35. ♗h1 ♙e4 36. ♖g1 ♖c8 37. g6 ±.

35. g6! ♙xg6 36. ♗xe6 ♙a3 37. ♗xd5
♙c1+ 38. ♗f2 ♙xf4 39. ♗c4

39. ♗c5 ♗xc5 40. dxc5 ♙xe5 41. ♖d7 h6
42. ♖xb7 ♙d4+ 43. ♗g2 ♙xc5 44. ♖c7 ♙e3
45. ♗e5 ±.

39...♗g7 40. ♖g1 ♗h6! 41. ♗c3

White resigned, in view of 41...♙d2 42. ♗a3
♗h4+ 43. ♗g2 ♗f4 ♞.

Attack on the king

Game 16

Spassky – Korchnoi
St. Petersburg 1999

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♗b6 6. a3 a5 7. ♙d3 ♙d7 8. ♙c2

Spassky repeats Paulsen's moves from one hundred and twenty years ago!

8...h5?!

This move weakens the dark squares and loses time. 8...♗h6 ⇒ was better.

9. 0-0 ♗h6 10. b3 ♙e7 11. ♖a2

11. dxc5?! ♙xc5 12. ♙xh6 ♖xh6 13. ♗bd2
♙e7 14. ♗e2 g5! ?!;

11. ♙f4 cxd4 12. cxd4 ♗f5 13. ♙xf5 exf5
14. ♗c3 ♙e6 15. h4 ±.

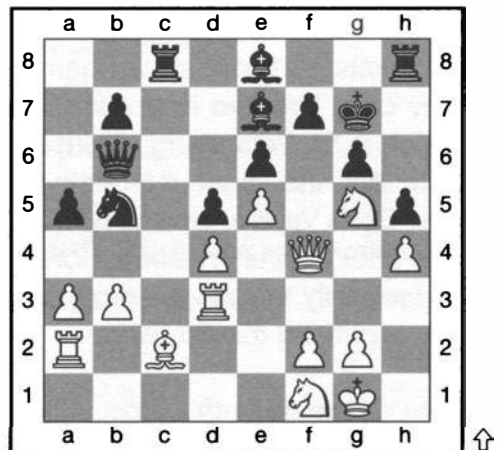
11...cxd4 12. cxd4 ♖c8 13. ♙xh6?!

13. ♖e1.

13...♖xh6 14. ♗d2 ♖h8

14...h4 ♞.

15. h4 ♗f8 16. ♗f4 ♗g8 17. ♗bd2 g6
18. ♖d1 ♗g7 19. ♗f1 ♗a7 20. ♗g5 ♙e8
21. ♖d3 ♗b5 ♞



22. ♙d1 ♖c3

Untypical of Korchnoi – he declines an offered pawn. But 22...♗xa3! ? came into consideration, e. g. 23. ♖f3 ♙xg5 24. hxg5 ♗b5
25. ♖d2 ♖c1 ♞.



23. ♖ad2 ♜c7?!

23...♖xd3 24. ♖xd3 ♜xa3 ♖.

24. a4! ♖xd3 25. ♖xd3 ♜c3 26. ♜g3 ♜xd1 27. ♖xd1 ♜b6

27...♜c3 28. ♖c1 ♖xg5 29. hxg5 ♜xb3
30. ♜f6+ ♜g8 31. ♜f5!+- gxh5 (31...exf5
32. e6 ♜c4 33. ♖xc4 dxc4 34. d5+-)
32. g6 ♜xa4 33. gxh7+ ♖xf7 34. ♖c8+ ♖e8
35. ♜xe6+ ♜g7 36. ♖c7+ +-.

28. ♖d3 ♜c7

28...♖f8? 29. ♜xh5+! gxh5 30. ♖g3 ♜h8
31. ♜e4 ♜h7 32. ♜f6+ ♖xf6 33. exf6 ♖g8
34. ♖xg8 ♜xg8 35. ♜g5+ ♜f8 36. ♜g7#.

29. ♖f3 ♖d8 30. ♜e2 ♜e7 31. ♜c1

31. ♜g3 b6 32. ♜h2†.

**31...♜b4 32. ♜f4 ♖xg5 ♖ 33. hxg5 ♖c6 ♖
34. ♜e3 ♖c8 35. ♜h2 ♖e8 36. ♜d3 ♜xb3
37. ♜f4 ♜xa4 38. ♜f6+ +- ♜g8**

38...♜h7 39. ♜f4! ♜b4 40. ♜xh5 ♜f8
41. ♜f4 ♜g7 42. ♜e7 ♖c6 43. ♜h5+-.

39. ♜f4 ♜h7 40. ♜xe6

Black resigned.

Pawn sacrifice to gain a blockading knight

Game 17

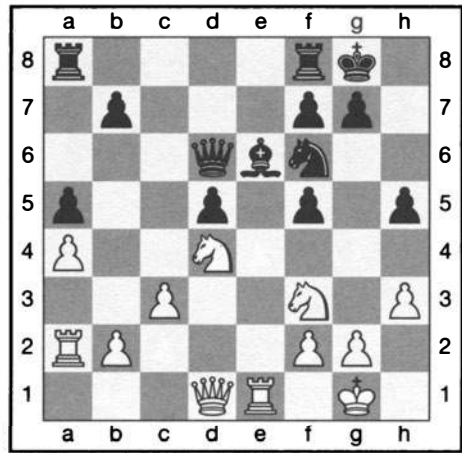
Spassky – Korchnoi
St. Petersburg 1999

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜c6 5. ♜f3 ♜b6 6. a3 a5 7. ♖d3 ♖d7 8. ♖c2 h5?! 9. 0-0 ♜h6 10. ♖a2 ♖e7 11. ♖e3 ♜f5 12. ♖xf5 exf5 13. dxc5 ♖xc5 14. ♖xc5 ♜xc5 15. a4

15. b3!? ♖e6 16. ♖d2 ±.

15...♖e6 16. ♜d4 (16. ♖a3 ±) 16...♜xe5 17. ♜d2?! (17. ♖e1 ♖) 17...♜g4 18. ♖e1 ♜d6 19. ♜2f3 0-0 20. h3 ♜f6

(see next diagram)



21. ♜xe6?!

With 21. ♜b5 ♜c5 22. ♜fd4 ≠ White would gain enough compensation for the pawn.

21...fxe6 22. ♜d4 ♖ac8 23. ♜e5 ♜d7 24. ♜xd7 ♜xd7 ♖ 25. b3 ♜c6 26. ♖c2 ♖f6 27. ♖e5 ♜c5 28. ♜d3 ♜b6 29. c4 ♜a6 30. ♜d2

30. ♜e2!?! ≠.

30...♜d6 31. f4?!

Better was 31. ♜e2 dxc4 ♖.

31...♜b6+ 32. ♖e3 dxc4 33. bxc4 ♖d8 34. ♜f2 ♖d1+ 35. ♜h2 ♜b1 ♖ 36. ♖b2?!

36. g3 h4! -+.

36...♖h1+- + 37. ♜g3 ♖g6+ 38. ♜h4 ♜d1 39. ♜e2 ♜d8+ 40. ♜xh5 ♖h6#

For and against the blockade

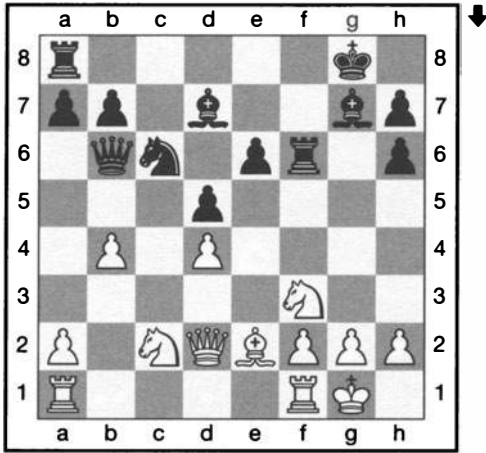
Game 18

Hort – Spassky

Petrosian Memorial, Moscow 1999

1. e4 c5 2. c3 e6 3. d4 d5 4. e5 ♜c6 5. ♜f3 ♜b6 6. ♖e2 ♜h6 7. ♖xh6 gxh6 8. ♜d2 ♖g7 9. 0-0 ♖d7 10. ♜a3 0-0 11. ♜c2 cxd4 12. cxd4 f6 13. exf6 ♖xf6 14. b4

(see next diagram)



14... ♖xf3!? 15. ♗xf3 ♘xd4 16. ♘xd4 ♗xd4 17. ♗xd4 ♗xd4 18. ♖ac1 ♗b6 19. g3 ♖g7 20. ♖fe1 ♖f6 21. ♖c3 ♖g8 22. ♖g2 ♗c6 23. ♖c2 a6 24. ♖ce2 ♗d7 25. ♖c2 ♗c6 26. ♖ce2 ♗d7±

Draw.

Kasparov played the Advance Variation with White twice in simuls against weak opponents and won both games.

Attack on the king

Game 19

Kasparov – Klimczok
Katowice (simul) 1993

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6 5. ♘f3 ♗d7 6. ♗e2 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♘ge7 8. ♘c3 ♘f5 9. 0-0 ♗e7 10. g4 ♘h4 11. ♘xh4 ♗xh4 12. ♗e3 0-0? 13. f4 h6 14. ♗d2 ♖c8 15. ♖h1 ♗e7 16. f5 ♗g5



17. f6 gxf6 18. ♗xg5 fxg5 19. ♖f6+-

Blockade of a wing!

19... ♖g7 20. ♖af1 ♘e7 21. h4

Black resigned.

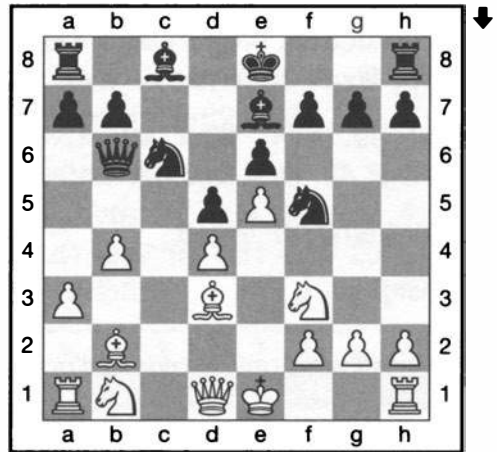
Play on the dark squares

Game 20

Khalifman – Dolmatov
19th EU-Cup, Rethymnon 2003

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6 5. ♘f3 ♗b6 6. a3 ♘h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♘f5 9. ♗b2 ♗e7 10. ♗d3!?

One of White's best plans: to abstain from h2-h4 and instead prepare an exchange on f5, followed by play on the dark squares.



10... ♗d7 11. 0-0 ♖c8 12. ♘bd2 g5

A tactically interesting moment – it is not good for Black to take the d4 pawn, since he would then lose the g7 pawn: 12... ♘fxd4?! 13. ♘xd4 ♘xd4 14. ♗g4 ♘f5 15. ♗xf5 exf5 16. ♗xg7 ♖f8

A) 17. ♖ac1 ♗g6 18. e6 fxe6 19. ♖xc8+ ♗xc8 20. ♖c1 ♗d7 21. ♗e5

A1) 21...f4 22. ♘f3 (22. ♗b8+ ♗d8±) 22...♖g8 23. ♗b8+ ♗d8 24. g3 fxg3 25. hxg3 ♗d3 26. ♗f6 ♖xg3+ 27. ♗xg3 ♗xf6 28. ♖c7±;



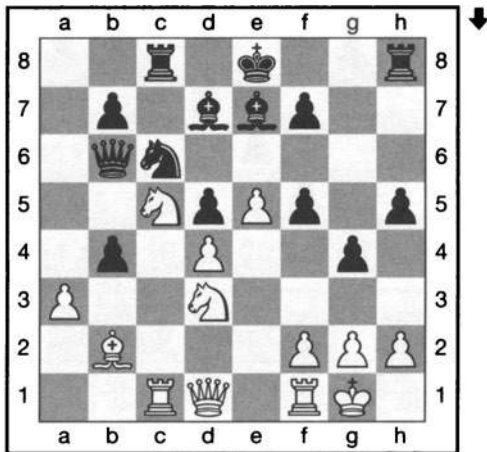
A2) 21... ♖f6 22. ♜b8+ ♗e7 23. ♕xf6+ ♜xf6
24. ♜xb7 ♜b2 ♞;

B) 17. e6! fxe6 18. ♖ac1! ♖xc1 19. ♖xc1 a5
20. ♕d4 ♜a6 21. ♗f3 axb4 22. ♗e5!±.

13. ♗b3± h5

13...g4 14. ♗fd2 h5 (14...g3 15. hxg3 ♗fxd4
16. ♗xd4 ♗xd4 17. ♜g4 ♗f5 18. ♕xf5
exf5 19. ♜g7 ♖f8 20. e6!±) 15. ♕xf5 exf5
16. ♗c5±.

14. ♖c1 g4 15. ♗e1 a5 16. ♕xf5 exf5
17. ♗d3 axb4 18. ♗bc5



18... ♕e6

18...bxa3 19. ♕xa3 ♗xd4 20. ♗f4!±.

19. axb4 ♜b5 20. ♗f4 ♖h6 21. ♕c3!±
♕g5 22. ♕d2 ♕xf4 23. ♕xf4 ♖g6 24. ♕e3
♖g8 25. ♖e1 ♗e7 26. ♜d2 h4 27. ♕g5 h3
28. ♕xe7 ♗xe7 29. ♜h6 ♖c6 30. ♜f6+
♗e8 31. ♖a1

Black resigned.

As we can see, the World Champions had mixed results with this system; you only have recall Steinitz and Alekhine. More deserving of attention are the games in which Euwe used the plan of giving up the white pawn centre; he played very logically and methodically to gain an advantage. The games between Spassky and Korchnoi and the Hort – Spassky game are interesting. The games in which the World Champions played Black deserve greater attention, especially those by Botvinnik and Petrosian.

1.2 Master games

David Ionovich Bronstein did not often play this system but, in contrast to the games of the World Champions, his games were brimming with new ideas. Bronstein's play was very creative, packed full of originality, whereas World Champions are concerned mainly with their competitive results. We can say that they are the champions, but Bronstein was a creator.

Generally the creators of new opening systems, the "chess researchers" are considered inferior to the champions, since the chess public is more interested in outstanding results than in theory. Theoreticians are never regarded as being on the same level as champions, even though it is precisely the former who educate the chess world.

Theory is extremely important in any field of knowledge, but chess players have never set themselves the goal of discovering the best moves in the initial position of the game.

*Advantage in development,
attack on the king*

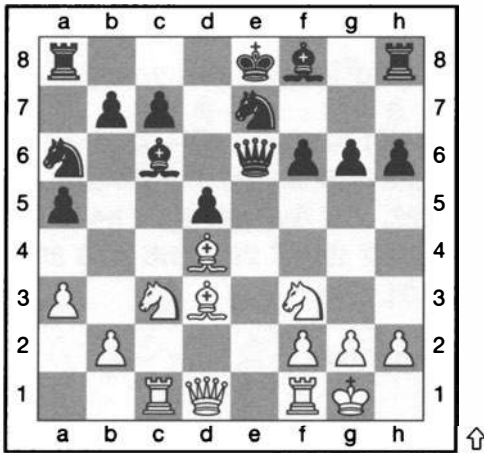
Game 21

Bronstein – Kärner

Tallinn 1981

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 ♕d7!? 4. ♗f3!?
a6 5. ♕g5 ♜c8? 6. c4 h6 7. ♕e3 dxc4
8. ♕xc4 ♗e7 9. ♗c3 ♕c6 10. 0-0 ♜d7
11. ♖c1 a5 12. d5 exd5 13. ♕d3 ♗a6
14. a3 g6 15. e6 ♜xe6 16. ♕d4 f6

(see next diagram)



17. ♖xg6+! ♜d8 18. ♜e1 ♜d6 19. ♖f7 ♖g7 20. ♜e6 ♜d7 21. ♖xf6 ♖xf6 22. ♜xf6,
and Black resigned.

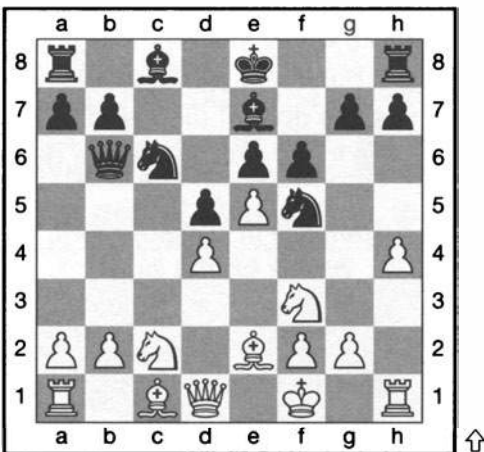
Space advantage, blockade

Game 22

Bronstein – Borges Mateos

Rubinstein Memorial,
Polanica Zdrój 1988

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♜b6 6. ♖e2 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♘ge7
8. ♘a3 ♘f5 9. ♘c2 ♖b4+ 10. ♜f1 ♖e7
11. h4 f6?!



12. g4! ♘fxd4 13. ♘cxd4 fxe5 14. ♘xc6 bxc6 15. ♘xe5 0-0 16. f4 ♖d6?
16... ♖f6 ±.
17. ♘c4!+- ♜c7 18. ♘xd6 ♜xd6 19. ♜g2
Black resigned.

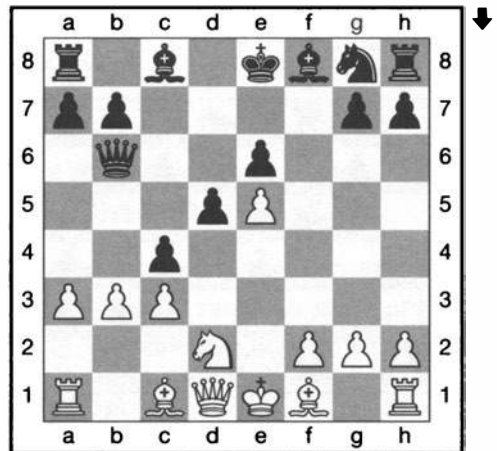
For and against the blockade

Game 23

Bronstein – Roos

Hastings 1993/94

1.e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♜b6 6. a3 c4 7. ♘bd2 f6 8. b3
fxe5 9. ♘xe5 ♘xe5 10. dxe5



10... ♖c5?!

10... ♘h6!? 11. bxc4 ♖c5 12. ♜h5+ ♘f7
13. ♜b1 (13. ♜e2 0-0 14. ♜b1 ♜a5∞)
13... ♖xf2+ 14. ♜d1 ♜e3 15. cxd5 0-0
(15... exd5 16. ♘f3 ♜xc3 17. ♖d2 ♜c6
18. ♖b5 g6 19. ♜f1 gxh5 20. ♜xf2 ±)
16. ♜e2 ±.

11. ♜h5+ g6 12. ♜h4 ♜c7 13. ♘f3 ♘e7
14. b4 ♘f5 15. ♜h3 ♖e7 16. ♖e2 0-0
17. g4 ♘g7 18. ♜g3

18. 0-0 ±.

18... a5 19. b5 a4 20. h4 ♖d7 21. ♘d4
♖c5 22. h5 ♖xd4 23. cxd4 gxh5 24. ♜b1
♜h8 25. ♖g5 ♖e8 26. ♖f6 ♖g6 27. b6
♜d7 28. ♜c1 hxg4 29. ♖xg4 ♜g8
30. ♜h3 ♜ae8 31. ♜d2 ♜b5 32. ♜c3
♜xb6 33. ♜h3 ♜b3 34. ♜a1 ♜b6
35. ♜c3 ♜a8 36. ♜g1 ♜a5 37. ♖d1
♜b5 38. ♜xh7 ♜xh7 39. ♜xg6 ♜xg6
40. ♜g3+ ♜f5 41. ♜g4#



Advantage in development

Game 24

I. Zaitsev – Doda

Riga 1968

1. e4 c5 2. ♖f3 e6 3. c3 d5 4. e5 ♗d7
5. d4 ♜b6 6. ♙e2 ♗b5 7. c4!? ♙xc4
8. ♙xc4 dxc4 9. d5 exd5 10. ♜xd5 ♖e7
11. ♜e4

11. ♜xc4.

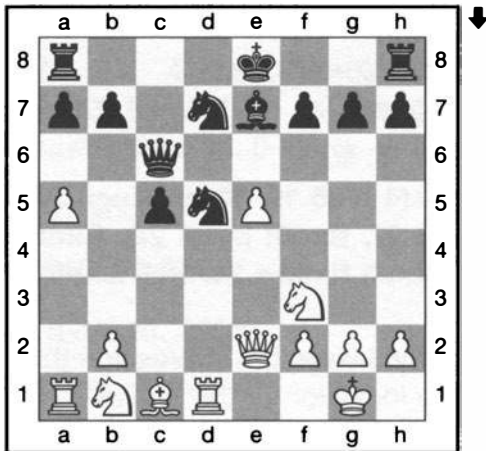
11...♗d7

11...♜c6! 12. ♜xc4 ♗d7 13. ♗c3±.

12. 0-0 ♜c6 13. ♜xc4 ♗b6 14. ♜e2
♗ed5?!

14...♗g6 15. ♗c3±.

15. a4 ♙e7 16. a5 ♗d7 17. ♗d1±



17...♗f8 18. a6 b6

18...♗e6.

19. ♙g5

19. ♗c3 ♗xc3 20. bxc3±.

19...♗g6?

19...♙xg5 20. ♗xg5 ♗f4 21. ♜f3 ♜xf3
22. ♗xf3±.

20. ♗c3 ♗xc3 21. bxc3± 0-0 22. ♙e7
♗xe7 23. ♗d6 ♜c8 24. ♗ad1 ♗f5
25. ♗6d2 ♜c6 26. ♜d3 g6 27. ♗g5 ♗fe8
28. f4 ♗g7 29. ♜d7 ♜xd7 30. ♗xd7+-
♗e7 31. ♗xe7 ♗xe7 32. ♗d7 h6 33. ♗e6+
fxe6 34. ♗xe7+ ♗f8 35. ♗xe6 ♗f7

36. ♗f6+ ♗g7 37. ♗d6 ♗f7 38. g4 b5
39. f5 gxf5 40. gxf5 b4 41. cxb4 cxb4
42. ♗d7+ ♗e8 43. e6

Black resigned.

Pawn sacrifice for the initiative, play on both wings

Game 25

I. Zaitsev – Savon

Dubna 1976

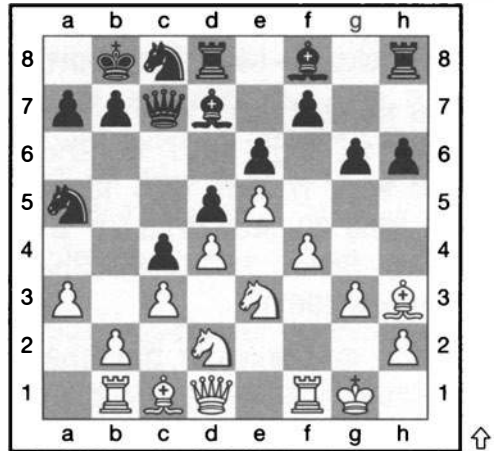
1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♜b6 6. a3 c4 7. ♗bd2 ♗a5 8. g3
♙d7 9. ♙h3 ♗e7 10. 0-0 h6 11. ♗h4
0-0-0

11...g5!? 12. ♗g2 h5

A) 13. ♗e3 g4 14. ♙g2 0-0-0 15. f4± (15. f3
♙h6);

B) 13. g4 hxg4 14. ♙xg4 0-0-0 15. ♜f3 ♙e8
16. ♗e3±.

12. ♗g2 ♗b8 13. ♗b1 ♜c7 14. ♗e3 ♗c8
15. f4 g6



16. f5!?

16. ♗g4 ♙e7 17. ♙g2 ♗b6 18. ♜e2 ♙a4
19. ♗f3 ♗d7±.

16...gxf5 17. g4 f×g4 18. ♗xg4 ♙e8
19. ♗f6± ♙c6 20. ♗f2 ♗e7 21. ♗f1 ♗b3
22. ♙e3 ♗g8 23. ♗h5 ♙e8 24. ♗fg3 ♗e7
25. ♗f6 ♙a4 26. ♜h5 ♗c8 27. ♗bf1 ♗a5
28. ♜e2 ♙e7 29. ♗fh5 ♙e8 30. ♗g7±



♙g5 31. ♖h5 ♜b6 32. ♙xg5 hxg5
 33. ♜g2 ♘c6 34. ♜xg5 ♘8e7 35. ♙g4
 ♘f5 36. ♙xf5 exf5 37. ♘f6 ♘xd4
 38. cxd4 ♜xd4+ 39. ♜f2 ♜xf2+ 40. ♜xf2
 ♙c6 41. ♘xf5

Black resigned.

Pawn sacrifice for the initiative

Game 26

I. Zaitsev – Lempert Moscow 1994

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
 5. ♘f3 ♜b6 6. a3 a5!? 7. ♙d3 ♙d7 8. 0–0
 cxd4 9. cxd4 ♘xd4 10. ♘xd4 ♜xd4
 11. ♘c3

11. ♜e2 ♜b6 12. ♘c3 ♙c5! 13. ♙d2 a4!
 14. ♘b5 ♘e7 15. ♜ac1 ♙xb5 16. ♙xb5+ ♘c6
 17. ♙xc6+ bxc6 18. ♜g4 ♙f8! 19. ♜c2 c5 ♣
 (Halasz – Soreghy, corr. 1970).

11... ♘e7

11... ♜c8 12. ♜e2 ♘e7 13. ♘h1 ♜h4!? 14. f4
 ♘f5! 15. ♙xf5 exf5 16. ♘xd5 ♙c5 17. ♙e3
 0–0± (Velimirović – Ivkov, Titograd 1965);

11... ♜b6 12. ♜g4 f5 13. exf6?! (13. ♜g3 ♞)
 13... ♘xf6 14. ♜g3 ♙e7! 15. ♜xg7 ♜g8
 16. ♜h6 ♜d4 17. ♜d1 ♜g4 18. ♙f1 ♜g6
 19. ♜f4 ♜h5 20. ♙e2 ♜h3 21. ♜f3 e5! ♣
 (Steinberg – Shilov, 35th USSR Championship,
 Kharkov 1967);

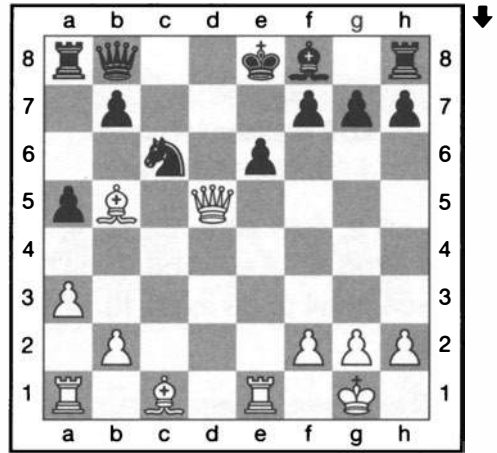
11... ♘h6 12. ♘b5 ♜xe5 13. ♜e1 ♜b8 14. ♜f3
 ♙d6 15. ♘xd6+ ♜xd6 16. ♙f4 ♜e7 17. ♜g3
 f6. Draw (I. Zaitsev – Geller, Moscow 1982).

12. ♘b5

12. ♘h1!? with the idea f2–f4; 12. ♜e1!? ♘g6
 13. ♘b5 ♜b6 14. ♙e3 ♜d8 15. ♙d4 ♙e7
 16. ♘d6+ ♙xd6 17. exd6 0–0 18. ♜c1 ♜c8
 19. ♜xc8 ♜xc8 20. ♜d2 ♞.

12... ♜xe5 13. ♜e1 ♜b8 14. ♜f3 ♙xb5!
 15. ♙xb5+ ♘c6 16. ♜xd5

(see next diagram)



16... ♙d6!

16... ♙d6?! 17. ♙xc6+ bxc6 18. ♜xc6+ ♘e7
 19. ♙g5+ f6 20. ♙h4 ♜e8 21. ♜ad1 ♜c7
 22. ♜d5 ♙xh2+ 23. ♘h1 ♘f8 24. ♜h5 ♙e5
 25. ♜xh7 ♘f7 26. ♜h5+ ♘g8 27. ♜d3±
 (Reefat – Rahman, Calcutta 1994).

17. ♜c4!

17. ♜xd6? ♙xd6 ♣.

17... ♙e7

17... ♜c5 18. ♜a4.

18. ♙f4 ♜c5 19. ♜xc5 ♙xc5 20. ♜ac1
 ♙d4! 21. ♜xc6! bxc6 22. ♙xc6+ ♘e7
 23. ♙xa8 ♜xa8 = 24. ♙e5 ♙xe5

Draw.

This game leaves the impression that, even with the inclusion of the moves a2–a3 and a7–a5, Black can take the d4 pawn. (See also Shirov – Anand, Teheran 2000, Volume 1, game 22 on page 44).

Pawn sacrifice for the initiative

Game 27

Sveshnikov – Vysochin Yugoslav League 1998

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜b6
 5. ♘f3 ♙d7 6. a3 ♙b5 7. c4?! dxc4!?
 8. ♘c3

8. d5!? exd5 9. ♜xd5 ♘e7 10. ♜e4∞.

8... ♘c6 9. d5 0–0–0!

This game show that Black has a good position in this line. Hence it is possibly better



for White to play 7. b4 ±. Despite winning this game, after this I started playing 7. b4.



10. d6

10. ♖c2 exd5 11. ♜f5+ ♘b8 12. ♜xf7 ♜ge7 ♞.

10...f6 11. ♜xb5 ♜xb5 12. ♜c2 ♜xe5 13. ♜xe5 fxe5 14. ♙xc4 ♜c6 ♞ 15. ♙xe6+ ♘b8 16. 0-0

16. ♙xg8? ♜xg2 ♞.

16...♜f6! 17. ♙e3

17. ♙g5 ♜xd6 18. ♙f5 ♞.

17...♙xd6 18. b4

18. ♜ac1 ♞.

18...e4 19. ♙h3 ♙e5 20. ♜ac1

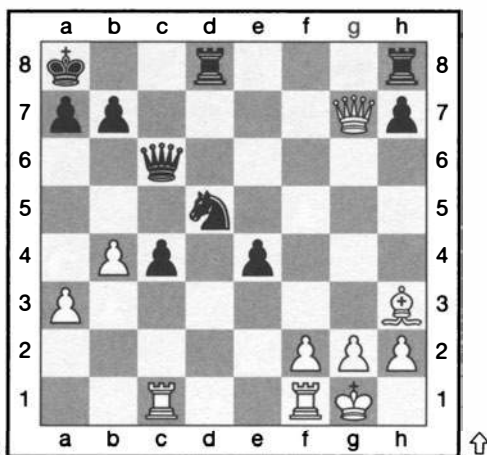
20. ♜ab1 ♙d4 21. bxc5 ♙xe3 22. fxe3 ♜d5! (22...♜d3 23. ♜b4 ♜hd8 24. ♜fb1 ♜d2 25. ♜b3 ±) 23. ♜fc1 ♜hd8 ±.

20...♙d4!?

20...cxb4! 21. ♜xc6 bxc6 22. axb4 ♜d5 23. ♜xc6 ♜xe3 24. fxe3=.

21. ♜e2 ♙xe3 22. ♜xe3 c4 23. ♜g3+ ♘a8 24. ♜xg7 ♜d5?!
(see next diagram)

24...♜hg8 25. ♜f7 ±.



25. ♜g4! e3?!

25...♜hf8 26. ♜xe4 ♜f4 27. ♜xc6 ♜xh3+ 28. gxh3 bxc6 29. ♜xc4 ±;

25...♜he8 26. ♜fe1 e3 27. ♜xc4 exf2+ 28. ♘xf2 ♜f6+ 29. ♘g1 ♜xe1+ 30. ♜xe1 ♜f4 ♞ 31. ♙d7! ± (31. ♙g4? ♜d3 ♞).

26. ♜xc4 ♜xc4 27. ♜xc4 e2 28. ♜e1 ± ♜he8

28...♜f4 29. ♙g4! ± h5 30. ♜xf4 hxg4 31. ♜e4 ♜d3 32. ♜e3+.

29. f3 b5 30. ♜d4 ♜c3 31. ♙d7!

31. ♜xd8+ ♜xd8 32. ♙f5 h5 33. g4 ±.

31...♘b8 32. ♜d3 a6 33. ♜xc3 ♜xd7

34. ♘f2 ♜d2 35. g4+– ♘b7 36. g5 ♘b6

37. h4 a5 38. bxa5+ ♘a5 39. ♜c7 ♘a4

40. ♜xh7 ♘xa3 41. g6 b4 42. ♜a7+ ♘b2

43. g7 b3 44. h5 ♘c3 45. ♜c7+ ♘b4

46. h6 b2 47. ♜b7+

Black resigned.

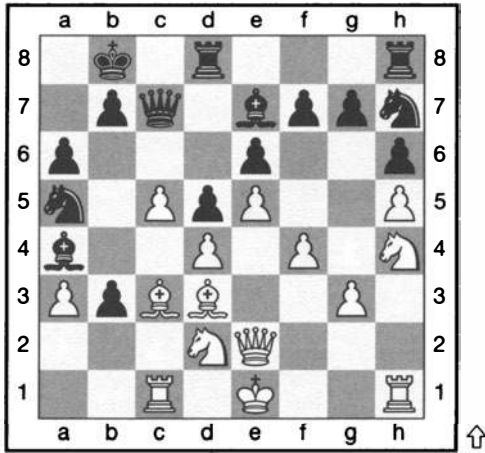
Pawn sacrifice for the initiative

Game 28

Circenis – Katishonok

Latvia 2001

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜b6 5. ♜f3 ♜c6 6. a3 c4 7. ♜bd2 ♜a5 8. b4! (Keres) 8...cxb3 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. c4 ♙a4 11. ♜c1 ♜e7 12. c5 ♜d8 13. ♙d3 ♜g6 14. g3 ♙e7 15. ♜e2 a6 16. h4 h6 17. h5 ♜f8 18. ♜h4 ♜d7 19. f4 ♜h7 20. ♜g4 0-0-0 21. ♙c3 ♜c7 22. ♜e2 ♘b8
(see next diagram)



23. ♔xa6 ♕xh4 24. ♖xh4 f6 25. ♕b5
 ♕xb5 26. ♗xb5 ♜c6 27. ♞xb3± fxe5
 28. dxe5 d4 29. ♔a5 ♞xa5 30. ♞xa5
 ♝d5 31. ♞h2 d3 32. ♞b2 d2+ 33. ♖xd2
 ♖xd2 34. ♜xd2 ♝d8+ 35. ♜e3 ♝d5
 36. ♞b3+- ♞g5 37. ♗e8+ ♝d8 38. ♗g6
 ♗c6 39. fxe5 ♗d5 40. ♗c2

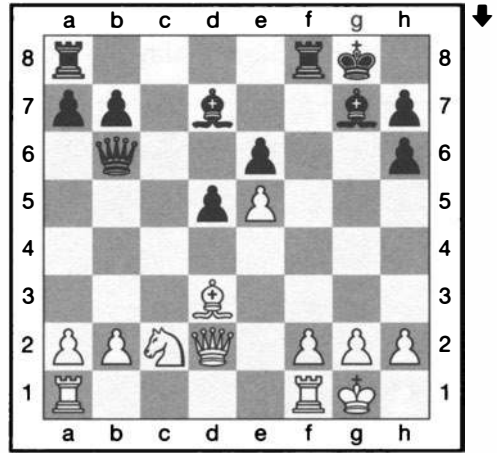
Black resigned. That is how chess is played in Latvia!

Pawn sacrifice for the initiative, blockading knight

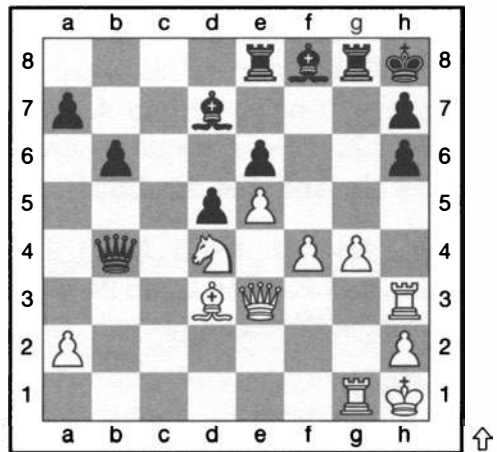
Game 29
Sveshnikov – Filipenko
 Cheliabinsk 1975

By means of a pawn sacrifice I succeeded in taking the initiative and starting an attack on the kingside. An important role was played by the blockading knight on d4. Black never had time to dislodge the knight from its blockading square.

1. e4 c5 2. c3 e6 3. d4 d5 4. e5 ♞c6
 5. ♞f3 ♗b6 6. ♔e2 ♞h6 7. ♔xh6 gxh6
 7... ♗xb2 8. ♔c1 ♗xa1 9. ♗c2 cxd4 10. ♞fd2
 dxc3 11. ♞b3 ♞b4 12. ♞xa1 ♞xc2+
 13. ♞xc2 ♔d7 14. ♞xc3 ♝c8 15. ♜d2∞.
 8. ♗d2 ♔d7 (8... ♔g7 9. ♞a3) 9. 0-0 ♔g7
 10. ♞a3 0-0 11. ♞c2 cxd4 12. cxd4 f6
 13. ♔d3 fxe5 14. ♞xe5 ♞xe5 15. dxe5



- 15... ♗xb2?!
 15... ♔xe5! 16. ♗xh6 ♝f7 17. ♝ae1 ♗xb2
 18. ♗g5+ ♔g7 19. ♗h5 h6±; 15... ♝f7±.
 16. f4 ♝ac8 17. ♝ab1 ♗c3 18. ♗e3 b6
 18...b5 19. ♝f3.
 19. ♞d4 ♗c5
 19...♝c4? 20. ♞e2±.
 20. ♔a6 ♗c3 21. ♔d3 ♗c5 22. g4!?→
 (22. ♔b5±) 22... ♗e7 23. ♝f3 ♜h8?!
 23...h5!? 24. g5 h6 25. ♝g3±.
 24. ♜h1 ♝g8? (24... ♝c3) 25. ♝e1 ♝ce8
 26. ♝h3 ♔f8 27. ♝g1 ♗b4



- Black has an extra pawn but when you look at the position, it seems that White is the one with more pawns! This is not entirely an optical illusion - White controls a lot more squares.
 28. g5!?



28. f5 exf5 29. gxf5 ♖xg1+ 30. ♔xg1 ♕c5
 31. ♖h4 ♕xd4 32. ♖xd4 ♜b2 33. e6 ♖g8+
 34. ♔f1 ♜xh2 35. exd7 ♜h1+ 36. ♔e2 ♖g2+
 37. ♜f2 ♖xf2+ 38. ♔xf2 ♜h2+ 39. ♔f3 ♜h1+
 (39...♜d6 40. ♖b5 ♔g7 41. ♕c6±) 40. ♔e3
 ♜g1+ 41. ♔f3 ♜h1+=.

28...♕c5 29. ♖xh6 ♖g7 30. ♜h3+– ♖e7

30...♜xd4 31. ♖xh7+ ♔g8 32. ♖xg7+ ♔xg7
 33. ♜h7+ ♔f8 34. ♜h8+ ♔f7 35. g6+ ♔e7
 36. ♜f6#.

31. ♕xh7! ♖xh7 32. g6

Black resigned.

Pawn sacrifice to establish a blockade

Game 30

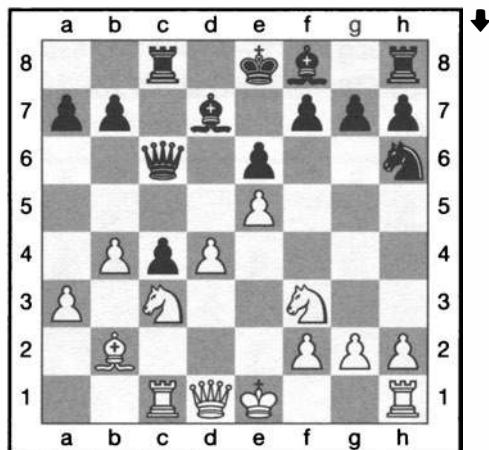
Dür – Damjanović

Graz 1979

This variation is one of White's most serious tries for advantage.

1. e4 c5 2. c3 e6 3. d4 d5 4. e5 ♖c6
 5. ♖f3 ♜b6 6. a3 ♕d7 7. b4 cxd4
 8. cxd4 ♖c8 9. ♖b2 ♖h6 10. ♖c3 ♖a5
 11. ♖a4 ♜c6 12. ♖c1 ♖c4 13. ♕xc4 dxc4
 14. ♖c3

The critical position. It is not easy for Black to equalise.



14...♕e7 15. 0–0 0–0 16. d5 exd5
 17. ♖d4 ♜g6 18. ♖xd5 ♕g5 19. f4± ♕d8
 20. ♜e2

20. ♖e3!? ♖f5 21. ♖dx5 ♕xf5 22. ♕d4
 ♕d3±.

20...♕f5 21. ♖xf5 ♖xf5 22. ♔h1 b5
 23. ♖cd1 h5 24. ♕c3 ♖e8 25. ♜f3

Draw.

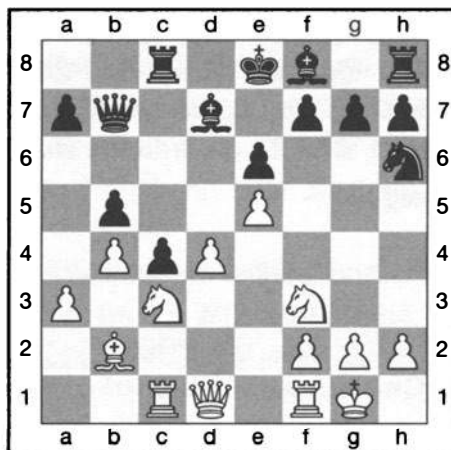
Pawn sacrifice to establish a blockade

Game 31

Olesen – Whiteley

Newcastle upon Tyne 1995

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
 5. ♖f3 ♜b6 6. a3 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♕d7
 8. b4 ♖c8 9. ♖b2 ♖h6 10. ♖c3 ♖a5
 11. ♖a4 ♜c6 12. ♖c1 ♖c4 13. ♕xc4 dxc4
 14. ♖c3 b5 15. 0–0 ♜b7



16. d5 exd5 17. ♖d4 ♖ ♕e7 18. ♜f3 ♕c6
 19. ♖xc6 ♜xc6 20. ♖xd5 ♕g5 21. ♖cd1
 0–0 22. ♜g3 ♜g6 23. ♖c3

23. f4 ♕d8 24. ♜h3 ♖f5 25. ♔h1±
 (25. ♕d4±).

23...♖f5 24. ♜h3

Draw.

For and against the blockade

Game 32

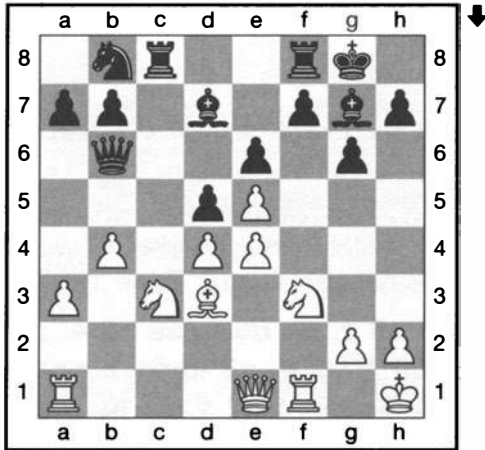
I. Zaitsev – Laine

Heart of Finland Open, Jyväskylä 1994

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
 5. ♖f3 ♜b6 6. a3 ♕d7 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
 ♖c8 9. ♕e3 ♖h6 10. ♕d3 ♖g4 11. 0–0



♖xe3 12. fxe3 g6 13. ♖e1 ♗g7 14. ♖c3 ♗b8 15. ♔h1 (15. ♖c1±) 15...0-0 16. e4!±



16...f6 17. exd5 fxe5 18. dxe5+- exd5 19. ♖xd5 ♖e6 20. ♖e4 ♔h8 21. b5! ♖c5 22. ♖f4 ♖g4 23. ♖h4! ♗f5 24. ♖xf5 (24. ♖b4+-) 24...gxf5 25. ♖xb7 ♖xe5 26. ♖ac1 ♖h4 27. g3 ♖d8 28. ♖c7

Black resigned.

For and against the blockade

Game 33

Cherniaev – Kornikhin

Vladivostok 1995

This game is interesting in that it shows that this variation does not bring White any advantage.

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6 5. ♖f3 ♖b6 6. a3 c4 7. ♖bd2 f6 8. b3 fxe5 9. bxc4?!

According to Bronstein it is better to play 9. ♖xe5.

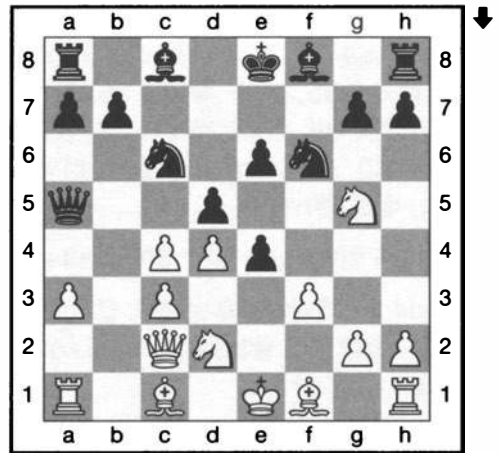
9...e4 10. ♖g5 ♖f6 11. f3?!

11. ♖b1 ♖c7 12. g3 h6 13. ♖h3 g5!;
11. ♗e2 ♖a5 12. ♗b2 ♗d6 13. ♗h5+ ♔e7!±.

11...♖a5?! (11...e3±) 12. ♖c2!?

(see next diagram)

12. ♖b3 ♖xc3+ 13. ♗d2 ♖b2 14. ♗c1 ♖c3+ 15. ♗d2=.



12...♖xd4?!

12...h6!/? 13. ♖h3 ♗d6 14. fxe4 0-0!/? (14...♖xe4 15. c5 ♗c7 16. ♖xe4 dxe4 17. ♗d2±) 15. e5 ♖xe5! 16. dxe5 ♗xe5 17. ♗b2 ♗d7 18. ♖f3 ♗a4 19. ♖d3 ♗d6 20. ♗e2 e5±.

13. cxd4+- e3 14. c5 ♗d7 15. ♗d3 exd2+ 16. ♗xd2 ♖a4 17. ♖b2

Black resigned.

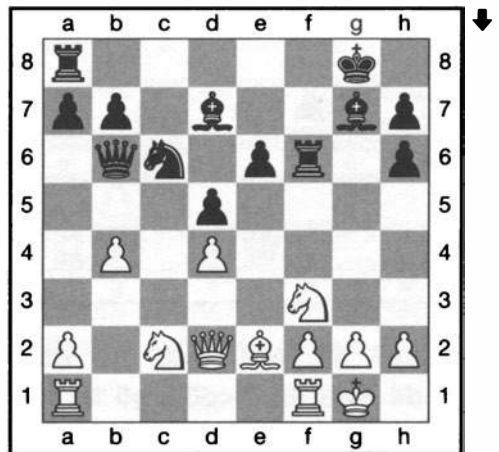
For and against the blockade

Game 34

McShane – Gdański

4th IECC, Istanbul 2003

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6 5. ♖f3 ♖b6 6. ♗e2 ♖h6 7. ♗xh6 gxh6 8. ♖d2 ♗g7 9. 0-0 0-0 10. ♖a3 cxd4 11. cxd4 f6 12. exf6 ♖xf6 13. ♖c2 ♗d7 14. b4





14...a6

14... $\text{Bxf3!?$, Hort – Spassky, Moscow 1999 (see game 18 on page 21);

14... $\text{Baf8!?$ 15. b5 $\text{d}e7$ 16. $\text{d}e5$ $\text{d}e8$ 17. a4 $\text{d}g6$ (17... $\text{d}f5$ 18. a5 $\text{Bc7}\infty$; G. Kislov – Vysochin, Voronezh 2001) 18. $\text{d}g4$ Bf6 18... $\text{Bf4!?$ 19. g3 h5 20. gxf4 hxg4 21. $\text{d}xg4$ $\text{d}xf4$ $\bar{\infty}$).

A) 19. $\text{d}xh6+$ $\text{d}xh6$ 20. $\text{B}xh6$ $\text{d}f4$ 21. $\text{d}g4$ (21. $\text{d}h5$ Bf6 22. $\text{B}g5+$ $\text{d}g6$ $\bar{\infty}$) 21... Bf6 $\bar{\infty}$;

B) 19. g3 h5 20. $\text{d}h6+$ $\text{d}xh6$ 21. $\text{B}xh6$ $\text{d}f4!!\uparrow$, Kun – Szük, Budapest 2000.

15. a4 Bff8 16. Ba3 dde8 17. Bde1

17. $\text{B}e3$ $\text{d}e7$ 18. a5 Bd6 19. $\text{d}d3$ $\text{d}f5$ (19... $\text{d}c6$ 20. Bfe1 Bf4 21. g3 Bf7 22. $\text{d}f1$ $\text{d}d7$ 23. $\text{d}g2\pm$, Savić – Antić, Banja Koviljača 2002) 20. $\text{d}xf5$ Bxf5 21. Bfe1 Bf6 22. $\text{d}e5$ $\text{d}a4$ 23. $\text{B}g3$ Baf8 24. $\text{d}d3$ $\text{d}h8$ 25. $\text{d}e3$ h5! (Antonio – Lputian, Shenzhen 1992).

17...de7?!

17... $\text{d}g6$ 18. $\text{d}d3$ $\text{d}h5$ $\bar{\infty}$.

18. a5 Bd6 19. de5

19. $\text{d}d3!?$.

19...dg6

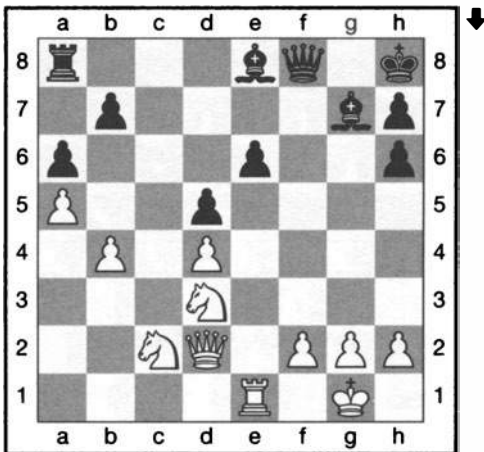
19... Bc8 20. Bh3 $\text{d}g6$ 21. $\text{d}d3\pm$;

19... $\text{d}f5$ 20. $\text{d}d3\pm$ (20. Bh3 $\text{d}xd4$).

20. Bg3± dh8

20... $\text{d}xe5$ 21. dxe5 $\text{B}xe5?$ 22. $\text{d}g4\pm$.

21. dd3 df4 22. Bf3 dxd3 23. Bxf8+ Bxf8 24. dxd3±



24...dg6?!

24... $\text{d}a4!?$ 25. $\text{B}xe6$ (25. $\text{d}c5$ $\text{d}xc2$ 26. $\text{B}xc2$ $\text{d}xd4$ 27. $\text{d}xe6$ $\text{B}e8$ 28. Bd2 Bf6 29. $\text{d}xd4$ $\text{Bxe1}+$ 30. $\text{B}xe1$ $\text{B}xd4$ $\bar{\infty}$) 25... Bc8 A) 26. $\text{d}e3$ $\text{d}d7$ 27. Bb6 $\text{d}xd4$ 28. $\text{d}c5$ (28... Bxb7? $\text{d}c6$) 28... $\text{d}xc5$ 29. bxc5 $\text{B}xc5$ =;

B) 26. $\text{d}c5$ $\text{d}xc2$ 27. $\text{B}xc2$ $\text{d}xd4$ 28. h4 $\text{d}xc5$ 29. bxc5 \pm Bxc5 30. $\text{Bb2}+$ $\text{d}g8$ 31. $\text{B}e5$ d4 32. $\text{B}xd4$ $\text{Bc1}+$ 33. $\text{d}h2$ Bc6 34. $\text{B}e3$ (34. Bxc6 bxc6 35. $\text{Bc4}+$ $\text{d}g7$ 36. $\text{B}xc6$ $\text{B}xf2$ 37. $\text{Bb7}+$ $\text{d}g8$ 38. $\text{Bb3}+$ Bf7 39. $\text{B}xf7+$ $\text{d}xf7$ 40. $\text{d}g3$ $\text{d}f6$ 41. $\text{d}g4$ $\text{d}e5$ 42. $\text{d}h5$ $\text{d}f4$ 43. $\text{d}xh6$ $\text{d}g4$ 44. h5 $\text{d}h4$ =) 34... Bf6 35. f4 \pm (35. Bd7).

25. Bxe6 Bf5 26. Bde3

26. $\text{d}f4!\pm$ Bc8 27. $\text{d}e1$.

26...Bc8 27. dde1! Bc4

27... Bxc2? 28. $\text{d}xc2$ $\text{B}xc2$ 29. $\text{B}xc2$ $\text{d}xc2$ 30. $\text{B}e8++-$.

28. Bde2 Bg5 29. Bd1 dh5 30. f3 dhg8 31. Bde2 dh7

31... $\text{d}g6!?$ 32. $\text{B}e2$ Bc3 $\bar{\infty}$.

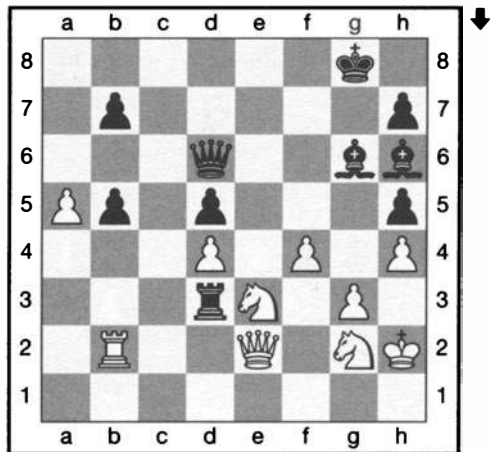
32. Bde2 h5 33. Bf2 dg6 34. h4

White has stabilised the position and fortified the d4 pawn; now he takes the offensive.

34...Bf4 35. g3 Bc7 36. dh2 Bc3 37. de3 Bd6 38. d1g2 dh6 39. Bde2 Bb3 40. Bb2 Bd3

40... $\text{B}xb4$ 41. $\text{B}xb3$ $\text{B}xb3$ 42. f4 \pm .

41. Bde2 Bb3 42. Bb2 Bd3 43. b5 axb5 44. f4





44...♙e4?!

44...♙d7 45. ♗e1 ♖a3 46. ♗f3 ♙g7 (46...♖xa5 47. ♗e5 ♗e6 48. ♗f3 ♙e4 49. ♗xh5±) 47. ♗e5 ♙xe5 48. fxe5 ♖xa5 49. ♗f3 b4 50. ♖f2 ♗f7 51. ♗g2 ♗d7 52. g4!? ♙e4±.

45. ♗xh5 b4 46. ♗f5 ♙xf5 47. ♗xf5 ♖c3 Better was 47...♖xd4 48. ♗e3 ♙f8 49. h5±.

48. ♖e2 ♖c6 49. ♖e5

49. ♖e8+ ♙f8 50. ♗e3+-.

49...♙g7 50. ♖xd5 ♗f8 51. ♗d7 ♖c8 52. ♖b5 ♖c2 53. ♖xb7 ♗f6 54. ♗d5+ ♗h8 55. ♖xb4

55. ♖f7+-.

55...♙f8 56. ♖b8 ♗g7 57. ♖b7

Black resigned.

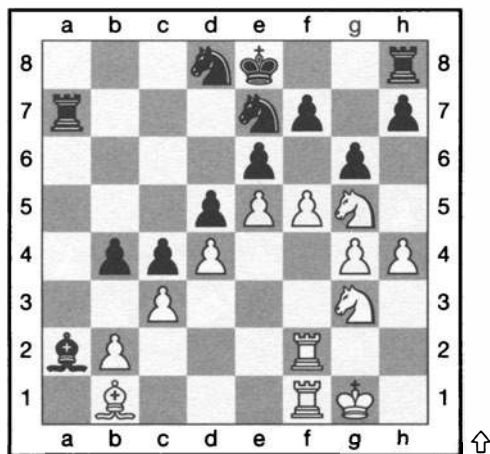
Space advantage, typical endgame

Game 35

Sveshnikov – Donchev

Lvov 1983

1. e4 c5 2. c3 e6 3. d4 d5 4. e5 ♗c6 5. ♗f3 ♗b6 6. a3 c4 7. ♙e2 ♙d7 8. 0-0 ♗ge7 9. ♗bd2 ♗a5 10. ♖b1 ♗ec6 11. ♖e1 ♙e7 12. ♗c2 ♖c8 13. ♗f1 ♗b3 14. ♙d1 ♗xc2 15. ♙xc2 ♗b3 16. ♙f4 ♗ca5 17. ♗g3 ♙a4 18. ♖e2 b5 19. ♗h5 ♗f8 20. ♙g5 ♗c6 21. ♙xe7+ ♗xe7 22. ♖f1 ♗a5 23. ♙b1 ♗ac6 24. g4 ♖c7 25. ♗h4 g6 26. ♗g3 a5 27. f4 ♗d8 28. f5 ♗e8 29. ♗f3 b4 30. axb4 axb4 31. ♖ef2 ♖a7 32. ♗g5 ♙b3 33. h4 ♙a2



34. fxe6 fxe6 35. ♙c2 ♙b3 36. ♙b1 ♙a2 37. ♙c2 ♙b3 38. ♙xb3 cxb3 39. cxb4 ♗ec6 40. ♗e2 h6 41. ♗h3 ♖b7 42. ♗hf4 g5 43. ♗d3 gxh4 44. ♗h2 ♖g8 45. ♗h3 ♗xb4 46. ♗df4 ♗d7 47. ♗xh4 ♗c8 48. ♖f3 ♗c2 49. ♗h5 ♖b4 50. ♗f6 ♖f8 51. ♖d1 ♗c6 52. ♖fd3 ♖f7 53. ♗h5 ♖a7 54. ♗xh6 ♖aa4 55. g5 ♗2xd4 56. ♗xd4 ♖xd4 57. ♖xd4 ♗xd4 58. ♖xd4 ♖xd4 59. g6 ♖h4+ 60. ♗g5

Black resigned.

Typical endgame

Game 36

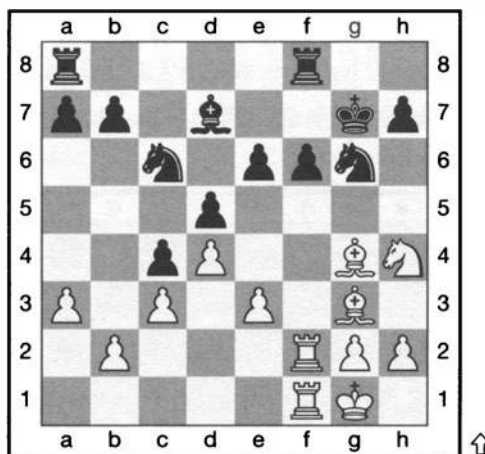
Hába – Faragó

Wattens 1996

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗b6 5. ♗f3 ♗c6 6. a3 c4 7. ♗bd2 ♗a5 8. ♖b1 ♙d7 9. ♙e2 ♗e7 10. ♗f1 ♗b3 11. ♙f4 ♙a4 12. ♗xb3 ♙xb3 13. ♗e3 ♗g6 14. ♙g3 f5 15. exf6 gxf6 16. ♗h4 ♙h6 17. 0-0 ♙xe3?!

17...♗f4 18. ♙xf4 ♙xf4 19. g3 ♙c7 20. f4±.

18. fxe3 0-0 19. ♖bc1 ♙a4 20. ♙g4 ♙d7 21. ♖f2 ♗c6 22. ♖cf1 ♗g7



23. e4!? dxe4 24. d5 ♗ce7

24...♗ce5 25. ♗xg6 ♗xg6 (25...hxg6 26. ♙xe5 fxe5 27. dxe6±) 26. dxe6±.



25. dxe6 ♖c6 26. ♗d6 ♜ae8 27. ♘f5+ ♘xf5 28. ♗xf8+ ♘xf8 29. ♗xf5 ♘xe6 30. ♗xe6 ♜xe6 31. ♜d1 ♘g6

31...e3!? 32. ♜e2 f5 ♞.

32. ♜f4 f5 33. g3 ♗a4 34. ♜d5 e3 35. ♘f1 ♗c2 36. ♜fd4 ♗d3+ 37. ♘e1 ♘g5 38. h4+ ♘h5?!

38...♘f6 39. ♜d6±.

39. g4+

Black resigned.

Space advantage

Game 37

Korchnoi – Iruzubieta Villaluenga
Oviedo (Rapidplay) 1992

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6 5. ♘f3 ♗d7 6. a3 ♜b6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♜c8 9. ♗b2 ♘h6 10. ♘c3 ♘a5 11. ♘a4 ♜c6 12. ♘c5?!

I think that White has no opening advantage after this move. In fact he must play very carefully to hold the balance. Instead, 12. ♜c1± is better.

12...♘c4 13. ♗xc4?!

13. ♗c1 ⇝.

13...dxc4 14. 0-0 ♜d5 15. ♜e2

15. ♘xd7 ♜xd7 ♞.

15...♗c6 ♞



16. ♜fe1 ♗e7 17. ♜ac1 0-0 18. ♘e4 ♘f5 18...♜xe4 19. ♜xe4 ♗xe4 20. ♜xe4 b5 ♞.

19. ♜cd1

19. ♜xc4 ♜xc4 20. ♜xc4 ♗xe4 21. ♜xc8 ♜xc8 22. ♜xe4 ♜c2 23. ♗a1 ♜a2 24. ♗c3 ♜xa3 25. ♗d2 ♜b3 ♞.

19...♜xe4 20. ♜xe4 ♗xe4 21. ♜xe4 c3 22. ♗c1 h5 ♞ 23. h3 ♜fd8 24. ♘f1 ♜c4

24...a5!? ♞.

25. ♘e2 b5 26. g4 hxg4 27. hxg4 ♘h6

27...c2!? 28. ♜d2 ♘h4 29. ♘e1 ♜dc8 30. ♘d3 g5 ♞.

28. ♘e1 a5 29. bxa5 ♜a8 30. ♘c2 ♜xa5 31. ♜d3 b4

Draw. 32. axb4 ♜a2 33. ♜d1 ♜xc2+ 34. ♘d3 ♜xc1 35. ♜xc1 ♜xb4 36. ♜xc3 ♘h7 ⇝.

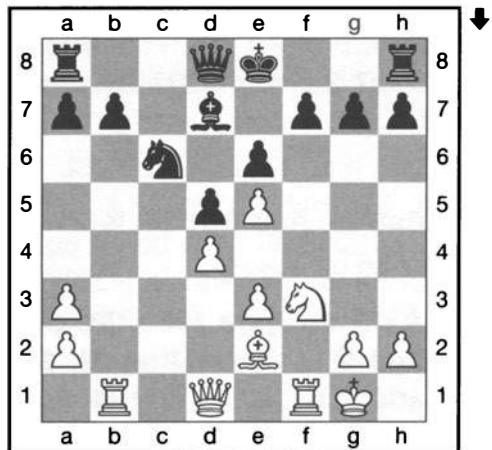
Advantage in development going into the endgame; play on the c-file

Game 38

Sveshnikov – Luther
Nova Gorica 2000

This game illustrates just how dangerous it is for Black to part with his dark-squared bishop.

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6 5. ♘f3 ♗d7 6. ♗e2 ♘h6 7. 0-0 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♘f5 9. ♘a3 ♗xa3 10. bxa3 ♜b6 11. ♗e3 ♘xe3 12. fxe3 ♜d8 13. ♜b1

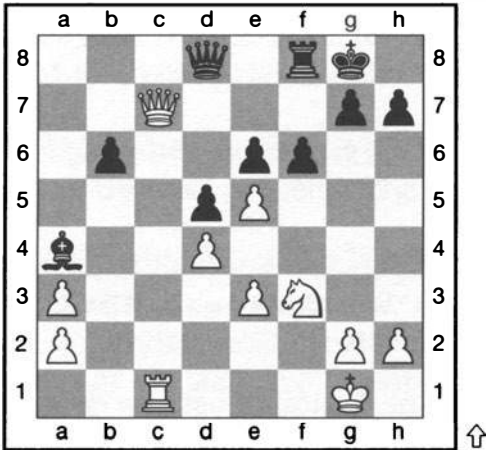


**13...b6**

Now the Black position deteriorates. Instead 13...♖a5! leads to an interesting game: 14. ♖e1 0–0 15. ♔d3 ♜c8 16. ♗g3 (16. e4 ♙c6=) 16...h6 17. ♜e1 (17. h4 ♜c3 18. ♜e1 ♗e7 19. ♜f6 ♗xa3) 17...♗g5 18. ♗h3 b6 (18...f6 19. ♙b5±; 18...♜c3 19. ♜f3 ♗e7 20. ♜g3 ♔h8 21. ♗g4 f5!) 19. ♜f3 ♔h8∞.

14. ♙b5 ♜c8 15. ♗a4 0–0 16. ♙xc6 ♜xc6 17. ♗xa7 ♙e8 18. ♜fc1 ♜xc1+ 19. ♜xc1 f6 20. ♗c7± ♙a4!

Making use of his lead in development, White heads for the endgame. This is a typical method. However, Black finds a good defensive resource.

**21. h3?!**

This gives away a large part of White's advantage. It was much better to play 21. ♔f2!?± ♗xc7 22. ♜xc7 fxe5 23. dxe5 ♜f7 24. ♜c8+ ♜f8 25. ♜xf8+ ♔xf8 26. ♜g5+–. Also good is 21. ♗a7±.

21...♗xc7 22. ♜xc7 ♜f7 23. ♜c8+ ♜f8 24. ♜c1

24. ♜c3±.

24...♜a8 25. ♜c3 ♙d1 26. ♔f2?!

26. ♜e1 ♙e2 27. ♜c2±.

26...♙xf3 27. gxf3 fxe5 28. dxe5 b5 29. ♔g3 ♔f7 30. f4 ♜a4 31. ♔g4 d4 32. exd4 ♜xd4 33. h4 ♜d2 34. ♜c7+ ♔f8 35. f5 ♜d4+ 36. ♔g3

Here the game was agreed drawn in view of 36...h6+ 37. ♔g6 (37. ♔h5 exf5 38. ♔g6 ♜xh4 39. ♔xf5 ♜a4=) 37...♜g4+ 38. ♔h7 exf5 39. h5 or 36...exf5 37. e6= ♜e4.

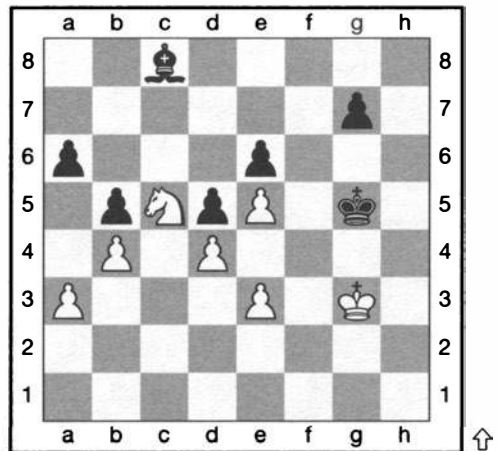
Space advantage; typical endgame

Game 39

Grischuk – Radjabov

FIDE Grand Prix, Dubai 2002

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜c6 5. ♜f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e2 ♜c8 7. 0–0 a6 8. ♔h1!? cxd4!? 9. cxd4 ♜ge7 10. ♜c3 ♜g6 11. ♙d3 ♙e7 12. ♙e3 0–0 13. ♜e1 ♜a5 14. ♜c1 ♜c4 15. ♜c2 ♜xe3 16. fxe3 b5 17. a3 ♗b6 18. h4 ♙xh4 19. ♜xh4 ♜xh4 20. ♙xh7+ ♔xh7 21. ♗h5+ ♔g8 22. ♗xh4 ♗d8 23. ♗xd8 ♜fxd8 24. ♜ec1 f6 25. ♜e2 ♜c4 26. b3 ♜xc2 27. ♜xc2 ♜c8 28. ♜xc8+ ♙xc8 29. b4 ♔f7 30. ♔h2 ♔g6 31. g4 f5 32. ♔g3 ♔g5 33. gxf5 ♔xf5 34. ♔f3 ♙d7 35. ♜c1 ♔g5 36. ♔g3 ♔f5 37. ♜b3 ♔g5 (37...♔e4 38. ♜c5+) 38. ♜c5 ♙c8



39. e4! dxe4 40. ♜xe4+ ♔h5

40...♔f5 41. ♜d6+.

41. ♜c5 ♔g5 42. ♜e4+ ♔h5 43. ♔f4 ♔h4 44. ♜g5 ♙d7 45. d5! exd5 46. e6 ♙e8 47. ♜f7 d4 48. ♔e4 g5 49. ♜d6 g4

49...♙c6+?! 50. ♔xd4 g4 51. ♔c5+–; 49...♙g6+! 50. ♔xd4 g4= 51. ♔e3 g3 52. e7 ♔h3 53. ♜e4 g2 54. ♜g5+ ♔g4 55. ♜f3 ♔f5



56. ♖h4+ ♜f6 57. ♖xg2 ♜xe7 58. ♜d4 ♜d6
59. ♖e3 ♜h7=.

50. ♖xe8 g3 51. ♖d6 g2 52. e7 g1♚
53. e8♚ ♚e3+ 54. ♜d5 ♚xe8 55. ♖xe8
d3 56. ♖d6 d2 57. ♖f5+ ♜g4 58. ♖e3+
♜f3 59. ♖d1

Black resigned.

*Counterplay by Black against the e5 pawn
with f7-f6*

Game 40

Keres - Ståhlberg

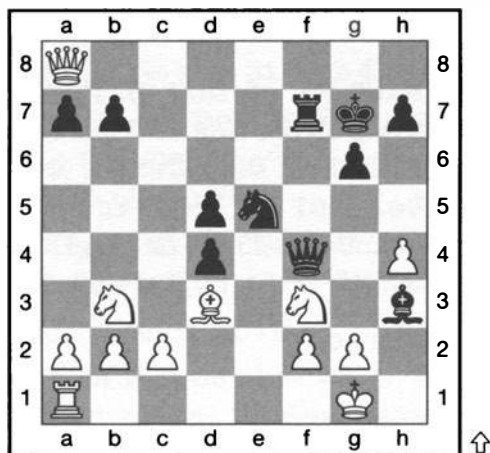
6th Olympiad, Warsaw 1935

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. ♖f3 ♚b6
5. ♜d3 cxd4 6. 0-0 ♖d7 7. ♖bd2 ♖e7
8. ♖b3 ♖c6 9. ♜e1 g6 10. ♜f4 ♜g7
11. ♚d2 0-0 12. h4 ♚c7?!

12...a5!?!? ♞.

13. ♚e2 f6 14. exf6 ♚xf4 15. ♚xe6+ ♜f7
16. f×g7 ♖de5 17. ♚e8+ ♜xg7 18. ♜xe5
♜h3 19. ♚xa8 ♖xe5

19...♜xg2 20. ♜f5!+-.



20. ♚e8!+- ♖c6 21. ♚xf7+ ♜xf7
22. ♖g5+ ♜f6 23. ♖xh3 ♚xh4 24. ♜e1
g5 25. ♖d2 ♚h6 26. ♖f3 g4 27. ♖fg5
♚h5 28. ♖xh7+ ♜g7 29. ♖f4 ♚h6
30. ♖g5 ♚d6 31. ♖h5+ ♜f8 32. ♜e6 ♚b4
33. ♜g6 ♖e7 34. ♜f6+ ♜g8 35. ♜h7+

Black resigned.

*Counterplay by Black against the e5 pawn
with f7-f6*

Game 41

Enders - Uhlmann

27th GDR Championship, Eggesin 1978

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
5. ♖f3 ♚b6 6. a3 c4 7. ♖bd2 f6?! 8. b3!?



8...fxe5

8...cxb3 9. ♖xb3

A) 9...fxe5 10. ♖xe5 (10. dxe5±) 10...♖xe5
(10...♖f6 11. c4±) 11. dxe5 ♚c7 12. ♜b5+
♜d7 13. ♜xd7+ ♜xd7 14. 0-0→;

B) 9...♚c7 10. c4!?!± fxe5 11. cxd5 exd5
12. dxe5 ♜g4

B1) 13. ♚xd5 ♜d8 14. ♚e4 ♜xf3

B1a) 15. gxf3 ♚xe5 16. ♜b2 ♚xe4+
(16...♚e7 17. ♚xe7+ ♖gxe7 18. ♖c5±)
17. fxe4 ♖f6 18. f3± (18. ♜g2±);

B1b) 15. ♚xf3 ♚xe5+ 16. ♚e2 ♜d6
17. ♜b2 ♚xe2+ 18. ♜xe2 ♖f6 (18...♜e5
19. ♜xe5 ♖xe5 20. ♖c5±) 19. 0-0-0 0-0
20. ♜he1!?!±;

B2) 13. ♜b2!± ♖ge7 14. ♜c1 ♜d8 15. h3
♜xf3 (15...♜h5 16. ♖bd4±) 16. ♚xf3 d4
(16...♖g6 17. e6 ♜d6 18. ♜c2!?!±) 17. ♚e4
(17. e6 ♚e5+ 18. ♜e2 ♚xe6 19. ♖c5 ♚d5
20. 0-0 d3 21. ♜fd1 d2 22. ♜c2±)

B2a) 17...♚xe5 18. ♚xe5 ♖xe5 19. ♖xd4
♖7c6 20. ♖xc6 (20. ♖e6 ♖d3+ 21. ♜xd3
♜xd3 22. ♜e2 ♜b3⇒) 20...♖xc6 21. ♜c4±;



B2b) 17...♟g6 18. f4 ♖b6 19. ♙c4 d3

B2b1) 20. ♗d1 ♜f2 21. ♟d2 ♟xf4 22. ♜f1 ♜e2+ 23. ♜xe2 dxe2+ 24. ♙xe2 ♟xg2! (24...♟xe2 25. ♟xe2±) 25. ♜f3 g6 26. ♜cc3 ♙h6 27. ♜cd3 ♟f4±;

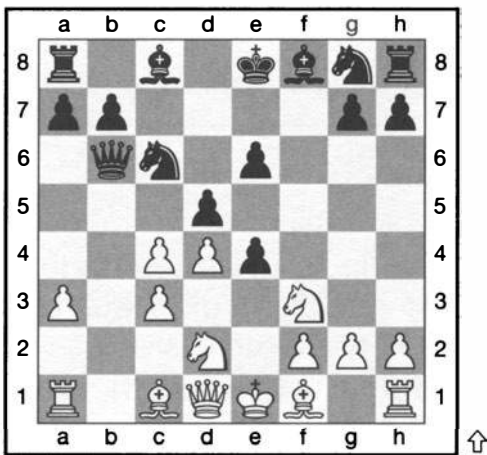
B2b2) 20. ♜b1!? ♙e7 (20...♟a5 21. ♟xa5 ♜xa5+ 22. ♟f2!?±) 21. g3±.

9. bxc4

9. ♟xe5!? (Bronstein) 9...♟xe5 10. dxe5 ♟h6 11. bxc4 ♙c5 12. ♜h5+ ♟f7 13. cxd5 ♙xf2+ 14. ♟d1t.

9...e4

In this position White has no advantage, so he should follow Bronstein's suggestion on move 9.



10. ♟h4?

10. ♟g5 ♙e7 11. ♜b1

A) 11...♜c7 12. cxd5 exd5 13. c4!± ♙f5 14. cxd5 e3 15. dxc6 ♙xb1 16. ♟e6! exd2+ 17. ♙xd2 ♜b6 (17...♜xc6? 18. ♙b5+-) 18. ♙c4!±;

B) 11...♜d8 12. ♜xb7!? (12. h4 ♟f6 13. ♙e2±) 12...♙xg5 (12...e3 13. ♜xe7+ ♜xe7 14. ♟df3±) 13. ♜xg7 ♟f8□ 14. ♜xg5 ♜xg5 15. ♟xe4♞;

10. ♜b1

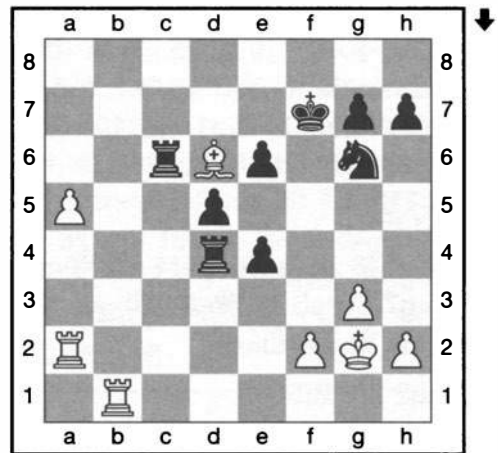
A) 10...♜d8 11. ♟e5 ♟xe5 12. dxe5

A1) 12...♟e7 13. cxd5 exd5 14. ♙b5+ ♟c6 (14...♙d7 15. ♜b3±) 15. ♟b3±;

A2) 12...a6 13. cxd5 exd5 14. c4±;

B) 10...♜a5 11. ♟b3 ♜c7 (11...♜a4 12. ♟e5 ♟f6±) 12. ♟g5 ♟f6 13. cxd5 exd5 14. c4 ♙f5♞.

10...♟f6 11. g3 ♙e7 12. ♜b1 ♜c7 13. ♙e2 0-0 14. 0-0 ♟a5!♞ 15. c5 b6 16. ♟b3 ♟xb3 17. cxb6 axb6 18. ♜xb3 ♙a6 19. ♜e1 ♟d7 20. ♟g2 ♜fc8 21. ♙g4 ♟f8 22. ♜xb6 ♜d7 23. ♟f4 ♙d6 24. ♜b2 ♜f7 25. ♜d2 ♜c6 26. ♟g2 ♜ac8 27. ♙e2 ♙xf4 28. ♜xf4 ♙xe2 29. ♜xf7+ ♟xf7 30. ♜xe2 ♜xc3 31. ♙f4 ♟g6 32. ♙d6 ♜8c4 33. ♜a2 ♜xd4 34. a4 ♜c6 35. a5



35...♜xd6 36. a6 ♜d2 37. ♜xd2 ♜xa6 38. ♜b4 ♟e5 39. ♜c2 ♟f6 40. ♜c8 ♟d3 41. ♜b7 ♜a2 42. ♜f8+ ♟e5 43. ♟f1 ♜a1+ 44. ♟e2 ♟e1 45. ♜xg7 ♟f3 46. ♜xf3 ♜a2+ 47. ♟e1 exf3 48. ♜f7 ♜a3 49. ♜xh7 ♟e4 50. ♜f7 e5 51. h4 ♜a1+ 52. ♟d2 ♜f1

White resigned.

Counterplay by Black against the e5 pawn with f7-f6

Game 42

Morozevich – Bareev

11th Amber (blindfold), Monaco 2002

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♟c6 5. ♟f3 ♜b6 6. a3 ♟h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♟f5 9. ♙e3 f6



The right move; now White has no advantage.

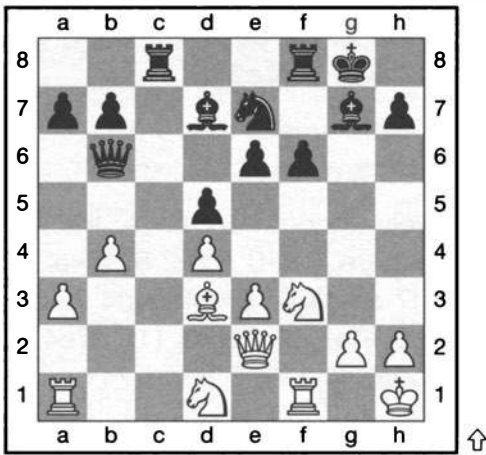
10. **exf6 gxf6** 11. **♔d3 ♖xe3** 12. **fxe3 ♔h6**

12...e5.

13. **♚e2 ♔d7** 14. **♗c3 ♗e7** 15. **0-0 0-0**

15...e5 16. **e4! exd4** 17. **♗xd5 ♗xd5**
18. **exd5+ ♔e3+** 19. **♗h1 ±**.

16. **♗h1 ♖ac8** 17. **♗d1 ♔g7** ⇒



18. **♗f2 e5** 19. **dxe5 fxe5** 20. **e4 d4**
21. **♖ac1 ♗g6** 22. **♖xc8 ♔xc8** 23. **g3 ♔h6**
24. **♗d2 ♗g7** 25. **♗c4 ♚e6** 26. **b5 ♚e7**
27. **♗d1 ♔d7** 28. **♖xf8 ♚xf8** 29. **a4 ♚b4?**
30. **h4 ♚c5** 31. **♗f2 ♗h8?!**

31...♗g8 32. **h5 ♗e7** 33. **♗g4 ♔g7** 34. **h6 ♔h8**
35. **♚f3 ♗g6** 36. **♗f6+ ♔xf6** 37. **♚xf6 ♚f8**
38. **♚xf8+ ♗xf8** ⇒.

32. **♗g4 ♗f7** 33. **♚f3 ♚e7** 34. **♗a5?! ♔c8**

34...♔d2 35. **♗c4 ♔b4** ♚.

35. **♗c4 ♔c1** 36. **♗h2 h6** 37. **♚d1 ♔a3**
38. **♔f1 ♔b4** 39. **♔h3 ♚c5** 40. **♗b2 ♚c3**
41. **♗d3 ♔d6** 42. **♗gf2 ♔xh3** 43. **♗xh3 ♚c4**
44. **♚g4+ ♗f8** 45. **♚d7 ♚xa4** 46. **♚xb7 ♚a1**

46...♚a5 47. **♗g4 ♗g7** 48. **♗f5 h5** 49. **g4 ♚d8**
50. **gxh5 ♚xh4** 51. **♗e6 ♚f6+** 52. **♗d5 ♚d8** ⇒.

47. **♗g2 ♗g7** 48. **♚d7 ♚a2** 49. **♗h3 ±**

Black exceeded the time limit.

Counterplay by Black on the kingside

Game 43

Zhuravliov – Sveshnikov

Moscow 1975

1. **e4 c5** 2. **♗f3 e6** 3. **c3 d5** 4. **e5 ♗h6**
5. **d4 ♗f5** 6. **♔d3 ♗c6** 7. **0-0 cxd4**
8. **♔xf5 exf5** 9. **cxd4 ♔e7** 10. **♗c3 ♔e6**
11. **♗e2 g5** 12. **♚b3 ♖b8** 13. **♔d2 f4!**

13...0-0? 14. **♗xg5! ±**.

14. **♖ac1 ♚d7** 15. **♗h1 ♔f5** 16. **♗e1 0-0**
17. **♗d3 f6!** 18. **♗c5 ♔xc5** 19. **♖xc5 fxe5**
20. **dxe5!**

20. **♚xd5+? ♚xd5** 21. **♖xd5 ♔e4** ♚.

20...♔e6 21. **♖e1! d4** 22. **♚d3 ♖bd8**
23. **♗g1 ♖f5** 24. **♚b5? g4?!**

24...♖df8.

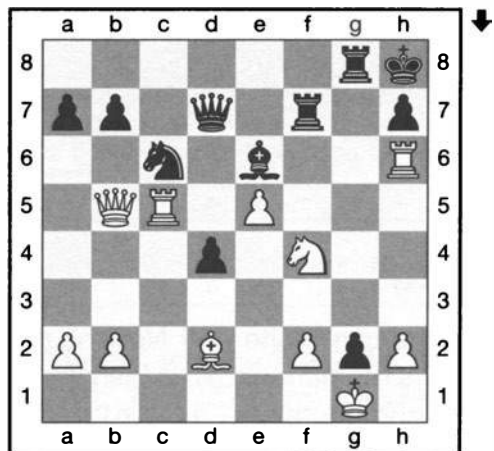
25. **♖e4! ♖df8**

25...d3 26. **♖xf4 ♖xf4** 27. **♔xf4 d2** 28. **♔xd2 ♚xd2**
29. **♚xb7 ♔d5** 30. **e6!**.

26. **♗e2 f3**

26...d3 27. **♗xf4 ♖xf4** 28. **♖xf4 ♖xf4** 29. **♔xf4 d2**
30. **♔xd2 ♚xd2** 31. **♚f1 ∞**.

27. **♖xg4+ ♗h8** 28. **♗f4 ♖5f7** 29. **♖h4 fxg2+**
30. **♗g1 ♖g8** 31. **♖h6**



31...♖xf4! ♚ 32. **♔xf4 d3** 33. **♖c1 d2?**

33...a6!.

34. **♖d1 ♗d4** 35. **♚d3 ♔f5** 36. **♚e3 ♚d5**
37. **e6! ♖g7!?** 38. **♖xd2?**



38. e7? ♖xe7! 39. ♚xe7 ♜f3+ 40. ♜xg2 ♜h4+- +;

38. ♖f6! h5 39. e7!±.

**38...♚c4! 39. ♖d1 ♜e2+ 40. ♚xe2 ♚xe2
41. ♖c1 ♜d3 42. ♖c8+**

White resigned.

Black counterplay on the c-file

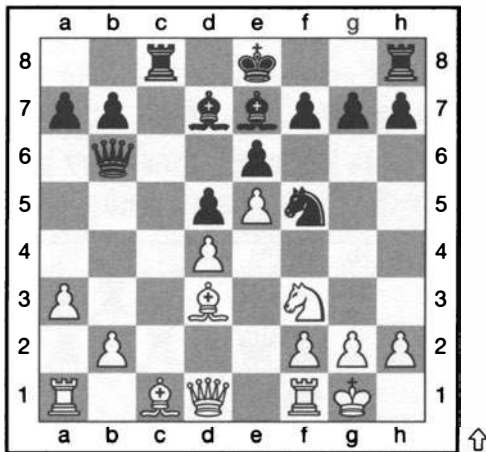
Game 44

Benjamin – Gulko

US Championship, Key West 1994

A theoretically important game. So far no way for White to gain an advantage has been found.

**1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜c6
5. ♜f3 ♜d7 6. ♜e2 ♜ge7!? 7. ♜a3 cxd4
8. cxd4 ♜f5 9. ♜c2 ♚b6 10. 0–0 ♖c8
11. ♜d3 ♜b4 12. ♜xb4 ♜xb4 13. a3 ♜e7**



14. ♜xf5

What else can White do? Now he plans to exchange the dark-squared bishops. In fact there is another move – 14. ♜h1 !?.

**14...exf5 15. ♜g5 ♜xg5 16. ♜xg5 0–0
17. ♚d2 ♖c4 18. ♜f3 ♖fc8 19. ♖ac1 ♚c7
20. ♖xc4**

Draw. 20...♚xc4 (20...dxc4? 21. ♖c1 ±)
21. ♖e1 ⇌ or 21. ♚g5 ⇌.

*Development advantage for Black;
counter-attack on the king*

Game 45

Svidler – Shirov

León (Rapidplay) 2004

This game is of interest mainly for its length: even in rapidplay it is extremely rare for a player of Svidler's class to lose in just 13 moves.

**1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♚b6
5. ♜f3 ♜d7 6. ♜e2**

6. a3.

6...♜b5 7. dxc5!?

A relatively uncommon move; the main alternatives are 7. 0–0 ♜xe2 8. ♚xe2 ♚a6!? or 7. c4!? ♜xc4 8. ♜xc4 dxc4 9. d5 exd5 10. ♚xd5 ♜e7 11. ♚xc4 (11. ♚e4, I. Zaitsev – Doda, Riga 1968, game 24 on page 25) 11...♚a6 12. ♜a3 ♚xc4 13. ♜xc4 ♜d5 14. ♜g5 ♜d7 15. 0–0–0 ♜7b6= (McShane – Thórhallsson, 35th Olympiad, Bled 2002).

7...♜xc5 8. b4?

8. 0–0 ♜xe2 9. ♚xe2 ♚a6! (9...a5?! 10. c4 ♜e7 11. ♜c3 ±, Movsesian – Volkov, Panormo (Blitz) 2002) 10. ♚xa6 (10. ♚c2 ♜d7 11. a4 ♖c8 ⇌, Kupreichik – V. Molnar, Rimavska Sobota 1990) 10...♜xa6 11. b4 ♜b6 12. a4 ±. The worth of the move 6. ♜e2 depends very much on the evaluation of this endgame.

8...♜xf2+ 9. ♜f1





White is a pawn down and unable to castle, but the f2 bishop has problems getting back into its own camp.

9...♙d7

An earlier game had gone 9...♙c6!? 10. ♖d3 a6 11. a4 ♗e7 12. ♖a2 ♗f5 13. g4 ♗h4 14. a5 ♖a7 15. ♗xh4 ♙xh4 16. ♙e3 b6 17. ♙xb6 ♖b7 18. ♙d4 f6± (Kristjánsson–Thorsson, Reykjavík 1998). Obviously 9...♙xe2+? 10. ♖xe2 is bad.

10. ♖d2

White protects the e3 square and threatens to win the bishop with 11. ♙d3. An earlier try was 10. c4!, which seems more consistent, e.g. 10...dxc4?! (grandmaster M. Golubev suggests 10...♗a6!? 11. c5 ♗xc5 12. bxc5 ♙xc5 with an unclear position) 11. ♗a3!± a6? 12. ♗xc4 ♖a7 13. ♗d6+ ♗f8 (13...♗e7 14. ♙g5+ f6 15. exf6 gxf6 16. ♗e4+-) 14. ♗c8!, and Black resigned (Rogers–Sribar, Wijk aan Zee 1977).

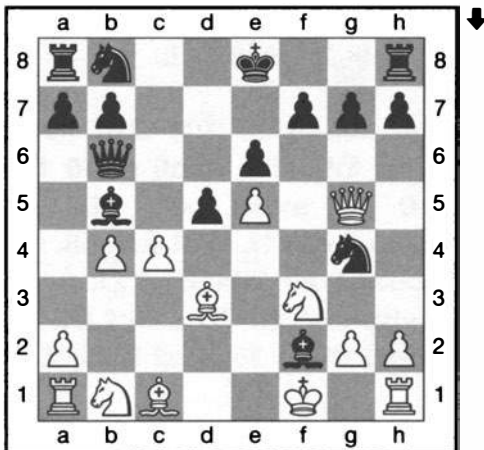
10...♗h6 11. ♙d3?

This leads to a lost position. The computer suggests 11. a4!? a5 (11...♗g4? 12. a5+-) 12. ♙d3 ♗g4 13. ♖g5 h5±.

11...♗g4 12. ♖g5?!

The difference between this and the variation above is that here the b5 square is not defended. However, Black is clearly better in any case, e.g. 12. h3 ♙e3 13. ♖c2 ♗f2!? or 12. ♖f4 ♙e3!? 13. ♖xg4 ♙xc1 14. ♖xg7 ♖f8.

12...♙b5! 13. c4



13...♙g3!

White resigned, in view of 14. ♖d2 dxc4.

Play on both wings

Game 46

Portisch – Milić

12th Olympiad, Moscow 1956

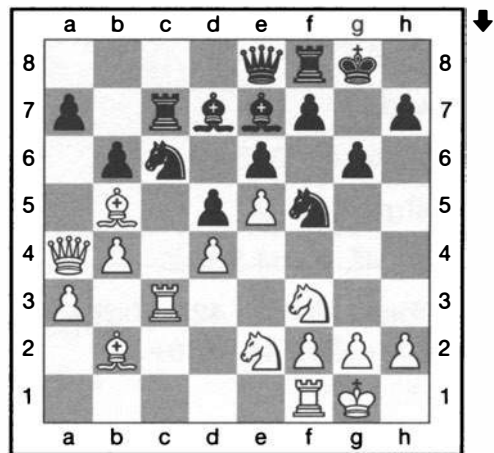
1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6 5. ♗f3 ♙d7 6. a3 ♖b6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♖c8 9. ♙b2 ♗h6 10. ♗c3 ♗f5 11. ♗a4 ♖d8 12. ♙d3 (12. ♖c1; 12. ♗c5) 12...b6 13. 0-0 ♙e7 14. ♗c3 g6 15. ♙a6 ♖b8 16. ♖c1 (16. ♖d3±) 16...0-0 17. ♙b5 ♖e8 18. ♖a4 ♖c8 19. ♗e2?! ♖c7!

19...♗xe5!? 20. ♖xc8 ♗xf3+ 21. gxf3 ♙xb5 22. ♖xe8 ♗xa4 23. ♖xf8+ ♗xf8 24. ♖c1 ♙b5±.

20. ♖c3

20. ♗g3 ♗xe5±;

20. ♖fe1 ♗xe5 21. ♖xc7 ♗xf3+ 22. gxf3 ♙xb5 23. ♖xa7 ♙d6±.

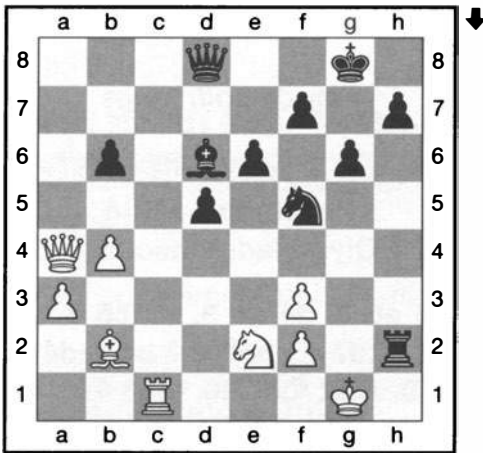


20...♗xe5± 21. ♖xc7 ♗xf3+ 22. gxf3 ♙xb5 23. ♖c2 ♙d6 24. ♖xa7 ♖b8-- 25. ♖a4 ♖c8 26. ♖d1 ♙xh2+ 27. ♗h1 ♙d6 28. ♖g1 ♖b7 29. ♗c3 ♙xa4 30. ♗xa4 ♖c4 31. ♗c3 ♖xd4 32. ♖a4 ♖h4+ 33. ♗g2 ♖c8

33...d4 34. ♖e8+ ♗g7 35. ♗e4 ♖xe4 36. fxe4 ♖xe4+-.



34. ♖c1 ♜d8 35. ♗e2 ♝h2+ 36. ♔g1



36... ♝h5

36... ♗e3! -+.

37. ♜a6 ♙f8

37... ♜g5+ 38. ♗g3 ♗d4 -+.

38. ♖c8 ♜e7

38... ♜g5+ 39. ♗g3 ♗xg3 40. ♝xf8+ ♔xf8
41. ♜c8+ =.

39. ♜xb6 d4?!

39... ♗d6 40. ♝c7 ♜h4 41. ♗g3 ♜h2+
42. ♔f1 ♝h4 ♯.

40. ♙xd4

40. ♜d8!? e5 41. ♗g3 ♯.

40... ♜g5+

40... ♗xd4 41. ♜xd4 ♝d5 ±.

41. ♗g3 ♗xg3 42. ♝xf8+ = ♔xf8

43. ♜d6+ ♔e8 44. ♜c6+

Draw.

Play on both wings

Game 47

Kupreichik – Timoshchenko

Odessa 1968

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜b6
5. ♗f3 ♙d7 6. ♗a3 cxd4 7. cxd4

(see next diagram)



7... ♗c6

7... ♙b4+ 8. ♙d2 ♗e7 9. ♙d3 (9. ♙e2 ♙xa3
10. bxa3 ♙b5 11. ♙xb5+ ♜xb5 12. ♝b1 ♜d7
13. ♜b3 b6 ♯ 14. a4) 9... ♙xd2+ 10. ♜xd2
♗bc6 11. ♗c2 ♜xb2 12. 0-0 ♜b6 13. ♝ab1
♜c7 14. ♝fc1

A) 14...h6 15. ♗e3 (15. ♝b3) 15...♝c8
16. ♜b2 b6 17. ♝c1 ♯;

B) 14...0-0 15. ♜g5 ♗f6 16. exf6 ♝xf6
17. ♗e3 h6 (17. ... ♝xf3 18. gxf3 ♙e8 19. ♜g3
♜xg3+ 20. fxg3 b6 21. ♗c2 ±) 18. ♜h4

B1) 18...♝b8 19. ♗e5 ♜d8 20. ♗3g4 ♝f8
21. ♗xh6+ gxh6 22. ♜xh6 ♝f7 23. ♜h8+
(23. ♗xf7 ♔xf7 24. ♜h7+ ♔f6 25. ♝c3 ♜g8
26. ♜h6+ ♔f7 27. ♜h5+ ♔f8 ♯ 28. ♙h7?!
♜h8 ♯) 23...♔xh8 24. ♗xf7+ ♔g7 25. ♗xd8
♝xd8 26. ♝xb7 ♔f6 27. f4 ±;

B2) 18...♝af8 19. ♗e5 ♙c8.

8. ♙e2 ♙b4+ 9. ♔f1 ♙e7 10. h4 f6
11. ♝h3 ♗h6 12. ♙xh6 gxh6 13. ♜d2
0-0-0 14. exf6 ♙xf6 15. ♗b5 e5
16. dxe5 ♙xh3 17. exf6 ♙g4 18. a4 ♙xf3
19. ♙xf3 a6 20. ♜f4 axb5 21. ♙g4+ ♝d7
22. axb5 ♗a5 23. ♜b4 ♜c7 24. b6 ♜h2
25. ♝xa5 ♜h1+ 26. ♔e2 ♝e8+ 27. ♜e7

Black resigned.



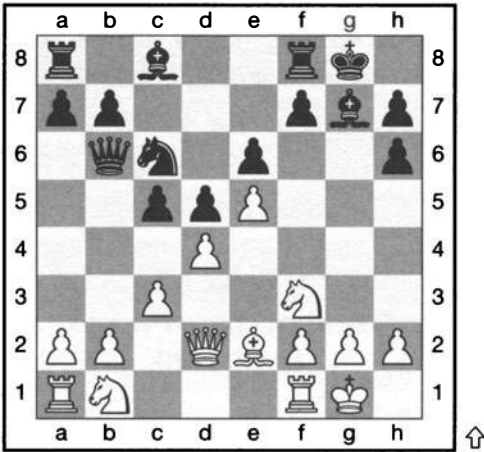
Play on both wings; play on the dark squares

Game 48

Kupreichik – Lautier

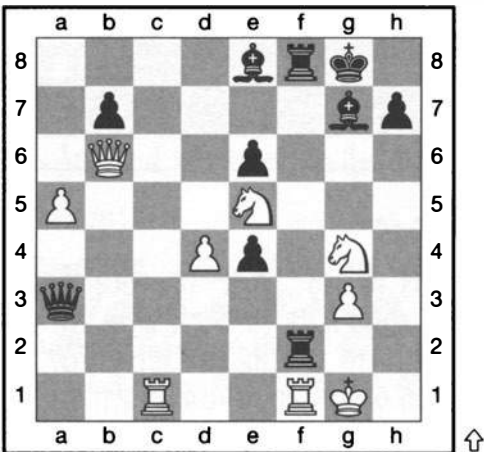
GMA Open, Belgrade 1988

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
 5. ♘f3 ♖b6 6. ♙e2 ♘h6 7. ♙xh6!? g×h6
 7...♗xb2 8. ♙c1 ♗xa1 9. ♗c2 c×d4±.
 8. ♗d2 ♙g7 9. 0-0 0-0



10. ♘a3! c×d4 11. c×d4 ♙d7
 11...f6!? 12. exf6 ♗xf6 13. ♘c2±.
 12. ♘c2 f6 13. exf6 ♗xf6 14. b4 ♗af8
 15. b5 ♘e7 16. ♘e5± ♙e8 17. g3 h5
 18. a4 ♘f5 19. a5 ♗c7 20. ♗ac1± ♘d6
 21. ♘e3 ♗e7 22. ♗b2 h4 23. ♙d3
 Better is 23. b6 a6 (23...a×b6 24. ♗×b6+–)
 24. ♗c7 ♗d8 25. ♙d3±.

- 23...h×g3 24. h×g3 ♘e4 25. ♙xe4 d×e4
 26. b6 a×b6 27. ♗×b6 ♗a3 28. ♘3g4
 ♗xf2



29. ♗×f2?!

29. ♘×f2 ♗×g3+ 30. ♘h1 ♙c6! 31. ♗×c6
 (31. ♘fg4 ♗xf1+ 32. ♗xf1 ♗h4+ 33. ♘g1
 ♗g3+ 34. ♘h1 ♗h4+ 35. ♘g2 e3+
 36. ♘×c6 ♗×g4+=) 31...♗h4+♠ 32. ♘g2
 ♙×e5 33. d×e5 ♗g5+ 34. ♘h2 ♗f4+ 35. ♘g2
 ♗f3+ 36. ♘g1 ♗g3+ 37. ♘h1 ♗f3+ 38. ♘h2
 ♗f4+=.

- 29...♗×c1+= 30. ♘g2 ♗xf2+ 31. ♘×f2
 ♗c8± 32. ♘fg4 ♙h5 33. ♘e3 ♙h6
 34. ♘3c4 e3± 35. ♗d6?

35. ♗b3!.

35...e2 36. ♘f2

36. ♗b4 ♗d8–+.

36...♙f8 37. ♗b6

37. ♗d7 ♗×d7 38. ♘×d7 ♙b4–+.



37...♙g7?

37...♙e7!–+ 38. ♘d2 e1♗+ 39. ♘×e1
 ♗c1+–+.

38. g4♠= ♙×g4 39. ♘×g4 ♗×c4
 40. ♗d8+ ♘f7 41. ♗d7+ ♘g6 42. ♗e8+
 ♘g5 43. ♗e7+ ♘g6 44. ♗e8+ ♘g5
 45. ♗e7+ ♘×g4 46. ♗×g7+ ♘f5
 47. ♗×h7+ ♘f6 48. ♗h4+ ♘f7 49. ♗h7+
 ♘f6

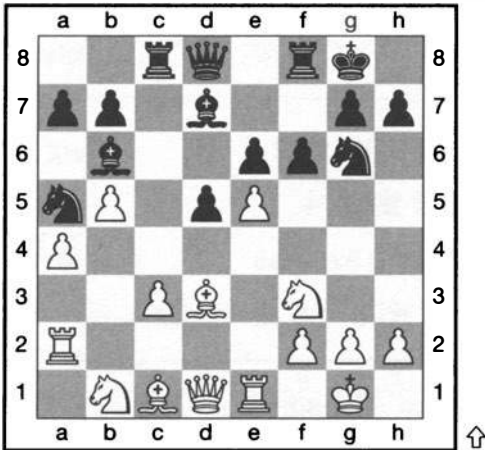
Draw.



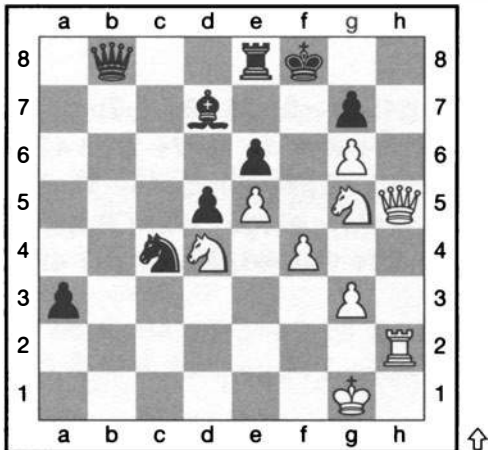
Play on both wings

Game 49
Sveshnikov – Naumkin
Moscow 1989

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♟f3 ♙d7 6. dxc5 ♙xc5 7. ♙d3 ♟ge7
(7...a5!?) 8. b4 ♙b6 9. b5 ♟a5 10. 0-0
(10. h4!?) 10...♙c8! 11. a4 ♟g6 12. ♙e1
f6 13. ♙a2 0-0



14. ♙xg6 hxg6 15. ♙d3 ♟f7 16. ♙e3 ♙h8
17. ♙ae2 ♟c4 18. ♙d4 ♙h6 (18...g5!?)
19. h4 a6 20. bxa6 bxa6 21. ♟bd2 ♙xd4
22. cxd4 ♙h8 23. ♟b3 fxe5 24. dxe5
♙xa4 25. ♟bd4 ♙d7 26. g3 ♙e8 27. ♙b1
♙f8 28. ♙b7 ♟g8 29. ♟g5 ♙d8 30. f4
a5 31. h5 a4 32. ♙h2 a3 33. hxg6 ♙b8
34. ♙xb8 (better is 34. ♙c2!) 34...♙xb8
35. ♙d1 ♙e8 36. ♙h5 ♟f8
36...♙b1+ 37. ♟f2 ♙b2+ (37...♟f8 38. ♟h7+!
♟g8 39. ♟f6+ +-) 38. ♟f3 +-.



37. ♙h8+?

Better 37. ♟h7+ ♟g8 38. ♟f6+!+-.

37...♟e7 38. ♙xg7+ ♟d8 39. ♟gxe6+
♟c8 40. ♙h7 ♟b6

More stubborn was 40...♙b1+ 41. ♟h2
♙b2+ 42. ♟h3 ♙d8 43. ♙xd7+! (43. f5
♙f2=) 43...♙xd7 44. ♙xd7 ♟xd7 45. g7
♙b8 46. ♟f8+ ♟e7 47. g8 ♙ ♙xf8 48. ♟c6+
♟e8 49. ♙e6+ ♙e7 50. ♙xe7#.

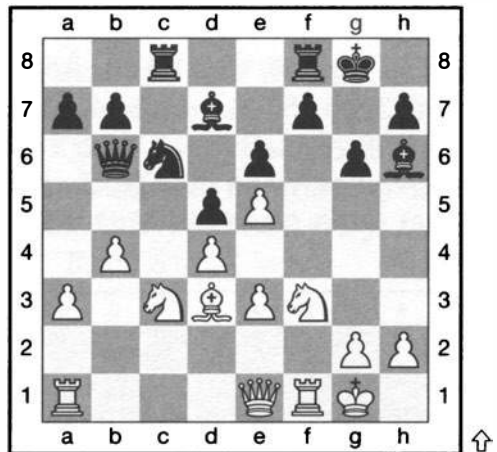
41. ♟c5 a2 42. ♟xd7 a1♙+ 43. ♟h2
♙b2+ 44. ♟h3 ♙c7 45. ♟xb6+

Black resigned.

Play on both wings

Game 50
Sveshnikov – Piskov
Bled 1990

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♟c6
5. ♟f3 ♙b6 6. a3 ♙d7 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
♙c8 9. ♙e3 ♟h6 10. ♙d3 ♟g4 11. 0-0
♟xe3 12. fxe3 g6 13. ♟c3 ♙h6 14. ♙e1
0-0



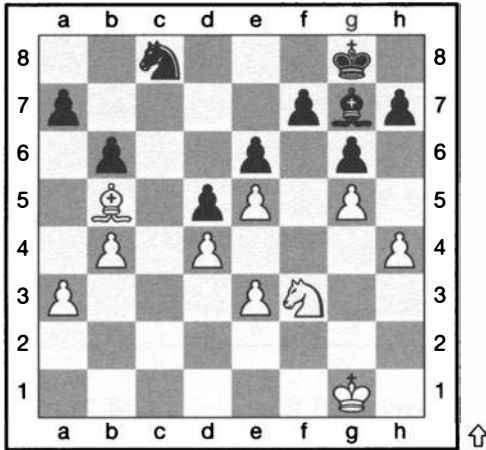
15. ♟a4

15. ♟d1! f6 (15...♙g7 16. ♟f2 f5 17. exf6
♙xf6 18. ♟g4 ♙ff8 19. ♙h4 ♙d8 20. ♟g5+-)
16. exf6 ♙xf6 17. ♟f2 (17. ♙h4 ♙g7 18. ♟f2
e5 19. b5 ♟xd4 20. exd4 e4 21. ♟e5 ♙f5 ♣)
17...e5 (17...♙g7 18. ♟g4 ♙xf3 19. ♙xf3



♖xd4 20. ♖f6+ ♗h8 21. ♖f4±) 18. b5 ♖xd4
19. ♖xe5 ♗xb5 20. exd4±.

15...♗d8 16. ♖c5 ♖c7 17. h4 b6 18. ♖xd7
♗xd7 19. ♗b5 ♗c8 20. g4 ♖e7 21. g5
♗g7 22. ♖c1 ♖xc1 23. ♗xc1 ♗xc1
24. ♖xc1 ♖c8 25. ♖xc8+ ♖xc8



It might appear that there is no point in playing on in this ending; there are bishops of opposite colour and Black has no weaknesses. But in reality White has practically an extra piece – his king! His plan is first to achieve the e3–e4 break, followed by d4–d5 to make use of his more active king. Black lacks counterplay, his pieces have only the e7 and f8 squares at their disposal, and the f7 pawn needs to be defended by the king.

26. ♗a6!

This move prevents Black's only possibility of counterplay with a7–a5, after which the g7 bishop would be "resurrected".

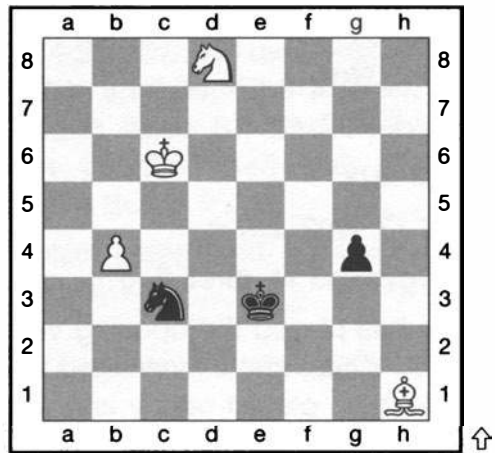
26...♖e7 27. ♗f2 h6 28. ♗g3 ♗f8
29. ♗f4 ♖f5 30. e4 dxe4 31. ♗xe4 ♖g3+
32. ♗d3 ♗e7 33. d5! exd5 34. ♗d4 hxg5
35. hxg5 ♖e4 36. ♗xd5 ♖xg5 37. ♖d4!

Centralisation!

37...♖e6 38. ♖b5 ♗d8 39. ♗c6 g5
40. ♖xa7 g4 41. ♗f1 ♖d4+ 42. ♗b7 f5
43. exf6 ♗f7 44. a4 ♗xf6 45. ♗g2 ♗e5
46. ♗h1 b5 47. axb5 ♖xb5 48. ♖c6+

48. ♖xb5 ♗e7=.

48...♗f4 49. ♖xd8 ♗e3 50. ♗c6 ♖c3



51. b5?

White misses the win: 51. ♖e6! g3 52. ♖g5
♗f2 53. ♖e4+ ♗g1 54. ♖xg3 ♗h2
55. ♖e4+- ♖e2 56. ♗f3 ♖d4+ 57. ♗d5 ♖xf3
58. b5+-.

51...♖xb5 52. ♗xb5 g3 53. ♖e6 ♗f2
54. ♖f4 g2!

I had overlooked this neat resource and the game finished in a draw.

Play on both wings

Game 51
Sveshnikov – Portisch
Interzonal, Biel 1993

This game was very important in a competitive sense, since it was played in the penultimate round of the Interzonal and winning it would practically guarantee my qualification for the Candidates.

1. e4 c5 2. c3 e6 3. d4 d5 4. e5 ♖c6
5. ♖f3 ♗b6 6. ♗e2?!

Better is 6. a3!.

6...cxd4!

6...♖h6?! 7. ♗xh6! gxh6 (7...♗xb2 8. ♗e3!±)
8. ♗d2±.

7. cxd4 ♖h6 8. b3

8. ♖c3 ♖f5 9. ♖a4 ♗b4+ 10. ♗d2 ♗a5= is preferable.

8...♖f5 9. ♗b2 ♗b4+ 10. ♗f1□

10. ♖c3 ♖cxd4.



10...♙e7

10...0-0.

11. ♖c3 ♜d8

11...♗cxd4? 12. ♗a4.

12. g3 f6!?

12...0-0 13. ♘g2 ♙d7 ♞.

13. ♘g2 fxe5 14. dxe5 0-0

Portisch has played the opening very well indeed. At a later stage I managed to win a pawn but then played poorly and failed to convert.



15. ♖c1 ♙d7 16. ♙d3 ♜e8

Here 16...♙e8! ♞ is stronger, e.g. 17. ♗e2 ♙h5 18. ♙xf5 ♜xf5 (18...♙xf3+ 19. ♘xf3 ♜xf5+ 20. ♘g2 ♜a5 21. ♗d4 ♗xd4 22. ♙xd4 ♞) 19. ♗f4 ♙xf3+ 20. ♜xf3 ♜d7 ♞.

17. ♗e2 ♜f7 18. ♜f1 ♜ad8 19. a3 g5?!

19...a6 20. b4 b5 ♞.

20. h3 ♙e8?!

Inconsistent; 20...h5 is better.

21. b4!

Now White is able to finish his development and assume the initiative.

21...a6 22. ♜d2 h6

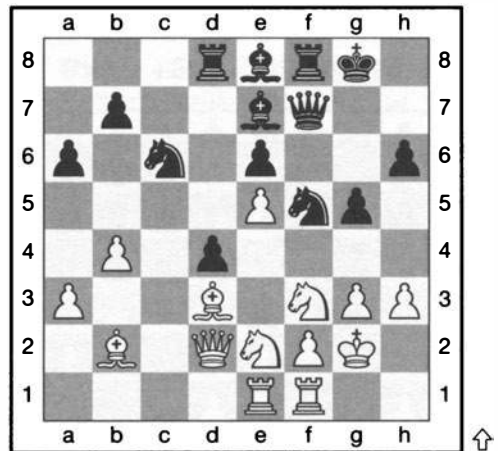
22...♜h5.

23. ♜ce1

23. g4!? ♗d6 24. ♜e3 ♗c4 ♞.

23...d4?

After the correct 23...♗d6! 24. ♗ed4 ♗c4 the position offers chances to both sides.



24. ♙e4± d3 25. ♗c1 ♗fd4 26. ♜e3 a5! 27. ♗xd4

27. ♗xd3!? axb4 28. ♗xd4 ♗xd4 29. axb4 (29. ♗xb4 ♗f5 30. ♜d3 ♙b5=) 29...♙b5.

27...♗xd4 28. ♜xd3 ♗f5□ 29. ♜xd8 ♙xd8 30. ♙d4?!

30. ♜xd8? ♗e3+! ♞; 30. ♗d3! ♙b5 31. ♜c1 and ♗c5±; 30. ♗b3!±.

30...♙b5 31. ♜e1 ♙c7 32. ♙c5 ♜d8 33. ♜c3 b6! 34. ♙e3 axb4 35. ♜xb4 ♜d7! 36. ♜b3?!

36. ♗b3 ♗xe3+ 37. ♜xe3 ♙xe5 38. a4=.

36...♙c6 37. ♜c4 ♙d5! 38. ♙xd5 ♜xd5+ 39. ♜xd5 ♜xd5 ♞ 40. f4 ♜a5 41. ♙f2 gx4 42. gx4 ♜a3 43. ♗e2 ♜a2

43...♗e3+ 44. ♙xe3 ♜xe3 45. ♘f2 ♜xh3 46. ♜c1=.

44. ♘f3 ♘f7 45. ♜c1 ♜a3+ 46. ♘g2 ♜a7 47. ♗c3 ♙d8 48. ♜d1 ♜a8 49. ♜d7+ ♘g6 50. ♗e4 b5 51. ♙c5 ♜a2+ 52. ♘f3 ♗h4+ 53. ♘e3 ♗f5+ 54. ♘f3 ♙h4 55. ♜b7 ♜b2 56. ♜b6 ♜b3+ 57. ♘e2 ♗g7 58. ♙f8 ♗h5 59. ♜xe6+ ♘f5 60. ♜xh6 ♗xf4+ 61. ♘d2

Draw.



Play on both wings

Game 52

Sveshnikov – Kiriakov

Russian Championship, Elista 1994

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♟f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e2 ♟ge7 7. ♟a3 cxd4
8. cxd4 ♟f5 9. ♟c2 ♚b6 10. 0–0 ♟a5!?

I think that this is one of Black's most important resources.

11. g4

11. ♟e3 ♟xe3 (11...♟e7 12. b3 ♙b5
13. ♙a3±) 12. fxe3 ♙e7±.

11...♟e7

11...♟h6

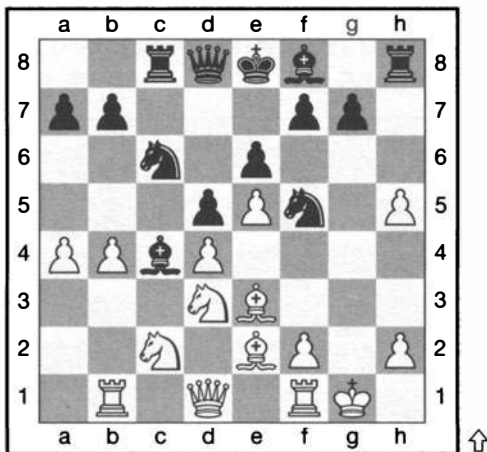
- A) 12. b4 ♟c4 (12...♙xb4 13. ♚b1+–)
13. ♙xh6 gxh6 14. ♙xc4 dxc4 15. ♟d2±;

- B) 12. ♙xh6 gxh6 13. b4 ♟c6 (13...♟c4±)
14. b5 ♟a5±.

**12. ♟fe1 ♙b5 13. ♟d3 h5 14. gxh5 ♟f5
15. ♙e3 ♚c8**

15...♟c4 16. a4 ♟cxe3 17. fxe3 ♙c4 18. ♟f4
♙b3 19. ♙b5+ ♟d8 20. ♚e2 ♙xc2 21. a5
♚c7 22. ♚fc1 ♚c8 23. a6 b6 24. ♙a4±,
Sveshnikov – Dolmatov, Naberezhnye Chelny
1988 (Volume 1, page 27).

16. b4 ♟c6 17. a4 ♙c4 18. ♚b1 ♚d8



19. ♟f4 ♙xe2 20. ♚xe2 ♚h4 21. h3 ♙e7
22. ♚g4 ♟xe5 23. dxe5 ♚xc2 24. ♚bc1

- ♚xg4+ 25. hxg4 ♟xe3 26. fxe3 ♚xc1
27. ♚xc1 ♟d7 28. ♟f2 b6 29. b5 ♙d8
30. e4 ♙g5 31. ♟f3 dxe4+ 32. ♟xe4 ♚a8
33. ♚f1 ♟e8 34. ♟h3 ♙e7 35. g5 ♚c8
36. ♟d3 ♚d8+ 37. ♟e4 ♚c8 38. ♟d4
♚d8+ 39. ♟c4 ♚c8+ 40. ♟d3 ♚d8+
41. ♟e4 ♚c8

Draw. Black played well, equalising the position step by step.

Play on both wings

Game 53

Guido – Foisor

Montecatini Terme 1994

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♟c6
5. ♟f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e2 ♟ge7 7. ♟a3 cxd4
8. cxd4 ♟f5 9. ♟c2 ♚b6 10. 0–0 ♚c8

10...♙e7.

11. ♙d3!

11. g4.



11...a5

Preparing to capture on d4, which does not work yet: 11...♟fxd4? 12. ♟fxd4 ♟xd4
13. ♙e3 ♙c5 14. b4+–.

11...♟b4 12. ♟xb4±;

11...♙e7 12. g4±.

12. a3 a4 13. ♙xf5 exf5 14. ♟e3 ♚b5

14...♟e7!?! 15. g3!?!±.

15. b3! axb3



15... ♖xb3 16. ♗xb3 axb3 17. ♘xd5! (17. ♖b1 ♙e6 18. ♖xb3 ♖c7 19. ♖b5 ♖d7) 17... ♙e6 18. ♘b6 ♖d8 19. ♙b2 (19. ♖d1? ♙c5) 19... ♘e7 20. ♖fd1 ♘d5 21. ♘xd5 ♙xd5 22. ♖d3 and ♘d2±.

16. ♖b1

16. a4? b2!-+.

16... ♙e6?!

16... ♘a5! 17. a4 ♗c6 18. ♙d2 f4 19. ♙xa5 fxe3 20. ♗xb3 e2 21. ♖fe1 ♗xa4 22. ♗xa4 ♙xa4 23. ♖xe2=.

17. ♖xb3

17. ♗xb3 ♗xb3 18. ♖xb3 ♖c7.

17... ♗a6 18. ♙d2! g5?

18... ♙xa3? 19. ♗b1 g6 20. ♘c2! (20. ♖b5!?) 0-0 21. ♘xd5 ♙xd5 22. ♖xd5 ♖fd8 23. ♖xd8+ ♖xd8 24. ♙g5 ♖d7 25. ♖d1±) 20... ♙e7 21. ♗b2! (threatens ♖a1 with an attack on the queen a6 and pawn b7) 21... 0-0 (21... ♘d8!?) 22. ♘b4 ♗a4 23. ♖a1 ♗d7 24. ♙h6♞) 22. ♖a1 ♗e2 23. ♖e3 ♗c4 24. ♖c3 ♗e2 25. ♗xb7+-;

18... ♙e7 19. ♗b1±;

18... g6 19. ♗b1 ♖c7 20. ♖b5 ♖d7 21. ♘c2 followed by ♗b3 and ♖b1±.

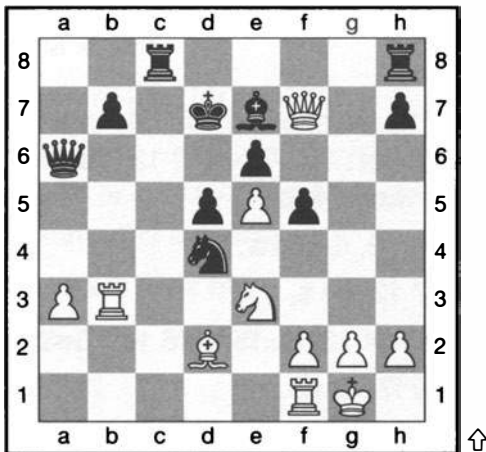
19. ♘g5! ♘xd4 20. ♘xe6! fxe6

20... ♘xb3 21. ♘xd5! ♗xe6 22. ♙g5!+- with the threat of ♘c7+.

21. ♗h5+ ♘d7

21... ♘d8 22. ♗h4+-+.

22. ♗f7+ ♙e7



23. ♘xd5!! ♘e2+

23... ♘xb3 24. ♗xe7+ ♘c6 25. ♘b4+.

24. ♘h1 exd5

24... ♘g3+ 25. hxg3 ♗xf1+ 26. ♘h2 exd5 27. ♖xb7+ ♖c7 28. e6+! ♘c8 29. ♖xc7+ ♘xc7 30. ♗xe7+ ♘b8 31. ♗d6+-+.

25. ♙g5! ♖ce8

25... ♖he8 26. ♗xd5+ ♘c7 27. ♙xe7 ♖xe7 28. ♖xb7+! ♗xb7 29. ♗d6#;

25... ♘g3+ 26. hxg3 ♗xf1+ 27. ♘h2 ♖ce8 28. ♗xd5+ ♘c8 29. ♖xb7+-.

26. ♖fb1

Black resigned.

Play on both wings

Game 54

Sveshnikov – Matveeva

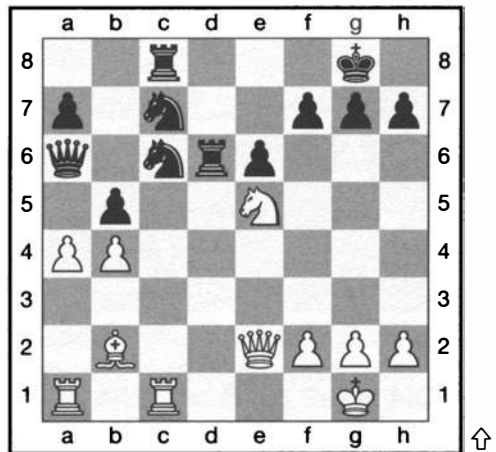
Capelle la Grande 1995

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗b6 5. ♘f3 ♙d7 6. a3 ♙b5 7. c4 ♙xc4 8. ♙xc4 dxc4 9. ♘bd2 ♗a6 10. ♗e2 ♘e7 11. ♘xc4 ♘d5 12. 0-0 ♘c6 13. dxc5 ♙xc5 14. b4 b5

14... ♙xb4=.

15. ♘d6+ ♙xd6 16. exd6 ♖d8 17. ♙b2 ♖xd6 18. a4 ♘c7 19. ♖fc1 0-0 20. ♘e5 ♖c8

20... ♗b7 21. ♘xc6 ♖xc6 22. ♖xc6 ♗xc6 23. ♖c1 ♗d7 (23... ♗d6 24. ♙e5+-) 24. ♗e5 ♘e8 25. axb5±.





21. $\text{Kxc6!}+-$ Kxc6 22. Qf3 f6 23. Kxc6
 Kd5 24. axb5

Black resigned.

Play on both wings

Game 55

I. Zaitsev – Naumkin

Moscow 1995

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 Kc6
 5. Kf3 Qb6 6. a3 c4 7. Kbd2 Ka5 8. Ke2
 Kd7 9. 0-0 Ke7 10. Bb1 (Zaitsev) 10... h6

10... Qc7 11. Kg5 h6 12. Kh3 0-0-0 13. Kf4
 Kb8 14. Kh5 Ka8 15. g4 Kc8 16. f4 Kb6
 17. Qe1 (I. Zaitsev – Vasyukov, 37th USSR
 Championship, Moscow 1969);

10... Kb5 11. Ke1 Kb3 12. Kxb3 Ka4
 13. Ke3 Kxb3 14. Qd2 Kc6 15. g3 Ka5
 16. Kg2 Ka4 17. $\text{Kh5}\pm$ (Sveshnikov – Ivkov,
 Chigorin Memorial, Sochi 1983);

10... Kc8 11. g3 h6 12. Kh4 Kb5 13. Ka1
 Kb3 14. Kxb3 Ka4 15. Ke3 Qxb3 16. Qd2
 Kc6! 17. Kd1 Qb5 18. $\text{Kg4}\pm$ (Sveshnikov –
 Gofshtein, Rostov on Don 1976; see also
 Volume 1, Test position 50 on page 142, So-
 lution on page 153).

11. Qc2!?

11. g3 0-0-0 12. Kh4 f5 13. exf6 gxf6
 14. Kg4 , I. Zaitsev – Faragó, Szolnok 1975
 (Volume 1, game 53 on page 105); 11. Ke1!? .

11... 0-0-0

11... Kb3 12. Kxb3 Ka4 13. Kfd2 (13. Ke3
 Kxb3 14. $\text{Qd2}\pm$) 13... Kxb3 14. Kxb3 cxb3
 15. Qd3 Kc8 16. $\text{Qf3}\pm$.

12. b3 cxb3 13. Kxb3 Ka4 14. Kfd2
 Kec6

14... Qc7!? 15. Qa2 (15. $\text{Qd3!?}\pm$) 15... Kxb3
 16. $\text{Kxb3 Kf5}\pm$.

15. Qa2 Kxb3

15... Qc7 16. Kxa5 Kxa5 17. $\text{Kb2}\pm$.

16. Kxb3 Qc7 17. Ke3 Kb8

17... Ka5?! 18. Kxa5 Qxa5 19. $\text{c4}\pm$; 17... Ke7
 18. c4 dxc4 19. $\text{Kxc4}\pm$.

18. Kd2

18. Ka6!? Kxb3 19. Qxb3 Ka5 20. Qa4 Ka8
 21. Kb5!+- .

18... f6

18... Ka5 19. c4 dxc4 20. Kxc4 Kxc4
 21. Kxc4 Kc6 22. $\text{Kfc1}\pm$.

19. f4 Ke7 20. exf6 gxf6?!

20... Kxf6 21. $\text{Kf3 Khf8}\pm$.



21. $\text{c4!}\pm$ Ka8

21... dxc4 22. Qxc4 Qa5 23. Kf3 Ka8
 24. $\text{Qxe6}\pm$.

22. Kf3 Kd6

22... dxc4 23. Qxc4 Qa5 24. Qxe6 Kh8
 25. Kc4 Qc7 26. $\text{Qf7}\pm$.

23. cxd5 exd5 24. Kxd5 Kh8 25. Kc4
 Kb8 26. Kfc1?

26. $\text{Qd2}\pm$.

26... Kxf4 27. $\text{Kxf4 Qxf4}\neq$ 28. Kh1?!

28. Qf2 .

28... Ked8?!

28... Ke7 29. Ka5 (29. Kf3 Kc6) 29... Kxd5
 30. Qxd5 Kh8 31. $\text{Qe6 Qxd4}\infty$;
 28... $\text{Qxd4!?}\neq$.

29. Kb2 Qxd4?!

29... Kb5! 30. a4 Kb4 31. Qb3 Kxd5
 32. $\text{axb5 Kbc8}\neq$.

30. Kc4 Kd5



30...b5 31. ♖f1 ♗e5 32. ♗xa4 bxa4 33. g3 a5 34. ♖g2+ ♗a7 35. ♖c7+ +-.

31. ♗xa4 ♗g4?

31...♗xc4 32. ♖xc4 ♖xc4 33. ♖xc4 b5 34. ♖h4 bxa4 35. ♖xb8+ ♗xb8 36. h3=.

32. h3!±

32. ♖f1 ♖e5 33. g3 ♖e4+ 34. ♗g1 (34. ♖g2 ♖xg2+ 35. ♗xg2 ♗e3+=) 34...♖d4+ (34...♖e3+ 35. ♖f2) 35. ♗h1 ♖e4+=.

32...♗f2+ 33. ♗h2 ♖f4+ 34. g3

34. ♗g1 ♗xh3+ 35. ♗h1 (35. gxh3 ♖d2 36. ♖xd2 ♖xd2 37. ♖f1 ♖g8+ 38. ♗h1 ♖d5+ 39. ♗h2 ♖e5+ 40. ♗h1 ♖e4+-) 35...♗f2+ 36. ♗g1 ♗h3+=.

34...♗g4+!? 35. hxg4

35. ♗h1! ♖e4+ 36. ♖g2 ♗f2+ 37. ♗h2+-.

35...♖d2+ 36. ♗h3! ♖f2 37. ♖xd2 ♖xd2 38. ♖d1 ♖a5 39. ♖d5!+- a6

39...♖xa4 40. ♖xb7+ ♖xb7 41. ♖d8+ ♖b8 42. ♖xb8#.

40. ♗b6+ ♗a7 41. ♗c8+ ♗a8

41...♖xc8 42. ♖xb7+ ♗a8 43. ♖b5+-.

42. ♗b6+ ♗a7 43. ♗d7 b5

43...♖d8 44. ♖xb7+ ♗a8 45. ♗b6+-.

44. ♗xb8 ♗xb8 45. ♖bc1 ♖xa3 46. ♖c6! ♖a4 47. ♖e1 ♖d4 48. ♖e8+ ♗a7 49. ♖e7+ ♗b8 50. ♖d6

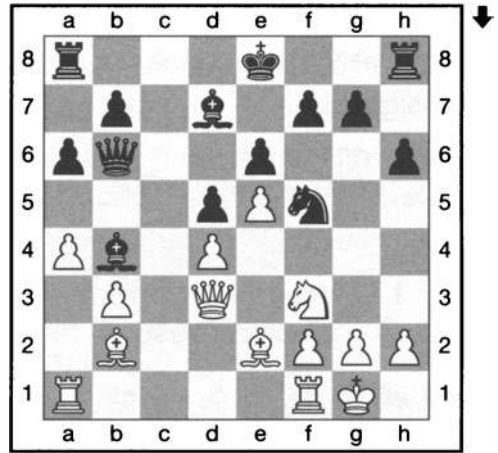
Black resigned.

Play on both wings

**Game 56
Sveshnikov - Brumen
Bled Open 2000**

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6 5. ♗f3 ♖d7 6. ♖e2 ♗ge7 7. ♗a3 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♗c2 ♗b4 10. 0-0 ♗xc2 11. ♖xc2 ♖b6 12. ♖d3 h6 13. b3 a6 14. a4 ♖b4 15. ♖b2

(see next diagram)



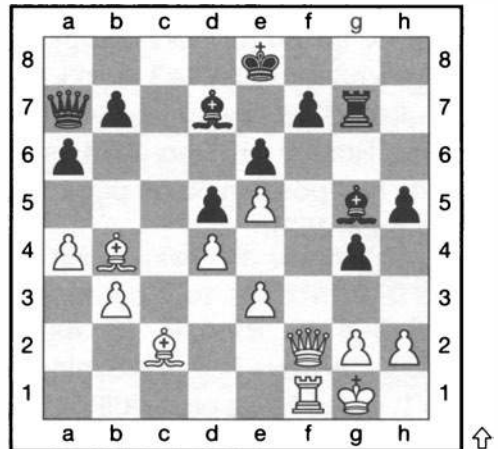
15...g5?!

15...0-0; 15...♖c8.

16. ♖ac1 ♖c8 17. ♖xc8+ ♖xc8 18. ♗e1! ♖d7 19. ♗c2 ♖e7 20. ♗e3 ♖b4 21. ♖d1! ♗xe3 22. ♖c3! ♖b6 23. ♖xe3 h5 24. ♖d2! g4 25. ♖a5! ♖a7 26. ♖b4 ♖g5 27. ♖c2

27. ♖c5!± b6 28. ♖d6.

27...♖g8 28. ♖f2 ♖g7



29. ♖g6

29. ♖c5! b6 30. ♖d6±.

29...♖b6 30. ♖xf7+ ♗d8 31. ♖d2

31. ♖d6 ♖xb3 32. ♗h1 ♖xe3 33. ♖c2 ♖c6; 31. ♖e1! ♖xe3+ 32. ♖xe3 ♖xb4 33. ♖xh5+-;

31. ♖f8! ♖xb3 32. ♗h1 ♖h7 33. ♖g6 ♖h8 34. ♖g7 ♖g8 35. ♖f7 ♖xg7 36. ♖xg7+-.

31...♖e7! 32. ♖xh5 ♖xb3 33. ♖f4 g3! 34. hxg3 ♖xa4 35. ♖c1 ♖a2 36. ♖f2 ♖b5 37. ♖e1 b6 38. ♖b4 ♖g5 39. ♖c3



♙c4 40. ♙d1 a5 41. ♙a3 ♜f7 42. ♙c2 ♙a6

42...♗c8!±.

43. ♙g6! ♜f2+ 44. ♗h2 ♙c4 45. ♜c2 ♜f1 46. ♜b2 b5 47. ♜c1 ♜f2 48. ♜c2 ♜f1 49. ♜c1 ♜f2 50. ♜c2

50. ♜xc4!? ♜xb2 51. ♙xb2 ♜f2 (51...dxc4 52. ♙xf7 ♗e7±; 51...♙g7 52. ♜c5 ♜xg6 53. ♜xb5 ♙xe3 54. ♗h3 ♙f2 55. ♜b3±) 52. ♜c2±.

50...♜f1 =

Draw, since 51. ♜xc4 ♜f2 loses.

Play on both wings

Game 57

Sveshnikov – Dizdar

Slovenian League, Bled 2002

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e2 ♗ge7 7. ♗a3 cxd4
8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♗c2 ♗b4 10. 0-0 ♗xc2
11. ♜xc2 ♜b6 12. ♜d3 ♜c8 13. g4!? ♗e7
14. ♙d2 h5 15. h3 a6



16. ♜fc1?!

16. a4!? hxg4 17. hxg4 ♗c6 (17...♗g6 18. b4!?) 18. a5 ♜c7!? 19. ♜fc1 ♜d8!? 20. ♗g2 ♗b4! 21. ♜xc8 ♙xc8 22. ♜b3 ♗c6 23. ♙d3 ♙e7 24. ♜c1 ♜c7 25. g5 f5 26. g6±.

16...hxg4 17. hxg4 ♜xc1+ 18. ♙xc1

18. ♜xc1 ♙b5 19. ♜e3 ♙xe2 20. ♜xe2 ♜xb2±.

18...♙b5 19. ♜c2

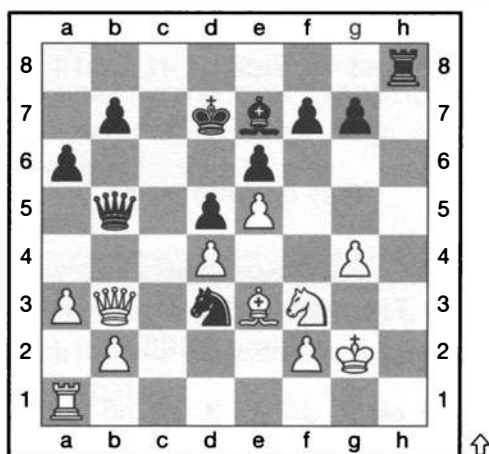
19. ♜b3?? ♙xe2 20. ♜xb6 ♙xf3-+.

19...♙xe2 20. ♜xe2 ♗c6 21. ♙e3 ♙e7 22. ♗g2 ♗d7 23. ♜c2?!

23. ♜c1 =.

23...♗b4 24. ♜b3 ♜b5 25. a3 ♗d3

25...♜d3 26. ♜xd3 ♗xd3 27. ♙d1 ♗xb2 28. ♙b1 ♙xa3 29. ♙c1 ♗c4 (29...♗d3 30. ♙xa3 ♗f4+ 31. ♗f1 b5 32. ♜b3±) 30. ♙xa3 ♗xa3 (30...b6!?±) 31. ♜xb7+ ♗c6 32. ♜xf7 a5 33. ♜e7!?.



26. ♜a2

26. ♜xb5+ axb5 27. b3 ♜c8± (27...♙a8 28. ♙d1 ♗b2 29. ♙b1 ♙xa3 30. ♗g5 f6 31. ♗f3 ♗d3 32. ♙d1 ♗b4 33. ♙h1 ♖) 28. ♗f1 ♜c3 29. b4 ♗b2 30. ♗e2 ♗c4 31. ♙c1 ♜c2+ 32. ♗f1 f6±.

26...♜c8 27. b3

27. b4 ♜a4 28. ♜d2 ♗xb4 29. ♙g5 f6! (29...♗c2 30. ♙b1 b5 31. ♙xe7 ♗xe7 32. ♜g5+±) 30. exf6 gxf6 31. ♙xf6 ♙xf6 32. ♜xb4 ♜xb4 33. axb4 ♜c4 34. b5 axb5 35. ♙d1 b4 36. g5 ♙g7 37. ♗g3 ♗d6 38. g6 ♗e7 39. ♗f4 b3 40. ♗e5 ♙b4-+.

27...♜c3 28. ♙b1 ♜c6 29. ♙d1 ♜b5

29...♜c2? 30. ♜b1 ♜c3 31. ♙d2+-.

30. ♙b1 ♜c6 31. ♙d1 ♗c1 32. ♜b1

32. ♙xc1 ♜xc1 33. ♙d2 (33. ♜xc1 ♜xc1±) 33...♜b5±.

32...♗xb3 33. ♜h7 ♜c8



33...♙xa3 34. ♖h1 ♜c8 35. ♝xg7 ♜f8
36. ♝xf8 ♙xf8 37. ♖h7 ♗e8 38. ♗g5 ♜c8
39. ♖xf7 ♙e7 40. ♖g7 =.

34. a4 ♜f8 35. ♖b1 b5

35...♙b4 36. ♗g1 !? =.

36. axb5 axb5

36...a5 37. ♗d2 a4 38. ♗xb3 axb3 39. ♙d2
♜c2 40. ♝d3 ±.

37. ♗d2?!

37. ♗g1! g6 38. ♗e2 ♜d3 39. ♗f4 ♜c3
40. ♗e2 =.

37...♖xe3 38. ♗xb3 ♜c3 39. ♗d2?! ♠

39. ♖a1! ♙a3 40. ♗d2 b4 41. ♗b1 ♠.

Draw.

Play on both wings

Game 58

Timman – Cu. Hansen
Malmö 2003

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♝b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4

8. ♙xh6 gxh6 9. cxd4 ♙d7 10. ♙e2 ♜c8
11. 0–0 ♙g7 12. ♝d2 0–0 13. ♖a2 f6 14. b5
♗a5 15. exf5 ♖xf6 16. ♗e5 ♙e8 17. ♝e3
♜f5 = (Bosch–Lputian, Wijk aan Zee 1999).

8...♗f5 9. ♙b2 ♙d7

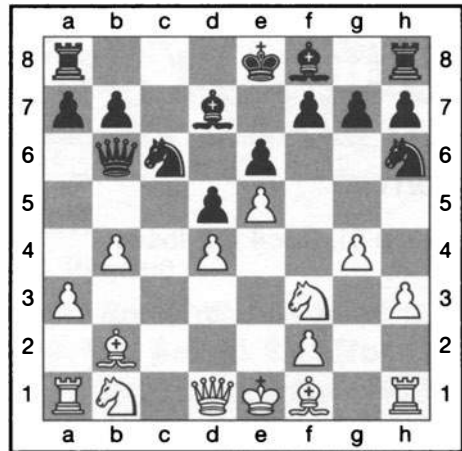
9...♙e7 10. ♙d3 a5 11. ♝a4 0–0 12. b5
♗h4 (Kiik–Korchnoi, Rilton Cup, Stockholm
2003; Volume 1, page 95) or 12...f6 (Lastin–
S. Ivanov, Aeroflot Open, Moscow 2004; Vol-
ume 1, game 25 on page 51).

10. g4 ♗h6

10...♗fe7!? 11. ♗c3 ♗a5 12. ♗d2
(12. ♝c2, Sveshnikov–Radjabov, Tallinn
2004, game 61 on page 53) 12...♜c8
13. ♜c1 ♗g6 14. h4 ♙e7 15. g5 h6 16. gxh6
♖xh6 17. h5 ♗h4 18. ♝g4 ♗f5 19. ♙d3 ±,
Grischuk–Radjabov, Wijk aan Zee 2003.

11. h3

11. ♖g1! f6 12. exf6 gxh6 13. ♗c3 ♗f7
14. ♗a4! (14. ♜c1 ♙h6 15. ♜c2 ♗e7 16. h4
♙f4 17. ♙d3 h6 18. ♖e2 ♝c7 19. ♝b3
♗d6 =, Lautier–Bauer, French Champion-
ship, Val d'Isère 2002) 14...♝d8 15. ♗c5 ±
b6 16. ♗xd7 ♝xd7 17. ♜c1, Vasyukov–
Bukhman, St. Petersburg 1994.



11...♙e7

11...f6 12. ♙d3 ♗f7 13. ♗bd2 (13. 0–0 ♜c8
14. ♗bd2 a5 15. b5 ♗e7 16. a4 ♗g6 17. ♙xg6
hxg6 18. ♗g2 g5 ∞, Belkhodja–Morovic Fer-
nandez, 35th Olympiad, Bled 2002) 13...fxe5
14. dxe5 ♙e7 15. ♜c1 ♗g5 16. h4 ♗xf3+
17. ♝xf3 ♗d4 18. ♝e3 ♗b5 19. ♗f3 ♝xe3+
20. fxe3 a5 21. ♙xb5 ♙xb5 22. ♗d4 ♙d7
23. b5 ♙d8 24. a4 ±, Sveshnikov–Lputian,
Tilburg 1992;

11...♜c8 12. ♗c3 ♗a5 13. ♗a4 ♝c6 14. ♜c1
♗c4 15. ♖xc4!? dxc4 16. ♗c3 ♝b6 17. ♙g2
a5 18. b5 ♙xb5 19. d5 ♙c5 20. 0–0 ♜d8
21. d6 ♙c6 22. ♝e2 ♞, Shirov–Sadvakasov,
Astana 2001.

12. ♙d3

12. ♗c3!? 0–0 13. ♗a4 ♝d8 14. ♗c5 ♖b8
15. ♙d3 ♙e8 16. ♝b1 g6 17. ♝c1 ♠, Hába–
Koutsin, Wattens 1999.

12...♜c8 13. ♗bd2

13. ♝d2 ♗g8 14. 0–0 f6 15. ♖e1 fxe5
16. dxe5 ♗h6 17. ♗d4 ♗f7 18. ♗xc6 ♙xc6 =,
Merenkov–Podlesny, Moravia 1996.

13...♗b8



A typical 'French' idea: Black prepares to exchange light-squared bishops on b5. Timman hinders this.

14. ♖e2 a6

Renewing the threat.

15. ♘b1!?

A purely prophylactic move: if Black insists on exchanging bishops, White will exchange on b5 and then the knight will come to c3 to attack the doubled pawn, which cannot be defended.

15. ♘b3±.

15...♘c6

15...♗b5 16. ♗xb5+ a×b5 17. ♘c3 ♖c4 18. ♘d2! ♗×d4 (18...♗×d4? 19. ♗e3 ♘d7 20. ♘×b5+–) 19. ♘×c4 b×c4 20. ♘b5±.

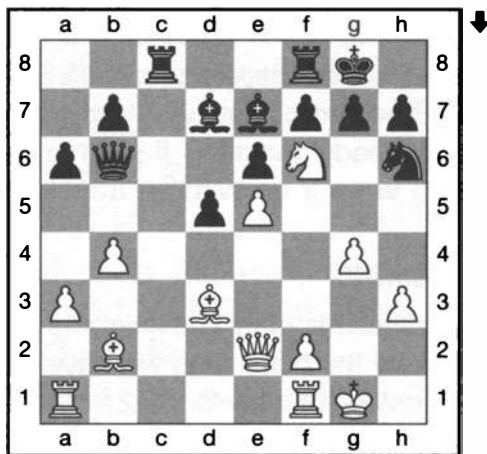
16. 0–0 0–0 17. ♘c3

The knight heads for c5. Black cannot reply with ♘a5 since the b2 bishop is protected by the queen.

17...♘d4?

Black underestimates White's attacking chances. It was better to withdraw the queen to d8 and then prepare the f7–f6 break.

18. ♘d4 ♗×d4 19. ♘e4 ♗b6 20. ♘f6+!



20...♗×f6

20...g×f6 21. e×f6 ♗d6 22. ♗d2+–.

21. e×f6 ♗b5

Here 21...e5!/? would have been more stubborn: 22. ♗×e5 (22. ♗×e5!?) 22...♗×f6 23. ♗×f6 g×f6 24. ♗×f6±.

22. ♗×b5 ♗×b5 23. ♗e3+–

Black can no longer defend the dark squares, and his h6 knight is completely useless.

23...d4 24. ♗×d4 ♖fd8 25. ♖fd1!?

After 25. f×g7 e5 26. ♗b2 ♖c6 Black would still have had some defensive chances. In my opinion the most precise course was 25. a4! ♗d5 26. ♗b6 ♖d7 27. ♖ad1 ♗×d1 28. ♗g5+–.

25...♖d5

Black has parried the most dangerous threat – the incursion of the queen to g5 – and at the same time he sets a trap.

26. ♗b2!

After 26. f×g7 Black had the surprising riposte 26...♘×g4! (Notkin) 27. h×g4 ♗d7!, and Black regains the piece, e.g. 28. ♖d2 e5 29. ♗c3 ♖×c3!.

26...♖g5 27. ♖ac1 ♖e8 28. ♗f4

28. ♖d3!/?±.

28...♖g6 29. ♖c5 ♗e2 30. ♖d2 ♗e1+ 31. ♗h2 ♗f1

The threat was 32. ♖c1 trapping the queen, and if 31...e5 White could win with 32. ♖×e5 ♖×e5 33. ♗×e5 g×f6 34. ♖d8+ ♗g7 35. ♗d4 ♗e7 36. ♗d6+–.

32. ♖h5?!

32. f×g7 f5!/? 33. g5 ♘f7 34. h4 h6 35. ♖c1 ♗b5 36. ♗f6+–.

32...♘f5?!

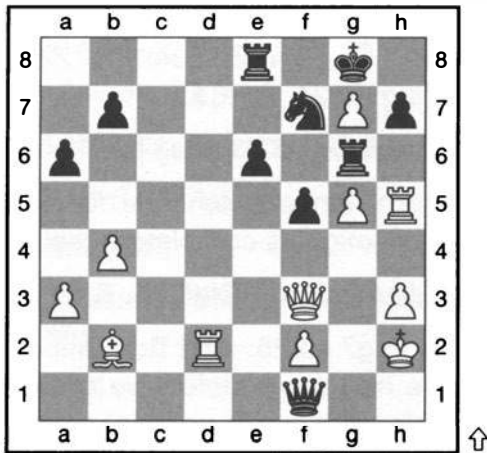
32...♗b1! (Psakhis) 33. f×g7 ♘f5±.

33. ♗f3 ♘h6

33...♗b1 34. ♗e2 with the threat of ♖d1.

34. f×g7 f5 35. g5 ♘f7

(see next diagram)

**36. ♖f6**

Here 36. ♖xh7! would have finished matters:
 36...♗xh7 37. ♖h5+ ♗h6 38. g8♖+ ♖exg8
 39. ♖d7+.

36...♗xg5 37. ♖xg5 h6 38. ♖d1 ♖b5
39. ♖xh6 ♖e5+ 40. ♗h1 ♖f6 41. ♖e3

Black resigned.

Play on both wings

Game 59

Sveshnikov – Dvoiris
 Cheliabinsk 2004

1. e4 c5 2. c3 e6 3. d4 d5 4. e5

Semion had certainly not expected that a Sicilian would turn into an Advance French!

4...♗c6 5. ♗f3 ♖b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4
8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♖b2 ♖d7

Another possibility is 9...♖e7.

10. g4 ♗h6?!

Dvoiris is again unlucky! In 1993 I played a thematic match against Lputian to investigate this position, so I was very familiar with the ideas. At the moment theory considers 10...♗fe7 to be the best continuation.

11. ♖g1! f6 12. exf6 gxf6 13. ♗c3 ♗f7
14. ♗a4 ♖c7 15. ♖c1! ♖d6

After lengthy reflection, Semion Isaakovich comes up with a new move. The stem game

of this variation was Short – Lputian, Batumi 1999 (Volume 1, game 52 on page 103), in which 15...♖f4 was played. Although Smbat managed to draw the game, the variation is considered dubious for Black. Dvoiris's new move does nothing to change this assessment.

16. ♗c5 ♖c8

16...♖f4 17. ♗xb7 ♗g5 18. ♗xg5 fxg5
 19. ♖g3±.

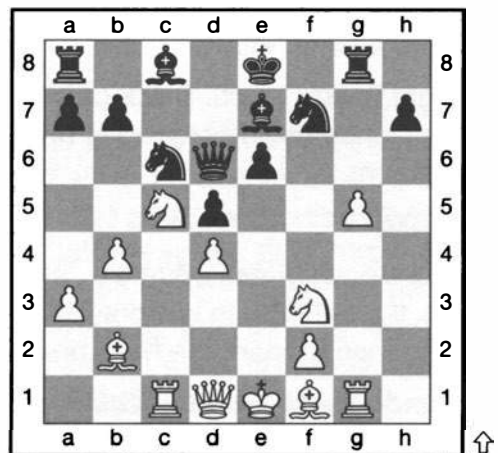
17. h4 ♖e7

White is better. If 17...e5, then 18. dxe5 fxe5
 19. g5 with an attack.

18. g5 fxg5?!

This weakens the e5 square even more.

19. hxg5 (19. ♗xg5±) 19...♖g8



White has seized the key square e5 and prevented Black from castling. Strategically the game is already decided – it just remains for White to wrap it up with an attack on the king.

20. ♗d3!?

White refines his plan: the knight is headed for e5. Now the black king will have no safe haven. Instead 20. b5 ♗cd8 21. ♖d3± was also good.

20...♖d8

20...♖d8 21. ♗fe5 ♗fxe5 22. ♗xe5 ♗xe5
 23. dxe5 ♖xg5 24. ♖xg5 ♖xg5 25. ♖h5+
 ♗f8 26. ♖c3+–.



21. ♖de5 ♗g7 22. ♔d3+-

22. ♔b5±; 22. ♖xf7±.

22...♖cxe5 23. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 24. dxe5
♗e7 25. ♗h5+ ♖f8 26. g6 hxg6 27. ♔xg6
♔d7 28. ♖c3 ♖g8 29. ♖h3

Black resigned.

Play on both wings

Game 60

Sveshnikov – Golovanov

Cheliabinsk 2004

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
5. ♖f3 ♗b6 6. a3 c4 7. ♖bd2 ♖a5 8. g3
♔d7 9. h4 ♖e7?!

9...h5! 10. ♔h3 ♖h6!±.

10. ♔h3± ♗c7 11. 0-0 ♖c8 12. ♖e1

12. h5±.

12...h5?! 13. ♖b1 ♖b6 14. ♖df3 0-0-0
15. ♔g5 ♖e8 16. ♖g2 ♔a4 17. ♗e2 ♖d7
18. ♖e3 ♖b8 19. ♔f4 ♖c6 20. ♖be1 ♖b6
21. ♖g5 ♖d8 22. ♖g2 ♔e7 23. ♖f3 ♖c8
24. ♔g5 ♔f8 25. ♖f4

25. ♔xd8 ♖xd8 26. ♖g5 ♔e8±.

25...♗b6 26. ♖h2

26. ♔xd8!? ♖xd8 27. ♖g5 ♔e8 28. ♖xh5
f6 (28...♔e7 29. ♔g4 ♔xg5 30. hxg5 ♔a4
30. ♖g2±) 29. ♖xf6! gxh6 30. exf6±.

26...g6 27. ♖f3

27. ♔f6 ♗g8 28. ♖f3±.

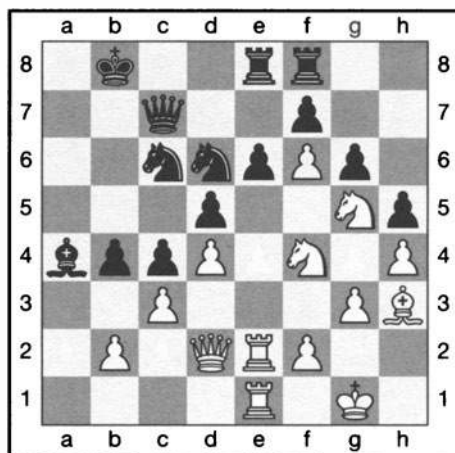
27...♔g7 28. ♗d2

28. ♔f6 ♔xf6 29. exf6 ♖d6 30. ♖g5
(30. ♖e5 ♗c7 31. ♔g2±) 30...♖c6 (30...♗c7
31. ♗d2±) 31. ♔xe6±.

28...♖c6 29. ♖e2 ♗c7 30. ♖g2 b5
31. ♖fe1 a5 32. ♔f6 ♔xf6 33. exf6±
♖d6 34. ♖g5 b4 35. axb4 axb4 36. ♖f4
♖h8?!

(see next diagram)

36...♔b5 37. ♔xe6 fxe6 38. ♖fxe6+-.



37. ♔xe6 fxe6 38. ♖fxe6 ♗d7
39. ♖c5+- ♗a7?!

39...♗f5 40. ♖xa4 ♖xe2 41. ♗xe2 ♖xf6
42. ♖c5±.

40. ♗f4 ♖d8 41. ♖e6

Black resigned.

Attack on the king

Game 61

Sveshnikov – Radjabov

Tallinn (Rapidplay) 2004

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
5. ♖f3 ♗b6 6. a3 ♖h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
♖f5 9. ♔b2 ♔d7

9...♔e7!?

10. g4 ♖fe7 11. ♖c3 ♖a5 12. ♗c2!? ♖c4
13. ♔xc4 dxc4 14. ♖d2 ♗c6

14...♗xd4? 15. ♖ce4+-.

15. ♖ce4 c3!?

15...♖d5 16. ♖xc4 ♖b6 17. ♖cd6+ ♔xd6
18. ♖xd6+ ♖e7 19. ♗xc6 ♔xc6 20. 0-0±
(20. ♖g1 ♖c8=, Sveshnikov – Potkin, Russian
Championship, Krasnoyarsk 2003; Volume
1, page 95).

16. ♖d6+

16. ♗xc3 ♖d5 17. ♗xc6 ♔xc6 18. ♖g1 (18. f3
♖f4) 18...♖d8 (18...h5!? 19. g5 ♖f4
20. ♖g3 h4 21. ♖f3 ♖g2+ 22. ♖f1 h3∞).

16...♖d8 17. ♖xf7+ ♖e8 18. ♖d6+ ♖d8

(see next diagram)



19. ♖f7+

19. ♖2e4!? cxb2 20. ♜xb2 ♜g6 21. ♜c1
 ♜xd6 22. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 23. ♖xd6 (23. exd6
 ♜xe4 24. 0-0 ♜c8 25. d5 e5±) 23... ♜xh1
 24. ♖f7+ ♜d7 25. ♖xh8 ♜xh8 26. ♜b3 b5
 27. a4 a6±;

19. ♜xc3 ♜xh1+ 20. ♜e2 ♜g2 21. ♖f7+ ♜e8
 22. ♖d6+ ♜d8 23. ♖f7+=.

19...♜e8 20. ♖d6+ ♜d8

Draw.

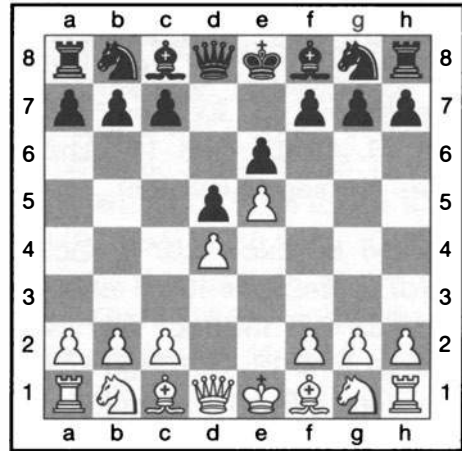


Chapter 2

Encyclopaedia

Table 1

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5



	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
1	... ♖e7	♗f3 ¹ b6	c4 ² ♘b7 ³	♗c3 ♗bc6 ⁴	cxd5 ⁵ ♗xd5	♙c4 ♗xc3 ⁶	bxc3 ♙e7	0-0 0-0 ⁷	±
2	... ♙d7	♗f3!? ⁸ a6	♙g5! ⁹ ♚c8? ¹⁰	c4 h6 ¹¹	♙e3 dxc4	♙xc4 ♗e7	♗c3 ♙c6	0-0 ♚d7 ¹²	±
3	... b6	c3 ¹³ ♚d7	♗f3 ¹⁴ a5 ¹⁵	a4 ♗e7 ¹⁶	♗a3 ♙a6 ¹⁷	♙xa6 ♗xa6	0-0 ¹⁸ c6 ¹⁹	♚d3 ♗c7 ²⁰	±
4	... c5	dxc5 ♗c6 ²¹	♗f3 ²² ♙xc5	♙d3 ♗ge7 ²³	0-0 ²⁴ ♗g6	♙e1 ♙d7	c3 ♙b6 ²⁵	♗a3 a6 ²⁶	±
5	... ...	♚g4?! cxd4! ²⁷	♗f3 ♗c6	♙d3 ♗ge7! ²⁸	0-0 ♗g6	♙e1 ♙e7 ²⁹	c3 ³⁰ dxc3 ³¹	♗xc3 ♙d7! ³²	±
6	... ...	♗f3!? ♗c6 ³³	♙d3!? ³⁴ cxd4	0-0 ♗ge7 ³⁵	♙f4 ³⁶ ♗g6	♙g3 ♙e7 ³⁷	♗bd2 ³⁸ f5 ³⁹	exf6 ⁴⁰ gxf6 ⁴¹	±
7	... ...	c3 ♚b6 ⁴²	♗f3 ⁴³ ♙d7	♙e2 ⁴⁴ ♙b5 ⁴⁵	c4!? ⁴⁶ ♙xc4 ⁴⁷	♙xc4 ♚b4+ ⁴⁸	♗bd2 dxc4	a3 ⁴⁹ ♚b5 ⁵⁰	±

Note: the author has included many games in the encyclopaedia tables more than once, to take account of possible transpositions.



1 4. c3 b6 5. ♖d2 ♙d7 6. ♗df3 c5 7. ♗h3 ♕a6 8. ♕xa6 ♗xa6 9. ♙e2 ♗c7 10. ♗f4 ♙b5! 11. ♙xb5+ ♗xb5 12. a4 ♗c7 13. a5 ♗c6 14. axb6 axb6 15. ♖xa8+ ♗xa8 16. ♕e3 c4! = Hennings–Bednarski, Polanica Zdrój 1969.

2 5. c3 ♙d7 See 3...b6;

5. b4!? ♗f5 6. c3 c5 (6...a5 7. b5±) 7. a3 ♕e7 8. ♕d3 (8. g4 ♗h4 9. ♗xh4 ♕xh4 10. ♕e3 0–0!? ⇒) 8...c4 9. ♕c2 ♗d7 10. h4 h5 11. ♕g5 f6?! (♟ 11...♗f8±) 12. ♕f4?! (♟ 12. exf6 gxf6 13. ♕xf5 exf5 14. ♕f4±) 12...♗f8 13. ♗bd2 ♗g6 14. ♕h2 ♖f7 = Vysochin–Alekseev, Kiev 1999.

3 5...dxc4 6. ♕xc4 ♕b7 7. ♗c3 ♗bc6 8. 0–0 ♙d7 9. ♙e2 ♗b4 10. a3 ♗bd5 11. ♕a6 ♕c6 12. ♕e3 ♗f5 13. ♖ac1 ♕e7 14. ♗xd5 ♕xd5 15. g4 ♗h6 16. ♗d2 ♗g8 17. ♗b1!? ± I. Zaitsev–Lupu, Bucharest 1993.

4 6...♙d7 7. cxd5 ♗xd5 8. ♕d3 c5 9. 0–0 ♗xc3 10. bxc3 cxd4 11. ♗xd4 ♗c6 12. ♖b1 ♕c5 13. ♕e3 0–0–0?! 14. ♕b5 ♕xd4 15. ♕xd4 ♙d5 16. ♕xc6 ♕xc6 17. f3 h5 18. a4! Kupreichik–Vaganian, USSR 1980.

5 7. a3 ♙d7 8. ♕e3 dxc4 9. ♕xc4 ♗a5 10. ♕b5 ♕c6 11. ♕d3 ♗d5 12. ♗e4 ♕b5 13. 0–0 ♕e7 14. ♖e1± Krason–Dobosz, Poland 1980.

6 8...♕b4.

7 11. ♕d3 ♗a5 12. ♙e2 (12. ♕e3 c5 13. ♗d2 cxd4 14. cxd4 ♗c6 15. ♕e4±; 12. ♙c2!? h6 13. ♖d1!? ♕xf3 14. gxf3±) 12...a6 13. ♕f4 ♕d5 14. ♖fe1 (14. ♕xa6 ♖xa6 15. ♙xa6 ♕c4 16. ♙a7 ♙d7∞; 14. c4!? ♕xf3 15. ♙xf3 ♙xd4 16. ♖ad1 ♙c5 17. ♙e4 g6 18. ♕h6 ♖fd8 19. ♖fe1 ♞; 14. a4 ♙d7 15. ♙c2! h6 16. ♗d2 c5 17. c4 ♕b7 18. dxc5 ♕xc5 19. ♖fd1±) 14...b5 15. ♗d2 c5 16. ♙g4 g6 17. ♗e4 [♟ 17. ♕h6 ♖e8 18. dxc5! ♙c7 (18...♕xg2?! 19. ♕e4! ♕xe4 20. ♗xe4±) 19. a4±] 17...cxd4 18. cxd4 ♗c6 = Kupreichik–Petrosian, Moscow 1979.

8 4. c3 a6



a) 5. ♕e3 ♗e7 6. ♗f3 ♕b5 7. ♗bd2 ♗f5 8. ♕g5 ♙d7 9. g4 ♗e7 10. a4 ♕xf1 11. ♗xf1 h5!? 12. gxh5 ♖xh5 13. ♗g3 ♖h8 14. h4± Boe Olsen–Alekseev, Tula 2000;

b) 5. ♕d3!? c5 [5...♕b5 6. ♕c2 a5 7. ♗e2± (7. a4 ♕a6 8. ♗e2 c5 9. ♗d2 ♗c6 10. ♗f3 ♙b6! ⇒) 7...c5 8. dxc5 ♙c7 9. ♗a3 ♕a6 10. ♕a4+ ♗d7 11. ♕e3 ♗e7 12. ♕xd7+ ♙xd7 13. ♗d4±] 6. ♗f3 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♕b5 8. ♕xb5+ axb5 9. 0–0±;

c) 5. ♗d2 ♕b5 (5...c5!? 6. ♗df3 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♙b6 8. ♗h3 ♗c6 9. a3 ♗ge7 10. b4 ♗f5 11. ♕e3 h6 12. ♕d3 g5 13. g4 ♗xe3 14. fxe3 ♕g7 = Najer–Bauer, ACP Blitz 2004) 6. ♕xb5+ axb5 7. ♗e2 ♗d7 8. 0–0 h5?! 9. ♗f4 g6 10. ♗f3 ♗b6 11. h4 ♗h6 12. ♗d3 ♗f5 13. g3 ♕e7 14. ♕g5 ♖a7 15. ♙c1 ♖f8 16. ♖g2 ♖g7 17. ♖h1 ♗c4 18. ♙f4± Motylev–Rustemov, Tomsk 2004.

9 5. c4 dxc4 6. ♕xc4 ♕c6 7. 0–0 ♗e7 8. ♗c3 h6 9. ♙e2 ♗d7 10. ♖d1± Lau–Benjamin, New York 1985;

5. ♗c3 ♕b4 6. ♕e2 ♗e7 7. 0–0 c5 8. a3 ♕xc3 9. bxc3 ♕a4 10. dxc5 ♗bc6 11. ♖b1 ♙c7 12. ♕f4 0–0 13. ♕d3± Prié–Bauer, French Championship, Nantes 1993;

5. c3 ♕b5 6. ♗bd2 ♗c6 7. a4 ♕xf1 8. ♗xf1 f6 9. ♗g3 ♙d7 10. h4 fxe5 11. dxe5 ♗d8 = Ginzburg–Firman, Hengelo 2001.

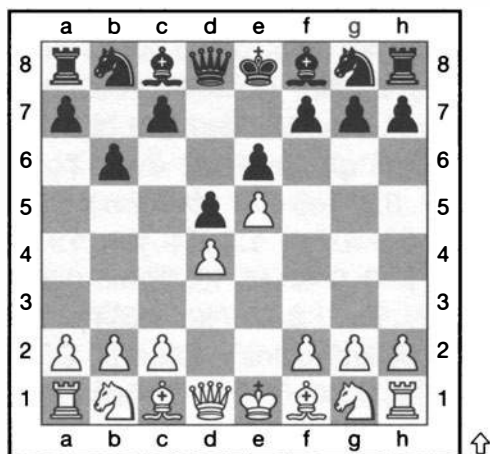


10 5...♗e7 6. h4!? [6. ♖c3!? c5 (6...h6 7. ♗h4 g5 8. ♗g3 ♗f5 9. ♗d3 ♗xg3 10. hxg3 c5 11. dxc5 ♗xc5 12. ♖d2±) 7. ♗d3 cxd4 8. ♗xd4 ♖b6 9. ♗b3 ♗bc6 10. ♖e2 ♗g6 11. 0-0-0?! (11. ♗xg6 hxg6 12. 0-0-0±) 11...d4 (11...♗gxe5! 12. ♗xd5 exd5 13. f4 ♗g4-+) 12. ♗xg6 hxg6 13. ♗e4∞ Kavalek – Benjamin, US Championship, Estes Park 1985] 6...♗b5 7. ♗xb5+ axb5 8. h5 h6 9. ♗f4 ♗d7 10. c3 ♗b6 11. ♗bd2 ♗c4 12. b3 ♗xd2 13. ♖xd2 c6 14. ♗h3 ♗c8 15. ♗f1± Kiik – Kärner, Helsinki 1995.

11 6...dxc4 7. ♗xc4 ♗c6 8. ♗c3 h6 9. ♗h4 ♗e7 10. d5 exd5 11. ♗xd5 ♖d7 12. 0-0 ♗xd5 13. ♗xd5 ♗xh4 14. e6! fxe6 15. ♗e5 ♖xd5 16. ♖h5+ ♗e7 17. ♗ad1+- Grosar – Sulava, Pula 1992.

12 11. ♗c1! ♗xf3 (11...a5? 12. d5 exd5 13. ♗d3!!+- Bronstein – Kärner, Tallinn 1981) 12. ♖xf3 c6 13. ♗e4±.

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a) 4. ♗b5+ c6 (4...♗d7?! 5. ♗d3 c5 6. c3 ♗c6 7. ♗f3 f6 8. 0-0 fxe5 9. dxe5 ♖c7 10. ♗e1 ♗h6 11. c4! d4 12. ♗a3± Anand – Rogers, Interzonal, Manila 1990) 5. ♗a4 (5. ♗d3 ♗a6 6. ♗f3 ♗xd3 7. ♖xd3±) 5...b5 (5...a5 6. c3 ♗a6 7. ♗e2 ♗e7 8. 0-0 ♗d7 9. ♗e1 ♗c8 10. ♗g3± Erenburg – Deutsch, Tel Aviv 2002) 6. ♗b3 c5 7. c3 ♗e7 8. ♗f3 ♗ec6 9. 0-0 h6 10. ♗e3 ♗d7 11. ♗bd2 c4 12. ♗c2 b4± Shabalov – Seirawan, US Championship, Chandler 1997;

b) 4. ♗h3!? ♗a6 5. ♗xa6 ♗xa6 6. 0-0 ♖d7 7. ♗e3 ♗e7 8. a4 ♗b8 9. a5 ♗bc6 10. axb6 cxb6 11. c3 ♗a5 12. ♗a3± Velimirović – Marić, Yugoslavia 1966;

c) 4. ♗f3 ♗e7!? [4...♖d7 5. c4!? ♗e7 (5...♗b4+!? 6. ♗c3 ♗e7 7. a3 ♗xc3+ 8. bxc3 ♗a6 9. cxd5 ♖xd5 10. ♗xa6 ♗xa6 11. 0-0 ♗b8 = Kupreichik – Vaganian, Berlin 1991) 6. ♗c3 ♗b7 7. ♗e2 (7. ♗e3! h6 8. ♗c1 ♗bc6 9. a3± Volkov – Vaganian, Aeroflot Open, Moscow 2005) ♗bc6 8. 0-0 dxc4 9. ♗xc4 ♗a5 10. ♗b5 ♗c6 11. ♗d3 ♗d5 12. ♗d2± Sax – Short, London 1980] 5. ♗c3 ♗a6 6. ♗xa6 ♗xa6 7. 0-0 ♖d7 8. ♗e2 (8. ♖e2 ♗b8 9. a4 ♗bc6 10. ♗d1±) 8...♗b8 (8...c5 9. dxc5 bxc5 10. ♗g3 ♖b5 11. b3 h6 12. c4! ♖b7 13. ♖e2± Svidler – Rustemov, German League 2003/04) 9. ♗g3 ♗bc6 10. b3 0-0-0 11. ♗b2 ♗b7 12. c4 ♗f5 13. ♖e2 ♗e7 14. ♗ad1 g5± Ulibin – Rustemov, Tomsk 2004; 4. f4?!

d) 4. c4!? dxc4 5. ♗xc4 ♗b7 6. ♗f3 ♗e7 7. ♗c3 ♖d7 8. 0-0 h6 9. ♖e2 ♗bc6 10. a3 ♗a5 11. ♗a2 ♗d5 12. ♗d2± I. Zaitsev – Kärner, Sochi 1977;

e) 4. f4?!

14 a) 5. a4 a5 (5...♗a6 6. ♗xa6 ♗xa6 7. ♖d3 ♖c8 8. b4 ♗e7 9. b5 ♗b8 10. ♗d2 a6 11. ♗b1 axb5 12. axb5 c6± Ye Jiangchuan – Ivanchuk, FIDE World Championship, Moscow 2001) 6. ♗d2 (6. ♗f3±; 6. f4?! ♗e7 7. ♗d2 h5 8. ♗df3 ♗a6 9. ♗xa6 ♗xa6 10. ♗e3 ♗f5 11. ♗f2 ♗e7 = Kupreichik – Korchnoi, Sochi 1970) 6...♗e7 7. ♗df3 c5 8. ♗d3 ♗a6 9. ♗e2 ♗xd3 10. ♖xd3 ♗bc6 11. 0-0 cxd4 12. ♗exd4 ♗xd4 13. ♗xd4 ♗c6 14. ♗b5 ♗c5± Ehlvest – Vaganian, 34th Olympiad, Istanbul 2000;

b) 5. h4 ♗a6 6. ♗xa6 ♗xa6 7. h5 c5 8. ♗e2 f6 9. ♗f4 ♗e7 10. ♗d2 ♗c6 11. ♗f3 ♗c8 12. 0-0 ♗ab8 13. ♗e1± Movsesian – Tibenský, Kaskády 2002;

c) 5. ♗e3 ♗e7 6. f4 h5 7. ♗d2 ♗f5 8. ♗f2 ♗a6 9. ♗xa6 ♗xa6 10. ♗e2 g6 11. ♗f3 ♗e7



12. ♖d3 ♜b8 13. 0–0 c5 14. c4± Kupreichik–Vaganian, 44th USSR Championship, Moscow 1976.

15 5...♗e7 6. h4 c5 7. h5 h6 8. b3?! ♙a6 9. ♙xa6 ♜xa6 10. ♖e2 ♜c7 11. dxc5 bxc5 12. c4 ♜c6 13. ♖h4?! d4 14. ♜bd2 0–0–0⇒ Schmitt–Short, Montpellier 2004; 5...c5 6. a4 (6. h4!?! ♙a6 7. ♙xa6 ♜xa6 8. ♖e2 ♜c7 9. h5 ♜h6?! 10. ♙g5 ♜f5 11. g4± Blatný–Gonzalez Rodriguez, Bern 1995) 6...♙a6 7. ♙xa6 ♜xa6 8. ♖e2 ♜c7 9. a5±.

16 6...h5 7. ♜a3 ♙xa3 8. ♖xa3 ♜e7 9. g3 ♙a6 10. h3 c5 11. ♙xa6 ♜xa6 12. ♜f1 cxd4 13. cxd4 0–0–0 14. ♜g2 ♜b7 15. ♖c3 ♖c8 16. ♜g5± Dvoiris–Vaganian, Istanbul 2003.

17 7...h5 8. ♜c2 ♙a6 9. ♙xa6 ♜xa6 10. 0–0 ♜f5 11. ♙g5 c5 12. ♜e3 ♜xe3 13. fxe3 b5 14. ♜h4 b4 15. ♜g6! fxg6 16. ♖d3→ Hába–Mészáros, Kecskemét 1993.

18 9. h4!?

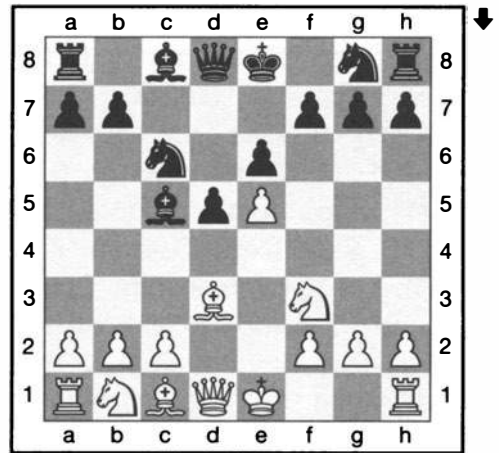
19 ♞9...♜b8.

20 11. ♜c2 (11. b3 c5 12. c4) 11...c5 12. h4! c4? (♞12...♜c6 13. h5 h6±) 13. ♖e2 h5 14. ♙g5± Sveshnikov–Vaganian, Moscow 1985.

21 4...♙xc5 5. ♖g4 (5. ♙d3 ♖b6 6. ♖e2 ♜c6 7. ♜f3 f6 8. 0–0 fxe5 9. ♜xe5 ♜xe5 10. ♖xe5 ♜f6 11. ♜c3 0–0⇒ Bronstein–Korchnoi, Herceg-Novi 1970) 5...♜e7 (5...♜f8 6. ♜f3 ♜e7 7. ♙d3 ♜bc6 8. 0–0 ♜g6 9. ♖g3 ♖c7 10. ♖e1 a6 11. c3± Karlovich–Alvarez Vila, Oropesa del Mar 2000) 6. b4 (6. ♖xg7 ♜g6∞) 6...♙b6 7. ♖xg7± (Keres) 7...♖g8 8. ♖xh7 ♖c7 9. ♜f3 ♜bc6 10. ♙f4 ♜d4 11. c3 ♜xf3+ 12. gxf3 ♙d7 13. a4 a5 14. b5 d4 15. c4±.

22 5. ♙f4?! ♙xc5 6. ♙d3 ♖b6! [6...♜ge7?! 7. ♜f3 ♜g6 8. ♙g3 0–0 9. 0–0 f5 10. exf6 ♖xf6 11. c4!? ♖xb2 12. ♙xg6! (12...♖xa1? 13. ♙xh7+ ♜xh7 14. ♖c2+ ♜g8 (14...g6 15. ♜g5+ ♜g7 16. ♜c3±) 15. ♜c3±) 12...hxg6 13. cxd5!∞ Velimirović–Kholmov, Yugoslavia–USSR, Odessa 1975] 7. ♙g3 ♖xb2 8. ♜d2 ♜xe5♣.

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a) 6...f5!? 7. c3 [7. 0–0 ♜ge7 8. c3 0–0 9. b4 ♙b6 10. b5 ♜a5 11. ♜bd2 ♙d7 12. ♙a3 ♖c8 13. ♖c1 ♙c5 14. ♙b4⇒ (Keres–van Doersburgh, Unofficial Olympiad, Munich 1936) 14...♜g6! 15. ♖a4 b6∞] 7...a6 8. ♜bd2 ♜ge7 9. ♜b3 ♙a7 10. 0–0 0–0 11. ♖e1 ♜g6⇒ Tarrasch–Lasker, St. Petersburg 1914;

b) 6...♖c7 7. ♙f4 ♜ge7 8. ♖e2 ♜g6 9. ♙g3 a6 10. c3 b5 (10...♙d7 11. ♜bd2 0–0 12. h4 h6⇒) 11. ♜bd2 ♙b7 12. h4± Hankipohja–Sorri, Finland 1967;

c) 6...f6 7. ♖e2 (7. ♙f4? fxe5 8. ♜xe5 ♖f6+) 7...fxe5 [7...♖c7!? 8. ♙b5 (8. ♙f4 g5! 9. ♙g3 g4 10. ♜fd2 ♜xe5♣; 8. exf6 ♜xf6♣) 8...fxe5 (8...♜f7!?!⇒) 9. ♖xe5 ♖xe5+ 10. ♜xe5 ♜ge7♣] 8. ♜xe5 ♜f6 9. ♙f4 [9. 0–0 ♜xe5 10. ♖xe5 0–0 11. c4 ♖b6 12. ♖e2 ♙d7 (12...e5!♣) 13. ♜d2 ♖ac8⇒ Makropoulos–Hug, 21st Olympiad, Nice 1974] 9...0–0 10. 0–0 ♜e4 (10...♖e8! ♠ ♜h5= Glek) 11. ♜xc6 bxc6 12. ♙e3 ♙xe3 13. ♖xe3⇒ Becker–Maróczy, Carlsbad 1929.

24 7. ♙f4 ♖b6 (7...♜g6 8. ♙g3 f5 9. exf6 ♖xf6 10. ♙xg6+ ♖xg6 11. 0–0 0–0= Polugaevsky–Antoshin, Tbilisi 1956) 8. 0–0 ♖xb2 9. ♜bd2 ♖b6 (♞9...♜g6! 10. ♖b1 ♖a3 11. ♙g3 0–0♣) 10. ♜b3 (10. c4!? h6 11. ♖c1 ♜b4 12. ♙e2 ♙d7 13. a3 ♜a6 14. ♖b1↑ Keres–Alexandrescu, Unofficial Olympiad, Munich 1936) 10...♜g6 11. ♙g3 ♙e7 12. h4 ♞ Nimzowitsch–Spielmann, San Sebastian 1912.



25 9...a5 10. a4 ♖b8?! (10...♗b6!?)
11. ♗e2 ♖b6 12. ♘a3 0–0 13. ♘b5± ♘a7?!
14. ♙e3 ♙xe3 15. ♗xe3 ♘xb5 16. axb5 b6
17. ♘d4 f5 18. f4± Steinitz–Showalter, Vi-
enna 1898.

26 11. ♘c2 ♙c7 12. ♙xg6 hxg6
(12...fxg6!?) 13. ♙f4 ♗e7 14. ♘cd4 ♖c8
15. ♗d3 ♖b6⇒ Nimzowitsch–Alekhine, St.
Petersburg 1914.

27 a) 4...♘c6 5. ♘f3 (5. c3 cxd4 6. cxd4
♗b6 7. ♘f3 ♘h6⌘ Atalik) 5...♗a5+ 6. c3
[6. ♙d2?! ♘h6! 7. ♗g5 ♗b6 8. b3 ♘f5 9. ♙d3
♘fxd4 10. ♘xd4 ♘xd4 (10...cxd4 11. 0–0
♗c7 12. f4⌘ Atalik) 11. 0–0 ♙d7 12. ♘c3 h6
13. ♗h5 ♙e7 14. ♖fe1 g6 15. ♗d1 h5 16. a4
♙c6 17. ♗c1 h4 18. h3 ♖h5⌘ Popadić–Atalik,
Budva 2003] 6...cxd4 7. ♘xd4 [⌘ 7. ♙e2
dxc3 (7...h5!?) 8. ♘xc3 ♘ge7 9. ♙d2⌘]
7...f5 (7...♘xe5!⌘) 8. ♗d1 ♘xd4 9. ♗xd4
♘e7 10. ♙f4 ♘c6 11. ♗d2 ♙e7⌘ Hector–
Dokhoian, Copenhagen 1991;

b) 4...♗a5+!? 5. c3 (5. ♘d2 ♘c6 6. ♘gf3?
♘h6 7. ♗f4 ♘b4 8. ♘d1 c4⌘ Nei–Gleizerov,
Österskär 1995; 5. ♙d2 ♗b6 6. b3 cxd4
7. ♘f3 ♘c6 8. ♙d3 ♘b4 9. 0–0 ♘xd3
10. cxd3 ♘e7 11. ♘a3 ♙d7⇒ Pinski–
Zontakh, Kazimierz Dolny 2001) 5...cxd4
6. ♗xd4 (6. ♘f3 ♘c6 7. ♙d3 dxc3 8. ♘xc3
d4 9. ♘xd4 ♗xe5+ 10. ♙e3 ♘f6 11. ♗h4
♘xd4 12. ♗xd4 ♗xd4 13. ♙xd4 ♙d7⌘)
6...♘c6 7. ♗f4 ♘ge7 8. ♙d3 ♘g6 9. ♙xg6
hxg6 10. ♘f3 ♗a6 11. ♘g5 ♘d8 12. ♘d2 ♗d3
13. ♘b3 b6 14. ♙d2 (14. ♘d4 ♙a6 15. ♗f3
♗xf3 16. ♘gxf3 f6 17. ♙e3 g5 18. g4 ♙d3⌘)
14...♙d7 15. 0–0–0 ♖c8 16. ♙e1 ♗a6⌘ I. Ra-
binovich–Botvinnik, Moscow 1937.

28 6...♗c7!? 7. 0–0 ♘xe5 (7...f6 8. ♙xh7
♘xe5 9. ♘xe5 fxe5 10. ♙g6+ ♘d8 11. h3 ♘f6
12. ♗d1 ♙d6 13. c3 dxc3 14. ♘xc3 ♙d7⌘
Smyslov–Lisitsyn, Moscow 1942) 8. ♘xe5
♗xe5 9. ♙f4 ♘f6 10. ♗g3 (10. ♙b5+ ♙d7
11. ♙xd7+ ♘xd7 12. ♗g3 ♗f5⌘) 10...♗h5∞;
6...f6 7. ♙xh7 ♘xe5 8. ♘xe5 fxe5 9. ♗g6+
♘e7 10. ♙xg8 ♖xg8∞ Baranov–Yakhin,
USSR 1974.

29 8...♗c7 9. ♗g3 [9. ♗h5∞; 9. ♙g5?!
♘gxe5 (9...a6) 10. ♘xe5 ♘xe5⌘]



9...♙d7 10. h4 ♖c8 11. h5 ♘ge7 12. ♘bd2 f6
13. ♘b3 fxe5 14. ♘xe5 ♘xe5 15. ♖xe5
♘c6 16. ♙f4→; 9...♙c5?! 10. h4 ♘f8
(10...0–0 11. h5 ♘h8 12. ♘g5 g6 13. ♘f3±)
11. h5 ♘ge7± Nimzowitsch–Székely,
Kecskemét 1927; 9...f5; 9...♙d7⇒; 9...f6
10. ♙xg6+ hxg6 11. c3 d3 12. ♗xg6+ ♗f7
13. ♗xd3 fxe5⌘ Yukhtman–Matulović,
USSR–Yugoslavia, Kiev 1959; 9...♘b4
10. ♘xd4 ♘xd3 11. cxd3⇒.

30 9. a3!? ♙d7! [9...0–0 10. h4 (10. ♘bd2
f5 11. ♗g3 a5 12. ♘b3 ♗b6 13. h4 a4
14. h5!?)∞ Gershkovich–Petrosian, Tbilisi
1945) 10...♗c7 (10...♘xh4? 11. ♙xh7+ ♘xh7
12. ♘g5+ ♙xg5 13. ♙xg5 ♗c7 14. ♗xh4+
♘g8 15. ♙f6+–) 11. ♙g5 (11. ♙xg6 fxg6
12. ♘bd2 ♖f5⌘) 11...♙xg5 12. hxg5⇒]
10. b4 ♗c7 11. b5 h5 12. ♗g3 h4 13. ♗g4
♘cxe5 14. ♘xe5 ♘xe5 15. ♗xg7 ♖h5!⌘;
9. h4?! ♙xh4⌘.

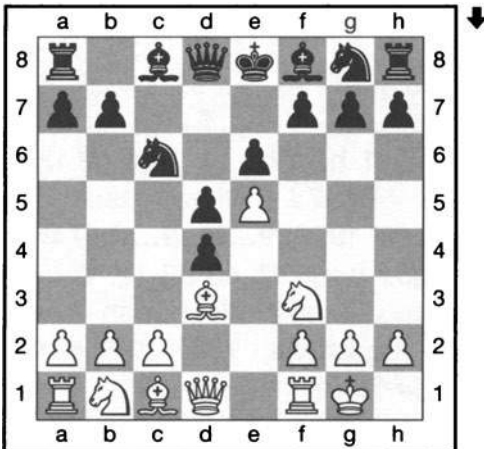
31 9...♙d7 10. cxd4 ♘b4 11. ♖d1 h5
12. ♗h3 ♘xd3 13. ♖xd3 ♙a4 14. b3 ♙b5⌘;
9...0–0 10. cxd4 ♘b4 11. ♖d1 f5 12. ♗h5
♗e8 13. ♘e1 ♙d7 14. ♘c3 ♗f7 15. ♙e2
♖fc8⇒ Honfi–Uhlmann, Leipzig 1982.

32 11. ♙d2 (11. a3!?) 11...♘b4 12. ♙b1
♖c8 13. a3 ♘c6 (13...♘a6 14. ♙d3
♘c5 15. ♙c2⌘) 14. ♙d3 0–0⌘ Svesh-
nikov–Komarov, Vrnjačka Banja 1999;
14...♘a5!⌘⌘.

33 4...cxd4 5. ♖xd4!? (5. ♔d3 ♗e7!? 6. 0-0 ♗g6!? 7. ♔xg6 hxg6 8. ♖xd4 ♗c6 9. ♗f4 = Short) 5...♗c6 6. ♗f4 ♖c7 7. ♗c3 a6 8. ♔d3 ♗ge7 9. 0-0 ♗g6 10. ♖g3 ♗gxe5 11. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 12. ♖e1 f6 13. ♗xd5 exd5 14. f4∞ Velimirović–Kholmov, Yugoslavia–USSR, Odessa 1975; 4...♖b6 5. ♔d3 cxd4 6. 0-0 ♗d7 7. ♗bd2 ♗e7 8. ♗b3 ♗c6 9. ♖e1 g6 10. ♔f4 ♔g7 11. ♖d2 0-0 12. h4 ♖c7?! Keres–Ståhlberg, 6th Olympiad, Warsaw 1935; 12...a5!?! =.

34 5. dxc5 see 4. dxc5.

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a) 6...f6!? 7. ♔b5 [7. ♖e2 (7...♖c7 8. ♔f4 g5 9. ♔g3 g4 10. ♗h4 f5 11. ♗d2?! (11. f3) 11...♔h6 12. ♗xf5?! (12. f4∞) 12...exf5 13. e6 ♖g7!† Kogan–Glek, Copenhagen 1996) 7...fxe5 8. ♗xe5 ♗f6 9. ♔g5 (9. ♔f4 ♔d6 10. ♗d2 0-0 11. ♖ae1 ♖ ♖c7; 9. ♔b5 ♖c7 ♖ 10. c3 d3!; 9. ♗d2 ♗xe5 10. ♖xe5 ♔d6 11. ♖xd4 e5 ♖) 9...♔d6? Rauzer–Grigoriev, Odessa 1929; 9...♗xe5! 10. ♖xe5 ♔d6! 11. ♖xd4 0-0 12. ♗d2 ♖c7 13. ♖h4 h6 ♖] 7...♔d7 8. ♔xc6 bxc6 9. ♖xd4 fxe5 (9...♖b6!?) 10. ♖xe5 ♗f6 11. ♔f4 ♔c5 = Alekhine–Euwe, Nottingham 1936;

b) 6...f5 7. ♗bd2! (7. a3 a5 8. ♔b5 ♔d7 9. ♔xc6 bxc6 10. ♖xd4 c5 11. ♖f4 ♗h6 12. c4 d4 ♖ Crosa–Leitão, São Paulo 2002) 7...♗ge7 8. ♗b3 ♗g6 9. ♖e1 ♔e7 (9...♖b6 10. a4!?! ♔b4 11. ♔d2 ♔xd2 12. ♖xd2 ±)

10. ♗bxd4 0-0 11. c4 ± (Keres) 11...♗xd4 12. ♗xd4 ♖b6 13. ♗f3 ±;

c) 6...♔c5 7. ♗bd2 (7. a3 ♗ge7 8. ♗bd2 ♗g6 9. ♗b3 ♔b6 10. ♖e1 ♔d7 11. g3 f6 12. ♔xg6+ hxg6 13. ♖d3 ♗f7 14. h4 ♖g8! 15. ♔d2 ♖h7 16. ♔b4 g5! ♖ Bondarevsky–Botvinnik, Leningrad/Moscow 1941; 7. c3!?) 7...♗ge7 8. ♗b3 ♔b6 9. ♔f4 ♗g6 10. ♔g3 (10. ♔xg6 hxg6 11. ♖e1 ♔d7 12. ♔g3 ♖c8 13. ♖e2 ♗e7 14. ♗bxd4 ♗f5 15. ♗xf5 gx f5 ♖ Levenfish–Botvinnik, Leningrad 1937) 10...f5 11. h4 0-0 12. h5 ♗h8∞;

d) 6...♔d7 7. ♖e1 h6 8. a3 ♔c5 (8...♗ge7) 9. ♗bd2 ♗ge7 10. b4! ♔b6 11. ♗b3 a6 12. ♔b2 0-0 13. ♖d2?! Hodgson–Morozevich, Amsterdam 1996; 13. ♗bxd4 ♗xd4 14. ♗xd4 ±.

36 7. ♖e1 ♗g6 8. ♗bd2 [8. a3?! ♔d7 (8...♔e7 9. ♗bd2 0-0 10. ♗b3 f5 =) 9. b4 ♖c7 10. ♖e2 ♔e7 11. b5 ♗a5 12. ♔g5? (12. ♗xd4 ♖ Short) 12...♗c4?! Short–Bareev, Tilburg 1991; 12...♔xg5 13. ♗xg5 ♗c4+ Short] 8...♔e7 9. ♗b3 0-0 10. ♗bxd4 ♔d7 =; 7. ♗bd2.

37 8...♖b6?! 9. ♗bd2 ♖xb2 [9...♗b4!?! 10. ♗b3 (10. ♔xg6 fxf6!?! 11. ♗b3 ♔e7 12. ♗fxd4 0-0 = Gurevich) 10...♗xd3 11. ♖xd3 ♔d7 12. ♗fxd4 ♔e7 13. f4 0-0 14. ♗h1 ♗h8!?! (14...f6 15. exf6 ♔xf6 16. c3∞ Gurevich) 15. ♔e1 (15. f5? exf5 16. ♗xf5 ♔b5 ♖) 15...a5 = Seoul–Gurevich, Bad Godesberg 1996; 15...♖a6!?! 16. ♖xa6 bxa6 = Gurevich] 10. ♗b3 ♖ [10. ♖b1 ♖xa2 (10...♖c3 11. h4!?! 1) 11. ♗b3† Gurevich]; 8...f5 9. exf6 (9. h4?! h5 ♖) 9...gxf6 10. ♗xd4 ♗xd4 11. ♔xg6+ hxg6 12. ♖xd4 =.

38 9. ♖e1 ♖b6 10. ♗bd2 ♔d7 11. ♗b3 ♖c8 12. a3 a6 13. h4 ♔d8 14. ♖d2 ♖ Keres–Hazenfuss, Kemerli 1937.

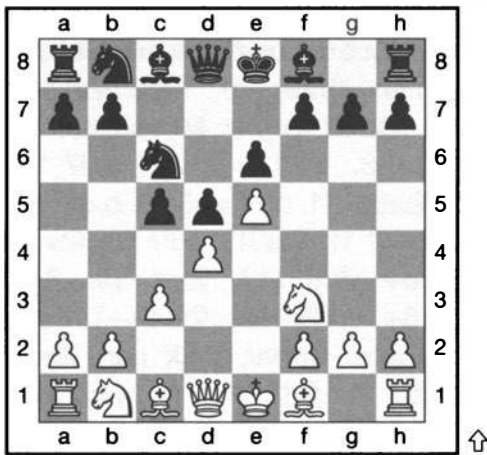
39 9...0-0 10. h4 [10. ♗b3 ♔d7 (10...f5 11. exf6 gxf6 12. ♗fxd4 e5 13. ♗f5 e4 14. ♗xe7+ ♖xe7 15. ♔b5 f5 16. f4∞ Štoček–Matlak, Czech League 1999/2000) 11. ♗bxd4 ♗xd4 12. ♗xd4 ♖b6 13. ♔xg6 fxf6 14. ♖d2 g5! =] 10...f5∞.



40 10. h3 0-0 11. ♖e1 ♗h4 12. ♙xh4 ♙xh4 13. ♗b3 ♙d7 14. ♗xh4 ♜xh4 15. ♙b5 = Hodgson – Ree, Wijk aan Zee 1986.

41 11. ♗h4 (11. ♖e1 e5 12. ♗h4 ♗xh4 13. ♜h5+ ♗d7 14. ♙xh4 ♗c7 15. ♙g3 ♙d6 ≠ Kivisto – Tukmakov, Moscow 1985) 11... ♗ge5 (11... ♗xh4! 12. ♜h5+ ♗d7 13. ♜xh4 e5 14. c4 dxc3 15. bxc3 ♗c7 ≠; 11... ♗f7 12. ♜h5 f5∞; 11... f5 12. ♗xg6 hxg6 13. ♗f3 ♙f6 14. ♖e1 ♞) 12. ♜h5+ ♗d7 13. ♙b5 ♜e8 14. ♜e2 a6 15. ♙xc6+ ♗xc6 16. c4 (16. c4 ♞) 16... dxc3 17. bxc3 [17. ♗e4?! ♗d4 (17... cxb2 18. ♜xb2 ♜f7 19. ♗c3 =) 18. ♜d3 cxb2 19. ♜xd4 bxa1 ♜ 20. ♖xa1 ♜f7 ≠] 17... ♜f7 18. ♖ad1 ♖d8 (18... ♗e8 19. c4 =) 19. ♗c4 ♙c5 20. ♗e3 ♗e7 21. ♗h1 ♗e8 = Spraggett – Gurevich, Havana 1986.

42 4... ♗e7 5. ♗f3 ♗ec6 (5... ♗f5 6. h4 ♙e7 7. ♙d3 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗c6 9. ♙xf5 exf5 10. ♙g5 ± Sveshnikov – Agrinsky, Moscow 1998)



a) 6. h4 ♗d7 7. h5 f6! = Sveshnikov – Kovačević, Belgrade 1988;

b) 6. ♙e3!? ♗d7 7. ♙d3 a5 8. ♗bd2 cxd4 9. cxd4 a4 10. a3 ♙e7 11. h4 ± Kupreichik – Kovačević, Ljubljana/Portorož 1989; 11. 0-0 f6 12. exf6 ♗xf6 13. ♗e5 ±;

c) 6. ♙g5 ♜d7?! (6... ♜b6 =) 7. dxc5 ♙xc5 8. ♙d3 Sveshnikov – Zeller, Böblingen 1991;

8. b4 ♙b6 9. b5 ±) 8... ♜c7! 9. ♜e2 ♗d7 10. ♙f4 f6! =;

d) 6. ♙d3 b6 7. ♙g5 ♜d7 8. 0-0 ♙a6 9. dxc5 bxc5 10. ♙xa6 ♗xa6 11. c4 ± Sveshnikov – Lputian, Moscow 1989.

43 5. ♙d3 ♙d7 [5... cxd4 6. cxd4 ♗c6 (6... ♙d7 = Keres) 7. ♗f3 ♙d7 see 4... ♗c6] 6. ♜e2!? (6. dxc5 ♙xc5 7. ♜e2) 6... cxd4 7. ♗f3 ♗c6 8. 0-0 ♗ge7!? 9. a3 ♞ Garcia – Cardenas Serrano, Havana 1991.

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6. a3 – See Table 2 on page 64 ff.

6. ♗a3!? cxd4 7. cxd4 ♙b4+ [7... ♗c6 8. ♙e2 ♙b4+ 9. ♗f1!? ♙e7 10. h4 f6 11. ♖h3! ♗h6?! (△ 11... fxe5 12. dxe5 ♙c5 13. ♖g3 ♙xf2 14. ♖xg7 ♗ge7 15. ♙d3 ♙c5∞) 12. ♙xh6 gxh6 13. ♜d2! Kupreichik – Timoshchenko, Odessa 1968] 8. ♙d2 ♗c6 9. ♗c2 a5 10. ♙d3 ♙xd2+ 11. ♜xd2 ♗ge7 =; 11... ♗b4?! (Kupreichik – Zlotnik, Cheliabinsk 1975) 12. ♗xb4 ♜xb4 13. ♜xb4 axb4 14. ♗d2 ±;

6. ♗bd2

a) 6... a5?! 7. ♙d3 ♗c6 8. dxc5 ♙xc5 9. ♜e2! ♗ge7?! (9... a4 10. b4 axb3 11. ♗xb3 ♙e7 12. 0-0 ±) 10. ♗b3 a4 11. ♗xc5 ♜xc5 12. 0-0 ± Erenburg – Gunnarsson, Pardubice 2003;

b) 6... ♗h6 7. ♗b3! ♙a4 8. ♙xh6 gxh6 9. dxc5 ♙xc5 10. ♜d2 ♙xb3 11. axb3 ♗c6 12. ♜c2 ♖c8 13. ♖a4 ± Dvoiris – Eingorn, Genf 2001;

c) 6... ♙b5!?;



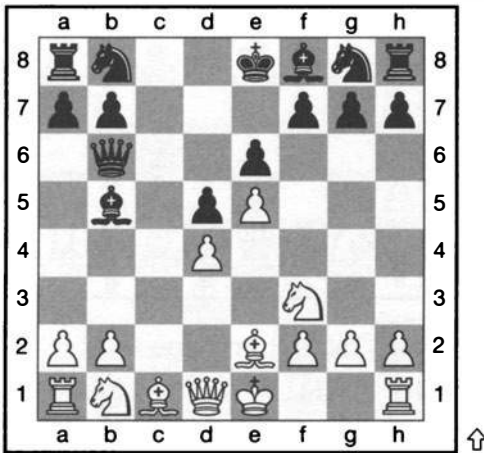
d) 6...cxd4 7. dxd4 (7. d3) 7...c6
8. d2f3 dxd4 9. dxd4 dxc5 10. ♖g4 dxe7
11. d3 dxd4 12. ♖xd4 ♖xd4 13. cxd4
dxf5 14. dxe3 dxe3 15. fxe3 ♖c8= Bareev –
Eingorn, Chalkidiki 2002;

6. ♖b3!? dxc6 (6...c4?! 7. ♖c2±; 6...♖xb3
7. axb3 dxc6 8. dxc5!? dxc5 9. b4 dxb6±;
6...cxd4 7. ♖xb6 axb6 8. dxd4!±) 7. d3
d3a5 8. ♖xb6 axb6 9. dxc2 dxe7 10. dxe2±
Aseev – Rustemov, St. Petersburg 1997;
10. d3!?

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45 6...dxc6 See 4...dxc6; 6...cxd4 7. cxd4
d3b5



a) 8. 0-0 dxe2 9. ♖xe2 dxc6 [9...♖a6
10. ♖d1 (10. ♖xa6 dxa6=) 10...dxc6 11. d3
d3ge7 12. d3c3 d3f5 13. g4 d3xe3 14. fxe3 d3e7
15. d3e2± Rozentalis – Schmidt, Zakopane
2000] 10. d3e3 d3ge7 11. d3c3 d3f5 12. ♖fc1
(12. g4 d3xe3 13. fxe3 d3e7=) 12...d3e7
13. d3a4 ♖d8 14. a3 0-0 15. b4 ♖d7 16. d3c5
d3xc5 17. ♖xc5 ♖fc8= Hoffman – Psakhis,
Benasque 1994;

b) 8. ♖b3 dxe2 9. ♖xb6 axb6 10. d3xe2
d3e7 11. d3c3 d3ec6=;

c) 8. d3xb5+ ♖xb5 9. d3c3 d3b4 10. d3d2
♖a6= Glek;

d) 8. d3c3 d3xe2 9. d3xe2 d3e7 (9...d3b4+!?
10. d3d2 d3e7=) 10. 0-0 d3d7 11. d3f4 h5
12. ♖d3 g6 13. d3d2 d3f5 14. ♖fc1± Naka-
mura – Paschall, Bermuda 2003.

a) 7. 0-0 dxe2 8. ♖xe2 ♖a6!? 9. ♖d1
d3d7! (9...c4 10. ♖e1 d3c6 11. d3bd2 0-0-0
12. d3f1± Hecht – Karpov, Moscow 1977)
10. d3e3 (10. d3xc5!? Kaidanov) 10...d3e7?
(10...♖c8!) 11. d3xc5! d3g6 12. b4± Svesh-
nikov – Zlotnik, Odessa 1975;

b) 7. d3xc5!? d3xc5 8. b4 [8. 0-0 d3xe2
(8...a5?! 9. d3xb5+ ♖xb5 10. d3a3! d3xa3?!
11. b3xa3 d3e7 12. a4 ♖c4 13. ♖b1± Gulko –
Vitolins, Tbilisi 1979) 9. ♖xe2 ♖a6 (9...a5!?
10. a4 d3e7 11. d3a3 0-0 12. d3b5 d3d7!
13. d3d2 d3c6= Lobzhanidze – Volkov, Bad
Wörishofen 1999) 10. ♖c2 d3d7 11. a4
♖c8 12. d3bd2 d3e7= Movsesian – Volkov,
ICC 2004] 8...d3xf2+ 9. d3f1 d3d7 10. ♖d2
[10. c4 d3a6!? 11. c5 d3xc5 12. b3xc5 d3xc5∞;
10...d3xc4?! 11. d3a3!± a6? 12. d3xc4 ♖a7
13. d3d6+ d3f8 (13...d3e7 14. d3g5+ f6
15. exf6+ gx6 16. d3e4+-) 14. d3c8!
1-0, Rogers – Sribar, Wijk aan Zee 1977]
10...d3h6! 11. d3d3?? (11. c4±; 11. a4!?)
11...d3g4± Svidler – Shirov, León 2004;

c) 7. d3e3!N d3xe2 8. ♖xe2 d3c6 9. 0-0 a6
10. d3bd2!? cxd4 (10...♖xb2 11. c4! cxd4
12. ♖ab1 ♖xa2 13. d3xd4) 11. d3xd4 d3xd4
12. d3xd4 d3c5 13. ♖g4 g6= Kupreichik –
Hába, Regensburg 2000.

47 7...d3xc4!? 8. d3c3 (8. a4 d3c6
9. d3a3±) 8...cxd4 9. d3xd4 d3a6!? (9...d3c6;
9...d3d7?!±) 10. d3e3 (10. 0-0 d3d7 11. ♖a4
♖b4 12. ♖xb4 d3xb4 13. d3cb5 d3xb5



14. ♖xb5 ♗e7∞) 10...♖a5 (♗ 10...♗xb2)
11. f4 ♖h6 12. ♗c2 (12. ♗d2 ♖d7 13. ♖f3 ♗)
12...♖c5 13. 0–0 ♗ Yagupov – Rustemov,
Moscow 1994.

48 8...dxc4 9. d5 exd5 (9...♖e7 10. dxe6
♗xe6! 11. ♖c3 ♖ec6! 12. 0–0 ♖e7 13. ♖g5!
0–0 14. ♖xe7 ♖xe7?! 15. ♖e4 ♖d7 16. ♖fg5
♗c6 17. ♗c2! h6 18. ♖ad1 ♖d5 19. ♖c3
h×g5 20. ♖xd5±, Goloshchapov – Volkov,
Abu Dhabi 2005) 10. ♗xd5 ♖e7 11. ♗e4
(11. ♗xc4 ♗b4+ 12. ♖bd2 ♗xc4 13. ♖xc4
♖g6 14. h4 h5 15. ♖g5± Sax – Dreev,
Tilburg 1992) 11...♗c6 (11...♖d7 12. 0–0
♗c6 13. ♗xc4 ♖b6 14. ♗e2 ♖ed5 15. a4±
Zaitsev – Doda, Riga 1968) 12. ♗xc4 ♗a6!
(12...♖d7 13. 0–0 ♖b6 14. ♗e2 ♖ed5
15. a4± Salem – Volzhin, Abu Dhabi 2001)
13. ♗e4 (13. ♖a3± Zlotnik) 13...♖bc6
14. ♖bd2 0–0–0? Zaitsev – Krasnov, USSR
1968; 14...♖d4! 15. ♖xd4 cxd4 16. ♗xd4
♖c6 ♗.

49 10. 0–0 ♖c6 11. dxc5 ♖xc5 12. a3
♗b5 13. ♖e4 (13. ♗e2 ♖ge7 14. ♖xc4
♖f5 15. b4± Galdunts – Gavrillov, Naberezh-
nye Chelny 1988) 13...♖ge7 14. ♖e3 ♖d8
15. ♗e2 ♖xe3 16. ♖d6+ ♖xd6 17. exd6
♖xf2+ 18. ♖xf2± Adams – Illescas Cordoba,
Las Palmas 1994.

50 10...♗a5 11. 0–0 ♖c6 12. ♖xc4 ♗a6
13. ♖d6+!? ♖xd6 14. exd6 cxd4 15. d7+!
♗e7 16. ♖xd4 ♖f6 17. ♖f5+!→ Wolf –
Gerbich, corr. 1988;

10...♗b5 11. 0–0 [11. ♗e2 cxd4 12. ♖xd4
♗d5 13. ♖4f3! (13. ♖2f3 ♖c5 14. ♖e3 ♖xd4
15. ♖xd4 ♖c6 16. 0–0–0 ♖ge7∞ Ivell –
Beliavsky, London 1985) 13...♖d7 14. ♖xc4
♖c8 15. ♖e3 ♗e4 16. b4± Howell – Mestel,
Swansea 1987] 11...♖e7 (11...♖c6) 12. ♖e4
♖d5 13. dxc5 ♖d7 (13...♖xc5 14. ♗e2 ♖d7
15. b4 ♖e7 16. ♖g5 ♗) 14. ♖d6+ ♖xd6
15. cxd6 0–0?! Illescas Cordoba – Beliavsky,
Madrid 1995; 15...c3!±.

Notes



Table 2

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖b6 5. ♘f3
 ♙d7 6. a3!?

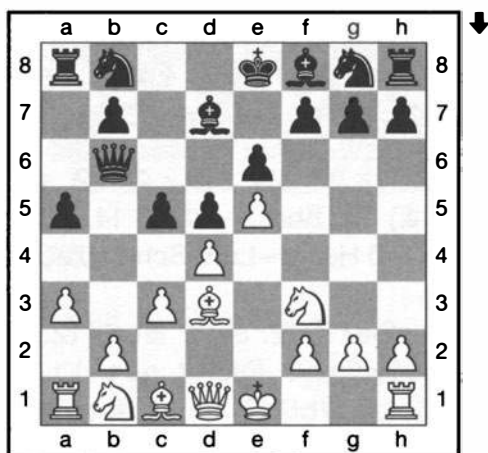


	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
8	... a5	b3! ⁵¹ ♘a6 ⁵²	♙e3 ♞c8	♙d3 ♘e7 ⁵³	0-0 ⁵⁴ ♘f5 ⁵⁵	♙xf5 exf5	♘bd2!? ⁵⁶ ♙e7	c4 ♙e6 ⁵⁷	±
9	... cxd4	cxd4 ♙b5	♙xb5+ ♞xb5	♘c3 ♞a6 ⁵⁸	♙d2!? ⁵⁹ ♘d7 ⁶⁰	b4!? ⁶¹ ♞d3 ⁶²	♘e2 ⁶³ ♞c8	0-0 ♘e7 ⁶⁴	±
10	... ♙b5	c4 ⁶⁵ dxc4!? ⁶⁶	♘c3 ⁶⁷ ♘c6	d5 0-0-0!	d6 ⁶⁸ f6	♘xb5 ♞xb5	♞c2 ♘xe5	♘xe5 fxe5 ⁶⁹	=
11	... ...	b4 cxd4 ⁷⁰	♙xb5+ ⁷¹ ♞xb5	cxd4 ⁷² ♘d7 ⁷³	♘c3 ♞c6 ⁷⁴	♘a4! ⁷⁵ a5!? ⁷⁶	♙d2□ axb4	axb4 ⁷⁷ ♞a6 ⁷⁸	∞



51 7. ♙e2 a4 (7...♜e7 8. dxc5 ♖c7 9. b4 ♜bc6 10. ♙b2 ♜xe5 11. ♜bd2 ♜7g6 12. c4 dxc4 13. 0-0 ♙e7 14. ♜xe5 ♜xe5 15. f4 ♜g6 16. ♜xc4± Sveshnikov – Dambrauskas, Vilnius 1997) 8. 0-0 ♜c6 9. ♙d3 ♜a5 10. ♙c2 ♜c4 11. ♜g5!?! ∞ Sveshnikov – Volkov, Dubai 2002; (11. ♙a2);

7. ♙d3



a) 7...♙b5 8. 0-0 ♙xd3 9. ♖xd3 ♜c6 10. dxc5 ♙xc5 11. c4 ♖a6 12. ♜bd2 ♜ge7 = Suetin – Lputian, Daugavpils 1978;

b) 7...cxd4!?! 8. cxd4 ♜c6 9. 0-0 ♜xd4 10. ♜xd4 ♖xd4 11. ♜c3 (11. ♖e2 ♖)

b1) 11...♜e7 12. ♜b5 ♖xe5 13. ♙e1 ♖b8 14. ♖f3 ♙xb5! 15. ♙xb5+ ♜c6 16. ♖xd5 ♖d6! 17. ♖c4 ♖ I. Zaitsev – Lempert, Moscow 1994;

b2) 11...♙c8 12. ♖e2 ♜e7 13. ♜h1 ♖h4!?! 14. f4 ♜f5 15. ♙xf5 exf5 16. ♜xd5 ♙c5 17. ♙e3 0-0± Velimirović – Ivkov, Titograd 1965;

b3) 11...♜h6 12. ♜b5 ♖xe5 13. ♙e1 ♖b8 14. ♖f3 ♙d6 15. ♜xd6+ ♖xd6 16. ♙f4 ♖e7 17. ♖g3 f6 ♖ I. Zaitsev – Geller, Moscow 1982;

b4) 11...♖b6 12. ♖g4 g6 (12...f5 13. exf6?! ♜xf6 14. ♖g3 ♙e7! 15. ♖xg7 ♙g8 16. ♖h6 ♖d4 17. ♙d1 ♖g4 18. ♙f1 ♙g6 19. ♖f4 ♖h5 20. ♙e2 ♖h3 21. ♖f3 e5! ♣ Steinberg – Shilov, Kharkov 1967; 13. ♖g3 ♖) 13. ♙e3 ♙c5 14. ♜a4 ♙xa4 15. ♖xa4+ ♜f8

16. ♙xc5+ ♖xc5 17. ♙ac1 ♖b6 18. ♖d7 ♖ Shirov – Anand, FIDE World Championship (1), New Delhi/Teheran 2000;

c) 7...a4 8. 0-0 ♙b5 9. c4 dxc4 10. ♙e2 cxd4 11. ♜xd4 ♜c6 12. ♜xb5 ♖xb5 13. ♜c3 ♖xe5 14. ♙xc4 ♖ Sveshnikov – Minev, Moscow 1977.

d) 7...♜c6 8. ♙c2 ♜h6 9. 0-0 ♙c8 (9...cxd4 10. cxd4 ♜f5 11. ♙xf5 exf5 12. ♜c3 ∞ Predojević) 10. dxc5 (10. h3!?! cxd4 11. cxd4 ♜f5 12. ♙xf5 exf5 13. ♜c3 ♙e6±) 10...♙xc5 11. b4?! axb4 12. axb4 ♙xf2+ 13. ♙xf2 ♜g4 14. ♜d4 (14. ♖e2 ♖xf2+ 15. ♖xf2 ♜xf2 16. ♜xf2 ♜xb4 ♣) 14...♜xf2 15. ♜xf2 ♜xe5 16. ♖h5 =, Krapivin – Zakharevich, St. Petersburg 2005.

52 7...♜e7 8. dxc5 (8. ♙e2 cxd4 9. cxd4 ♙b5 10. ♙xb5+ ♖xb5 11. ♜c3 ♖a6 12. a4 ♜ec6 13. ♜b5 ♖b6 = Zviagintsev – Volkov, St. Petersburg 1999) 8...♖xc5 9. c4 ♖c7 10. ♜c3 ♙c6 11. ♙b2 ♜d7 12. cxd5 ♜xd5 13. ♜b5 ♖b6 (Delchev – Volkov, Batumi 2002) 14. ♙d4!?! (Psakhis) 14...♙c5 15. ♙xc5 ♖xc5 16. ♙c1±;

7...♜c6 8. ♙e3 ♜h6 9. ♙d3 ♜f5 10. ♙xf5 exf5 11. 0-0 cxd4 12. cxd4 h6 13. ♜c3 ♙e6 14. ♜a4 ♖b5 15. ♜e1 ♙e7 16. ♜d3 ♙c8 17. ♜ac5 0-0 18. ♙c1 ♙fe8 19. ♙c3 ♜a7 20. a4 ♖b6 21. ♖h5± Vorobiov – Volkov, Moscow 2004.

53 9...♜h6?! 10. ♙xh6 gxh6 11. 0-0 ♙g7 12. ♙a2 cxd4 13. cxd4 ♙b5 14. ♙d2?! (14. ♙xb5+ ♖xb5 15. ♙c2 0-0 16. ♖c1± ♙c6 17. ♙xc6 bxc6 18. ♖e3 c5 19. ♙c1 ♙c8 20. ♜bd2±) 14...0-0 15. ♙xb5 ♖xb5 = Sveshnikov – Volkov, Togliatti 2003;

9...c4!?! 10. bxc4 ♖b2 11. ♜bd2 ♖xc3 12. ♖b1 dxc4 13. ♙e2 ♙xa3 14. 0-0 ♖b2 15. ♙a2 ♖xb1 16. ♙xb1 ♖.

54 10. dxc5 ♜xc5 11. ♙c2 ♖a6 ∞ Svidler.

55 10...♙b5 11. c4±.

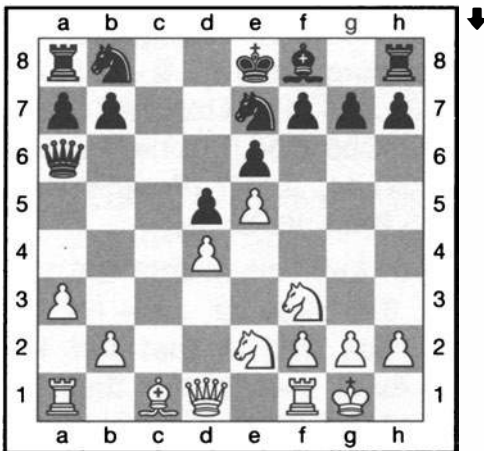
56 12. ♙e1 Svidler – Volkov, Russian Championship, Krasnoyarsk 2003.

57 14. cxd5 ♙xd5 15. ♖c4 ♚g6 16. ♜c1 0–0 17. dxc5 ♙xc4 18. ♜xc4 ♗xc5 19. b4 (19. ♙xc5 ♜xc5 20. ♚d7 ♜xc4 21. bxc4 ♙xa3 22. ♚xb7 ♙c5 ⇒) 19...axb4 20. axb4 ♜c8 21. ♚b1 ♗e6 22. b5 ♜d5 23. ♜f1 ♜fd8 24. ♚b3±.

58 9...♚c4 10. ♗e2 ♗c6 11. 0–0 ♗ge7 12. ♙d2 ♚a6 13. b4 ♚b6 14. ♚a4 a6 15. ♜fb1± Sveshnikov–Hulak, Brioni (Rapid-play) 1990;

9...♚d7 10. 0–0 ♗c6 11. b4 ♗ge7 12. ♚d3 ♗c8 13. ♙d2 a6 14. ♗a4!? ♗xe5 (14...b5 15. ♗c5 ♙xc5 16. dxc5 ♗8e7±) 15. ♗xe5 (15. dxe5 ♚xa4 16. ♙e3! ♗e7 17. ♗d4 ♘) 15...♚xa4 16. f4?! Potkin–Asrian, Batumi 2002; 16. ♜ac1 ♙d6 17. ♚g3!.

59 10. ♗e2 ♗e7 11. 0–0



a) 11...♗g6 12. ♙e3 (12. ♗g3 ♙e7 13. ♗h5 0–0±) 12...♙e7 13. ♗e1 0–0 14. f4 f5 15. ♗d3 ♗d7 16. ♗c5 ♙xc5 17. dxc5 ♜fc8 18. b4± Markarov–Riazantsev, St. Petersburg 2000;

b) 11...♗f5!? 12. g4 ♗e7 13. ♗g3 ♗d7! 14. ♙e3 ♗c6 15. ♗e1! ♚b6 16. b4± Mukhametov–Fominikh, Prague 1994;

c) 11...♗d7 12. ♗f4 [12. ♗g3 ♗c6 13. ♗h5 (13. ♙e3±) 13...h6 14. ♙e3 0–0–0 15. b4 ♗b6 16. ♚b1 ♚b5 17. ♗f4± Sveshnikov–Repkova, Riga 1995] 12...♗c6 13. ♗g5 ♗d8 14. ♚g4!± (14. ♚h5 Sveshnikov–Danielian, Moscow (Rapidplay) 1996).

60 10...♗e7 11. b4 ♗f5 (11...♚d3 12. ♚a4+ ♗d7 13. ♗b5 0–0–0 14. ♜c1+ ♗c6 15. ♜xc6+ 1–0 Klünter–Hank, Cologne 1995) 12. g4 ♗e7 13. b5 ♚b6 14. ♚e2 ♗d7 15. ♗a4 ♚d8 16. 0–0 h5 17. h3± Korbut–Khasanova, Budva 2003.

61 11. ♚b3 ♜c8 12. ♜c1 h6 13. ♜c2 ♗b6 14. ♗e2 ♜xc2 15. ♚xc2 ♚c4 16. ♙c3 ♗e7 17. 0–0 ♗c6 18. b3 ♚a6 19. ♜a1 ♙e7 20. ♗e1 0–0 21. ♚d3 ♚xd3 22. ♗xd3 ½–½ Oll–Rustemov, Vilnius 1997;

11. ♚e2!? ♚xe2+ 12. ♗xe2 0–0–0? (12...a6±) 13. ♜hc1+– ♗b8 14. ♗b5 ♗h6 15. ♙g5 1–0 Hengl–Luft, Schwarzach 2000.

62 11...♗e7?! 12. a4!± ♚b6 [12...♜c8?! 13. ♗b5! ♗c6 (13...♗f5 14. g4+–) 14. ♗d6+ ♙xd6 15. b5 ♚b6 16. bxc6 ♚xc6 17. exd6 ♚xd6 18. ♚b3+– Fingerov–Vysochin, Ukrainian Championship, Sebastopol 2000] 13. a5 ♚d8 14. a6 bxa6 15. ♜xa6 ♗c8 16. ♗g5! ♙e7 17. ♜xe6! 0–0 18. ♚g4± Belov–Lisy, Vladimir 2002.

63 12. ♚e2 ♚xe2+ 13. ♗xe2 ♗b6 14. ♜hc1±.

64 14. ♗f4±.

65 7. ♙xb5+!? ♚xb5 8. a4 ♚b6 9. dxc5 ♙xc5 10. b4! ♙e7 (10...♙xf2+ 11. ♗e2 a5 12. ♜f1+–) 11. 0–0± Korchnoi.

66 7...♙xc4 8. ♙xc4 dxc4 9. ♗bd2! (9. d5 ♗e7 10. ♗c3 ♗xd5 11. ♗xd5 exd5 12. ♚xd5 ♙e7 13. 0–0 ♗c6 14. e6 0–0 15. exf7+ ♜xf7 16. ♙g5 ♚d8! =) 9...♚a6 (9...c3!? 10. bxc3 ♚a6 11. ♚e2±) 10. ♚e2 (10. ♚c2!?) 10...cxd4 (10...♗e7 11. ♗xc4 ♗d5 12. 0–0 ♗c6 13. dxc5 ♙xc5 14. b4 b5 Sveshnikov–Matveeva, Capelle la Grande 1995; 14...♙xb4 ⇒); 11. ♗xd4 (11. ♗xc4 ♗c6 12. 0–0? ♗a5 ♚) 11...♙c5 12. ♗4f3± Sveshnikov–Ehlvest, Leningrad 1984.



67 8. d5!?



8...♞e7!?

a) 9. d6 ♞g6 10. ♞c3 ♞d7 ♠;

b) 9. a4 ♙a6 10. a5 ♖b4+ [10...♞d8 11. ♖a4+ ♞d7 12. dxe6 (12. d6 ♖xa4 13. ♙xa4 ♞ec6 14. ♞a3 ♞d7 15. ♙f4 ♞b4 16. ♞xc4∞) 12...fxe6 13. ♙xc4 ♖xa4 14. ♙xa4 ♞d5 15. ♞c3 ♙xc4 16. ♙xc4 ♞c6∞] 11. ♞fd2 ♞xd5 12. ♙a4 ♖b5 13. ♞a3 ♞d7 14. ♙xc4 ♠;

c) 9. ♞c3 ♞xd5 (9...exd5 10. ♞xd5 ♞d8 11. ♞e3 ♖xd1+ 12. ♞xd1 ♙a4+ 13. ♞e1 b5 14. g3 ♞bc6 15. ♙g2 0-0-0∞) 10. ♞xd5 exd5 11. ♖xd5 ♙e7 12. ♙xc4 0-0 13. 0-0 ♞c6 14. b3 [14. ♖e4 ♙ad8 15. ♙e3 ♙xc4 16. ♖xc4 ♖xb2 17. ♙xc5 (17. ♙ab1 ♞xe5 18. ♞xe5 ♖xe5 19. ♙xb7) 17...♞xe5 ♠] 14...♙ad8 15. ♖e4± Sveshnikov-Lutsko, Minsk 1999;

8...exd5 9. ♖xd5 ♞e7 10. ♖e4 ♞c6 11. ♞c3 ♖xe4+ 12. ♞xe4∞.

68 10. ♖c2 exd5 11. ♖f5+ ♞b8 12. ♖xf7 ♞ge7 ♠.

69 14. ♙xc4 ♖c6□ 15. ♙xe6+ ♞b8 16. 0-0 (16. ♙xg8? ♖xg2 ♠) 16...♞f6! 17. ♙e3 (17. ♙g5 ♙xd6 18. ♙f5 ♠) 17...♙xd6 18. b4 = Sveshnikov-Vysochin, Yugoslavian League 1998; 18. ♙ac1 ♠.

70 7...cxb4 8. ♙xb5+ ♖xb5 9. axb4 ♞d7 10. ♙a5 ♖c4 ♠.

71 8. ♖xd4 ♖a6 9. ♙xb5+ ♖xb5 10. a4 ♖d7 ♠.

72 9. ♞xd4! ♞d7 [9...♖c4 10. ♙e3 ♞c6 11. ♞d2 ♖xc3 (11...♞d3 12. ♖a4! ♙c8 13. ♞xc6 bxc6 14. ♖xa7±) 12. ♙c1 ♖xa3 13. ♞b5 ♖xb4 14. ♞c7+ ♞d7 15. ♞xa8∞] 10. 0-0 (10. ♞d2 ♖c7 11. ♞2f3 ♖xc3+ 12. ♙d2 ♖d3 13. ♖a4+ ♞d7 14. ♙c1 a6 15. ♙c3 ♖e4+ 16. ♙e3 ♖b1+ 17. ♙c1 ♖e4+ 18. ♙e3 ♖b1+=; 10. ♙f4!?) 10...♞e7 11. ♙f4! ♞bc6 12. ♞f3 h6! 13. h4 (13. h3 g5 14. ♙g3 ♙g7∞) 13...g5! 14. hxg5 ♞g6 15. ♙g3 hxg5 16. ♞xg5 (16. c4 g4 17. cxd5 ♖xd5 ♠; 16. b5 ♞ce7 17. ♞xg5 ♞f5 ♠) 16...♞cxe5 ♠ Kupreichik-Feigin, 2nd German League 1999/2000.

73 9...a5! 10. ♞c3 (10. bxa5 ♞c6 11. ♞c3 ♖c4 12. ♞e2 ♙xa5 ♠) 10...♖c6 (10...♖c4 11. ♙d2 axb4 12. axb4 ♙xa1 13. ♖xa1±) 11. ♙d2 axb4 12. axb4 ♙xa1 13. ♖xa1 ♖a6 14. ♖a4+! (14. ♖b1 b5 15. 0-0 ♞e7 16. ♖d3 ♞ec6 17. ♞xb5 ♞d7 18. ♞g5± Shirov-Ljubojević, Monaco (blind) 2002) 14...♖xa4 15. ♞xa4 b5 16. ♞c3 ♙xb4 17. ♞xb5 ♙e7 (17...♙xd2+ 18. ♞xd2 ♞e7 19. ♙c1 ♞h6 20. ♞d6±) 18. ♞e2± Zviagintsev-Volkov, Samara 1998;

9...♞c6 10. ♙e3 a5 11. ♞c3 ♖c4 12. ♞a4!±.

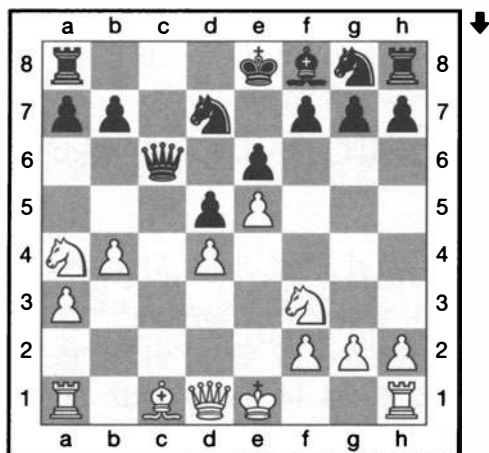
74 10...♖c4 11. ♙b2 ♞e7 12. ♙c1 ♞c6 13. ♞e2 ♖b5 14. 0-0 a6 15. ♞e1!± Nisipeanu-Ionescu, Călimănești 1999.

75 11. ♙d2 ♞b6 12. 0-0 ♞c4 ♠;

11. ♙b2 ♞b6 12. ♞d2?! (12. 0-0 ♞e7 13. ♙c1 ♖d7 ♠) 12...♞e7 13. 0-0 ♞f5! 14. ♙c1 ♖d7 ♠ Alekseev-Rustemov, Tomsk 2001.



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11...♖e7 12. ♗e3 ♖b6 13. ♖xb6 ♗xb6
14. 0-0 ♖f5 (14...♖c6 15. ♖e1 ♗e7 16. ♗g4
g6 17. ♖d3 0-0 18. ♖c5 ♗c7 19. ♗ac1

♗fc8 20. h4→ Grischuk–Gurevich, French League, Bordeaux 2003) 15. ♗c1 ♗d8
16. ♗a4+ ♗d7 17. ♗a5 ♗e7 18. ♗c7 b6
19. ♗xd7 bxa5 20. ♗b7 axb4 21. axb4 0-0
22. g4 ♖xe3= Carlsen–Rustemov, Moscow 2004;

11...♖b6 12. ♖xb6 axb6 13. 0-0 ♖e7
14. ♗b2 ♖c8 15. ♗c1 ♗d7 16. ♗c3 ♗e7
17. ♗c2 ♗d8 18. ♗c1 ± Torre–Bagamasbad, Greenhills 1997.

77 13. ♗c1? ♗a6! 14. ♗b3 b6-+.

78 14. b5 (14. ♗c3!?) 14...♗xb5 15. ♖c3
♗xa1 16. ♖xb5 (16. ♗xa1!?) 16...♗xd1+
17. ♖xd1 ♖ Sveshnikov–Grosar, Celje 2003.

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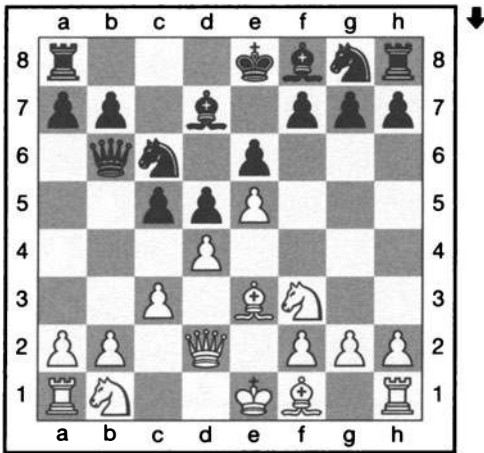


Table 3

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6



	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
12	♙e3!? cxd4 ⁷⁹	♗ge7 ⁸⁰	♙d3 ⁸¹ ♗f5 ⁸²	♗f3! ⁸³ ♙b6 ⁸⁴	♙d2 ♙d7	♗c3 ♗fxd4	♗xd4 ♗xd4	♙e2! ⁸⁵ ♙c5 ⁸⁶	±
13	♗f3 f6	♙b5 ⁸⁷ ♙d7	0-0 ♙b6 ⁸⁸	♙xc6 bxc6	exf6 ♗xf6	♗e5 ♙d6 ⁸⁹	dxc5 ♙xc5 ⁹⁰	♙g5 ♙d8?! ⁹¹	±
14	... ♗ge7	♗a3! ⁹² cxd4 ⁹³	cxd4 ♗f5	♗c2 ♙b6 ⁹⁴	♙d3 ⁹⁵ ♙b4+ ⁹⁶	♗f1 ♙e7	h4 ⁹⁷ h5 ⁹⁸	g3 a5 ⁹⁹	±
15	... ♗h6	♙d3?! ¹⁰⁰ cxd4 ¹⁰¹	cxd4 ¹⁰² ♗f5	♙xf5 exf5	♗c3 ¹⁰³ ♙e6 ¹⁰⁴	♗e2 ¹⁰⁵ h6 ¹⁰⁶	h4 ♙a5+ ¹⁰⁷	♗f1 ¹⁰⁸ ♙e7 ¹⁰⁹	↔
16	... ...	dxc5! ♙xc5 ¹¹⁰	b4 ¹¹¹ ♙b6 ¹¹²	b5 ¹¹³ ♗e7 ¹¹⁴	♙d3 ♗g6 ¹¹⁵	0-0 0-0	♙xh6 gxh6	a4 ¹¹⁶ f6 ¹¹⁷	∞

79 5...♔d7 6. ♖f3 ♜b6 7. ♜d2


a) 7...f6 8. ♔d3 fxe5 9. dxe5?! (9. ♖xe5 ♖f6 10. 0-0 ♔d6 11. f4 0-0= Ulibin, Lysenko) 9...♖h6 10. 0-0 ♖f7 11. ♔f4 ♔e7 12. ♜e1 0-0-0 ♜ Westerinen – Ulibin, Benidorm 1993;

b) 7...cxd4 8. cxd4 ♜c8 9. ♖c3 ♖a5!? 10. ♔d3 ♔b4 ♞ Kupreichik – Kaminski, Bad Endbach 1995;

c) 7...♖h6 8. dxc5 ♔xc5 9. ♔xh6 g×h6 10. ♔d3 ♜c7 11. ♜e2 f6 12. exf6 ♜f4 13. ♖bd2 0-0 14. 0-0-0 ♞ Kupreichik – Kruppa, St. Petersburg 1996;

5...♜b6 6. ♜d2 ♔d7 [6...♖h6 7. ♔d3 (7. ♖f3 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♔d7 9. ♖c3 ♜c8 (9...♖f5 ♞) 10. ♔d3 ♖g4 11. 0-0 ♞ Kupreichik – Nikolenko, Berlin 1994) 7...♖g4 8. ♖f3 (8. dxc5!?) 8...♔d7!? (8...♖xe3 9. fxe3 ♔e7 10. 0-0 0-0 11. ♖h1 g6!? 12. ♖a3!?! ♞ Kupreichik – Vasiljević, Yugoslavian League, Cetinje 1993) 9. 0-0 ♖xe3 10. fxe3 ♔e7 11. ♖h1 0-0 12. e4 dxe4 (12...cxd4 13. exd5 exd5 14. cxd4 ♔e6 15. ♖c3 ♞) 13. ♔xe4 ♜ad8 14. dxc5! ♞ Kupreichik – Libeau, Germany 1993] 7. f4 ♜c8 8. ♖f3 cxd4 9. cxd4 ♔b4 10. ♖c3 ♖ge7=.

80 6...♜b6 7. ♜d2!? ♖ge7 (7...♖h6!?) 8. ♔xh6 g×h6 9. ♖f3 ♔g7 10. ♖c3 0-0 ♞) 8. ♖c3 (8. ♔d3 ♖f5 9. ♖c3 ♔b4 10. ♖ge2 ♔d7 11. 0-0 ♖ce7 12. a3 ♔xc3 13. bxc3! 0-0

14. ♜ab1 ♜c7 15. ♔g5 ♞ Kupreichik – Faragó, Passau 1993) 8...♖f5 9. ♖f3 ♔d7 10. ♔d3! (10. ♔e2 ♖a5 11. 0-0 ♔b4 12. ♜ac1 ♜c8 13. ♔d3 ♖c4 14. ♜e2 ♜a5 ♞ Ács – Párkányi, Budapest 1994) 10...♖fxd4 11. ♖xd4 ♖xd4 12. ♔e2 ♔c5 13. b4 ♖c2+ 14. ♜xc2 ♔xe3 15. fxe3 ♜xe3 16. ♜d3 ♜xe5 17. 0-0 ♞.

81 7. ♖c3 ♖g6 8. ♖f3 ♔e7 9. ♔d3 ♔d7 10. 0-0 0-0 11. ♜c1 ♔e8 12. ♖e2 f6 13. exf6 ♔xf6 ♞ Pegoraro – Salami, Bratto 1996.

82 7...♜b6 8. ♜d2 ♖b4 9. ♔e2 ♖f5 10. ♖c3 ♖xd4? 11. ♔d1! ♖bc6 12. ♖ge2 ♔c5 13. ♖a4+- Kupreichik – Charochkin, Schwäbisch Gmünd 2002.

83 8. ♔xf5 exf5 9. ♖c3 ♔e6 10. ♖ge2 ♞;

8. ♖e2?! ♔e7? [8...♖xe3! 9. fxe3 ♜g5 10. ♖f4 (10. 0-0 ♜xe3+ 11. ♖h1 ♔d7 12. ♜f3 ♜g5 13. ♖bc3 f5! 14. ♖b5 ♜c8 ♜ Rodríguez – Gleizerov, Málaga 2000) 10...♖xd4! 11. exd4 ♜xf4 12. ♔b5+ ♔d7 13. ♔xd7+ ♖xd7 14. ♜a4+ ♖d8 ♜] 9. 0-0 0-0 10. ♖bc3 ♖xe3 11. fxe3 ♔d7 12. ♖f4 f5 13. g4 g6 14. g×f5 ♖×f5 15. ♖h1 ♖h8 16. ♜g1 ♞ Kupreichik – Jorgensen, Copenhagen 1993.

84 8...♔d7 9. ♖c3 ♜b6 10. 0-0 ♖xe3 11. fxe3 ♔e7 12. a3 0-0 13. ♜c1 f5 14. exf6 ♜xf6 15. ♖a4 ♞ Pavasović – Bukal, Nova Gorica 1999;

8...♖xe3 9. fxe3 ♔e7 (9...g6 10. ♖c3 ♔g7 11. h4 ♜e7 12. ♜e2 ♔d7 13. 0-0-0! f6 14. exf6 ♔xf6 15. ♖b1 0-0-0 16. g4 ♞ Kupreichik – Kacheishvili, Schwäbisch Gmünd 2001) 10. 0-0 0-0 11. ♖c3 ♔d7 12. ♜c1 f5 13. exf6 ♔xf6 ♞ Jerić – Gleizerov, Ljubljana 2000.

85 12. 0-0? ♔c5 ♜ Vazelaki – Stamiris, Athens 1999.

86 13. b4 ♖c2+ 14. ♜xc2 ♔xe3 15. fxe3 ♜xe3 16. ♜d3 ♜xe5 17. 0-0 ♞.



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6. ♔d3

a) 6...fxe5 7. dxe5 g6 8. h4! ♔g7 9. h5±
Paulsen–Schwarz, Vienna 1882;

b) 6...♔d7 7. ♖c2 f5 8. g4 g6 9. gxf5 gxf5
10. dxc5 ♔xc5 11. ♖e2 ♖c7 12. ♗bd2 ♗ge7
13. ♗b3 ♔b6 14. ♗bd4= Muffang–Alekhine,
Paris 1923;

c) 6...♖c7 7. 0–0!? (7. ♔f4 f5 8. 0–0±
Paulsen–Blackburne, Nuremberg 1883;
8. dxc5!? ♔xc5 9. b4 ♔f8 10. 0–0±) 7...fxe5
8. dxe5 c4 (8...♗xe5 9. ♗xe5 ♖xe5 10. ♖e1
♖d6 11. ♖h5+ ♗) 9. ♔c2 ♔c5 10. b3 cxb3
11. axb3 ♗xe5 12. ♗xe5 ♖xe5 13. ♖a4!?
♗f6 14. ♖h4 ♗ Dvoiris–Bertholee, Dieren
2002.

88 7...♗xe5 8. ♗xe5 ♔xb5 9. ♖h5+ g6
(9...♗e7 10. ♖f7+ ♗d6 11. ♖xb7 ♖e7
12. ♗f7+ +-) 10. ♗xg6 hxg6 11. ♖xh8
♔xf1 12. ♖xg8 ♔d3 13. ♖xe6+ ♖e7
14. ♖xe7+ ♔xe7 15. dxc5 ♔xc5 16. ♔e3
♔xe3 17. fxe3±.

89 10...cxd4 11. cxd4 c5 12. ♗xd7 ♗xd7
13. ♖e1 ♔e7 14. ♖h5+ g6 15. ♖h3±.

90 11...♖xc5±.

91 12...♖xb2!? 13. ♗d2 ♖xc3 14. ♗xd7
♗xd7 (14...♗xd7 15. ♖c1±) 15. ♖g4 ♗

12...♖d8?! 13. ♔xf6 ♖xf6 14. ♖h5+ g6
15. ♖e2 ♖d8 16. ♗d2± Nimzowitsch–
Levenfish, Carlsbad 1911.

92 6. a3 ♗f5 (6...c4!?) 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
♖b6 see 5...♖b6 6. a3;

6. ♔e2 ♗f5 (6...♔d7 see 5...♔d7) 7. g4!?
♗h4 8. ♗xh4 ♖xh4 9. ♔e3 ♔d7 10. 0–0
♖d8!? 11. ♗d2 ♖b6 12. ♖b1 cxd4 13. cxd4
a5 14. ♗h1 a4⇒ Sax–Glek, German League
1993/94;

6. ♔e3 ♗f5 7. ♔d3 ♗xe3 8. fxe3 ♔e7 9. 0–0
0–0 10. ♗bd2 ♔d7 11. a3 c4 12. ♔c2 b5
13. ♖e1 a5 14. ♖g3 b4 ♗ Kosić–Abramović,
Yugoslav Championship, Tivat 1994;

6. ♔d3 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♗f5 see 5...♗h6 6.
♔d3.

93 6...♗f5 7. ♗c2 ♔d7? (7...cxd4) 8. ♔d3
c4 (8...cxd4 9. ♔xf5 exf5 10. ♗cxd4 ♔e6
11. h4 h6 12. ♖h3!? Sveshnikov–Dvoiris,
Cheliabinsk 1990; 12. ♔e3 ♔e7 13. ♖d2±)
9. ♔xf5 exf5 10. ♗e3 ♔e6 11. g3 ♔e7 12. h4±
Kupreichik–Furman, 37th USSR Champion-
ship, Moscow 1969.

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8...♗b4

a) 9. ♔d2 ♗xc2+ 10. ♖xc2 ♖b6 11. ♔c3
♔e7 12. ♔d3 ♔d7 13. g4 ♗h4 14. ♗xh4
♔xh4 15. 0–0–0 h5?! (15...♔b5!? 16. f4
♔e7⇒) 16. ♖hg1 ♔g5+ 17. ♗b1 h4 18. ♖df1±
Sveshnikov–Nikolenko, Moscow (Rapid-
play) 1989;

b) 9. ♗xb4 ♔xb4+ 10. ♔d2 ♔xd2+ (10...♖a5
11. ♔d3 ♔xd2+ 12. ♖xd2 ♖xd2+ 13. ♗xd2±
Karpachev–Lukov, Hyères 2001) 11. ♖xd2
♖b6 12. ♔d3 ♔d7 13. ♔xf5 exf5 14. 0–0±
Psakhis–Chernin, 52nd USSR Champion-
ship, Riga 1985;

c) 9. ♙e2 ♜xc2+ 10. ♚xc2 ♚a5+ 11. ♙d2 ♙b4 12. a3 ♙xd2+ 13. ♚xd2 ♚xd2+ 14. ♜xd2 ♙d7 15. b4 0–0 16. b5 f6 17. ♞hc1 ± Grischuk – Pert, French League 2003;

8... ♙d7 9. ♙d3 (9. ♙e2 ♜b4 10. ♜xb4 ♙xb4+ 11. ♙d2 ♚a5 12. ♙xb4 ♚xb4+ 13. ♚d2 ♚xd2+ 14. ♜xd2 ♜e7 15. ♞hc1 f6 ± Sieiro González – Gurevich, Havana 1986) 9... ♜b4 10. ♙xf5 (10. ♜xb4 ♙xb4+ 11. ♙d2 ♙xd2+ 12. ♚xd2 ♚b6 13. ♙xf5 exf5 14. 0–0 0–0 15. ♞fc1 ♞fc8 ± Romero Holmes – Bukal, Rom 1986) 10... exf5 11. 0–0 ♞c8 ? 12. ♜xb4 ♙xb4 13. ♚b3+ – Sveshnikov – Suleimanov, Moscow (Rapidplay) 1990;

8... ♙e7 9. ♙d3 ♜b4 (9...0–0? 10. g4! ♜h4 11. ♜xh4 ♙xh4 12. g5 ♙xg5 13. ♚h5 h6 14. ♞g1 ♙xc1 15. ♞xc1 → Sveshnikov – Faragó, Hastings 1984/85) 10. ♜xb4 ♙xb4+ 11. ♜f1 ♙d7 12. a3 ♙e7 13. g4 ♜h4 14. ♜xh4 ♙xh4 15. g5 ♙xg5 16. ♚g4 ♙xc1 17. ♚xg7 ♞f8 18. ♞xc1 ♚b6 ± Sveshnikov – Tunik, Podolsk 1992.

95 9. ♙e2 ♙d7 see 5... ♙d7 6. ♙e2 .

96 9... ♙d7! ? 10. 0–0 a5! 11. ♙xf5 exf5 12. ♙e3 ♜d8 13. ♞b1 h6 14. h4 ♙e7 15. h5 ♜e6 16. g3 g5 ± Jonkman – Gurevich, Vlissingen 1997.

97 11. g3 ♙d7 12. ♜g2 ♞c8 13. $\text{♙xf5?!$ exf5 = Short – Vaganian, Candidates Tournament, Montpellier 1985.

98 11... ♙d7 12. g4 ♜h6 13. ♞g1 ♜g8 14. ♞b1 a5 15. ♚e2 ♜b4 16. ♜xb4 axb4 17. a3 ± Rohde – Spraggett, New York 1986.

99 13. ♜g2 ♙d7 14. ♙xf5 exf5 15. ♙g5 ♙xg5 16. ♜xg5 f4 17. ♚f3! ± Malaniuk – Lputian, 53rd USSR Championship, Kiev 1986

100 6. ♙e2 ♜f5 see 5... ♜ge7 ;

6. a3 ♜f5 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♚b6 siehe 5... ♚b6 (8... ♙e7 9. ♙b2 0–0 10. ♙d3 a6 11. 0–0 f6 12. ♙xf5 exf5 13. ♜c3 f4 14. ♞e1 ± Grischuk – Najer, St. Petersburg 1999);

6. ♙xh6 gxh6 7. dxc5 see 6. dxc5 ;

6. ♜a3 ♜f5 (6... cxd4 7. cxd4 ♙xa3 8. bxa3 ♜f5 9. ♙d3 ♚a5+ 10. ♙d2 ♚xa3 11. ♚b1 a6 12. 0–0 h6 13. ♞c1 ♞ I. Zaitsev – Mesropov, Moscow 1996) 7. ♜c2 ♙d7 8. ♙e2 cxd4 9. cxd4 ♙e7 10. 0–0 ♞c8 11. ♜h1 h5 12. a3 ♜a5 ± Jonkman – Sadvakasov, Philadelphia 2003.

101 6... ♚b6 7. dxc5 ♙xc5 8. 0–0 ♜g4 9. ♚e2 f6 10. exf6 gxf6 ± 11. h3 ♜ge5 12. ♜xe5 ♜xe5 13. b4 ♙d6 14. ♙h6 ♚c7 15. ♙b5+ ♙d7 16. ♜a3 ±.

102 7. ♙xh6! ? gxh6 8. cxd4 ♙d7 (8... ♙g7 9. ♜c3 0–0 10. 0–0 f6 11. ♞e1 fxe5 12. dxe5 ±) 9. ♜c3 ♚b6 10. ♙b5 ♞g8 11. 0–0 $\text{♜xe5?!$ (11... ♞c8 12. ♞c1 ±; 11... a6! ? 12. ♙xc6 ♙xc6 ±) 12. ♜xe5 ♙xb5 13. ♚h5 ♞g7 (13...0–0–0 14. ♜xb5 ♚xb5 15. ♚xf7+-) 14. ♞fe1 ↑ Grischuk – Bareev, 17th EU Cup, Pánormos 2001.

103 9. 0–0!? ♙e7 10. ♜c3 g5 11. ♜e1 f4 12. h4 h6 13. ♚h5 ♜xd4 14. hxg5 ♙xg5 15. ♚d1 ♜c6 16. ♚xd5 ±.

104 9... ♙b4 10. ♙d2 ♙xc3 11. ♙xc3 ♙e6 12. ♚d2 a5 13. a4 h6 14. h4 0–0 15. 0–0 ± Sveshnikov – Chernin, Sochi 1986;

9... h6 10. ♚b3 ♙b4 11. ♙d2 0–0 12. 0–0 ♙e6 13. ♜e2 a5 14. ♙xb4 axb4 15. ♜f4 ♚b6 16. ♞fd1 ♞a5 ± Sveshnikov – Lputian, Djer-muk 1987.

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10. 0–0 ♙e7 (10... h6 11. ♜e1 ♙e7 12. f4 g5 13. ♜c2 ♚b6 14. ♚d3 0–0–0 15. ♙d2

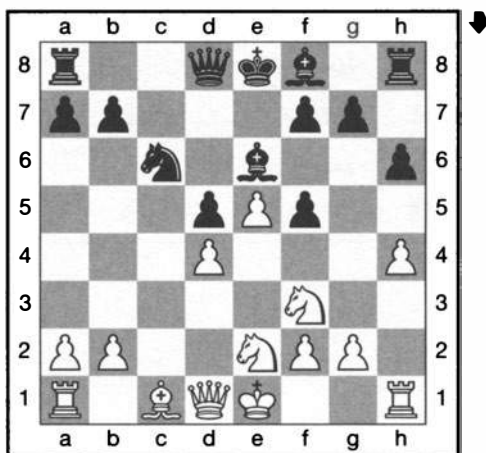


♘b8 16. ♖a4 ♗c7 17. b4 ± I. Zaitsev–Volke, Podolsk 1991) 11. ♖e1 (11. ♗b3 ♖b8 12. ♖e2 g5 13. ♙d2 f4 ♣ Kholmov–Vasyukov, Beltsy 1979; 11. ♖e2 g5 12. ♗b3 ♖b8 13. ♙d2 f4! 14. ♖ac1 ♗d7 15. ♘h1 ♙f5 16. ♖e1 0–0 17. ♖d3 f6! ♣ Zhuravliov–Sveshnikov, Moscow 1975) 11...♖c8 12. ♖c2 0–0 13. ♗d3 ♗d7 14. f4 a6 15. ♙d2 f6 16. exf6 ♙xf6 = I. Zaitsev–Moskalenko, Moscow 1992;

10. h4 h6 (10...♙b4 11. ♙d2 ♙xc3 12. bxc3 h6 13. ♖g1 0–0 14. ♖e2 f6 15. ♖f4 ♙f7 16. exf6 ± Vasyukov–Popović, Palma de Mallorca 1989) 11. ♘f1!? (11. ♙f4 ♗b6 12. ♗e2 a6 13. ♖d1 0–0–0!? 14. ♘f1 ♙e7 = Edelman–Glek, Philadelphia 1990; 11. ♖e2 ♙e7) 11...♗d7 12. ♙d2 ♙e7 13. ♖e2 0–0–0 14. ♘g1 ♘b8 15. ♖f4 ± Christiansen–Andersson, FIDE World Championship (1), Groningen 1997.

106 10...♗b6 11. ♖f4 h6 12. h4 g6 13. ♘f1 (13. 0–0 ♙e7 14. g3 a5 15. ♘g2 a4 16. ♖b1 ±) 13...♙e7 14. g3 0–0–0 15. ♘g2 ± Sax–Gurevich, German League 1992/93.

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11...g6 12. ♙d2 ♗b6 13. ♖b1 a5 14. ♘f1 ♙e7 15. ♘g1 ♘d7 16. a3 ♗a6 17. ♙e3 a4 18. ♖f4 g5 19. hxg5 hxg5 20. ♖xh8 ♖xh8 21. ♖xe6 fxe6 22. ♙xg5 ♙xg5 23. ♖xg5 ♖h4 24. ♖f3 ♖g4 ♣ Adams–Vaganian, Lucerne 1997;

11...♙e7 12. h5! (12. ♘f1 ♗b6! 13. h5 0–0–0 14. g3 ♘b8 15. ♘g2 ♖c8 16. ♖f4 ♖b4 17. ♖e1 ♖c4 = Schlosser–Glek, Odessa

1989; 12. ♖f4 ♗b6 13. ♖h3 g6 14. ♘f1 0–0–0 15. ♘g1 ♖dg8 16. ♖b1 g5 ♣ Sveshnikov–Temirbaev, Kuibyshev 1986) 12...♗b6 (12...♗a5+ 13. ♘f1 ♖c8 14. ♘g1 ♘d7 15. ♖f4 ♖c7 16. ♖h3 ♖hc8 ♣ Khalifman–Akopian, Dortmund 2000) 13. ♖f4 ♗a6 (13...♖c8 14. a3 ♖a5 15. b4 ♖c4 16. ♖h3 a5 ♣ Kharlov–Kuporosov, Helsinki 1992; 13...0–0 14. 0–0 ♖fc8 15. ♖e1 ♖c7 16. ♖e2 ♖ac8 17. ♙e3 ♖b4 ♣ Tiviakov–Arizmendi Martínez, Istanbul 2003) 14. ♙d2 ♖c8 15. ♖h3 0–0 16. ♖g3 ± Sveshnikov–Naumkin, Moscow 1987.

108 12. ♙d2 ♗a6.

109 13. ♘g1 ♖c8 14. ♖f4 ♗b6 [14...g6 15. a3?! (15. ♖h3 ±) 15...♗b6 16. b4 a5 17. ♖b1 axb4 18. axb4 ♖a7 = Adams–Lputian, Pula 1997] 15. h5 0–0 ♣; 15...♖b4?! 16. ♙d2 ♖c2? (♞ 16...♖c6 ♣) 17. ♖xe6 fxe6 18. ♖c1 ♗xb2 19. ♖e1! ± Sveshnikov–Psakhis, Sochi 1997.

110 6...♖g4? 7. ♗a4! h5 8. h3 ♖h6 9. ♙e3 ♖f5 10. ♙d4 ± Sveshnikov–Bareev, European Club Cup, Moscow 1991;

6...♗c7?! 7. b4! ♖g4 (7...♖xe5!? Lempert) 8. ♙f4 f6 (Mukhametov–Lempert, Moscow 1992) 9. ♙b5! ±.

111 7. ♙xh6 gxh6 8. b4 [8. ♙d3 f6 9. exf6 (9. b4 ♙f8 10. b5 ♖xe5 11. ♖xe5 fxe5 12. ♗h5+ ♘d7 13. ♗xe5 ♖g8 14. g3 ♙d6 ♣ Khalifman–Kaidanov, Moscow 1987) 9...♗xf6 10. 0–0 0–0 11. ♙c2 ♖f7 12. ♖bd2 ♙d7 13. ♖b3 ♙b6 14. ♗e2 e5 ♣ Short–Glek, Cap d’Agde (Rapidplay) 1996] 8...♙f8 9. b5 ♖e7! 10. ♙d3 ♙g7 11. 0–0 ♖g6 ♣ Sveshnikov–Glek, Moscow 1991.

112 7...♙f8 8. b5 ♖a5 (8...♖e7 9. ♙d3 ♖ef5 10. 0–0 ±) 9. ♙d3 f6 10. ♙xh6 gxh6 11. ♖d4 ♗c7 12. exf6 ♗e5+ 13. ♙e2 ♙d6 14. f7+! ± (Sveshnikov–Jolles, Torcy 1991) 14...♘xf7 15. g3 ♘g7 16. 0–0;

7...♙xf2+?! 8. ♘xf2 ♖g4+ 9. ♘g3 ♖cxe5 10. ♙b5+ ♙d7 11. ♗e2 ±.



113 8. ♠xh6 gxh6 9. b5 ♖e7 10. ♠d3 (10. ♣d2 ♖g6 11. ♣xh6 ♣c7 12. ♣g5 ♠d7 ♞) 10... ♖g6 11. 0-0 ♣c7! (11...f6 12. ♠xg6+ hxg6 13. ♣d3 ♖f7 14. exf6 ♣xf6 15. ♖bd2 ♠d8?! 16. ♠ae1 a6 17. ♖e5+± Sveshnikov – Dukhov, Moscow 1992) 12. ♠e1 0-0 13. a4 ♠d7 14. ♠a2 (14. ♣d2!?!±) 14...f6 15. ♠xg6 (15. exf6 ♠xf6 16. c4±) 15...hxg6 16. ♣d3 f5 17. ♖bd2 ♠fc8 18. ♠c2 a6∞ Sveshnikov – Nikolaev, Moscow 1992.

114 8...♖a5 9. ♠xh6 gxh6 10. ♣d2 ♠d7 11. ♣xh6 ♣e7!?! [11...♣c7 12. ♣f6 ♠f8 13. ♠e2!?! (13. ♠d3 ♖c4 14. 0-0 ♠xb5 15. ♖bd2±) 13...♖c4 14. a4 ♣c5 (14...♠c5 15. ♠xc4 ♠e7 16. ♣f4 ♣xc4 17. ♣xc4 dxc4 18. ♖bd2 a6 19. 0-0±; 14...a6 15. bxa6 ♠xa6 16. 0-0 ♠xa4 17. ♠xa4 ♠xa4 18. ♠d3∞ Sveshnikov – Moskalenko, PCA 1994) 15. ♖g5 ♠d8 16. ♣g7 ♠xg5 17. ♣xg5 ♣c7±] 12. ♠d3 0-0-0 13. 0-0 ♠df8 14. ♖bd2 ♖b8 15. a4 f6 16. c4 ♠c8∞ Sveshnikov – Cherniaev, Moscow 1996.

115 9...♖g4 10. 0-0 ♖g6 11. ♠xg6 fxg6 (11...hxg6 12. ♣a4±) 12. ♣a4 (12. h3 ♖h6 13. ♠xh6 gxh6 14. ♖bd2 0-0 15. c4 a6± Grischuk – Bareev, Cannes (Rapidplay) 2001) 12...♖h6 13. ♖bd2 (13. ♠a3±) 13...0-0 14. ♠a3 ♠f7 15. c4±;

9...♖hf5 10. g4 ♖h6 11. ♠xh6 gxh6 12. ♣d2±.

116 12. ♣a4?! ♠d7 13. h4 f5 14. h5 ♖h8 15. ♖bd2 ♖f7 16. c4 ♖g5 17. cxd5 exd5 18. ♠ae1 Gallagher – Glek, Dubai 1993 18...♖e6!?!±;

12. ♣c2!?!±.

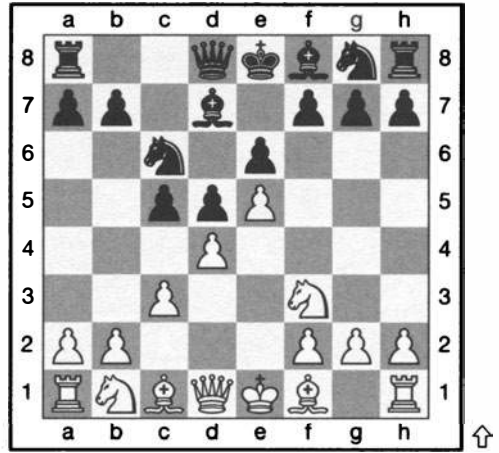
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Notes



Table 4

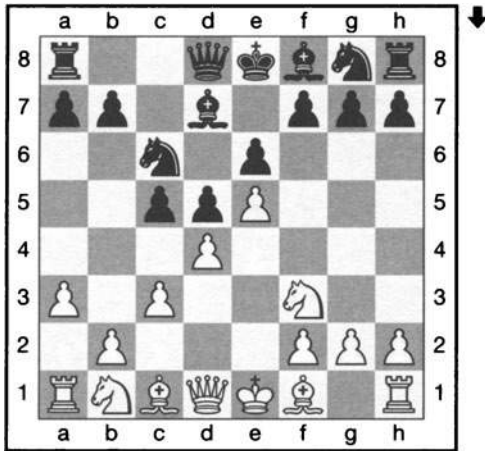
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17	a3 f6 ¹¹⁸	♘d3 ¹¹⁹ ♖c7 ¹²⁰	0-0 ¹²¹ 0-0-0 ¹²²	♙e1 ¹²³ fxe5	dxe5 ¹²⁴ c4!?	♘c2 ♘c5	♖bd2 ¹²⁵ ♖h6	b4 ♘b6 ¹²⁶	⇔
18	dxc5! ♘xc5 ¹²⁷	b4 ¹²⁸ ♘b6	b5 ♖a5 ¹²⁹	♘d3 ♖c4 ¹³⁰	a4 ♖c7	♖e2 a6	bxa6 ♙xa6	0-0 ♖e7 ¹³¹	=
19	♘e2 f6 ¹³²	0-0 fxe5 ¹³³	♖xe5 ¹³⁴ ♖xe5 ¹³⁵	dxe5 ♘c6 ¹³⁶	c4 ¹³⁷ ♖e7	♘g5 ¹³⁸ ♖d7 ¹³⁹	♘g4 ¹⁴⁰ ♖g6 ¹⁴¹	♖c3 dxc4 ¹⁴²	±
20	... ♖ge7	0-0 ¹⁴³ cxd4 ¹⁴⁴	cxd4 ♖f5	♖c3 a6 ¹⁴⁵	♘e3!? ¹⁴⁶ ♘e7	♘d3 ♖xe3	fxe3 0-0	e4! ♖b4 ¹⁴⁷	⇔
21 ♖f5	♖a3 ¹⁴⁸ cxd4	cxd4 ♘xa3 ¹⁴⁹	bxa3 ♖b6!? ¹⁵⁰	♘e3 ♖xe3 ¹⁵¹	fxe3 ♖d8	♙b1!? ¹⁵² b6 ¹⁵³	=
22 ♖g6!?	♘e3 ¹⁵⁴ ♘e7 ¹⁵⁵	dxc5!? ¹⁵⁶ ♖c7 ¹⁵⁷	♖a3 ♖cxе5	♖xe5 ♖xe5	♖b5 ¹⁵⁸ ♘xb5	♘xb5+ ♖c6 ¹⁵⁹	⇔



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6...c4!? 7. g3 (7. f4 b6 8. c2 f6 9. bd2 g5 10. g3 g4 11. h4 fxe5 12. dxe5 h6 13. e2 g7 Sveshnikov – Gulko, Volgondonsk 1981) 7... b6 8. bd2 a5 9. h3 0–0–0 10. 0–0 e7 11. e1 h5 12. f4 g6 13. df3 Sveshnikov – Kalinin, Kharkov 1978;

6...a5 7. d3 e7 8. h4 b6 9. c2 f5 10. 0–0 h6 11. h5 Sveshnikov – Gulko, Cheliabinsk 1981;

6...e7 7. d3 g6 8. h4 cxd4 9. cxd4 b6 10. c2 c8 11. c3 e7 12. b1 a5 13. 0–0 c4 14. e2 c6 15. d1 Sveshnikov – Torre, Wijk aan Zee 1981;

6...c8 7. d3 cxd4 8. cxd4 b6 9. c2 g5! (9... xd4 ? 10. xd4 c5 11. f3 xf2 + 12. e2) 10. h3 xd4 11. xd4 c5 12. e2 xf2 + 13. f1 f6 (Sveshnikov – Chernin, 52nd USSR Championship, Riga 1985) 14. bc3 !.

119 7. b4 c4! (7... fxe5 8. b5! a5 9. xe5 f6 10. g5 ! e7 11. d3 0–0 12. d2) 8. f4 h6 9. exf6 gxf6 10. g3 f7 11. g2 g7 12. e3 e7 13. h4 g6 14. h5 hx4 15. hx4 0–0 Sveshnikov – Razuvaev, Sochi 1986.

120 7... fxe5! 8. xe5 xe5 9. dxe5 e7 (9... h4 !) 10. 0–0 c7 ;

7...cxd4 8. cxd4 h6 9. 0–0 f7 10. e1 e7 11. c3 0–0 12. c2 f5 13. xd5 ! ? exd5 14. e6 .

121 8. f4 ! ? 0–0–0 9. b4 [9. 0–0 c4 10. c2 b6 11. b3 cxb3 12. xb3 g5 13. e3 g4 14. e1 f5 15. d3 a5 16. c2 b8 17. a4 (17. d2 c8 18. b1 c7 19. b3 xb3 20. xb3 a4 21. b2 xc2 22. xc2 xa3 23. b3 f8 24. fb1 b6 25. c5 !) 17... c8 18. e2 a6 , van Wely – Topalov, Dortmund 2005] 9... c4 10. c2 fxe5 11. xe5 ! xe5 12. xe5 h6 13. d2 , Karmov – Kalinichenko, corr. 1993/94.

122 8... fxe5 9. xe5 xe5 10. f4 ! b6 11. xe5 xb2 12. h5 + e7 13. g5 + f6 14. d2 –;

8...c4 9. c2 0–0–0 10. e1 fxe5 11. xe5 xe5 12. dxe5 c5 13. e3 xe3 14. xe3 e7 = Hába – Potkin, Pardubice 2002.

123 9. f4 c4 10. c2 h6! 11. h4 e8 12. b3 cxb3 13. xb3 h5 14. bd2 fxe5 15. dxe5 c5 Adams – Epishin, Ter Apel 1992;

9. e2 h6 10. b4 c4 11. c2 f5 12. h4 e8 13. f4 e7 Grischuk – Short, Reykjavik 2000.

124 10. xe5 xe5 11. dxe5 (11. f4 ?! c4 12. c2 b6 13. xe5 xb2 14. d2 xc3).

125 12. e3 xe3 13. xe3 h6 14. h3 f7 15. e2 g5 16. bd2 dg8 17. b3 h5 .

126 14. h3 f7 15. e2 Alekseev – S. Ivanov, St. Petersburg, 1999.

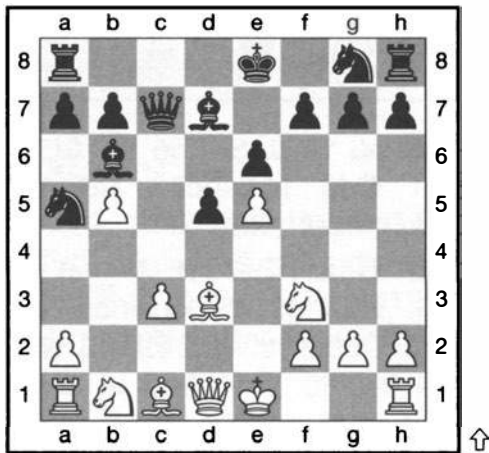
127 6... c7 ?! 7. f4 (7. a3 ! ? xe5 8. b5 xf3 + 9. xf3 e5 + 10. d1 c8 11. f4 f6 12. g3 g6 13. xa7 Sveshnikov – Shur, Asov 1991) 7... e7 8. d3 g6 9. xg6 fxc6 10. b4 a5 11. d2 axb4 12. cxb4 b6 13. b5 a5 14. c6 xc6 15. bxc6 b3 16. axb3 xa1 17. 0–0 Sveshnikov – Katishonok, Riga (Rapidplay) 1990.



128 7. ♗d3 ♖ge7 (7...a5!?!; 7...f6 8. b4 ♗e7 9. b5 ♖xe5 10. ♖xe5 fxe5 11. ♖h5+ ♖f8 12. ♖xe5 ♗f6 13. ♖d6+ ♖e7 14. 0-0 e5∞ Sveshnikov – Savon, Zonal Tournament, Lvov 1978) 8. b4 (8. 0-0 ♖g6 9. ♗e1 ♖c7 10. ♗xg6 f×g6!?! 11. ♗f4 0-0 12. ♗g3 ♖e7 ♢ Sveshnikov – Balashov, 44th USSR Championship, Moscow 1976) 8...♗b6 9. b5 ♖a5 10. 0-0 ♗c8! 11. a4 ♖g6 12. ♗e1 (12. ♗a3 ♗c5 13. ♗xc5 ♗xc5 14. g3 ♖c7 15. ♗e1 ♖c4 = Sveshnikov – Balashov, Zonal Tournament, Lvov 1978) 12...f6 13. ♗a2 0-0 14. ♗xg6 h×g6 15. ♖d3 ♖f7 16. ♗e3 ♗h8 17. ♗ae2 ♖c4 18. ♗d4 ± Sveshnikov – Naumkin, Moscow 1989.

129 8...♖ce7 9. ♗d3 ♖c7 10. 0-0 ♖g6 11. ♗e1 ♖8e7 12. a4 f6 13. ♗xg6+ ♖xg6 (13...h×g6 14. ♗a3∞) 14. exf6 g×f6 15. ♖xd5∞ Kharlov – Dolmatov, Moscow 1991.

130 9...♖c7

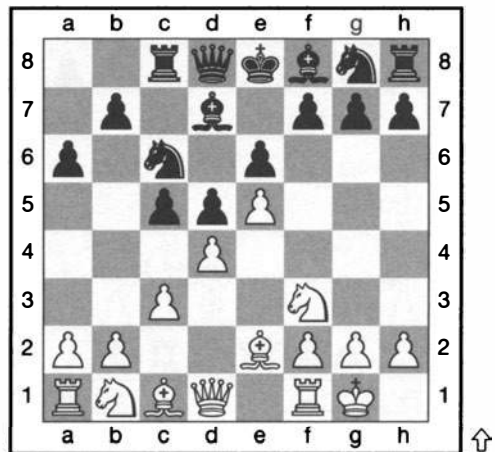


a) 10. ♖e2 ♖c4 (10...♖e7 11. 0-0 ♖g6 12. ♗e1 0-0-0 13. ♖a3 ♖b8 14. ♗d2 f6 15. ♗xg6 h×g6 16. ♗f4 ♗c5 17. ♖c2 ♖c4 18. a4 ♗hf8 19. ♗g3 f5 20. ♗f4 ♖a5 21. ♗ec1 ± Sveshnikov – Shabalov, Riga (Rapidplay) 1990) 11. ♗xc4!?! d×c4 12. ♖bd2 ♗xb5 13. ♖e4 ♗c5! 14. a4 ♗c6! 15. ♖xc5 ♗xf3 16. ♖xf3 ♖xc5 17. 0-0 ♖d5 = Kharlov – Zakharevich, Russian Championship, Elista 1996;

b) 10. 0-0 ♖e7 11. a4 ♖g6 12. ♗e1 ♗c5 13. ♗a2 0-0-0 14. ♗e3 ± Sveshnikov – Popović, Palma de Mallorca 1989.

131 13...♗xa4 14. ♗xa4 ♗xa4 15. ♖a3 ♢; 13...♖e7 14. ♖a3 ♗xa4 15. ♖xc4 d×c4 (15...♗xa1? 16. ♖d6+ ♖f8 17. ♖g5+-) 16. ♗xa4 ♗xa4 17. ♗xc4 0-0 18. ♗d3! ♖g6! 19. h4 ♗c6 20. h5 ♗xf3 21. g×f3 ♖xe5! 22. h×g6 ♖g3+ 23. ♖h1 ♖h3+ = Sveshnikov – Kharlov, Böblingen 1992

132 6...♗c8 7. 0-0 a6



a) 8. d×c5!?! ♗xc5 9. ♗f4 ♖ge7 10. ♗d3 f5 11. exf6 g×f6 12. ♖h4 0-0 13. ♖g4+ ♖h8 14. ♖h5 f5 15. b4 ♗b6 16. ♖d2 ♗c7∞ Oll – Ivanchuk, Polanica Zdrój 1998;

b) 8. a3 c×d4 9. c×d4 ♖ge7 10. ♖c3 ♖f5 11. g4 [11. ♗e3 ♗e7 12. ♗d3 ♖xe3 13. f×e3 0-0 14. ♗f2 f6 15. ♖c2 f5 = Ivanović – Bareev, Moscow (Blitz) 1993] 11...♖h4 12. ♖xh4 ♖xh4 13. ♗e3 g5 14. ♖a4 h5 = Xie Jun – Karpov, Guanzhou (Rapidplay) 2000;

c) 8. b3 ♖ge7 9. ♗b2 ♖f5 10. ♗d3 c×d4 11. ♗xf5 exf5 12. ♖xd4 ♗e7 13. ♗e1 0-0 14. ♖d3 ♖xd4 15. c×d4 ♖a5 16. ♖c3 ♗c6 17. a3 ♗e6 18. b4 ♖c7 19. f4 ± Sveshnikov – Epishin, Moscow 1992;

d) 8. ♖h1 c×d4! (8...♖ge7 9. d×c5! ♖g6 10. ♗e3 ♖cxe5 11. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 12. b4 ♗e7 13. ♖d2 ♖c6 14. f4 ± Grischuk – Radjabov, Dubai 2002) 9. c×d4 ♖ge7 10. ♖c3 ♖g6 11. ♗d3 ♗e7 12. ♗e3 0-0 13. ♗e1 ♖a5

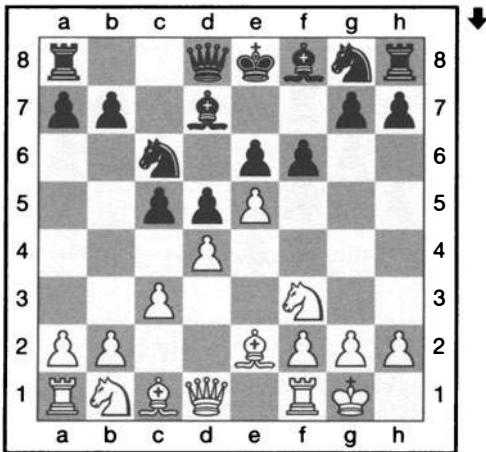


14. ♖c1 ♜c4 15. ♖c2 ♜xe3 16. fxe3 b5 ⇒
Grischuk – Radjabov, Dubai 2002;

e) 8. g3 h6 9. h4 ♖c7 10. h5 ♜ge7 11. ♖e1
cxd4 12. cxd4 ♖b6 13. g4 g6 14. hxg6 ♜xg6
15. ♜c3 ♖g8∞ Grischuk – Bareev, Chalkidiki
2002;

f) 8. ♜a3!?! ♜ge7 9. ♜c2 ♜g6 10. ♔d3
♙e7 11. g3 c4 12. ♙e2 f6 13. exf6 ♙xf6
14. h4 h6 15. h5 ♜ge7 16. ♙f4± Sveshnikov –
Razuvaev, Moscow (Rapidplay) 1992.

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7...♖c7 8. ♙f4 0–0–0 (8...♜ge7 9. ♙g3 ♜f5
10. exf6 ♜xg3 11. f7+ ♙xf7 12. fxg3 ♙g8
13. dxc5 ♙xc5+ 14. ♙h1 ♖f8 15. c4 d4
16. a3± Prié – Dimitrov, Sofia 1990) 9. ♙g3
♖b6 10. ♖c1 fxe5 11. ♜xe5 ♜xe5 12. ♙xe5
♜f6 13. b4 c4 14. a4 ♔d6 15. a5 ♖c7 16. ♖e3
♙b8 17. ♜d2 ♙c8 18. ♖ae1± Sveshnikov –
Atanasov, Berlin 1989;

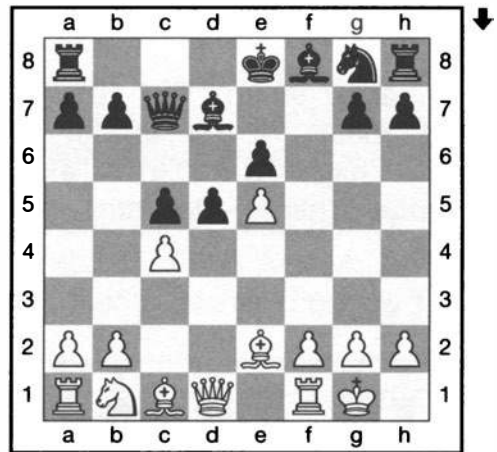
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10. ♜bd2 ♜a5 11. ♜d4 ♙c5 12. ♜2f3 ♜e7 ♢
Jonkman – Stellwagen, Wijk aan Zee 2003)
8...♙xc5 9. b4 ♙e7 10. ♙f4 (10. c4 dxc4
11. ♜a3 ♜xe5 12. ♜xe5 fxe5 13. ♜xc4
♖xb4 14. a4 ♢ Degraeve – Bricard, French
Championship, Val d'Isère 2002) 10...fxe5
11. ♜xe5 ♜xe5 12. ♙xe5 ♜f6 13. a4 a5
14. bxa5 ♖xa5 15. ♜d2 0–0 16. ♖b1 ♖a7
17. ♙b5± Polgár – Topalov, Dos Hermanas
1994.

134 8. dxe5 ♖c7 9. c4!?! (9. ♜a3 a6
10. ♙f4 ♜h6 11. ♜c2 ♜f7 12. c4 d4 13. ♔d3

♙e7 14. ♖e2 g5 15. ♙g3 0–0–0 ♢ Kupre-
ichik – Gulko, 44th USSR Championship,
Moscow 1976; 9. ♖e1 0–0–0 10. ♔d3 ♜h6
11. ♜a3 a6 12. ♙g5 ♖e8 13. ♙f4 ♙e7 14. ♖d2
♖ef8 15. ♜c2 c4 16. ♙f1 ♖hg8 ♢ Movsesian –
Shirov, German League 1999/2000) 9...d4
10. ♙f4 ♜h6 11. ♜bd2 ♜f7 12. ♜e4 ♙e7
13. ♔d3 0–0–0 14. ♖e1 ♖df8 15. ♙g3 g5
16. ♜f6 h5 17. h3∞ Motylev – J. Ivanov, St.
Petersburg 1997.

135 8...♔d6 9. ♜xc6 ♙xc6 10. ♙h5+ g6
11. ♙g4±.

136 9...♖c7 10. c4



a) 10...♖xe5 11. ♙h5+! g6 12. ♙f3 0–0–0
13. ♖e1 ♖d6 14. ♜c3± Romanishin –
Ivanchuk, Irkutsk 1986;

b) 10...d4 11. ♙f4 ♜e7 (11...0–0–0 12. ♜d2
♙c6 13. ♔d3 g5!?! Jonkman – Smeets,
Groningen 2002) 12. ♜d2 ♜f5 13. ♔d3 ♙e7
14. ♜e4 0–0 15. ♖g4 ♙h8 16. ♖h3 ♖d8
17. ♔d2 ♙e8 18. g4 ♜h4 19. f4± I. Zaitsev –
Tarjan, Quito 1977;

c) 10...♜e7 11. ♜c3 d4 12. ♜e4 ♖xe5
13. ♖e1 0–0–0 14. ♙f3 ♖e8 15. b4 cxb4
16. a3 ♢ Milos – Rodriguez, Santos 2003;

d) 10...0–0–0 11. cxd5 ♖xe5 12. ♙f3 exd5
[12...♔d6 13. g3 exd5 14. ♙f4 ♖f6 15. ♜c3
♙c6 16. ♜xd5 ♖d4 (Sveshnikov – Psakhis,
Sochi 1984) 17. ♖c2!±] 13. ♖e1 ♖d6!
14. g3!?! ♜f6 15. ♙f4 ♖a6! 16. ♜c3 d4
17. ♜e4 ♜xe4 18. ♖xe4 ♢ Sveshnikov –
Vaisser, Sochi 1984;



9...♗e7 10. ♗g5 (10. c4!?) 10...♖c7
11. ♗h5+ g6 12. ♗f6 ♖g8 13. ♗g4 ♗g7
14. ♖e1 ♗f7?! (14...♗c6!? 15. ♖e2 ♗xf6
16. exf6 0–0–0! 17. ♗xe6 ♗xe6 18. ♖xe6+
♖d7∞ Glek) 15. c4!± Glek–Yurtaev, Tash-
kent 1987.

137 10. ♗d3 ♖d7 11. ♗g5 ♗h6 12. ♗d2
♗f7 13. ♗h4 ♗e7 14. ♗xe7 ♖xe7 15. f4
0–0–0 16. ♖e2 ♗b8 17. ♖ae1 g6 18. a3 c4!∞
Ivanchuk–Short, 34th Olympiad, Novi Sad
1990.

138 11. ♗g4 ♖d7 12. ♗c3 dxc4 13. ♖e2
♗f5 14. ♖xc4 ♗d4 15. a4 h5 16. ♗h3 ♖f7∞
Sax–Speelman, Hastings 1990/91.

139 11...dxc4 12. ♗d2! (12. ♗xc4 ♖xd1
13. ♖xd1 ♗d5 14. ♗c3 h6 15. ♗h4 g5
16. ♗g3±) 12...♖d5 13. ♗h5+ ♗g6 14. ♖g4
♗e7□ 15. ♗xg6+ hxg6 16. ♗xe7 ♗xe7
17. ♗xc4 ♖e4 18. ♖g5+± Benjamin–Gulko,
Groningen 1993.

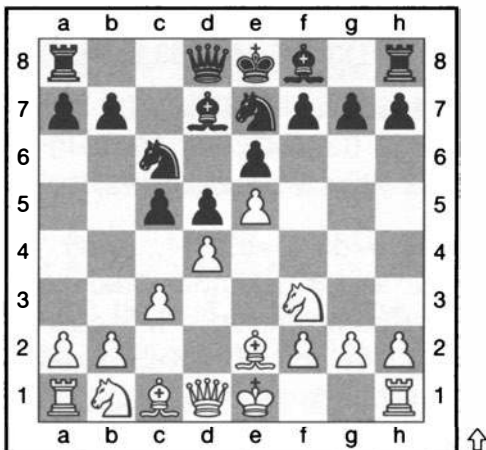
140 12. ♗h5+! g6 (12...♗g6 13. ♖c2 ♖f7
14. cxd5±) 13. ♗f6 ♖g8 14. ♗f3±.

141 12...dxc4 13. ♖xd7+! ♗xd7
14. ♗d2±.

142 13...d4 14. ♗d5;

13...dxc4 14. ♖e2 ♗e7 (14...♖d3 15. ♖e1!
h6 16. ♖d1 hxg5 17. ♖xd3 cxd3 18. g3!±)
15. ♖ad1± ♖c7 16. ♗xe7 (16. ♗c1?! Svesh-
nikov–Panbukchian, Anapa 1991) 16...♖xe7
17. f4!±.

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7. dxc5!? ♗g6 8. ♗e3 ♗gxe5 9. ♗xe5
♗xe5 10. f4 ♗c6 11. ♗d2 b6 12. ♗b3 bxc5
13. ♗xc5 ♖b6 14. ♗xe6!? (14. ♗xd7 ♖xe3
15. ♗xf8 ♗xf8 16. ♖d2 ♖xd2+ 17. ♗xd2
♗e7 18. b4± Velimirović–Züger, Lucerne
1989) 14...♖xe3 15. ♗c7+ ♗d8 16. ♗xd5 ♖
(16. ♗xd5 ♖e6 17. ♖d2 ♖; 16. ♗xa8 ♗c5
17. ♖xd5 ♖f2+ 18. ♗d1 ♖e8∞);

7. h4!?

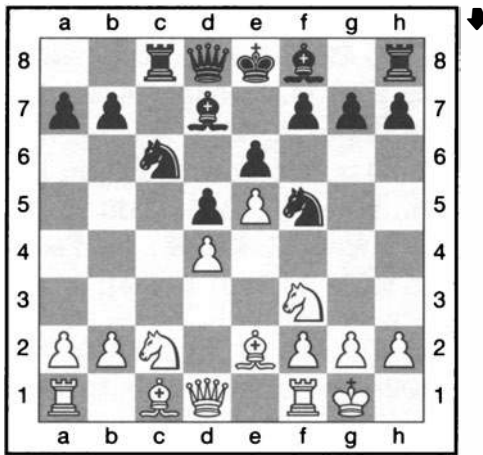
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♖b6 11. 0–0 ♗b4 12. ♗e3 ♗xe3 13. fxe3
♗e7 14. a3 ♗c6 15. b4± Sveshnikov–
Kholopov, Cheliabinsk (Rapidplay) 1997;

b) 7...♖c7 8. ♗a3 a6 9. ♗c2 cxd4 10. cxd4
♗a5 11. b3 ♖c8 12. ♗e3 ♗ec6 13. 0–0
♗e7 14. ♗d2 0–0 15. ♗d3 f5 16. exf6
♗xf6 17. ♖c1± Sveshnikov–Sæther, Gausdal
1992;

c) 7...♖b6 8. dxc5! ♖xc5 9. h5 ♖b6 10. ♗a3
♗f5 11. ♖b3 ♗c5 12. ♖xb6 ♗xb6 13. g4 ♗h6
14. ♖g1 ♗c7 15. ♗b5 ♗b8 16. ♗f4± Svesh-
nikov–Bashkov, Satka (Rapidplay) 2003;

d) 7...cxd4!? 8. cxd4 ♖b6 9. ♗a3 ♗f5
10. ♗c2 ♗b4 (10...♗b4+ 11. ♗f1 h5
12. a3 ♗e7 13. b4 ♖c8 14. g3 f6 15. ♗d3
fxe5 16. ♗xf5 exf5 17. dxe5± Topalov–
Nikolić, Monte Carlo (blind) 1997) 11. ♗xb4
(11. ♗f1 h5 12. g3 ♗b5 13. ♗xb5+
♖xb5+ 14. ♗g2 ♖ Movsesian–Nikolić, Ger-
man League 2002/03) 11...♗xb4+ 12. ♗f1
♖c8 13. g4 ♗h6 14. ♗xh6 gxh6 15. ♖c1 ♖xc1
16. ♖xc1±.

144 7...♖c8 8. ♗a3 (8. ♖e1 cxd4 9. cxd4
♗f5 10. ♗c3 ♗e7 11. a3 0–0= Men-
vielle Lacourrelle–Larsen, Las Palmas 1976;
8. dxc5 ♗g6 9. b4 ♗e7 10. ♗e3 ♗cxe5
11. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 12. ♗d2± Peng Xi-
aomin–Yusupov, 33rd Olympiad, Elista 1998)
8...cxd4 9. cxd4! ♗f5 10. ♗c2

**10...♖b6**

a) 11. ♔d3!? a5 (11...♗fxd4? 12. ♗fxd4 ♗xd4 13. ♔e3 ♔c5 14. b4+-; 11...♗b4 12. ♗xb4 ♔xb4 13. a3 ♔e7 14. ♔xf5 exf5 15. ♔g5 ♔xg5 16. ♗xg5 0-0 17. ♖d2 ♗c4= Benjamin-Gulko, US Championship, Key West 1994) 12. a3 a4 13. ♔xf5 exf5 14. ♗e3 ♖b5 15. b3! axb3 16. ♗b1† Guido-Foisor, Montecatini Terme 1994; 16. a4? b2!-+;

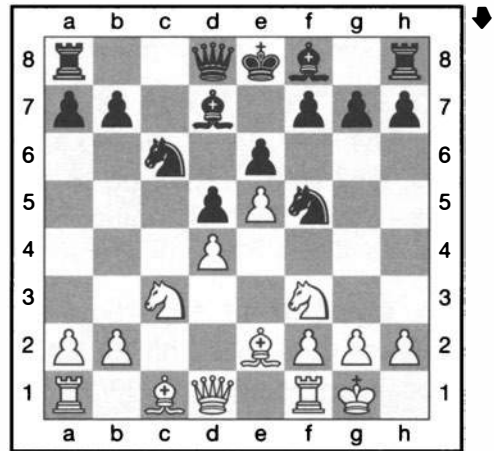
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c) 11. ♗h1!? ♗a5 [11...♗b4 12. ♗xb4 ♖xb4 13. a4!? a5 (♞ 13...♖a5) 14. ♔d2 ♖b6 15. g4 ♗e7 16. b4 axb4 17. a5 ♖c7 18. ♔xb4 ♗g6 19. ♔d2!± Dvoiris-Gleizerov, Hoogeveen 2000] 12. g4 ♗e7 13. ♗fe1 ♔b5 14. ♗d3! h5!? 15. gxh5 ♗f5 16. ♔e3± Grischuk-Gulko, Esbjerg 2000;

d) 11. g4! ♗fe7 12. ♗fe1 [12. ♗h4!? ♗b4 (12...♗g6 13. ♗g2 f6 14. exf6 gxf6 ♞ Sveshnikov-Atalik, Slovenian League, Bled 1999) 13. ♗xb4 ♖xb4 14. f4 ♗c6 (14...♔b5 15. ♖d2 ♖a4 16. b3 ♖a6 17. ♔xb5+ ♖xb5 18. f5 ♗c6 19. ♔b2= Sveshnikov-Gleizerov, Russian League, Podolsk 1992) 15. ♔e3 ♔e7 16. ♗g2± Sveshnikov-Ulbin, Russian League, Podolsk 1992] 12...h5?! (12...g6;

12...♗d8) 13. gxh5 ♗f5 14. ♔e3!± Sveshnikov-Skalkotas, Athens 1983;

10...♔e7 11. g4 ♗h4 12. ♗xh4 ♔xh4 13. f4∞.

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9...♔e7 10. g4 ♗h4 (10...♗h6 11. h3 0-0 12. ♔e3 f6 13. exf6 ♗xf6 14. ♗e5 ♗f8 15. f4 ♔b4 16. ♔f3 ♔xc3 17. bxc3± Sveshnikov-Lalić, Sochi 1987) 11. ♗xh4 ♔xh4 12. ♔e3 0-0 13. f4 f6 14. exf6 ♔xf6 15. ♗c1 g6 16. ♖d2= Nunn-Anand, Munich 1991;

9...♗c8 10. ♗h1!? (10. ♔e3) 10...a6 11. g4 ♗fe7 12. ♔d3 ♗a5 13. ♗g1 ♗ec6 14. ♗g3 ♖b6 ♞ Vatter-Kindermann, Baden-Baden 1993;

9...h5?! 10. ♔g5 ♔e7 11. ♔xe7 ♖xe7 12. ♖d2± Romero Holmes-Korchnoi, Wijk aan Zee 1992.

146 10. g4 ♗h4 11. ♗xh4 ♖xh4 12. ♔e3 ♔e7 13. f4 f6 ♞;

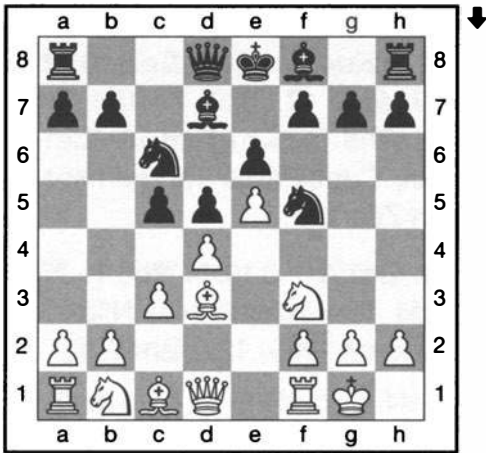
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10. ♗h1 ♗c8 11. ♔e3 ♔e7 12. ♔d3 ♗xe3 13. fxe3 0-0 14. ♗c1 f6 15. exf6 ♔xf6 ♞ Palleja-Dizdar, Montpellier 1997.

147 14. exd5 ♗xd3 (14...exd5 15. ♔b1 ♔e6 16. ♗e2± Kharlov-Dokhoian, 58th USSR Championship, Moscow 1991) 15. dxe6! ♗xe5! 16. ♗xe5 ♔xe6 17. d5 ♖b6+! (17...♔f6 18. ♖d4 ♔xe5 19. ♖xe5 ♔d7± Kharlov) 18. ♗h1 ♗ad8 19. ♖f3 ♔c8 ♞.



148 8. ♗d3!?



8...♗h4 9. ♗xh4 [9. ♗g5!? cxd4 10. cxd4 (10. f4!?) 10...♗xd4 11. ♖h5 ♗g6 12. ♗c3 ♗ Kupreichik – Levitt, Badenweiler 1990] 9...♖xh4 10. ♗e3 ♖d8!? [10...cxd4 11. cxd4 ♗b4 (11...♖d8!?) 12. a3 ♗a5 13. g3 ♖e7 14. ♗c3 f5 15. b4± Kupreichik – Levitt, Copenhagen 1988] 11. ♗d2 ♖b6 12. b3 (12. ♖b1 cxd4 13. cxd4 ♗b4 14. ♗e2 ♗b5 15. ♗xb5+ ♖xb5 16. ♖c1 ♗e7 17. ♖c3 ♗c6 18. ♖b3 ♖a6 19. ♖d1 0–0=; 12. ♗f3 c4 13. ♗c2 ♖xb2 14. ♖d2 ♖b6 15. ♗g5 ♗ Vasyukov – Levitt, Græsted 1990) 12...cxd4 13. cxd4 ♗b4 14. ♗e2 ♗b5 15. ♗xb5+ ♖xb5 16. a3 ♗c6 17. ♖g4±;

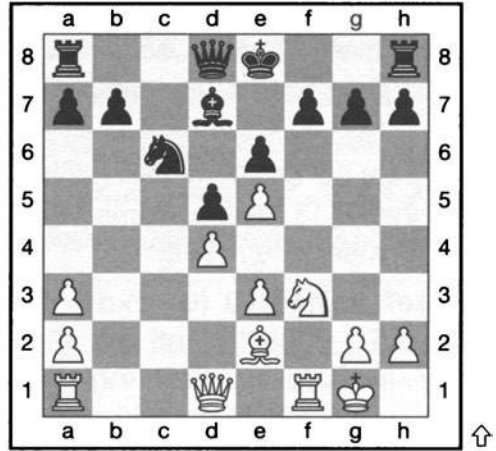
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149 9...♗e7 10. ♗c2 0–0 11. g4 ♗h4 12. ♗xh4 ♗xh4 13. f4 f6 (13...f5 14. ♗d3±) 14. ♗e3 ♖c8 15. ♗d3 g6 16. ♖d2± Sveshnikov – Leito, (Rapidplay) 2000.

150 10...0–0 11. ♖b1 ♖c7 12. ♗d3 ♖fc8∞ Sax – Dreev, Tilburg (Rapidplay) 1992.

151 11...0–0 12. ♗d3 ♖ac8 13. g4 ♗xe3 14. fxe3 ♖d8 15. ♖e1 f5 16. gx f5 exf5 17. ♖b1 b6 18. ♖g3± Rozentalis – Züger, Chiasso 1991.

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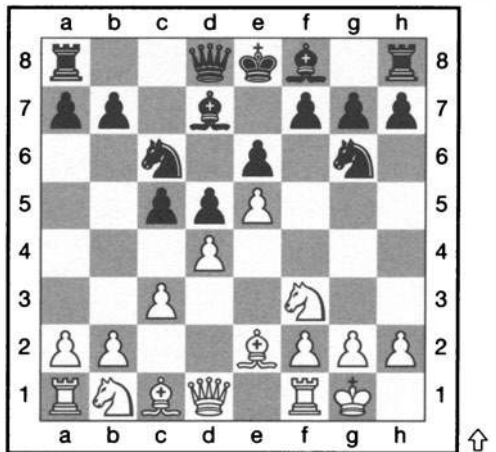
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13. ♖b1!? b6 14. e4 0–0 15. ♗d3 h6 16. exd5 exd5 17. h3± Sveshnikov – Iskusnykh, St. Petersburg 1997.

153 13...♗a5! 14. ♖e1 0–0 15. ♗d3 ♖c8 16. e4 ♗c6=.

13...b6 14. ♗b5 ♖c8 15. ♖a4 0–0 16. ♗xc6 ♖xc6 17. ♖xa7 ♗e8 18. ♖fc1 ♖xc1+ 19. ♖xc1 f6 20. ♖c7± Sveshnikov – Luther, Nova Gorica 2000.

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**8. g3!?**

a) 8...f6!? 9. ♔d3 (9. exf6 gxf6 10. h4 ♖g8 11. h5 ♗h8 12. ♜g2 cxd4 13. cxd4 ♔d6 14. ♔e3 ♚c7 15. ♖g1 0–0–0 = Gurevich) 9...cxd4!? 10. cxd4 ♗b4 11. ♔e2 fxe5 12. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 13. dxe5 ♔c5 = Meessen – Gurevich, Belgian Championship, Charleroi 2001;

b) 8...♚b6 9. a3 c4 10. h4 h6 11. ♗bd2 ♗a5 12. ♖e1 0–0–0 13. ♖b1 ± Adams – Vaganian, Oviedo (Fischer Blitz) 1992;

c) 8...♔e7 9. h4 0–0 (9...cxd4 10. cxd4 0–0 11. h5!? ♗h8 12. h6 g6 13. ♗bd2 f6 14. exf6 ♔xf6 15. ♗b3 ♗f7 16. ♗h2! ♗d6 17. ♔g4 = Hjartarson – Korchnoi, Amsterdam 1991) 10. h5 ♗h8 11. h6 g6 12. dxc5 [12...♔xc5!? 13. c4 f6! (13...dxc4 14. ♗c3 ♔e7 15. ♗e4 g5 16. ♔xg5 ♔xg5 17. ♗fxg5 ♗xe5 18. f4 ± Gdański – Przewoźnik, 49th Polish Championship, Częstochowa 1992) 14. cxd5 ♗xe5 15. ♚b3 ♗xf3+ 16. ♔xf3 e5 17. ♗c3 ♗f7 18. d6 ♗h8 19. ♚xb7 ♖b8 (19...♖c8!) 20. ♚c7 ♔xd6 21. ♚xa7 Timman – Ljubojević, Amsterdam 1999] 12...f6 13. exf6 ♔xc5 14. ♔g5!? ♗f7 15. ♔h4 ♚c7 16. ♚d2 ♗ce5 = Timman – Nikolić, Amsterdam 1999;

8. a3 ♔e7 9. b4 cxd4 10. cxd4 ♖c8 11. ♔e3 0–0 12. ♚d2 f6 13. exf6 ♔xf6 14. ♗c3 ♗ce7 15. ♔d3 ♔e8 16. ♔g5 h6 17. ♔xf6 ♖xf6

18. ♗e5 ♗xe5 19. dxe5 ♖f8 20. ♗e2 ♔g6 = Romero Holmes – Nikolić, Wijk aan Zee 1992.

155 8...cxd4 9. cxd4 ♔e7 10. ♗c3 0–0 11. ♔d3 ♔e8 12. ♖c1 f6 13. exf6 ♔xf6 14. ♚d2 ♗h8 15. ♔b1 ♖c8 16. ♖fe1 ± Sax – Korchnoi, Candidates Tournament (m/10), Wijk aan Zee 1991.

156 9. ♗e1?! 0–0 10. f4 ♚b6 11. ♚d2 cxd4 12. cxd4 f6 = Kupreichik – Nikolić, Ljubljana/Portorož 1989; 12...♗h4!? ♖;

9. g3 cxd4 10. cxd4 f6 11. exf6 ♔xf6 12. ♗c3 0–0 13. ♚d2 ♗ge7 14. ♔d3 h6!? = Romanishin – Nikolić, Leningrad 1987.

157 9...♗gxe5 10. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 11. f4 ♗c6 (11...♗g6 12. b4 0–0 13. ♗d2 b6 14. ♗b3 ♚c7 15. ♚d2 ♔a4 16. f5 ♗e5 17. cxb6 axb6 18. ♗d4 ± Cherniaev – Fernández Hernández, Spain 1997) 12. ♗d2 0–0 13. ♔d3 ± Kharlov – Sakaev, São Paulo 1991.

158 12. b4 0–0 13. f4 ♗g6 14. ♚d2 b6 15. cxb6 axb6 16. ♗b5 ♔xb5 17. ♔xb5 ♔f6 18. ♔d4 ♔xd4+ 19. cxd4 ♖a3 = Mukhamedov – Stojanović, Bela Crkva 1996.

159 14. ♖e1!? 0–0 15. ♔d3 f5 (15...b6 16. cxb6 axb6 17. ♚h5!) 16. b4 =;

14. c4 ♖d8 15. cxd5 (Kharlov – Sakaev, Russian League, Podolsk 1992) 15...♖xd5 = Sakaev.

Notes



Table 5

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜c6 5. ♜f3
 ♙d7 6. ♖e2 ♜ge7 7. ♜a3 cxd4¹⁶⁰ 8. cxd4
 ♜f5¹⁶¹ 9. ♜c2¹⁶²



	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
23 ...	0-0 ¹⁶⁴	g4! ¹⁶⁶	♜fe1	g×h5	♜d3	♙e3 ¹⁶⁹	b4 ¹⁷¹		
♙b6 ¹⁶³	♜a5 ¹⁶⁵	♜e7 ¹⁶⁷	h5 ¹⁶⁸	♙b5	♜f5	♜c8 ¹⁷⁰	♜c6 ¹⁷²	±	
24 ...	...	g4 ¹⁷³	♜fe1 ¹⁷⁴	g×h5	♙e3	♙d3	♙×f5		
...	a5	♜fe7	h5!? ¹⁷⁵	♜f5	f6	0-0-0 ¹⁷⁶	exf5 ¹⁷⁷	∞	
25 ...	...	♙h1!?	♜e3	♜×f5	♙d2	a3	♙c3 ¹⁸¹		
...	...	♜b4 ¹⁷⁸	♜c8 ¹⁷⁹	exf5	♙e7	♜c6 ¹⁸⁰		±	
26 ...	0-0 ¹⁸²	g4!? ¹⁸⁴	b4	♜b1 ¹⁸⁷	exf6	a4			
♙e7	g5!? ¹⁸³	♜g7 ¹⁸⁵	a6 ¹⁸⁶	f5!? ¹⁸⁸	♙×f6	h6 ¹⁸⁹		±	
27 ...	0-0 ¹⁹⁰	♙×c2	♙d3	♙d2 ¹⁹⁴	♜fc1	♙×d3	♙×f5		
♜b4	♜×c2 ¹⁹¹	♙b6 ¹⁹²	a6 ¹⁹³	♙b5 ¹⁹⁵	♙×d3	♙e7	exf5 ¹⁹⁶	±	
28	g4!? ¹⁹⁷	♙d2 ¹⁹⁸	h3	a4 ¹⁹⁹		
...	♜c8	♜e7	h5	a6	h×g4 ²⁰⁰	±	



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7...♖f5 8. ♗c2 ♕e7 9. 0-0 see 7...cxd4
8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♗c2 ♕e7; 9. ♗d3!? ± cxd4
10. ♗xf5 exf5 11. ♗cxd4 ±;

7...♗g6 8. h4!? cxd4 9. cxd4

a) 9...♗b4+ 10. ♖f1 h6 (10...♗ge7 11. ♗c2
♗a5 12. g3 f6 13. ♖g2 0-0 14. exf6
gxf6 15. ♗e3 ♖h8 16. b3 ♗c7 17. ♗b2
♗e8 18. ♗d3 ± Sveshnikov–Graf, Kiev
(Rapidplay) 1989; 10...♗e7!? Movsesian–
Kindermann, German League 2005/06)
11. ♗c2 ♕e7 12. ♗d3! (12. h5 ♗f8 13. b4
♗h7 14. ♗d2 0-0 15. ♗d3 ♖c8 16. ♖e1
a6 17. a4 f5 ♞ Sveshnikov–Gulko, Tashkent
1984) 12...♗f8 13. ♖h3 ♖b6 14. ♖g3 g6
15. ♖g1 ± Ehlvest–Minasian, Ohrid 2001;

b) 9...♗xa3 10. bxa3 h6 11. h5 ♗ge7 12. 0-0
♗a5 13. ♖b1 ♗c6 14. ♗d3 ♗c4 15. ♗h4! ♠
Grischuk–Graf, 35th Olympiad, Bled 2002.

161 8...♗g6 9. h4 ♗b4+ [9...h6 10. h5
♗xa3 11. bxa3 ♗ge7 12. ♖b1 (12. 0-0
Grischuk–Graf, 35th Olympiad, Bled 2002)
12...♗a5 13. ♗d2 ♗c6 14. ♗b4 ♗c4 15. ♗d2
♗f5 16. 0-0 ♗xd4 17. ♗xc4 dxc4 18. ♗xc4
♗f3+ 19. gxf3 ♖g5+ 20. ♖h2 ♖h4+ 21. ♖g1
♖xc4 ♞ Stević–Nikolić, Slovenian League,
Celje 2003] 10. ♖f1 0-0 11. h5 ♗h8 12. ♗d3
h6 13. ♖c2 f5 14. ♖e2 ♕e7 15. ♗c2 ± Sandi-
pan–Hertneck, German League 2002/03.

162 9. 0-0 ♗xa3 – see 7. 0-0.

163 9...♖a5+ 10. ♗d2 ♖b6 11. ♗c3 ♕e7
(11...a5 12. g4 ♗fe7 13. h4 h5 14. gxh5

♗f5 15. ♗e3 ♗xe3 16. fxe3 ± Sveshnikov–
Furlan, Slovenia (Rapidplay) 1997) 12. 0-0
[12. ♖d2 a5 13. 0-0 0-0 14. ♖h1 ♖h8!?
(14...♗b4=) 15. g4 ♗h6 16. ♖g1 ♗g8 ♞
Cifuentes Parada–Sokolov, Dutch Cham-
pionship, Amsterdam 1994] 12...a5!? 13. a3
(13. g4 ♗h6 14. ♗fe1 f6 15. ♗d3 ♗f7
16. ♗f3 fxe5 17. dxe5 0-0 ♞ Marković–
Sokolov, Yugoslavia 1987) 13...0-0 14. ♗d3
♖h8 15. ♖e1 ♗a7 16. a4 ♗c6 ♞ Timman–
Sokolov, Dutch Championship (m/3), Ams-
terdam 1996;

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10. g4 ♗fe7 11. 0-0 (11. ♗h4 ♗b4 12. ♗a3
♗ec6 13. ♗e3 ♗e7 14. ♗g2 f6 15. ♗b5
fxe5 16. 0-0 0-0 17. dxe5 ♗c5 ♞ Wemmers–
Gurevich, Belgian League 2003/04) 11...h5
12. h3!? hxg4 13. hxg4 f6 (13...♗g6!? van
Wely) 14. ♗d3! 0-0-0 15. b4 ± Shirov–van
Wely, Wijk aan Zee 2001;

10. h4

a) 10...♗b4+ 11. ♖f1 h5 12. a3 ♗e7 13. b4
♖c8 14. g3 f6 15. ♗d3 fxe5 16. ♗xf5 exf5
17. dxe5 d4 ± Topalov–Nikolić, Monte Carlo
(blind) 1997;

b) 10...f6 11. g4 ♗fxd4! (11...♗fe7 12. exf6
gxf6 13. g5 ♗g7 ∞) 12. ♗cxd4 ♗xe5 13. g5
♗c5 14. 0-0 ♗xf3+ 15. ♗xf3 ♖b4 16. ♗e1
♖xh4 17. ♗g2 ♖b4 ♞ Movsesian–Gurevich,
Sarajevo 2000;

c) 10...♗b4 11. ♗xb4 ♗xb4+ (11...♖xb4+
12. ♖f1 ♗b5 13. g4 ♗xe2+ 14. ♖xe2 ♖c4+



15. ♖d3 ♗e7 16. h5± Movsesian–Ulbin, Pula 1999) 12. ♗f1 h5 (12...♗b5!? 13. g4 ♗h6 14. ♗xh6 g×h6 15. ♖b3 ♖g8 16. a3 ♗xe2+ 17. ♗xe2 ♖a6+ 18. ♖d3 ♗e7= Pilaž–Moor, Leipzig 2002) 13. a4! ♖c8 14. g3 ♗e7 15. ♗g2 ♖c7 16. a5 ♖b4 17. b3± Shirov–Gurevich, Prague (Rapidplay) 2002.

165 10...♖c8!?

a) 11. ♗d3 a5 12. a3 a4 13. ♗xf5 exf5 14. ♗e3 ♖b5±;

b) 11. g4!? ♗fe7 12. ♗h4 (12. ♗fe1 h5 13. g×h5∞ Sveshnikov–Skalkotas, Athens 1983) 12...♗g6 [12...♗b4 13. ♗xb4 ♖xb4 14. f4 ♗b5 (14...♗c6 15. ♗e3 ♗e7 16. ♗g2 f6± Sveshnikov–Ulbin, Russian League, Podolsk 1992) 15. ♖d2 ♖a4 16. b3 ♖a6 17. ♗xb5+ ♖xb5 18. f5 ♗c6 19. ♗b2= Sveshnikov–Gleizerov, Russian League, Podolsk 1992] 13. ♗g2 (13. ♗xg6 h×g6=) 13...♗e7±;

c) 11. ♗h1 ♗a5 12. g4 ♗e7 13. ♗fe1 h5 14. g×h5 ♗f5 15. ♗g4 ♗h6 16. ♗h3 ♗c6 17. b3± Charbonneau–Barsov, Montréal 2003.

166 11. ♗e3 ♗xe3 12. fxe3 ♗e7±.

167 11...♗h6 12. h3±.

168 12...♗b5 13. ♗d3 h5 14. b4 ♗ac6 15. a4 ♗c4 16. a5 ♖c7± Stević–Dizdar, Croatian League, Poreč 1998.

169 15. b4 ♗c6 16. a4 ♗c4 17. a5 ♖d8 18. ♗e3 ♖h4 (Grosar–Dizdar, Nova Gorica 1997) 19. ♗f4 ♗xe2 20. ♖xe2 g5±.

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15...♗e7 16. a4 ♗xd3 17. ♗xd3 g6 18. h×g6 f×g6 19. b4 ♗c4 20. ♗xc4 d×c4 21. d5 ♗xe3 22. fxe3 Sveshnikov–Dolmatov, Moscow (Rapidplay) 1991; 22. ♗xe3±;

15...♗c4 16. a4 ♗cxe3 17. fxe3 ♗c4 18. ♗f4! ♗b3 19. ♗b5+ ♗d8 20. ♖e2 ♗xc2 21. a5! ♖c7 22. ♖fc1 ♖c8 23. a6! b6 24. ♗a4 ♖c4! 25. ♖xc2 ♖xe2 26. ♖xc8+?= Sveshnikov–Dolmatov, Russian League, Naberezhnye Chelny 1988; 26. ♖xe2 ♗e7 27. ♖g2! ♖c4 28. ♗f2 ♖b4 (28...♗h4+?! 29. ♗e2 ♖b4? 30. b3±) 29. ♖a2±;

15...♗c6! (Shirov; ♠♖d8–h4→) 16. a4 ♗c4 17. b4 ♖d8! (17...♗b3 18. a5 ♖d8 19. ♗de1 ♖c8 20. ♖b1 ♗c4 21. ♗g2 ♗xe2 22. ♖xe2 ♗h4 23. ♗ge1 ♗f5 24. ♗g2 ♗h4 25. ♗ge1 ½–½ Grosar–Dizdar, Ljubljana 1997) 18. ♗g4!? (18. ♖d2 a5!±; 18. a5!? transposes to Grosar–Dizdar, Nova Gorica 1997, see Note 169) 18...♗xe3!? (18...♖h4 19. h3 ♗xe3 20. fxe3 ♖g3+ 21. ♗h1 ♖xh5! 22. ♗xh5 ♖xh3+ 23. ♗g1 ♖g3+=) 19. fxe3 ♖g5 20. h3 ♖xh5 21. ♖f3 0–0–0!±= Shabalov–Shirov, Edmonton 2005.

171 16. b3 ♗c6 17. ♖c1 a5 18. ♖d2 ♗e7 19. ♗g4 ♖a6± Bergstrom–Kiriakov, Port Erin 2000.

172 17. a4 ♗c4 18. ♖b1 ♖d8 19. ♗f4 ♗xe2 20. ♖xe2 ♖h4 21. h3± Sveshnikov–Kiriakov, Russian Championship, Elista 1994.

173 11. b3 ♖c8 (11...♗b4 12. ♗e3 ♗e7 13. ♗xf5 exf5 14. a3 ♗c6 15. ♗b2 0–0 16. ♗e1 ♖fc8 17. f4∞ Delchev–Gurevich, Batumi 2002) 12. ♗b2 (12. ♗e3 ♗b4 13. ♗ce1 ♗b5 14. ♖c1 ♖xc1 15. ♗xb5+ ♖xb5 16. ♖xc1 ♗c6= Greenfeld–Sher, Swiss Championship 1995) 12...♗b4 13. ♗xb4 a×b4 14. ♖e1 [14. ♖d3± ♗e7 15. g4! (15. a4 b×a3 16. ♗xa3 ♗xa3 17. ♖xa3 0–0=) 15...♗h4 (15...♗h6 16. h3 0–0 17. ♖fc1±) 16. ♗xh4 ♗xh4 17. a4 0–0 18. ♖ac1±] 14...♗b5 15. ♖c1 ♖xc1 (15...♖c6) 16. ♖xc1 ♗e7 17. g4 ♗h6 18. ♖c8+ ♗d8 19. h3± Timman–Jóhannesson, Reykjavík 2004.

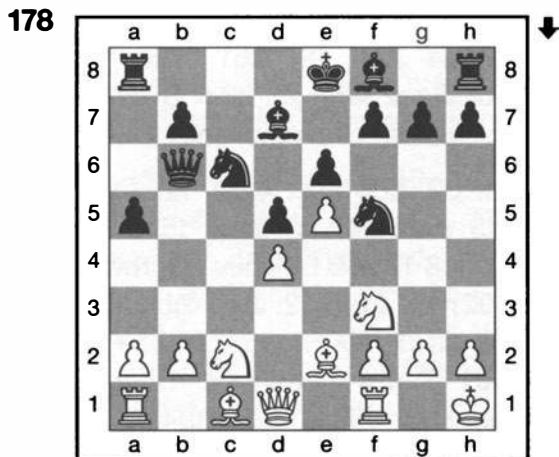
174 12. ♖h4 ♗g6 (12...f6 13. ♕e3 fxe5 14. dxe5 ♖c7 15. f4 g5 16. fxg5 ♗xe5 17. ♗f3 ♖b8 18. ♗fd4 ♕g7 ∞ Kupreichik – Pilaj, Graz 2002) 13. ♗g2 ♕e7 14. f4 0–0 15. ♕e3 f5 16. exf6 ♖xf6 17. h4 (17. ♕d3 ♕d6 18. h4 ♖af8 19. g5 ♖f7 20. ♕xg6 hxg6 21. h5 gxh5 22. ♗xh5 g6! ∞ Benjamin – Gulko, US Championship, Durango 1992) 17...♕d6 18. h5 ♗ge7 19. ♕d3 ♖f7!? (19...♖c8 20. ♗e2 ♖ff8 21. ♗h4 h6 22. g5 hxg5 23. fxg5 ♗f5 24. h6! → Sveshnikov – Gulko, 52nd USSR Championship, Riga 1985) 20. ♗e2 a4 (20...♖af8 21. ♖ad1 g6 22. h6 ♗b4 23. ♗xb4 axb4 ∞ Sveshnikov – Mencinger, Finkenstein 1994) 21. ♖ab1 ♖af8 ∞ Yagupov – Piskov, Rostov on Don 1993.

175 12...♗g6 13. f4 h5 14. gxh5?! ♗h4 15. ♕e3 ♗f5 16. ♕f2 ♗xb2 ♢ Orak – Dizdar, Pula 1999.

176 15...♗xe3!? ♢.

177 17. ♗d3 ♕e8 18. ♗f3 ♖xh5 19. exf6 gxh6 20. ♕f4 ♕d6 ∞ Ermenkov – Spassov, Albena 1985.

17. exf6 ♕e8 18. h6 gxh6 19. ♗d2 ♖d7 ∞ Sveshnikov – Razuvaev, Moscow 1985.



11...♖c8 12. b3 (12. g4 ♗fe7 13. ♗h4 ♗b4 ∞ Ni Hua – Kristjánsson, Goa 2002) 12...♗b4 13. ♗e3 ♗xe3 14. ♕xe3 ♕e7 15. ♗e1 ♕b5 16. f4 ± Hadzimanolis – Barsov, Ikaros 2001;
11...h5!?

a) 12. ♕g5 ♕e7 13. ♕xe7 ♗cxe7 14. ♗d3 ♖c8 15. ♖ab1 0–0 16. ♗e3 g6 17. h3 ± Dvoiris – Willemze, Dieren 2002;

b) 12. ♕d3 ♕e7 13. ♕xf5 exf5 14. ♕g5 ♗xb2 15. ♖b1 ♗xa2 16. ♖xb7 ♗d8 17. e6 fxe6 18. ♖xd7 ♕xg5 19. ♖xg7 ♕f6 20. ♖c7 ∞ Gwaze – Summerscale, Edinburgh 2003;

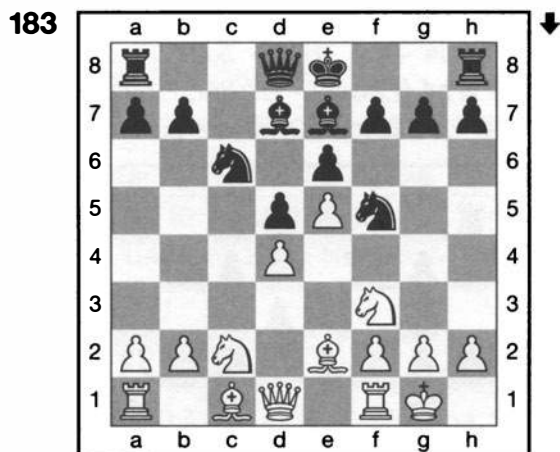
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179 12...♕e7 13. ♗xf5 exf5 14. ♕d2 0–0 15. a3 (15. ♕c3 ♕b5 16. a3 ♕xe2 17. ♗xe2 ♗c6 18. e6 ♕f6 19. exf7+ ♗xf7 20. ♗d3 ½–½ Predojević – Galyas, Budapest 2002) 15...♗c6 16. ♕c3 ♖f8 17. ♗d2 ♗d8 18. b3 ± Cherniaev – Dzhakaev, Istanbul 2003.

180 15...♗a6 16. b4 axb4 17. axb4 ♗c7 18. b5 ± Vescovi – Vučković, Bermuda 2002.

181 Grischuk – Gurevich, Esbjerg 2000.

182 10. g4!? ♗h4 11. ♗xh4 ♕xh4 12. 0–0 f5 13. f4 (13. gxh5!? ±) 13...fxg4 14. ♕xg4 0–0 15. b3 ♖c8 16. ♗e3 ♗b6 17. ♕b2 ♗e7 18. ♕h3 ♖f7 19. ♗h5 ♗g6 20. f5! Sveshnikov – Karer, Nova Gorica 1999.



10...h5!?

a) 11. ♖b1 ♗b6 (11...g5 12. b4 g4 13. ♗fe1 ♗b6 14. ♕e3 ±) 12. b4! a5 13. a3 axb4



14. axb4± Grischuk–Kaidanov, New York 2000;

b) 11. ♗e3!? g5 12. ♗xf5 exf5 13. h4 g4 14. ♗g5 ♖b6 15. ♖e3 f4! 16. ♖xf4 ♖xd4± Dolmatov–Hertneck, Tilburg (Rapidplay) 1992;

c) 11. ♖h1 g5 12. ♗fe1 g4 13. ♖e3 ♖b6 14. ♗d3 a5 15. a4 ♖c8 16. ♖d2 ♖b3 17. ♖fc1 ♗xe3 18. fxe3 ♗d8 19. ♖d1 ♖b6 20. b4↑ Movsesian–Schlindwein, German League 2000/01;

d) 11. b4!? ♖c8 (11...♗xb4 12. ♗xb4 ♖xb4 13. ♖b1 ♖a5! 14. ♖xb7 ♖b6 15. ♖g5 ♖c8 16. ♖a6 ♖c6 17. ♖d3±) 12. ♖b1 a6 13. a4! ♖b6 14. b5 axb5 15. ♖xb5 ♖c7 16. ♗e3 ♗xe3 17. ♖xe3 ♗a5 18. ♖g5!± Sveshnikov–Fominikh, Russian Championship, Elista 1996;

10...♖c8 11. ♖d3! ♖b6 12. ♖h1! ♗b4 [12...0–0 13. g4 ♗h6 (13...♗h4 14. ♗xh4 ♖xh4 15. g5 ♗e7 16. a4!? ♗g6 17. ♖g4 ♖c4 18. ♖xc4 dxc4 19. a5 ♖c6+ 20. ♖g1 ♖b5 21. ♗e3±) 14. ♖g1↑ Párkányi–Bagoly, Miskolc 1998] 13. ♗xb4 ♖xb4 14. ♖d2 ♖b6 15. a4 a5 16. ♖c3± Voronovsky–Lukonin, Sosnowi Bor 2002.

184 11. b4 g4 (11...a6 12. a4 f6∞ 13. b5 axb5 14. axb5 ♗a5 15. exf6 ♖xf6 16. ♖a3±) 12. ♗fe1 h5 13. b5 ♗a5 14. ♖a3 ♖xa3 15. ♗xa3 ♖c8 16. ♗ec2±.

185 11...♗h6!? 12. h3 f6 13. exf6 ♖xf6 14. b4 ♗f7 15. b5 ♗e7 16. ♖d3 ♖c7 17. a4 ♗g6 18. ♖xg6 hxg6 19. ♖g2 0–0–0 20. ♗b4± Goloshchapov–Zakharevich, St. Petersburg 2002.

186 12...h5!?!±.

187 13. a4!?!.

188 13...b5!?!±.

189 Dvoiris–Zakharevich, Russian Championship, Elista 2001.

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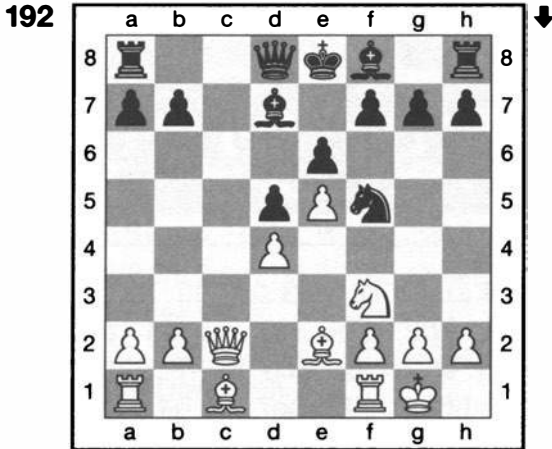


10. ♗e3 ♗xe3 11. fxe3 ♖e7 12. a3 [12. 0–0 0–0 13. ♖d2 ♖b6 (13...a5 14. a3 ♗c6 15. ♖d3 ♖b6 16. ♖c3 f5 17. exf6 ♖xf6 18. ♖c2 h6 19. ♖f2 ♗e7 20. g4± Peng Xiaomin–Kacheishvili, 34th Olympiad, Istanbul 2000) 14. a3 ♗c6 15. b4 f5 16. exf6 ♖xf6 17. ♖d3 ♗e7 18. ♖b1 h6 19. a4 ♗f5 20. b5 a5 21. ♖c1 ♖fc8 22. ♖a2 ♖d8 23. ♖af2± Sax–Brenninkmeijer, Wijk aan Zee 1992] 12...♗c6 13. b4± Spassky–Korchnoi, Candidates match, Belgrade 1977; 13. 0–0 0–0 14. ♖d2 f6 15. exf6 ♖xf6 16. ♖c3 ♖c8 17. ♖d3±);

10. ♗xb4 ♖xb4+ 11. ♖d2 ♖a5 12. a3! [12. ♖xb4 ♖xb4+ 13. ♖d2 ♖xd2+ (13...a5 14. a3 ♖xd2+ 15. ♖xd2 a4 16. h4 ♗e7 17. h5 h6 18. ♖e3 ♗c6 19. g4 ♗a5± Wempe–Glek, Hoogeveen 2003) 14. ♖xd2 ♗e7 15. ♖hc1 (15. ♖ac1 ♗c6 16. ♖e3 f6 17. ♖b5 ♗b4 18. a3 ♖xb5 19. axb4 ♖d7 20. ♖c3 ♖hc8 21. ♖hc1 ♖xc3+ 22. ♖xc3 ♖f8= Popchev–Morozevich, Krasnodar 1997) 15...f6 16. ♖c5 ♖d8 17. ♖d3 ♖c8 18. ♖ac1 ♖xc5 19. ♖xc5 ♖e8= Sieiro González–Gurevich, Havana 1986] 12...♖xd2+ 13. ♖xd2 ♖xd2+ 14. ♖xd2 f6 15. ♖ac1 ♗e7 16. b4± Anand–Gurevich, Interzonal, Manila 1990.

191 10...♖c8 11. ♗xb4 (11. ♗e3 ♗xe3 12. ♖xe3 ♗c2 13. ♖c1 ♗xe3 14. fxe3 ♖xc1 15. ♖xc1 ♖e7±) 11...♖xb4 12. a3 ♖e7 13. g4 ♗h4 14. ♗xh4 ♖xh4 15. ♖e3 0–0 16. ♖b3 ♖b6?! (16...♖c6 17. f4 f6 18. ♖d3±) 17. ♖xb6 axb6 18. ♖d3± Sveshnikov–Bashkov, Cheliabinsk 2003;

10...♙a4?! 11. b3 ♖d7 12. ♗e3 a5 13. a3 ♗c6 14. ♙b2 ♙e7 15. ♙d3 g6? (15...♗xe3 16. fxe3±) 16. ♖d2 ♖b6 17. ♙c2 h5 18. ♙c3 ♗f8 19. ♙xf5! gxf5 20. g3± Sveshnikov – Gurevich, Ekaterinburg 2002.



11...♖c8 12. ♖d3 (12. ♖b3 ♖b6 13. ♖xb6 axb6 14. ♙d2 ♗e7 15. ♖fc1 ♗c6 16. ♖c3= Grosar – Dizdar, Slovenian League, Bled 1996) **12...a6 13. a4 (13. ♖b3±) 13...♙b4 14. ♙g5 ♖b6 15. h4 h6 16. ♙d2!?** ♖a5 17. ♙f4! ♖g8!?

18. g3 ♗d8!∞ Movsesian – Morozevich, Sarajevo 2000;

11...h5 12. ♙d2 ♙e7 13. ♙d3 ♖b6 14. ♙xf5 ♖c8! (14...exf5 15. ♙g5 ♙xg5 16. ♗xg5 ♖xd4 17. ♖fd1 ♖h4 18. ♖d2 ♖c4 19. ♖ac1± Sveshnikov – Dreev, St. Petersburg 1993) **15. ♖b3 exf5 16. ♖xd5 ♙e6 17. ♖a5 ♖xa5 18. ♙xa5 b6 19. ♙d2 ♙d5** ♞ Yagupov – Dreev, Rostov on Don 1993.

193 12...♙e7 13. a4 (13. g4 ♗h4 14. ♗xh4 ♙xh4 15. f4 h6 16. ♙e3± Sveshnikov – Foisor, Oviedo (Rapidplay) 1993) **13...0–0 14. a5 ♖c7 15. ♙d2 a6 16. ♖fc1 ♙c6 17. ♖b3±** Sveshnikov – Nikolaev, Šibenik 1990;

12...h6 13. b3 a6 14. a4 ♙b4 15. ♙b2 g5?! (15...0–0 16. ♙d1! ♖fc8 17. ♙c2 g6 18. ♖fc1±; 15...♖c8 16. ♙d1!? 0–0 **17. ♙c2 ♖c6 18. g4!±) 16. ♖ac1 ♖c8 17. ♖xc8+ ♙xc8 18. ♗e1! ♙d7 19. ♗c2 ♙e7 20. ♗e3 ♖b4 21. ♙d1! ♗xe3 22. ♙c3! ♖b6 23. fxe3±** Sveshnikov – Brumen, Bled 2000.

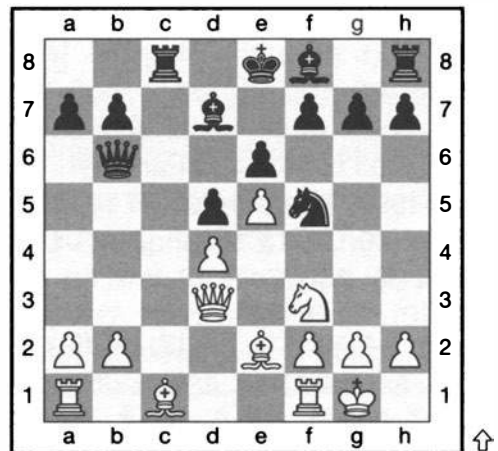
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195 13...h5?! 14. a4 a5 15. ♖fd1 ♙e7 16. h3 ♖c8 17. ♙c3! h4 18. ♖d2± Sveshnikov – Zlotnik, Moscow 1991;

13...♙e7 14. a4 0–0 15. g4 ♗h6 16. h3 ♗h8 17. ♗h2± Sveshnikov – Bashkov, Herford (Rapidplay) 1992.

196 17. ♙g5 ♙f8 18. ♖c7 h6 19. ♙d2 ♙c6 20. e6 fxe6 21. ♖e1 ♙d7 22. ♗e5± Sveshnikov – Totsky, Cheliabinsk (Rapidplay) 1990.

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13. a4!? ♙b4 **14. h4 h6 (14...h5 15. ♙g5±) 15. h5 ♗e7 16. ♗d2 0–0 17. ♗b3 f5 18. a5 ♖d8 19. ♙d2±** Sveshnikov – Rublevsky, Russian Championship, Elista 1994;

13. ♙d2!? ♙b4! (Filipenko; **13...♙e7?! 14. g4!±) 14. ♖fc1 (14. ♙xb4 ♖xb4 15. a3 ♖b6; 14. ♙f4?! a6! 15. a4 ♗e7!?** 16. h4 ♙a5 **17. ♖fc1 ♖xc1+ 18. ♙xc1 h6 ½–½** Sveshnikov – Dreev, Rostov on Don 1993) **14...0–0 15. ♙xb4 ♖xb4 16. a3 ♖b6 17. b4 ♖c4 18. ♖d2 ♖xc1+ 19. ♖xc1 ♙b5 20. ♙xb5 ♖xb5 21. ♖c5±.**



13. ♖d1 h6 14. h4 a6 15. a4 ♗b4 16. h5 ♖e7
17. ♗e3 ♖c6 18. ♗d3 ♖a5 19. ♗b1 ♗e7∞
Campora–Dreev, Biel 1995.

198 14. ♗e3 h5 15. h3 hxg4 16. hxg4 a6
17. ♖fc1 ♖xc1+ 18. ♖xc1 ♗b5 19. ♗d2 ♗xe2
20. ♗xe2 ♖c6⇒ Grosar–Dražić, Bratto
1997.

199 16. ♖fc1? hxg4 17. hxg4 ♖xc1+
18. ♗xc1 ♗b5 19. ♗c2 ♗xe2 20. ♗xe2 ♖c6
21. ♗e3 ♗e7♣ Sveshnikov–Dizdar, Slovenian League, Bled 2002.

200 16...hxg4 17. hxg4 ♖c6 (17...♖g6
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Notes



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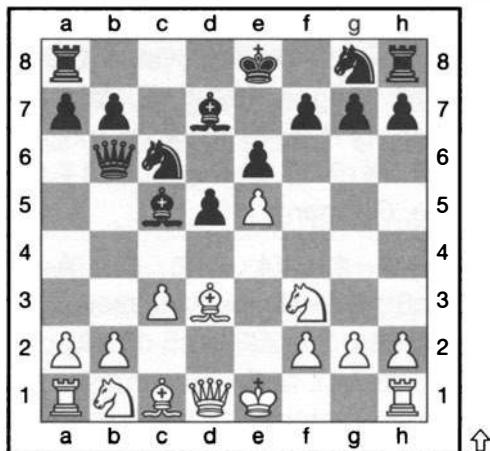
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29	♙d3?! cxd4! ²⁰¹	cxd4 ♙d7	♘c3 ²⁰² ♘xd4	♘xd4 ♚xd4	0–0 ²⁰³ ♚xe5?! ²⁰⁴	♙e1 ♚d6 ²⁰⁵	♘b5 ²⁰⁶ ♚b6 ²⁰⁷	♙e3 ♚a5 ²⁰⁸	=
30	a6!	♚e2 ♘e7 ²⁰⁹	♙h1! ²¹⁰ ♘c6	f4 ♘b4 ²¹¹	≠
31	♙e2?! ♘h6 ²¹²	♙xh6! ²¹³ g×h6 ²¹⁴	♚d2 ♙g7 ²¹⁵	0–0 0–0	♘a3! cxd4 ²¹⁶	cxd4 ♙d7 ²¹⁷	♘c2 f6	exf6 ²¹⁸ ♙xf6 ²¹⁹	±
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34	♙e3 ♘h6 ²³⁶	♙d3 ♘g4 ²³⁷	0–0 ♘xe3 ²³⁸	f×e3 g6 ²³⁹	♘bd2 ²⁴⁰ ♙h6 ²⁴¹	±



201 6...♗d7?! 7. dxc5! ♗xc5



- a) 8. 0-0 a5 (8...♗ge7?? 9. b4+-; 8...f6? 9. b4! ♗e7 10. ♗f4 fxe5 11. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 12. ♗xe5 ♗f6 13. ♗d2 0-0 14. ♗f3 ♗d6 15. ♗e2± Nimzowitsch–Salwe, Carlsbad 1911; 8...a6 9. b4 ♗e7 10. ♗e1 d4? 11. a3!+- Euwe–Graves, Amsterdam 1923) 9. ♗e2 ♗ge7 (9...f6!?) 10. ♗f4 ♗g6 11. ♗g3 0-0 12. h4 f6! 13. ♗xg6 (13. exf6 ♗xf6) 13...hxg6 14. exf6 ♗xf6∞ Nun–Kupreichik, Germany 1991/92; 14...gxg6!?)
- b) 8. ♗e2!? a5 9. ♗bd2 a4 10. b4 axb3 11. ♗xb3 ♗a3 12. 0-0 ♗ge7 (12...♗xc1 13. ♗fxc1 ♗ge7 14. ♗bd4±) 13. ♗d2 ♗g6 14. ♗bd4± Hort–Andersson, Reykjavík 1972.

202 8. ♗c2 ♗b4 9. 0-0 ♗xc2 10. ♗xc2 ♗e7 11. ♗c3 ♗c8 12. ♗e3 ♗c6?! Steinitz–Burn, Vienna 1898; 12...♗f5;

8. 0-0 ♗xd4 9. ♗c3 See 8. ♗c3; 9. ♗bd2 ♗c6 10. ♗b3 ♗ge7 11. ♗e3 ♗c7 12. ♗c1 ♗g6 13. ♗c5 ♗xc5 (13...♗e7 14. b4=) 14. ♗xc5 ♗gxe5 15. ♗xe5=, Pap–Kosić, Bosnjaci 2005; (15. ♗e1 ♗c8 16. ♗a3 ♗xd3 17. ♗xd3 ♗e5+-).

203 10. ♗e2 a6 11. 0-0 See 10. 0-0 a6 11. ♗e2.

204 10...♗b6 11. ♗e2 (11. ♗g4) 11...a6 12. ♗h1 ♗e7 13. f4 g6 14. ♗e3 ♗c7 15. ♗ac1 ♗d8 16. f5 exf5 17. ♗g5 Penalver–Chaumont, Aix-les-Bains 2003;

10...♗e7 11. ♗b5 ♗xe5 12. f4! ♗b8 13. f5 a6 (13...e5 14. f6) (14. ♗f3!± Glek 14...axb5

15. f6 (15. fxe6 ♗xe6+-) 15...♗f5! 16. ♗xf5 exf5 17. ♗e1+ ♗e6 18. ♗xf5 ♗d6+-; 14. fxe6! fxe6 (14...♗xb5 15. exf7+±) 15. ♗f4 e5 16. ♗h5+ g6 17. ♗xe5+-;

10...a6.

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11...♗c7 12. ♗xd5 ♗a5

a) 13. ♗e5!? ♗d8 14. ♗g5 ♗e7 (14...♗e7 15. ♗xe7 ♗xe7 16. ♗h5→) 15. ♗h5 (15. ♗e2 h6 16. ♗xe7 ♗xe7 17. ♗xe7 ♗xe7=) 15...exd5 16. ♗ae1 ♗c8 17. ♗xe7 ♗xe7 18. ♗xe7+ ♗xe7 19. ♗xe7+ ♗xe7 20. ♗g5+ ♗d6 21. ♗f4+=;

b) 13. ♗xe6+! (Glek) 13...fxe6 14. ♗h5+ ♗d8 15. ♗g5+ ♗f6 16. ♗xf6 ♗e7 17. ♗e4 ♗d5 18. ♗xe7+ ♗xe7 19. ♗h4+ g5 20. ♗h6 ♗e5∞;

11...♗b8 12. ♗xd5 ♗d6

a) 13. ♗g4 ♗f8 14. ♗d2 (14. ♗f4 ♗f6 15. ♗h4 h6 16. ♗e2 ♗d5) Glek–Zlotnik, Moscow 1980) 14...h5!? 15. ♗h3 ♗c6! (15...exd5?! 16. ♗xd7 ♗xh2+ 17. ♗h1 ♗f6 18. ♗f5 ♗d6 19. ♗ac1!± Borg–Nikolić, Kavála 1985; 15...♗h6 16. ♗e3 ♗g8 17. ♗c3 ♗g4 18. ♗xg4 hxg4 19. ♗xg4 ♗xh2+ 20. ♗f1 ♗f8∞) 16. ♗e3 ♗f6 17. ♗c4 ♗c7 18. ♗c3 ♗d5 19. ♗e5!?) Salnikov–Prudnikova, USSR 1991;

b) 13. ♗h5!? ♗f8 14. ♗c3 ♗f6 15. ♗h4 ♗c6 16. ♗g5 ♗e5 17. ♗ad1; 17. f4?! ♗d4+ Penalver–Westerinen, Netanya 1971.

206 12. ♗f3 ♗f6 13. ♗b5 ♗b6 14. ♗e3 ♗a5 15. ♗d4 ♗b4 Dolmadian–Inkiow, Sofia 1978.

207 12...♙xb5? 13. ♙xb5+ ♘d8 14. ♙d2 (14. ♚f3 ♘f6 15. ♙f4 ♚b6 16. a4 a6 17. ♙d3 ♙d6 18. a5 ♚b4 19. ♙g5 ♘d7 ♯ Gossell–Shulman, Stillwater 2002) 14...♚b6 15. ♚a4 a5□ 16. ♚ac1 ♙c5 17. ♚xc5 ♚xc5 18. ♚c1+– ♚b6 19. ♙e3 ♚d6 20. ♙c5 ♚b8 21. ♚a3! b6 22. ♙xb6+ 1-0 Sveshnikov–Genov, Bulgaria 1988;

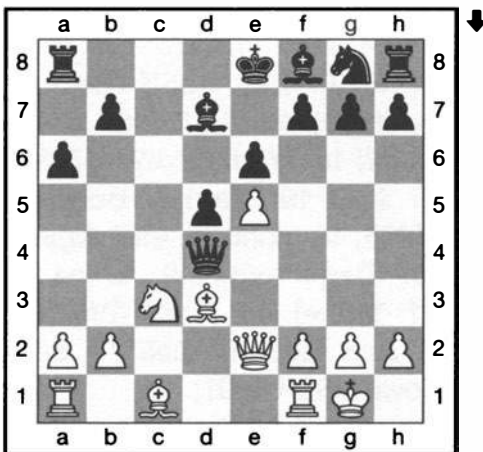
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208 13...♚d8?! 14. ♙f4 ♚c8 15. ♘xa7±; 13...♚a5

a) 14. ♚b3 a6 15. ♙d2 ♚d8 16. ♘d4 ♘f6 17. ♚xb7 ♙c5 (17...♚b8 18. ♚xb8+ ♚xb8 ♯) 18. ♙e3 ♚c8?! (18...♚b8!? 19. ♚xb8+ ♚xb8 20. ♘xe6 ♙xe3 21. ♘d4 0–0 22. ♚xe3 ♚xb2 ♯) 19. ♚xc8+ ♚xc8 20. ♙xa6 ♚a8 21. ♙d3 ♙b4 22. ♚ec1 ♘g4≈ Krasnov–Glek, Moscow 1989;

b) 14. ♙d2 ♚b6 15. ♙e3 (15. a4?! a6 16. a5 ♚d8 17. ♘d4 ♘f6 ♯) 15...♚a5 16. ♙d2= Adorján–Farágó, Hastings 1976/77.

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11...♚c8!? 12. ♘h1 [12...♙c5 13. ♙g5 (13. f4 ♘h6 14. h3 0–0 15. ♙d2 f6 16. ♚f3 ♚xe5 17. ♙e3 ♚b4 18. a3 ♚b6 19. ♙xc5 ♚xc5 20. ♚xe5 ♘f5 ♯ Möhring–Thormann,

GDR 1977) 13...h6 14. ♙d2 ♘e7 15. ♚ac1 ♚h4 16. f4 ♘f5 17. ♙xf5 exf5 18. b4 ♙a7 19. ♘xd5 0–0= Padevsky–Darga, 19th Olympiad, Siegen 1970] 12...♚h4! 13. f4 ♘h6! ♯ 14. f5?! ♘xf5 15. ♙xf5 exf5 16. ♚f4 ♚d8 (16...♚e7!?) 17. ♘xd5 ♙e6 ♯ Schuh–Namyslo, Germany 1992;

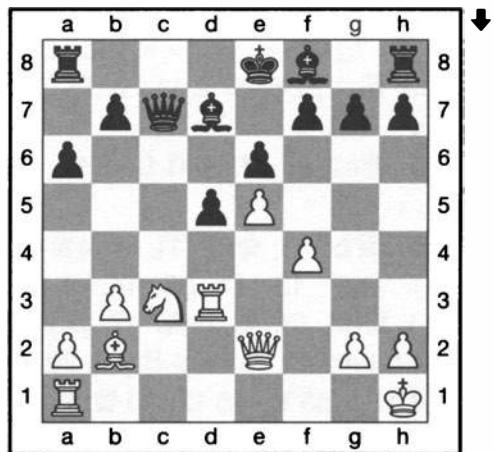
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210 12. ♚d1 ♘c6 13. ♙xa6 ♚xe5 14. ♚xe5 ♘xe5 15. ♙xb7 ♚a7 16. ♙xd5 exd5 17. ♚e1 f6 18. f4 ♙c5+ 19. ♘h1 d4 ♯ Mnatsakanian–Monin, USSR 1979.

211 14. ♚d1!

14...♙c5!? (Piskov) 15. ♙xa6 (15. ♙xh7 ♚f2 16. ♚xf2 ♙xf2 17. ♙b1 ♘e7 ♯ Blasek–Kishnev, Gelsenkirchen 1991) 15...♚f2 16. ♚xf2 ♙xf2 ◁ 17. ♙b5 (17. ♙b7 ♚a7 18. a3 ♘c2 19. ♚a2 ♘e3 20. ♙xe3 ♙xe3 21. ♙xd5 exd5 22. ♘xd5 ♙e6 ♯) 17...♘e7 18. ♙xd7 ♘xd7 19. a3 ♘c6 ♯;

14...♘xd3 15. ♚xd3 ♚c4?! (15...♚b6 16. ♙e3 ♙c5! 17. ♙xc5 ♚xc5 18. f5!?! ♚ ♙c6! 19. ♚ad1 0–0–0 20. ♚xe6 ♚xe6 21. ♚g4 d4 22. ♚xe6+ ♘b8 23. ♚g4 ♚xe5 24. ♚xd4 ♚xd4 25. ♚xd4 ♚xd4 26. ♚xd4 ♚e8 27. ♘g1 = Öchslein–Tischer, German League 1980/81) 16. b3! ♚c7 17. ♙b2





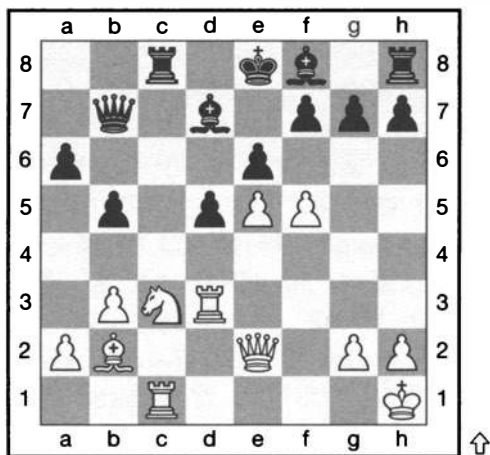
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20. ♕xa3 ♗xa3 21. f6→ Möhring–Casper,
GDR Championship, Frankfurt/Oder 1977;

b) 17...♕c6 18. ♖c1 ♖d8 19. ♗f2! ♕e7
20. ♖e2 0–0 21. ♖d4 ♖ Sveshnikov–
Razuvaev, Belgrade 1988;

c) 17...♕c5 18. ♖c1 ♕c6 19. ♖xd5 ♕xd5
20. ♕a3 b6 21. b4 0–0 22. bxc5 bxc5 23. f5?!
(♠ 23. ♖xc5 ♗b7 24. ♖xc5 exd5 25. ♕xf8
♖xf8 26. ♖d1 ±) 23...c4 24. ♖h3? (24. ♖g3!
exf5 25. ♗d2 ♖) 24...exf5 25. ♕xf8 ♖xf8 ♠
Sveshnikov–S. Ivanov, Kiev 1988;

d) 17...b5 18. ♖c1 ♗b7

d1) 19. f5 ♖c8!



d11) 20. fxe6 fxe6! [20...♕xe6 21. ♗f3
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23. ♕xc1 ♕xd5 24. ♖xd5 0–0=] 21. ♖f1
b4 22. ♗h5+ ♖d8 (22...g6 23. ♗f3 ♕e7
24. ♖xd5 exd5 25. ♗f7+ ♖d8 26. e6 ♖f8
27. ♕f6 ♖xf7 28. exf7 ♖c7 29. ♕xe7 ♕b5
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33. ♖d1 ♗c2 34. ♖f6+ ♠) 23. ♖e2 ♖c2
24. ♕c1 ♕b5 25. ♖d2 ♖c6 ♠;

d12) 20. ♖f1 b4 21. fxe6 ♠ (21. ♖xd5? exd5
22. e6 ♕b5! ♠ Smirnov–Beliakov, Alushta
1994) 21...fxe6 22. ♗h5+ g6!? 23. ♗f3 ♕e7
24. ♗f7+ ♖d8 25. ♗g7!? ♖e8 26. ♖xd5 exd5
27. ♖fd1 ♕e6 28. ♗xh7 g5 ♠;

d2) 19. ♗d2 ♖c8! 20. ♖d1 ♕e7 21. f5!? b4
22. ♖xd5 exd5 23. f6 ♕e6! 24. fxe7 ♗xe7
25. ♖g3 g6 ♠ Wallyn–Mednis, Cannes 1992.

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6...♖ge7 7. dxc5!?

a) 7...♗c7 8. ♖d4 ♗xe5 (8...♖xe5? 9. ♖b5!
♗xc5 10. ♗d4+– Euwe–Kramer, Za-
anstreek 1946) 9. 0–0±;

b) 7...♗xc5

b1) 8. ♕d3 ♖g6 9. ♗e2 d4!? (9...f6?!
10. exf6 gxf6 11. 0–0 ♕g7 ±) 10. ♕xg6
(10. 0–0 ♖gxe5 11. ♖xd4 ♖xd3 12. ♗xd3
♖xd4 13. cxd4 ♗c7 14. ♕e3 ♕d7 15. ♖c3
♕d6 =) 10...hxg6 11. 0–0 d3 12. ♗e4 ♗d5=;

b2) 8. ♕f4 ♖g6 9. ♕g3 ♗b6! 10. b4 ♕d7
11. ♕d3 a5 12. b5 ♖ce7 13. ♖bd2 ♖f5
14. ♗e2 (Benjamin–Korchnoi, Horgen 1994)
14...h5 ♠;

b3) 8. b4 ♗b6 9. b5!? (Glek) 9...♖a5 10. 0–0
♕d7 11. ♕e3 (11. ♖d4?! ♖g6 12. f4 ♕c5
13. ♕e3 0–0 14. a4 f6 15. exf6 ♖xf6 16. g3
e5 ♠ Vysochin–Wojtaszek, Polanica Zdrój
2001) 11...♗c7 12. ♖bd2 ♖f5 13. ♕d4 ±;

6...f6 7. 0–0 fxe5 8. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 9. dxe5 ♕d7
10. c4 ±;

6...♕d7 7. 0–0 ♖c8 8. dxc5! ♕xc5 9. b4 ♕f8
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13. h4 ± Castro Rojas–Korchnoi, Linares
1979.



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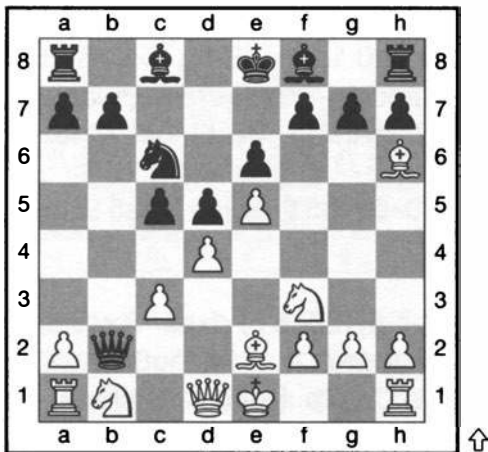


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13. $\text{c}xb4$ $\text{c}xb4$ 14. $\text{c}g2$ ∞ Kupreichik –
Bagirov, USSR 1973;

7. $\text{b}3!$? $\text{c}xd4$ 8. $\text{c}xd4$ $\text{c}f5$ 9. $\text{c}b2$ $\text{c}b4+$
(9... $\text{c}d7$ 10. $\text{g}4$ $\text{c}fe7$ 11. $\text{c}c3$ $\text{h}5$ 12. $\text{c}a4$
 $\text{c}d8$ 13. $\text{g}5$ $\text{c}g6$ 14. $\text{c}d2$ $\text{c}c8$ \neq Kupre-
ichik – Korchnoi, Münster 1996) 10. $\text{c}f1$ $\text{c}e7$
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Sveshnikov – Portisch, Interzonal Biel 1993)
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15. $\text{c}d3$ \pm Movsesian – Priehoda, Kaskády
2002;

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16. $\text{c}d2$ $\text{c}c4$ 17. $\text{h}5$ $\text{c}a4$ 18. $\text{c}c1$ $\text{c}e6$ \neq Ben-
jamin – Grétarsson, Bermuda 1999.

214 7... $\text{c}xb2$?



8. $\text{c}c1!$? $\text{c}xa1$ 9. $\text{c}c2$ $\text{c}xd4$ 10. 0–0
(10. $\text{c}fd2$ $\text{c}xe5$ 11. 0–0 $\text{d}3$ $\bar{+}$) 10... $\text{c}d7!$
(10... $\text{d}xc3?$ 11. $\text{c}xc3$ \pm $\text{d}4$ 12. $\text{c}b5$ $\text{c}b4$
13. $\text{c}c7+$ $\text{c}d8$ 14. $\text{c}g5+$ $\text{f}6$ 15. $\text{e}xf6$ $\text{c}xc2$
16. $\text{f}xg7+$ $\text{c}xc7$ 17. $\text{g}xh8$ $\text{c}c1$ 1–0 Karpachev –
Siedentopf, Leutersdorf 2002) 11. $\text{c}d2$ $\text{c}c8$
12. $\text{c}a3$ $\text{c}xf1+$ 13. $\text{c}xf1$ $\text{c}xa3$ 14. $\text{c}b3$ $\text{d}xc3$
15. $\text{c}xc3$ $\text{c}c5$ 16. $\text{c}xb7$ $\text{c}b8$ 17. $\text{c}c7$ $\text{c}b1$
18. $\text{c}d2$ $\text{h}6$ $\bar{+}$;

8. $\text{c}e3!$ $\text{c}xa1$ 9. $\text{c}c2$ $\text{c}xd4$ 10. $\text{c}xd4$

a) 10... $\text{c}xd4?$ 11. $\text{c}xd4$ $\text{c}a3$ 12. $\text{c}b5+$ $\text{c}d8$
13. 0–0 $\text{c}b2$ 14. $\text{c}a4$ $\text{c}e7$ 15. $\text{c}a5++$ –
Survila – Skoblikov, Podolsk 1978;
b) 10... $\text{c}b4?$ 11. $\text{c}b5+$ $\text{c}d7$ 12. $\text{c}xd7+$
 $\text{c}xd7$ 13. $\text{c}xb4+-$ $\text{c}xb4+$ 14. $\text{c}e2$ $\text{a}5$
15. $\text{c}c1$ $\text{c}hc8$ 16. $\text{c}c3!$ $+-$ Drvota – Schmidt,
Děčín 1979;

c) 10... $\text{c}a3$ \square 11. $\text{c}b5!$ \pm (11. 0–0 $\text{c}b2$
12. $\text{c}xa3$ $\text{c}xa3$ 13. $\text{c}b5$ $\text{c}a5$ 14. $\text{c}d6+$
 $\text{c}f8$ ∞) 11... $\text{c}b2$ (11...0–0 12. $\text{c}5$ xa3 $\text{b}6$
13. 0–0 $\text{d}4$ 14. $\text{c}f4+-$) 12. $\text{c}c7+$ $\text{c}d7$
13. $\text{c}xa8$ $\text{c}xc3+$ 14. $\text{c}xc3$ $\text{c}xb1+$ 15. $\text{c}d1$
 $\text{b}6$ (15... $\text{c}e4$ 16. 0–0 $\text{d}4$ 17. $\text{c}d2+-$)
16. 0–0 $\text{c}xa2$ 17. $\text{c}xb6!$ (17. $\text{c}xb6+$
 $\text{axb}6$ 18. $\text{c}xb6$ $\text{c}c4$ \pm) 17... $\text{c}b7$ (17... $\text{axb}6$
18. $\text{c}a4!$) 18. $\text{c}f3!$ (18. $\text{c}c5$ $\text{c}xa8$ 19. $\text{c}d6+$
 $\text{c}e8$ 20. $\text{c}e3$ ∞ ; 18. $\text{c}b3$ $\text{c}e2!$ ∞)

c1) 18... $\text{f}5$ 19. $\text{e}xf6$ $\text{c}xa8$ 20. $\text{c}g3$ $\text{axb}6$
21. $\text{c}xg7+$ $\text{c}d6$ 22. $\text{f}7$ \pm ;

c2) 18... $\text{c}e8$ 19. $\text{c}xf7+$ $\text{c}e7$ 20. $\text{c}f8$ $\text{axb}6$ \pm
(20... $\text{c}c4$ 21. $\text{c}h5$ $\text{g}6$ 22. $\text{c}xa7$ $\text{c}xa8$
23. $\text{c}xa8$ $\text{g}xh5$ 24. $\text{c}b1$ $\text{c}d8$ 25. $\text{c}b6+-$);

c3) 18... $\text{c}xe5$ 19. $\text{c}c3$ $\text{c}c6$ (19... $\text{c}xa8$
20. $\text{c}c7+$ $\text{c}e8$ 21. $\text{c}c5$ $\text{c}d7$ 22. $\text{c}xb7$ $\text{c}b8$
23. $\text{c}c6+-$) 20. $\text{c}xg7$ $\text{c}e8$ 21. $\text{c}c5$ $\text{c}d8$
22. $\text{c}h5$ $\text{c}xa8$ 23. $\text{c}xf7$ $\text{c}xf7$ 24. $\text{c}xf7+$ $\text{c}d8$
25. $\text{c}d6$ $\text{c}c2$ 26. $\text{c}f4$ $\text{h}6$ 27. $\text{c}c1+-$.

215 8... $\text{c}d7$ 9. 0–0 0–0 0–0!? 10. $\text{d}xc5$
(10. $\text{b}4!$? $\text{c}xb4$ 11. $\text{c}c1$ $\text{c}b8$ 12. $\text{c}xb4$ $\text{c}xb4$
13. $\text{c}c3$ $\bar{\bar{+}}$) 10... $\text{c}c7$ (10... $\text{c}xc5$ 11. $\text{b}4$ $\text{c}e7$
12. $\text{b}5$ $\text{c}a5$ 13. $\text{c}f4$) 11. $\text{c}f4$ \pm .

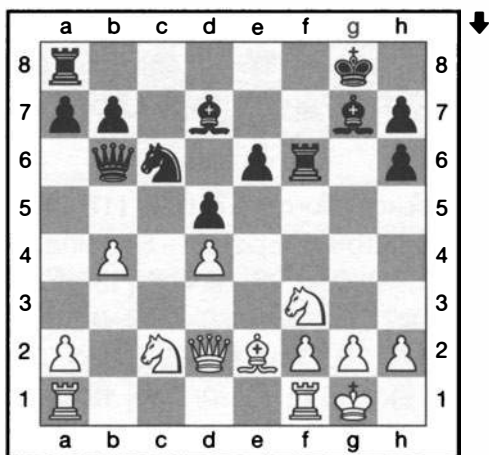
216 10... $\text{f}6$ 11. $\text{e}xf6$ $\text{c}xf6$ 12. $\text{d}xc5$ $\text{c}xc5$
13. $\text{b}4$ $\text{c}f8$ 14. $\text{c}c2$ $\text{c}d7$ 15. $\text{b}5$ $\text{c}e7$ 16. $\text{c}e5$
 $\text{c}d8$ 17. $\text{c}d4$ $\text{c}g6$ 18. $\text{c}xd7$ $\text{c}xd7$ 19. $\text{c}g4$ \pm
Kupreichik – Huzman, Sverdlovsk 1987.



217 11...f6!? 12. exf6 ♗xf6 13. ♖c2 a5!? ⇒ Jonkman – Uhlmann, Chemnitz 1998.

218 13. ♗d3 fxe5 14. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 15. dxe5 ♗xe5! (15...♗xb2?! Sveshnikov – Filipenko, Cheliabinsk 1975) 16. ♗xh6 ♗f7 17. ♗ae1 ♗xb2 18. ♗g5+ ♗g7 19. ♗h5 ♗f6 (19...h6?)

219 14. b4



14...♗xf3!? 15. ♗xf3 ♖xd4 16. ♖xd4 ♗xd4 17. ♗xd4 ♗xd4 18. ♗ac1 ♗b6 ♗ Hort – Spassky, Moscow 1999;

14...a6 15. a4 ♗ff8 16. ♗a3 ♗e8 17. ♗e3 (17. ♗e1!? ♖e7 18. a5 ♗d6 19. ♖e5 ♖g6 20. ♗g3± McShane – Gdański, Istanbul 2003) 17... ♖e7 18. a5 ♗d6 19. ♗d3 ♖f5!? (19...♖c6 20. ♗fe1± Savić – Antić, Yugoslav Championship, Banja Koviljača 2002) 20. ♗xf5 ♗xf5 21. ♗fe1 ♗f6 22. ♖e5 ♗a4 23. ♗g3 ♗af8 24. ♖e3! (24. ♖d3 ♖h8 25. ♖e3 h5 ⇒ Antonio – Lputian, Shenzhen 1992) 24... ♗f4 [24... ♗xf2 25. ♖3g4! ♗xd2 (25... ♗xe5 26. ♖xf2±) 26. ♖xh6+ ♖h8 27. ♖ef7+ ♗xf7 28. ♖xf7+ ♖g8 29. ♖xd6 ♖h8 30. ♖f7+ ♖g8 31. ♖d8 ♖h8 32. ♖xe6 ♗xd4+ 33. ♖xd4 ♗xd4 34. ♗e5±] 25. ♖3g4 ♖h8 26. ♖f3 (26. ♗h3 ♗e8±) 26...h5 27. ♖ge5 h4 28. ♗h3±;

14...♗af8 15. b5 ♖e7 16. ♖e5 (16. a4±) 16... ♗e8 17. g3 (17. a4 ♖f5 18. a5± Kislov – Vysochin, Voronezh 2001) 17...h5 (17... ♖g6 18. ♖g4 ♗f7 ⇒; 17... ♖h8 18. a4 h5 19. f4 ♖f5 20. a5 ♗d8 21. ♖e3 ♖d6 22. ♗b4±

Karpachev – Bauer, Montpellier 2003) 18. a4 ♖f5 (18...h4 19. ♗d3 h×g3 20. h×g3 h5 21. ♖e3 ♗h6 22. a5 ♗d8 23. f4 ♖h8 24. ♗h2± Topalov – Bareev, Novgorod 1997) 19. a5 ♗c7 20. ♗ac1± Kupreichik – Lautier, Belgrade 1988.

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7...♖ge7 8. ♖a3 (8. b3 ♖f5 9. ♗b2 ♗b4+ 10. ♖f1 ♗e7 11. h4 ♗d7 12. ♖c3 ♖cxd4 13. ♖xd5 exd5 14. ♖xd4 ♖xd4 15. ♗xd4 ♗c5 16. ♗xc5 ♗xc5 17. ♗c1 ♗a5 = Kosten – Lputian, Altensteig 1989) 8... ♖f5 9. ♖c2 ♗b4+ (9... ♖b4 10. 0–0 ♖xc2 11. ♗xc2 ♗d7 12. ♗d3 ♗c8 13. a3± Sveshnikov – Lputian, Training match, Sochi 1993; 13. a4!±) 10. ♖f1 ♗e7 11. h4 h5 12. b4 ⇒ Benjamin – Bareev, Munich 1994;

7...♗b4+ 8. ♖c3 ♖ge7 9. 0–0 ♖f5 10. ♖a4 ♗d8 11. a3 ♗e7 12. b4 a6 13. ♗b2 ♗d7 14. ♗c1 b5 15. ♖c5 h5 16. ♗d3 ♗xc5 17. ♗xc5± Paulsen – Stern, Frankfurt (M.) 1878.

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8. ♠xh6 ♣xb2! (8...g×h6 9. ♣d2±) 9. ♣bd2 g×h6 10. 0–0∞;

8. b3 ♣f5 9. ♠b2 ♠b4+ (9...♠e7 10. 0–0 ♠d7 11. g4 ♣h4 12. ♣xh4 ♠xh4 13. ♣a3 0–0 14. f4 f6 15. ♣g2 fxe5 16. dxe5 ♣f7∞ Kupreichik–Hertneck, Debrecen 1992) 10. ♣f1 ♠e7 11. ♣c3 ♣d8 12. g3 f6 13. ♣g2 fxe5 14. dxe5 0–0 15. ♣c1 ♠d7 16. ♠d3 ♣e8 17. ♣e2 ♣f7 18. ♣f1 ⇌ Sveshnikov–Portisch, Interzonal, Biel 1993;

8. ♠d3?! ♠d7 9. ♣c3 ♣xd4 10. 0–0 ♠c5 11. a4 ♣b3 12. ♣d2 ♣xf3+ 13. g×f3 ♣c8 14. ♣e2 ♣f5 15. ♠c2 ♣c4 16. ♠d3 ♣b3 17. ♠c2 ♣c4 18. ♠d3 ♣h4 19. ♠xf5 exf5 20. ♣xd5 ♠c6± Movsesian–S. Ivanov, 18th EU Cup, Chalkidiki 2002;

222 9. ♣f1? ♣fxd4! 10. ♠e3 (10. ♣a4 ♣b4 11. ♠d2 ♣e7 12. ♠g5 f6±) 10...♣xb2 11. ♣xd5 ♣xe2+! 12. ♣xe2 ♣xe2 13. ♣c7+ ♣d7 14. ♣xa8 ♣c3± Schürmans–Claesen, Belgian Championship 1987.

223 9...♠b4+!? 10. ♣f1 (10. ♠d2 ♣a5 siehe 9...♣a5+ 10. ♠d2) 10...♣d8 11. g4 (11. ♠g5 ♠e7 12. ♠xe7 ♣xe7 13. ♣d2 0–0 14. g3 ♠d7 15. ♣c3 f6 16. g4 ♣fxd4!± Camilleri–Uhlmann, Zonal Tournament, Raach 1969) 11...♣h4 12. ♣xh4 ♣xh4 13. ♠f4 f6 14. ♣g2 fxe5 15. dxe5 0–0 16. ♠g3∞ Kupreichik–Lputian, Blagoveshchensk 1988.

224 10. ♣f1 ♠d7 (10...b5 11. ♣c3 b4 12. ♣b5 ♠a6 13. ♣c7+ ♣xc7 14. ♠xa6 ♣a5 15. ♠e2 ♠e7±) 11. ♠d2 ♣d8 12. ♠e1 ♣c8 13. ♣c1 ♣h4 14. ♣c3 ♣xf3 15. ♠xf3 ♣b6 16. ♣a4 ♣d8± Steinitz–Maróczy, Vienna 1898.

225 11...♠d7?! 12. a3 ♠xc3+ 13. ♣xc3± h5 14. 0–0 ♣c8 15. ♣d2 ♣d8 16. h3 ♣a5 17. ♣ad1 ♣b6 18. ♣fe1± Nimzowitsch–Spielmann, Stockholm 1920.

226 **14. axb4 ♣xb4** 15. ♣a4 (15. 0–0 ♣fxd4 16. ♣xd4 ♣xd4 17. ♠d3 ♠d7 18. ♣g4 g6 19. ♣g5∞ Kuzmin–Lempert, St. Petersburg 1993) 15...♠d7 16. ♣xb4!± (16. ♠b5

♣xa4 17. ♣xa4 0–0 18. ♣d2 ♣fb8 19. ♠xc6 ½–½ Kupreichik–Libeau, Münster 1991) 16...♣xb4 17. ♣d2 ♣c6 18. ♣b5±;

14. ♠b5 ♠d7 15. axb4 ♣xb4

a) 16. 0–0 ♣xe5 17. dxe5 ♠xb5 18. ♣xb5 ♣xb5 19. g4 ♣e7 20. ♣d4 ♣b4±;

b) 16. ♣a4 ♣xb2 17. ♣xd5 exd5 18. 0–0 ♣fxd4 19. ♣fb1 ♣xf3+ 20. g×f3 ♣c3 21. ♣c1 ♣b4 22. ♠xc6 ♣xa4 23. ♣xa4 ♠xc6 24. ♠xc6 ♣e7± Kupreichik–Ulbin, Moscow 1989;

c) 16. ♠xc6 ♠xc6 17. 0–0 (17. ♣d2 0–0 18. 0–0 ♣fb8= Epstein–Saunina, Tbilisi 1976) 17...0–0⇌; 17...♣xb2 [18. ♣d3 ♣b7 19. g4 ♣e7 (19...♣h6 20. h3 0–0 21. ♣g5 g6 22. ♣a5∞) 20. ♣fb1 ♣d7 21. ♣b3 (21. ♣b5 0–0 22. ♣d6 f5±) 21...0–0±] 18. ♣a4 ♣b4 19. ♣c2 ♣c4 20. ♣fc1 ♣xc2 21. ♣xc2 ♣e7 22. ♣c5 0–0 23. ♣ca2 ♣fb8± Sankovich–Bareev, Naberezhnye Chelny 1988.

227 6...♣ge7 7. dxc5 (7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♣f5 see 6...♣h6) 7...♣xc5 [7...♣c7 8. ♠b5 (8. ♠e3 ♣g6 9. ♣bd2 ♣gxe5 10. ♣xe5 ♣xe5 11. b4±) 8...♠d7 9. ♠f4 ♣g6 10. ♠g3 ♠xc5 11. ♣e2 h5 12. h4 0–0–0 13. ♠d3 ♣h6 14. b4 ♠b6 15. a4± Nikitin–Ragozin, Leningrad 1957] 8. ♠d3 ♣g6 9. ♣e2 ♣b6 10. 0–0 ♠e7 11. c4 dxc4 12. ♠xc4 0–0± Timman–Korchnoi, Reykjavík 2000.

228 7. ♠e2 ♣h6 8. b4 cxd4 9. ♠xh6 d3!? (9...g×h6 10. cxd4±) 10. ♠xd3 g×h6 11. 0–0 ♠g7 12. ♣e1 0–0 13. ♣bd2 f6 14. exf6 ♠xf6 15. ♣a2 ♣h8 16. c4± Sveshnikov–Razuvaev, Palma de Mallorca 1989; 16. ♣b3 ♠xc3 17. ♣c5 ♣c7 18. ♣xe6 ♠xe6 19. ♣xe6±.

229 **8...f6** 9. ♠d3 (9. ♣c3±) 9...fxe5 10. dxe5 ♣h6 11. 0–0 ♣f7 12. ♠b2 g6 13. ♣e2 ♠g7 14. ♣bd2± Smeets–Stellwagen, Wijk aan Zee 2002;

8...♣ge7 9. ♣c3 ♣f5 10. ♣a4±.



230 9. ♕e2? a5! (9...♗ge7 10. 0-0 ♖f5 11. ♕b2 ♕e7 12. ♗d2 0-0 13. ♖d1 f6 14. ♗c3± Sveshnikov–Lputian, Russian League, Podolsk 1990) 10. b5 ♗xd4! 11. ♗xd4 ♖xc1 12. ♗xc1 ♗xd4= (Sveshnikov) 13. ♗c3 (13. ♗c7! =; 13. ♗d2 ♗xe5 14. ♗f3 ♗f6 15. 0-0 ♕d6 =) 13...♕c5 ♗ Sveshnikov–Hoàng, Cheliabinsk 1989.

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9...♗h6!?

a) 10. ♕d3 ♗a5 11. 0-0 ♗c4 12. ♕xc4 ♖xc4 13. ♗c3 ♗a6 14. ♖c1 ♕e7 15. ♗d2!? ♖c8 (15...♖xd4!? 16. ♗e2 ♖h4 17. g3 ♕a4!? 18. ♗e1 ♕b5 19. ♖c8+ ♕d8 20. gxh4 ♕xe2 21. ♗c1 0-0 =) 16. ♗b3± Korchnoi–Kotsur, 34th Olympiad, Istanbul 2000;

b) 10. ♗c3

b1) 10...♗f5 11. ♗a4 ♗d8 12. h4 (12. ♕d3 b6 13. 0-0 ♕e7 14. ♗c3 g6 15. ♕a6 ♖b8 16. ♖c1 Portisch–Milić, Olympiad, Moscow 1956; 16. ♗d3±) 12...♕e7 13. ♕d3 f6 14. ♕xf5 exf5 15. ♗c3 fxe5 16. dxe5 d4 17. ♗e2 ♕e6 18. ♗exd4 ♗xd4 19. ♗xd4± Sveshnikov–Poljakov, Latvian Championship 1992;

b2) 10...♗a5 11. ♗a4 ♗c6 [12. ♗c5 ♗c4 13. ♕xc4?! (13. ♕c1 =) 13...dxc4 14. 0-0 ♗d5 15. ♗e2 (15. ♗xd7 ♗xd7 ♣) 15...♕c6! 16. ♖fe1 ♕e7 17. ♖ac1 0-0 18. ♗e4 ♗f5 ♣ Korchnoi–Iruzubieta Villaluenga, Oviedo (Rapidplay) 1992] 12. ♖c1 ♗c4 13. ♕xc4 dxc4 14. ♗c3 ♕e7 15. 0-0 0-0 16. d5 exd5 17. ♗d4 ♗g6 18. ♗xd5 ♕g5 19. f4± Dür–Damjanović, Graz 1979;

9...♗xb4?! 10. axb4 ♗xb4+ 11. ♗d2 ♖c2 12. ♕c3 (12. ♕a3 ♗a4±) 12...♗b3 13. ♗e3 ♗h6 14. ♕d3 ♖xc3 15. ♗xc3 ♗xc3+ 16. ♕e2 ♗b2+ 17. ♗d2 ♗xd2+ 18. ♗xd2 a6±.

232 11. ♕xc4!? dxc4 12. ♖c1 c3 (12...♗a6 13. 0-0 ♗e7 14. ♗g5 h6 15. ♗h5 g6 16. ♗h3 ♗d5 17. ♗ge4± Rodriguez Boado–Masip Rodriguez, Mondariz 2000) 13. ♕xc3 ♗e7 14. 0-0 ♗d5 15. ♗e4 ♕e7 16. ♕d2 0-0 17. ♗c5 ♕c6 ♣ Sax–Nogueiras, Lucerne 1989.

233 12...♗a6 13. d5 (13. ♗d2 b5 14. ♗e4 ♕c6 =; 13. ♗g5!? ±) 13...exd5 14. ♗xd5±.

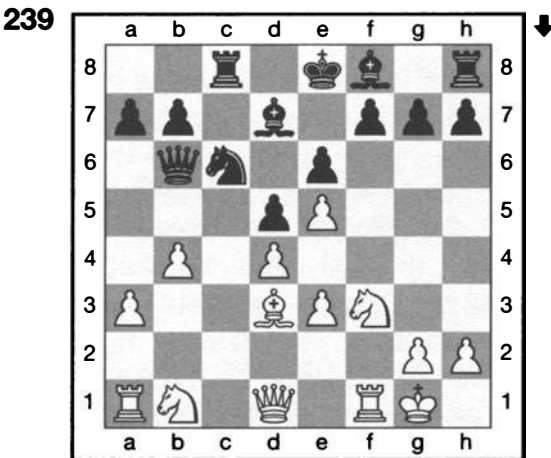
234 13. ♕xc4!? ♕xb4+ (13...axb4 14. ♗b3∞) 14. axb4 ♗xb4+ 15. ♗d2 (15. ♗d2 ♖xc4 16. ♖xc4 ♗xc4 17. ♗xa5 ♗e7 18. ♗d2 ♗c2 19. ♕a3 ♗c6= Yagupov–Rychagov, Russia 1993) 15...♗xb2 16. ♗e4 ♗b4+ 17. ♕e2 ♖c6! =; 17...♕e7? 18. ♗d6 ♖xc4 19. ♖xc4 ♕b5 20. ♗d3 ♕xc4 21. ♗xc4 b5 22. ♗d6 ♗b2+ 23. ♕f3± Hába–Stojanov, Datteln 2002.

235 14. ♗xc4 ♗d8! [14...♖xc4?! 15. ♕xc4 bxa3 16. ♕c3 ♗c6 17. ♕e2 ♗xg2 (17...♗e7 18. 0-0±) 18. ♕f3 ♗h3 19. ♕xb7 ♗h6 20. ♗f3± Grosar–Weinzettl, Austrian League 2003/04; 14...♗a7?! 15. axb4 ♕xb4+ 16. ♕c3 ♕xc3+ 17. ♖xc3± Sveshnikov–Nevednichy, Bled 1991] 15. axb4 [15. a4!? ♕c6 16. a5! ♕e7 (16...♖c7? 17. ♗d6+! ♕xd6 18. exd6 ♗xd6 19. d5+–) 17. ♗b6 ♖c7 18. d5!?! Fressinet–Soćko, German League 2002/03] 15...♕xb4+ [15...b5?! 16. ♗d6+! ♕xd6 17. exd6 ♗f6□ 18. ♕d3! (18. ♖c5? Sveshnikov–Lputian, Moscow 1991) 18...0-0 19. 0-0 ♕c6 20. d5! ♗xd5 (20...exd5 21. ♕f5 ♗xd6 22. ♕xc8±) 21. ♗g4!; 15...♕c6!? 16. b5!? ♕d5 17. ♕e2 ♕xg2 18. ♖g1 ♕d5 19. ♗e3 =] 16. ♕c3 ♕xc3+ 17. ♖xc3 ♕f8 18. ♖a3 ♕c6 19. ♗d6± Peng Xiaomin–Soćko, 34th Olympiad, Istanbul 2000.

236 9...♖ge7 10. ♔d3 a6 11. ♖d2 ♗a7 12. ♗c3 ♖c7 13. ♖c1 ♗b5 14. ♗a2 ♖d8 15. ♖b2 ♖xc1+ 16. ♔xc1 ♗c8 17. 0-0 ♔e7 18. a4 ♗ba7 19. b5± Grosar–Raičević, Yugoslav Championship, Kladovo 1991.

237 10...♗f5 11. 0-0 ♔e7 12. ♗bd2 0-0 13. ♔xf5 exf5 14. ♗b3 ♔e6 15. ♖d2 ♖c7 16. h4 ♖fc8 17. h5 h6 18. ♗c5± Najer–Soćko, ACP Blitz 2004.

238 11...♔e7 12. ♗bd2!?! (12. ♖d2 f5 13. exf6 ♔xf6 14. ♗c3 ♗xe3 15. fxe3 0-0 16. ♖f2 ♖c7 17. ♖c1 ♗e7 18. ♖c2 h6 19. ♖b3 ♗h8 20. ♗e2 ♖d6 21. ♖cf1 ⇒ Movsesian–Heberla, Czech League 2003/04) 12...♗xe3 13. fxe3 ♗b8 14. ♖b1 ♔a4 15. e4 ♗c6 16. ♖b2 a5 17. exd5 exd5 18. b5 ♗d8 19. ♖ac1 ♖xc1 20. ♖xc1 0-0 21. ♗b1 ♗e6 22. ♗h1 ♗g5 23. ♗c3 ♗xf3 24. ♗xd5 ♖d8 25. ♗xe7+ ♖xe7 26. gx f3± Balashov–Belozarov, Elista 2001.

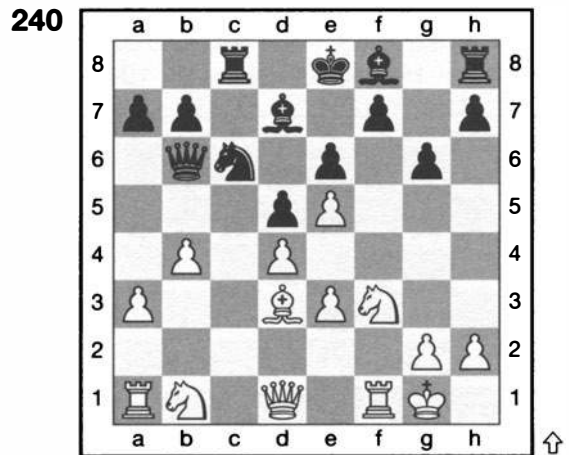


12...♔e7

a) 13. ♗bd2 ♗d8 (13...♗b8 14. ♖e2 ♔a4 15. e4 ♗c6 16. ♖e3 0-0 17. ♖ab1 a5 18. bxa5 ♖a7 19. exd5 exd5 20. ♖b6!?! ♗xa5 21. ♖h6 ♔c2 22. ♖h3 ⇒ Motylev–Rychagov, Kolontayevo 1997; 13...0-0 14. ♗b3 ♗b8 15. ♖e2 ♖c7 16. h4± Torre–Chernin, New Delhi 1990) 14. ♖e2 ♖c3 15. ♖fe1 0-0 16. g4 a6 17. ♗b1 ♖c8 18. ♖d2 ♖c7 19. ♖a2 ♔a4 20. ♖g2 f6 ⇒ Baklan–Moskalenko, Zonal Tournament, Donetsk 1998;

b) 13. ♖e2 0-0 14. ♗bd2 f6 15. b5 ♗d8 16. exf6 ♔xf6 17. ♗e5 ♔e8 18. ♖g4 ♖c3 ⇒ Smirnov–Belozarov, Novosibirsk 1999;

12...f6 13. ♗bd2 fxe5 14. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 15. ♖h5+ ♗d8 16. ♖xe5±.



13. ♖e1 ♔g7 14. ♗c3 ♗b8 15. ♗h1 0-0 16. e4 f6 17. exd5 fxe5 18. dxe5 exd5 19. ♗xd5 ♖e6 20. ♖e4± I. Zaitsev–Laine, Jyväskylä 1994;

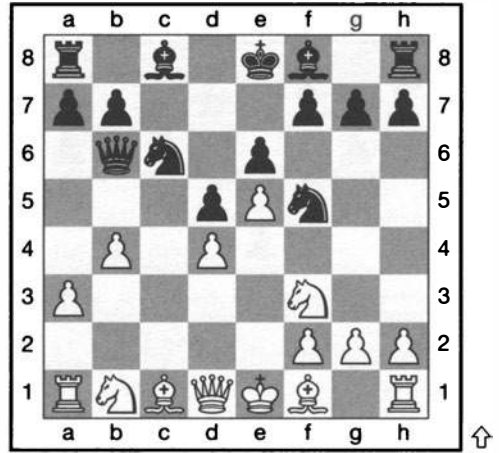
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241 14. ♖e2 (14. ♖e1!?) 14...♗e7 (14...0-0 15. ♗b3 ♖d8 16. ♗c5 ♖c7 17. h4 ♗b8 18. g4 b6 19. ♗xd7 ♖xd7 20. g5 ♔g7 21. ♗h2± Ibragimov–Volzhin, Katowice 1992) 15. g4 ♖c3 (15...♔a4 16. h4 ♖c3 17. ♗e1 0-0 18. ♖a2 ♖c1 19. ♗df3 ♔g7 20. ♖h2! Gafner–Snatenkov, Orsk 2000) 16. ♖fc1 ♖xc1+ (16...♖c7 17. ♗b3 b6 18. ♖d2 ♖xc1+ 19. ♖xc1 ♖b8 20. g5 ♔g7 21. ♖c3 ♔a4 22. ♗bd2 ♗d7 23. ♖b2 ♖c8 24. ♗b1 ♖xc1+ 25. ♖xc1 ♖c8 26. ♖xc8+ ♗xc8 27. ♗c3± Heberla–Moskalik, Poland 1999) 17. ♖xc1 ♔a4!±; 17...0-0 18. ♗b3 ♖c8 19. ♗c5± Najer–Totsky, Capelle la Grande 2004.

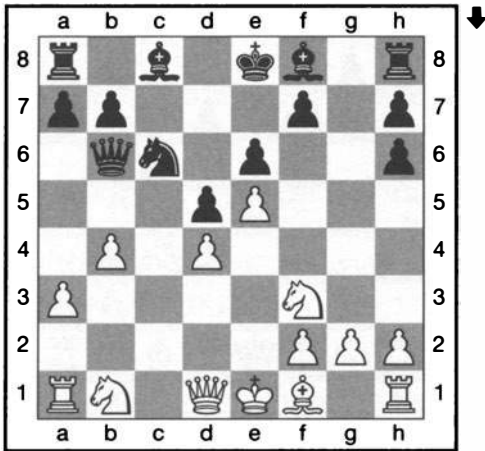


Table 7

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6 5. ♖f3
 ♚b6 6. a3 ♖h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♖f5



	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
35	♙e3?! f6! ²⁴³	♙d3 ²⁴⁴ ♖xe3	fxe3 fxe5	b5 ²⁴⁵ ♖xd4	exd4 e4	♙xe4 dxe4	♖e5 ♙d7 ²⁴⁶		∞
36	♙b2 ♙e7!? ²⁴⁷	♙d3!? ²⁴⁸ a5 ²⁴⁹	♚a4 ²⁵⁰ 0-0	b5 f6 ²⁵¹	♙xf5 exf5 ²⁵²	0-0 ♙e6	♖c3 ♖a7	♚b3 ♜fd8 ²⁵³	±
37	... ...	h4 h5 ²⁵⁴	♙d3 a5 ²⁵⁵	♙xf5 exf5	♖c3 ♙e6 ²⁵⁶	b5 a4!	♚d3 ♖a7	0-0 ♜c8 ²⁵⁷	±
38	... ♙d7	g4!? ²⁵⁸ ♖h6	♜g1 ²⁵⁹ f6	exf6 gxf6	♖c3 ♖f7	♖a4 ♚c7 ²⁶⁰	♜c1 ♚f4 ²⁶¹	♖c5 ²⁶² ♙xc5 ²⁶³	±
39	... ...	... ♖fe7	♖c3 h5 ²⁶⁴	g5 ²⁶⁵ ♖f5 ²⁶⁶	♖a4 ♚d8	♙d3 h4?! ♙e7	♜c1 ♙e7	♜g1 g6 ²⁶⁷	±
40	... ...	... ...	... ♖a5	♚c2 ²⁶⁸ ♖c4	♙xc4 dxc4	♖d2 ♚c6	♖ce4 ♖d5 ²⁶⁹	♖xc4 ♖b6!? ²⁷⁰	±

242 8. ♖xh6 gxh6 9. cxd4


9...♗g7 10. ♘c3 0-0 11. ♔d3 f6 12. b5!?
 ♘xe5 (12...fxe5!? 13. bxc6 e4 14. ♘xe4
 dxe4 15. ♗xe4) 13. dxe5 fxe5 14. 0-0 e4
 15. ♘xe4 dxe4 16. ♗xe4 ♖xb5 (16...♗xa1!?
 17. ♖xa1 ♖xb5∞) 17. ♖b1 ♖h5 18. ♗d3♞
 Sveshnikov – Yanovsky, Moscow (Rapidplay)
 1990;

9...♗d7 10. ♗e2 a5!? [10...♖c8 11. 0-0
 ♗g7 (11...♘e7 12. ♗d3 ♗g7 13. ♗d2 ♖c7
 14. a4 a6 15. ♖a3 0-0 16. ♘c3 f6 17. exf6
 ♖xf6 18. ♘e2± Motylev – San Segundo Car-
 rillo, Úbeda 2000) 12. ♗d2 0-0 13. ♖a2
 a6 14. ♖e3 f6 15. exf6 ♖xf6 16. ♘bd2
 e5⇒ Polovnikova – Matveeva, Krasnoturinsk
 2004] 11. b5 ♘e7 12. ♘c3 a4 13. 0-0 ♖a5
 14. ♗d2 ♘c8 15. ♖fc1 ♘b6 16. h3!± Rogers –
 Velimirović, Vršac 1987.

243 9...g6 10. ♗d3 ♘xe3 11. fxe3 ♗h6
 12. ♗d2 ♗d7 13. ♘c3 ♘e7 14. g4
 ♗g7 15. 0-0 ♖c8 16. a4± Morozevich –
 Milos, FIDE World Championship, New
 Delhi/Teheran 2000.

244 10. exf6 gxf6 11. ♗d3 (11. ♗d2?
 ♘xb4! 12. ♘c3 ♖a5 13. ♗b5+ ♗d7?!
 Sveshnikov – Doroshkevich, Anapa 1991;
 13...♘c6♞) 11...♘xe3 12. fxe3 ♗h6 13. ♖e2
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 2002;

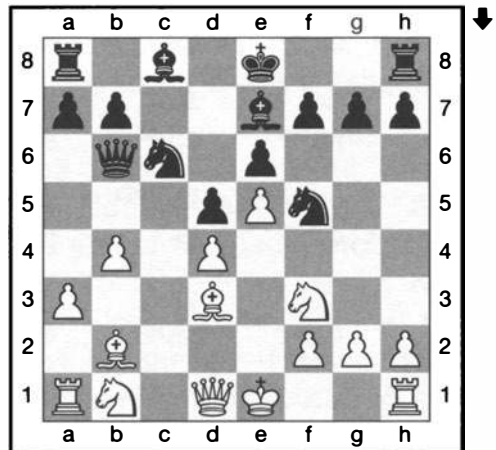
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 ♖xe3+ 13. ♗e2 (13. ♖e2 ♖c1+ 14. ♗d1
 ♖e3+=) 13...♗c5∞.

245 12. 0-0 e4 13. ♘h4 exd3 14. ♖h5+
 ♘d7 15. ♘g6 hxg6 16. ♖xh8 ♗e7 17. ♖xg7
 a5♞.

246 Potkin – Filippov, Russian League,
 Togliatti 2003.

247 9...a5 10. b5 a4 11. g4 ♘fe7 12. ♘c3
 ♘b8 13. ♗d3 ♘d7 14. 0-0 ♘g6 15. ♖c1
 ♗e7 16. ♘xa4 ♖a5 17. ♘c5± Sveshnikov –
 Bareev, PCA, Moscow 1995.

248 10. ♗e2 0-0 11. 0-0 a5 12. b5 a4
 13. g4 ♘h4 14. ♘xh4 ♗xh4 15. ♗d3 (15. ♗d2
 ♘a5 16. g5 ♗d8 17. f4 ♘b3 18. ♖e3 ♘xa1
 19. ♗xa1 f6♞ Sveshnikov – Slochevsky, Mos-
 cow (Rapidplay) 1989) 15...♘a5 16. ♘c3
 ♘c4 17. ♗xc4 dxc4 18. ♗c1 f6 19. ♗e3∞
 Sveshnikov – Bareev, Moscow (Rapidplay)
 1989.

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10...♗d7

a) 11. ♗xf5 exf5 12. ♘c3 ♗e6 13. 0-0
 0-0 (13...♗d8 14. ♗d2 g5 15. ♘b5 h6⇒
 Kamsky – Dokhoian, Pavlodar 1987) 14. ♗d3
 ♖ac8 15. ♖a1 a6 16. ♘a4 ♖a7 17. ♘c5±
 Gorelov – Yudasin, Minsk 1985;

b) 11. 0-0 ♖c8 [11...g5 12. ♗xf5 exf5 13. ♘c3
 ♗e6 14. ♘a4 ♗d8 (14...♖b5 15. ♘c5 g4
 16. ♘e1 ♗xc5 17. dxc5 a5 18. ♘c2 a4
 19. ♘d4± Fedorowicz – Dokhoian, Wijk aan
 Zee 1989) 15. ♘c5 g4 16. ♘e1 b6 17. ♘xe6
 fxe6 18. ♘d3± Fressinet – Salaun, French
 League, 1998] 12. ♘bd2 g5 13. ♘b3 h5
 14. ♖c1 g4 15. ♘e1 a5 16. ♗xf5 exf5



17. ♖d3 axb4 18. ♖bc5 ♖e6 19. axb4 ♖b5
20. ♖f4 ♖h6 21. ♖c3± Khalifman – Dolmatov,
Rethymnon 2003;

10...0-0 11. 0-0 f6?! 12. ♖xf5 exf5 13. ♖c3
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Sveshnikov – Paramos Dominguez, Oviedo
(Rapidplay) 1993.

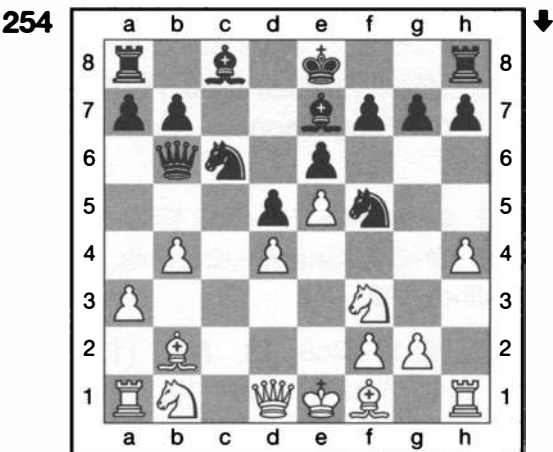
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14. 0-0 ♖a5 15. ♖c1 ♖c4 16. ♖xa4 ♖xb5
17. ♖c3 ♖c6 18. ♖b1 ♖xa3 19. ♖xa3
♖xa3 20. ♖b3 0-0 21. ♖d3 ♖c4 22. h3
♖fc8⌘ Vasyukov – Moskalenko, Belgorod
1990) 14...♖b8 15. ♖c1 h6 16. ♖g1?! Svesh-
nikov – Moskalenko, Norilsk 1987; 16. 0-0±.

251 **12...♖d7** 13. 0-0 ♖h4 14. ♖xh4 ♖xh4
15. ♖c2 ♖a7 16. ♖xh7+ ♖h8 17. a4±
Mukhametov – Rechel, Berlin 1997;

12...♖h4 13. ♖xh4 ♖xh4 14. g3 ♖d8 15. 0-0
♖d7 16. ♖a2 ♖a7 17. ♖c3 f6 18. ♖a1 f5 19. f4
♖f7∞ Kiik – Korchnoi, Stockholm 2003.

252 13...fxe5 14. ♖xh7+! (14. ♖h3
Vysochin – Sambuev, St. Petersburg 2003)
14...♖xh7 15. ♖c2+ e4 16. bxc6+–.

253 17. ♖fe1 fxe5 18. ♖xe5 ♖f6 19. a4
♖xd4?! 20. ♖e4!± Lastin – Ivanov, Moscow
2004.



10...a5!? 11. b5 a4 (11...f6 12. ♖d2! ♖d8?
13. g4! ♖h6 14. exf6 ♖f8 15. g5± Svesh-
nikov – Starostits, Riga 1998) 12. g4 ♖h6
13. ♖g1 ♖a5 14. ♖c3 ♖b3 15. ♖a2 ♖a5

16. ♖d3 ♖d7⌘ Yemelin – Dolmatov, 56th Rus-
sian Championship, Krasnoyarsk 2003;

10...♖d7 11. g4 ♖h6 12. ♖g1 a6 13. ♖c3
♖a5 14. ♖c1 ♖c4 15. ♖xc4 dxc4 16. d5
exd5 17. ♖xd5 ♖c6 18. ♖xh6 gxh6 19. ♖xe7
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St. Petersburg 2000;

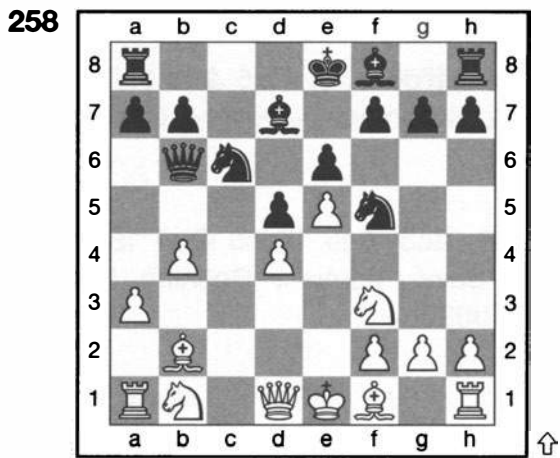
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255 **11...g6** 12. ♖xf5 gx5 13. ♖c3 ♖g8
14. ♖g5 (14. 0-0 ♖g4 15. ♖e2 ♖d7 16. g3
0-0-0 17. ♖c1± Grischuk – Zhang Pengxi-
ang, Shanghai 2001) 14...♖xd4 15. ♖xd4
♖xd4 16. ♖xd5 ♖c2+ 17. ♖d2 exd5
18. ♖xc2 ♖xg5 19. hxg5 ♖xg5 20. ♖d4 ♖e6
21. g3⌘ Grischuk – Sakaev, Russian League,
Tomsk 2001;

11...♖d7 12. ♖xf5 exf5 13. ♖c3 ♖e6±.

256 13...axb4 14. ♖xd5 ♖a5 15. ♖xe7
b3+ 16. ♖d2 ♖xe7 17. ♖xb3 ♖h6 18. ♖c3
♖d5 19. 0-0 ♖xb3 20. ♖xb3± Sveshnikov –
Bareev, Russian Championship, Elista 1996.

257 17. ♖c1 ♖c4 18. ♖e2! (18. ♖d1?!
♖xb5 19. ♖e2 ♖c6 20. ♖g5 ♖xg5 21. ♖xg5
♖c3 22. ♖xc3 ♖xc3 23. ♖e2 g6 24. ♖d3
0-0 25. ♖ad1 ♖c8⌘ Grischuk – Lputian,
35th Olympiad, Bled 2002) 18...♖xb5
(18...0-0!?!⇒ 19. ♖g5 ♖xg5 20. ♖xg5 ♖fc8
21. ♖f3 g6 22. ♖f4 ♖xd4 23. ♖gxe6 fxe6
24. ♖g3 ♖xf4 25. ♖xg6+=) 19. ♖g5 ♖b3
20. ♖xb3 axb3 21. ♖xe7 ♖xe7 22. ♖fb1
♖hc8 23. ♖xb3 b5 24. ♖f4 g6± Vysochin –
Polivanov, St. Petersburg 2002.





10. h4 ♔e7 11. g4 ♖h6 12. ♖g1 f6 13. exf6 gxf6 14. ♔d3 ♗f7 15. ♖e2 0–0–0 16. ♗c3 ♗b8 17. ♖c1 ♖c8∞ Svidler–Beliaevsky, Novosibirsk 1995;

10. ♔e2 ♔e7 (10...h5 11. h4 ♔e7 12. ♖d2 ♖c8 13. g3 0–0 14. 0–0 f6⇒ Landa–Danielian, Yurmala 1991) 11. 0–0 0–0 12. ♖d2 (12. ♔d3!?) 12...f6 (12...a6 13. ♖d1 f6 14. ♗c3 fxe5 15. dxe5 ♖ad8 16. ♖ac1 ♖a7 = Grosar–Jelen, Bled 1992) 13. g4 ♖h6 14. exf6 ♖xf6 15. g5 ♖xf3 (15...♖g6) 16. ♔xf3 ♗f5 17. ♖d1 ♖d8 Sveshnikov–Bareev, Moscow (Rapidplay) 1990; 17...♖f8!?!∞.

259 11. h3 f6 (11...♔e7 12. ♔d3 ♖c8 13. ♗bd2 ♗b8 14. ♖e2 a6 15. ♗b1 ♗c6 16. 0–0 0–0 17. ♗c3 ♗xd4 18. ♗xd4 ♖xd4 19. ♗e4 ♖b6 20. ♗f6+→ Timman–Hansen, Malmö 2003) 12. ♗c3 [12. ♔d3 ♗f7 13. ♗bd2 fxe5 (13...♔e7 14. 0–0 ♗g5 15. ♗g2 0–0 16. exf6 ♔xf6 17. h4 ♗xf3 18. ♗xf3 g6⇒ Sveshnikov–Lputian, Training match, Sochi 1993) 14. dxe5 ♔e7 15. ♖c1 ♗g5 16. h4 ♗xf3+ 17. ♖xf3 ♗d4 18. ♖e3 ♗b5⇒ Sveshnikov–Lputian, Tilburg (Rapidplay) 1992] 12...fxe5 13. dxe5 ♔e7 14. ♗a4 ♖d8 15. ♖c1 0–0 16. ♗c5 ♔xc5 17. ♖xc5 ♗f7⇒ Sveshnikov–Lputian, Training match, Sochi 1993.

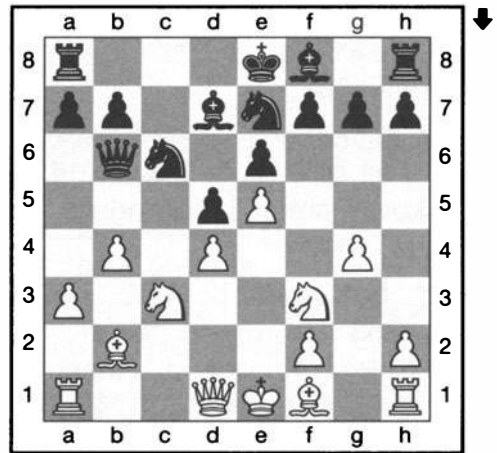
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261 15...♖d6?! 16. ♗c5 ♔c8 17. h4 ♔e7 18. g5± Sveshnikov–Dvoiris, Cheliabinsk 2004.

262 16. ♖c3 ♗g5 17. b5 ♗a5 18. ♗xg5 fxg5∞ Savić–Lputian, Bosnian League, Neum 2002.

263 17. dxc5 ♗ce5 18. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 19. ♖g3!± Short–Lputian, Batumi 1999.

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11...♗g6 12. h4 (12. ♗a4 ♖d8 13. ♗c5 ♔xc5 14. dxc5 ♖c7 15. ♖e2± Vysochin–Prezerakos, Corinth 2004) 12...h5 13. g5 a5 14. b5 ♗ce7 15. ♗a4 ♖d8 16. ♗c5 ♗f5 17. ♖c1 b6 18. ♗xd7 ♖xd7 19. ♖c6 ♖b8 20. ♖c2± Sveshnikov–Miljanić, Tivat 1995;

11...♖d8!? 12. h4 (12. ♖c1 ♗g6 13. h4 h5 14. g5 ♔e7 15. ♗a4±; 12. ♔d3 ♗c8 13. h4 ♗b6 14. h5 h6⇒ Khairullin–Matlakov, Kirishi 2004) 12...h5 13. ♗b5 ♗c8 14. ♗g5 hxg4 15. ♖xg4 ♔e7 16. ♔c1 a6 17. ♖g1 f5 18. exf6 ♔xf6 19. ♗h7!?!∞ Lastin–Malakhatko, St. Petersburg 2003.

265 12. ♗a4 ♖d8 13. ♗c5 ♔c8 14. g5 b6 15. ♗a6 ♗b8 16. ♖c1 ♔xa6 17. ♔xa6 ♗xa6 18. ♖a4+ ♖d7 19. ♖xa6 ♗g6 = Flores–Vallejo Pons, Oropesa del Mar 1999.

266 12...♗g6 13. ♗a4 ♖d8 14. ♖c1 ♔e7 15. ♖g1 0–0∞ Peng Xiaomin–Korchnoi, Calcutta 2000.

267 17. ♔xf5 exf5 18. ♗c5 ♖b8 19. ♖e2 ♔e6 20. ♖e3± Shirov–Kramnik, Monte Carlo (blind) 1997.

268 12. ♗d2 ♖c8 13. ♖c1 [13...♗g6 14. h4 (14. ♖e2!?! ♔e7 15. ♖e3 0–0 16. h4! f6 17. h5 ♗h8 18. ♖c2 ♗c6 (18... ♗c4 ♖f4 23. ♗g5!+–) 19. ♗a4 ♖d8 =, Motylev–Ponomariov, World Cup, Khanty-Mansiysk 2005) 14...♔e7 (14...h5!?! 15. gxh5 ♗f4 16. ♗a4 ♖xc1♣) 15. h5 [15. g5 h6 (15...0–0 16. ♗e2 ♖fd8 17. h5 ♗f8



18. ♖g1 ♖xc1 19. ♖xc1 ♖c6 20. ♖g4 ♖c8
 21. ♖cb3 ♖d8!= Shirov – Gurevich, World
 Cup, Khanty-Mansiysk 2005) 16. g×h6 ♖×h6
 17. h5 ♖h4 18. ♖g4 ♖f5 19. ♖d3 ♖f8
 20. ♖e2 ♖c4 ≙ Grischuk – Radjabov, Wijk
 aan Zee 2003] 15... ♖f4 16. ♖f3 ♖g5 17. ♖e2
 (17. ♖c2 ±) 17... ♖xc1+ 18. ♖xc1 0–0 19. h6
 g6 ≙ Grischuk – Kruppa, Elista 2000] 13...h5
 14. ♖c2 ♖c4 15. ♖xc4 dxc4 16. ♖ce4 ♖d5
 17. ♖xc4 ♖xc4 18. ♖xc4 a5 ♖ Ivanchuk –
 Bareev, Dubai (Rapidplay) 2002.

269 15...c3!?! 16. ♖d6+ [16. ♖xc3 ♖d5
 17. ♖b3 (17. ♖xc6 ♖xc6 ♖) 17... ♖e7 18. ♖c1
 ♖b5 19. ♖c4 0–0 20. ♖ed6 ♖xd6 21. ♖xd6

♖b6 22. g5 ♖ a5 23. b5 (23. ♖c4 ♖b5
 24. ♖d6 ♖b6=) 23...a4 24. ♖d3 ♖fd8
 25. 0–0 ♖e8 26. ♖c5 ♖xd6 27. exd6 ♖xd6 ♖,
 Hába – Kosić, 36th Chess Olympiad, Calvià
 2004] 16... ♖d8 17. ♖xf7+ ♖e8 18. ♖d6+
 ♖d8 19. ♖f7+ (19. ♖2e4 c×b2 20. ♖×b2 ♖)
 19... ♖e8 20. ♖d6+ ♖d8= Sveshnikov –
 Radjabov, Tallinn (Rapidplay) 2004;

15... ♖c8!? 16. ♖xc4 ♖b6 17. ♖xc6 ♖xc6
 18. ♖e2 ♖a4 19. ♖hb1 ±.

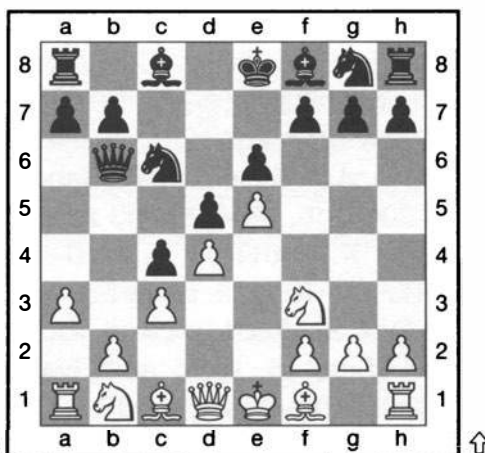
270 17. ♖cd6+ ♖xd6 18. ♖xd6+ ♖e7
 19. ♖xc6 ♖xc6 20. ♖g1 ± Sveshnikov –
 Potkin, Russian Championship, Krasnoyarsk
 2003; 20. 0–0 h5 ±.

Notes



Table 8

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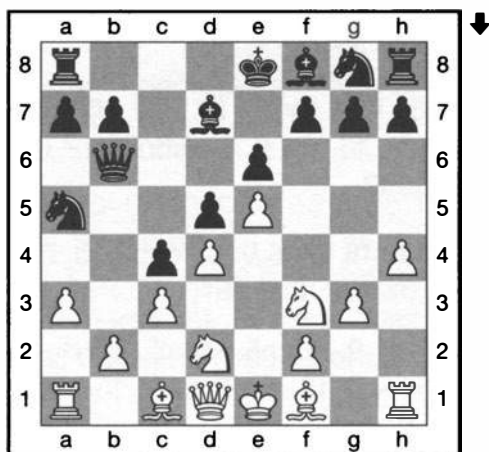


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42	♗bd2!? ♙d7?! ²⁷⁸	b3! ²⁷⁹ cxb3	♗xb3 ♗a5	♗xa5 ♚xa5	♙d2 ♚a4 ²⁸⁰	♚b1 ♙c6 ²⁸¹	♙d3 ♗e7	0-0 h6 ²⁸²	±
43	... f6?!	♙e2 ²⁸³ fxe5! ²⁸⁴	♗xe5 ♗xe5 ²⁸⁵	dxe5 ♙c5 ²⁸⁶	0-0 ♗e7	b4 ²⁸⁷ cxb3	♗xb3 0-0	♗xc5 ♚xc5 ²⁸⁸	±
44	... ♗a5!	g3 ²⁸⁹ ♙d7 ²⁹⁰	♙h3!? ♙e7 ²⁹¹	0-0 ²⁹² h5	♚e2 ²⁹³ 0-0-0 ²⁹⁴	♗e1 g6 ²⁹⁵	f4 ♗h6	♗df3 ♗b3 ²⁹⁶	↔
45	... ...	... ...	h4 f5 ²⁹⁷	exf6 ♗xf6 ²⁹⁸	♗e5 ♙d6	♙h3 ♙xe5 ²⁹⁹	dxe5 ♗g8	♚g4 g6 ³⁰⁰	±
46	... ...	♙e2 ♙d7	0-0 h6 ³⁰¹	♙b1 ♗e7	g3 ³⁰² 0-0-0 ³⁰³	♗h4 ³⁰⁴ f5 ³⁰⁵	exf6 gxf6	♙g4 e5 ³⁰⁶	±



271 7. ♙e2 ♜d7 8. ♞bd2 ♞a5 9. 0–0 see Note 301.

272 7... ♜d7 [8. ♞bd2 ♞a5 9. ♙h3 0–0–0 10. 0–0 ♙e7 11. ♞e1?! (11. $\text{♞e1} \rightleftharpoons$) 11... h5 12. f4?! g6 13. ♞df3 ♞b3 14. ♞b1 ♞h6 15. ♙e3 ♞b8 16. $\text{♞g2} \infty$ Sveshnikov–Kalinin, Cheliabinsk 1977] 8. $\text{h4!?$ ♞a5 9. ♞bd2



9...0–0–0 10. ♙h3 f5 11. ♙g2 (11. 0–0 ♞h6 12. ♞e1 ♞f7 13. ♞g2 g5 14. $\text{h} \times \text{g5}$ $\text{♞} \times \text{g5}$ 15. ♞f4 $\text{♞} \times \text{h3}+$ 16. $\text{♞} \times \text{h3}$ ♙e7 17. ♞b1 $\text{♞dg8} \mp$ Klinger–Portisch, Olympiad, Dubai 1986) 11... ♞b8 12. ♞g5 ♞h6 13. ♞f1 ♞b3 14. ♞b1 $\text{♞} \times \text{c1}$ 15. $\text{♞} \times \text{c1}$ ♙e7 16. ♞d2 ♙a4 17. 0–0 ♞df8 18. b3 $\text{c} \times \text{b3}$ 19. $\text{c4} \rightleftharpoons$ Reefat–Pelletier, 35th Olympiad, Bled 2002;

9...h5 10. ♙h3 (10. $\text{♞g5!?$ ♞e7 11. ♞f3 ♞f5 12. ♙h3 g6 13. $\text{♙} \times \text{f5!}$ $\text{g} \times \text{f5}$ 14. ♞e2 ♙a4 15. ♞df3 ♞b3 16. ♞b1 $\text{♞} \times \text{c1}$ 17. $\text{♞} \times \text{c1} \pm$ Degraeve–Sokolov, Baguio 1987) 10... ♞h6 (10... f6?! 11. $\text{e} \times \text{f6}$ $\text{g} \times \text{f6}$ 12. 0–0 0–0–0 13. ♞e1 ♞h6 14. $\text{♞h2!} \pm$ Sax–Kuligowski, Zonal Tournament, Warsaw 1979) 11. 0–0 ♙e7 12. ♞e1 g6 13. ♞g2 0–0–0 14. ♞b1 ♞b8 15. ♞f3! ♞b3 16. ♞e2 ♙a4 17. $\text{♙g5} \pm$ Sax–Ree, Amsterdam 1979;

9...h6 10. ♙h3 0–0–0 11. 0–0 ♞e7 12. ♞b1 (12. ♞e1 ♞ec6 13. ♞b1 ♙e7 14. ♞c2 ♞b8 15. ♞f1 ♞b3 16. ♞e2 ♞b6 17. ♙e3 ♞b3 18. h5 ♞a8 19. ♞3h2 $\text{♞dg8} \infty$ Vysochin–Rustemov, Polanica Zdrój 1997) 12... ♞b8

13. ♞e1 ♞f5 14. ♞g2 ♙e7 15. ♞f3 ♙c8 16. h5 ♞hf8 17. $\text{♞f4} \pm$ Sax–Knaak, Szirák 1985;

9...♞c6 10. ♞g5 h6 11. ♞h3 ♞a4 12. ♞f3 ♞c2 13. ♞f4 ♞e7 14. $\text{♞g2!?$ ♞h7?! (14... ♞b3 15. $\text{♞} \times \text{b3}$ $\text{♞} \times \text{b3}$ 16. $\text{♞e3} \pm$) 15. b4! $\text{c} \times \text{b3} \square$ 16. ♙d3 ♞g8 17. ♞b1 ♙a4 18. ♞e3 ♞c8 19. $\text{c4} \uparrow$ Sveshnikov–Eingorn, Sochi 1986.

273 8. $\text{e} \times \text{f6}$ $\text{♞} \times \text{f6}$



9. ♙h3 ♙d6 10. ♞e2 0–0 11. $\text{♙} \times \text{e6}+$ ♞h8 12. $\text{♙} \times \text{c8}$ $\text{♞} \times \text{c8}$ (12... ♞e8 13. ♙e6 ♞d8 14. ♞e5 $\text{♞} \times \text{e6} \rightleftharpoons$) 13. 0–0 ♞ce8 14. ♞c2 $\text{♞e4} \infty$;

9. ♙g2 ♙d6 10. 0–0 0–0

a) 11. ♞e1 ♙d7 (11... ♞e4 12. ♞bd2 $\text{♞} \times \text{d2}$ 13. $\text{♞} \times \text{d2}$ ♙d7 14. ♞c2 $\text{♞ae8} \rightleftharpoons$) 12. ♞c2 $\text{♞ae8} \mp$;

b) 11. ♞bd2?! e5! 12. $\text{d} \times \text{e5}$ $\text{♙} \times \text{e5!}$ 13. $\text{♞} \times \text{e5}$ $\text{♞} \times \text{e5}$ 14. ♞e2?! ♞e8! 15. ♞f3 $\text{♙g4} \mp$ Przewoźnik–Uhlmann, Poland–GDR, Zakopane 1980;

c) 11. ♞e2 ♙d7 [11... ♞h8 12. ♞e5 ♞d7 (12... $\text{♙} \times \text{e5?!}$ 13. $\text{d} \times \text{e5}$ ♞d7 14. ♙e3 ♞a5 15. f4 ♞c5 16. $\text{♞d2} \pm$ Sax–Uhlmann, Sarajevo 1982) 13. $\text{♞} \times \text{c6}$ (13. f4 $\text{♞d} \times \text{e5}$ 14. $\text{f} \times \text{e5}$ $\text{♞} \times \text{f1}+$ 15. $\text{♞} \times \text{f1}$ $\text{♙e7} \mp$) 13... $\text{♞} \times \text{c6}$ 14. f4 (14. $\text{♞} \times \text{e6}$ $\text{♞f6} \infty$) 14... ♞f6 15. ♞d2 ♙d7 16. ♞f3 $\text{♞e4} =$ Gertler–Polgar, New York 1985] 12. ♞e5 ♞ae8 13. ♞d2 (13. ♙f4 $\text{♙} \times \text{e5}$ 14. $\text{d} \times \text{e5}$ ♞e4! 15. $\text{♙} \times \text{e4}$ $\text{d} \times \text{e4} \infty$) 13... ♙c8 14. $\text{f4} \pm$.



274 9. dxe5 ♖c5 10. 0-0 ♗ge7 11. ♗bd2 0-0 12. b4 cxb3 13. ♖b1 (13. ♗xb3 ♖xf3! 14. ♗xc5 ♗xe5 15. ♖g2 ♖f8 16. ♖e3 ♗c7 ♞) 13...♗a5 ♞.

275 10...♖d7 11. 0-0 ♗e7 ♞.

276 13...0-0-0!?

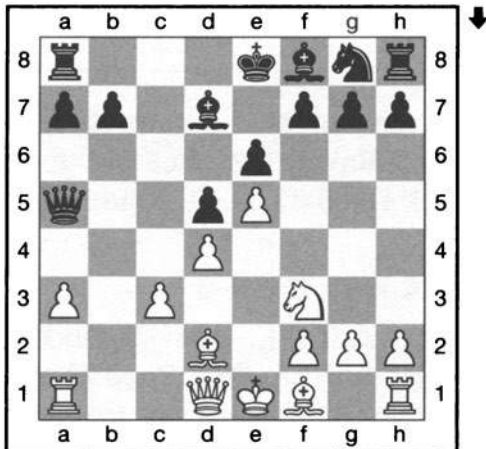
277 14...0-0-0 15. ♖g5 h6 16. ♖xe7 ♖xe7 17. ♗d4 ♞;

14...h6 15. 0-0 0-0-0∞ Malaniuk-Uhlmann, Tallinn 1987.

278 7...♗ge7? 8. ♖xc4! dxc4 9. ♗xc4 ♗a6 10. ♗d6+ ♗d7 11. ♗xf7 ♖g8 12. ♗c2 h6 13. ♗d6± Sveshnikov-Milos, Budapest 1988.

279 8. ♖e2 ♗ge7? 9. ♖xc4!± Panarin-Nepomniashchy, Vladimir 2002.

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11...♖a4 12. ♗b1 ♗c7 13. ♖d3 ♗e7 14. 0-0 ♗d7 15. ♖c1 h6 16. ♖a2 ♗c8 17. c4 dxc4 18. ♖xc4 ♖c6 19. ♖xc6!! bxc6 20. d5!→ Prashnik-Yakimenko, corr. 1994/96;

11...♗e7 12. ♖d3 ♗c7 13. 0-0 h6

a) 14. ♗h4!? ♗c6 (14...♗f5? 15. ♗xf5 exf5 16. ♗f3±; 14...g6 15. g3 ♗c8?! 16. ♖xg6!?! Motylev-Hort, Hoogeveen 2003) 15. f4 ♖e7 16. ♗g4 g6 17. ♗xg6 ♖g8 18. ♗h5 fxg6 19. ♖xg6+ ♗d8 20. f5 ♞;

b) 14. ♗e1 ♗c6 15. f4 g6 16. g4 0-0-0 17. f5 gx f5 18. gx f5 ex f5 19. ♖xf5 ♖e6 20. ♗h5

♗b8 21. ♗d3 ♖e7 ♞ Vlassov-Ilyushin, St. Petersburg 1995;

c) 14. ♗e2!? ♗c8 15. ♖e3 ♗b6 16. ♗d2 ♖c6 17. f4 g6 18. ♖fc1 ♗d7 19. a4 ♗xa4 20. c4 ♞ Charbonneau-Bluvshstein, Montréal 2003.

281 12...♗c6 13. ♖d3 h6 14. 0-0 ♗e7 15. ♖c1± Sveshnikov-Kiselev, Moscow (Rapidplay) 1994.

282 15. ♖c1 ♗c8 (15...b5 16. ♖c2 ♖b8 17. ♖b2±) 16. c4± Sveshnikov-Timman, Tilburg 1992.

283 8. exf6 ♗xf6 9. b3 cxb3 10. ♖b1 ♖d6 11. ♖d3 0-0 12. 0-0 e5!;

8. g3 fxe5 9. ♗xe5 ♗xe5 10. dxe5 ♖c5 11. ♗h5+ g6 12. ♗e2 ♗e7 13. ♖g2 ♖d7 14. 0-0 0-0-0 15. ♗f3 ♞ Honfi-Uhlmann, Solingen 1974;

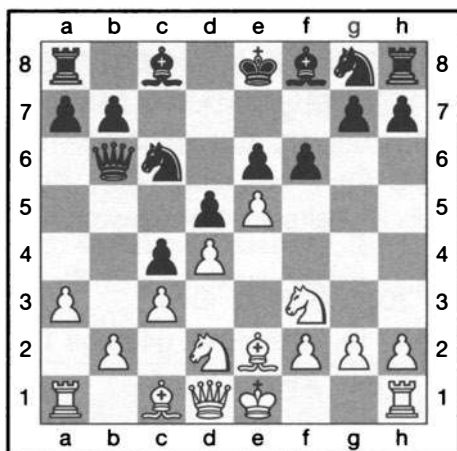
8. b3!? fxe5 (8...cxb3 9. ♗xb3 ♗c7 10. c4!±)

a) 9. bxc4?! e4 10. ♗g5 (10. ♗h4? ♗f6 11. g3 ♖e7 12. ♖b1 ♗c7 13. ♖e2 0-0 14. 0-0 ♗a5! ♞ Enders-Uhlmann, GDR Championship, Eggesin 1978; 10. ♖b1 ♗a5 11. ♗b3 ♗c7 12. ♗g5 ♗f6 13. cxd5 exd5 14. c4 ♖f5 ♞) 10...♗f6 (10...♖e7 11. ♖b1 ♗d8 12. ♖xb7!? ♖xg5 13. ♖xg7 ♗f8□ 14. ♖xg5 ♗xg5 15. ♗xe4 ♞) 11. f3?! (11. ♖b1 ♗c7 12. g3 h6 13. ♗h3 g5!; 11. ♖e2 ♗a5 12. ♖b2 ♖d6 13. ♖h5+ ♗e7! ♞) 11...♗a5?! Cherniaev-Korniushin, Vladivostok 1995; 11...e3 ♞;

b) 9. ♗xe5! (Bronstein) 9...♗xe5 10. dxe5 ♖c5?! (10...♗h6!? 11. bxc4 ♖c5 12. ♗h5+ ♗f7 13. ♗e2 0-0 14. f4±) 11. ♗h5+ [11. ♗f3 cxb3 (11...♗e7?? 12. b4+- Hansen-Lovik, Copenhagen 2004) 12. ♖b1 ♗c7 13. ♗h5+ g6 14. ♖b5+ ♖d7 15. ♖xd7+ ♗xd7 16. ♗e2 ♗e7 17. ♗xb3± Buchniecek-Sebenik, Bled 2003] 11...g6 12. ♗h4 ♗c7 13. ♗f3 ♗e7 14. b4 ♗f5 15. ♗h3 ♖e7 16. ♖e2 0-0 17. g4 ♗g7 18. ♗g3± Bronstein-Roos, Hastings 1993/94.



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8...**♙d7** 9. 0-0 0-0-0 10. b3 cxb3 11. ♖xb3 ♗c7 12. ♝b1 ♙e8 13. ♙f4 h6 14. c4 g5 15. ♙d2 ♙g6 16. cxd5 ♝xd5 17. ♙c4 ♙xb1 18. ♙xd5 exd5 19. ♗xb1± Sveshnikov-Meshkov, Russian League, Podolsk 1990;

8...**♗c7?!?** 9. 0-0!? fxe5 (9...♙d7 10. b3!?!?) 10. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 11. dxe5 ♖e7 [11...♗xe5 12. ♝e1 ♗f6 (12...♗d6 13. b3 cxb3 14. c4 ♖f6 15. ♗xb3 ♙e7 16. cxd5 exd5 17. ♙b5+± Casper-Knaak, GDR Championship, Fürstenwalde 1981) 13. ♖f3 ♙d7 14. ♙g5 ♗f5 15. ♙h4 ♙e7 16. ♙xe7 ♖xe7 17. ♖e5 ♝f8 18. ♖h1 ♝f6 19. ♙xc4 0-0-0 20. ♙d3± Baklan-Florath, Groningen 1996] 12. b3! cxb3 13. c4! ♗xe5 14. ♝b1→ ♖g6 (14...♙d7 15. ♙b2±△ ♙h5+) 15. cxd5± Casper-Uhlmann, Berlin 1982.

285 9...♖f6 10. f4! (10. 0-0 ♙d6 11. ♖df3 0-0 12. ♗c2 ♗c7 13. ♙f4 ♖h5 14. ♖xc6 ♖xf4 15. ♖ce5 ♙d7 16. ♝fe1 ♝f5 17. ♙f1 ♖g6± Teske-Uhlmann, GDR Championship, Nordhausen 1986) 10...♙d6 11. ♙h5+! (11. ♖df3± △0-0, ♗c2, ♖h1, ♙e3) 11...g6 12. ♙f3 0-0 13. ♗e2 ♗c7 14. g3 ♙d7 15. ♖xd7!± Pähtz-Uhlmann, GDR Championship, Nordhausen 1986.

286 10...♖h6 11. ♖xc4! dxc4 12. ♙xh6 ♙d7□ 13. ♙g5 ♗xb2 14. 0-0 ♗xc3 15. ♙h5+ g6 16. ♗b1!!± Pähtz-Uhlmann, Erfurt 1985.

287 12. ♙h5+ g6 13. ♙g4 h5 14. ♙e2 ♙d7 15. ♝b1 0-0 16. ♖xc4 dxc4 17. ♗xd7 ♝ad8 18. ♗a4 ♝xf2 19. ♝xf2 ♙xf2+ 20. ♖h1 ♗c6± Vallejo Pons-Pelletier, Biel 2002.

288 15. **a4?! ♗xc3** 16. ♙a3 ♝f7 17. ♙d6 ♖f5 18. ♝c1 ♗a5±;

15. **♗d4 ♗xd4** 16. cxd4 ♙d7 17. ♝b1 ♝ab8 18. a4 ♝fc8= Prié-Lautier, Paris 1988;

15. **♗d3 ♗c7** (15...♝f7 16. ♝b1 b6 17. ♗h3 ♗c7 18. ♙d3 g6 19. ♝e1 ♗xc3 20. ♙b2 ♗c6 21. ♝bc1 ♗d7 22. ♝c2 ♞ Conquest-Pelletier, French League, 2002) 16. ♙g5 (16. f4 ♙d7 17. a4 ♝ac8 18. ♙a3 ♝f7 19. ♙xe7 ♝xe7±) 16...♝f7 17. f4 ♙d7 18. ♙h5 ♗c5+ 19. ♖h1 ♝ff8 20. ♝ab1 (20. c4±) 20...b6 (20...b5 21. ♙xe7 ♗xe7 22. f5!) 21. c4± Grischuk-Pelletier, Biel 2001.

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8. h4!? ♙d7 9. h5 h6 10. g3 ♖e7 11. ♙h3 ♖b3 12. ♖xb3 ♙a4 13. ♖fd2 ♖c6 14. 0-0± (Bronstein-Mestel, London 1976) 14...♖a5 15. f4 ♖xb3 16. ♖xb3 ♙xb3 17. ♗e2 0-0-0 18. f5±;

8. ♝b1!? ♙d7 9. ♙e2 ♖e7 10. ♖f1 ♗b3 (10...f6 11. h4 0-0-0 12. h5 ♖ec6 13. ♙f4 fxe5 14. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 15. ♙xe5 ♖c6 16. ♙g3± Hába-Knaak, Halle 1987) 11. ♙f4 ♙a4 12. ♗xb3 ♙xb3 13. ♖e3 ♖g6 14. ♙g3 f5 15. exf6 gxf6 16. ♖h4± Hába-Faragó, Wattens 1996;

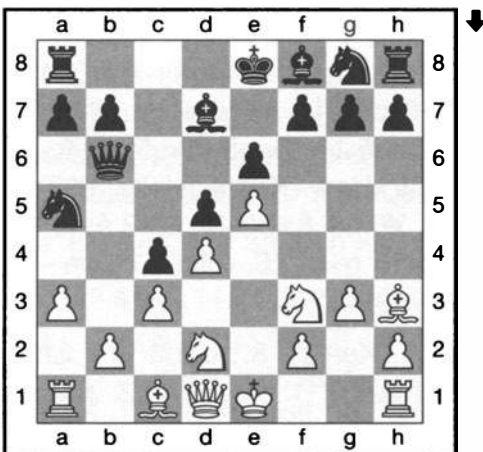
8. b4!? (Keres) 8...cxb3 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 [10. ♝c1 ♙b5! 11. c4 dxc4 12. ♙xc4 ♖xc4 13. ♖xc4 ♙xc4 14. ♝xc4 ♖e7 15. ♝b4 ♗a6? (15...♗c6!±) 16. ♗xb3 b6 17. ♖g5! ♖d5 18. ♝a4 ♗b7 19. ♗b5+ ♗d7 20. ♗xd7+ ♖xd7 21. ♖xf7 ♝g8 ♞ Remizov-Illinsky,

USSR 1975] 10. c4 ♖a4 (10...♗e7!) 11. ♖c1 ♗e7 12. c5 ♜d8 13. ♙d3 ♗g6 14. g3 ♙e7 15. ♜e2 a6 16. h4 h6 17. h5 ♗f8 18. ♗h4 ♜d7 19. f4 ♞ Circenis – Katishonok, Latvia 2001.

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8...♙e7 9. h4 ♙d7 10. ♙h3 f5 11. exf6 (11. 0–0 ♗h6 12. ♗e1 ♗f7 13. ♗g2 g5 14. hxg5 ♗xg5 15. ♜h5+ ♗d8 16. ♗f4 ♗xh3+ 17. ♜xh3 ♗c7 ♢) 11...gxf6 12. 0–0 h5 13. ♖e1 ♗h6 14. ♖b1!? (14. ♜e2 ♗g4 15. ♗h2 f5 ♢; 14. ♗h2 0–0–0 15. ♜xh5 ♖dg8 ♞ Grischuk – Korchnoi, Biel 2001) 14...0–0–0 (14...♗g4 15. ♗h2 f5 16. ♗df3 0–0–0 17. ♙f4!? ♢) 15. b4 cxb3 16. ♗xb3 ♗g4 (16...♗xb3 17. ♖xb3 ♜c6 18. ♙f4 ♗g4 19. ♜e2 ♢);

8...f5 9. exf6 gxf6 10. ♙g2 ♗h6 11. ♗h4 ♗f7 12. 0–0 ♙g7 13. f4 † Kristjánsson – Thorsteinsson, Reykjavík 2004.

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9...0–0–0 10. 0–0 ♗h6 (10...h6 11. ♗h4 g5 12. ♗g2 h5 ♢) 11. ♖b1 ♙b5 12. ♖e1 ♜c6

13. b3 cxb3 14. ♗xb3 ♗xb3 15. ♜xb3 ♙d3 16. ♖a1 ∞ I. Zaitsev – Lunev, Orel 1994;

9...f6?! 10. exf6! gxf6 11. 0–0 0–0–0 12. ♖e1 ♙g7 (12...♖e8 13. ♖b1 ♜c7 14. b3 cxb3 15. ♗xb3 ♗c4 16. ♙f4 ♢) 13. ♖b1 ♗b8 14. b4 ♢ I. Zaitsev – Pokojowczyk, Sochi 1976;

9...♗e7 10. 0–0 h6 11. ♗h4

a) 11...g5!? 12. ♗g2 h5 13. g4 hxg4 14. ♙xg4 0–0–0 15. ♜f3 ♙e8 16. ♗e3 ♢;

b) 11...0–0–0 12. ♗g2 ♗b8 13. ♖b1 ♜c7 14. ♗e3 ♗c8 15. f4 g6 16. f5!? (16. ♗g4 ♙e7 17. ♙g2 ♗b6 18. ♜e2 ♙a4 19. ♗f3 ♗d7 ♢) 16...gxf5 17. g4 fxg4 18. ♗xg4 ♙e8 19. ♗f6 ♢ I. Zaitsev – Savon, Dubna 1976;

c) 11...♗ec6 12. f4 0–0–0 (12...g6 13. ♗g2 0–0–0 14. ♗e3 ♗b8 15. ♙g2 ♗e7 16. ♖f2 ♗b3 17. ♗dxc4!? dxc4 18. ♗xc4 ♜b5 19. ♗d6 ♜a4 20. ♗xf7 ♗xa1 21. ♜xa4 ♙xa4 22. ♗xd8 ♢ Sveshnikov – Riazantsev, St. Petersburg, 2000) 13. ♖b1 ♙e7 14. ♗g2 ♖dg8 15. ♗h1 g6 16. ♗e3 ♗b3 17. ♜f3 ♜c7 18. ♗xb3 cxb3 19. ♙d2 ♢ Psakhis – Faragó, Banja Luka 1985;

9...h6!? 10. 0–0 0–0–0 11. ♗e1 g5 (11...h5 12. ♗df3 ♗b3 13. ♖b1 ♗xc1 14. ♜xc1 ♙a4 15. ♗g5 ♗h6 16. f4 g6 17. ♗g2 ♙e7 18. ♜d2 ∞ Motylev – Balashov, Ekaterinburg 2002) 12. ♙g2 ♙e7 13. ♖b1 h5 ∞ Pintér – Schmidt, Budapest 1977.

292 10. ♖b1 h5!? 11. 0–0 ♙b5!? (11...g5!? 12. ♗e1 0–0–0 13. ♙g2 ♗h6 14. ♜e2 ♙a4 15. b4 cxb3 16. ♗d3 g4 17. ♖e1 ♗b8 ♢ Stilling – van Manen, corr. 1990) 12. a4 ♙c6 13. ♖e1 g5!? 14. ♙f1 g4 15. ♗h4 ♙xh4 16. gxh4 ♗e7 17. b4 cxb3 18. ♙d3 ♞ Minasian – Korchnoi, Ohrid 2001; 18. ♗xb3? ♙xa4 19. ♗xa5 ♙xd1 20. ♖xb6 axb6 21. ♗xb7 ♙f3 –+.


293 11. ♗e1!? g5! 12. ♙g2 0–0–0 13. ♗df3 (13. f4 gxf4 14. gxf4 ♗h6 15. ♜xh5?! ♗f5 ♢ Moroz – Glek, Kemerovo 1985) 13...g4 (13...♗b3?! 14. ♙xg5! ♞ Hennings – Hausner, GDR 1979) 14. ♗g5 ♗h6 = Glek, ♢ Fritz.



294 11...g5!? 12. $\text{h}2$ 0-0-0 13. $\text{c}3$ g4 14. $\text{g}5$ $\text{h}6$ 15. $\text{f}4$ $\text{d}g8$ 16. $\text{h}x7$ $\text{f}f8$ (16... $\text{h}x7$ 17. $\text{c}x7$ $\text{g}5$ \bar{f}) 17. $\text{h}x8$ $\text{f}x4$ 18. $\text{g}x4$ $\text{h}e8$ \bar{f} .

295 12...g5 \bar{f} ; 12...h4!?

296 15. $\text{b}1$ $\text{h}xc1$ 16. $\text{f}xc1$ $\text{d}g8$ 17. $\text{g}5$ $\text{d}8$ 18. $\text{d}2$ b5 \bar{z} Movsesian–Radjabov, Sarajevo 2002.

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9...0-0-0!? – See 7. g3; **9... $\text{h}e7$** – See 8... $\text{h}e7$;

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$\text{h}c8$ 15. $\text{h}5$ g6 16. $\text{h}e2$ $\text{h}b6$ \bar{z} Ivanchuk–Bareev, Monte Carlo (blind) 2003) 10...f5 (10... $\text{h}ec6$ 11. 0-0 $\text{h}e7$ 12. $\text{f}e1$ h6 13. $\text{b}1$ 0-0-0 14. b4 $\text{c}xb3$ 15. $\text{h}xb3$ $\text{h}xb3$ 16. $\text{f}xb3$ $\text{c}c7$ 17. $\text{b}1$ $\text{h}a5$ \bar{z} Gobet–Faragó, Lucerne 1985) 11. 0-0 h6 12. $\text{b}1$ $\text{f}g8$ 13. $\text{h}g2$ g5 14. $\text{h}xg5$ $\text{h}xg5$ 15. b3 $\text{c}xb3$ 16. $\text{h}xb3$ $\text{h}a4$ 17. $\text{h}fd2$ 0-0-0 18. $\text{c}c2$ $\text{c}c6$ 19. $\text{d}1$ $\text{h}xb3$ 20. $\text{h}xb3$ = Potkin–Vysochin, Cappelle la Grande 2004.

298 10...gxf6 11. $\text{h}3$ (11. $\text{h}e5?$ $\text{f}xe5$ 12. $\text{c}h5+$ $\text{c}e7$ 13. $\text{c}g5+$ $\text{c}f7$ 14. $\text{h}f3$ $\text{h}g7$ 15. $\text{h}xe5+$ $\text{h}xe5$ 16. $\text{c}xe5$ $\text{h}f6$ – \bar{z} Korbut–Novikova, Vladimir 2002) 11...0-0-0 12. 0-0 $\text{h}6$ 13. $\text{f}e1$ $\text{f}g8$ 14. $\text{h}f1$ $\text{h}b3$ 15. $\text{h}xh6$ $\text{h}xh6$ 16. $\text{b}1$ \bar{f} Cherniaev–Harestad, Gausdal 1993.

299 12... $\text{h}c7$ 13. $\text{c}e2$ $\text{f}f8$ 14. 0-0 0-0-0 15. $\text{h}xd7$ $\text{c}xd7$ 16. $\text{b}1$ $\text{d}e8$ 17. b3 $\text{h}xb3$ 18. $\text{h}xb3$ $\text{c}xb3$ 19. c4! García Fernández–Rayo Gutiérrez, Spanish Championship, Almeria 1989.

300 15. 0-0 $\text{h}e7$ 16. $\text{h}f3$ $\text{h}b3$ 17. $\text{h}e3!$ \bar{z} Grischuk–Apicella, French League, Bordeaux 2003.

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9... $\text{h}e7$

a) 10. $\text{f}e1$

a1) 10... $\text{c}c6$ 11. $\text{c}c2$ $\text{h}c8$ 12. $\text{h}g5$ h6 13. $\text{h}3$ $\text{h}b6$ 14. $\text{h}f4$ 0-0-0! 15. $\text{h}5$ $\text{c}c7$ 16. a4! $\text{h}c6$ 17. $\text{h}d1$ $\text{c}b8$ 18. $\text{f}e3!$ \bar{z} Sveshnikov–Eingorn, Palma de Mallorca 1989;



a2) 10... ♖g6!? 11. g3 (11. h4!? Glek) 11... ♗e7
12. h4 f5 13. h5 ♗f8 14. ♖b1 g5∞ Motwani-
Gurevich, Hastings 1991/92;

a3) 10... h6 11. ♖b1 (11. ♖c2?! 0-0-0 12. ♖b1
♗b8 13. ♗f1 ♖b3 14. ♖xb3 ♗xb3 15. ♗f4
♗c8 16. ♗g3∞ Sveshnikov-Nikolenko, 58th
USSR Championship, Moscow 1991)

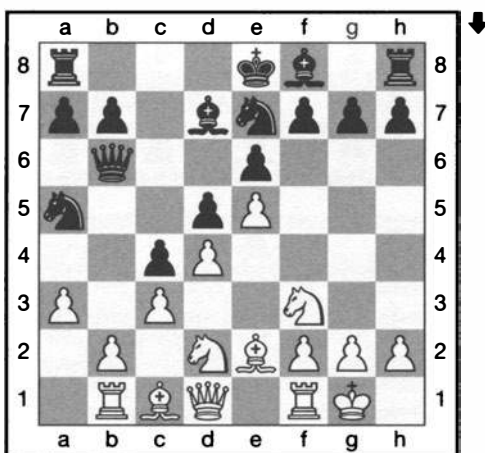
a31) 11... 0-0-0 12. ♖c2 ♗b8 13. ♗d1 ♖c8
14. ♗f1 ♗b3 15. ♗f4± Sveshnikov-Casper,
Moscow 1987;

a32) 11... ♖c7 12. ♗f1 ♗c8 13. ♖e3 ♗b6
14. ♗e1 0-0-0 15. f4 g6 16. ♖h3 ♗e7
17. ♗df3 ♗a4 18. ♖e2 h5 19. ♗e3 ♗b3
20. ♗f2± Kharlov-Ilyushin, Tula 2002;

a33) 11... g5 12. ♗f1 ♗g6 13. ♗e3 ♗e7
14. ♗3d2 0-0-0 15. ♗g3 ♗b8 16. ♗h5 ♖df8
17. ♖c2 ♗h4 18. ♗d1± Sherwin-Evans, New
York 1954;

a34) 11... ♗c8 12. ♗f1 ♖b3 13. ♖xb3 ♗xb3
14. ♗f4 ♗a4 15. ♗g3 b5 16. ♗h5 ♗b6 17. g4!
♗a5 18. ♖ec1 ♗b3 19. ♖f1! ♗a5 20. ♗e1
♗c6 21. ♗e3 0-0-0 22. f4± Sveshnikov-
Lutz, Berlin 1989;

b) 10. ♖b1 (I. Zaitsev)



b1) 10... ♗b3 11. ♗xc4!±;

b2) 10... ♗ec6 11. ♖e1 [11. ♖e1!? f5 12. exf6
gxf6 13. b4 cxb3 14. c4 ♖ (Gdański-
Owczarzak, Warsaw 2002) 14... dxc4
15. ♗xc4 ♗xc4 16. ♗xc4 ♗a5 17. ♗xe6
♗xe6 18. d5 ♗c5 19. dxe6±) 11... ♗e7
12. ♖c2 ♖c8 13. ♗f1 ♖b3 14. ♗d1 ♖xc2

15. ♗xc2 ♗b3 16. ♗f4 ♗ca5 17. ♗g3 ♗a4
18. ♖e2 b5 19. ♗h5± Sveshnikov-Donchev,
Lvov 1983;

b3) 10... ♗b5!? 11. ♗e1 ♗b3 12. ♗xb3 ♗a4
13. ♗f4 ♗xb3 14. ♖d2 ♗c6 15. g3 (15. g4!?
♗e7 16. ♗g3 0-0-0 17. ♗g2±) 15... ♗a5
16. ♗g2 ♗a4 17. ♗h5± Sveshnikov-Ivkov,
Sochi 1983;

b4) 10... ♖c7 11. ♗g5 (11. ♖e1 ♗c8 12. ♗f1
♗b6 13. ♗f4 (13. ♗g5! h6 14. ♗h4 ♗a4
15. ♖c1 ♗d7 16. ♖e3! ♗c2 17. ♖bc1 ♗h7
18. ♗3d1! ♖e8 19. ♗d1=, Predojević-Wang
Hao, Istanbul 2005) 13... ♗b3 14. ♗3d2 ♗a5
15. ♗g3 ♗a4 16. ♖c1 0-0-0∞, Ni Hua-
Bareev, Beijing 2003) 11... h6 12. ♗h3 0-0-0
13. ♗f4 ♗b8 14. ♗h5 ♗a8 15. g4 ♗c8 16. f4
♗b6 17. ♖e1±, I. Zaitsev-Vasyukov, 37th
USSR Championship, Moscow 1969;

b5) 10... ♖c8 11. g3 h6 12. ♗h4 ♗b5 13. ♖a1
♗b3 14. ♗xb3 ♗a4 15. ♗e3 ♖xb3! 16. ♖d2
♖c6! (16... ♖c2? 17. ♗d1+-) 17. ♗d1 ♖b5
18. ♗g4± Sveshnikov-Gofshtein, Rostov on
Don 1976;

b6) 10... h6 11. ♖e1 (11. ♖c2 ♖c7 12. b3 cxb3
13. ♗xb3 ♗a4 14. ♗fd2 ♗ec6 15. ♖b2 ♖
Tal-Petrosian, Tbilisi 1956) 11... ♗c6 12. ♗f1
♖b3 13. ♗f4 ♗a4 14. ♖c1 ♖b6 15. ♗3d2
♗g6 16. ♗e3 ♗h4 17. f4 h5 18. ♗f2 ♗f5 ♖
Sveshnikov-Eingorn, 52nd USSR Cham-
pionship, Riga 1985;

9... ♗e7 10. ♖e1 (10. g3; 10. ♖b1 ♗h6
11. ♖e1 ♗f5 12. ♗f1 0-0-0 13. ♗f4 ♖df8
14. ♗g3 ♗xg3 15. ♗xg3 h5 16. h4± Prié-
Apicella, French Championship, Auxerre
1996) 10... ♗h6! 11. ♖c2 ♗f5 12. ♗d1!? h5
13. ♖b1 ♖c7 14. ♗f1 0-0-0 15. ♗g5! f6
16. ♗f4 ♖b6 17. ♗g3 ♖ Kholmov-Naumkin,
Moscow 1991;

9... f6 10. ♖b1 ♗e7 11. b3 cxb3 12. c4 ♗a4
13. exf6 gxf6 14. cxd5 ♗xd5 15. ♗e4 ♗e7
16. ♗d2 ♖c8 17. ♖e1 ♖ Hába-Schmittziel,
Böblingen 1999.



302 11. ♖c2!? 0–0–0 (11...♗b3 12. ♗xb3 ♕a4 13. ♗fd2 ♕xb3 14. ♗xb3 cxb3 15. ♖d3 ♜c8 16. ♖f3±) 12. b3 cxb3 13. ♗xb3 ♕a4 14. ♗fd2 ♗ec6 15. ♖a2± I. Zaitsev – Naumkin, Moscow 1995; 11. ♜e1!?

303 11...♗ec6 12. ♗h4 ♕e7 13. ♗g2 0–0–0 14. ♗h1 ♕e8 15. f4 f5 16. exf6 ♕xf6 17. ♕h5 ♗e7 18. ♕xe8 ♜dxe8 19. g4 g6 20. ♗f3 ½–½ Sveshnikov – Faragó, Novi Sad 1979.

304 12. b4 cxb3 13. c4 ♕a4 14. ♕b2±.

305 12...♗b8 13. ♕h5 g6 14. ♕e2 ♖c7 15. ♗g2 ♕c6 16. h4 ♖d7 17. h5 ♕a4 18. ♖e1 ♕c2 19. ♜a1 ♕g7 20. ♗e3 ♕a4∞ Timman – Liberzon, Venice 1974.

306 15. b3! cxb3 16. ♗xb3 f5 (16...♗xb3 17. ♜xb3 ♖c7 18. ♕xd7+ ♖xd7 19. ♖h5±) 17. ♕h3!± I. Zaitsev – Faragó, Szolnok 1975.

Notes



Chapter 3

A summary of the 3. e5 system

It is time to draw some conclusions. Briefly they are as follows:

1. e4 e6?

An error – 1...c5! is better, or failing that 1...e5!/? although in the latter case Black has serious problems with the defence of the e5 pawn after 2. ♖f3 ♗c6 3. ♗b5!.

2. d4 d5

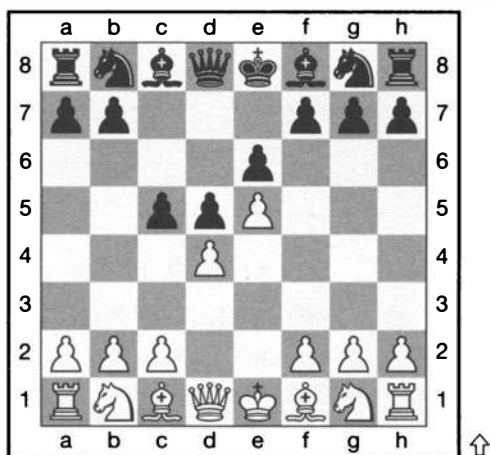
Otherwise White has a strong pawn pair in the centre and a winning position.

3. e5!/?

Objectively 3. ♗c3! is stronger, after which Black has a bad position. But White also has a big advantage after 3. e5!/, greater than he has after 1. e4! in the initial position.

3...c5!

The correct move, beginning immediate counterplay against White's pawn centre. The alternative plan to exchange the light-squared bishops with 3...b6 4. c3 or 3...♗e7 4. ♗f3 b6 5. c3 ♖d7 6. a4 does not offer Black any prospect of equality.



4. c3

The gambits introduced by Nimzowitsch bring White no advantage. In fact 4. ♖g4?! is not even sufficient for equality (see the annotations to the game Sveshnikov–Komarov, Vrnjačka Banja 1999 (Volume 1, game 28 on page 57). The line 4. ♗f3?! cxd4! 5. ♗d3 is somewhat better. However, I advise all players below the level of candidate master to include these gambits in their repertoire and learn how to handle them by studying the games of Nimzowitsch and Keres. Mastering the methods of gambit play is an important stage in the development of a chessplayer.

The move 4. dxc5?! – suggested by Louis Paulsen – was later tried a few times by Steinitz but gives Black easy equality. He has several playable plans, such as that demonstrated by Emanuel Lasker in his game against Tarrasch (St. Petersburg 1914; Volume 1, game 7 on page 18). Also playable is 4...♗xc5 5. ♗d3 ♗c6 6. ♗f3 ♗ge7 with equal chances.

4...♗c6!

The best move, obeying all the principles of the opening. Furthermore it is consistent with Black's plan of counterattack against the d4 pawn. Transferring the other knight to c6 does not equalise, since it loses time and weakens the kingside. The plan with 4...♗d7 and 5...a6 is also too slow.

5. ♗f3

White has nothing better than this move, since after 5. ♗e3?! cxd4 6. cxd4 Black can turn his fire on the e5 pawn with 6...♗h6, 7...♗f5 and 8...f6!/. The move 5. f4 is not in harmony with the spirit of this opening, since it incarcerates the c1 bishop, weakens the light squares and simply wastes time.



5...♖b6!

We know from the annotated games and the Encyclopaedia that the variations 5...♗h6?! 6. dxc5! and 5...♗ge7 6. ♖a3! are not sufficient for equality.

An interesting possibility for Black is the move 5...♗d7!? recommended by Botvinnik, which we call the “flexible defence”. However, this line also offers White a greater choice than he has after the more active 5...♖b6, since he has the additional possibility 6. ♗e3!?. After the insertion of the move ...♗d7, the immediate development of the bishop at e3 is more favourable than on the 5th move, since after an exchange on f5 (♗d3x♗f5) White will gain a tempo, because Black will have to move the bishop again (to e6) to defend the d5 pawn (in reply to ♗c3). If instead Black sends the knight to g4 via h6 and then exchanges on e3, he is liable to come under attack on the kingside. Alternatively White can withdraw the bishop from e3, leaving the g4 knight out on a limb in the danger zone.

The strongest reply to 5...♗d7 is definitely 6. ♗e2! after which a counter-attack directed at d4 comes too late and Black must switch to attacking the e5 pawn with 6...f6!?. But experience has shown that he does not equalise in this case. The plan used several times by Korchnoi comes into consideration: 5...♗d7 6. ♗e2 ♗ge7 7. 0–0 ♗g6!?.

6. a3!

An attentive reading of this book will have persuaded you that 6. ♗e2?! brings no advantage after 6...cxd4! 7. cxd4 ♗h6!, the move order used against me by Portisch near the end of the 1993 Biel Interzonal 1993 (game 51 on page 43). Portisch is well known for his expertise in the openings; his games constitute a whole openings manual in themselves! Now 8. ♗xh6?! ♖xh6! is bad, since White does not get enough compensation for the pawn. But if Black plays 6...♗h6?! instead of 6...cxd4! then the variation 7. ♗xh6!

g×h6 (7...♖xh6? loses to 8. ♗e3!) 8. ♖d2 ♗g7 9. ♗a3 is better for White.

The move 6. ♗d3?! is inadequate because of 6...cxd4! 7. cxd4 ♗d7 8. ♗c3 ♗xd4 9. ♗xd4 ♖xd4, and White has serious worries about equalising.



6...♗h6!?

Only at this point does Black have a choice of reasonable continuations.

a) 6...c4!? closing the position. Now after 7. ♗bd2! Black cannot ignore the threat of 8. b3 since if 7...♗d7?! White can gain the advantage by 8.b3! cxb3 9. ♗xb3 ♗a5 10. ♗xa5 ♖xa5 11. ♗d2 ♖a4 12. ♖b1 as shown in the game Sveshnikov–Timman, Tilburg 1992 (Volume 1, game 29 on page 60). But even after the better move 7...♗a5 White still has an advantage, as both theory and practice testify.

b) 6...♗d7 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♖c8 9. ♗b2 ♗a5 10. ♗bd2 ♗c4, and here too theory promises White the better game by 11. ♗xc4 dxc4 12. ♖c1 a5 13. ♗d2!.

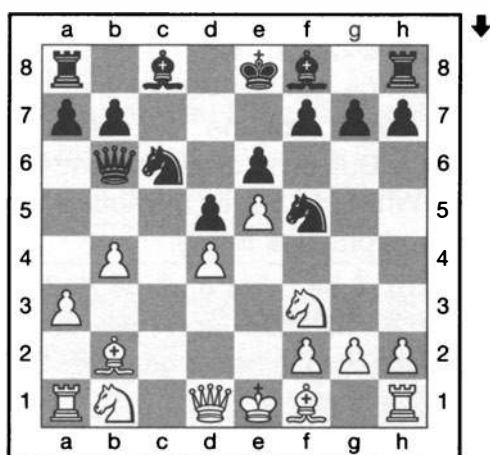
c) 6...a5. White now has three playable continuations – 7. ♗d3!?, 7. ♗e2 and 7. b3!?.

The move 7. ♗d3!? entails a pawn sacrifice: 7...cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗d7 9. ♗c3 ♗xd4 10. ♗xd4 ♖xd4. For White to gain any advantage, improvements need to be found for him in the games I. Zaitsev–Lempert, Moscow 1994 (game 26 on page 26) and Shirov–Anand, Teheran 2000 (Volume 1, game 22

on page 44). If no white advantage can be found in that line, White can play 7. ♖e2 instead, since now the plan for Black shown in the game Sveshnikov – Portisch (game 51 on page 43) does not work (there is no check on a5 available, the b5 square is weakened, and White does not lose castling rights). On the other hand Black can develop an initiative on the queenside with 7...a4. Finally White can play 7. b3!? as in the game Sveshnikov – Volkov, Togliatti 2003 (Volume 1, page 55) and this should be sufficient for some advantage.

7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♖f5 9. ♖b2!

The alternative 9. ♖e3?! brings White no advantage in view of 9...f6! 10. exf6 (10. b5 leads to a draw after 10. ♖xe5, as in Romanishin – Lputian, Yerevan 1988 (Volume 1, page 77); if 10. ♖d3?! Black even gains the advantage; see Potkin – Filippov, Togliatti 2003; Volume 1, game 40 on page 77) 10...gxf6 with chances for both sides (Morozevich – Bareev, Monte Carlo 2002, game 42 on page 36).



Now Black is again presented with a choice. The main options are 9...♖d7 and 9...♖e7. Instead 9...a5 10. b5 gives White the advantage, as in Sveshnikov – Bareev, Moscow 1995 (Note 247 on page 100 and game [1] on page 116). Incidentally, 9...a5 was Korchnoi's choice in a rapid game against Erenburg

(See Volume 1, Test position 65 on page 145; Solution on page 155).

These six positions (the four black options at move six and the two at move nine) are the main bastions of Black's defence against 3. e5. They also represent the directions in which I expect the theory to develop in the coming years.

A.

9...♖d7 10. g4

Black has fewer problems after 10. ♖e2 ♖e7 11. 0–0 0–0 with chances for both sides, Sveshnikov – Bareev, Moscow 1990 (game [2] on page 116).

10...♖fe7

Black fails to solve his problems with 10...♖h6 11. ♖g1! f6 12. exf6 gxf6 13. ♖c3 ♖f7 14. ♖a4 ♖c7 15. ♖c1 ♖f4 (15...♖d6?! is weaker, see Sveshnikov – Dvoiris, Cheliabinsk 2004 (game 59 on page 52) 16. ♖c5 and White had the better chances in the game Short – Lputian, Batumi 1999 (Volume 1, game 52 on page 103), which is the most important game played with this variation. However, on this theme I also recommend detailed study of the games Vasyukov – Bukhman, St. Petersburg 1994 (Volume 1, page 104), Savić – Lputian, Neum 2002 (game [3] on page 117), Lautier – Bauer, French Championship, Val d'Isère 2002 (page 50) and Vallejo Pons – Hillarp Persson, Benidorm 2003 (game [4] on page 117).

11. ♖c3 ♖a5

The earliest known game with this variation is Rellstab – Unzicker, West German Championship, Bad Pyrmont 1950 (game [5] on page 117). Other important games include: Shirov – Kramnik, Monte Carlo 1997 (Volume 1, game 48 on page 95) and Nevednichy – Lputian, Ohrid 2001 (game [6] on page 118).

12. ♖c2!?



An unclear position results from 12. ♖d2 ♜c8 13. ♜c1.

12... ♖c4 13. ♖xc4 dxc4 14. ♖d2 ♖d5 15. ♖xc4 ♜c6 16. ♖e4 ♖b6 17. ♖cd6+ ♗xd6 18. ♖xd6+ ♗e7 19. ♜xc6 ♗xc6 20. ♜g1, and Black had to struggle for a draw (Sveshnikov–Potkin, Russian Championship, Krasnoyarsk 2003; Volume 1, page 95). You should also study the games Alekseev–S. Ivanov, Tomsk 2001 (game [7] on page 118) and Sveshnikov–Radjabov, Tallinn 2004 (game 61 on page 53).

B.

9... ♗e7 10. ♗d3

Another interesting idea here is 10. h4!? with the plan of capturing later on f5 (♗x♖) and then exchanging the dark-squared bishops; this plan was used in a game of Mark Tseitlin's. With the help of this move I was able to defeat Bareev in the 1996 Russian Championship (Volume 1, game 34 on page 65) and Doroshkevich in St. Petersburg 2000 (Volume 1, page 65). See also the games Grischuk–Lputian, 35th Olympiad, Bled 2002 (Volume 1, game 51 on page 101) and Vysochin–Polivanov, St. Petersburg 2002 (Volume 1, page 102).

10... h5 (10... ♗d7 is weaker: 11. g4 ♖h6 12. ♜g1 with advantage for White) 11. ♗d3 a5 12. ♗xf5 exf5 13. ♖c3 ♗e6 14. b5 a4 15. ♜d3 ♖a7 16. 0–0 ♜c8 17. ♗c1 ♜c4 18. ♖e2!? ♜xb5 19. ♗g5 ♞.

10... a5!?

Or 10... ♗d7 11. 0–0 ♜c8 12. ♖bd2 g5!? 13. ♖b3 h5 (13... g4 14. ♖fd2 h5 15. ♗xf5 exf5 16. ♖c5 ♗e6 17. ♖db3±) 14. ♜c1 g4 15. ♖e1 a5 16. ♗xf5 exf5 17. ♖d3±, Khalifman–Dolmatov, Rethymnon 2003 (game 20 on page 22).

11. ♜a4!

This move restrains Black's queenside initiative, allowing White to complete his development and then start active operations on the kingside.



11... 0–0 12. b5 ♗d7

The order of moves used in the game Kiiik–Korchnoi, Rilton Cup, Stockholm 2003 (Volume 1, page 95) deserves attention: 12... ♖h4!? 13. ♖xh4 ♗xh4 14. g3?! (14. 0–0± is better).

13. 0–0 ♖a7 14. ♖c3 ♖h4 15. ♖xh4 ♗xh4 16. ♜d1 f5 17. ♖a4 ♜d8.

In the game Motylev–Alavkin, Sochi 2004 (Game [8] on page 118) White also gained an advantage with 18. ♜b3.

18. ♜e2±

Finally I should like to stress that if you want to keep up to date with developments in a particular opening variation, do not confine your interest to the games of players with a high ELO rating: look at the games of players who specialise in that variation, since they are always on the lookout for new ideas.



Chapter 4

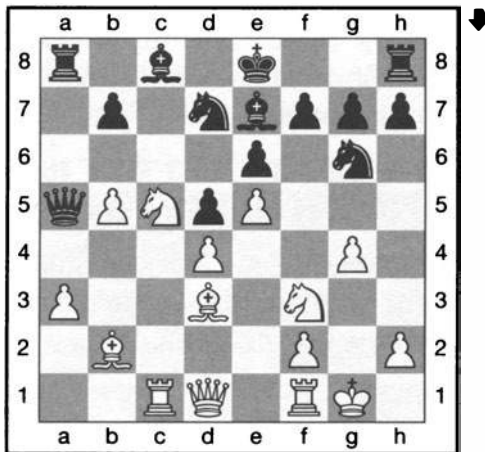
Games for further study

In his final chapter of this Advanced Course the author picked out the following eight games as being especially significant. The Publisher has therefore agreed to include these in an extra chapter for further study. Diagrams have been placed at significant points, suggested by Sveshnikov's comments in Chapter 3.

Game [1]

Sveshnikov – Bareev
Moscow (Rapidplay) 1995

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6 5. ♗f3 ♖b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♙b2 a5 10. b5 a4 11. g4 ♗fe7 12. ♗c3 ♗b8 13. ♙d3 ♗d7 14. 0–0 ♗g6 15. ♚c1 ♙e7 16. ♗xa4 ♖a5 17. ♗c5

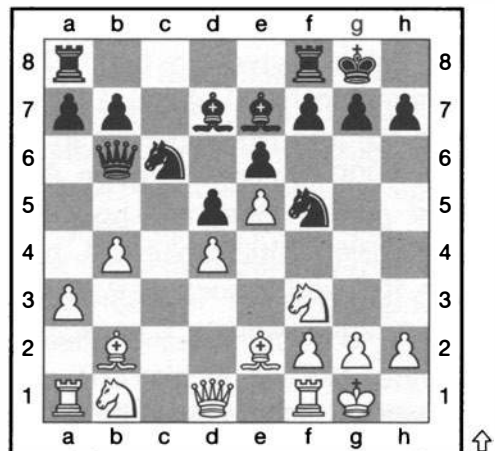


17...0–0 18. ♙xg6 hxg6 19. ♖d3 ♖b6 20. a4 ♙xc5 21. dxc5 ♗xc5 22. ♖e3 ♗xa4 23. ♙d4 ♖d8 24. ♚a1 ♙d7 25. ♚fb1 ♖e7 26. h4 b6 27. ♙xb6 ♗xb6 28. ♖xb6 ♚xa1 29. ♚xa1 ♖b4 30. ♖d4 ♖xb5 31. ♚a7 ♚c8 32. ♖f4 ♙e8 33. ♗g2 ♖b6 34. ♚e7 ♗f8 35. ♚xe8+ ♗xe8 36. h5 ♚c4 37. ♖g5 ♖d8 38. ♖xd8+ ♗xd8 39. ♗g3 gxh5 40. gxh5 ♗e7 41. ♗g5 ♚c1 42. f4 ♚f1 43. ♗f3 ♚xf3+ 44. ♗xf3 f5 45. ♗g3 ♗d7 46. ♗h4 d4 47. ♗g5 ♗e7 48. ♗g6 ♗f8 0–1

Game [2]

Sveshnikov – Bareev
Moscow 1990

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6 5. ♗f3 ♖b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. ♙e2 ♙e7 11. 0–0 0–0



12. ♖d2 [12. ♙d3!?] 12...f6 13. g4 ♗h6 14. exf6 ♚xf6 15. g5 ♚xf3 [15...♚g6] 16. ♙xf3 ♗f5 17. ♚d1 ♖d8 [17...♚f8!?!] 18. ♙g4 ♙xg5 19. ♖d3 ♙f4 20. ♙xf5 exf5 21. ♗d2 ♖g5+ 22. ♗h1 ♖h4 23. ♗f3 ♖xf2 24. ♙c1 ♙xc1 25. ♚axc1 f4 26. ♚c2 ♖e3 27. ♖xe3 fxe3 28. ♗g2 ♙g4 29. ♚e2 ♚e8 30. ♚d3 ♚e4 31. ♚exe3 h6 32. b5 ♙xf3+ 33. ♗f2!!± ♗a5 34. ♗xf3 ♚h4 35. ♗g3 ♚h5 36. ♚e5 ♚xe5 37. dxe5 ♗f7 38. ♚xd5 ♗e6 39. ♚c5 ♗f5 40. h4 g6 41. a4 b6 42. ♚c7 ♗xe5 43. ♚xa7 ♗c4 44. ♚g7 g5 45. h5+- ♗d6 46. ♚g6 ♗e4+ 47. ♗f3 ♗c5 48. ♚xb6 ♗xa4 49. ♚xh6 1–0



Game [3]

Savić – Lputian
Neum 2002

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6 5. ♗f3 ♖b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. g4

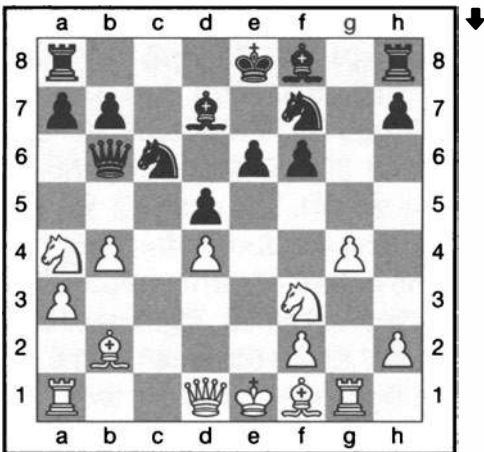


10... ♗h6 11. ♖g1 f6 12. exf6 gxf6 13. ♗c3 ♗f7 14. ♗a4 ♖c7 15. ♖c1 ♖f4 16. ♖c3 ♗g5 17. b5 ♗a5 18. ♗xg5 fxg5 19. ♙c1 ♖xh2 20. ♖gg3 ♙d6 21. ♖h3 ♖g1 22. ♖e2 0-0 23. ♙e3 ♗c4 24. ♖xc4 ♙xb5 25. f3 ♙xc4 26. ♙xg1 ♙xe2 27. ♙xe2 ♙xa3 28. ♙e3 e5 29. dxe5 ♖ae8 30. ♙c5 ♙xc5 1/2-1/2

Game [4]

Vallejo Pons – Hillarp Persson
Benidorm 2003

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖b6 5. ♗f3 ♗c6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. g4 ♗h6 11. ♖g1 f6 12. exf6 gxf6 13. ♗c3 ♗f7 14. ♗a4

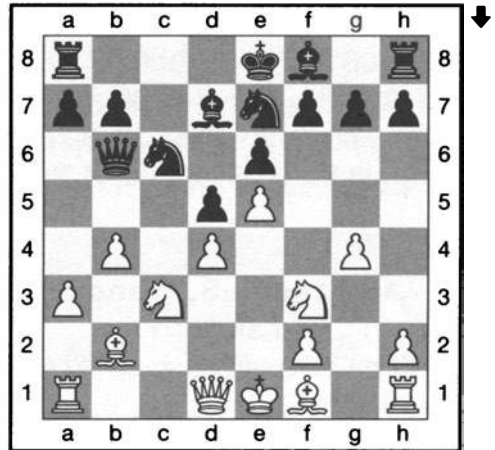


14... ♖d8 15. ♗c5 ♙c8 16. ♖c1 ♗d6 17. ♙d3 ♖e7 18. g5 f5 19. ♗e5 ♗xe5 20. dxe5 ♗e4 21. ♖h5+ ♗d8 22. ♗b3 ♖g8 23. h4 ♙d7 24. ♙d4 b6 25. ♗e2 ♙e8 26. ♖f3 h6 27. gxh6 ♖xg1 28. ♖xg1 ♙xh6 29. ♙e3 ♙xe3 30. ♗xe3 ♖xh4 31. ♗d4 ♙f7 32. ♖h1 ♖g5+ 33. ♖f4 ♖g7 34. f3 ♖c8 35. fxe4 dxe4 36. ♖h4+ ♗c7 37. ♖c1+ ♗b8 38. ♖xc8+ ♗xc8 39. ♙a6+ ♗d7 40. ♙b5+ ♗c8 41. ♙a6+ ♗d7 42. ♙b5+ ♗c8 43. ♙a6+ ♗d7 44. ♖h2 ♖g5+ 45. ♖f4 ♖g1+ 46. ♖f2 f4+ 0-1

Game [5]

Rellstab – Unzicker
West German Championship,
Bad Pyrmont 1950

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6 5. ♗f3 ♖b6 6. a3 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♗e7 8. b4 ♗f5 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. g4 ♗fe7 11. ♗c3



11... ♗g6 12. h4 h5 13. g5 ♖c8 14. ♗a4 ♖d8 15. ♗c5 ♙xc5 16. dxc5 ♖c7 17. ♖e2 0-0 18. ♖e3 d4 19. ♗xd4 ♗cxe5 20. ♙e2 ♗f4 21. 0-0-0 ♗xe2+ 22. ♖xe2 ♗g6 23. ♗b1 b6 24. cxb6 ♖xb6 25. ♖d2 a5 26. bxa5 ♖xa5 27. ♗b3 ♖a4 28. ♖e3 e5 29. ♗a1 ♙c6 30. ♗c5 ♖c4 31. ♖c1 ♖xh4 32. ♙xe5 ♗xe5 33. ♖xe5 ♖a8 34. ♖d3 ♖fe8 35. ♖d6 ♖b4 36. ♗b7 ♖b5 37. g6 fxg6 38. ♗c5 ♖eb8 39. ♖d2 ♖xa3+ 0-1



Game [6]

Nevednichy – Lputian

Ohrid 2001

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
5. ♗f3 ♜b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
♗f5 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. g4 ♗fe7 11. ♗c3 ♗g6
12. ♗a4



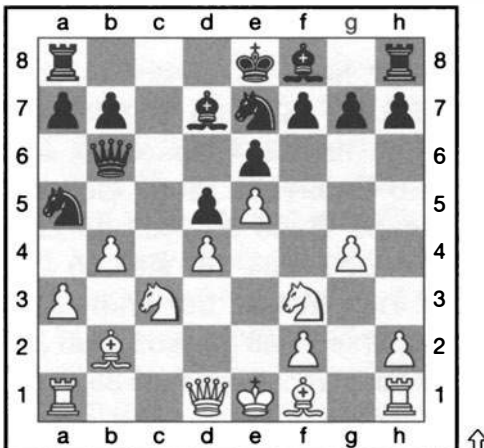
- 12...♜d8 13. h4 h5 14. g5 b6 15. ♙d3 ♗f4
16. ♙a6 ♗e7 17. ♗c3 ♗f5 18. ♗e2 ♗g2+
19. ♗d2 b5 20. ♜g1 g6 21. ♜xg2 ♜b6
22. ♗g3 ♗e7 23. ♗e1 ♜xa6 24. ♗d3 ♗c8
25. ♗c5 ♜c6 26. ♜hc1 ♗b6 27. ♗e1 ♗c4
28. ♙c3 ♙e7 29. ♗f1 0-0 30. ♗d2 ♙xc5
31. dxc5 ♗xd2 32. ♙xd2 d4 33. ♜xc6 ♙xc6
34. ♗e2 ♜fd8 35. ♗d3 ♗f8 36. f4 ♜d7 ½-½

game [7]

Aleksiev – S. Ivanov

Tomsk 2001

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜b6 5. ♗f3
♗c6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗f5
9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. g4 ♗fe7 11. ♗c3 ♗a5



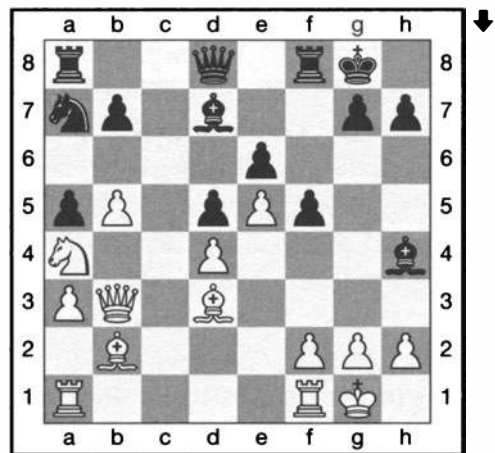
12. ♜c2 ♗c4 13. ♙xc4 dxc4 14. ♗d2 ♗d5
15. ♗xc4 ♜c6 16. ♗e4 ♗b6 17. ♗cd6+ ♙xd6
18. ♗xd6+ ♗e7 19. ♜xc6 ♙xc6 20. ♜g1 ♗c8
21. b5 ♙d5 22. ♜c1 ♗xd6 23. ♜c7+ ♗d8
24. exd6 ♜c8 25. ♜xc8+ ♗xc8 26. ♙c3 ♗d7
27. ♙b4 ♜c8 28. ♗d2 ½-½

Game [8]

Motylev – Alavkin

Sochi 2004

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6 5. ♗f3
♜b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4 ♗f5
9. ♙b2 ♙e7 10. ♙d3 a5 11. ♜a4 ♙d7 12. b5
0-0 13. 0-0 ♗a7 14. ♗c3 ♗h4 15. ♗xh4
♙xh4 16. ♜d1 f5 17. ♗a4 ♜d8 18. ♜b3



- 18...b6 19. ♗c3 ♙e8 20. a4 ♙e7 21. ♗e2
♙f7 22. h3 ♙b4 23. ♙a3 ♙xa3 24. ♜xa3
♜c8 25. ♜ac1 ♜d7 26. g4 fxg4 27. hxg4
♜xc1 28. ♜xc1 ♜c8 29. ♗g2 ♜xc1 30. ♜xc1
♗c8 31. ♜c2 g6 32. ♜c1 ♗g7 33. ♗g3 ♗e7
34. ♜g5 ♗g8 35. ♗h5+ ♗h8 36. ♗f6 ♜e7
37. ♜h4 h6 38. g5 ♗g7 39. gxh6+ ♗xh6
40. ♗h5+ ♗f8 41. ♜f4 gxh5 42. ♜xh6+ ♗e8
43. ♙g6 ♜h4 44. ♙xf7+ ♗xf7 45. f3 ♜xd4
46. ♜xh5+ ♗e7 47. ♜h7+ ♗d8 48. ♜g8+
♗e7 49. ♜g7+ ♗e8 50. ♜g6+ ♗e7 51. ♜f6+
♗d7 52. ♜f7+ ♗d8 53. ♜xe6 ♜d2+ 54. ♗h3
♜d4 55. ♜g8+ ♗e7 56. ♜g7+ ♗e8 57. ♜h8+
♗e7 58. ♜h4+ 1-0



Chapter 5

The latest theoretical developments

The publication date of the German edition of this book was in July 2006. Since the research for that edition was completed, literally thousands of games have been played in national and international tournaments – 6,500 alone in the 36th Chess Olympiad in Turin (20th May to 4th June 2006). Naturally the Advance Variation of the French Defence has been subjected to further tests. To reflect these developments, for the English edition of the book Evgeny Sveshnikov has specially selected what, in his opinion, are the twenty-four theoretically most important recent games for further study material.

Game 62

Sveshnikov – Yashtylov

Russian League, Cheliabinsk 2005

**1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♗f3 ♖b6 6. a3 f6!? 7. b4**

7. ♗d3!? c4 (7...f×e5 8. ♗×e5±; 7...♗d7
8. b4 c×d4 9. c×d4±) 8. ♗c2 f×e5 (8...♗d7
9. ♗bd2 0–0–0 10. b3 c×b3 11. ♗×b3±)
9. ♗×e5 ♗×e5 10. d×e5 ♗e7 11. ♗d2 g6
12. ♗f3±.

7...f×e5

7...c4!?±; 7...c×d4 8. c×d4±.

8. b×c5

8. d×c5!? ♖c7 9. c4 ♗f6 10. ♗c3† (10. ♗c3
d4∞); 8. ♗×e5±.

8...♖a5!

8...♖c7?! 9. ♗b5±.

9. d×e5

9. ♗×e5 ♗×e5 10. d×e5 ♗×c5 11. ♖g4
g6 (11...♖c7?! 12. ♗b5+±) 12. ♗d3± ♗e7
13. ♗g5 ♖c7 14. ♗f6 ♖f8 15. 0–0 ♗g8!?
(15...♗c6) 16. ♗b5+ ♗f7 17. ♗h8 ♗h6

18. ♖f4+ (18. ♖h4 ♖×h8±) 18...♗g8 19. ♗f6
♗f5±.

9...♗×c5 10. ♗d3 ♗h6?!

10...♗ge7 11. 0–0 (11. ♖c2 ♖c7∞) 11...
0–0±.

11. ♗×h6 g×h6 12. 0–0±

12. ♖c1!? ♖c7 (12...♗f8!? 13. 0–0 ♗g7
14. ♖e1±) 13. ♖×h6 ♗×e5 14. ♗b5+ ♗c6
15. 0–0†.

12...♖c7 13. ♖e2

13. ♗bd2!? ♗×e5 (13...0–0 14. ♗b3 ♗e7
15. ♖e1±) 14. ♗×e5 ♖×e5 15. ♗b3∞
(15. ♖e1∞).

13...♖g7 14. ♗bd2

14. ♗h1!? ♖g8 15. ♖g1±.

14...♗d7 15. ♗b3 ♗b6 16. ♖ae1

16. ♗h1; 16. c4.

16...♖g8 17. g3 ♖e7 18. ♗fd4 0–0–0

18...♖×a3 19. ♖h5+ ♗d8 20. ♖×h6†.

19. ♖h5?!

19. a4!? ♗×d4 20. c×d4 ♗×a4 21. ♖c1+ ♗b8
22. ♗c5 ♗e8 23. ♖c3∞.

19...♖×a3! 20. ♖×h6?

20. ♖a1 ♖f8 21. f4∞.

20...♗b8?



20... ♙xd4! 21. ♜xd4 ♜xd4 22. ♞a1 ♜f3+
23. ♝g2 ♜f8 24. ♞h5 ♜d2-- .

21. $\text{♞a1} \approx \frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

Game 63

Sveshnikov – Alavkin

Russian League, Cheliabinsk 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜b6
5. ♜f3 ♙d7 6. a3 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♙b5
8. ♙xb5+ ♜xb5 9. ♜c3 ♜a6 10. $\text{b4!?$

10. ♜e2 ♜e7 11. 0–0 ♜d7 12. $\text{♜f4} \pm$
(12. $\text{♜g3} \pm$; 12. $\text{b4} \pm$).

10... ♜d7

10... ♙xb4?! 11. axb4 ♜xa1 12. $\text{♜b5} \pm$.

11. ♙d2 ♜e7 12. b5?

12. $\text{a4!?$ ♜b6 (12... ♞c8 13. ♜b5 ♜c6
14. ♜d6+ ♙xd6 15. b5 ♜b6 16. bxc6 ♞xc6
17. exd6+- ; 12... ♜f5 13. g4 ♜h6 14. ♜b5
 ♞c8 15. ♞c1 ♞xc1 16. ♜xc1 ♜c6 17. ♜xc6
 bxc6 18. ♜xa7+-) 13. a5 ♜d8 14. $\text{a6} \pm$,
Belov – Lisy, Vladimir 2002.

12... ♜b6 13. a4 a5! 14. bxa6

14. 0–0 \pm .

14... bxa6 15. a5

15. 0–0 ♜c6 16. ♜e2 ♙e7 17. ♞b1 ♜c7
18. ♜c2 ♞c8 19. ♜d3 ♜a7 20. ♞b3 0–0
21. $\text{♙g5} \uparrow$.

15... ♜c7! 16. 0–0 ♜c6 17. ♜a4 ♙e7
18. ♞fc1 ♞c8 19. ♜a2 0–0 20. ♜b4 ♙xb4

20... ♜db8 21. ♜xc6 ♜xc6 22. $\text{♞ab1} \pm$ ♜d7
23. ♞b6 ♜xe5 24. ♜xd7 ♞xc1+ (24... ♜xd7
25. ♞xc8 ♞xc8 26. $\text{♞xa6} \pm$) 25. ♙xc1 ♜xd7
26. ♞xa6 (26. ♞b7 ♞d8 27. ♞a7 ♙f6 28. ♙f4
 ♜b8 29. ♙c7 ♞f8 30. $\text{♜e5} \pm$) 26... ♜b8
27. ♞a8 ♜c6 28. ♞xf8+ ♜xf8 29. a6 ♜e8
30. ♜e5 ♜a7 31. $\text{♙f4} \pm$.

21. ♙xb4 ♞fe8! 22. h3?!

a) 22. ♜c2 ♜b7 23. $\text{♙c3} \pm$;

b) 22. ♞ab1! ♜b7 23. ♙d2 ♜a8 24. ♞b2
 ♜db8 25. $\text{♞bc2} \pm$;

c) 22. ♙d6 ♜xa5 23. ♜xa5 ♜xa5 24. ♞xc8
 ♞xc8 25. ♜f1 ♜c4 26. $\text{♞xa6} =$.

22... ♜b7! 23. ♙c5 ♜xc5 24. $\text{♞xc5 ♜a7} =$
25. ♞ac1 h6 26. g4?!

26. ♜e1 ♜b5 27. $\text{♜d3} \pm$.

26... ♜b5 27. ♜c2?!

27. $\text{g5} \infty$; 27. ♜b4 ♞ed8 28. ♜g2 ♞xc5
29. $\text{♜xc5} \pm$.

27... ♜a3! 28. ♜c3?!

a) 28. ♞xc8 ♜xc2 29. ♞xe8+ ♜h7 30. ♞f8
(30. $\text{♞f8} \approx$) 30... ♜b2 31. ♞d1 ♜b7 (31... ♜b3
32. ♞xf7 ♜g6 33. $\text{♞f8} \approx$) 32. $\text{♜g2} =$;

b) 28. ♜c3?! ♞xc5 29. dxc5 (29. ♜xc5?
 $\text{♜c4} \mp$) 29... ♜c4 30. ♜d2 ♞c8 31. ♞b1 ♜a7
32. ♜xc4 ♜xc5 33. $\text{♞b6 ♜xc4} \mp$.

$\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

Game 64

Brunello – Luther

Verona 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜c6
5. ♜f3 ♙d7 6. a3?! f6 7. ♙d3 ♜h6?

7... $\text{c4!} \approx$.

8. 0–0

♠8. exf6 ♜xf6 9. ♙g5 ♜f7 10. $\text{b4} \uparrow$.

8... ♜f7 9. ♞e1 fxe5 10. ♜xe5 ♜cxe5
11. dxe5 ♜c7 12. ♜d2 0–0–0

12... c4 13. ♙c2 ♙e7 14. ♜f3 0–0 \approx .

13. ♜f3 ♙e7 14. b4! c4

14... $\text{g5!}?$.

15. ♙c2 g5 16. ♜e2 g4 17. ♜d4 ♞dg8
18. a4 h5 19. $\text{♜f5!?$

19. ♙f4 ♙g5 20. $\text{♜e3 h4} \approx$.

19... ♙d8

a) 19... exf5 20. e6 ♙d6 (20... ♙f6 21. ♙xf5
 ♙xc3 22. exd7+ ♜b8 23. $\text{♙b2} \pm$) 21. ♙xf5
 ♙xe6 22. ♙xe6+ ♜b8 23. ♙xd5 ♙xh2+
24. $\text{♜h1} \pm$;

b) 19... $\text{♙g5!?$ 20. ♙xg5 ♞xg5 21. ♜d6+
 ♜xd6 22. exd6 ♜xd6 23. ♜e3 ♞gg8
24. ♜xa7 h4 25. a5 g3 26. fxg3 hxg3 27. h3
 ♜c7 28. $\text{♜e3} \pm$.



20. a5

20. d4 h4 21. f4 Bb8!? (21...g5?!
22. Bxg4 h3 23. g3 h6 24. Bf3 f8
25. e2±) 22. a5 c7 23. a4 xa4
24. Bxa4 d7±.

20...exf5 21. e6 d6

21...c6!?!∞ 22. exf7 Bxf7 23. f4 c̄.

22. exd7+ Bxd7 23. a4.

23. f4!? B8 24. Bd2 e4 25. Bd4±.

23...Bf7 24. f4 e4 25. Be3 c7

25...b6 26. c6±.

26. xc7 Bxc7 27. Bxa7± dxc3.

27...Bg6 28. c2±.

28. a6 b5□

28...b6 29. Ba8+ Bb8 30. Bc6+ Bc7
31. Be7 Bxc6 32. xc6+-.

29. Bd4 xa4 30. a7 +- 1-0.

12. b3 b5 13. a3 g6 14. xb5+ Bxb5
15. xf8 Bxf8 16. Bd2 c6 17. fe1 (17. Bc1
f6±) 17...f6 (17...Bc8 18. Bc1±) 18. exf6
Bxf6 19. g5 f8 20. Be3 h6 21. f3±.

12...h5

12...b5 13. d3 h5 14. b4 ac6 15. a4
c4 16. a5 Bc7±.

13. gxh5.

13. g5 b5 14. xb5+ Bxb5 15. b3±.

13...b5 14. xb5+

14. g2 xe2 15. Bxe2 Bc8±.

14...Bxb5 15. e3.

15. b4 c4 16. a4 Bb6 (16...Bd7 17. e3
Bc8 18. d3±) 17. d3 f5 18. a5
(18. g5∞) 18...Bb5 19. g5±.

15...ac6 16. b3

16. c2!?

a) 16...g6 17. g4 (17. b4 Bxh5 18. a4 Bb6±)
17...0-0-0∞;

b) 16...Bc8 17. a4 Bb6 18. b4!? xb4
19. a5! Bb5 20. xb4 Bxb4 21. a3 Bb5
22. Bg4 Bc3 (22...g6!?!∞) 23. Bfb1 Bb3
24. Bd1 Bxb1 25. Bxb1 Bxa5 26. xe7
xe7 27. Bxb7±.

16...g6!? 17. g4

17. hxg6 Bxg6 18. g4 e7 c̄.

17...0-0-0 18. h6.

18. hxg6 Bxg6 19. g5 e7 20. xe7
Bxe7 c̄.

18...f5 19. g5 Bd7 =

19...e7 20. xe7 Bxe7 21. Bc1+ Bb8
22. f3 Bxh6 23. Bc5 Bb4 24. Bxh6 Bxh6
25. Bd3±.

**20. f6 Bc7 21. e8 Bd7 22. f6 Bc7
23. e8 1/2-1/2**

Game 65

Shirov – Del Rio Angelis
Gibraltar Masters, Caleta 2005

**1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 d6
5. f3 d7 6. e2!**

6. e3!?

6...Bge7 7. a3.

a) 7. 0-0 cxd4 8. cxd4 Bb6 9. c3 f5
10. a4±;

b) 7. dxc5 g6 8. e3 Bxe5 9. Bxe5 Bxe5
10. f4 c6 11. d2 e7±.

7...cxd4 8. cxd4 f5 9. c2 Bb6

9...Bb4 10. 0-0 Bxc2 11. Bxc2 Bb6
12. Bd3±.

10. 0-0 a5!?

10...Bc8!?!±.

11. g4

11. b3!? b5 12. xb5+ Bxb5 13. e3
Bxe3 14. fe3 e7 15. d2±.

11...e7 12. fe1



Game 66

Volkov – Vaganian

Aeroflot Open, Moscow 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 b6?! 4. ♖f3 ♗d7
5. c4

5. a4 ♙a6 6. ♙xa6 ♗xa6 7. 0–0±.

5...♗e7.

5...dxc4 6. ♙xc4 ♙a6 7. ♙xa6 ♗xa6 8. ♗c3
♗b4±.

6. ♗c3 ♙b7 7. ♙e3 h6

7...♗bc6 8. ♙c1 dxc4 9. ♙xc4 ♗b4± (9...
a6!?).

8. ♙c1 ♗bc6 9. a3 dxc4 10. ♙xc4 ♗f5
11. ♗e2.

11. 0–0.

11...♗xe3 12. fxe3± ♗a5 13. ♙b5 c6
14. ♙a4 b5 15. ♙c2 ♗c4 16. ♙d3± ♙e7

16...♗b6? 17. ♗xb5+-; 16...♙d8 17. 0–0 c5
18. ♗xb5+-.

17. 0–0 .

♠17. ♙xc4 bxc4 18. ♗xc4 0–0 19. ♗e4+-.

17...0–0 18. ♗e4 a5 19. ♙f2

19. ♙xc4 bxc4 20. ♗fd2 (20. ♗ed2 c5
21. ♗xc4±) 20...c5 21. ♗f6+ ♙xf6 22. exf6
cxd4 23. ♗xc4 dxe3 24. ♗g4 (24. ♗b6
♗d2 25. ♗g4 g6 26. ♗xa8 ♙xa8 ♖) 24...g5
(24...g6 25. ♗e5+-) 25. ♗xe3 (25. ♗b6 ♗d2
26. ♗xa8 ♙xa8 27. h4 ♗h7!± or 27...♙d8
28. hxg5 h5 29. ♗g3+-) 25...♗d3 26. ♙c3
♗g6 27. ♗c4±.

19...♙a6□ 20. h3

20. ♙b1 ♙fc8 21. ♗d3 g6 22. b4f.

20...a4 21. ♗h2 f5.

21...c5! 22. ♙xc4 bxc4 23. ♗f6+ ♙xf6
24. exf6 cxd4 25. fxg7 ♗xg7 26. ♗g4+ ♗h7
27. ♙f6 ♗d5 28. ♙cf1 ♗g5 29. ♗xd4 c3
30. h4 ♗g7 31. ♗e4+ ♗h8 32. ♙xf7+-.

22. exf6 ♙xf6 23. ♗xf6+ ♙xf6 24. ♙xf6
gx6 25. ♗g4!

25. ♗g4+ ♗h8 26. ♙xc4 bxc4 27. ♗h4 ♗g7
28. ♗g4 ♗g5 29. ♗xh6+ ♗xh6 30. ♗xh6
c5 31. dxc5 ♗g7 32. ♗g4 ♙c8 33. ♗f2 ♙xc5
34. ♗e4 ♙e5 35. ♗c3 ♙xe3 36. ♗f2 ♙d3
37. ♙c2±.

25...♗g7 26. ♗xf6!?

26. ♗f3+-.

26...♗xf6 27. ♙f1+ ♗e7 28. ♗h5+- ♗d5
29. ♙f7+ ♗d6 30. ♗xh6 ♙e8 31. ♗f4+

31. ♗g7+-.

31...e5 32. ♗h6+ ♗e6□ .

32...♙e6 33. ♗f8+ ♙e7 34. ♗xe7#.

33. ♙f6 exd4 34. exd4 ♙c8 35. ♙f5
♗xb2 36. ♙xe6 ♙xe6 37. ♙f8 1–0

Game 67

Shabalov – S. Ivanov

Aeroflot Open, Moscow 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗b6
5. ♗f3 ♗c6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
♗f5 9. ♙b2 ♙e7

9...♙d7.

10. h4.

10. ♙d3!?

10...a5 11. b5 a4!?

11...h5.

12. g4 ♗h6 13. ♙g1.

13. ♙c1 ♗a5 14. ♙xh6 ♗b3 15. ♙xg7 ♙g8
16. ♙a2 ♙xg7 17. g5 ♗a5+ 18. ♗bd2 ♙d7±;
13. ♗c3 Sandipan–Dolmatov, Moscow
2002.

13...♗a5.

13...♗d8 14. ♗c3 ♗a5 15. ♙d3±.

14. ♗xa4 ♙d7 15. ♗bd2N

15. ♙c1! 0–0± (15...♗g8±);

15. ♗c3 Lavrov–Sambuev, Russian Cup,
Tomsk 2003 and Yemelin–Dolmatov, Rus-
sian Championship, Krasnoyarsk 2003 (Vol-
ume 1, game 125 on page 102);

15. ♙d3 Leuw–Witt, Büsseldorf Open 2004.

15...0–0 16. ♙c1 ♗c4?! .

16...♗h8.

**17. ♖xc4 dxc4 18. ♜xc4 ♙xa3**

18...♙f8 19. ♜b3 ♖xc1+ 20. ♙xc1 ♜a5+
21. ♔d1!? (21. ♙d2 ♜xa3 22. ♜xa3 ♖xa3
23. ♙xh6 gxh6 24. ♙e2 ♙xb5 25. ♙xb5 ♖xf3
26. ♔e2 ♖b3 27. ♙d3 ♙xh4 ⇒) 21...♙xa3
22. ♙d2 ♜b6 23. ♙d3 ♙c6 24. ♗g5 ♙e7
25. ♔e2 ±.

19. ♙xa3 ♖xa3 20. ♗d2

20. ♜c7 ♜a7! (20...♜xc7 21. ♖xc7 ♖d8
22. ♙e2 ♙xb5 23. ♙xb5 ♖xf3 24. ♖xb7 ♖f4
25. ♙e2 ♖fxd4 26. f3=) 21. ♜xd7 (21. ♖g3)
21...♖xf3 22. ♖c8 (22. ♙e2 ♖f4 ⇒) 22...g6
23. ♔e2 ♖b3 ♖.

20...g6

20...♜a5 21. ♙d3 ♖a2 22. ♜c3 ♜xc3
23. ♖xc3 ♙xb5 24. ♔e2 ♙xd3+ 25. ♔xd3 ±.

21. ♜b4.

21. ♖b1 ♖fa8 22. ♜c5 ♜a5 ♖.

21...♖fa8 22. ♗e4

22. ♜d6!? ♜xd6 23. exd6 ♖a1 24. ♔d1

a) 24...♖xc1+ 25. ♔xc1 ±;

b) 24...f5?! 25. ♗b3 ♖xc1+ 26. ♔xc1 fxg4
27. ♗c5?! (27. ♔b2) 27...♙xb5 28. ♙xb5
♖a1+ 29. ♔d2 ♖xg1 30. d7 ♗f7 31. ♗xe6 g3
(31...♖g2 32. ♔e3 g3 33. ♙c4+-) 32. fxg3
♖xg3 33. ♙c4 ±.

**22...♖a1 23. ♖xa1 ♖xa1+ 24. ♔d2 ♔g7
25. ♗c3**

25. ♔e3!.

25...♜d8.

25...♗xg4 26. ♖xg4 ♖xf1 ⇒.

26. ♜b2! ♜a5 27. ♔c2

27. f3 ♗g8 ♖.

27...♗xg4! 28. ♖xg4 ♖xf1 29. ♖f4?! .

△29. ♔d3 ♖h1 ♖.

29...♖a1 30. ♖e4 ♖a3 ♖ 31. d5 exd5?

31...♙xb5!

a) 32. dxe6 ♙c6! 33. ♖c4 fxe6 ♖;

b) 32. ♖b4 exd5

b1) 33. e6 d4 34. ♖xd4 fxe6 35. ♖b4 ♔g8 ♖;
b2) 33. ♖xb5 ♖xc3+ 34. ♔d2 (34. ♜xc3
♜xb5 35. e6+ ♔f8 36. ♜h8+ ♔e7 37. exf7
♜e2+ 38. ♔c3 ♜f3+ 39. ♔d4 ♜xf2+
40. ♔xd5 ♜xf7+-+).

**32. e6! d4 33. exd7 dxc3 34. ♜b4 ♖
♖a2+ 35. ♔xc3 ♜c7+ 36. ♜c4 ♜a5+
37. ♜b4 ♜c7+ 38. ♜c4 ♜a5+ ½-½**

Game 68

Cherniaev – Mason

Coventry Open 2005

**1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♜b6
5. ♗f3 ♗c6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
♗f5 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. g4 ♗fe7 11. ♗c3
♗a5 12. ♗a4**

a) 12. ♗d2!? ♖c8!? (12...♗g6 13. ♗a4 ±)
13. ♗a4 ♙xa4 14. ♜xa4+ ♗ac6 15. ♖c1 a6
16. ♗b3 h5 17. g5 ♗f5 ±;

b) 12. ♜c2!? ♗c4 13. ♙xc4 dxc4 14. ♗d2
♖c8 15. ♗ce4 ♗d5 16. ♗xc4 ±.

12...♜c6 13. b5

13. ♗c5 ♗c4 ⇒.

13...♜c7 14. ♖c1?! .

14. ♗c5 ♗c4 15. ♜b3 ⇒.

14...♗c4 ♖ 15. ♗d2 ♖

15. ♙xc4 dxc4 16. ♗c5 (16. ♗c3 ♗d5 ♖)
16...♙xb5 ♖.

15...♙xb5 16. ♗c3 ♙c6?! .

△16...a6 ♖.

17. ♙xc4 dxc4 18. ♗xc4?

18. ♗ce4 ♗g6 19. ♖xc4 ♜d7 ♖.

18...♗g6.

18...♙xh1 19. ♗b5 ♜b8! 20. ♗cd6+ ♔d7
21. ♖c7+ (21. f3 ♗d5 ♖) 21...♜xc7 22. ♗xc7
♔xc7 23. ♗xf7 ♖g8 24. f3! ♗d5 ♖.

19. 0-0 ♗f4 20. f3 ♖d8?

a) 20...b5 21. ♗d6+ (21. ♗e3 ♜b7 ♖)
21...♙xd6 22. exd6 ♜xd6 23. ♗e4 ♙xe4
24. fxe4 g5 25. d5 ♖;

b) 20...h5! 21. g5 ♜d8 22. h4 ♗g6 ♖ 23. ♗e4
♗xh4 24. ♗cd6+ ♙xd6 25. ♗xd6+ ♔f8 ♖.



21. ♖e4∞ h5 22. g5 ♙e7

22...h4.

23. h4 f6?.

23...0-0 24. ♖d2 ♗g6±.

24. gxf6 gxf6 25. exf6 ♙xe4

25...♙f8 26. ♗e5 ♙d6 27. f7+ ♗f8 28. ♗xd6 ♖xd6 29. ♖c2+- or 29. d5!? ♙b5 (29...♙xd5 30. ♙c3+-) 30. ♙e1+-.

26. fxe4 ♙xf6 27. ♗h1

△27. ♖a4+! b5 28. ♖xb5+ ♗f8 29. ♗h1+-.

27...♙g8?.

27...0-0□ 28. ♗e5 ♖h7 29. ♙xf4 ♙xe5 30. ♙xf8+ ♙xf8 31. ♖c2 (31. ♖e2 ♙f4 32. ♖g2+ ♙g4 33. ♙c8+ ♗g7 34. dxe5 ♙xg2 35. ♙c7+ ♗g6 36. ♙xh7 ♙xb2 37. ♙e7 ♙b6=) 31...♖e7 (31...♙f4? 32. ♖c8+-) 32. ♙g1+ ♙g7 33. ♖h2 ♗h7±.

28. ♗e3+- ♖b8 29. ♖f3 ♗d3?

29...♙xd4 30. ♙xd4 ♙xd4 31. ♖xf4 ♖xf4 32. ♙xf4+-.

30. ♖xf6 1-0.

Game 69

Motylev – Anastasian

Dubai Open 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖b6
5. ♗f3 ♙d7 6. a3 cxd4 7. cxd4 ♙b5
8. ♙xb5+ ♖xb5 9. ♗c3 ♖a6 10. b4 ♗d7
11. ♙d2 ♗e7 12. a4 ♖b6! 13. 0-0

13. a5 ♖d8 14. a6 ♙b8 15. axb7 ♙xb7
16. b5±.

13...a6.

13...♖d8 14. a5 ♗f5 15. ♖b1±.

14. a5 ♖d8 15. b5±

15. ♗a4 ♗c6 16. ♗c5 ♙b8 17. ♖e2 ♙e7
18. ♙fc1±.

15...axb5 16. ♗xb5.

16. ♖b3!? ♗c6 17. ♖xb5 ♖c8 (17...♙xa5
18. ♖xb7 ♙xa1 19. ♙xa1 ♗a5 20. ♙xa5+-)
18. ♙fc1 ♙a6 19. ♗a4±.

16...♗c6 17. ♙g5 ♖b8

17...♖c8.

18. ♖c2 h6 19. a6!? .

19. ♙d2 ♙e7 20. a6 ♙xa6 21. ♙xa6 bxa6
22. ♗d6+ ♙xd6 23. ♖xc6 ♙c7 24. ♖xa6
0-0 25. ♙c1 ♗b6±.

19...hxg5 20. axb7 ♙xa1 21. ♖xc6!
♙xf1+ 22. ♗xf1 ♙b4 23. ♗c7+ ♗e7
24. ♗a6□ ♖d8□ 25. ♗xb4 ♗b8
26. ♗xg5 ♗f8 27. ♖c8

27. ♖c5+!

a) 27...♖e7 28. ♖c8+ ♖e8 29. h3 (29. ♗f3
f6 30. ♗e2 ♗f7 31. ♖c7+ ♖e7 32. ♖xe7+
♗xe7) 29...g6 30. ♗d3 ♗g7 31. ♖c5 ♖d7
32. ♖b4 ♗a6 33. ♖b6 ♖a4 34. ♗e2±;

b) 27...♗e8 28. h3 g6 (28...♖xg5 29. ♖c8+
♖d8 30. ♗c6 ♗xc6 31. ♖xc6+ ♗e7
32. ♖c5+ ♗e8 33. ♖b5+ ♗e7 34. ♖b4+-)
29. f4 ♙h4 30. ♖c8+-.

27...♖e8 28. ♖c5+

28. ♗g1 g6 29. f4 ♗g7 30. ♖c7 ♖d7
31. ♖xd7 ♗xd7 32. ♗c6 ♗b8 33. ♗a7 ♙e8
34. ♗c8 f6 35. ♗d6 ♙e7 36. ♗f3±.

28...♗g8 29. ♖c8 ♗f8 30. ♗d3 g6

30...♙xh2 31. ♖c7 ♙h1+ 32. ♗e2 ♗g8
33. ♗xf7±.

31. ♗c5 ♗g7 32. ♖xe8?.

32. ♖c7! ♖b5+□ 33. ♗e1 ♖b4+ 34. ♗e2
♖c4+ 35. ♗f3 ♖c3+ 36. ♗g4 ♖xd4+
37. ♗ce4!+-.

32...♙xe8 33. h4 ♗c6 34. ♗a6 ♗b8
35. ♗c5= ½-½

Game 70

Fressinet – Halkias

6th European Championship,
Warsaw 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖b6
5. ♗f3 ♙d7 6. a3 a5 7. c4!? cxd4

7...♙c6!?.



8. cxd5 exd5 9. ♖xd4 ♙c5 10. ♖d2 ♗e7
11. ♗c3 a4 12. ♙d3 ♗a6?!

12... ♗bc6 13. 0–0 ♙g4 =.

13. 0–0 ♗c7 14. ♖d1 0–0 15. ♙c2 ♖a6
16. ♙g5 ♙c6?! .

16... ♗fe8.

17. ♗c1± ♗e6 18. ♙xe7 ♙xe7 19. ♗xd5
♙c5 20. ♙xh7+

20. ♙d3 ♖a5∞.

20... ♗xh7 21. ♗xc5.

21. ♗g5+ ♗xg5 22. ♖h5+ ♗g8 23. ♗xc5
♙xd5 24. ♗xd5 ♗e6–+.

21... ♗fd8??

21... ♗xc5 22. ♗g5+ ♗h6□ 23. ♖d4!

a) 23... ♖e2□ 24. f3! ♗e4□ 25. ♗xe4 ♙xd5
26. ♗c3 (26. ♖xd5 ♖xb2 27. ♗d6 ♖b3 =)
26... ♖c4 27. ♖d2+ ♗h7 28. ♖xd5 (28. ♗xd5
♖c5+ 29. ♗h1 ♗fd8 30. ♗d1 ♗h8!–+)
28... ♖xd5 29. ♗xd5 ♗a5 30. ♗d1 ♗c8 =;

b) 23... ♗h5? 24. ♖e3! ♗e6 25. ♗xe6
fxe6 26. h4 ♗f5 (26... ♗xh4 27. ♖h3+ ♗g5
28. f4+ ♗g6 29. ♖g4+ ♗f7 30. ♖h5+ g6
31. ♖h7+ ♗e8 32. ♖e7#) 27. g4+ ♗g6
28. gxf5+ exf5 29. ♖g5+ ♗h7 30. ♖xf5+
♗h8 31. ♖h5+ ♗g8 32. ♗e7+ ♗f8 33. ♗g6+
♗e8 34. ♖g5+–.

22. ♗g5+ +– ♗g8

22... ♗g6 23. ♖g4+–;

22... ♗h6 23. ♗xf7+ ♗g6 24. ♖c2+ ♗xf7
25. ♖f5+ ♗g8 (25... ♗e8 26. ♖xe6+ ♗f8
27. ♖f5+ ♗e8 28. ♖h5+ ♗f8 29. e6+–)
26. ♗e7+ ♗h8 27. ♖h3#.

23. ♖h5

23. ♗xe6!? ♗xd5 24. ♗xd5 ♙xd5
25. ♗c7+–.

23... ♙xd5.

23... ♗xg5 24. ♗e7+ ♗f8 25. ♗f5 ♗f3+
26. gxf3 ♗g8 27. ♖g5 g6 28. ♗e7+ ♗f8
29. e6+–.

24. ♖xf7+ ♗h8 25. ♖h5+ ♗g8 26. ♗xd5
♗xg5 27. ♗xd8+ ♗xd8 28. ♖xg5 ♖b6
29. ♗e1 ♗f8 30. ♖d2 ♗d8 31. ♖c3 1–0

Game 71

Movsesian – Potkin

6th European Championship,
Warsaw 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e2 ♗ge7 7. ♗a3 cxd4
8. cxd4 ♗f5 9. ♗c2 ♖b6 10. h4!?

10. 0–0!.

10... ♗b4 11. ♗xb4 ♖xb4+ 12. ♗f1 ♙b5
13. g4 ♙xe2+ 14. ♗xe2 ♗e7 15. h5 ♗c6

15...h6.

16. ♖d3.

16. h6 g6 =.

16...f6?!

16...h6! = 17. ♙d2 ♖b6 18. a4 a6! (18... ♙e7
19. a5 ♖d8 20. a6 ♖d7 21. ♗hc1†) 19. a5
♖d8 20. ♗hc1 ♙e7 =.

17. a3

17. exf6 gxf6 18. ♗e1 ±.

17... ♖b6.

17... ♖e7 18. ♙f4 ±.

18. exf6 gxf6 19. b4

19. ♗e1 !?.

19...0–0–0 .

19...a5 20. b5 ♗a7 21. ♗b1 ±.

20. ♙e3± ♗b8 21. g5 e5

21... ♙e7.

22. dxe5 d4 23. ♙d2 ♗xe5 24. ♗xe5
fxe5 25. f3 e4?! .

25... ♖e6 =.

26. fxe4 ♖e6 27. ♗af1 ♖g4+ 28. ♖f3

28. ♗e1 ♙d6 29. ♗fg1 ±.

28...d3+ 29. ♗f2 ♖e6 30. ♖f6 ♙c5+?.

30... ♖d7! 31. ♙f4+ ♗a8 32. ♖f5 (32. ♖xh8
♙c5+ 33. bxc5 ♗xh8 34. ♙d6 =) 32... ♖e8!?



(32...♖d4+ 33. ♘f3 ♗d6 34. ♖f6! ♗xf4
35. ♖xd4 ♗xd4 36. ♘xf4 ♗e8 37. g6!±)
33. ♗e5 ♗g8 ♖.

31. bxc5+- 1-0

Game 72

van Wely – Topalov
Dortmund 2005

1. d4 e6 2. e4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♗d7 6. a3?! f6! 7. ♗d3
7. b4 c4=.

7...♖c7 8. ♗f4 0-0-0 9. 0-0 c4 10. ♗c2
♖b6.

10...g5!? 11. ♗g3 ♖b6 12. b3 cxb3 13. ♗xb3
g4 14. ♗fd2 fxe5=.

11. b3 cxb3 12. ♗xb3 g5 13. ♗e3 g4
14. ♗e1 ♗a5! 15. ♗c2 f5

15...♗c4 16. exf6 ♗xf6 17. ♗g5 ♗e7
18. ♗d2=.

16. ♗d3 ♗b8 17. a4.

17. ♗d2!? ♗c8 18. ♗a4 ♖d8 19. ♗xd7 ♖xd7
20. ♖c2±.

17...♗c8 18. ♖e2

18. ♗c1!? ♗c4 19. ♗d2±.

18...♖a6 19. ♖e1 b6 20. ♗a3 ♗xa3
21. ♗xa3 ♗e7 22. ♗b4 ♖b7 23. ♗d3
♗c4 24. ♗xc4 dxc4 25. a5 b5 26. a6
♖a8 27. ♖e2 ♗d5 28. ♗xd5 ♖xd5 29. f4
h5 30. ♗b1 h4 31. ♘f1 ♗c6 32. ♗g1 ♗a8
33. ♗b4 ♗b8 34. ♗a2 ♗b6 35. ♘e1 h3
36. g3 ♗c8 37. ♗e3 ♗d7 38. ♗a5 ♖h1+
39. ♘d2 ♗c6 40. ♖f2 ♗d5 41. ♖g1 ♖e4
42. ♘c1 ♗cc6 43. ♖f2 ♗xa6 44. ♗axb5
♗a1+ 45. ♗b1 ♗xb1+ 46. ♗xb1 ♗a6
47. ♖d2 ♖h1+ 0-1

Game 73

Movsesian – Yusupov
Warsaw 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♗d7 6. ♗e2 ♗c8 7. 0-0 ♗ge7

8. ♗a3 cxd4 9. cxd4 ♗g6 10. ♗c2 ♗e7
11. ♗fe1?!

11. ♗d3.

11...f6! 12. f4.

12. exf6 ♗xf6.

12...0-0 13. ♗d3 fxe5 14. fxe5 ♖b6

♞14...♗xf1+ 15. ♗xf1 ♖c7=.

15. ♗e3 ♗h4 16. ♘h1?! ♗xf1+ 17. ♗xf1
♗f5 18. ♗g1.

18. ♗f2.

18...a5= 19. ♗c1 ♗g5 20. ♗b1 ♗e8
21. ♗c5 ♗ce7 22. b4!± a4 23. b5 ♗g6
24. ♗d3 ♗h6 25. ♗xa4 ♖a5 26. ♗c5 b6
27. g4

27. ♗xe6 ♗f7 28. g4! ♗xe6 29. gxf5 ♗xf5
30. ♗xf5 ♗xf5 31. ♖d3 ♗e7 32. ♗b4±.

27...♗xd4 28. ♗xd4 bxc5 29. ♗xg6
♗xg6 30. ♗xe6?!

♞30. g5 cxd4 31. gxf6 ♖xa2 32. ♖g4!? ♗e8
(32...♖xb1 33. ♖xe6+ ♘f8 34. ♖xc8+ ♘f7
35. ♖g4 gxf6 36. ♖f3+ ♘e8 37. ♖xd5 ♗e7
38. ♖a8+ ♘f7 39. ♖f3+±) 33. ♗c1 gxf6
34. ♗c8! ♗xc8 35. ♖xe6+ ♘f8 36. ♖xc8+
♘f7 37. ♖f5+ ♘e8 38. b6±.

30...♖xa2! 31. ♖b3?!

31. ♗a1 ♖c4 32. ♗a4 ♖xb5 33. ♖xd5 ♗e7
34. ♗c7+ ♗xd5 35. ♗xb5 ♗f4! 36. ♗e4 ♗c6
37. ♗d6 ♗xe5 38. ♗xe5 ♗xd6 39. ♗xc5
♗d8=.

31...♖a8?

31...♖xb3 32. ♗xb3 c4 33. ♗a3 ♘f7

a) 34. ♗a6 c3 35. g5 c2 36. ♗e3 c1♖+
37. ♗xc1 ♗xc1+ 38. ♘g2 ♗xe5 39. gxf6
gxf6=;

b) 34. ♗d4 ♗xe5 35. ♗a7+ ♘f6 36. ♗a6+
♘f7= (36...♘g5 37. h3).

32. b6.

32. ♗xc5!±.

32...♖b7

32...c4 33. ♖h3 ♖c6 34. b7 ♖xe6
35. bxc8♖+ ♖xc8 36. ♖f3±.



33. ♖xc5+- ♗f7 34. b7 ♖b8 35. e6 ♗f4
36. ♗xd5 ♗e7 37. ♗e4 1-0

Game 74

Sveshnikov – Berend

37th Olympiad, Turin 2006

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♗b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
♗f5 9. ♖b2 ♖d7 10. g4 ♗h6 11. ♖g1 f6
12. exf6 gxf6 13. ♗c3 ♗f7 14. ♗a4 ♗c7
15. ♖c1 ♗f4 16. ♗c5 ♖xc5 17. dxc5

17. ♖xc5∞.

17...♗fe5 18. ♗xe5.

18. ♖g3!? ♖f8 19. ♖e2∞.

18...fxe5!?

18...♗xe5 19. ♖g3 a5!?∞.

19. ♗d2.

19. b5 ♗d4 20. ♖xd4 exd4 21. c6 bxc6
22. bxc6 ♖c8±.

19...♗xd2+ 20. ♗xd2 0-0

20...♗d4!/?±.

21. ♗e1 ♖f4?! .

a) 21...♗d4 22. ♖xd4 exd4±;

b) 21...a6

b1) 22. ♖g3 ♗d4 23. ♖g2 ♖f4±;

b2) 22. g5 ♗d4 23. ♖xd4 exd4± 24. ♖g3
(24. ♖h3 ♖ad8 25. ♖g3 e5 26. ♖g2 ♖b5
27. h4) 24...e5 25. ♖g2 ♖e6 26. h4±.

22. b5 ♗d4

22...♖e4+ 23. ♖e2 ♗d4 24. ♖xd4 exd4
25. ♗d2 (25. c6 bxc6 26. bxc6 ♖xc6
27. ♖xc6 d3 28. ♗d2 dxe2 29. f3 ♖a4
30. ♖a1 ±) 25...♖f8 26. ♖g2±.

23. ♖xd4 exd4

23...♖xd4 24. ♖g3±.

24. c6 bxc6 25. bxc6 ♖c8 26. c7 a5!/? .

26...e5!/? 27. ♖b1 ♖e6 28. ♖b8+ ♖f8
29. ♖xa8 ♖xa8 30. f4± (30. ♖a6 ♖c8
31. ♖e2±).

27. ♖g3 a4 28. ♖d3

28. g5 ♖f7 29. g6 hxg6 30. ♖xg6+ ♗h8
31. ♖g4 ♖a7 32. ♖xd4 ♖xc7 33. ♖xc7 ♖xc7
34. ♖b5±.

28...♖a7 29. ♖d2

29. h3±.

29...♖f3.

29...♖f7 30. ♖xd4 ♖axc7 31. ♖xc7 ♖xc7
32. ♖b5 ♖c5 33. ♖b4 ♖c3 34. ♖xa4 e5
35. h4±.

30. ♖d3!/?

30. ♖xd4 ♖xa3 31. ♖b4 ♖f3!±.

30...e5 31. ♖b2!± e4 32. ♖b8 ♖f8

33. ♖b5 ♗g7 34. f4!/?

34. h3!/?±.

34...d3.

34...♖xg4 35. ♖xf8 ♗xf8 36. c8♗+ ♖xc8
37. ♖xc8+ ♗e7 38. ♖c6 ♖a5 (38...h5
39. h4±).

35. ♖c5

35. h3±.

35...♖xg4 36. ♖xd5.

36. ♖xf8 ♗xf8 37. c8♗+ ♖xc8 38. ♖xc8+
♗e7 39. ♗d2 ♖b7 40. ♖xa4 ♖b2+ 41. ♗e3
(41. ♗c3 ♖a2 42. ♗d4 ♖xa3±) 41...♖xh2
42. ♗d4±.

36...♖xc7 37. ♖g5+ ♗f7 38. ♖xf8+ ♗xf8

39. ♖xg4+- ♖c3?! .

39...♖c2 40. ♖g3 ♖e2+ 41. ♗f1! ♗f7 42. ♖g2
♖c2 43. ♖xa4 ♖c3 (43...♖c1+ 44. ♗f2 d2
45. ♗e2 e3 46. ♖d1+-) 44. ♖a2 e3 45. ♖a1
♗f6 46. ♖b5 ♗f5 47. a4 ♗xf4 48. a5 d2
49. ♖a4+ ♗e5 50. ♖e2 ♖c1+ 51. ♗g2 d1♗
52. ♖xd1 ♖xd1 53. ♗f3+-.

40. ♗d2 ♖xa3 41. ♖c4 ♖a1 42. f5 a3

43. f6 ♗e8 44. f7+ ♗e7 45. ♖xe4+ 1-0

Game 75

Shabalov – Abrahamyan

34th World Open, Philadelphia 2006

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗c6
5. ♗f3 ♗b6 6. a3 ♗h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4



♠f5 9. ♘b2 ♘d7 10. ♖a2!? ♖c8 11. ♘a1
♘e7 12. ♘e2 h5 13. 0-0 g5 14. ♖d2?!

14. b5 ♘a5 15. a4 g4 16. ♘e1 ±.

14...g4 15. ♘e1 ♘g5 16. b5.

16. ♖d3 ♘cxd4 17. ♘xd4 ♘xd4 18. ♖xd4
♖c1 19. ♖d3 ♖xb1 20. ♘c2 ♖xf1+ 21. ♘xf1
♖c7!±.

16...♘a5

16...♘c7±.

17. ♖c2 ♖xc2 18. ♘xc2 ♘xb5± 19. ♘c3
♘d7?!

19...♘xe2 20. ♖xe2 ♘c4 21. ♖b1 ♖c6±.

20. ♘d3 ♘ ♘h4 21. ♖e2 a6 22. ♖b1 ♖d8
23. ♘e3 ♖g8 24. ♘h1 b5 25. a4 bxa4
26. ♘xa6 ♘b3 27. ♖d3?!

27. ♘xa4! ♘xa4 28. ♘b5+ ♘xb5 29. ♖xb5+
♘f8 30. ♖xb3 (30. ♖xb3 ♘xe3 31. fxe3 ♘f5
32. ♖f1 ±) 30...♘g7 31. ♖d3 ♘g6 32. ♘c3 ±.

27...♖a5± 28. ♘e2 ♘xa1 29. ♖xa1 ♘xe3
30. fxe3 ♘f5 31. ♘c3 ♘e7 32. e4 dxe4
33. ♘xe4 ♘c6 34. ♖c1 ?

34. ♖a3+! ♘d8 35. ♘f6 ♖h8 36. ♘d3!.

34...♘xe4-+ 35. ♖xe4 ♖xa6 36. d5 ♖c8
37. d6+ ♘d8 38. ♖d1 ♖c4 39. ♖e1 ♖c3
0-1

Game 76

Sveshnikov – Ghane Gardesh
36th Olympiad, Calvià 2004

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘d7
5. ♘f3 ♘c6 6. ♘e3 ♘ge7 7. ♘d3

7. dxc5!±.

7...♖b6 8. dxc5!? ♖xb2 9. 0-0 ♘f5.

9...g5!±∞; 9...♖xa1 10. ♖d2 ±.

10. ♘xf5 exf5

10...♖xa1 11. ♖d2 exf5 12. ♘a3 ♖xf1+
13. ♘xf1 ±.

11. ♘bd2.

11. ♖b3 ♖xb3 12. axb3 a6 ±.

11...♖xc3 12. ♖b1 d4

12...♖b8.

13. ♖xb7 ♘xc5□ .

13...♖xc5 14. ♘xd4 ♘xd4 15. ♖xd7 ♘xd7
16. ♘b3+-.

14. ♘b3 ♘b6 15. ♘bxd4?

15. ♘fxd4! ♘xd4 16. ♖xd7!

a) 16...♘xb3 17. ♖d6 ♘c5 18. ♘xc5 ♖xc5
19. ♖e7+ ♘f8 20. ♖xa7+! ♖xd6 21. ♖xa8+
♘e7 22. exd6+ ♘xd6 23. ♖xh8+-;

b) 16...♘e2+ 17. ♖xe2 ♘xd7 18. ♖b5+ ♘e7
19. ♖c1 ♖xe3 20. fxe3 ♘xe3+ 21. ♘f1 ♘xc1
22. ♖c5+-+;

c) 16...♘xd7 17. ♘xd4 ♘xd4 18. ♘xd4+-
♘e8 (18...♘c8 19. ♘b5 ♖c5 20. ♘d6+ ♘c7
21. ♖d2+-) 19. ♘xf5 ♖d8 20. ♖a4+ ♘f8
21. ♖xa7 ♖xe5 22. ♖a3+ ♘g8 23. ♘e7+
♘f8 24. ♘g6+ ♘g8 25. ♘xe5+-.

15...♘xd4 16. ♖xd7 ♘xf3+

16...♘xd7 17. ♘xd4 ♘xd4 18. ♘xd4.

17. ♖xf3 0-0□ .

17...♘xd7 18. ♖d1+ ♘e7 19. ♘g5+ f6
20. exf6+ gxf6 21. ♖xc3+-.

18. ♖xf5 ♖ae8!

18...♘xe3 19. fxe3 ♖c4! 20. a4 ♖ae8
21. ♖xa7 ±.

19. ♘xb6.

♠19. ♘f4!±±.

19...axb6 20. f4± ♖a8 21. ♖b1 ♖e3+
22. ♘h1 ♖e2 23. ♖g1 ♖xa2 24. ♖xb6
♖ab8 25. ♖d4± h6 26. h3 ♖e6 27. ♖f1
♖b3 28. f5 ♖a6 29. ♖a1 ♖c6 30. ♘h2
♖b2 31. ♖g1 ♖b4 32. ♖xb4 ♖xd7
33. ♖e4 ♖c7 34. ♘h1 ♖e8 35. ♖e1 ♖c3±
1-0

Game 77

Sveshnikov – Bochkarev
Riga (Rapidplay) 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♖b6 6. a3 a5 7. b3 f6



7... ♖d7 8. ♗e2 (8. ♗e3 ♖h6 9. ♗d3 ♖g4
10. 0–0 ♗e7 11. ♖bd2 ♖xe3 12. fxe3 0–0 ♗)
8... cxd4 9. cxd4 ♖ge7 ♗.

**8. ♗d3 ♗d7 9. 0–0 cxd4 10. cxd4 ± f5?!
11. ♗e2 h6 12. h4 ♗e7 13. h5 ♗f8**

13... ♗d8!?

**14. ♖c3 ♖ge7 15. ♖a4 ♗c7 16. ♖a2 g5
17. hxg6 ♖xg6 18. ♖e1 ♗e7 19. ♗h5
♗f7 20. ♖c2 ♗d8 21. ♖d3 ♗g7 22. ♗xg6
♗xg6 23. ♖ac5+– ♖xd4 24. ♖f4+ ♗h7
25. ♗xd4 ♗xc5 26. ♖xc5 ♖g8 27. ♗e3
♖g4 28. f3 ♖g5 29. ♖fc1 h5 30. ♖c7+–
1–0**

Game 78

Sveshnikov – Galstian
Aeroflot Open, Moscow 2005

**1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♗b6
5. ♖f3 ♗d7 6. a3 a5 7. b3**

a) 7. a4!? ♖c6 8. ♗b5 cxd4 9. cxd4 ♖c8
10. ♖c3 ♖ge7 11. 0–0 ♖f5 ♗;

b) 7. ♗e2 ♖c6 8. 0–0 a4 9. ♗d3

b1) 9... ♖a5 10. ♗c2 ♖c4 11. ♖a2!? ±;

b2) 9...cxd4 10. cxd4 ♖xd4 11. ♖xd4 ♗xd4
12. ♖c3 ♗ (12. ♗e2 ♗).

7... ♖c6!? 8. ♗e3

8. ♗e2!? cxd4 (8... ♖ge7 9. dxc5 ♗c7
10. 0–0 ±) 9. cxd4 ♖ge7 10. ♖a2 (10. ♖c3
♖f5 11. ♖a4 ♗a7 12. ♗b2 b5! 13. ♗xb5
♖xe5 14. ♗xd7+ ♖xd7 15. ♖c1 ♗) 10... ♖f5
11. ♖d2 ♗e7 12. 0–0 ♖c8 13. ♗b2 h5 14. ♖c3
g5 15. ♖a4 ♗a7 16. ♖e1 g4 17. ♖c2 ♗.

**8... ♖h6 9. ♗d3 ♖g4 10. 0–0 ♗e7
11. ♖bd2**

11. dxc5

a) 11... ♖xe3 12. cxb6 ♖xd1 13. ♖xd1 ♗c5
14. c4 ♖d4 ♗ 15. cxd5 ♖xb3 16. ♖a2 exd5
17. ♖c3 d4 18. ♖d5 ♖d8 19. ♗c4 ±;

b) 11... ♗c7 12. ♗e2 (12. ♗d4 ♖gxe5
13. ♖xe5 ♖xe5 14. ♖e1 ♖xd3 15. ♗xd3

♗xc5 16. ♗xg7 ♗f4 ♗) 12... ♖gxe5 13. ♖xe5
♗xe5;

lf 13... ♖xe5 then 14. ♗f4 f6 15. b4 0–0
16. ♖d2 b6 17. ♖f3 ♖xf3+ 18. ♗xf3 ♗c6
19. cxb6 ♗xb6 (19...e5 20. ♖fe1 (20. ♗h5!?
g6 21. ♗xg6 hxg6 22. ♗xg6+ ♗h8 23. ♗h5+
♗g8 24. ♗h6 f5 25. ♗xf8 ♗xf8 26. bxa5
♖xa5 27. ♖fb1 ±) 20... ♗e6 21. bxa5 ±)
20. ♖fe1 ± (20. ♖fb1 ♖ac8 ♗).

**11... ♖xe3 12. fxe3 0–0 13. ♗b1 g6
14. h4**

14. ♗e1 ♗.

14...cxd4 15. cxd4.

15. exd4 f5∞ (15...f6 16. ♗xg6 hxg6
17. ♗xg6+ ♗h8=).

**15... ♗g7 16. ♗e1 f5 17. exf6+ ♗xf6
18. ♗g3 ♖ac8!**

18...e5.

19. ♖g5?! .

19. ♖ac1 ♗.

19... ♗c7! 20. ♗g4?! .

20. ♗xc7 ♖xc7 21. ♖ac1 h6 ♗.

20...e5 21. ♖e6+ ♗xe6 22. ♗xe6 e4 ♗ .

22...exd4+.

**23. ♗b5 ♖xd4 24. exd4 ♗xd4+ 25. ♗h1
♗xa1 –+ 26. ♖xa1 ♗f4 27. ♖f1 ♗xh4+
28. ♗g1 ♖xf1+ 29. ♖xf1 ♖d8 30. ♗b6
♗e7 31. ♖g3 ♖d6 32. ♗xa5 b6 33. ♗b4**

♖33. ♗c3+.

**33... ♗e5 34. ♖f1 d4 35. ♖d2 ♖e6
36. ♗d7 ♖f6 37. ♗b5 h5 38. a4 h4
39. ♗c4**

39. ♖c4 ♗f4+.

**39...h3 40. ♗e2 e3 41. ♖f3 ♗g3 42. ♗d3
♖c6 43. ♗c4 ♖xc4! 44. bxc4 d3
45. ♗b2+ ♗h7 46. ♖e5 d2 0–1**

Game 79

Sveshnikov – Monakhov
Miass 2005

**1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♖c6
5. ♖f3 ♗d7 6. ♗e2 ♖h6 7. ♗xh6**

7. ♖a3; 7. 0–0.



7...g×h6 8. 0-0 ♖b6 9. ♗d2 ♕g7 10. ♘a3
c×d4 11. c×d4 0-0 12. ♘c2 f6 13. exf6
♖×f6 14. b4 ♖af8 15. a4

15. b5 ♘a5 (15...♘e7 16. ♘e5 ♕e8 17. a4±)
16. ♘e5 ♕e8 17. ♕d3±.

15...♖f4 16. a5 ♗d8 17. b5 ♘e7 18. ♖a3±
18. a6 b6 19. ♖a3±.

18...♗e8 19. ♖b1 ♘g6 20. g3?! .

20. b6! a×b6 21. ♖×b6 ♕c6 22. a6 b×a6
23. ♖axa6 ♕d7 24. ♖a7 ♖4f7 25. ♘e3
♘f4 (25...e5 26. ♘d5 e4 27. ♘e5 ♘×e5
28. d×e5 ♗×e5 29. ♕c4 ♘h8 30. ♘e3 ♖×f2
31. ♗×d7+-) 26. ♕d1±.

20...♖4f5 21. ♗d1?!

21. b6±.

21...♗f7 22. ♘g2?! .

22. b6±.

22...e5 23. d×e5 ♘×e5 24. ♘cd4 ♘h8?

24...♖h5±.

25. ♖bb3?.

25. ♘f5 ♕×f5 26. ♘×e5 ♕×e5 27. ♖bb3±.

25...♖h5 26. ♗e1 ♕c8 27. ♘×e5 ♖×e5
28. ♖e3?

28. ♖f3±.

28...♖×e3 29. f×e3 ♕×d4.

29...♗e7-+.

30. exd4 ♗e7 31. ♖f3 ♖e8± ½-½

Game 80

Sveshnikov – Rustemov
Russian League (Rapidplay),
Dagomys 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 ♘e7 4. ♘f3
b6 5. c3 ♗d7 6. a4 ♕a6 7. ♕×a6 ♘×a6
8. 0-0 c5 9. ♗e2 ♘c7 10. b3 ♘c6
11. ♕e3 ♕e7 12. ♖d1 c×d4 13. c×d4 0-0
14. ♕g5 ♘a5 15. ♗d3 ♖fc8 16. ♘bd2
♕f8 17. ♘f1 h6 18. ♕d2 ♘e8 19. g4 ♕e7
20. h4 ♖c7 21. g5 h×g5 22. h×g5 ♖ac8

23. ♘1h2 ♘c6 24. g6 ♕d8 25. ♘g4 f5!?
26. ♘gh2?!

26. exf6! g×f6 (26...♕×f6 27. ♘fe5±)
27. ♘h6+ ♘g7 28. ♘f7 ♕e7 29. ♕h6+ ♘g8
30. ♕f4 ♘b4 31. ♗f1 e5 32. d×e5 ♗g4+
33. ♗g2 ♗×g2+ (33...♗×f4 34. ♗h3+-)
34. ♘×g2±.

26...a5 27. ♘g5?!

27. ♘e1±; 27. ♗e2!± ♘e7 28. ♘h4+-.

27...♕×g5 28. ♕×g5 ♘e7□ 29. ♗h3
♘×g6 30. ♘f3 ♖c3 31. ♘g2 ♖×b3
32. ♖ac1 ♖cc3 33. ♖xc3 ♖xc3 34. ♖b1
♗×a4 35. ♖×b6 ♗d7! 36. ♕d2 ♖c6?

a) 36...a4?!±

a1) 37. ♗h5 ♖b3 38. ♖a6 ♘f8±;

a2) 37. ♖b1!? ♖b3 38. ♖h1 ♘f8 (38...♘f8
39. ♗h8+ ♘f7 40. ♘g5+ ♘e7 41. ♗g8+-)
39. ♗h5→;

b) 36...♖a3! 37. ♖b8 ♘f8 38. ♗h5 g6
39. ♗h4±.

37. ♖b1± ♖c8 38. ♘g5 ♘f8 39. ♗h5 ♖c2
40. ♗×g6 ♖×d2 41. ♘×e6+ ♘e7 42. ♘c5
1-0

Game 81

Sveshnikov – Filippov
Satka 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♘h6 6. d×c5 ♕×c5 7. b4 ♕e7
8. ♕×h6 g×h6 9. b5 ♘b8

9...♘a5 10. ♕d3±.

10. ♕d3 f5?.

10...♗c7.

11. 0-0

11. ♘d4!? 0-0 12. f4±.

11...0-0 .

♠11...♗c7.

12. c4!± b6 13. ♘c3

13. c×d5 ♗×d5 14. ♘c3 ♗c5 15. ♘e2+-.

13...♕b7 14. c×d5 ♕×d5 15. ♘×d5 ♗×d5
16. ♗e2+- ♖c8 17. ♖fd1 ♗c5 18. ♗d2
♘g7 19. ♖ac1 1-0



Game 82

Sveshnikov – Dizdar

Slovenian Championship, Bled 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♖b6 6. a3 ♘h6 7. b4 cxd4 8. cxd4
♘f5 9. ♙b2 ♙d7 10. g4 ♘h6 11. ♖g1
♖c8!?

11...f6?! 12. exf6 gxf6 13. ♘c3±.

12. ♘c3 ♘a5 13. ♘a4.

13. ♘d2.

13...♖c6 14. ♘c5

14. bxa5 ♖xa4 15. ♖xa4 ♙xa4 16. ♙d3±.

14...♘c4□ 15. ♙c1.

15. ♙c3 b6 16. ♘xd7 ♖xd7 17. ♙d3∞.

15...♘g8!/? 16. ♙d3

16. ♖g3∞.

16...♙xc5 17. dxc5.

17. bxc5 b6±.

17...b6! 18. ♙xc4± ½-½

Game 83

Sveshnikov – Topi-HulmiKeres Memorial (Rapidplay),
Tallinn 2006

1. e4 c5 2. c3 e6 3. d4 d5 4. e5 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e2 ♖b6 7. 0-0 cxd4
8. cxd4 ♘ge7 9. ♘a3 ♘f5 10. ♘c2 ♙e7
11. ♙d3

11. b4; 11. b3; 11. g4.

11...g6 12. g4!/? .

12. b3.

12...♘h4

12...♘g7?!.

13. ♘xh4 ♙xh4 14. g5 h6 15. gxh6
0-0-0 .

15...♙e7.

16. b4! ♙e7

16...f5 17. exf6 ♙xf6 18. ♙e3 ♘e7 19. a4±.

17. ♙e3.

17. a4.

17...♙f8 18. ♖d2 ♘e7 19. a4 ♖e8
20. a5 ♖d8 21. ♙g5 ♘b8 22. b5 ♘a8
23. ♖fc1+- ♖b8 24. b6 a6 25. ♘b4 ♘f5
26. ♘xa6 bxa6 27. ♙xf5

27. ♙xa6+-.

27...gxf5 28. ♖c7 ♙b5 29. ♖ac1 ♙c4.

29...♙a3.

30. ♖1xc4 dxc4 31. ♖e2 ♖xc7 32. bxc7
♘b7 33. ♖b2+ ♘xc7 34. ♖b6+ ♘d7
35. ♖b7# 1-0

Game 84

Sveshnikov – Bareev37th Olympiad, Turin 2006

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 ♘c6
5. ♘f3 ♙d7 6. ♙e2 ♖c8 7. 0-0 a6
8. ♘a3!/?

8. dxc5; 8. b3.

8...cxd4.

8...♘ge7 Sveshnikov – Razuvaev, Moscow
(Rapidplay) 1992 (game 98 on page 79).

9. cxd4 ♙xa3

9...♘ge7.

10. bxa3 ♘ge7 11. ♖b1 ♘a5 12. a4.

12. ♙d3.

12...♙c6 13. ♙d3± h6

13...♘c4 14. ♘d2 (14. ♘g5 h6 15. ♖h5
g6 16. ♖h3†) 14...♘f5 (14...0-0 15. ♖h5†)
15. ♙xf5 exf5 16. ♖f3±.

14. ♙c2

14. ♘d2!/? ♘c4 15. ♖g4†.

14...♘c4 15. ♘e1 a5?! 16. h4!/? .

16. ♖g4 g6±.

16...♘f5 17. g3 0-0

17...♖d7 18. ♘g2±.

18. ♘g2 ♖e7 19. ♘f4.

19. ♖d3 h5 (19...f6 20. g4 fxg5 21. gxg5 e4
22. ♖g3 ♖xf5 23. ♙xh6 ♘a3 24. ♖bc1 ♘xc2



25. $\text{E} \times \text{c}2 \text{ W} \text{f}6$ 26. $\text{Q} \text{e}3 \pm$) 20. $\text{Q} \text{f}4 \text{ g}6$ 21. $\text{W} \text{c}3$
 $\text{Q} \text{g}7$ 22. $\text{Q} \text{d}3 \pm$.

19...Qa3 20. Qxf5 exf5 21. Qxa3

21. $\text{E} \text{b}2 \text{ Q} \text{c}4$ 22. $\text{E} \text{e}2 \text{ W} \text{d}7$ 23. $\text{W} \text{d}3 \text{ Q} \text{xa}4$
 24. $\text{e}6 \text{ fxe}6$ 25. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{e}6 \text{ Q} \text{b}5 \mp$.

21...Wxa3 22. Wh5?! .

22. $\text{W} \text{b}3 \text{ W} \text{e}7$ 23. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{d}5 \text{ Q} \text{x} \text{d}5$ 24. $\text{W} \text{x} \text{d}5 \text{ E} \text{f} \text{d}8$
 25. $\text{W} \text{x} \text{b}7 \text{ W} \text{x} \text{b}7$ 26. $\text{E} \text{x} \text{b}7 \text{ E} \text{x} \text{d}4$ 27. $\text{E} \text{f} \text{b}1 \pm$.

22...Wxa4 23. Efd1 Wc2 24. Ee1 Ece8
25. Ebc1 Wb2 26. Ecd1

26. $\text{W} \text{x} \text{f}5 \text{ W} \text{x} \text{d}4$ 27. $\text{E} \text{c} \text{d}1 \text{ W} \text{c}4$ 28. $\text{E} \text{d}2 \infty$.

26...Qa4 27. Ec1 Wxd4 28. Wxf5 Qc6
29. Ecd1 Wb4 30. Wd3 Wc4 31. Wd2 a4
32. Ec1

32. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{d}5 \text{ W} \text{g}4 \mp$.

32...Wb5 33. Wd4 a3 34. Ec2 Ee7
35. Ec3 Ea8 36. Eb3 Wc4 37. Wd2 d4
38. Ec1?! .

38. $\text{E} \text{b}4 \text{ W} \text{c}5 \mp$ 39. $\text{W} \text{x} \text{d}4 \text{ E} \text{x} \text{e}5! - +$.

38...Wa4! 39. Eb4 Wa5 40. e6 fxe6
41. Wxd4 Ed8 42. Wc4 Wf5 43. Ee1 g5
44. Exe6 Exe6 0-1

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Sveshnikov – Batchuluun
 37th Olympiad, Turin 2006

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. c3 Qc6
5. Qf3 Wb6 6. a3 c4 7. Qbd2 Qa5 8. g3
Qd7 9. h4 0-0-0 10. Qh3 f5 11. exf6
gxf6 12. 0-0 Qh6

12...Qe7.

13. Ee1?! .

13. $\text{E} \text{b}1$; 13. $\text{b}4! ? \text{ c} \text{x} \text{b}3$ 14. $\text{E} \text{b}1 \text{ Q} \text{f}5$ 15. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{b}3$
 $\text{Q} \text{a}4$ 16. $\text{Q} \text{f} \text{d}2 \text{ Q} \text{b}8$ 17. $\text{E} \text{e}1 \pm$.

13...Qg7

13...e5! 14. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{d}7+ \text{E} \text{x} \text{d}7$ 15. $\text{d} \text{x} \text{e}5 \text{ Q} \text{c}5 \rightarrow$.

14. Ee1 Ee8 15. Wc2 e5 16. Qxd7+
Exd7 17. Wh7? .

17. $\text{b}3 \text{ c} \text{x} \text{b}3$ 18. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{b}3 \text{ Q} \text{x} \text{b}3$ 19. $\text{E} \text{x} \text{b}3 \text{ W} \text{a}6$
 20. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{h}6$ (20. $\text{W} \text{x} \text{h}7 \text{ E} \text{h}8$ 21. $\text{W} \text{g}6 \text{ e}4$ 22. $\text{Q} \text{d}2$
 $\text{W} \text{d}3$ 23. $\text{Q} \text{f}1 \text{ W} \text{c}4$ 24. $\text{E} \text{b}1 \pm$) 20... $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{h}6$
 21. $\text{d} \text{x} \text{e}5 \text{ Q} \text{g}7$ 22. $\text{c}4 \text{ d} \text{x} \text{c}4$ 23. $\text{E} \text{c}3 \text{ E} \text{c}7$
 24. $\text{W} \text{x} \text{h}7 \pm$.

17...f5

17...e4 18. $\text{W} \text{g}6 \infty$.

18. h5?! .

18. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{e}5 \text{ Q} \text{x} \text{e}5$ 19. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{c}4 \text{ Q} \text{x} \text{c}4$ (19... $\text{E} \text{x} \text{h}7$
 20. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{b}6+ \text{a} \text{x} \text{b}6$ 21. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{h}6 \text{ E} \text{x} \text{h}6$ 22. $\text{d} \text{x} \text{e}5 \mp$).

18...e4! -+ 19. b4 cxb3 20. Qxb3 Ee8
21. Qxa5 Wxb1 22. Wg6 Wb6

22... $\text{e} \text{x} \text{f}3$ 23. $\text{Q} \text{c}6 \text{ b} \text{x} \text{c}6$ 24. $\text{W} \text{x} \text{c}6+ \text{E} \text{c}7$
 25. $\text{W} \text{e}6+ \text{Q} \text{b}7$ 26. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{h}6 \text{ W} \text{b}5$ 27. $\text{Q} \text{f}4 \infty$.

23. Qe5 Qxe5 24. dxe5 Wxg6 25. hxg6
Qg4 26. Qf4 Ee7 27. Eb1 Ee8 28. Eb5

28. $\text{e}6 \text{ E} \text{x} \text{g}6$ 29. $\text{Q} \text{c}6 \text{ E} \text{g} \text{x} \text{e}6$ 30. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{a}7+ \text{Q} \text{d}8$
 31. $\text{Q} \text{g}5 \text{ Q} \text{f}6$ 32. $\text{Q} \text{b}5 \text{ E} \text{g}7$ 33. $\text{Q} \text{d}4 \text{ E} \text{a}6$
 34. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{f}6+ \text{E} \text{x} \text{f}6$ 35. $\text{E} \text{b}5 \text{ E} \text{d}7 \mp$.

28...Ehg6 29. Exd5 Eb6 30. Qc4?

30. $\text{e}6 \text{ E} \text{x} \text{e}6$ (30... $\text{E} \text{b}1+$ 31. $\text{Q} \text{g}2 \text{ E} \text{x} \text{e}6$
 32. $\text{E} \text{x} \text{f}5 \text{ E} \text{b}2$ 33. $\text{E} \text{c}5+ \text{Q} \text{d}8 \mp$) 31. $\text{E} \text{x} \text{f}5 \text{ E} \text{b}1+$
 32. $\text{Q} \text{g}2 \text{ E} \text{b}2 \mp$.

30...Eb1+ 31. Qg2 Ee7 -+ 32. Qd6+

32. $\text{E} \text{c}5+ \text{Q} \text{d}7$ 33. $\text{e}6+ \text{Q} \text{x} \text{e}6 - +$.

32...Qc7! .

32... $\text{Q} \text{b}8$ 33. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{e}4 \text{ f} \text{x} \text{e}4$ 34. $\text{e}6+ \text{Q} \text{c}8$
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 38. $\text{E} \text{x} \text{e}4 \text{ Q} \text{x} \text{f}2$ 39. $\text{E} \text{d}4+ \text{Q} \text{e}8$ 40. $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{e}7$
 $\text{Q} \text{x} \text{e}7$ 41. $\text{Q} \text{f}3 \text{ Q} \text{x} \text{e}6 \mp$.

33. Qe8+ Qc6 34. Ed6+ Qc5 35. Qe3+
Qc4 36. Qh6 Ee6 0-1



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