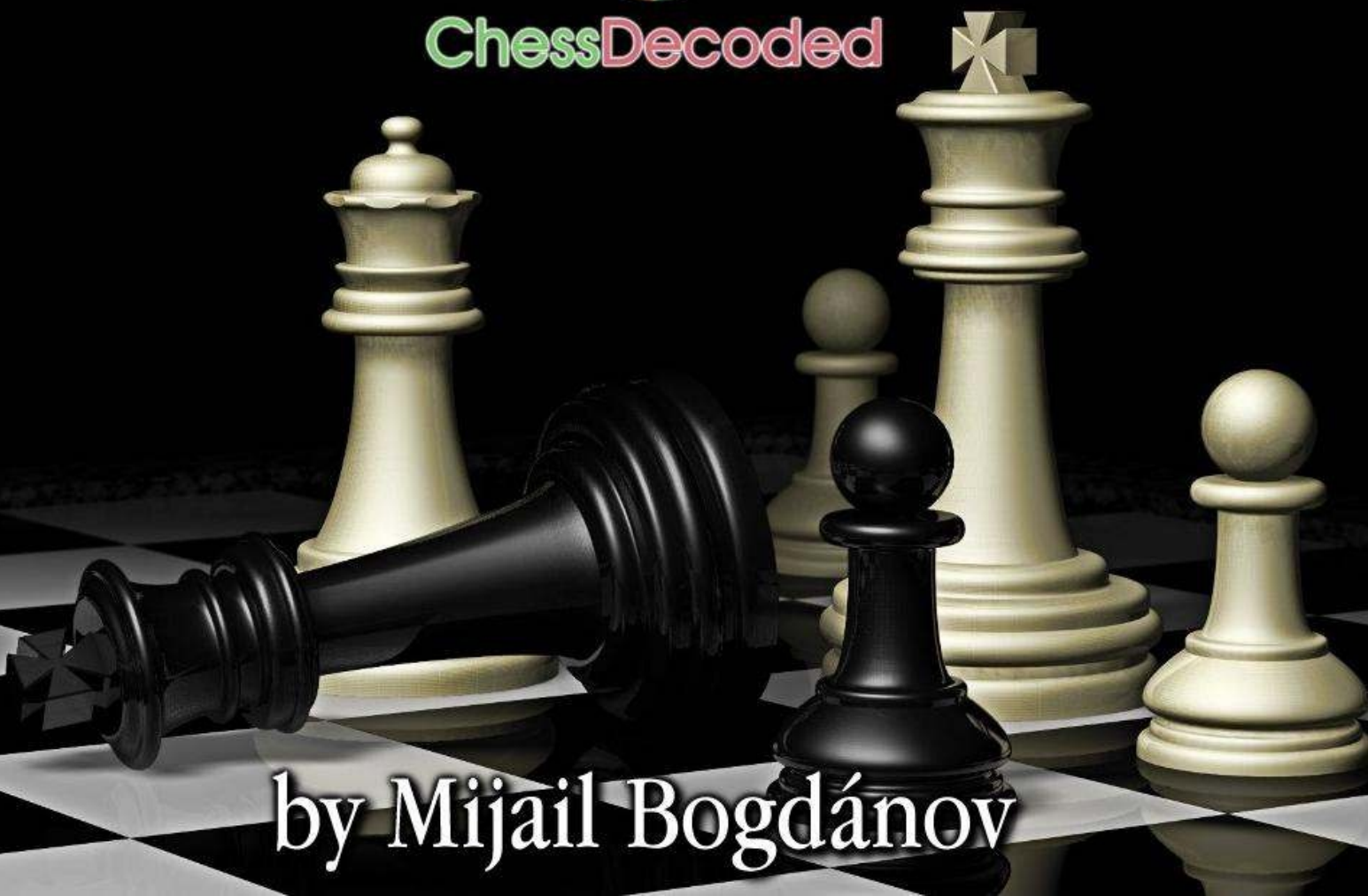


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Introduction

Just as you and many others, I enjoy playing chess too, and when I can participate in any tournament, I cannot lose the opportunity to participate in these.

We all know that chess is 99% tactics and we must train and we must prepare very well if we want to level up and get better places in the tournaments.

For many years, just like you and many others, I bought books, videos and courses, not only in order to learn, but also to improve my tactics. However most of them left me a lot of questions while trying to solve some of the problems proposed.

As you've seen, most of the tactical books will show you a diagram with a position and you need to calculate the solution and / or variants in order to find the best sequence, but at the end of the book, when everyone looks for the solution, in most cases the book show you the variant and / or sub-variants only (although mostly not included) without comment.

As you may have noticed, for a under 2000 ELO player, is frustrating to tactical training with a book like that, because these books not dispel all doubts, questions arise everywhere and eventually you end up leaving that book on your bookshelf and looking any other book, video or course in order to now you could learning and / or upload your tactical level.

The main reason that the vast majority books are not useful like I just described, is because these books were written by Chess Grandmasters, specifically for players over 2300 ELO, which need no comment and they can find these books interesting.

It is as if we would like to that a Nobel Prize for Literature will teach us to read and write

Being as frustrated as you and many others trying to find the book and the methodology set to train and increase my tactical strength and visualization, I developed and implemented this new method for tactical training, which not only allows you to increase your power tactical but they also increase your visualization level to the extent that you can view and decoded the solutions in the positions of a very practical way.

As an added bonus in this book, I'll show you how work the method, nothing more and nothing less than with more than 50 of the best games of the greatest chess player currently, the World No. 1, GM Magnus Carlsen including the historical game where gets the highest rating of all time beating Kasparov.

So throughout of the book, we will be learning tactics and also enjoy the games of GM Magnus Carlsen including the last tournaments of 2012.

So without further ado I invite to you to begin the tactics training with the Chess Decoded method.

Chess Decoded Method

We selected over 50 of the best games of Magnus Carlsen to work on your tactical training.

In each of the games you will find the following:

1. - All the chess game from opening until the first study position
2. - One or more board positions for study
3. - Buttons at the bottom of each panel indicate the option you can choose
4. - Decoded positions boards
5. - Analysis and comments at the end of the game in order that you could verify and conclude the training in everyone of the problems

As you will notice, one of the differences with all chess tactic books is that you can play the whole game on your board; this book will show you not only tactical positions.

So I highly recommend that you work with your chessboard and in each game you play, move by move, to go enjoy each. Remember that you're watching a masterpiece, made by the World No. 1.

Once you get to board the tactical position analysis, please stop and devote at least 10 minutes to think about the possibilities and options that had Magnus Carlsen in that position.

Aim in your training book the variants that you've found and once you wrote your variants or 10 minutes elapsed, as you noticed, under each problem board there is a button, which we have called "DECODE".



Press the button "DECODE" and this will take you to a page where you have the same tactical position, but with visual aids, specially designed to be able to decode what he was seeing Carlsen when he analyzed this position. That is, we will be exercising visualization to decode to Magnus Carlsen.

Another option we have is that at the end of the problems that occur during each game you will have the Analysis option, where you will find the explanation of the position and tactical solutions to problems that arose during the game.

Press the ANALYSIS button to move to this stage in each game.



In addition the following buttons:



You can:

1. - Move to the next game
2. - Back to previous page
3. - Go to the next page

Respectively.

As you may have noticed, this book is specially designed for any tablet (Kindle, iPad, iPod or Android) because the buttons have a nice way to enjoy your tactics training.

When a GM analyzes a position, is like he performs many calculations that an ordinary person would be virtually impossible. With the Chess Decoded method we are going to provide to you the tools to be able to train and increase your visualization and thus you can decode the positions of your games in a simple way.

When training with the method of Chess Decoded not only you will enjoy beautiful chess games, you'll acquire the tools to achieve what you seem impossible.

You'll get a method that enables you to:

- 1.-Tactics Training
- 2.-Development of Your Imagination
- 3.-Development Visualization
- 4.-Calculation of Variants

This will give you more tools to make a better decision in your games without having to move the pieces.

In a simple way you will learn to decode the chess positions like the Grand Masters.

"I assure you that the chess tactic after applying the Chess Decoded method will never be the same."

GAME No. 1

This is a historic game between GM Magnus Carlsen against the World No 2. If Carlsen manages to gain exceeds the maximum ELO level from all time that belongs to GM Garry Kasparov.

Carlsen,M 2848 vs Aronian,L 2815

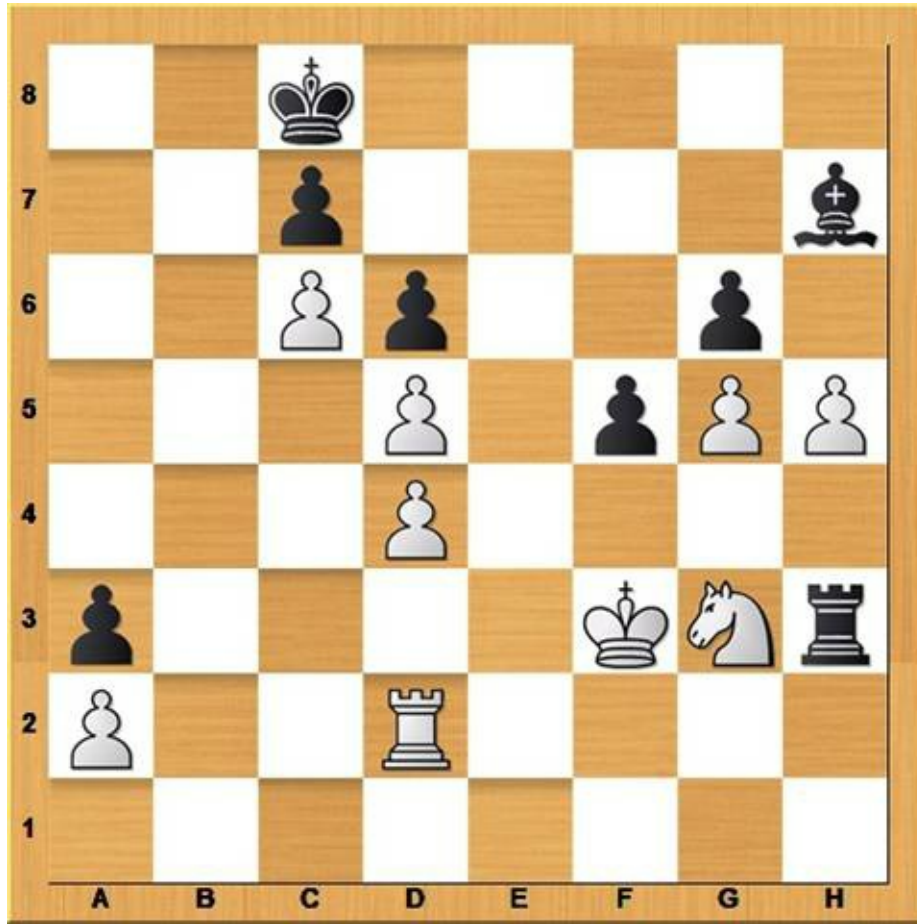
4th London Chess Classic ENG

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9.Bxd5 Rb8 10.O-O Ne7 11.Nxe5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Re8 13.d4 Bf8 14.b3 Bb7 15.c4 d6
16.Nf3 Qf6 17.Be3 Bc8 18.Qd2 Qg6 19.Kh1 h6 20.Rac1 Be7 21.Ng1 Bg5 22.Bxg5 Qxg5
23.Rfd1 bxc4 24.bxc4 Qxd2 25.Rxd2 a5 26.h3 Rb4 27.Nf3 Bf5 28.c5 Kf8 29.Nh2 Reb8
30.Ng4 Rb1 31.Rxb1 Rxb1+ 32.Kh2 a4 33.Ne3 Bg6 34.Kg3 Rb4 35.Kf3 Ke7 36.Ke2 Kd7
37.f3 Rb5 38.Nd1 Rb4 39.c6+ Kc8 40.Nc3 f6 41.Ke3 Rc4 42.Ne2 a3 43.h4 Rb4 44.g4
Rb1 45.h5 Bh7 46.f4 f5 47.g5 Rh1 48.Ng3 Rh3 49.Kf3 hxg5 50.fxg5 g6



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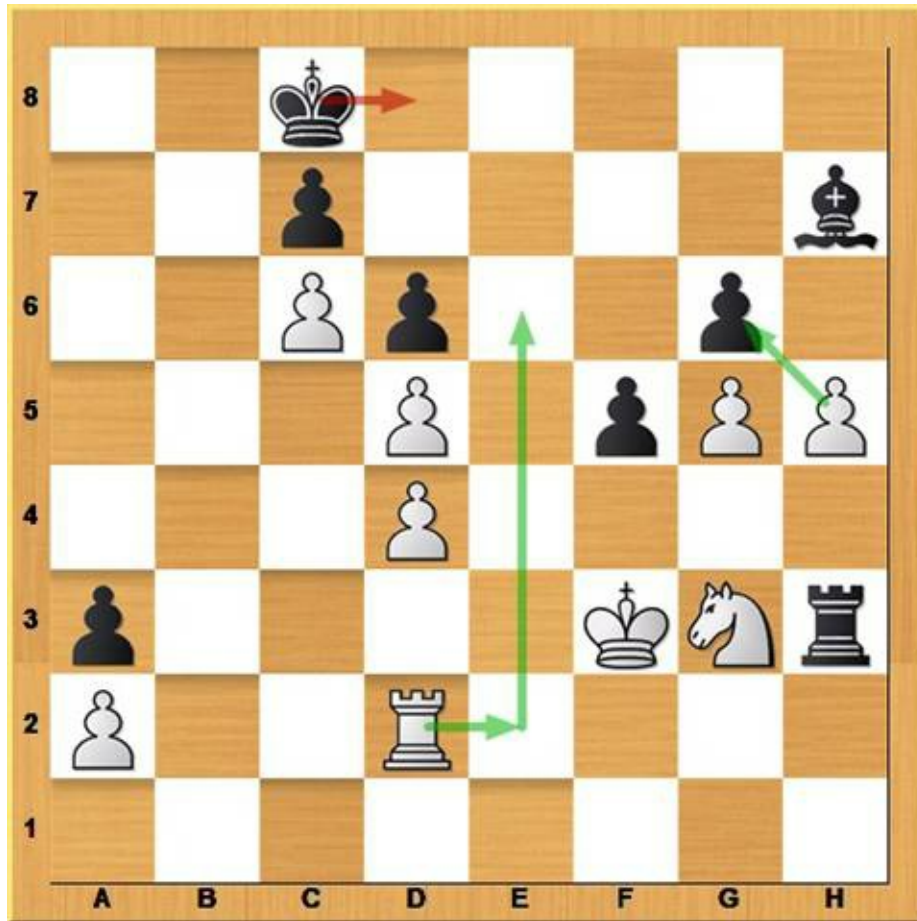
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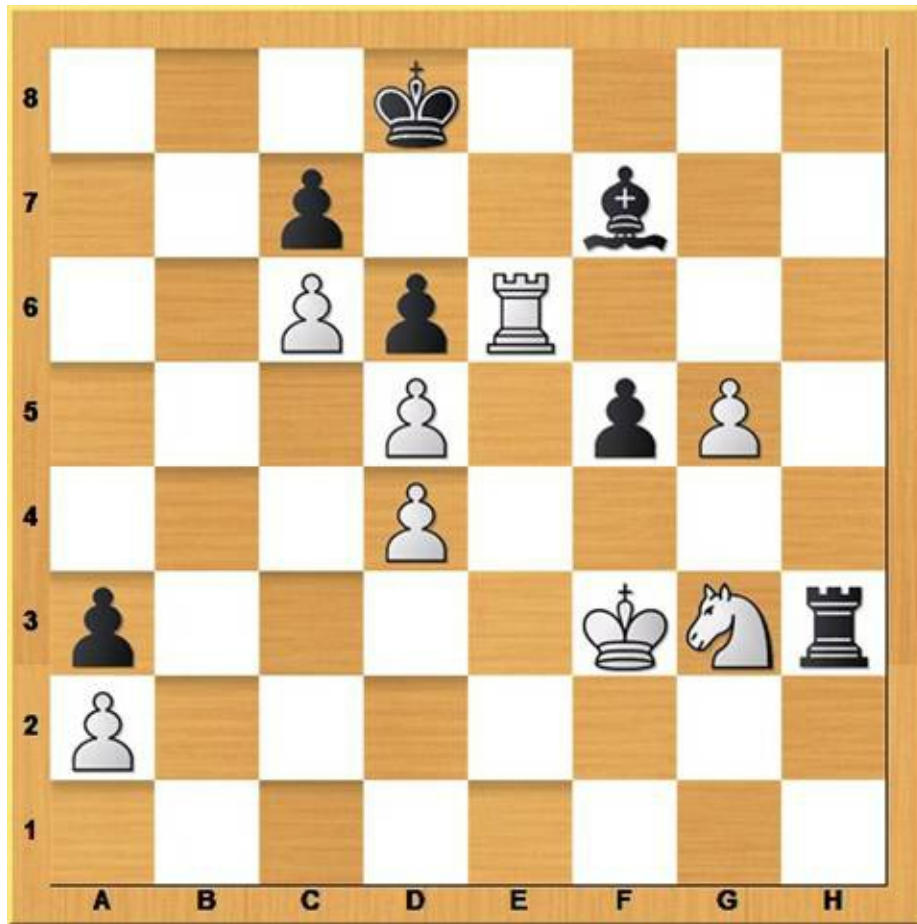
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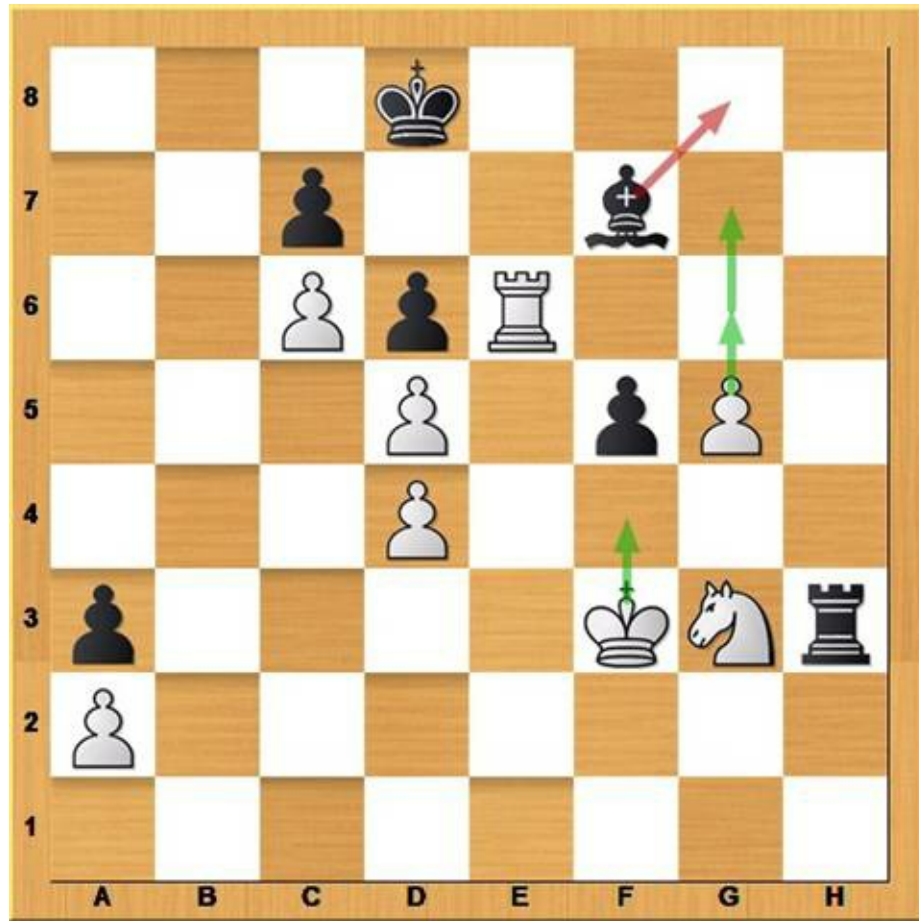


51.Re2 Kd8 52.hxg6 Bxg6 53.Re6 Bf7





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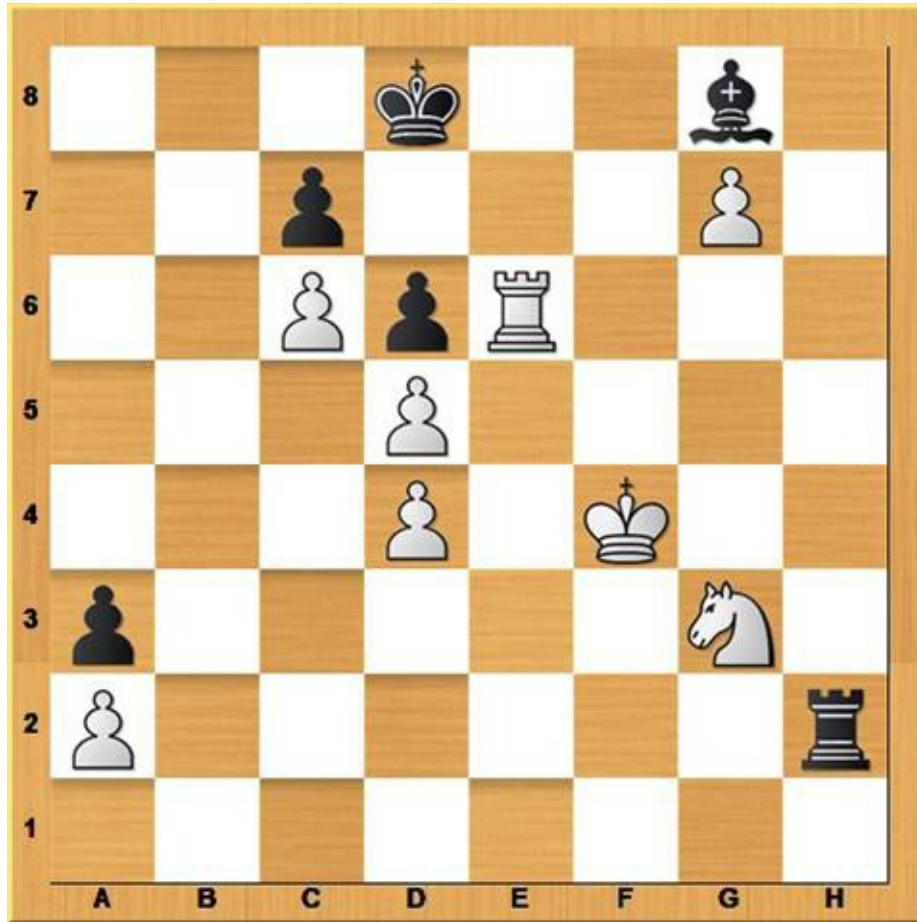
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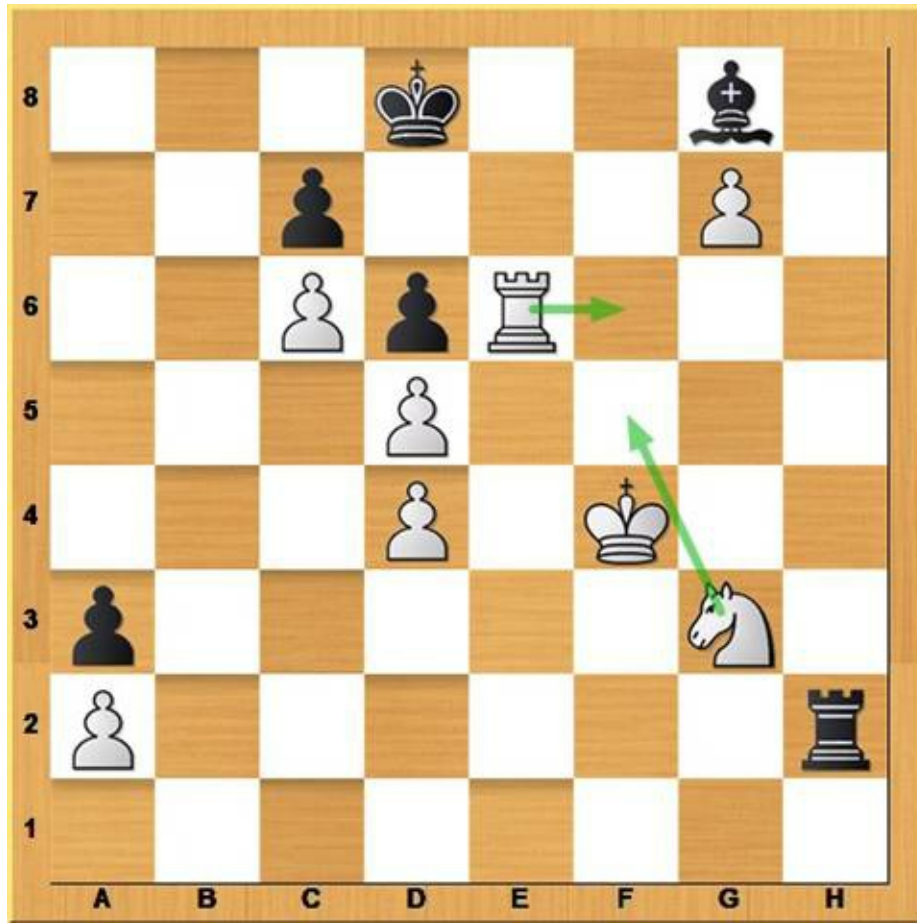


54.g6 Bg8 55.g7 f4 56.Kxf4 Rh2





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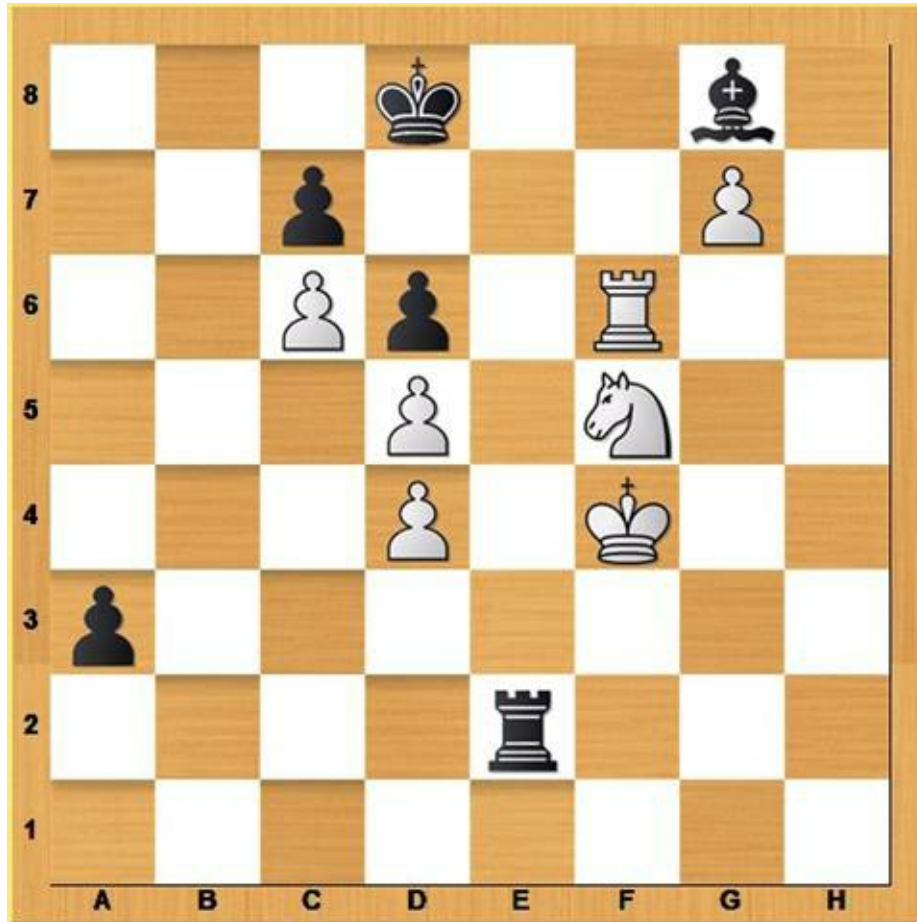
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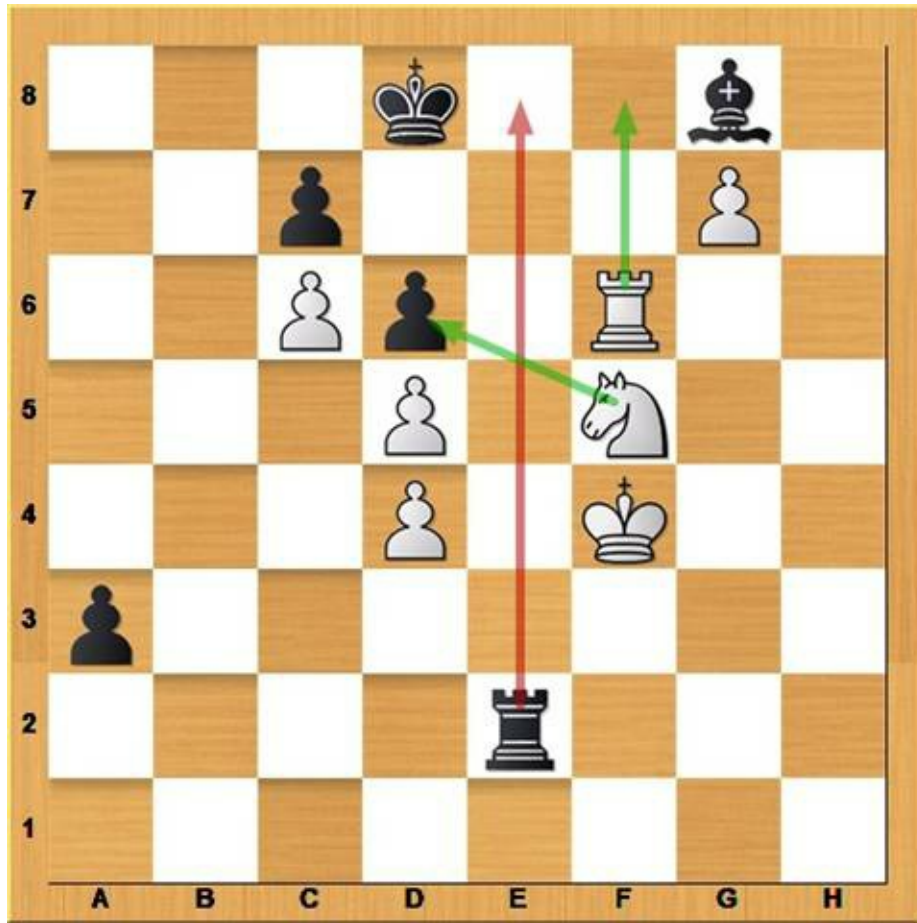


57.Nf5 Rxa2 58.Rf6 Re2





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50...g6 Aronian cannot see how to stop the pawns, leaving locked his Bishop



51.Re2 Kd8 threatening mate and taking advantage of the poor position of bishop, penetrates into the Black's position **52.hxg6 Bxg6 53.Re6 Bf7**



54.g6!! Incredible movement apparently sacrificed the rook, which is poisoned because if Aronian takes the rook would be inevitable pawn Queens **54...Bg8**



55.g7 f4 56.Kxf4 Rh2 57.Nf5 Rxa2 58.Rf6 Threatening checkmate **58...Re2** Carlsen wins in impressive way and becomes the player with the highest rating of all time **59.Rf8+ Re8 60.Nxd6** and if **60...cxNd6** follows the strong **61.c7+** culminating this excellent game, due the King cannot defend both sides.

GAME No. 2

Magnus Carlsen gives us a deeply course about the piece sacrifice and tactical aspects of the same.

Carlsen, M 2814 vs Nakamura, Hi 2751

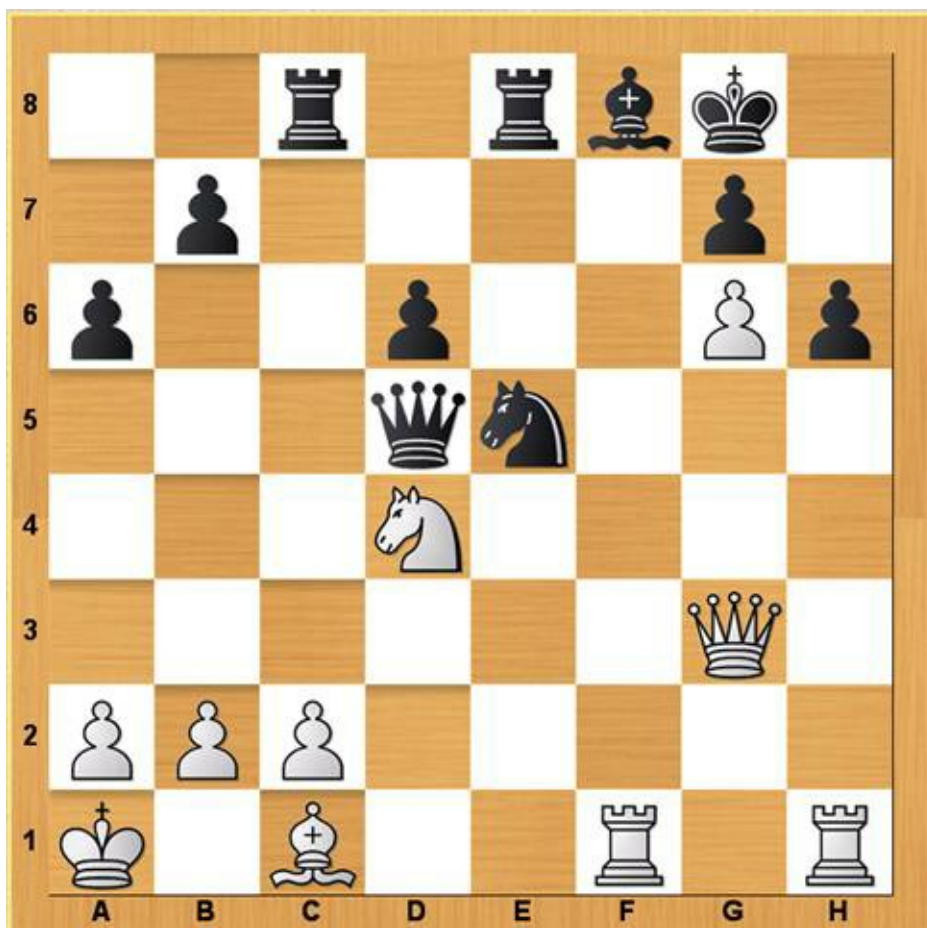
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10.g5 Nfd7 11.h4 Nb6 12.Qd2 N8d7 13.f4 exf4 14.Bxf4 Ne5 15.O-O-O Rc8 16.Kb1 Qc7 17.h5
Rfe8 18.Ka1 Bf8 19.Nd4 Qc5 20.g6 Nec4 21.Bxc4 Nxc4 22.Qd3 fxg6 23.hxg6 h6 24.Qg3 Qb6
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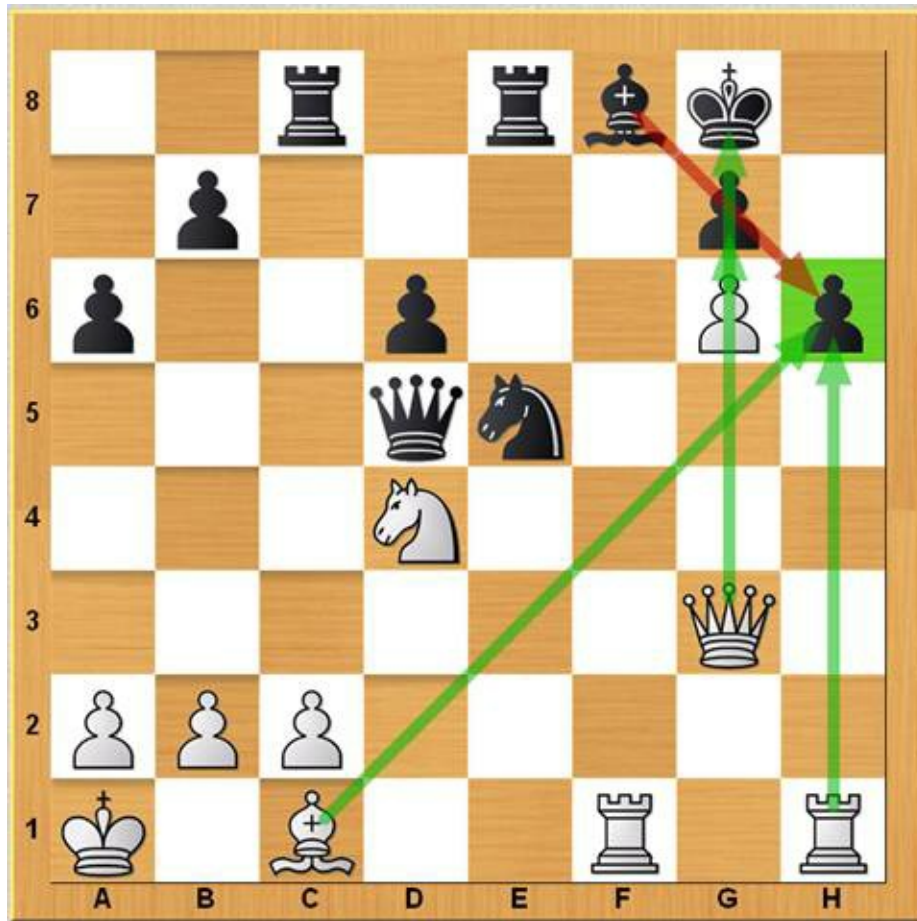


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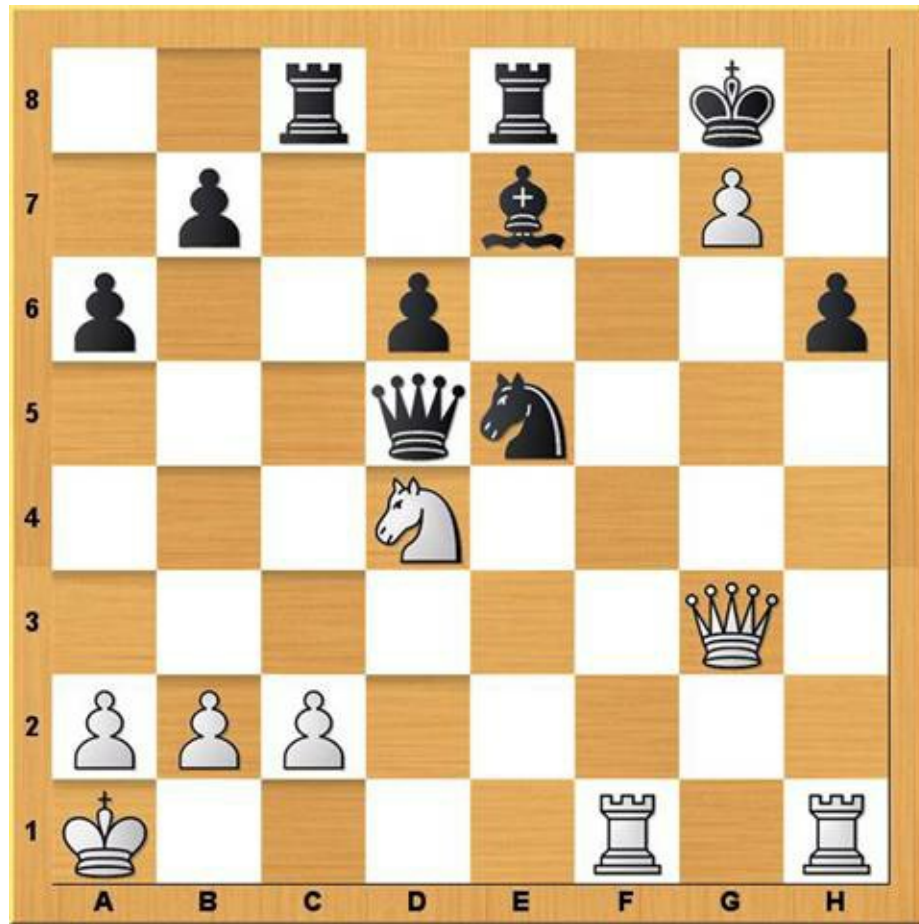
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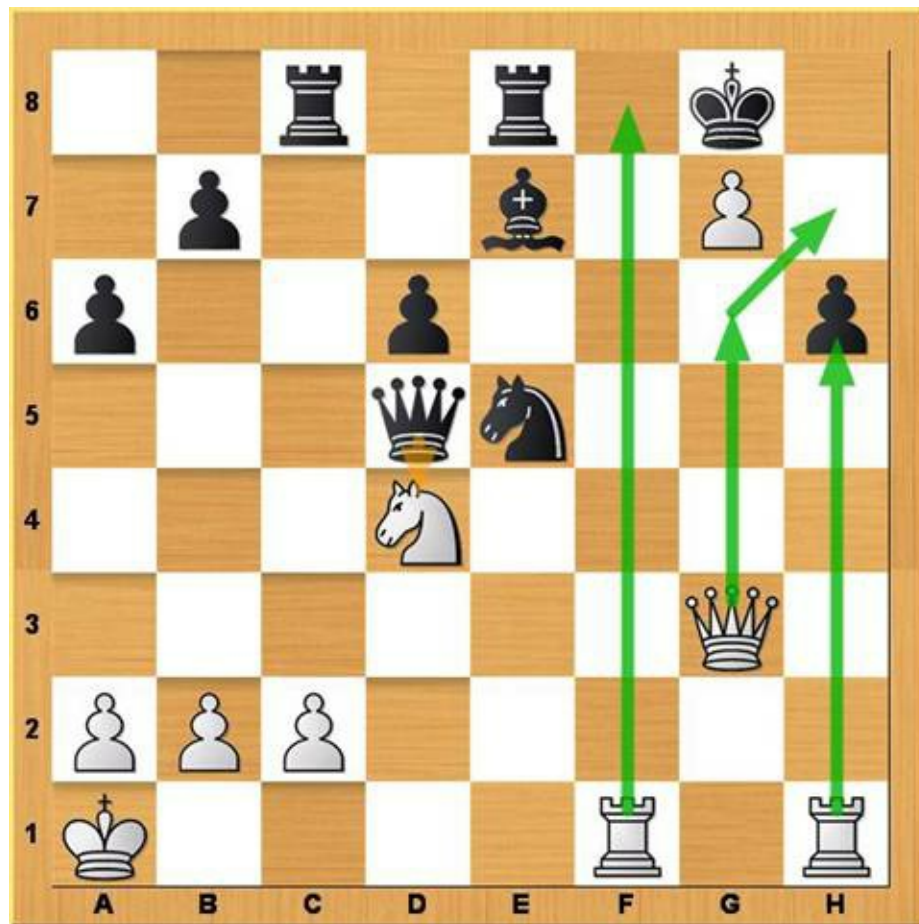


29.Bxh6 gxh6 30.g7 Be7



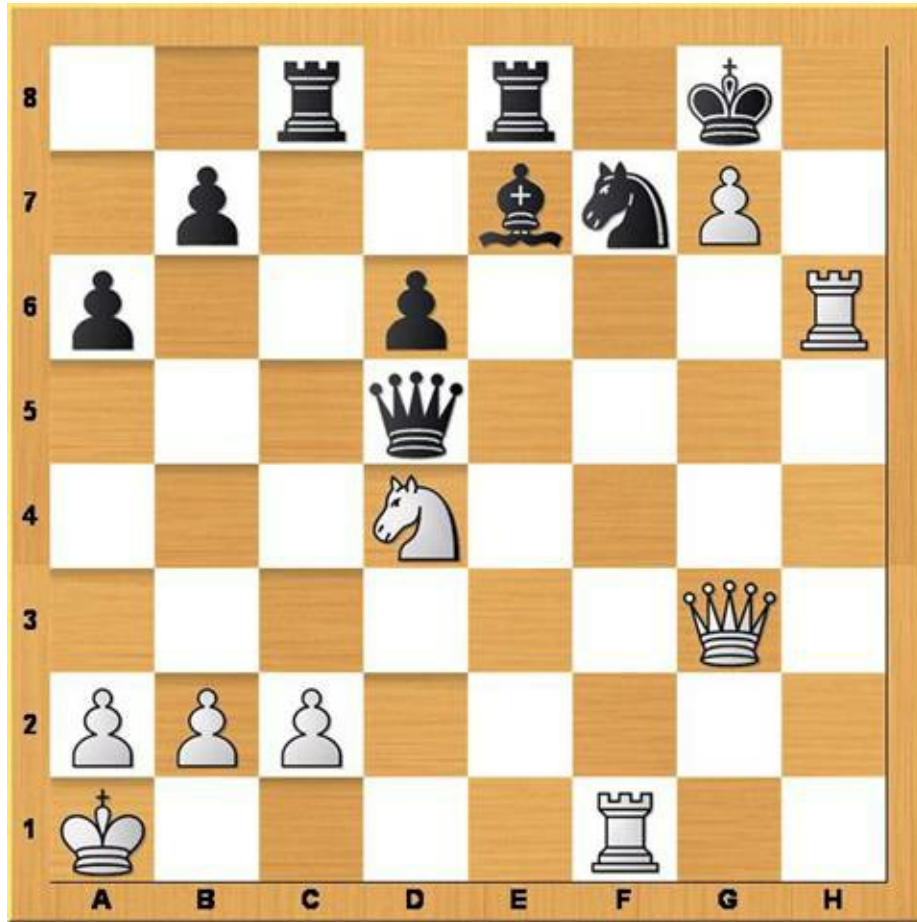


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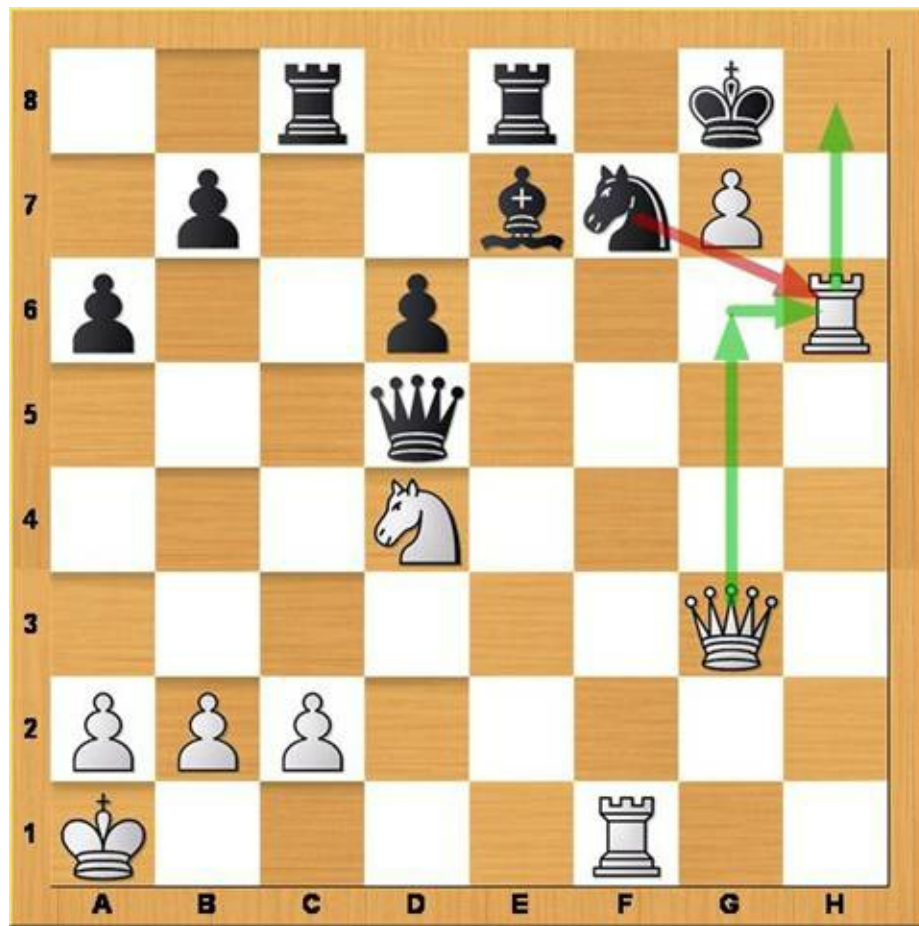


31.Rxh6 Nf7





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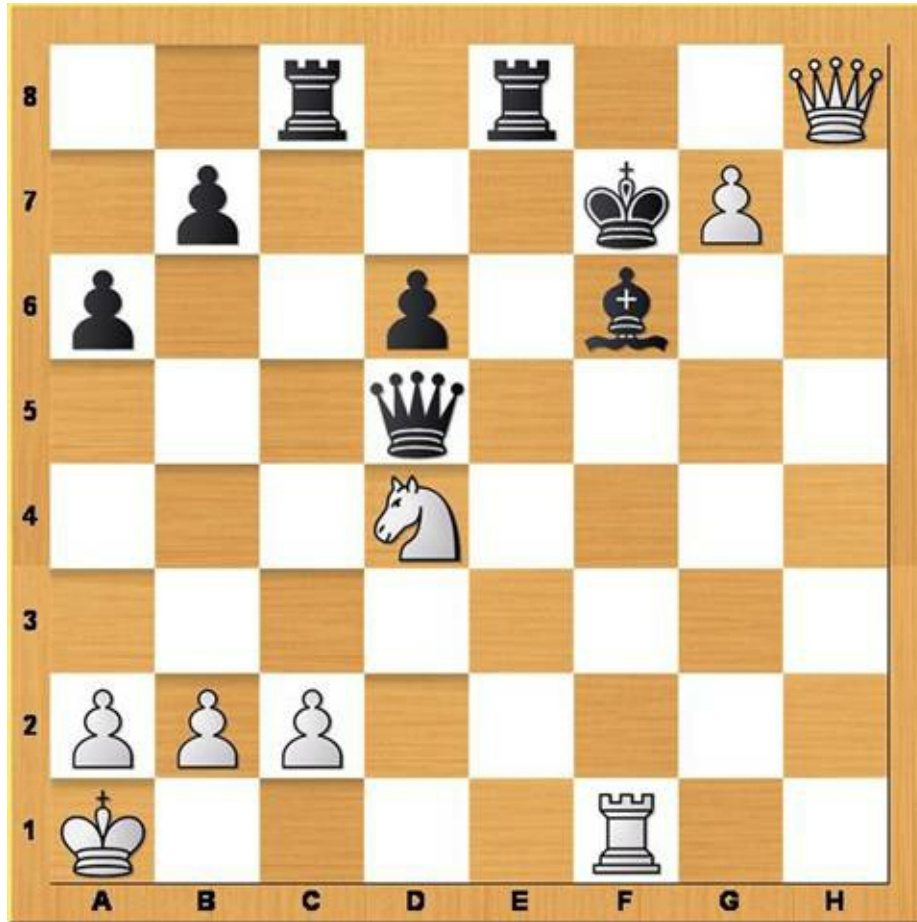
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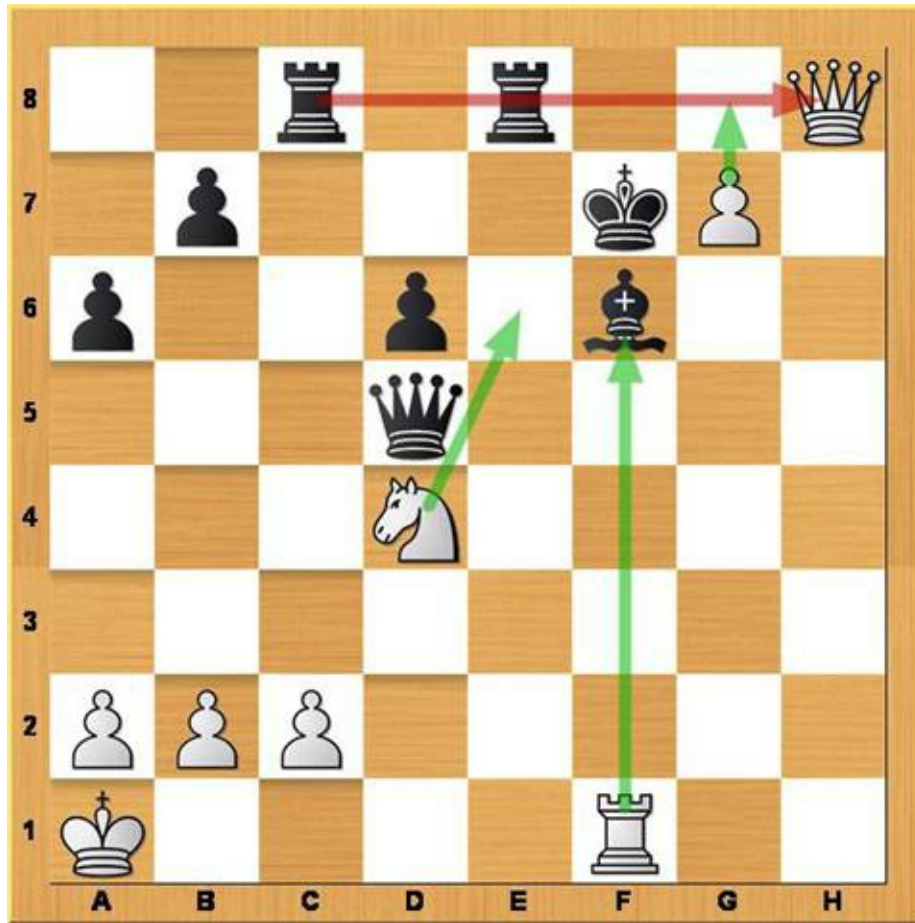


32.Qg6 Nxh6 33.Qxh6 Bf6 34.Qh8+ Kf7





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28...Qxd5 Nakamura is happy with his extra pawn without reaching to see the tactic storm that comes up after the following sequence of almost forced moves **29.Bxh6 gxh6 30.g7 Be7** [Si 30...Bxg7 31.Nf5 Rc7 32.Nxh6 Kh7 33.Ng4+ Kg8 34.Nf6+ Winning the Queen]



31.Rxh6 Nf7

Carlsen does not back down in their attack, sacrificing his rook, his Queen rushes against the enemy King



32.Qg6 Nxh6 33.Qxh6 Bf6 34.Qh8+ Kf7

Unique and thinking that prevents the pawn Queens due is pinning, Carlsen made to see that the reality is different **35.g8Q+!!** Incredible! Sacrifices his new Queen **Rxg8 36.Qxf6+** right, now it is clear the Carlsen's plan, a true artwork and masterpiece 36...**Ke8 37.Re1+ 1-0** Overwhelming tactical combination that leaves no options to Nakamura.

GAME No. 3

This is a beautiful endgame between the current No 1 and No 2 of the world.

Carlsen,M 2813 vs Aronian,L 2782

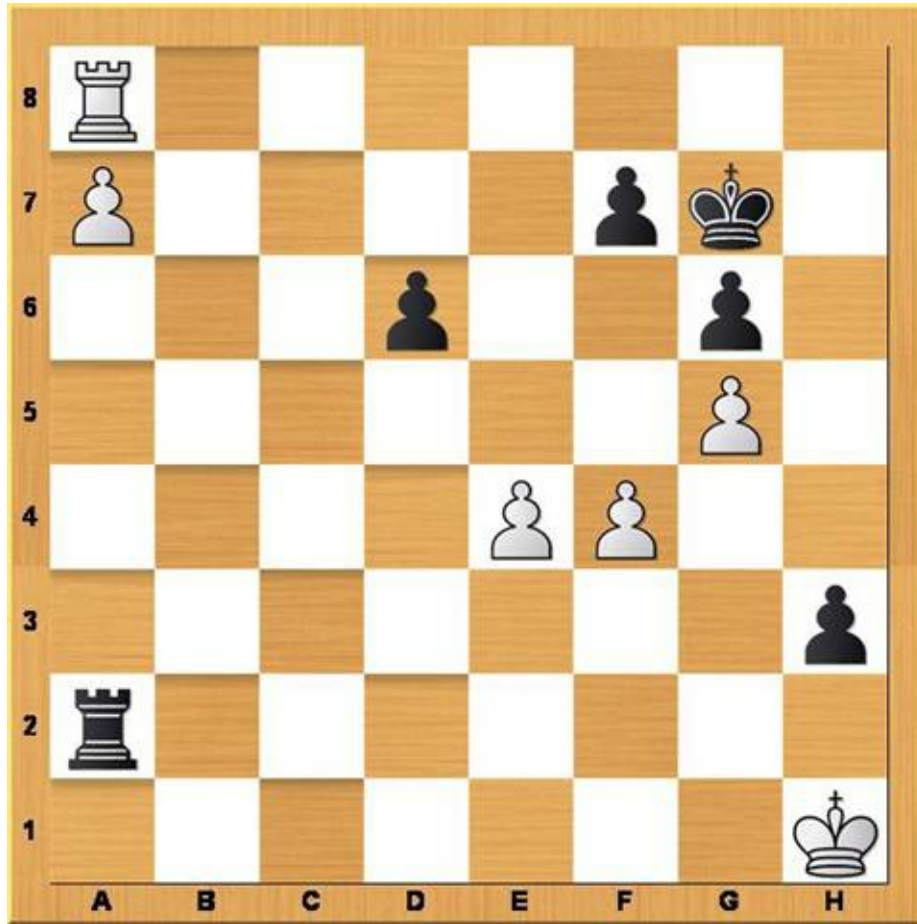
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10.dxc4 h6 11.h3 Bc5 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d6 14.Qd2 Be6 15.b3 Nd7 16.Rd1 Rf8 17.Qe2 b6
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25.Nd5 Bxd5 26.cxd5 Rb2 27.Qf3 Qxf3 28.Rxf3 Re2 29.Rd4 Rc2 30.Ra4 Ra8 31.g4 c5
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47.f4 Ra3+ 48.Kf2 Kf6 49.Ke2 Kg7 50.Kd2 h5 51.g5 h4 52.Ke2 h3 53.Kf2 Ra2+ 54.Kg1 Rg2+
55.Kh1 Ra2



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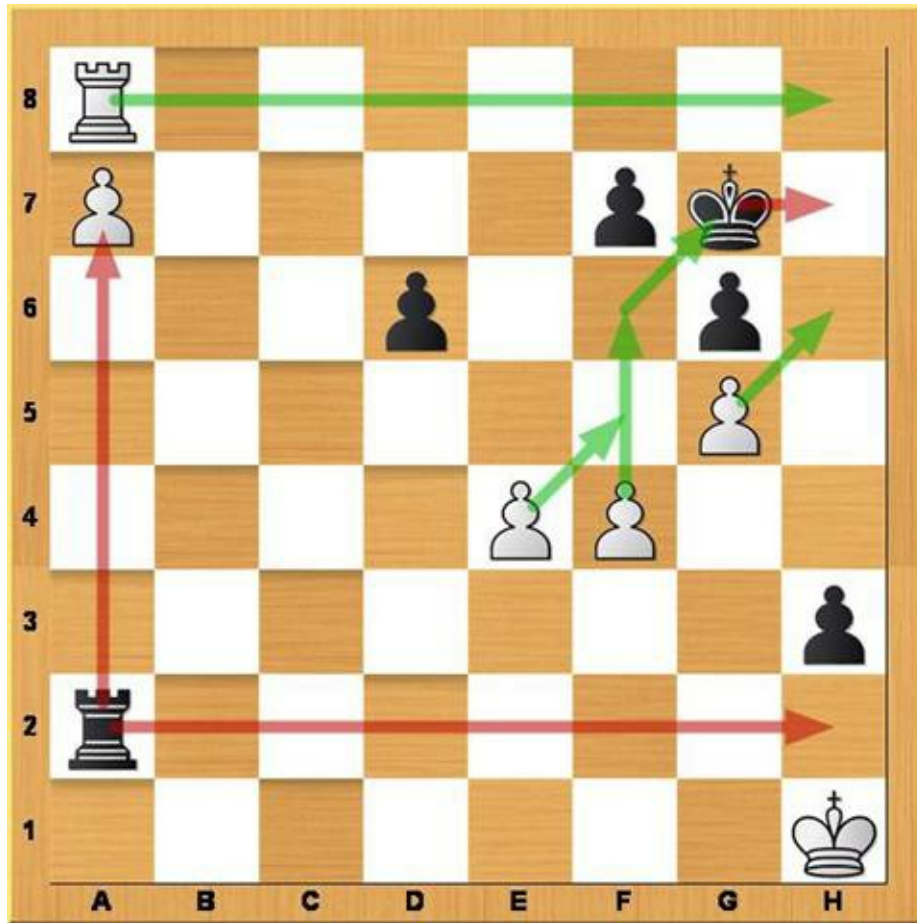
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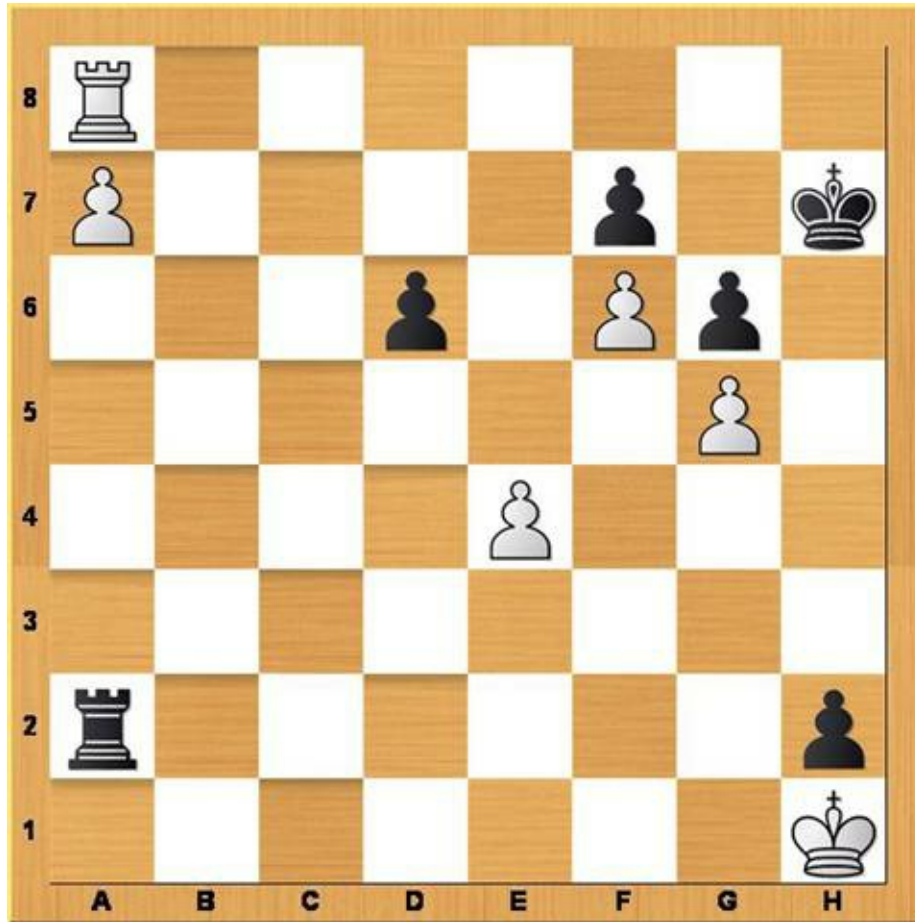
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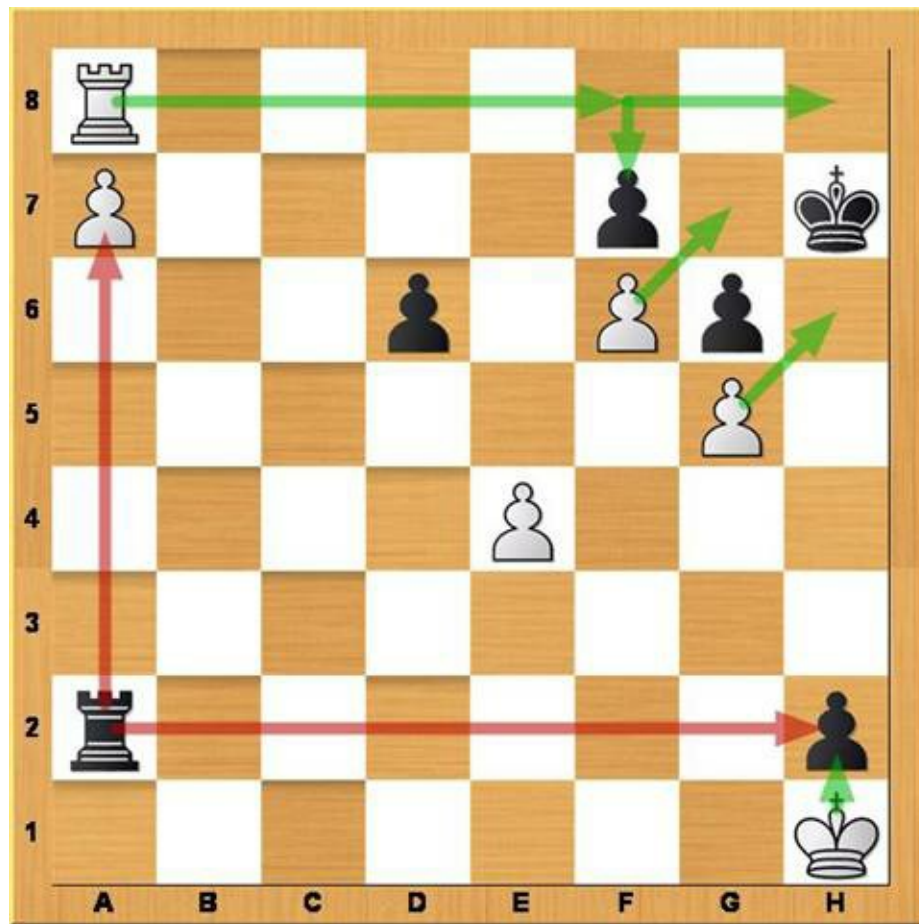


56.f5 Kh7 57.f6 h2





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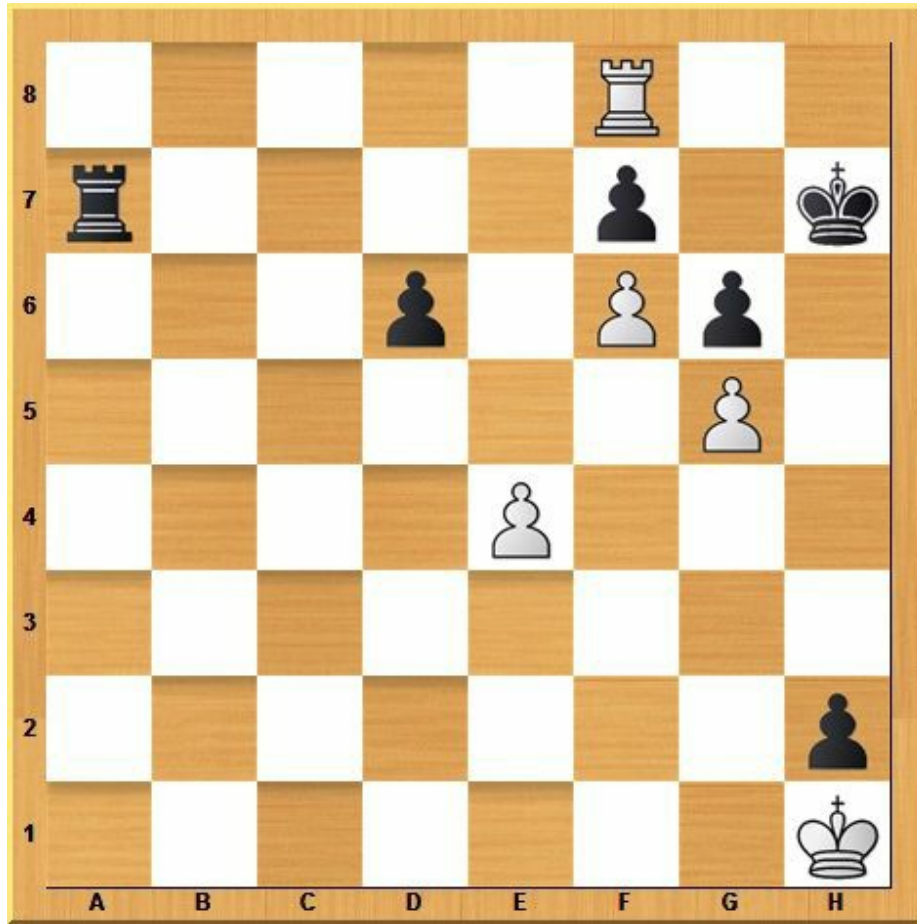
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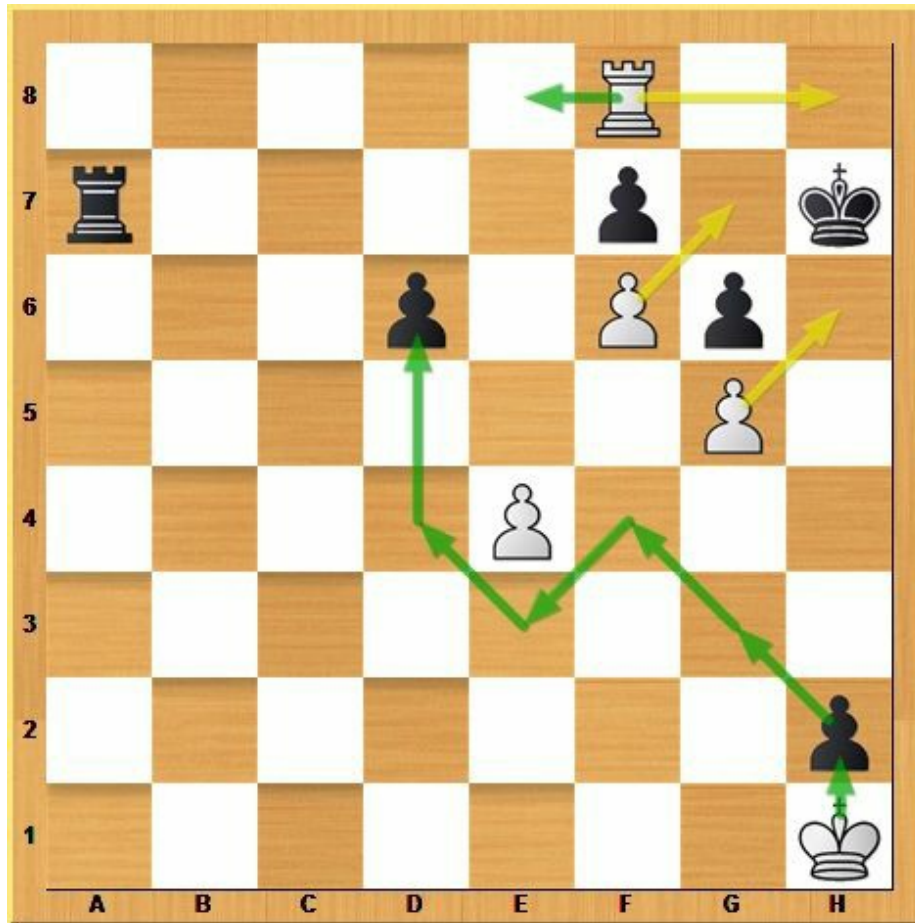


58.Rf8 Rxa7





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56.f5 Kh7 unique option and leaving the King motionless as a spectator watching the beautiful looming end

Sub - Variant



56...gxf5 57.exf5 f6(57...d5 58.f6+ Kh7 59.g6+ Kxg6 60.Rg8+) 58.gxf6 Kf7 59.Rh8 Gaining rook in both cases.



57.f6 h2 58.Rf8 witty exchange pawn, sacrifice a7 pawn by the h2 pawn in order to releasing their King that will be starring in the excellent endgame **58...Rxa7 59.Kxh2 Rb7 60.Kg3 Ra7**

61.Kf4 Rb7 62.Ke3 Ra7 63.Kd4 Rc7 64.Re8 Ra7 65.Kd5 Ra5+[65...Ra6 66.Rc8 Ra8
Interesting sacrifice, in order to try a draw 67.Rc7 Rg8 68.Kxd6 winning material.

66.Kxd6 Ra6+[66...Ra7 67.Re7 Ra6+ 68.Kd7 Ra7+ 69.Ke8 Ra8+ 70.Kxf7 *Gaining the position and winning the game]***67.Ke7 Ra7+ 68.Kf8 1-0** With great tactical precision moves (making it look as easy as taking candy from a child) Carlsen achieved by drawing water and he make to look bad the world No. 2.

GAME No. 4

Playing versus the currently Cuban best chess player. He is a very fast player.

Carlsen,M 2813 vs Dominguez Perez,L 2713

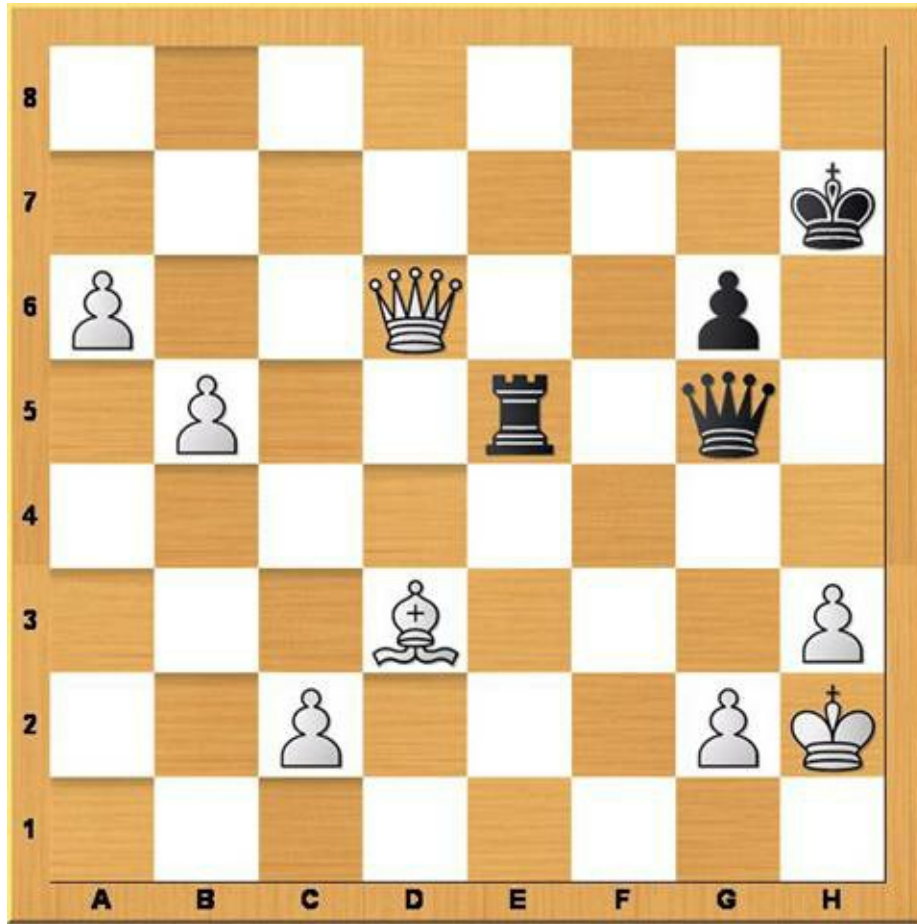
19th Amber Rapid Nice FRA

ECO "B92" 1 – 0 2010.03.23

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10.f4 b5 11.Be3 Bb7 12.a4 Nb4 13.Qd2 d5 14.fxe5 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Nd4 Nd5 17.Nf5
Qc7 18.Bd4 e3 19.Qe1 Bc5 20.Bxc5 Qxc5 21.Bd3 Bc8 22.Nd6 Qd4 23.axb5 Be6 24.bxa6
Qxe5 25.Qh4 f5 26.Nc4 Qf6 27.Qh3 f4 28.Qxh7+ Kf7 29.Qe4 Kg8 30.Ra5 Rfd8 31.Nxe3 Nxe3
32.Rxf4 Nf5 33.Raxf5 Bxf5 34.Rxf5 Qh6 35.h3 Ra7 36.Qc4+ Kh8 37.Qc5 g6 38.Rf6 Rg7
39.Rf8+ Rxf8 40.Qxf8+ Kh7 41.Kh2 Qe3 42.Qd6 Qg5 43.b4 Re7 44.b5 Re5

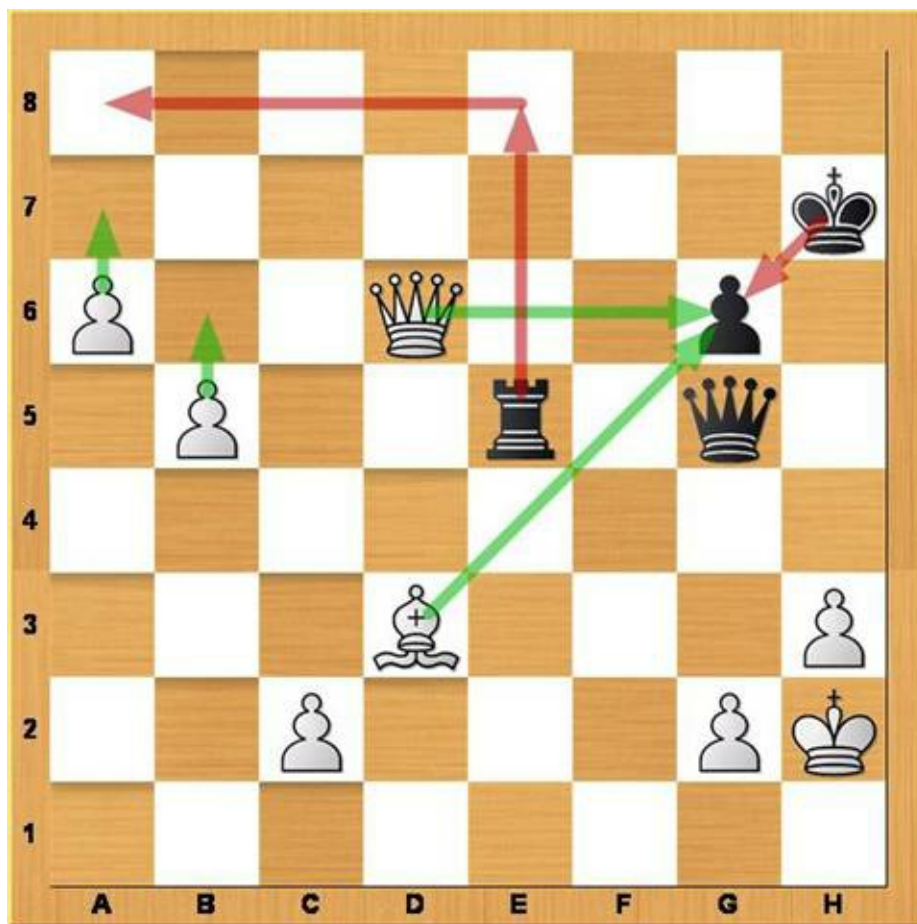


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[45.Bxg6 Winning variant but slightly more complicated Kg7 46.Qd4 Kxg6 47.a7 Re8 48.Qb6+ Kg7 49.Qb8 Qc5 50.a8Q Rxb1 51.Qxb1 Avoiding the checks and crowning easily]

45...Qxg6 46.Bxg6 Kxg6 47.a7 1-0 Black surrender because the rook will cannot stopped to the pawns.

GAME No. 5

Carlsen,M 2813 vs Smeets,J 2651

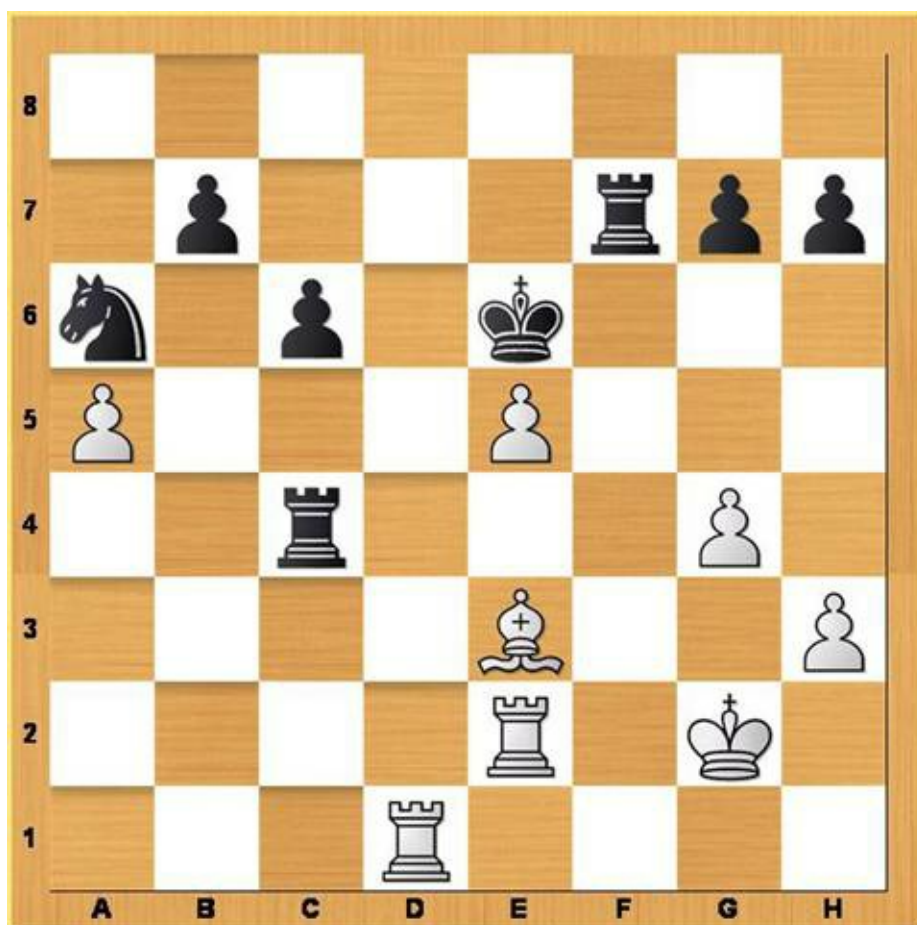
19th Amber Blindfold Nice FRA

ECO "A07" 1 – 0 2010.03.16

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10.e4 Na6 11.Qe2 Re8 12.h3 Be5 13.f4 Bxc3 14.bxc3 dxe4 15.dxe4 Bd5 16.e5 Bxg2 17.Kxg2
Qd5+ 18.Nf3 Rad8 19.c4 Qe4 20.Re1 Qxe2+ 21.Rxe2 Nd7 22.Be3 f6 23.Bxa7 fxe5 24.Nxe5
Nxe5 25.fxe5 Kf7 26.Rb1 Rd7 27.Bf2 Ke6 28.g4 Rf8 29.Be3 Rff7 30.a4 Rd3 31.a5 Rc3
32.Rd1 Rxc4



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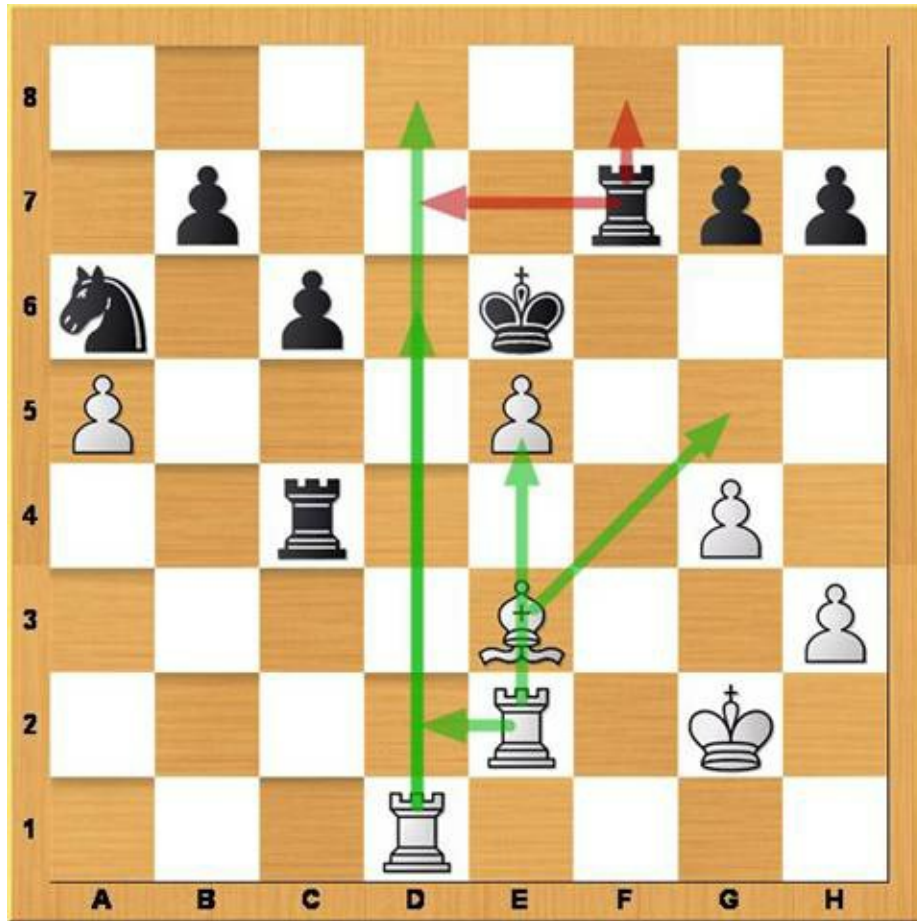
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32...Rxc4 Smeets's move is Innocent , thinking that with a pawn advantage, solves the game
33.Bg5 Carlsen reveals the strength of his attack, compensating the pawn sacrifice, pointing guns the enemy King, threatening mate in one with **Rd6#** on the next move, **33...Rd7**

[33...Rf8 34.Rd6+ Kf7 35.e6+ Kg8 36.e7 Re8 37.Rd8 Nc7 38.Rf2 h6 39.Rf8+ Kh7 40.Rfxe8 Nxe8 41.Rxe8 hxc5 42.Rb8 winning the game]

34.Rxd7 Kxd7 35.e6+ Ke8 Trying to stop the pawn coronation but sentencing his reign after **36.Rd2** with unavoidable checkmate **1-0**.

GAME No. 6

Aronian,L 2801 vs Carlsen,M 2802

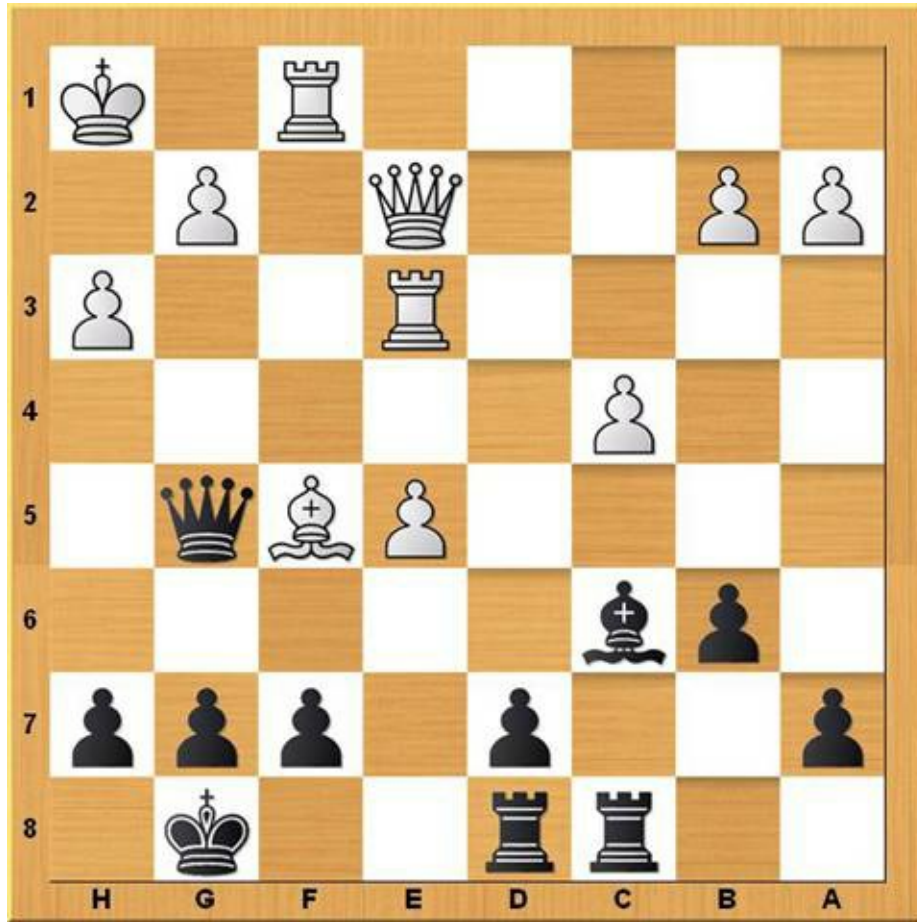
VI World Blitz Moscow RUS

ECO "E43" 0 – 1 2010.11.17

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10.Nxc6 Bxc6 11.e4 Qb8 12.h3 Bc5 13.O-O Qe5 14.Rae1 Rac8 15.Kh1 Qh5 16.Be3 Bxe3
17.Rxe3 Ng4 18.Qd1 Nf6 19.e5 Qg5 20.Ne4 Nxe4 21.Bxe4 Rfd8 22.f4 Qe7 23.f5 exf5 24.Bxf5
Qg5 25.Qe2



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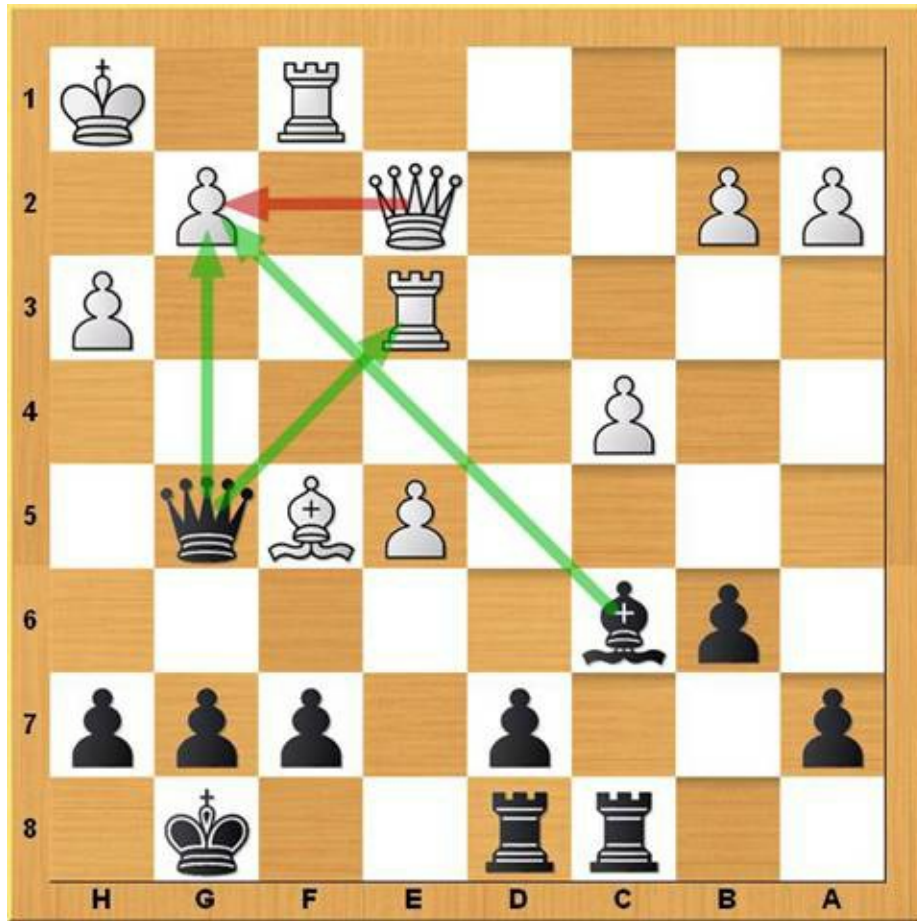
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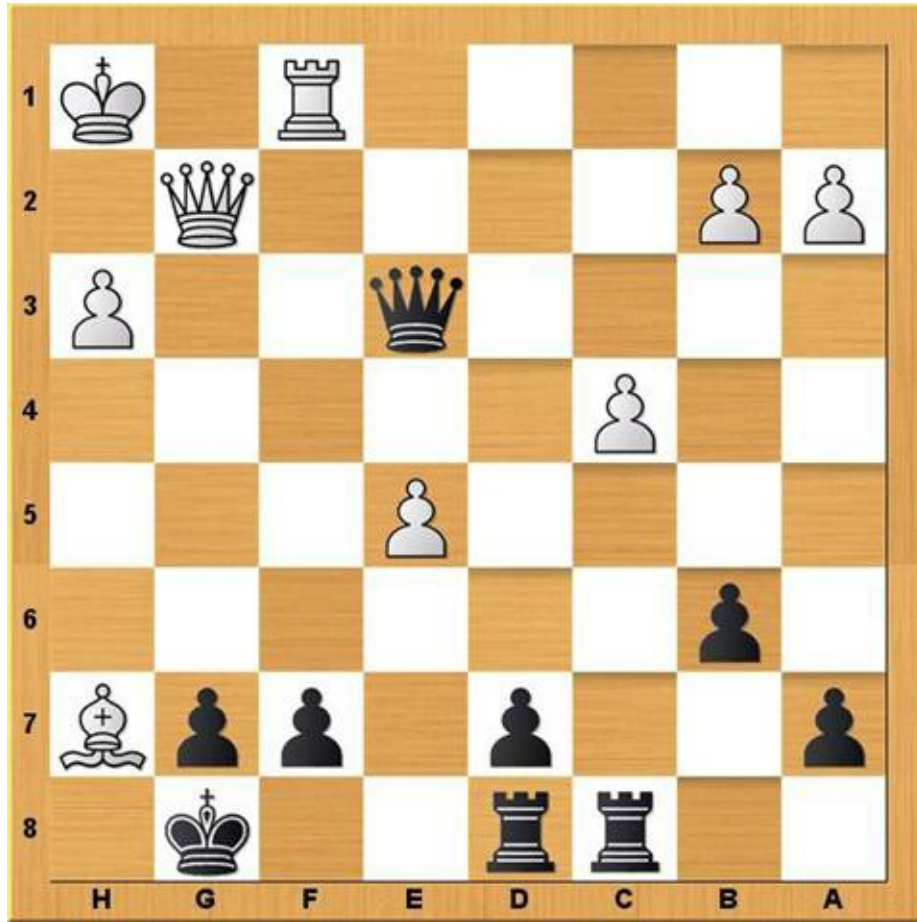
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25...Bxg2+ 26.Qxg2 Qxe3 27.Bxh7+



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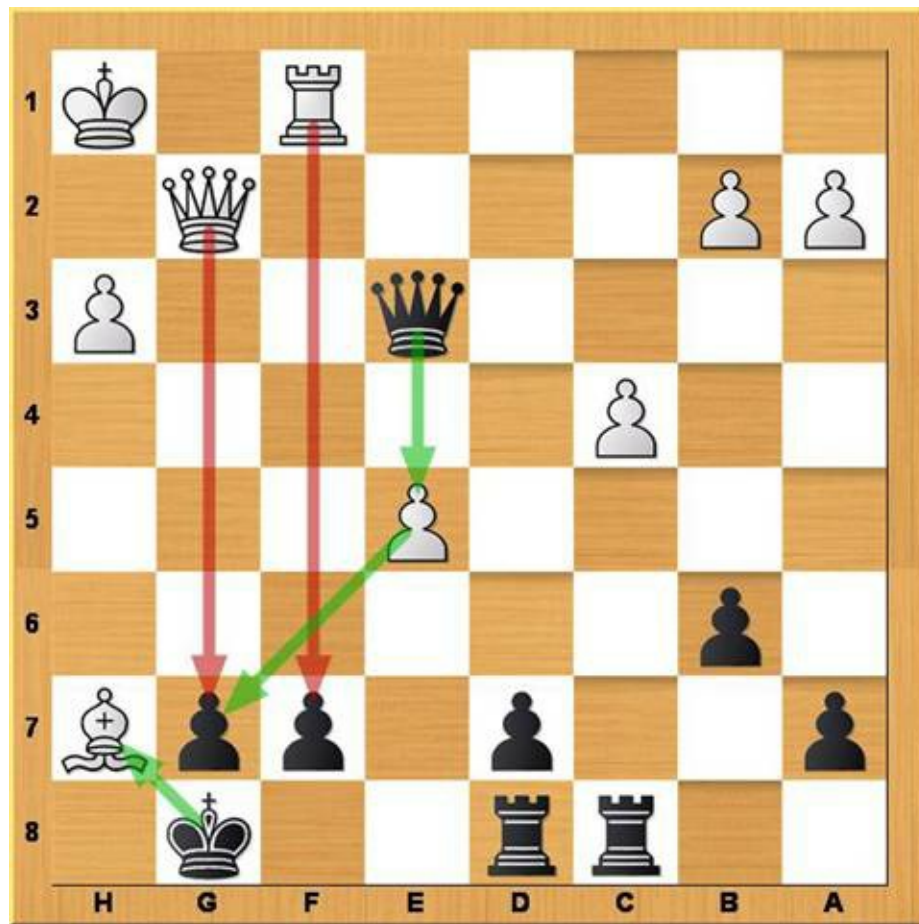
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25.Qe2 it seems that Aronian played with fear because of the latest results in their matches against Carlsen, wrong move as this causes a simple tactic that makes that Aronian immediately lose **25...Bxg2 26. Qxg2 Qxe3 27.Bxh7+**

Sub-Variant



27. Qe4 Qxe4 28.Bxe4 Rxc4 29.Bd5 Rc5 30.Bxf7+ Kh8 31.Re1 Rdc8 32. Kg2 avoids the rooks exchange **Rc2+ 33.Kg3 Rxb2** Shattering the opponent's position.



27...Kxh7 0-1 Aronian resign here to see your position in ruins. **28.Rxf7 Qxe5 29.Qc2+ Kg8 30.Rf5 Qe1+ 31.Kg2 Rf8 32.Qd3 Rxf5** he exchange the rooks and without good answer of the opponent.

GAME No. 7

Fantastic game blindly where even some engines fail to appreciate the black attack

Aronian,L 2782 vs Carlsen,M 2813

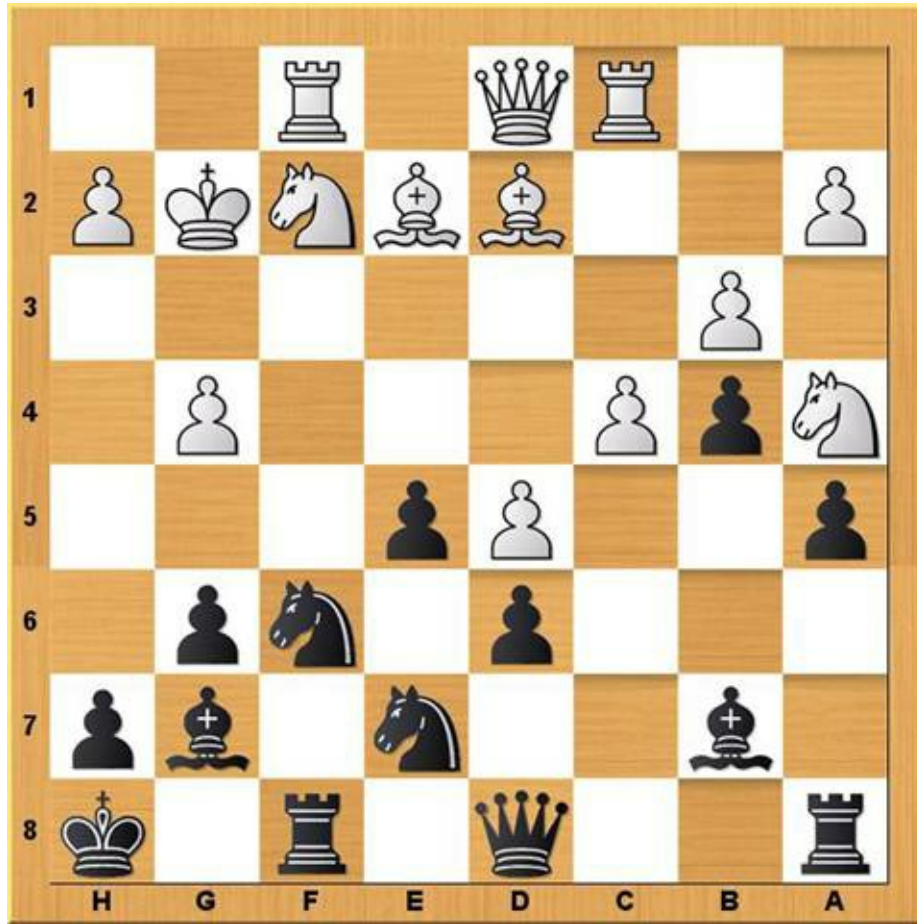
19th Amber Blindfold Nice FRA

ECO "E98" 0 – 1 2010.03.14

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.d4 O-O 6.Be2 e5 7.O-O Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.Ne1 Nd7
10.Nd3 f5 11.Bd2 Nf6 12.f3 Kh8 13.g4 c6 14.Kg2 b5 15.b3 a5 16.Nf2 b4 17.Na4 Bb7 18.Rc1
fxe4 19.fxe4 cxd5 20.exd5



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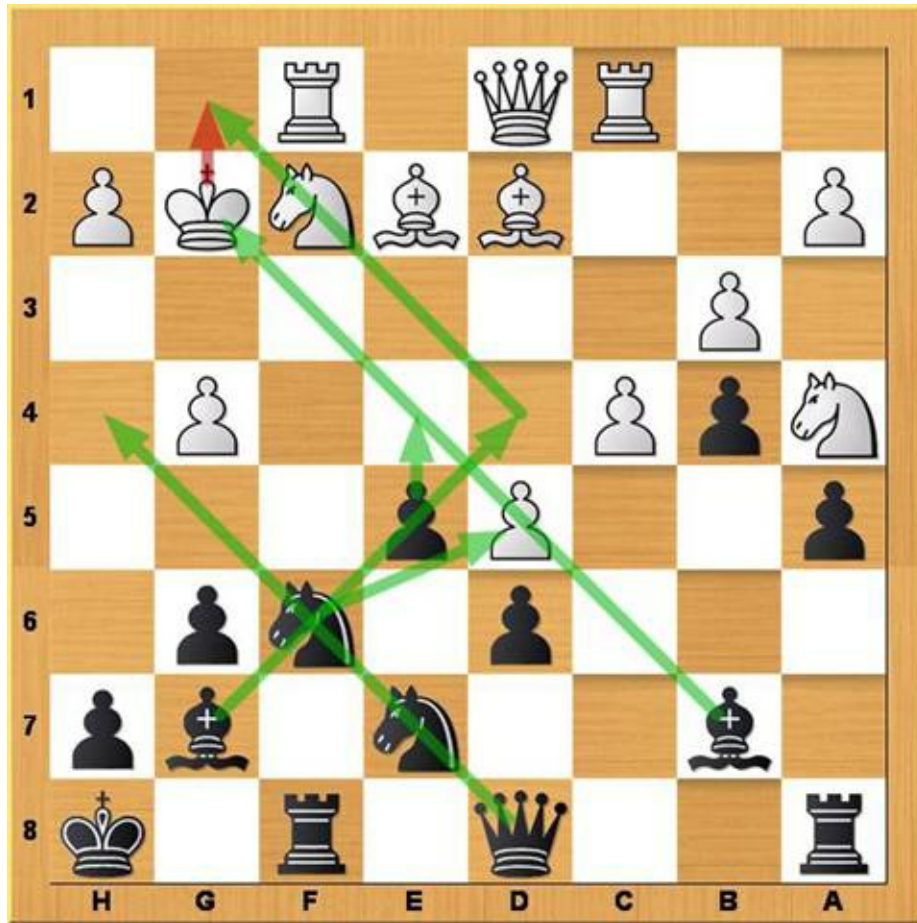
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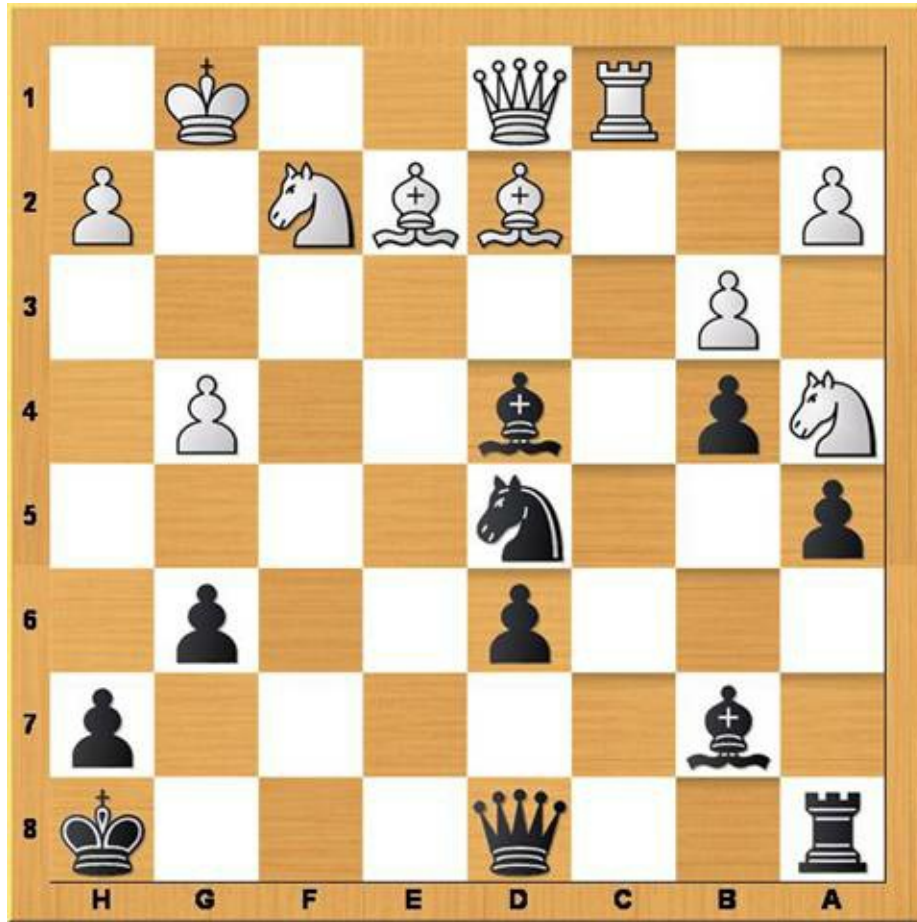
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20...Nexd5 21.cxd5 Nxd5 22.Kg1 e4 23.Nxe4 Bd4+ 24.Rf2 Rxf2 25.Nxf2



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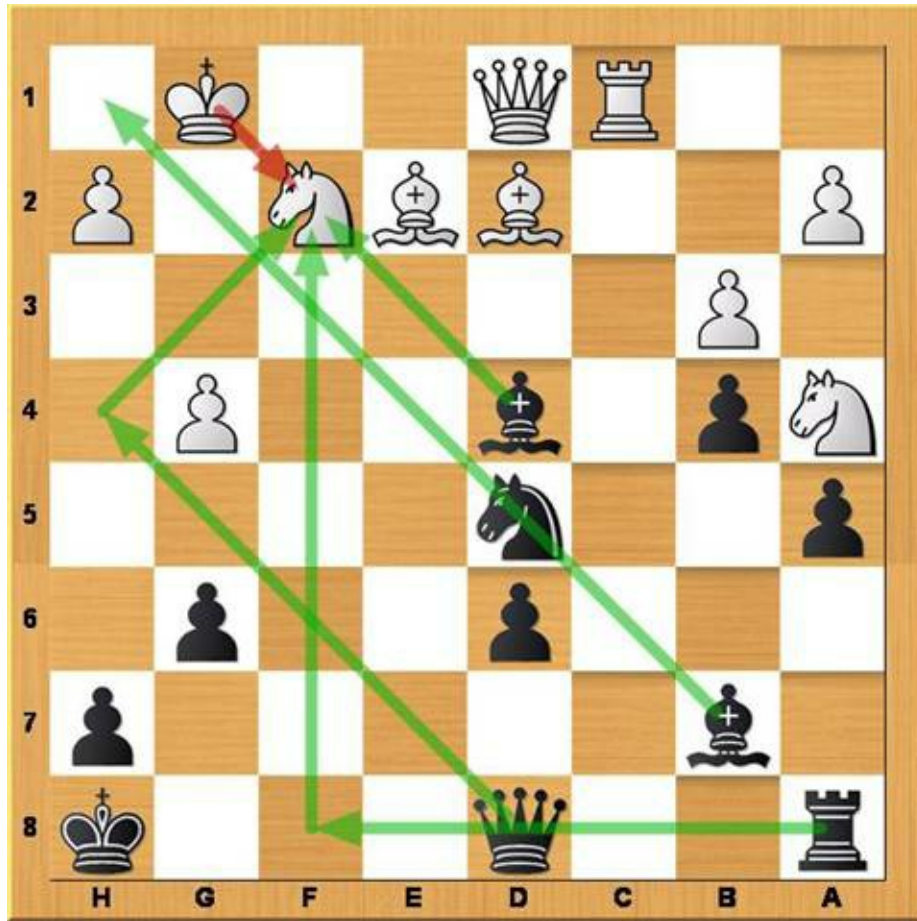
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Analysis and Comments



We want to clarify that even if we do not want to put as many games against Aronian in this book, because he is the number two, it takes more relevance and interest when facing the No.2 player in the world **20...Nexd5** even though was a chess blind game, paradoxically the engines fail to see the power of Carlsen's sacrifice against one of its distinguished customers **21.cxd5 Nxd5 22.Kg1 e4 23.Nxe4 Bd4+ 24.Rf2 Rxf2 25.Nxf2.**

Sub-Variante



If instead of covering the check with rook covers it with the knight's position is complicated too because many threats arise, due the Queen would put pressure on the f-file and the tactics would open many possibilities



25...Qh4 26.Qe1 Rf8 27.Bf3 Rxf3 28.Qe4 Qxf2+ 0-1 here the White resign because they see the inevitably way that leads to checkmate **29.Kh1 e3 30.Rc8+ Rf8 31.Rxf8+ Qxf8 32.h4 Bxe4+ 33.Kh2 Nxg4+ 34.Kg3 Qf4#**

GAME No. 8

Nice game to analyze, a great way to win a pawn and make it to a beautiful tactical position

Carlsen,M 2813 vs Svidler,P 2750

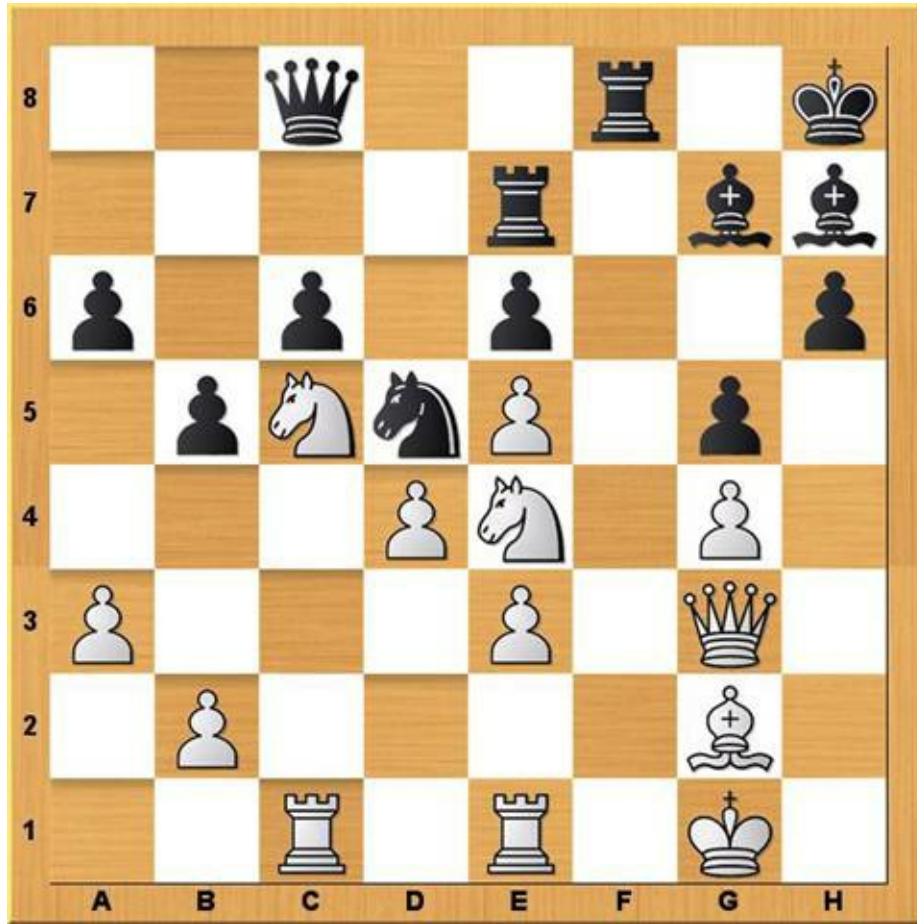
19th Amber Rapid Nice FRA

ECO "D97" 1 – 0 2010.03.15

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10.Qd5 Nb6 11.Qe4 Bf5 12.Qh4 f6 13.g4 Be6 14.Bg2 Nc6 15.O-O Kh8 16.Rad1 Nd5 17.Ne4
Bg8 18.Nc5 Ncb4 19.a3 Nxe3 20.fxe3 Nd5 21.Rfe1 c6 22.Nd3 g5 23.Qg3 h6 24.h4 Bh7
25.hxg5 fxg5 26.Nc5 Qc8 27.Rc1 e6 28.Nd2 Ra7 29.Nde4 Re7



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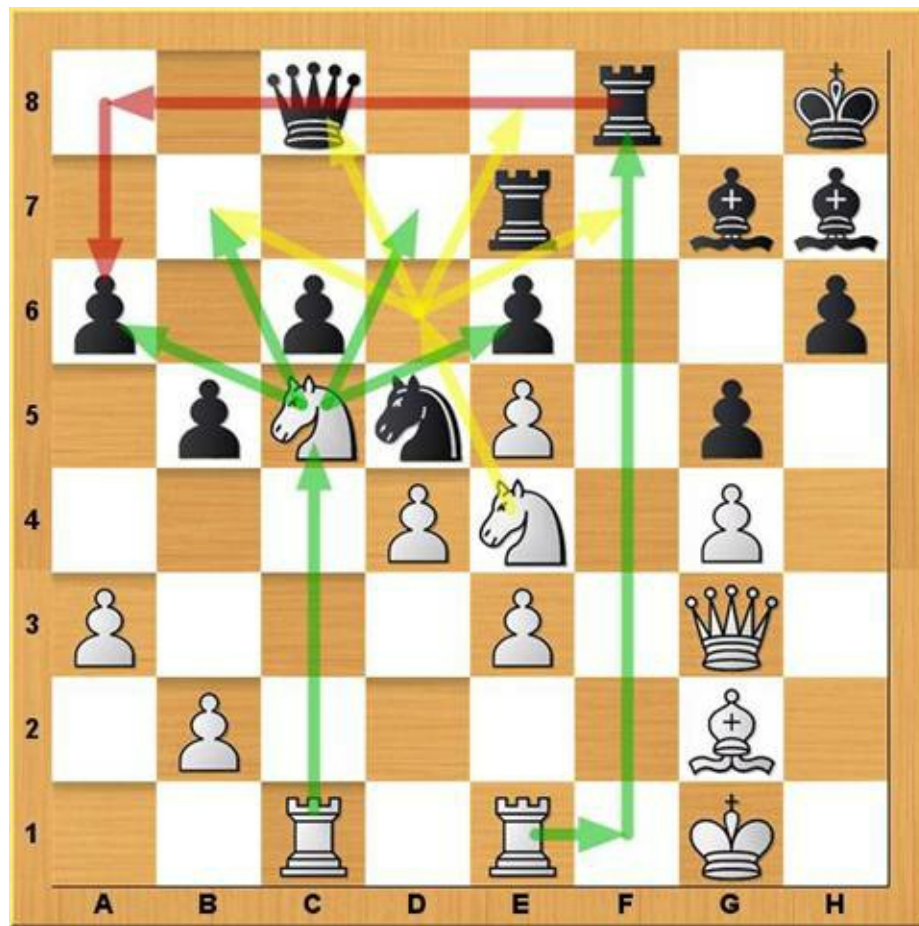
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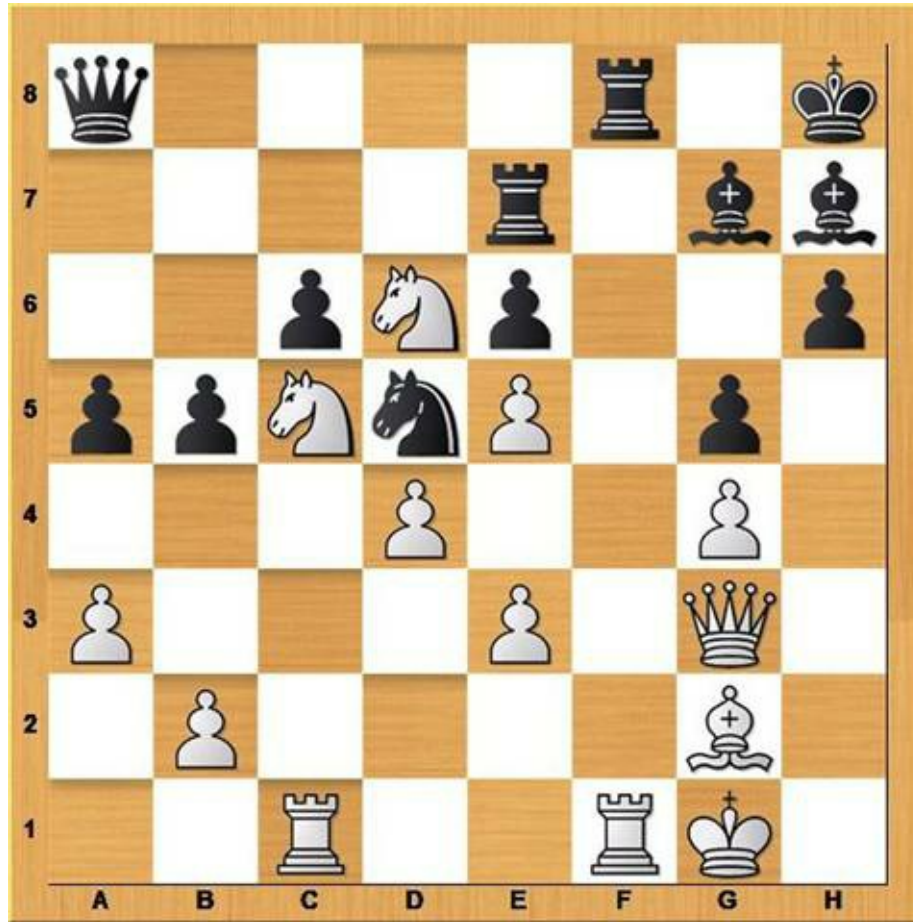
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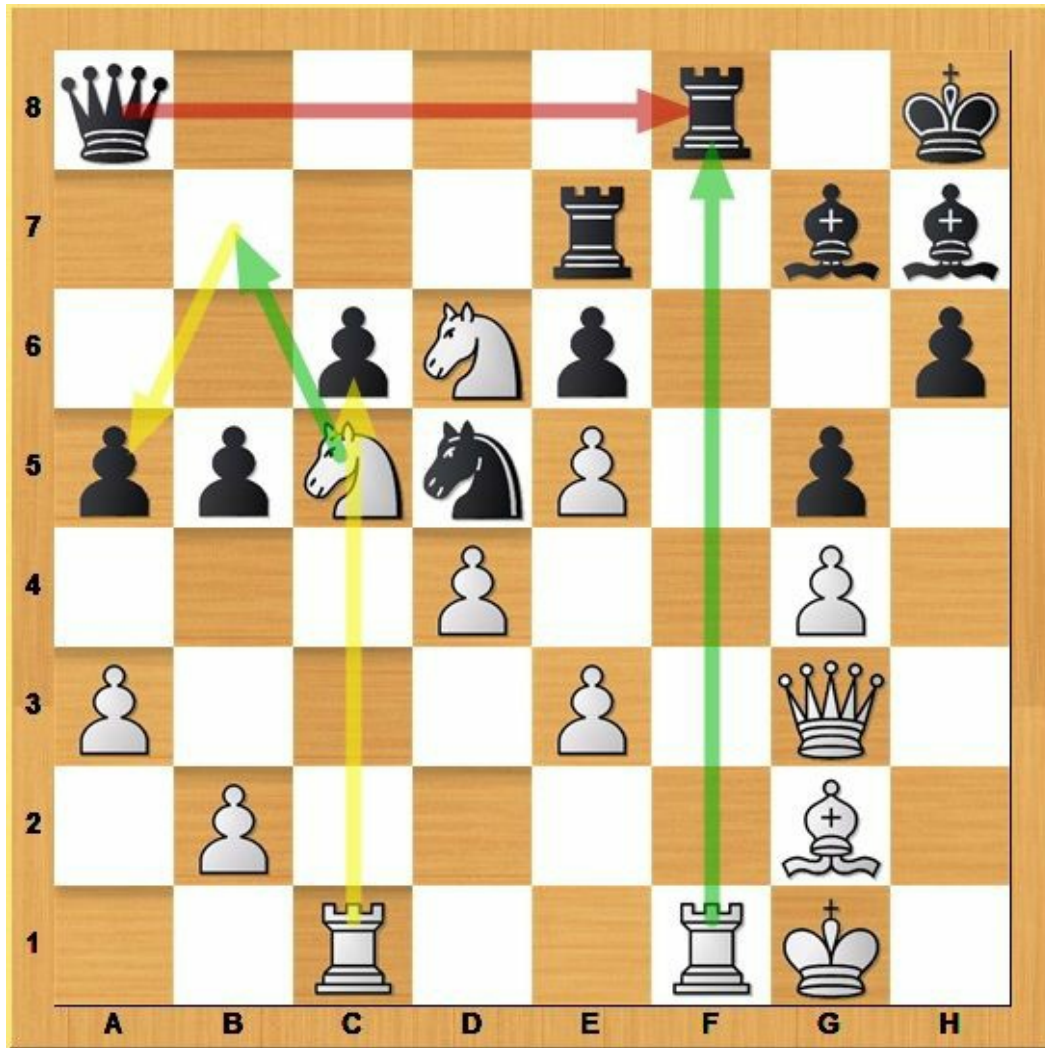


30.Nd6 Qa8 31.Rf1 a5





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Svidler keep clinging their material, but Carlsen achieve position their two knights in the center and open a huge range of tactics possibilities making it impossible for the defense



30.Nd6 Qa8 31.Rf1 a5 32.Rxf8+ Qxf8 33.Ncb7 Qa8 34.Rxc6. Black resigns because of the threat of losing the Queen (with 35.Rc8+ while the Queen is threatened) or the whole position and although the position is not lost we know that Svidler does not like to continue a game with a minimum material disadvantage.

GAME No. 9

Extraordinary Carlsen's game, where some engines fail to appreciate the white attack

Carlsen,M 2814 vs Wang Hao 2731

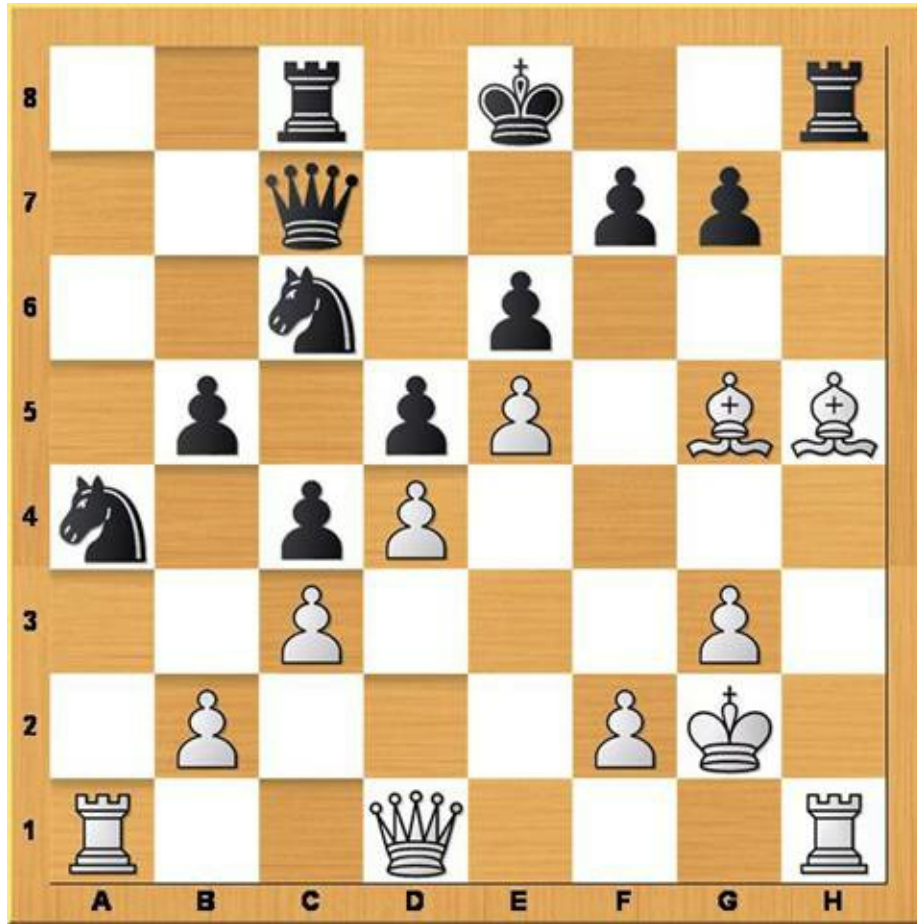
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10.Nxg6 hxg6 11.Nf3 Rc8 12.O-O a6 13.g3 Be7 14.h4 b5 15.a4 Qb6 16.axb5 axb5 17.Kg2 c4
18.Ng5 Qd8 19.Bg4 Bxg5 20.Bxg5 Qc7 21.Rh1 Nb6 22.h5 gxh5 23.Bxh5 Na4



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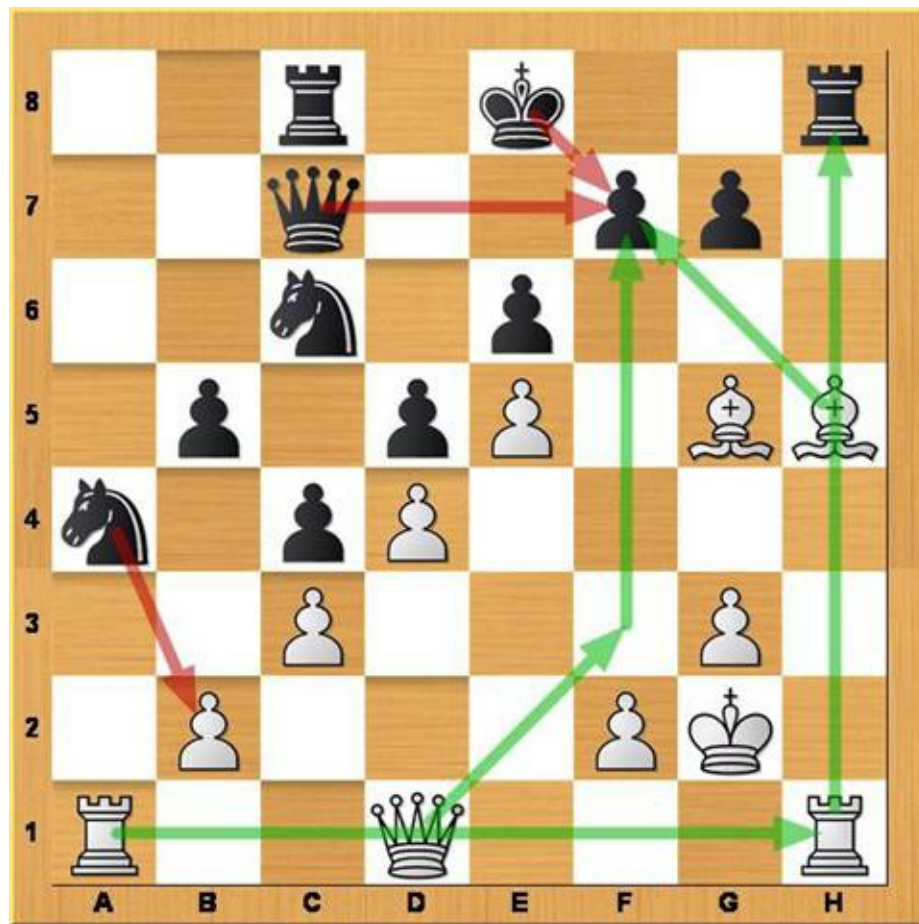
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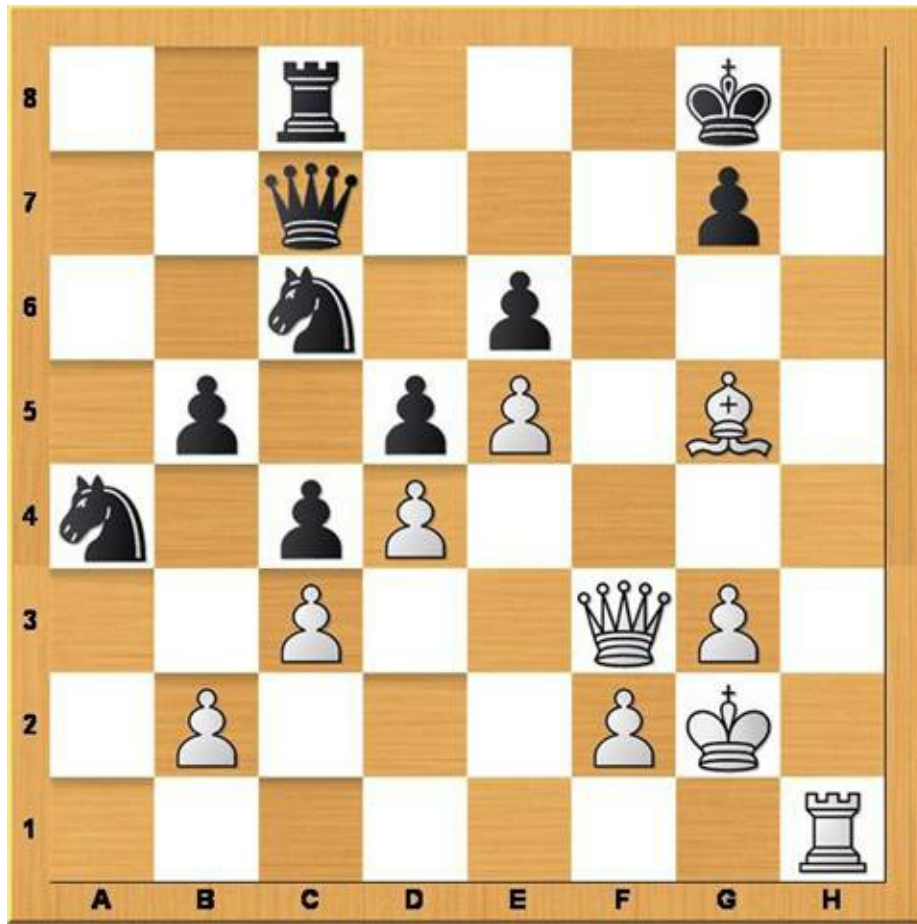
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24.Bxf7+ Kxf7 25.Qf3+ Kg8 26.Rxh8+ Kxh8 27.Rh1+ Kg8



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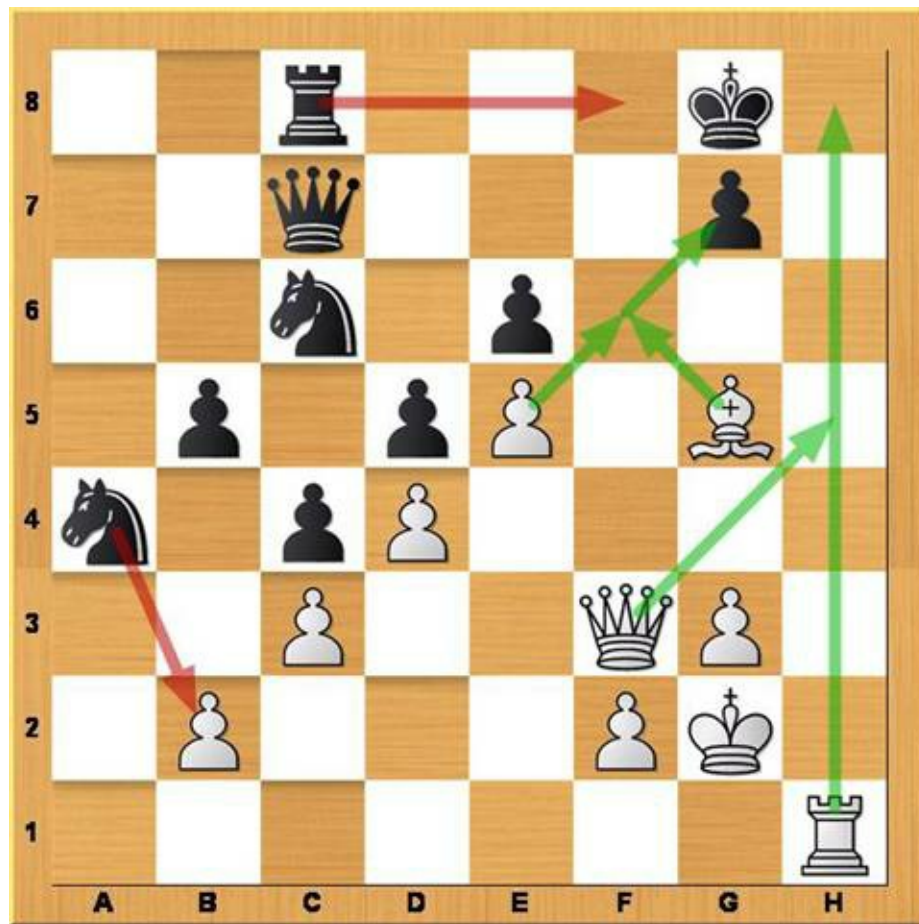
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23...Na4 Threatens the b2 pawn, which turns out to be irrelevant in the position, leaving the knight totally as a piece offside in the game **24.Bxf7+** brilliant move, engines even are slow to see the force of the attack **Kxf7 25.Qf3+ Kg8 26.Rxh8+ Kxh8 27.Rh1+ Kg8**



28.Qh5 Rf8 29.Bf6 1-0 Here the Black resign because mathematically has no way to defend the checkmate. **29...gxf6 30.exf6 Rxf6 31.Qh8+ Kf7 32.Rh7+ Kg6 33.Qg8+ Kf5 34.Rh5+ Ke4 35.Qg4+ Kd3 36.Qd1+ Ke4 37.Qe2#**

Sub - variant



In case of the natural 24....Qxf7, would follow:

24....Qxf7 25. Rxh8 Kd7 26. Rxc8 Kxc8 27. Qc2 Qh5 28. Be3 winning the quality, pawn and a best activity in the pieces.

GAME No. 10

Carlsen,M 2815 vs Nisipeanu,LD 2659

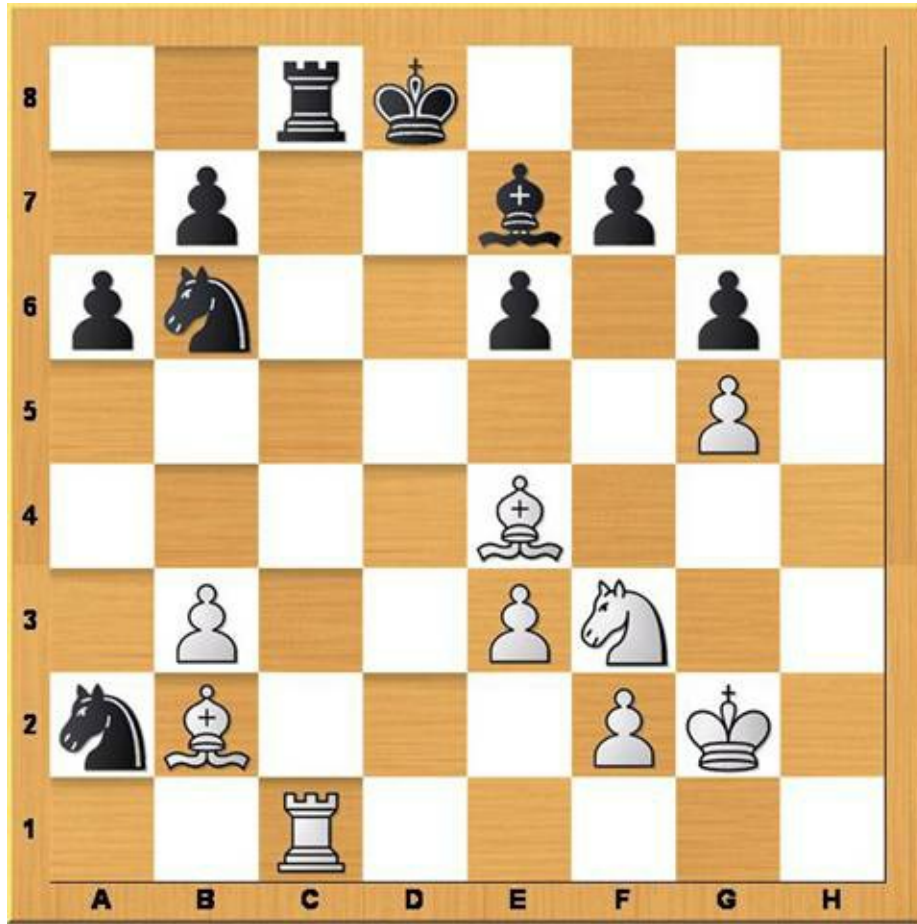
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ECO "D27" 1 – 0 2011.06.15

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Ke7 10.Nbd2 Bd7 11.Nb3 Bd6 12.Na5 Ra7 13.Nc4 Bb5 14.b3 Rd8 15.Bb2 Bxc4 16.Bxc4 Nc6
17.Rfd1 Raa8 18.h3 g6 19.g4 h6 20.Bf1 Rac8 21.Rac1 Nd5 22.h4 Ke8 23.g5 hxg5 24.hxg5
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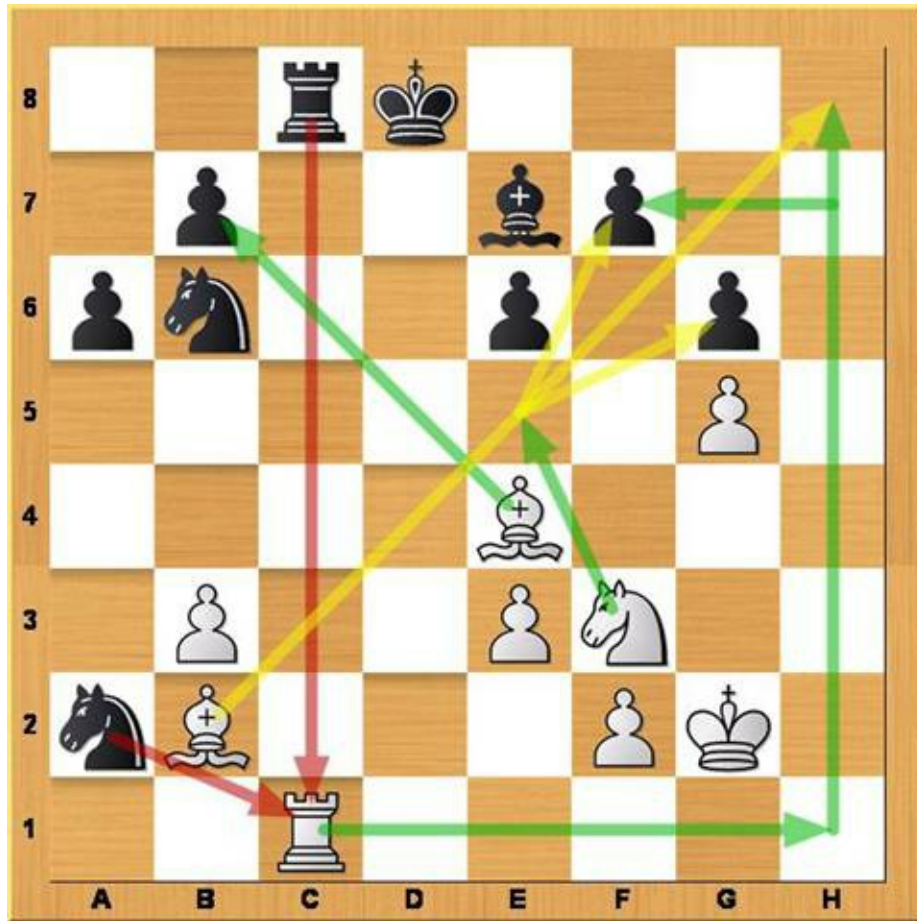
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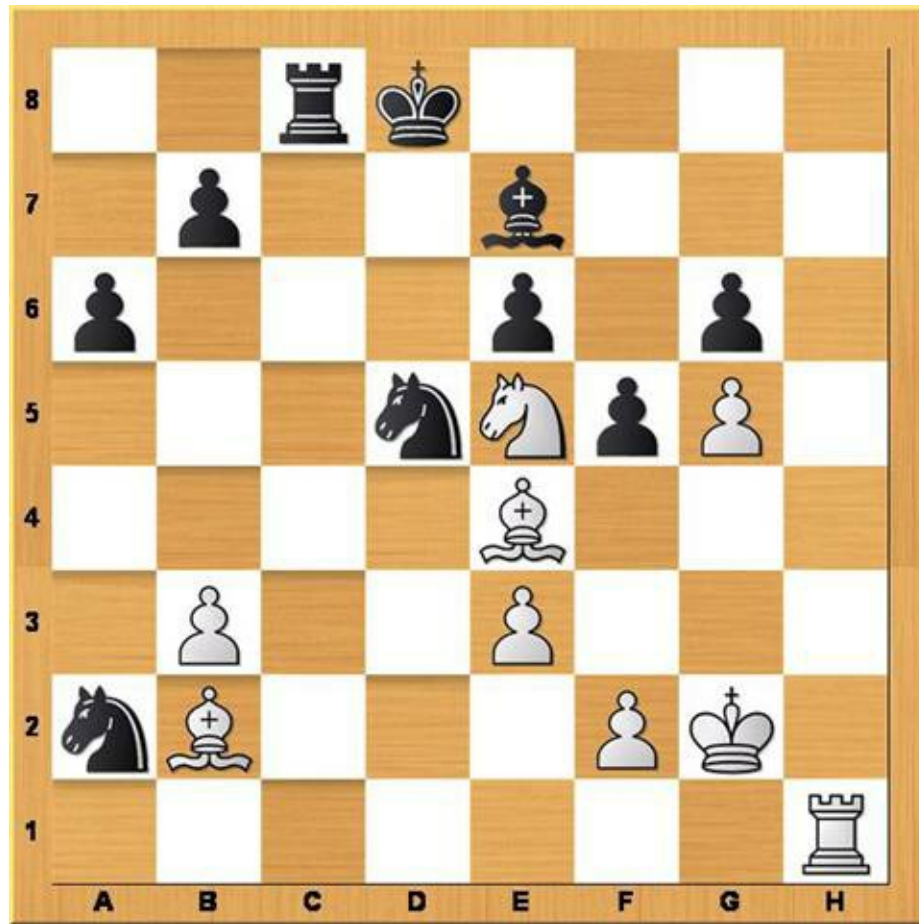
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29.Rh1 Nd5 30.Ne5 f5



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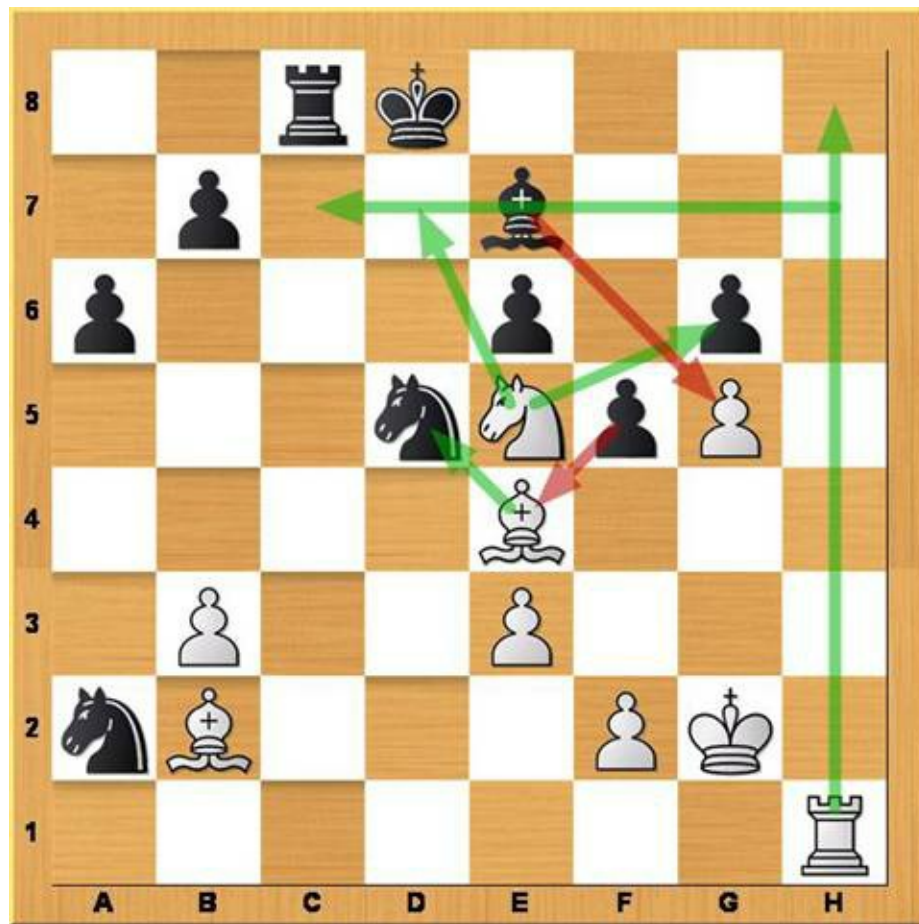
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Analysis and Comments



A position where White has the bishop pair and apparently the black knight from a2 is offside



29. Rh1 interesting movement because although **29.Rd1+** Carlsen wins a pawn decides to exploit the weaknesses of the position that lead to the rapid conclusion of the game **29...Nd5 30.Ne5 f5 31.Bxd5 1-0** Here Black resigns.

31...exd5 32.Rh8+ Kc7 33.Rh7 Rh8 34.Nxeg6 Kd7 35.Nxe7 Rxe7 36.g6 Nb4 37.g7 Rxg7 38.Rxg7 Kc6 Winning the rook and the game

Sub - Variant



Si 29...Nd7 30.Rh8+ Kc7 31.Rh7 Rf8 32.Bxg6 Bxg5 33.Bb1 Rg8 34.Rg7 Rxg7 35.Bxg7 Bxg3
36.fxe3 Winning piece



GAME No. 11

Fantastic blind game from Magnus Carlsen

Carlsen,M 2815 vs Gashimov,V 2746

20th Amber Blindfold Monaco MNC

ECO "D11" 1 – 0 2011.03.13

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 c6 3.d4 d5 4.e3 g6 5.Nbd2 Bg7 6.Bd3 O-O 7.O-O Na6 8.Qe2 Nc7 9.b3 c5
10.Bb2 cxd4 11.Bxd4 Ne6 12.Bb2 Nc5 13.Bc2 b6 14.Rfd1 Ba6 15.b4 Ncd7 16.Bd3 Bb7
17.Rac1 Rc8 18.Nb3 e6 19.c5 bxc5 20.bxc5 Nb8 21.Nfd4 Nc6 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.Ba6 Ra8
24.Be5 Ne4 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.f3 Nf6 27.Nd4 Qc7 28.Bb5 Bxb5 29.Nxb5 Qe7 30.e4 Rfd8
31.Nd6 Ne8



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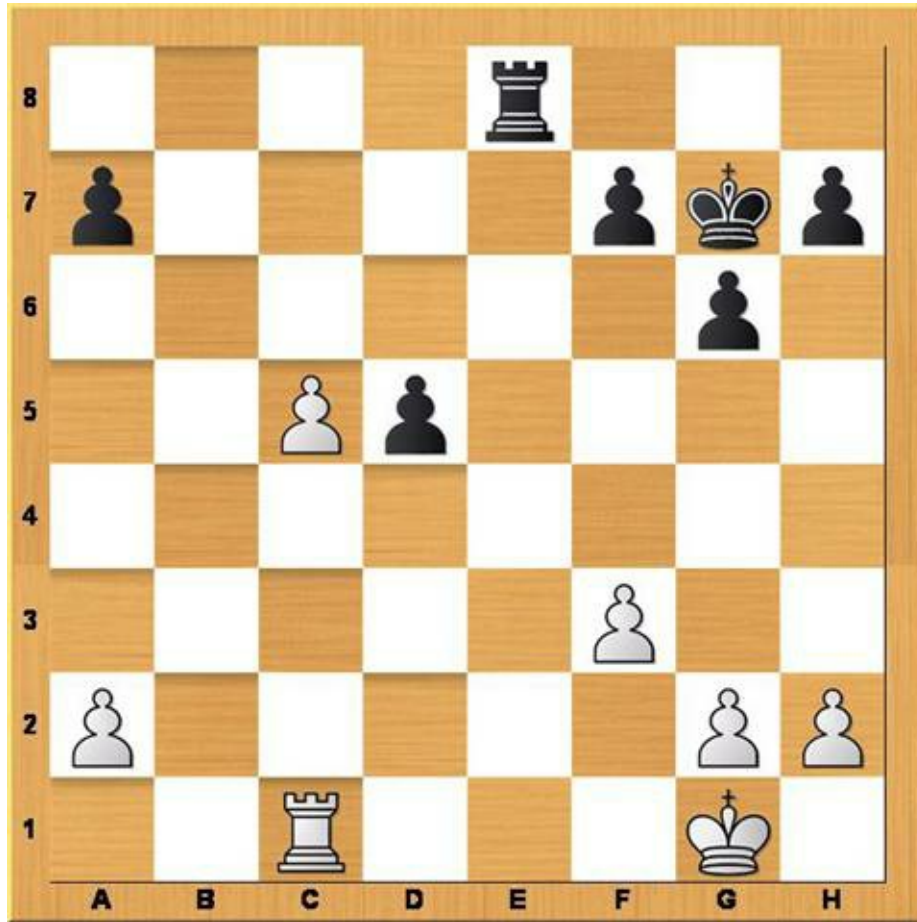
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32.Nxe8+ Qxe8 33.exd5 Rxd5 34.Rxd5 exd5 35.Qxe8 Rxe8



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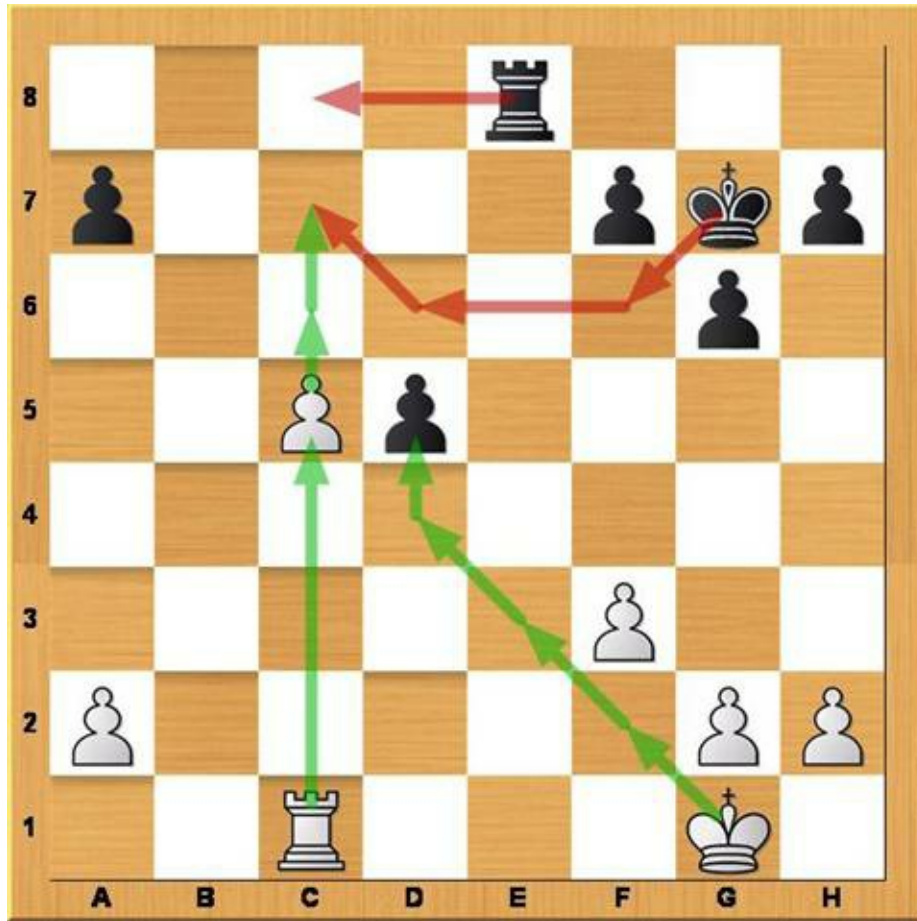
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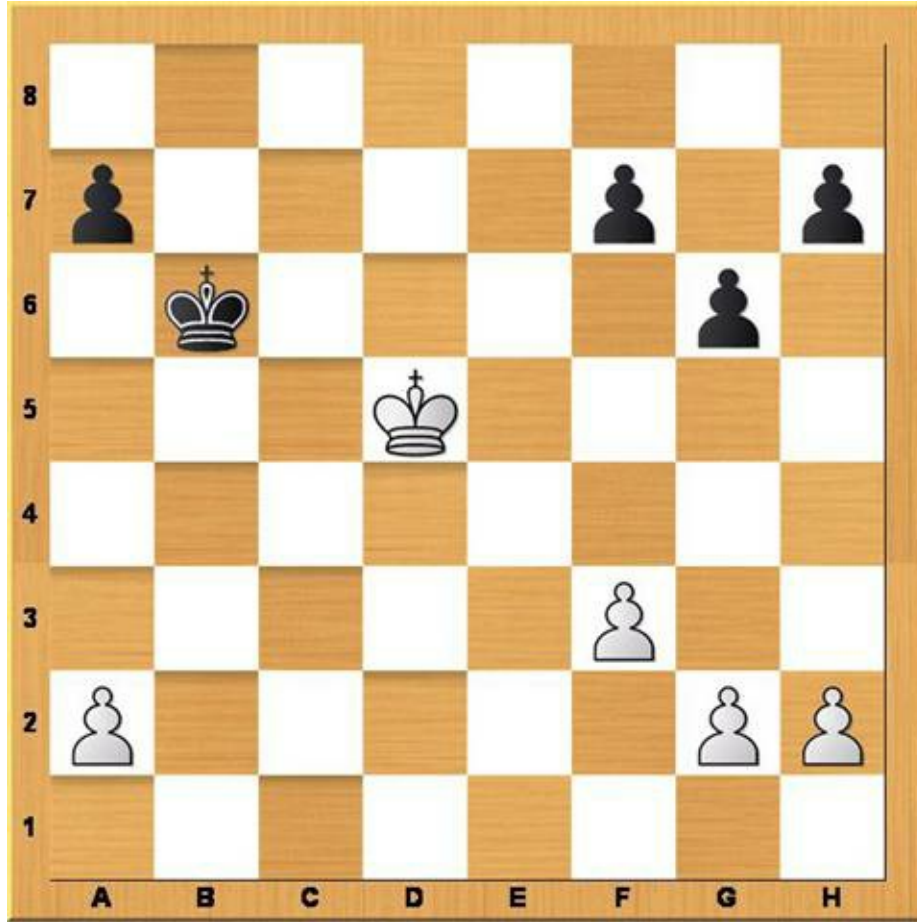
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36.c6 Kf6 37.c7 Rc8 38.Kf2 Ke5 39.Ke3 Kd6 40.Kd4 Rxc7 41.Rxc7 Kxc7 42.Kxd5 Kb6



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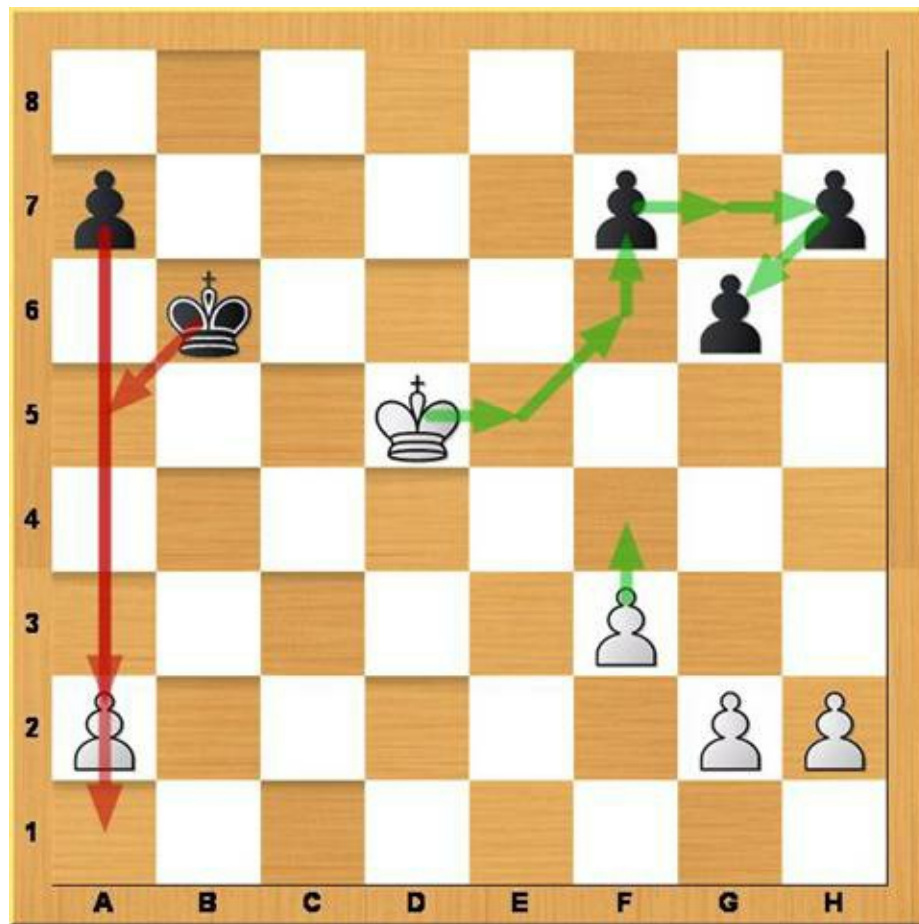
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32.Nxe8+

[32.exd5 does not work because 32...Nxd6 33.cxd6 Rxd6 dxe6 equalizing.]



32...Qxe8 33.exd5 Rxd5 34.Rxd5 exd5 35.Qxe8 Rxe8 This sequence appears like a draw, however Carlsen calculated beyond and discover that the resulting position really is a winning endgame for White



36.c6 Kf6 37.c7 Rc8 38.Kf2 Ke5 39.Ke3 Kd6 40.Kd4 Rxc7 41.Rxc7 Kxc7 42.Kxd5 Kb6 43.Ke5 Kb5 44.Kf6 Kb4 45.f4 Ka3 46.Kxf7 Kxa2 47.g4

[47.Kg7 a5 48.Kxh7 a4 49.Kxg6 a3 50.f5 Kb3 51.f6 a2 52.f7 a1Q 53.f8Q Qd4 54.Qf3+ Kb4 55.g4 with enough material to win]

I recommend that you follow this endgame, step by step as it is highly instructive 47...a5 48.f5 gxf5 49.gxf5 a4 50.f6 a3 51.Kg8 Kb3 52.f7 a2 53.f8Q a1Q 54.Qf3+ Kc4 55.Qf4+ Kd5 56.Kxh7 Qa7+ 57.Kg6 Qa6+ 58.Qf6 Qe2 59.h4 Kc5 60.h5 Qe8+ 61.Kh6 Kd5 62.Kg5 Qg8+ 63.Kf4 Qb8+ 64.Kg4 Qb4+ 65.Kg5 Qd2+ 66.Kg6 Kc4 67.h6 Qg2+ 68.Kf7 Qb7+ 69.Kg8 Qb8+ 70.Qf8 Qg3+ 71.Kh8 Qe5+ 72.Qg7 Qe4 73.h7 Kd3 74.Qd7+ Ke2 75.Kg8 Qg6+ 76.Kf8 Qh6+ 77.Qg7 Qf4+ 78.Qf7 Qh6+ 79.Ke7 Qh4+ 80.Ke8 Qa4+ 81.Kf8 Qd4 82.Qh5+ Kf2 83.h8Q Qd6+ 84.Kf7 Qd7+ 85.Kg6 1-0

Sub - Variant



42...Kd7 43.h4 h5 (43...h6 44.f4 f6 45.g4 h5 46.gxh5 gxh5 47.f5 a6 48.a3 a5 49.a4 Kc7 50.Ke6 Winning) 44.a4 Kc7 45.f4 Kb6 46.Ke5 Ka5 47.Kf6 Kxa4 48.Kxf7 a5 49.Kxg6 Kb3 50.f5 a4 51.f6 a3 52.f7 a2 53.f8Q a1Q 57 54.Kxh5 With decisive advantage.

GAME No. 12

Carlsen,M 2815 vs Grischuk,A 2747

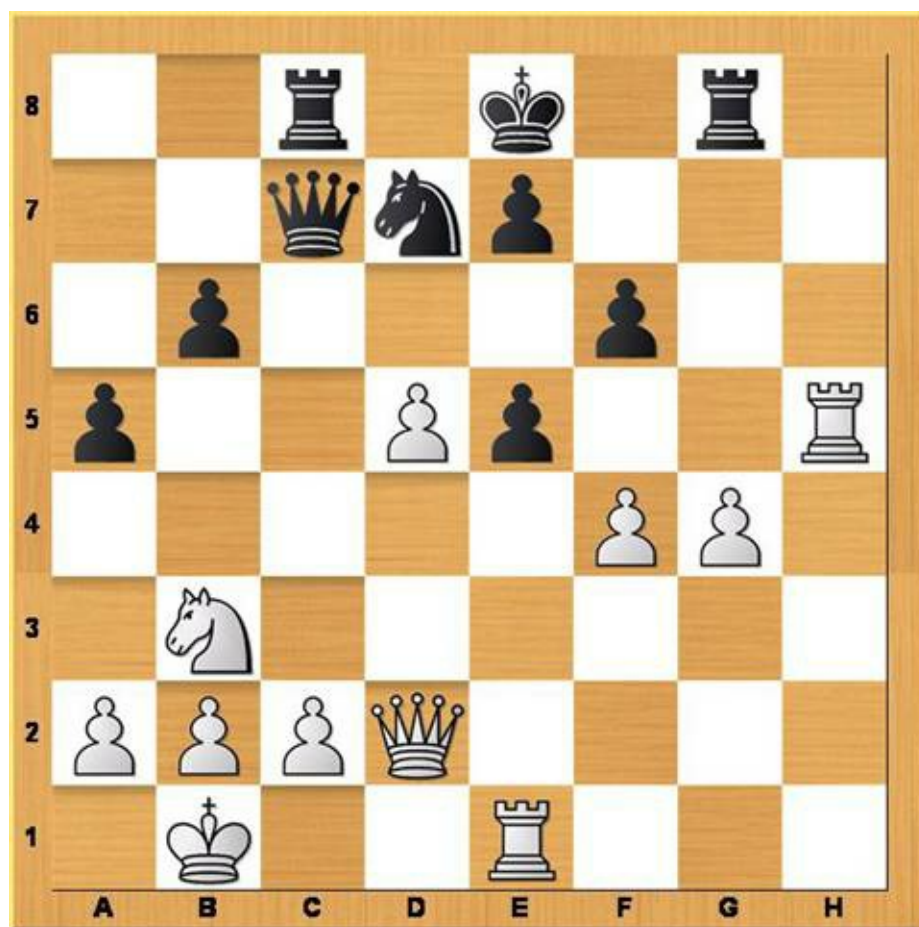
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ECO "B90" 1 – 0 2011.03.23

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10.Qd2 Nc6 11.Nb3 Be6 12.h4 gxh4 13.Bxh4 Qb6 14.O-O-O Rc8 15.Kb1 h5 16.Nd5 Bxd5
17.exd5 Nce5 18.Re1 Ng6 19.f3 Bh6 20.Qe2 N4e5 21.Bf2 Qc7 22.Qe4 Bg7 23.Bd4 Bf6
24.Be2 Nd7 25.Bd3 Be5 26.Qf5 Nf4 27.Bxe5 dxe5 28.g3 Nxd3 29.Qxd3 Qc4 30.Qd2 b6
31.Rh4 Qc7 32.f4 f6 33.g4 a5 34.Rxh5 Rg8



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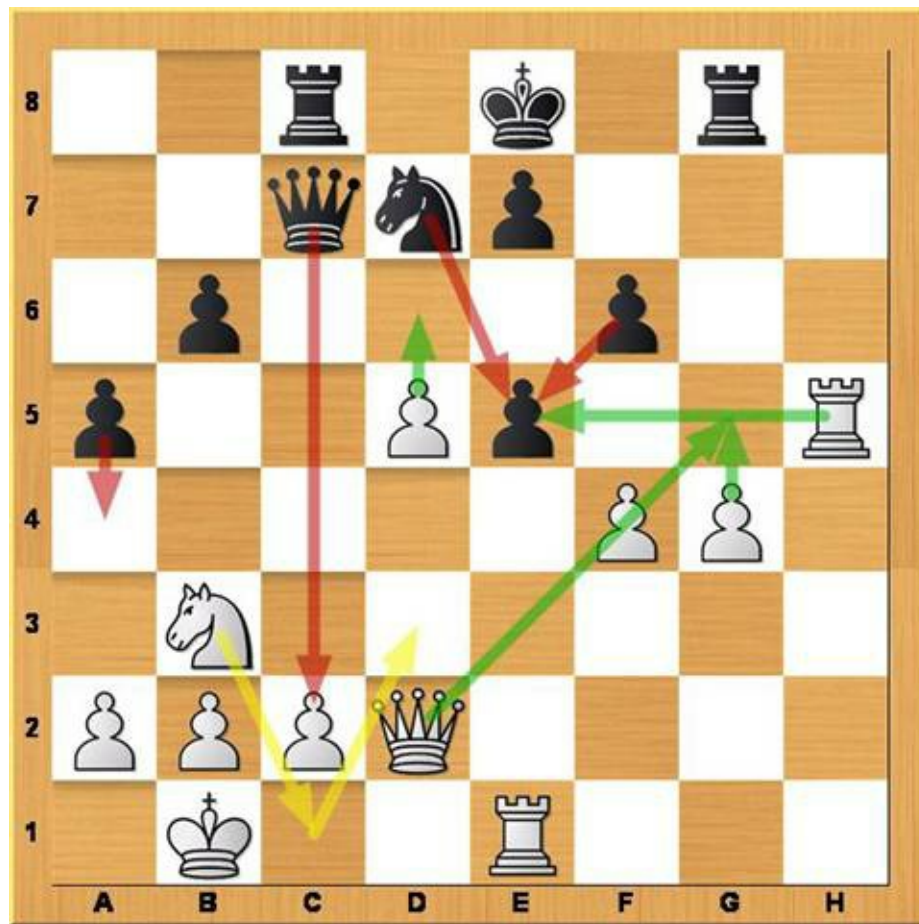
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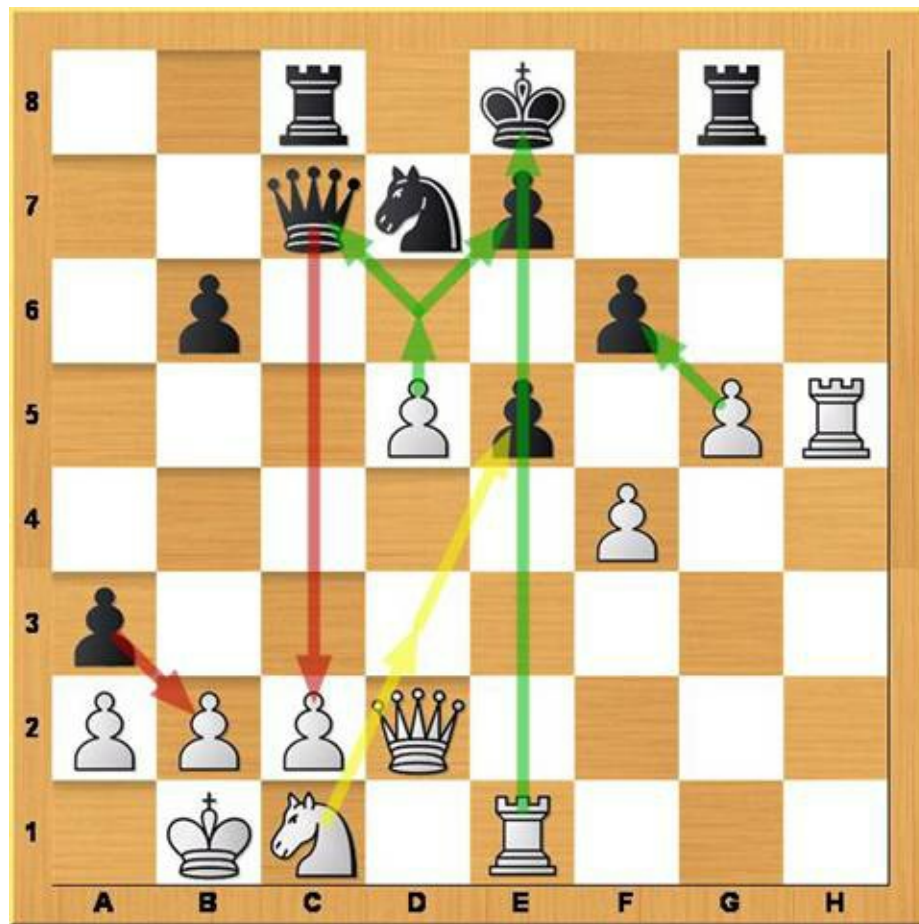


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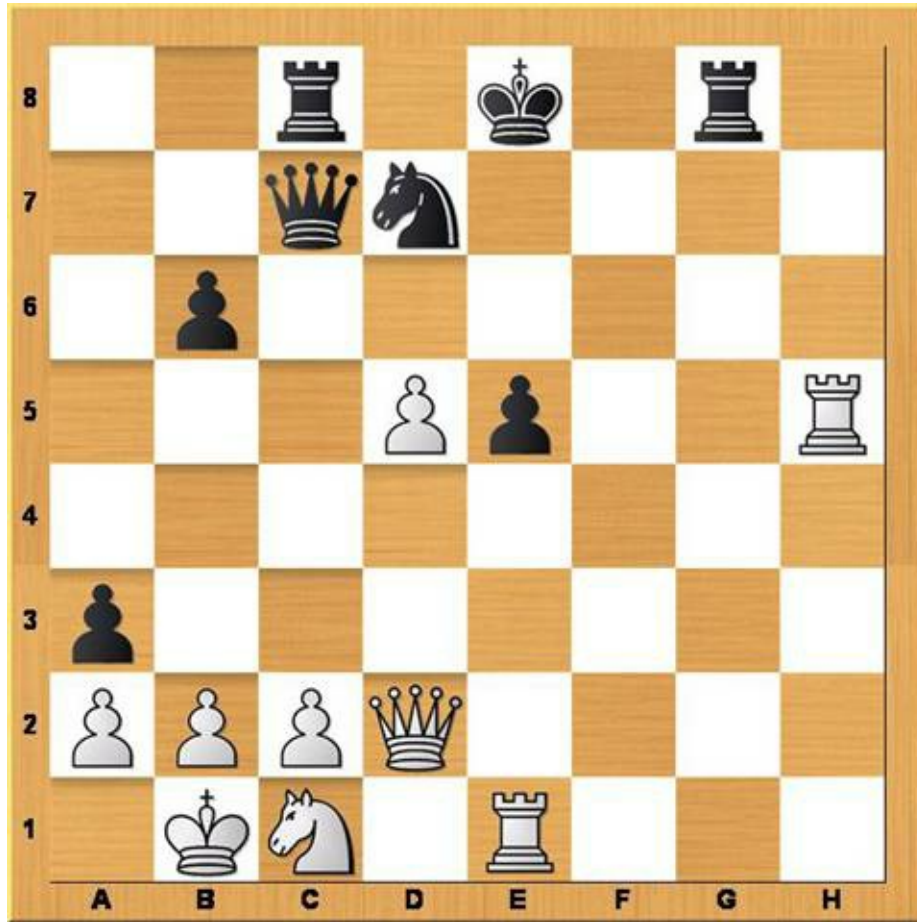
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37.gxf6 exf6 38.fxe5 fxe5



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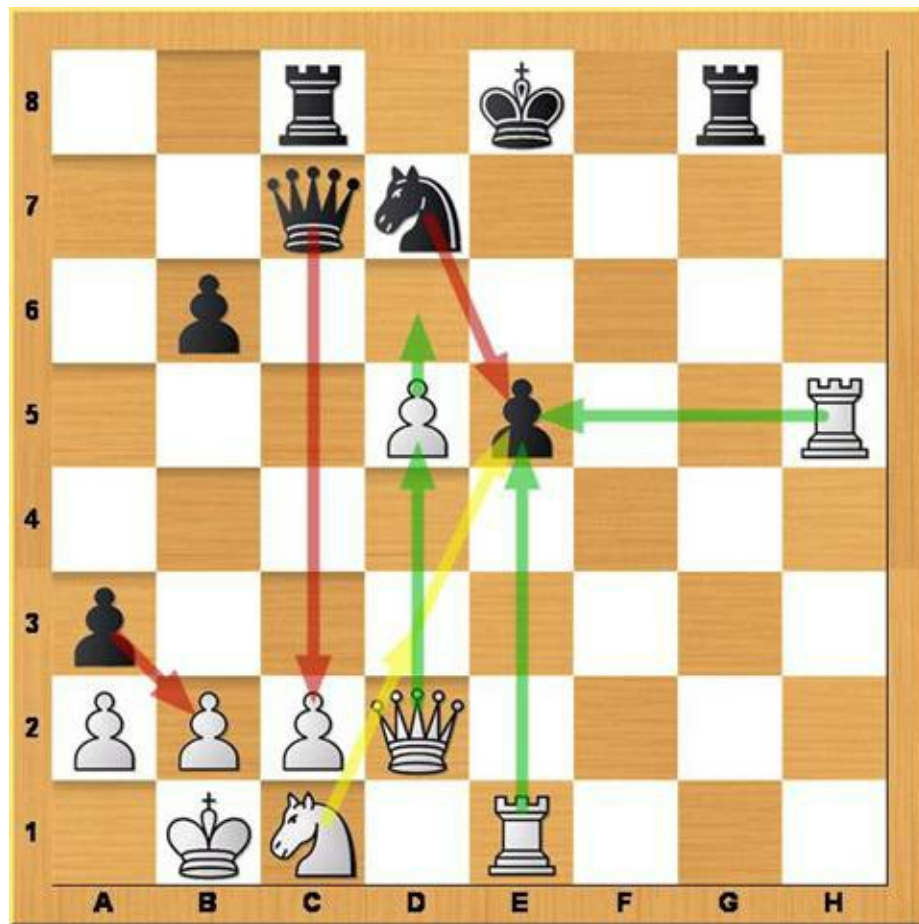
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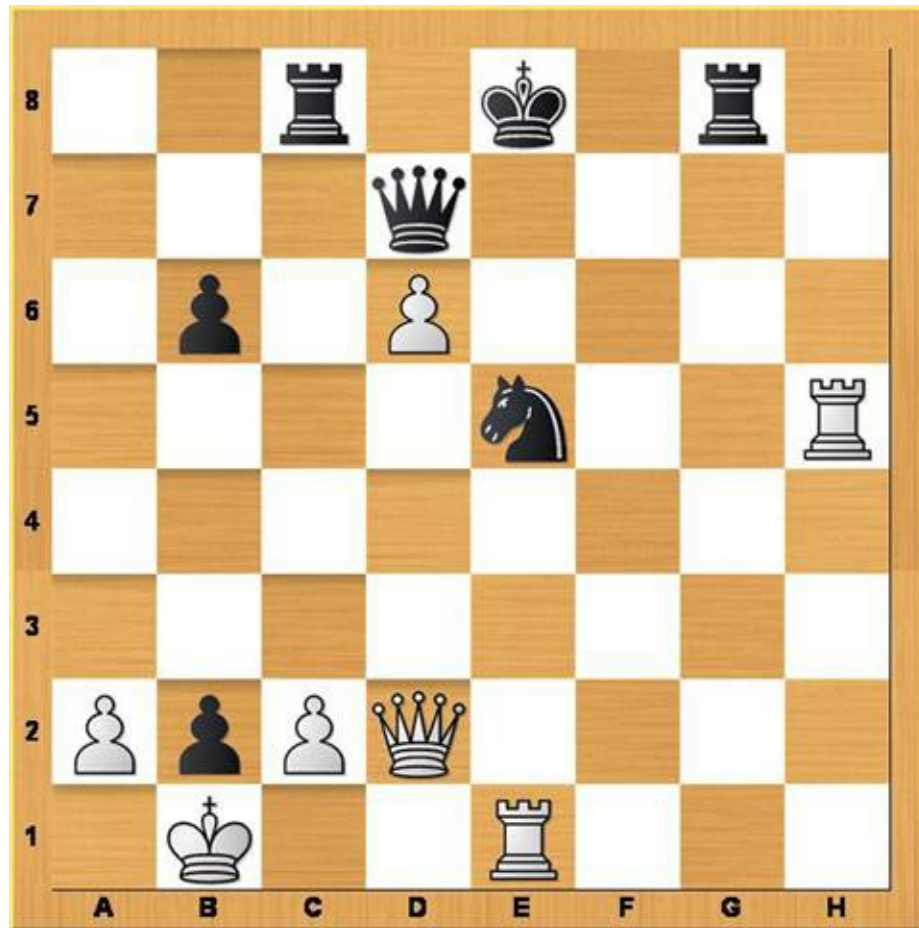
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39.Nd3 axb2 40.Nxe5 Nxe5 41.d6 Qd7



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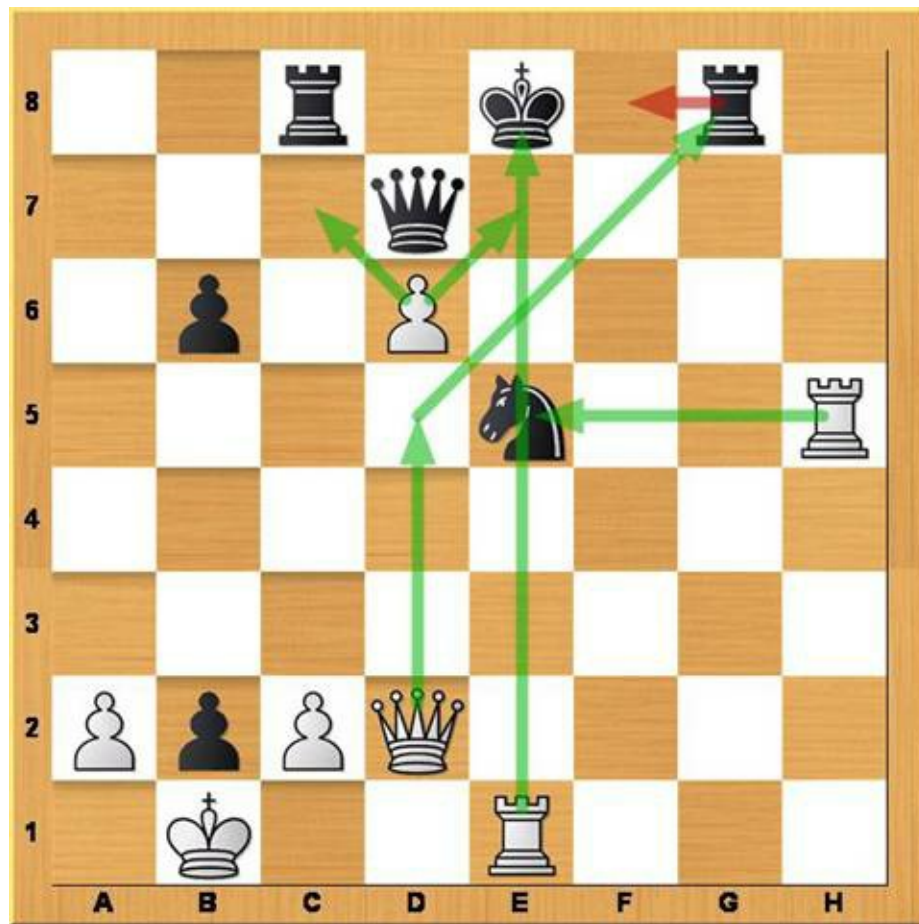
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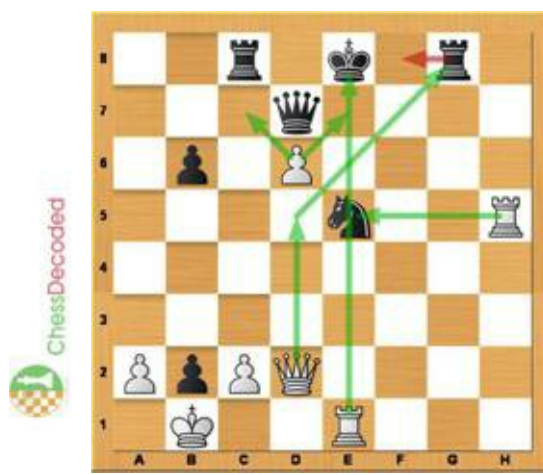
The white deploy an active game of his pieces, creating combinations against one of the best defensive players in the elite chess



35.g5 a4 36. Nc1 a3 Try generating counter play in the Queen side but Carlsen ignores this and focuses on aligning their pieces for the final attack



37.gxf6 exf6 38.fxe5 fxe5 Carlsen at the Capablanca's style makes the difficult things seem easy and Grischuk gradually without know how, he arrive to a disastrous position with his King in the center while Carlsen with all pieces, he facing the head of the enemy King



39.Nd3 axb2 40.Nxe5 Nxe5 41.d6 leaving the black in a totally defensive position but not enough to stop the onslaught of the enemy pieces

[41.Rxh5+ Kd8 42.Qf2 Nxc2 43.Qxc2 Rxc2 44.Kxc2 Winning material.]

41...Qd7 42.Qd5 Kf8

[42...Rf8 43.Qxe5+ Kf7 44.Rf1+ Qf5 45.Rxf5+ Kg6 46.Qg3#]

43.Qxe5 Rc5 44.Rf1+ 1-0 Here Black resign due the checkmate was inevitable.

44...Qf7 45.Qe7+ Kg7 46.Qf7#

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Carlsen,M 2815 vs Ivanchuk,V 2776

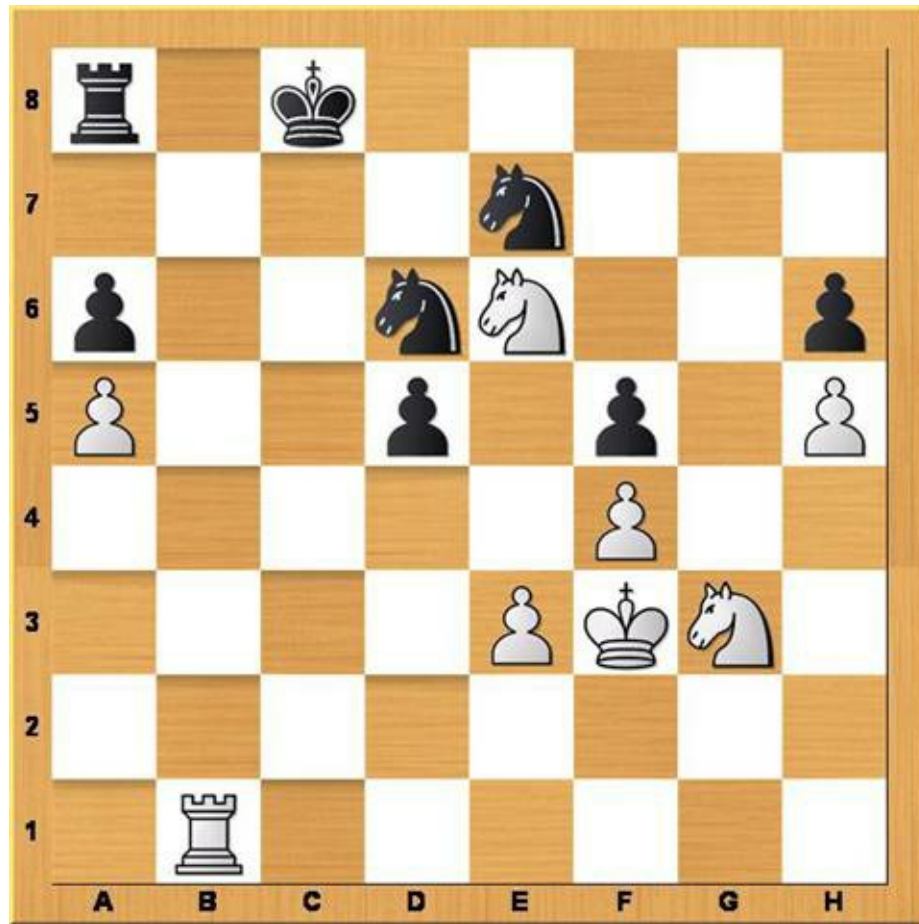
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10.e3 Bxc5 11.Rc1 Qe7 12.Be2 a6 13.Qd3 Nb6 14.O-O Bg4 15.Nd4 Bd7 16.Bf3 Rfe8 17.b3
Ba3 18.Rc2 Rac8 19.Nce2 Rxc2 20.Qxc2 Be6 21.Bc1 Rc8 22.Bxa3 Qxa3 23.Qd2 Bg4
24.Bxg4 Nxg4 25.Nf5 Nf6 26.h3 Kh7 27.Qd4 Nbd7 28.Qf4 Nf8 29.Neg3 Ng6 30.Qd4 Qc5 31.f3
Qxd4 32.Nxd4 Ne5 33.Rd1 g6 34.Kf2 Kg7 35.Nge2 Kf8 36.g4 Nc6 37.Rc1 Ke7 38.h4 Kd6
39.h5 Ne7 40.Rh1 gxh5 41.gxh5 Rg8 42.Ng3 Rg5 43.b4 Kd7 44.Rh4 Ne8 45.Rf4 Nd6 46.a4 b6
47.a5 bxa5 48.bxa5 f5 49.Rh4 Nc4 50.f4 Rg4 51.Rh3 Nd6 52.Rh1 Rg8 53.Rb1 Ra8 54.Kf3 Kc7
55.Ne6+ Kc8



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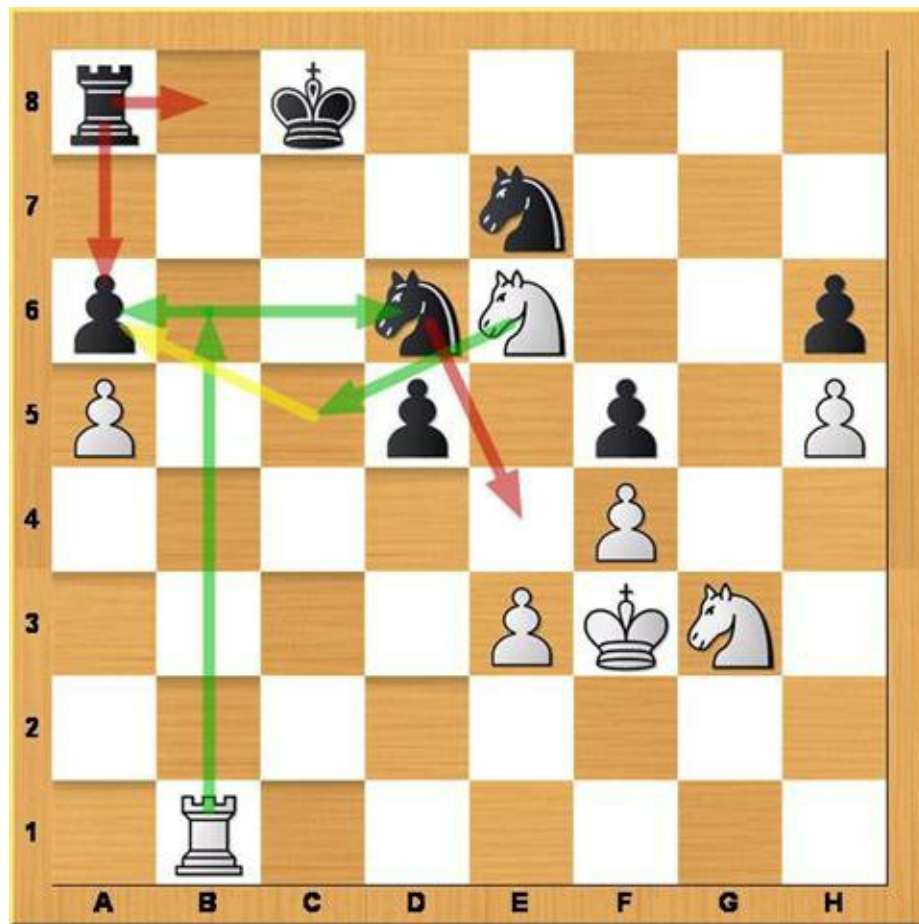
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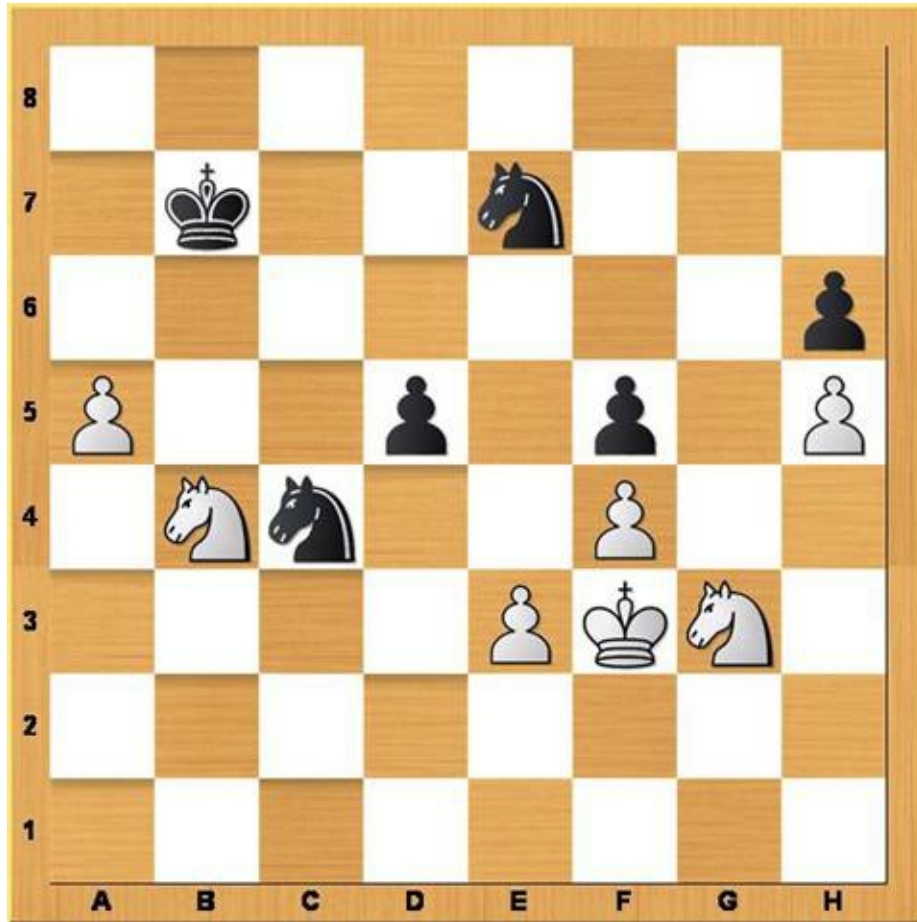
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56.Nc5 Rb8 57.Rxb8+ Kxb8 58.Nxa6+ Kb7 59.Nb4 Nc4



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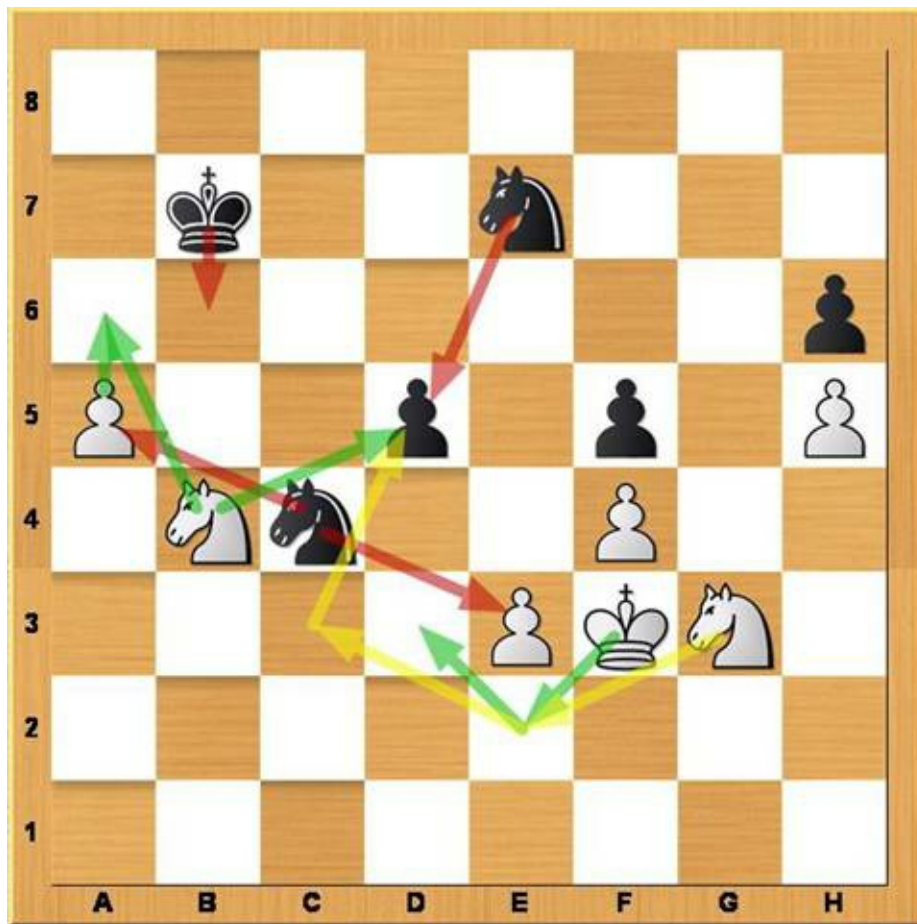
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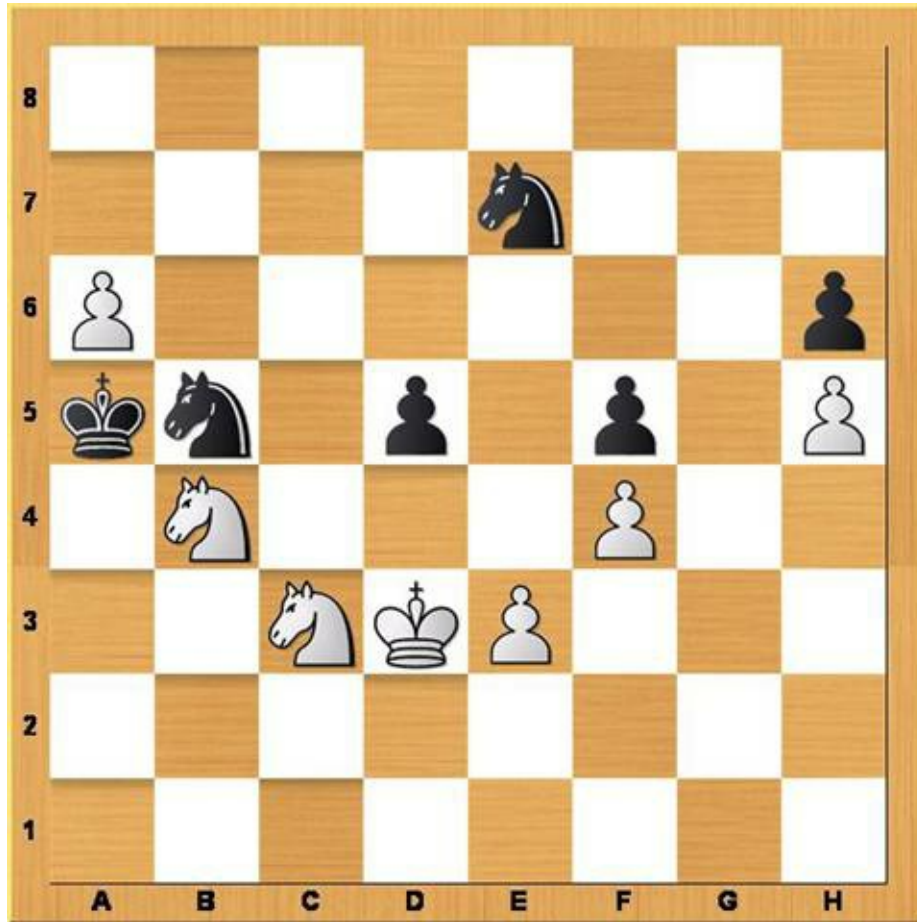
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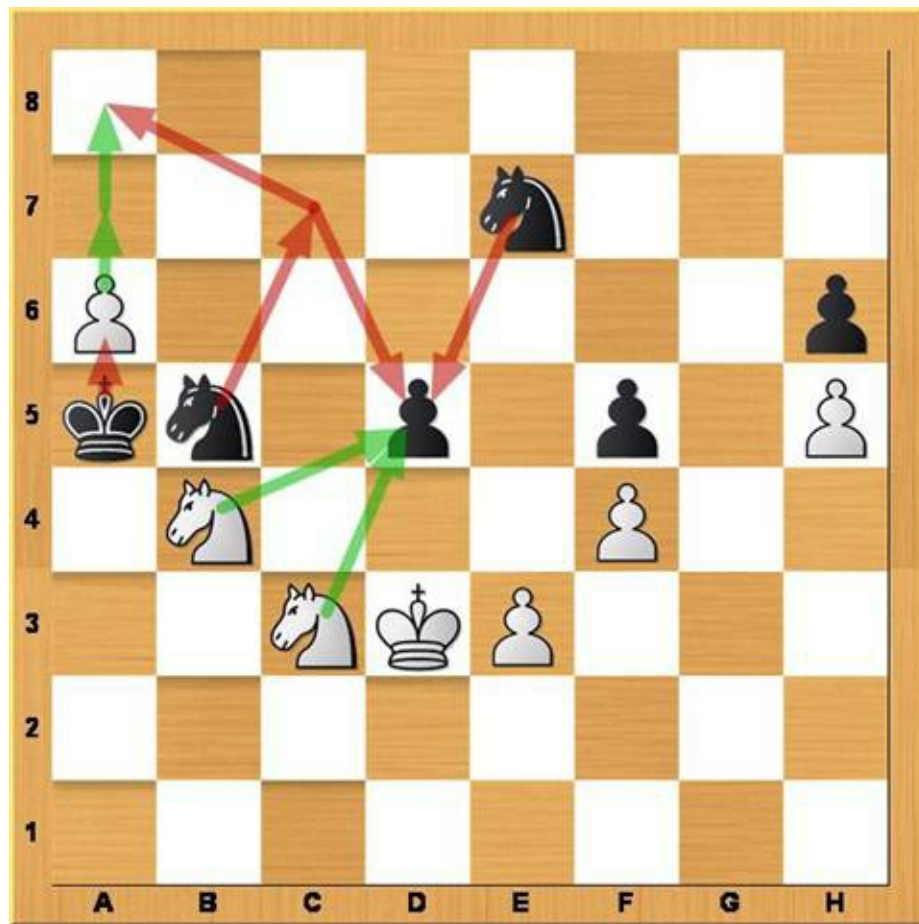


60.a6+ Kb6 61.Ke2 Nd6 62.Kd3 Nb5 63.Ne2 Ka5 64.Nc3





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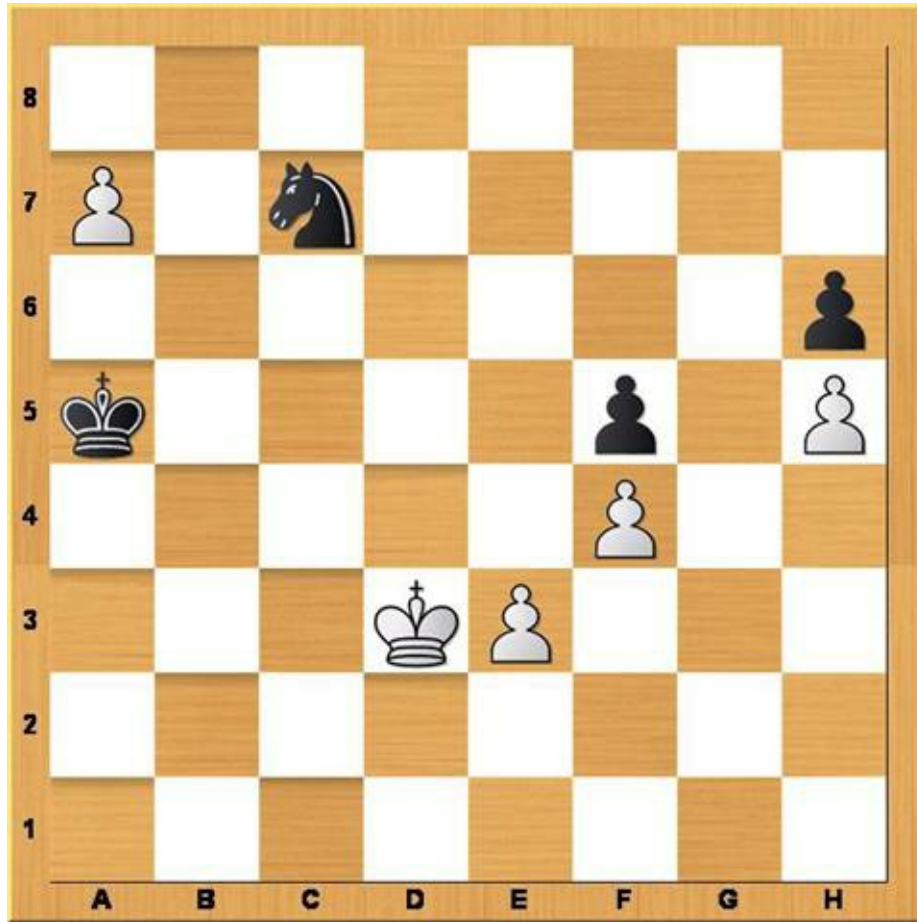
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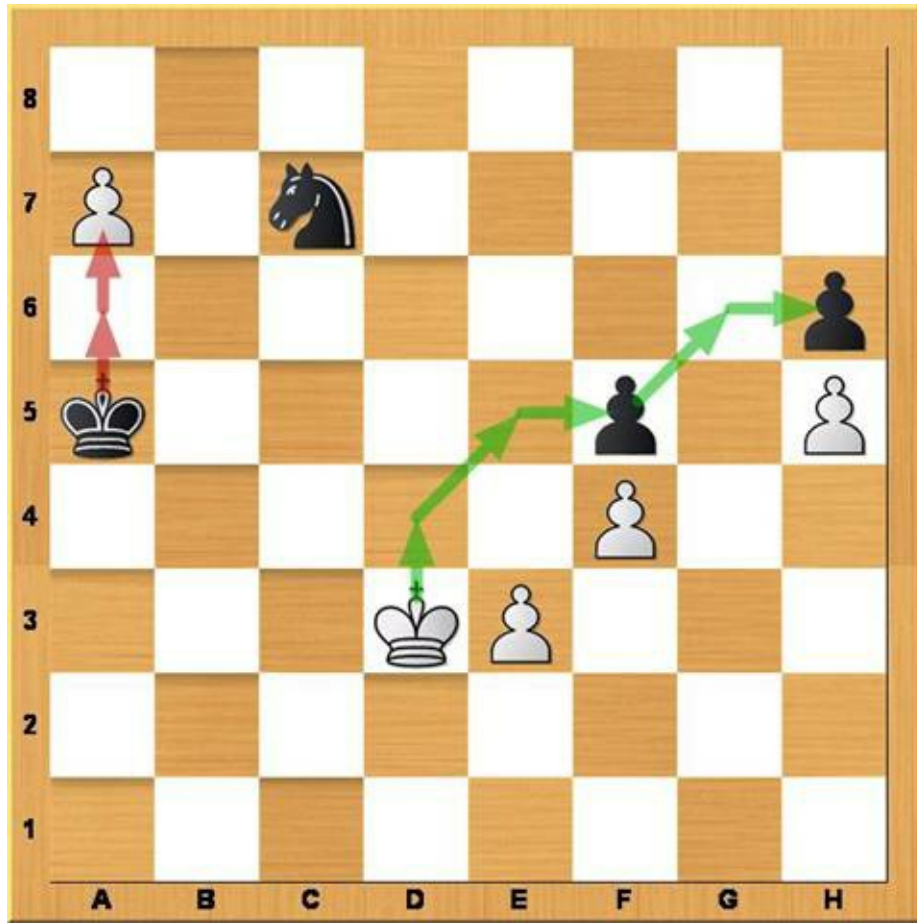


64....Nc7 65.Nbxd5 Nexd5 66.Nxd5 Nxd5 67.a7 Nc7





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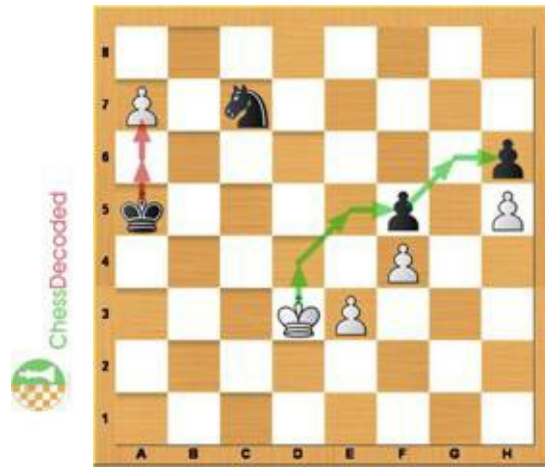


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The diagram shows an 8x8 chessboard with columns labeled A-H and rows labeled 1-8. A knight piece is positioned on square D6. Colored arrows indicate its possible moves: a red arrow points to A8, a green arrow points to B5, a yellow arrow points to B7, a green arrow points to E5, a green arrow points to E7, and a red arrow points to F5. The ChessDecoded logo is on the left.

The diagram shows an 8x8 chessboard with columns labeled A-H and rows labeled 1-8. A knight (horse) starts at C4 and moves to D5, then E7, and finally D6. A king starts at A5 and moves to B6, then C7, and finally D6. Red arrows indicate the knight's path, and green arrows indicate the king's path. The final position shows the knight at D6 and the king at D6.

60.a6+ Kb6 61.Ke2 Nd6 62.Kd3 Nb5 63.Ne2 Ka5 64.Nc3!! Carlsen estimated that by sacrificing a knight gets enough compensation (*Note that the knight is poisoned because if 64...Kxb4 would follow Nxb5 and if 65...Kxc5 the pawn Queens*) to win the game, **Nc7** timely sacrifice [64...Kxb4 65.Nxb5 Nc8 66.a7 with material advantage]



65.Nbxd5 Nexd5 66.Nxd5 Nxd5 67.a7 Nc7 68.Kd4 Kb6 69.Ke5 Kxa7 70.Kxf5 Nd5 71.Kg6
 sacrificing the pawn on e3 ensuring win the game **Nxe3 72.Kxh6 1-0 black resign Kb6**
73.Kg5 Kc5 74.h6 Nc4 75.h7 Nd6 76.f5 Nf7+ 77.Kg6 Ne5+ 78. Kg7 pawn Queens

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Carlsen,M 2815 vs Karjakin,Sergey 2776

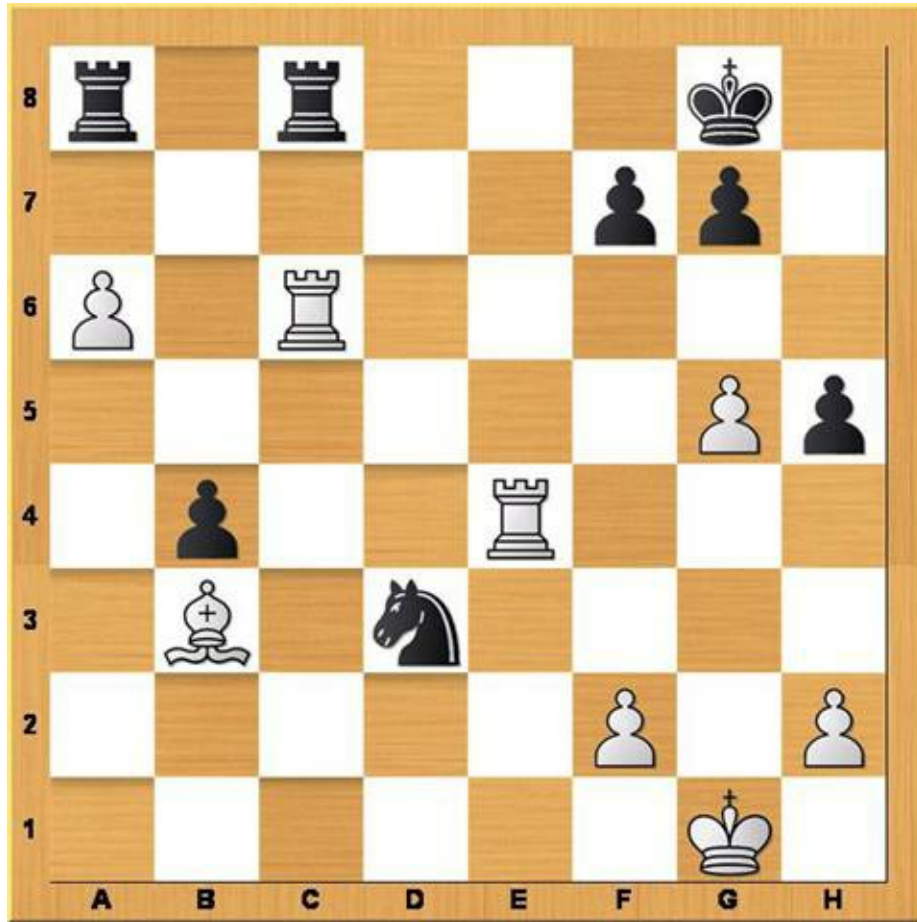
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10.Re1 Na5 11.Ba2 c5 12.c3 Rb8 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Qc7 15.Nb3 Nxb3 16.Bxb3 Bg4 17.Bg5
exd4 18.Qxd4 Bxf3 19.gxf3 Nh5 20.Rac1 Qd7 21.Bxe7 Qxe7 22.e5 Qg5+ 23.Qg4 Qxg4+
24.fxg4 Nf4 25.Rc6 dxe5 26.Rxa6 Nd3 27.Re3 Nxb2 28.a5 e4 29.Rxe4 Nd3 30.Rc6 Ra8 31.a6
h5 32.g5 Rfc8



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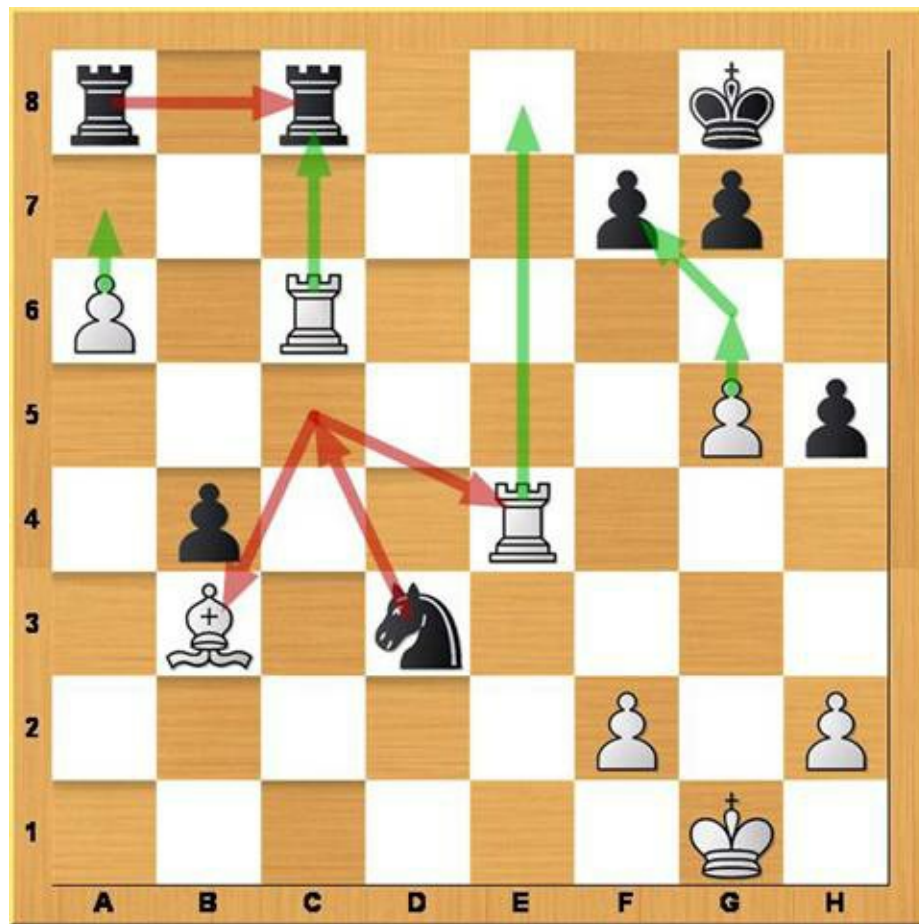
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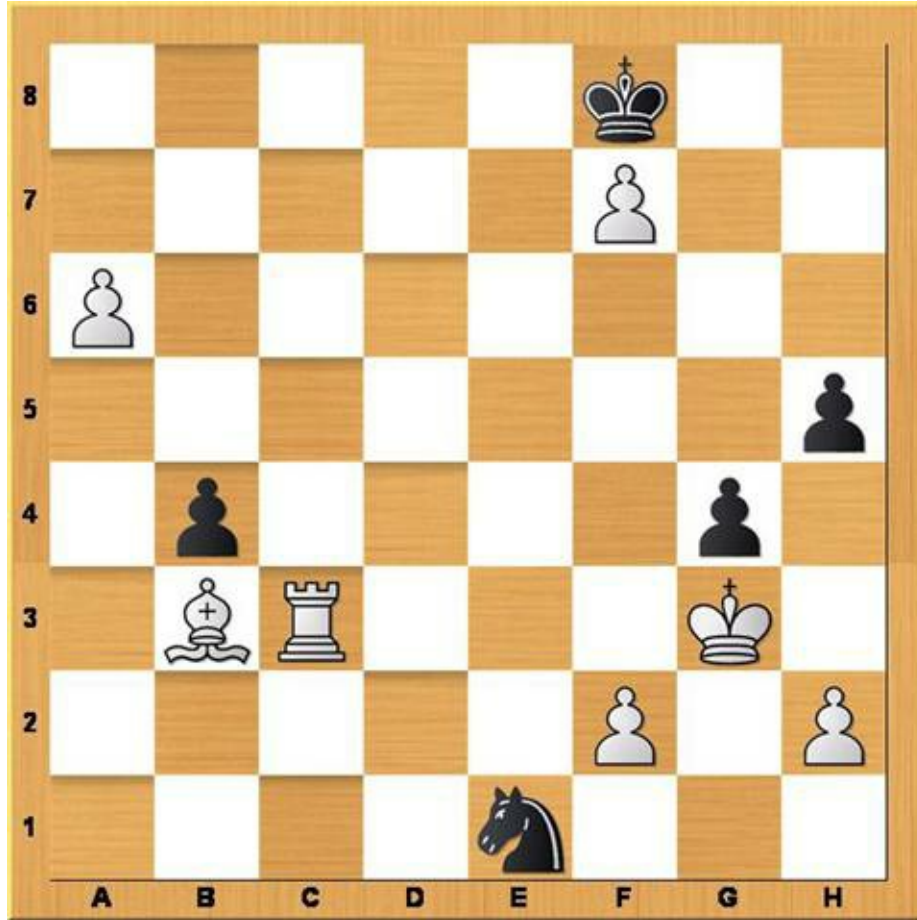
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33.Rxc8+ Rxc8 34.g6 Kf8 35.gxf7 Rc1+ 36.Kg2 Ne1+ 37.Kh3 Rc3+ 38.Re3 g5 39.Rxc3 g4+
40.Kg3



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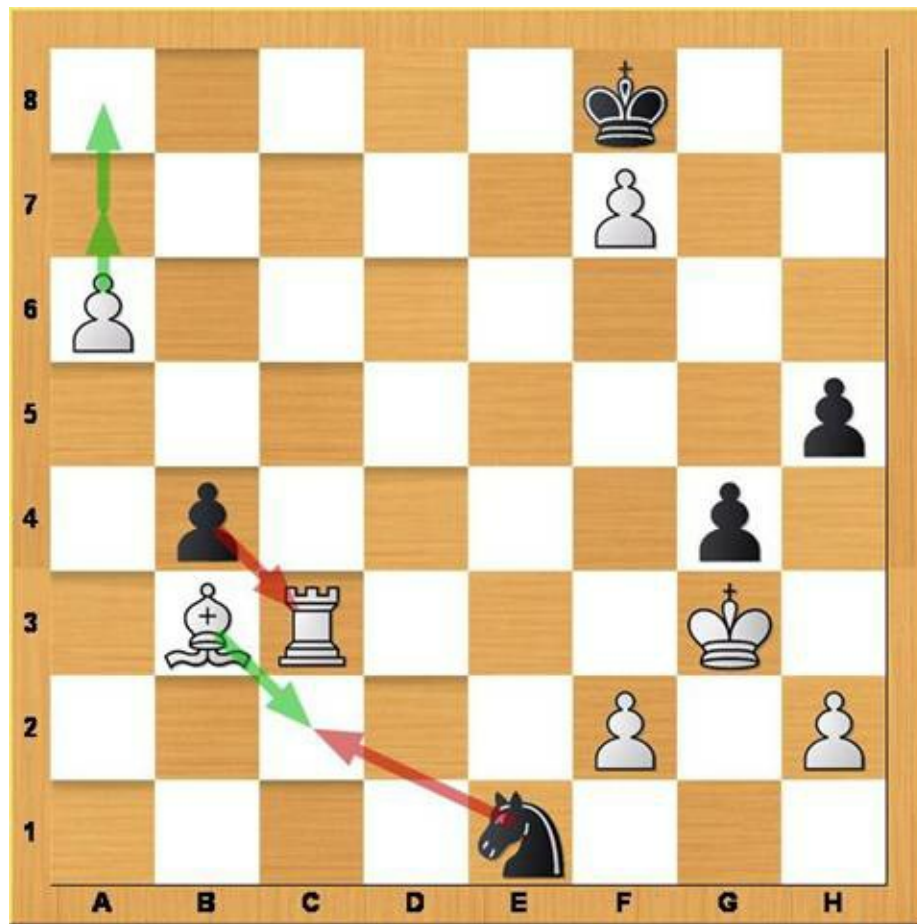
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The diagram shows an 8x8 chessboard with columns labeled A-H and rows labeled 1-8. A knight piece is shown moving from square C4 to square E4. Red arrows indicate the knight's possible movement paths. Green arrows indicate the squares that are under attack by the knight at E4.

The diagram shows an 8x8 chessboard with columns labeled A-H and rows labeled 1-8. Various chess pieces are placed on the board, and colored arrows indicate movement paths:

- Red arrows:**
 - From the King (E8) to the Rook (C8).
 - From the Rook (C8) to the Knight (C5).
 - From the Knight (C5) to the Bishop (E4).
- Green arrows:**
 - From the Pawn (A6) to the Pawn (A8).
 - From the Pawn (A6) to the Pawn (F6).
 - From the Pawn (F6) to the Pawn (G6).
 - From the Pawn (G6) to the Pawn (H6).
 - From the Pawn (H6) to the Pawn (G7).
 - From the Pawn (G7) to the Pawn (F7).
 - From the Pawn (F7) to the Pawn (E7).
 - From the Pawn (E7) to the Pawn (D7).
 - From the Pawn (D7) to the Pawn (C7).
 - From the Pawn (C7) to the Pawn (B7).
 - From the Pawn (B7) to the Pawn (A7).
 - From the Pawn (A7) to the Pawn (A8).

34...Nc5 35.gxf7+ Kf8 36.Re8+ Rxe8 37.fxe8Q+ Kxe8 38.a7 Nxb3 crowning

GAME No. 15

Carlsen,M 2815 vs Nakamura,Hi 2774

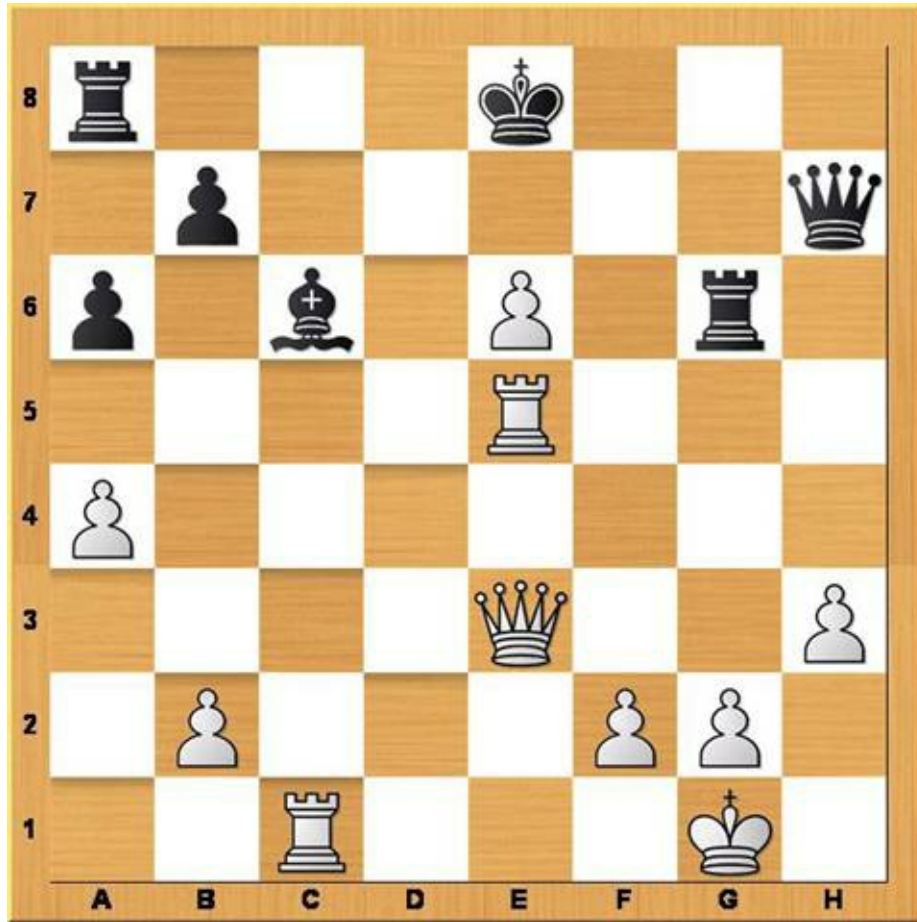
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10.exd4 Nb6 11.Bd3 Nbd5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.O-O Nb4 14.Bxb4 Bxb4 15.Bxh7 g6 16.Bxg6 fxg6
17.Qxg6+ Kf8 18.Ne5 Qe7 19.Rac1 Qh7 20.Qg3 Ke8 21.d5 Bd6 22.Rfe1 Bd7 23.h3 Bxe5
24.Rxe5 Rg8 25.Qe3 Rg6 26.dxe6 Bc6

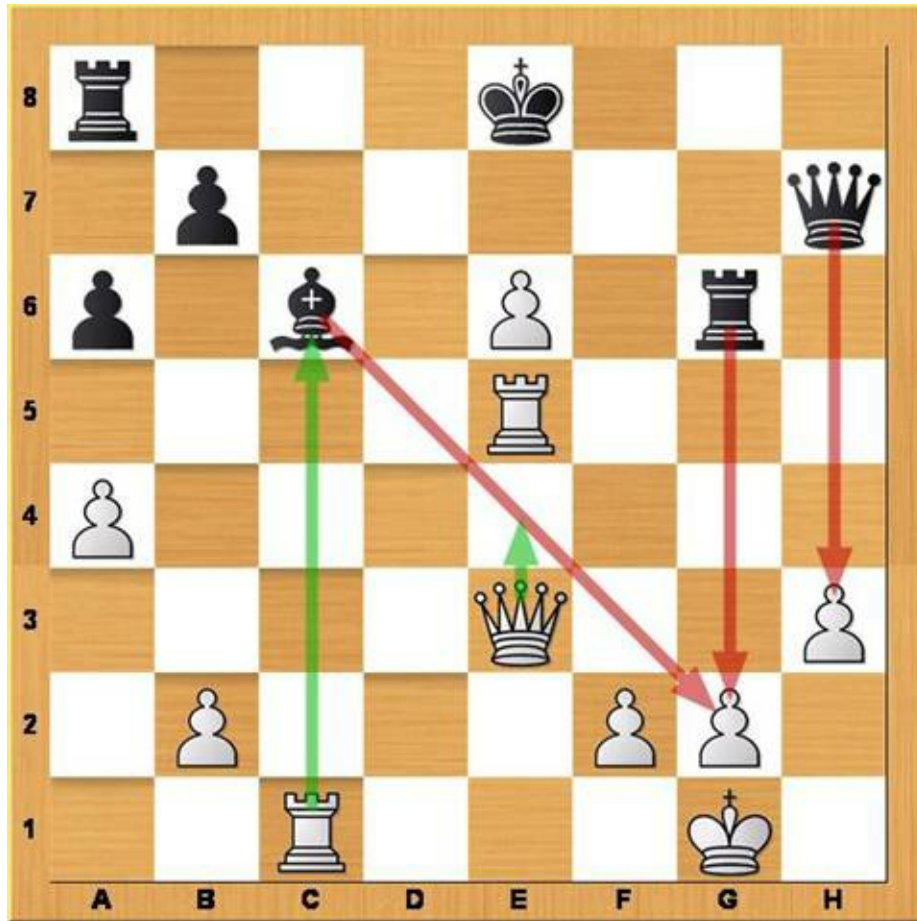


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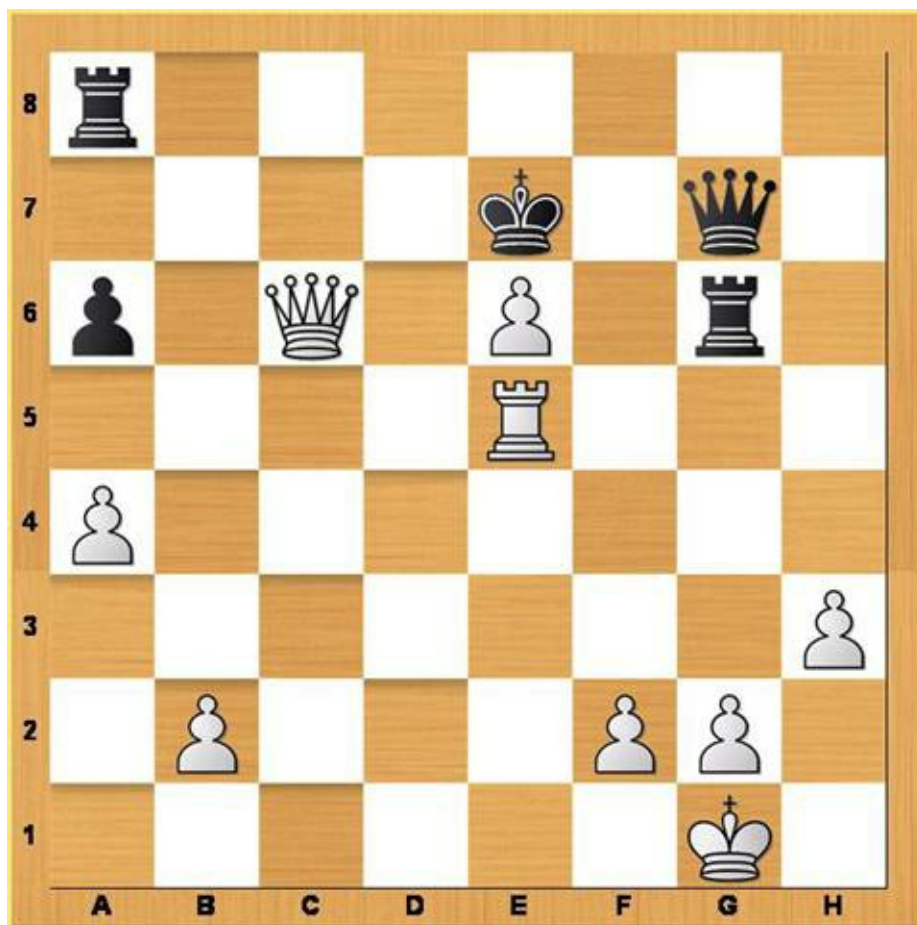
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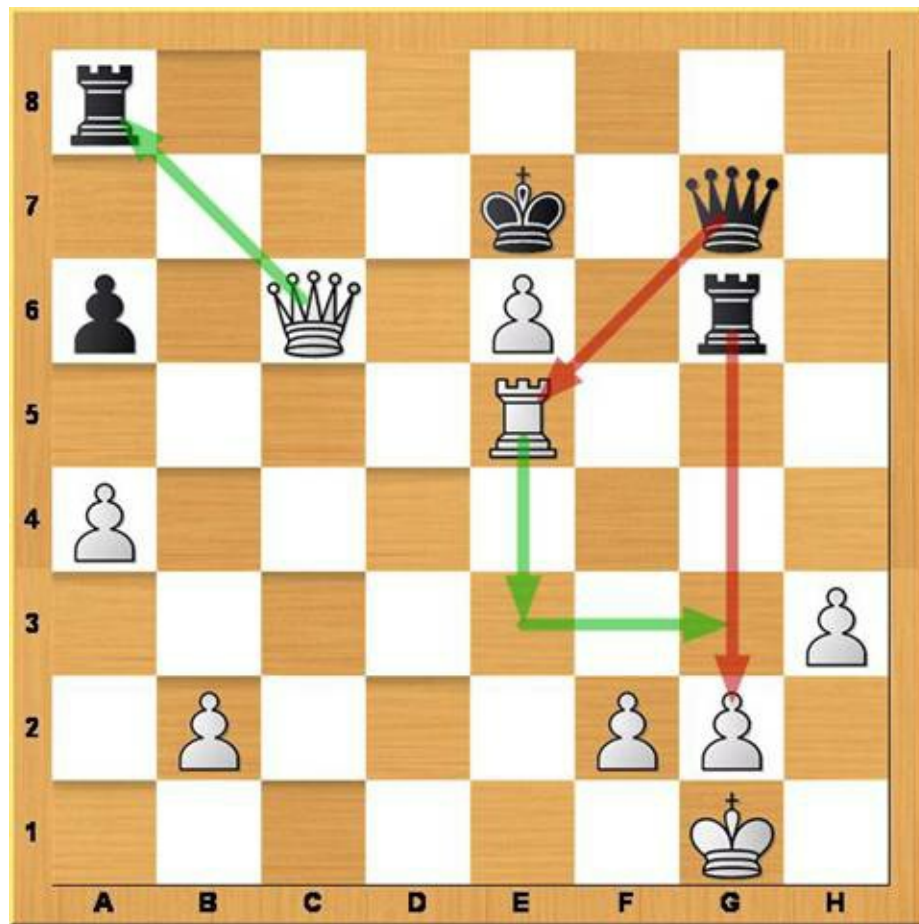


27.Rxc6 bxc6 28.Qe4 Qg7 29.Qxc6+ Ke7





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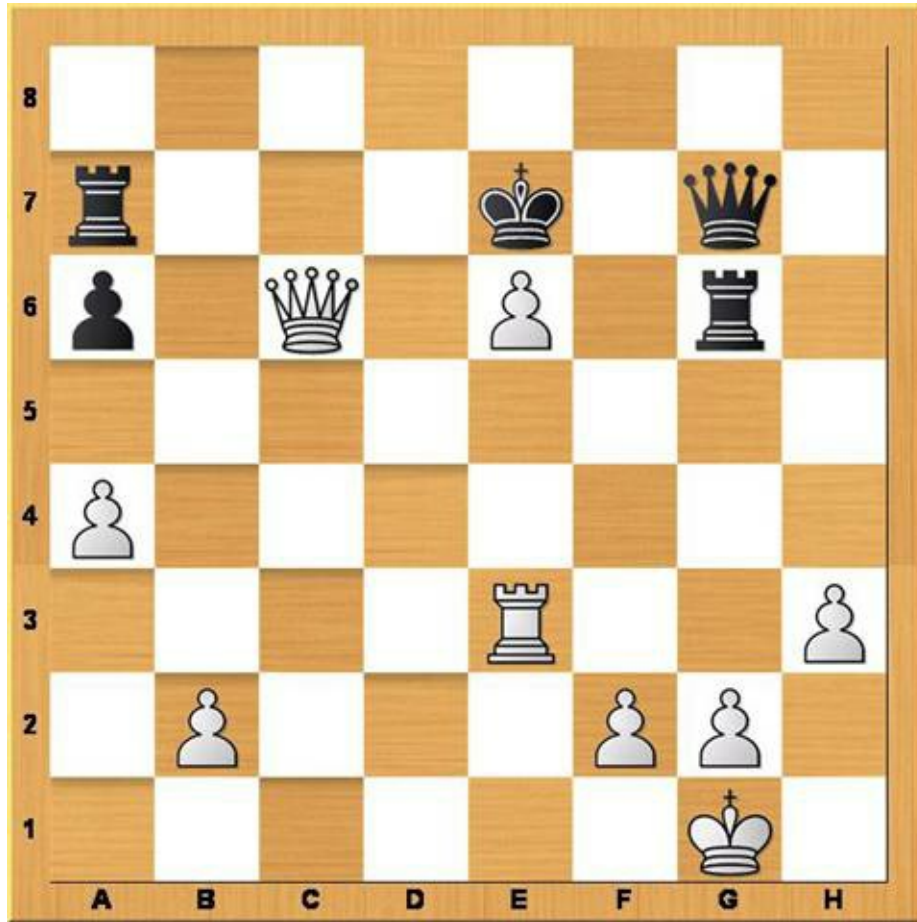
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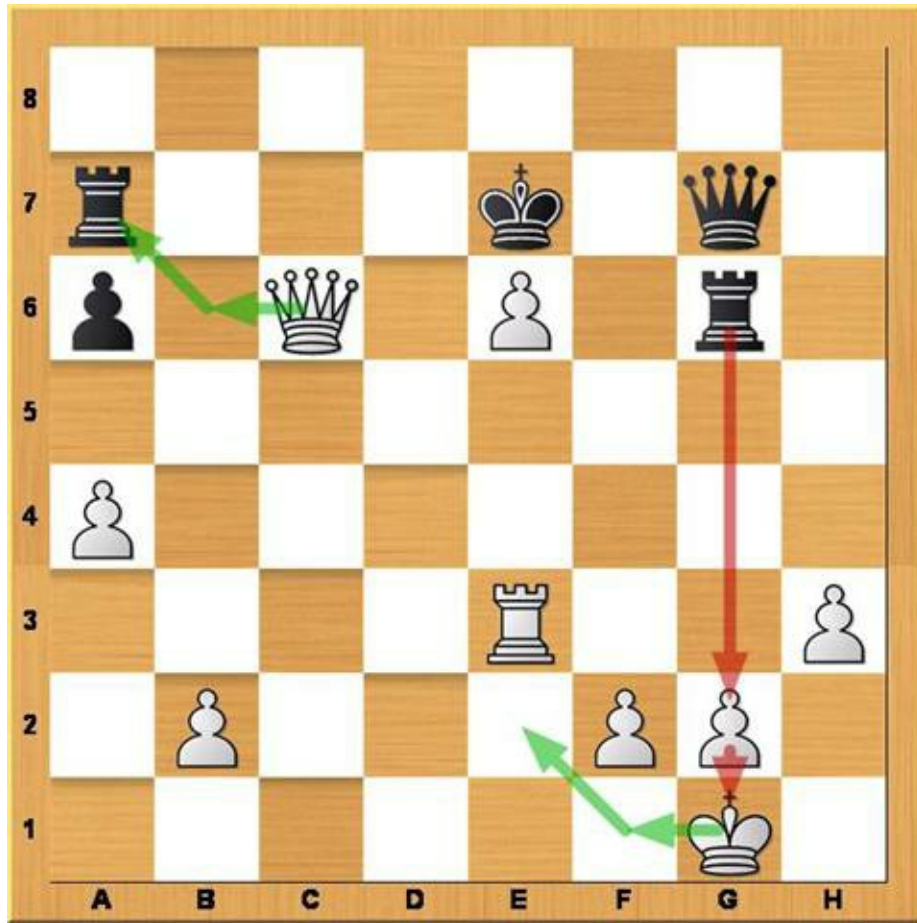


30.Qc5+ Ke8 31.Qc6+ Ke7 32.Re3 Ra7





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27.Rxc6 as you know the Carlsen's style is increasing step by step the attack regardless of the numerical value of its pieces eliminating any possibility of counter play **bxc6 28.Qe4 Qg7**

[28...Rc8 29. Rg5 Rg7 30. Qxh7 Rxh7 31. Rg8+ Ke7 32. Rxc8 winning material]



29. Qxc6+ Ke7 30. Qc5+ [30. Qxa8 does not work because Qxe5]



30...Ke8 31.Qc6+ Ke7 32.Re3 Ra7 33.Qc5+ Ke8 34.Qc6+ Ke7 35.Qb6 brave move, coldly calculated, because sacrifices a pawn with check, unaffected his plan of attack as it leaves the enemy rook offside of the defense of their King **Rxg2+ 36.Kf1 Rg1+ 37.Ke2 Ra8 38.Qb7+ Kd6** [38...Kf6 39.Qxa8 Qe7 40.Qh8+ Kf5 41.Qh5+ Kf6 42.Qh6+ Rg6 43.Rf3+ Kxe6

44.Qxg6+ *winning material*] 39.Rd3+ Kxe6 [39...Ke5 40.Qxa8 Kf5 41.Qf3+ Kxe6 42.Qc6+ Kf7 43.Rd7+ *winning material*] 40.Qc6+ Here black resign **Kf5 41.Rd5+ Qe5+ 42.Rxe5+** with material advantage **1-0**

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Carlsen,M 2815 vs Nakamura,Hi 2774

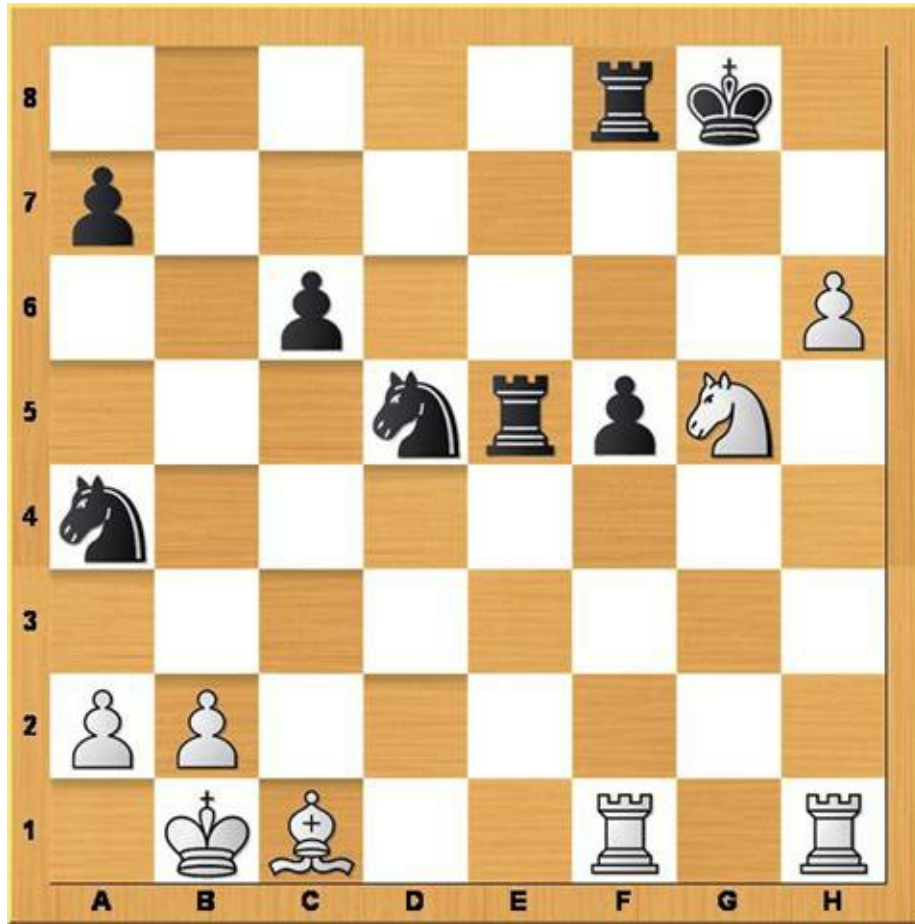
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10.O-O-O Nf6 11.f3 Nbd7 12.Nge2 b5 13.e4 b4 14.Na4 dxe4 15.fxe4 Qa5 16.Kb1 O-O 17.h4
Rfe8 18.e5 Nd5 19.h5 g5 20.h6 g6 21.Bc1 N7b6 22.Nc5 Bxc5 23.dxc5 b3 24.Qxb3 Qxc5
25.Nd4 Rxe5 26.Nf3 Re2 27.Nxg5 Qe7 28.Qd3 Rf8 29.Rdf1 f5 30.g4 Na4 31.Qd4 Qe5
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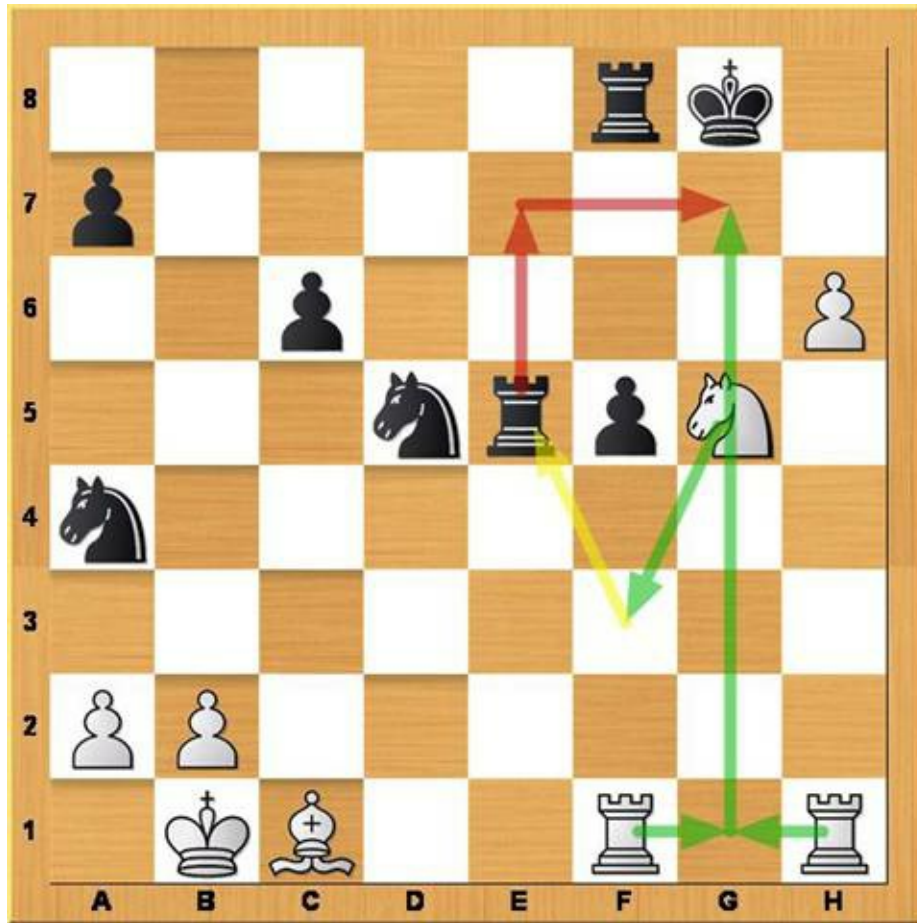


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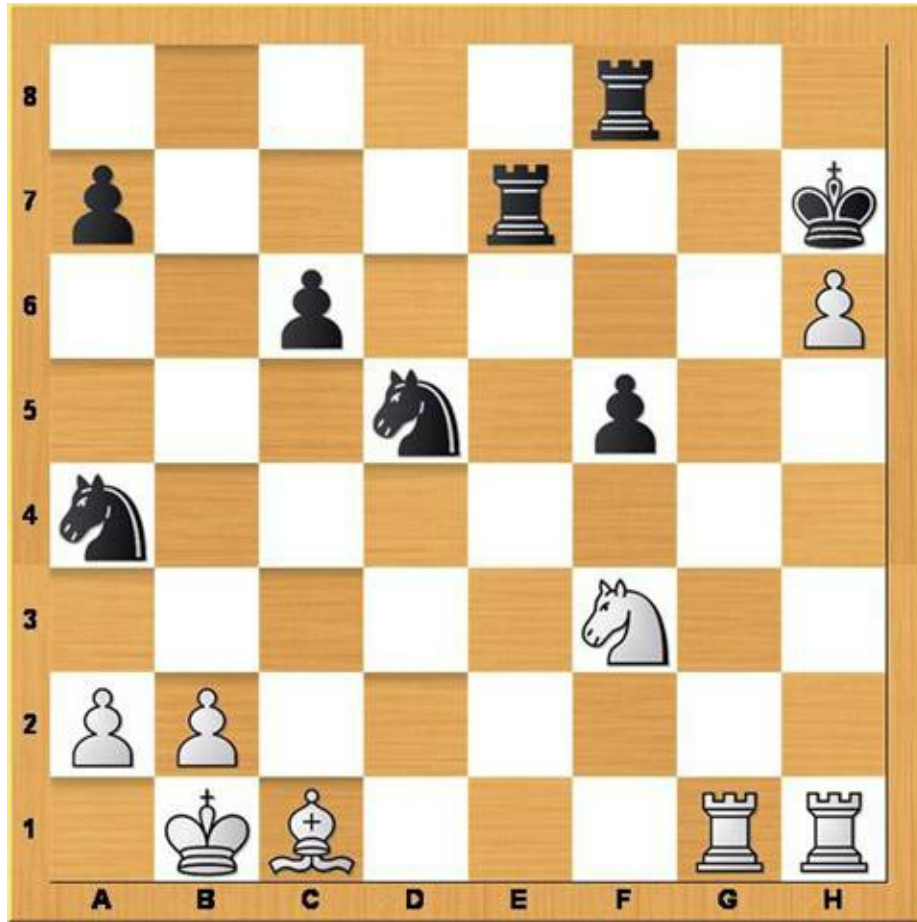
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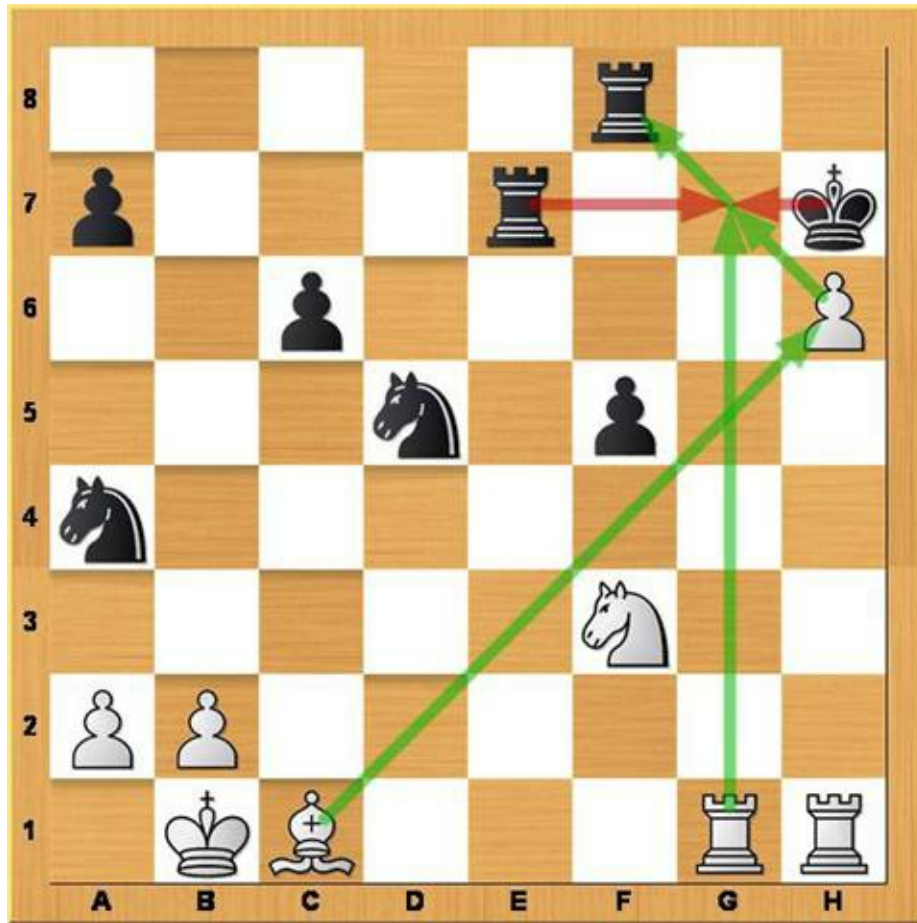


34. Nf3 Re7 35. Rfg1+ Kh7





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34.Nf3 [34.Rfg1 something similar to the line that GM Magnus Carlsen played with an improvement, as the knight doesn't keep putting the King in h7 34....Kh8 35.Nf3 Re7 (35...Re6 lost pawn a7 or c6 36.Rg7 f4 37.Rxa7) **34...Re7 35. Rfg1+ Kh7**



36.Rg7+ [36...Rxc7 is to enter directly into a lose line because after changes comes the bishop on h6 with check, winning quality and game 37.hxc7+ Kxc7 38.Bh6+ winning a rook] **Kh8 37.Rhg1 Rfe8 38.Nh4 Rxc7 1-0** And Nakamura without awaiting the Carlsen answer resigned, because it loses a pawn and the position is out of hand **39.Rxc7 Re6 40.Nxf5 Nc5 41.Nh4 Nd3 42.Ng6+ Rxc6 43.Rxc6**

GAME No. 17

Carlsen,M 2815 vs Topalov,V 2775

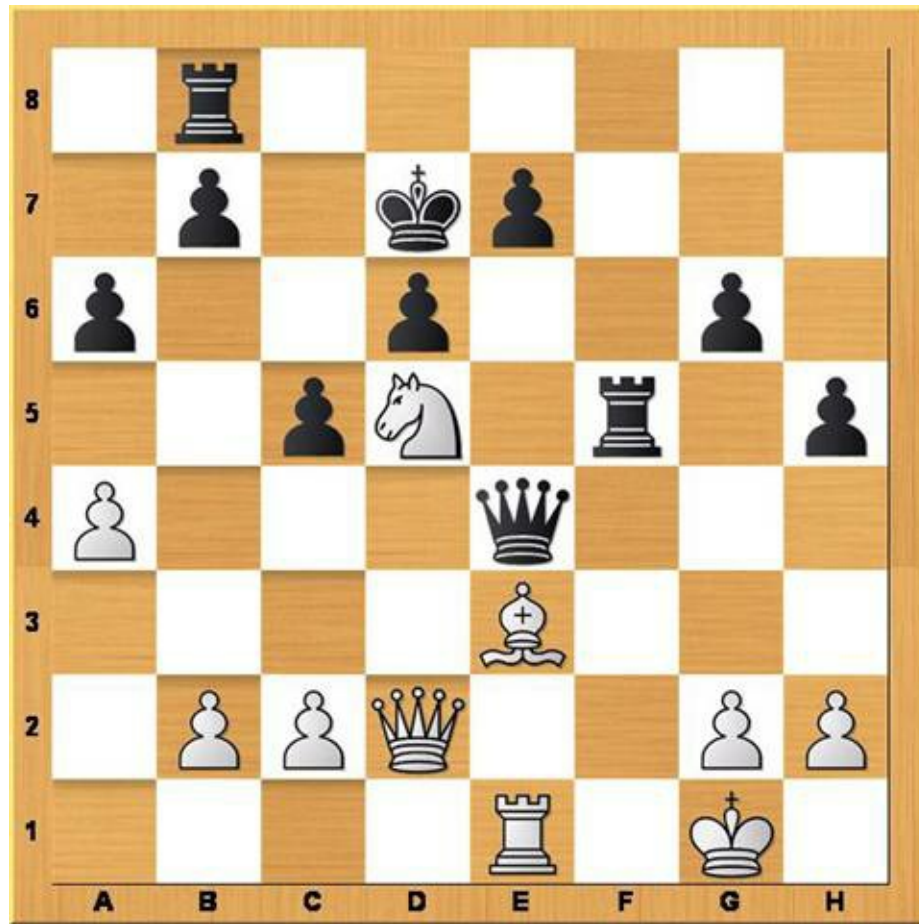
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ECO "B23" 1 – 0 2011.03.20

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10.a4 f5 11.Nd5 fxe4 12.dxe4 Rb8 13.Ng5 Bxd5 14.exd5 Qf5 15.Ne6 Bf6 16.Qe2 h5 17.Ra3
Nh6 18.Rg3 Kd7 19.Rg5 Bxg5 20.fxg5 Qxd5 21.Nf4 Qd4+ 22.Be3 Qe4 23.gxh6 Rxh6 24.Nd5
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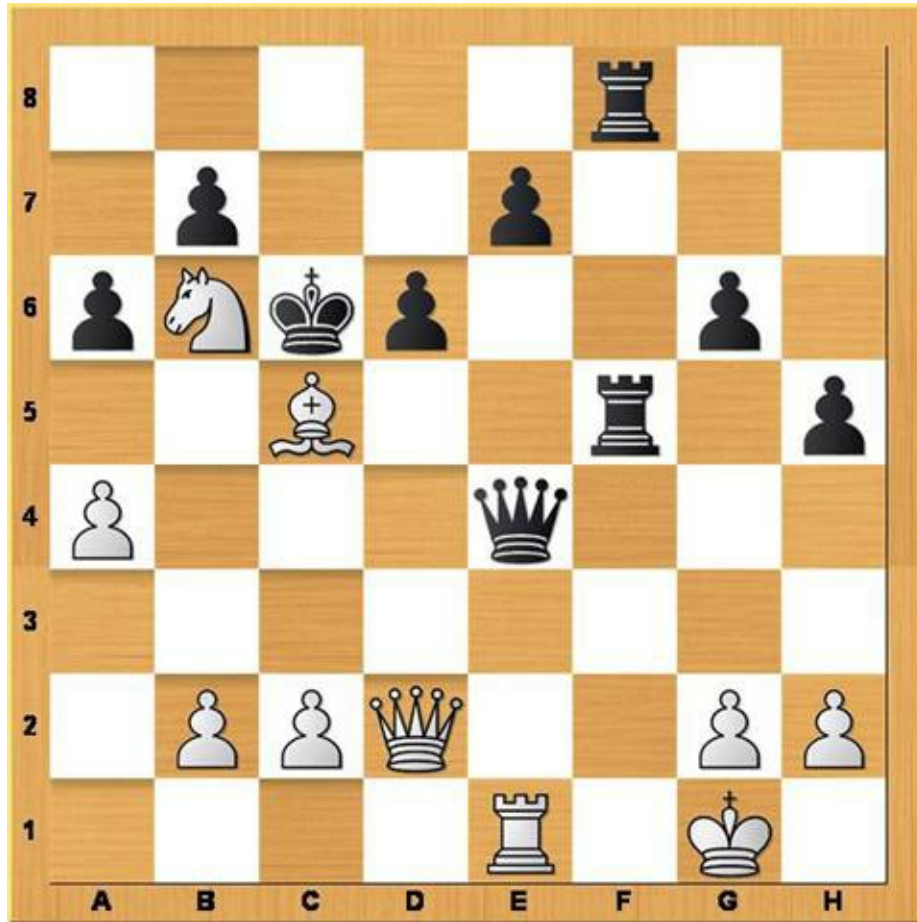
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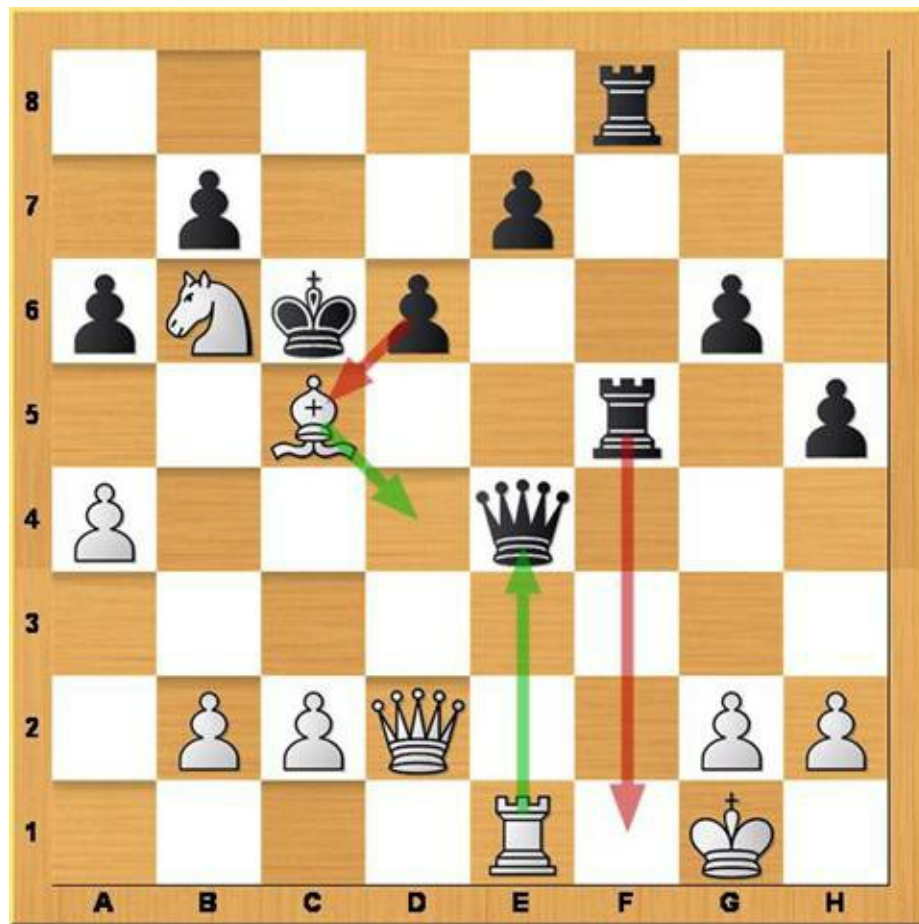
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[29...Kc7 30.h3 Qc6 31.Rxe7+ Kd8 32.Rd7+ Qxd7 33.Nxd7 Kxd7 material advantage]

30. Qc3# 1-0

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Carlsen,M 2826 vs Galego,L 2500

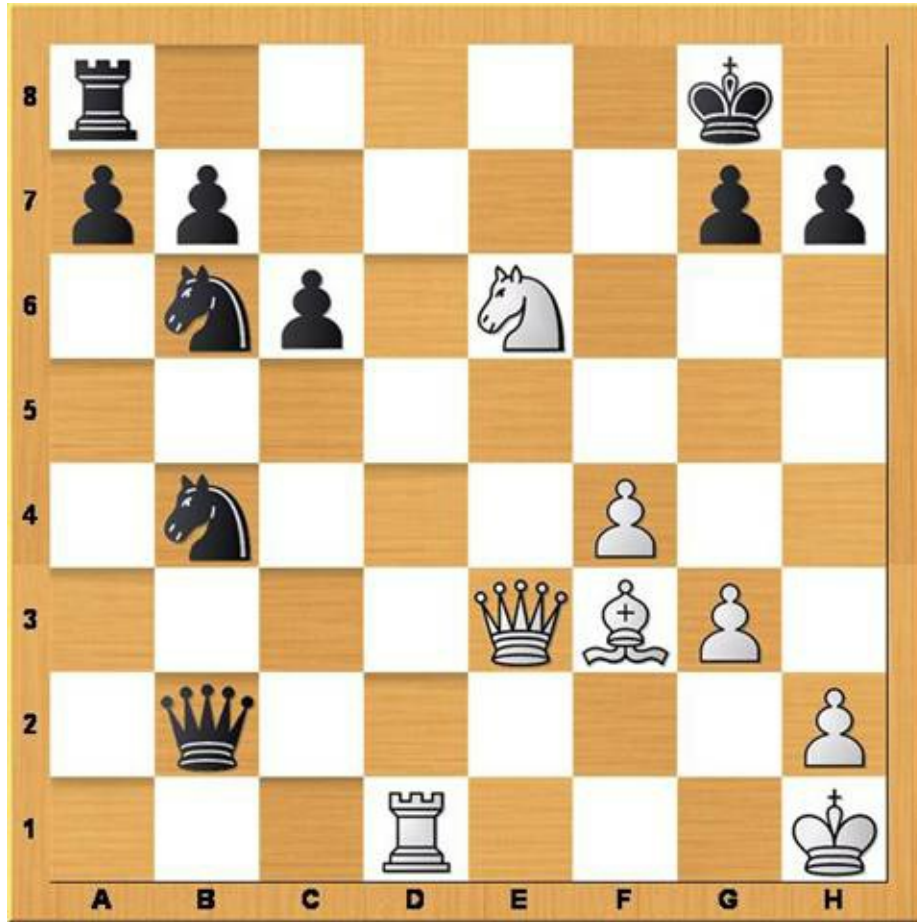
39th Olympiad Men Khanty-Mansiysk RUS

ECO "E11" 1 – 0 2010.09.22

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Qe7 10.O-O e5 11.cxd5 Nxd5 12.e4 N5f6 13.Rfe1 exd4 14.e5 Nd5 15.Nxd4 N7b6 16.f4 Nb4
17.Qe4 Rd8 18.N2f3 Bg4 19.Rad1 Bxf3 20.Bxf3 Qc5 21.e6 fxe6 22.Kh1 Qd5 23.Qe3 Qxa2
24.Nxe6 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Qxb2



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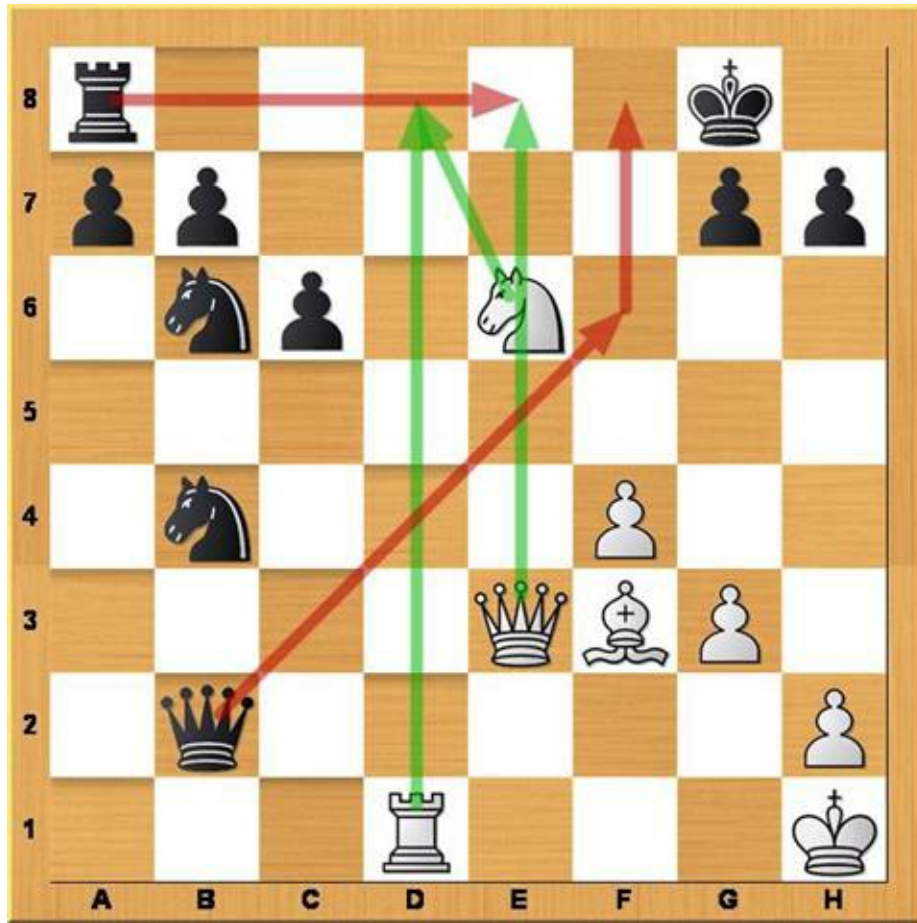
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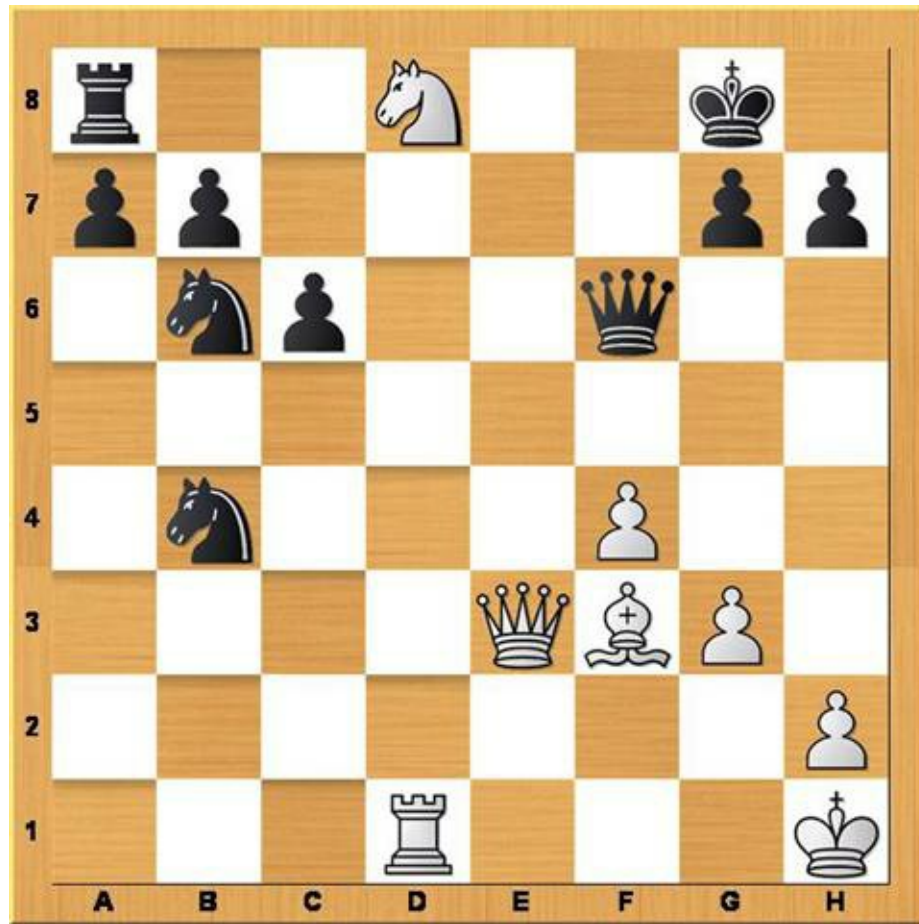
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26. Nd8!! Qf6



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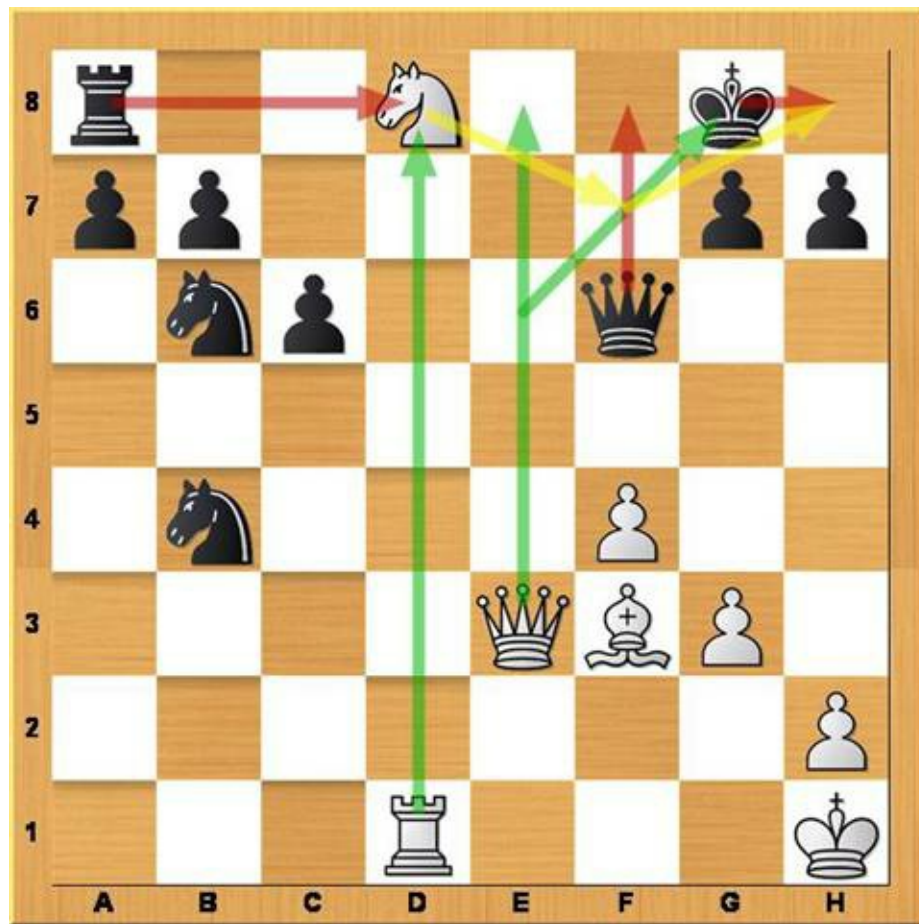
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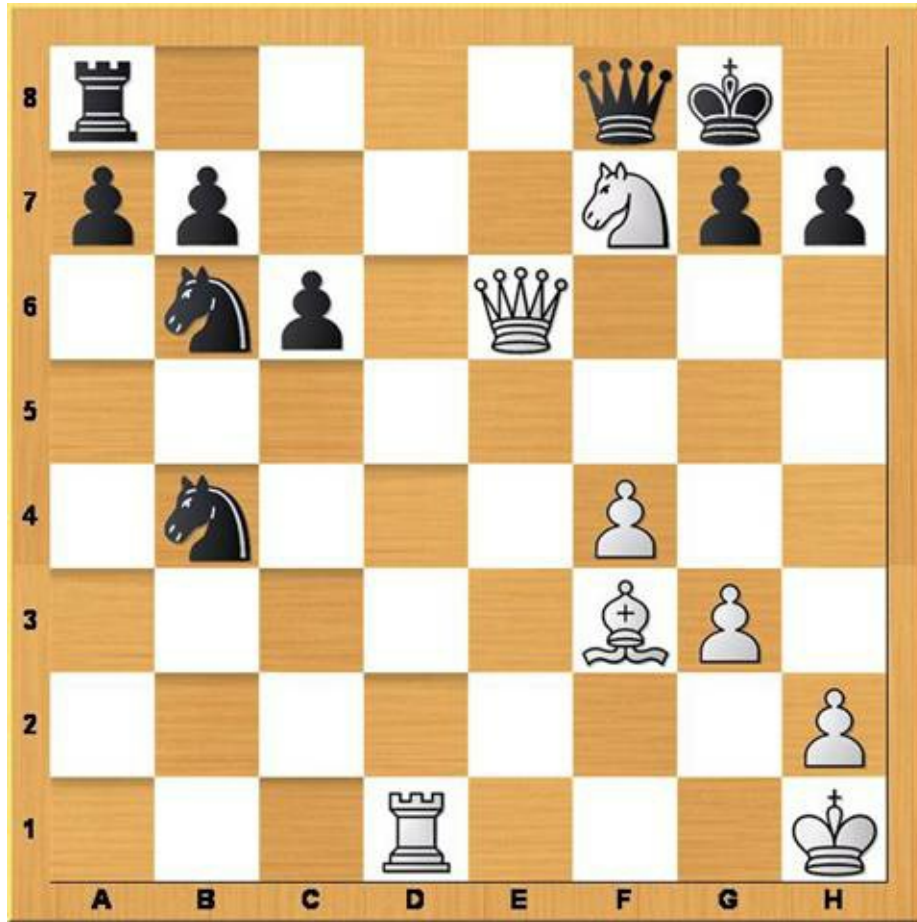
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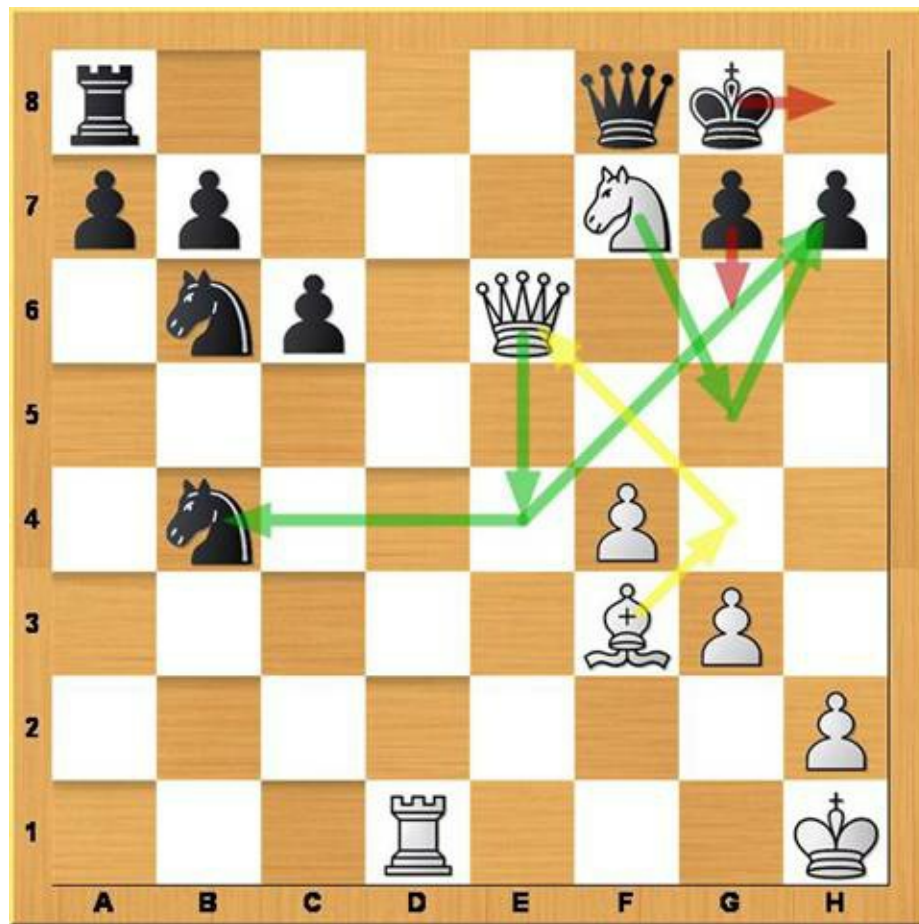


27.Qe8+ Qf8 28.Qe6+ Kh8 29.Nf7+ Kg8





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24. Nxe6 Rxd1 25. Rxd1 Qxb2



[26. Rd8+ does not work because the Queen returns to defend at time Rxd8 27.Nxd8 Qb1+ 28.Kg2 Qc2+ 29.Kh1 Qg6]

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27.Qe8+ beautiful tactic combination **Qf8** **28.Qe6+** **Kh8** **29.Nf7+** **Kg8** **30.Rd8!** brilliant

movement in order to eliminating defense **Rxd8 31.Nxd8+ Kh8 32.Nf7+ Kg8 33.Ng5+ Kh8 34.Qe4 g6 35.Qd4+ Qg7 36.Qxb4 h6 37.Ne4 Nd5 38.Qa3 b5 39.Qc5 b4 40.Qxc6 Qa1+ 41.Rg2 Ne3+ 42.Rf2 Qd4 43.Qe8+ Kg7 44.Qe7+ 1-0** and black resign.

GAME No. 19

Carlsen,M 2826 vs Bacrot,E 2716

3rd Pearl Spring Nanjing CHN

ECO "C45" 1 – 0 2010.10.20

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Nb3 Bb6 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Qe2 O-O 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 a5
10.a4 Nd4 11.Qd3 Nxb3 12.cxb3 Re8 13.O-O-O d6 14.Qc2 Bd7 15.Bc4 Be6 16.Rhe1 Qe7
17.e5 dxe5 18.Rxe5 Qf8 19.Bxf6 gxf6 20.Re2 Qg7 21.Bxe6 Rxe6 22.Rxe6 fxe6 23.Rd3 Kh8
24.Rg3 Qh7 25.Qd2 Bc5 26.Ne4 Be7 27.Rh3 Kg7



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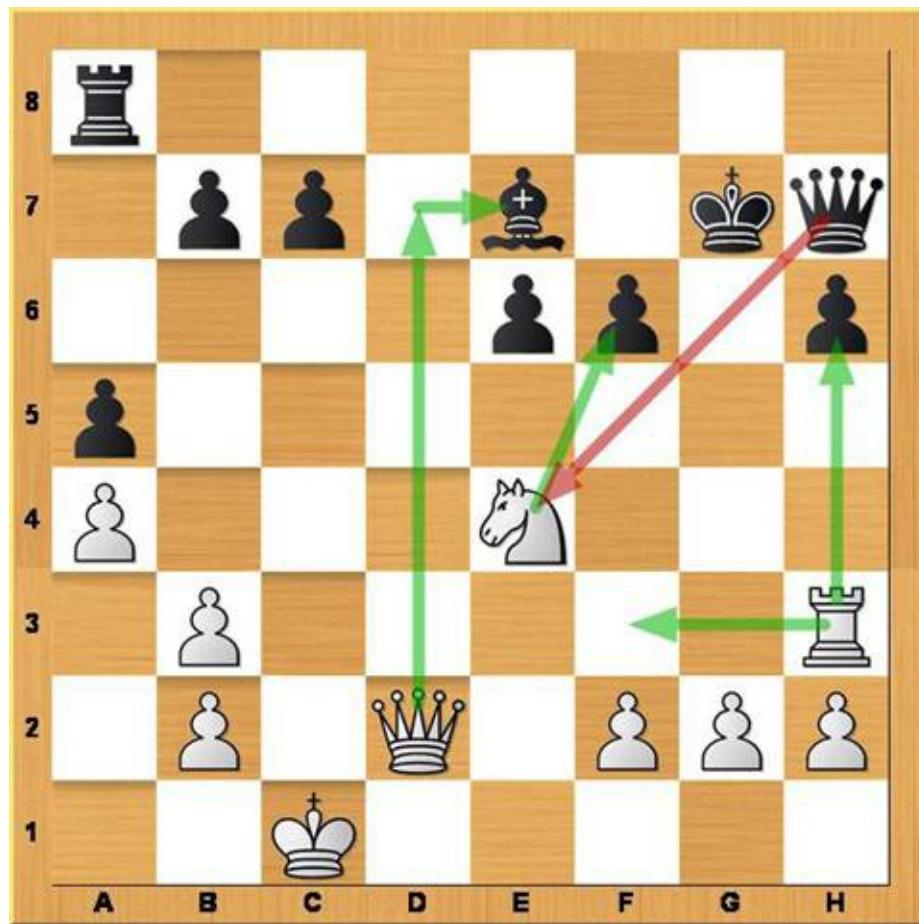
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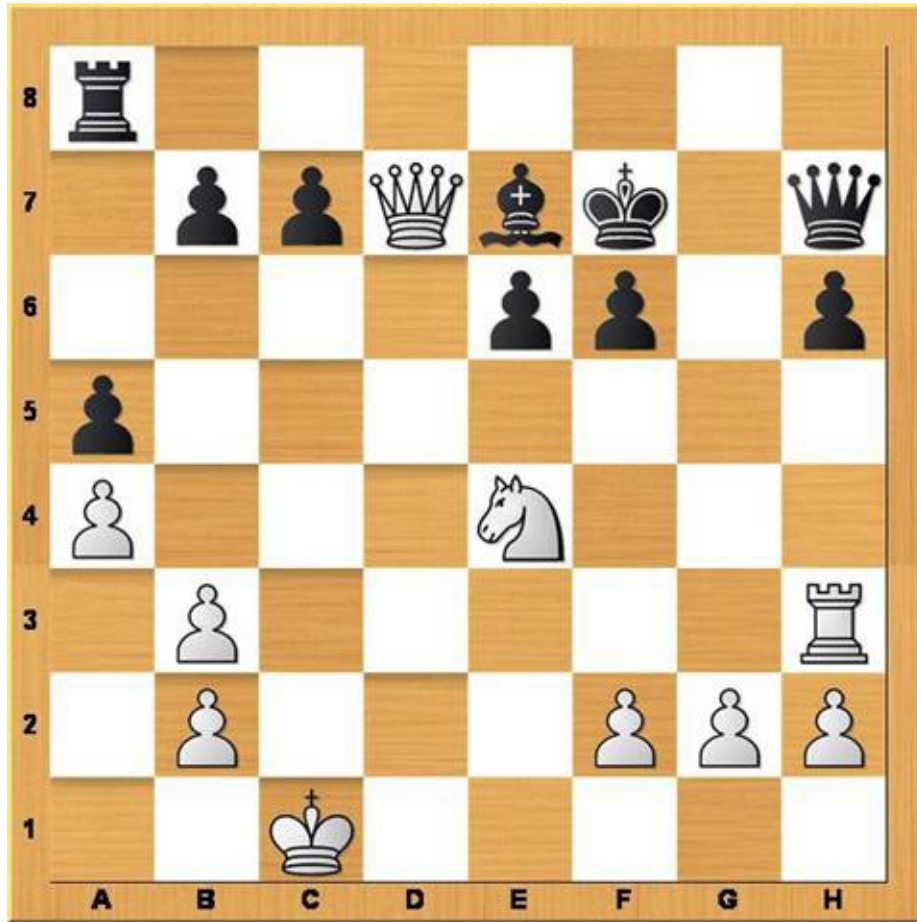
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28.Qd7 Kf7



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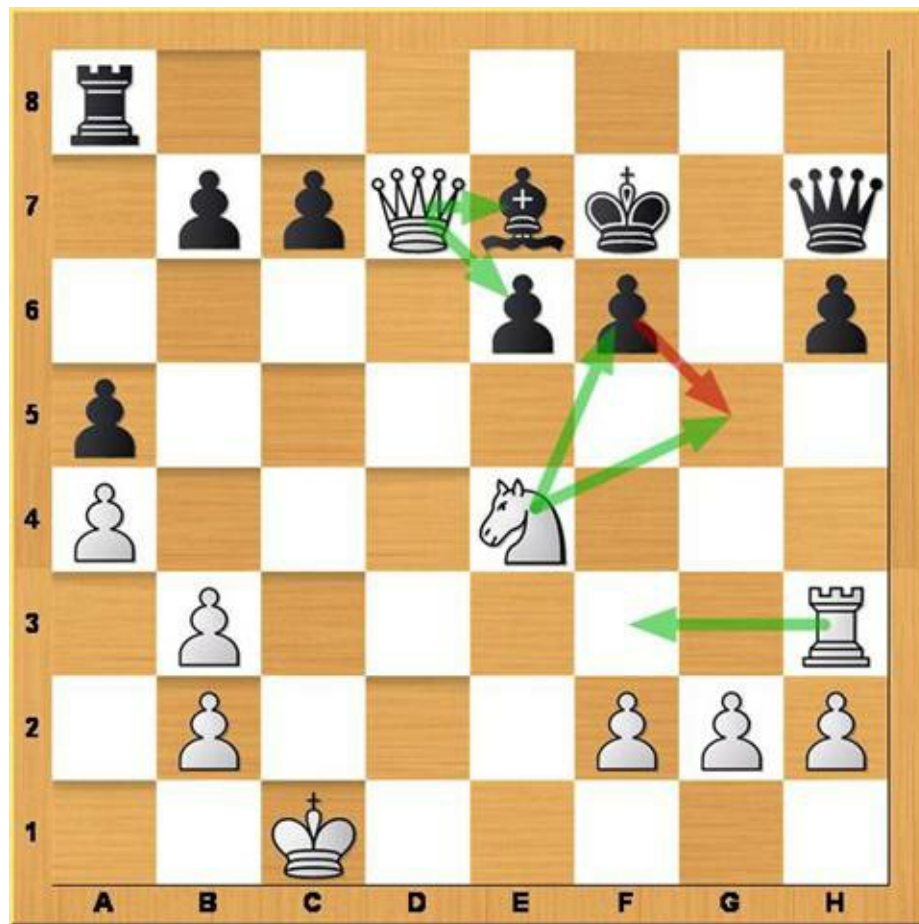
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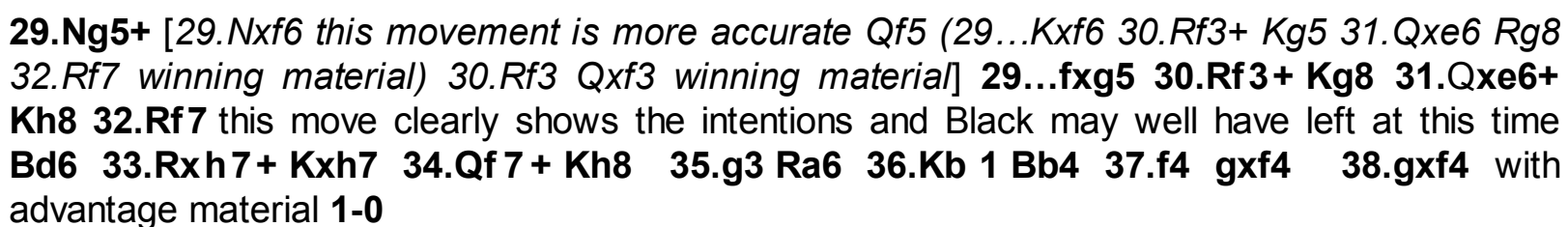
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Carlsen,M 2826 vs Shirov,A 2749

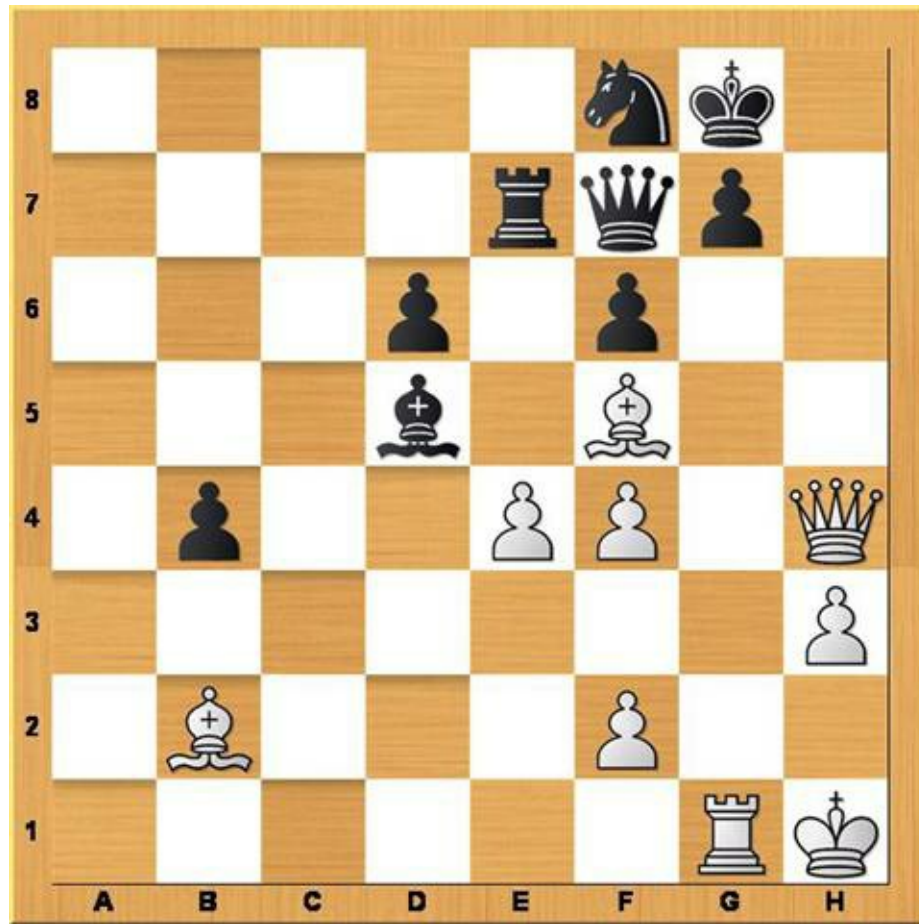
Grand Slam Final Masters Bilbao ESP

ECO "C78" 1 – 0 2010.10.14

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10.d4 Bb6 11.h3 O-O 12.Re1 h6 13.Na3 exd4 14.cxd4 Na5 15.Bc2 b4 16.Nb5 Ba6 17.Na7
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25.Qc1 Bxd4 26.Bxd4 Nd7 27.Kh1 f6 28.Rg1 Rf7 29.Qd2 Qa8 30.Qxh6 Ne5 31.Bd1 Qe8
32.Qe3 c5 33.Bb2 Re7 34.f4 Nd7 35.Qg3 Qf7 36.Bf3 Ba6 37.Bg4 Nf8 38.Bf5 c4 39.bxc4 Bxc4
40.Qh4 Bxd5



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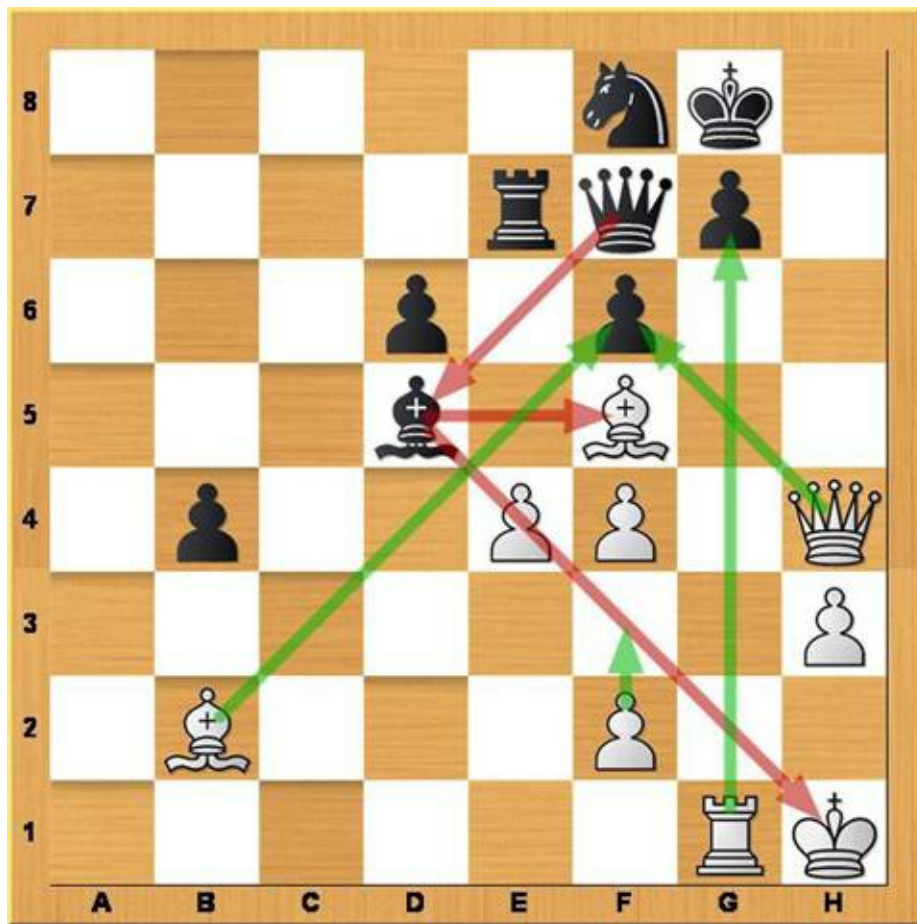
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We Show you this variant because Carlsen gives us a show on how to win a pawn correctly using tactical threats **29. Qd2** Because it does not work take the pawn on h6 directly due to the loss of the bishop on c2 Carlsen prepares first x-ray attack against the black Queen because after a e5 follow check on h7 winning the Queen **Qa8 30.Qxh6 Ne5 31.Bd1 Qe8 32.Qe3 c5 33.Bb2 Re7 34.f4 Nd7 35.Qg3 Qf7 36.Bf3 Ba6 37.Bg4 Nf8 38.Bf5 c4 39.bxc4 Bxc4 40.Qh4 Bxd5**



41.f3 subtle play of Carlsen that of great legends's style as Fischer, has the tranquility to accurately prepare the final attack [*is not convenient 41.exd5 due 41...Qxd5+ and after 42... Qxf5 being disadvantaged*] **Be6 42.Bxf6 Bxf5 43.exf5 Rc7 44.Rxg7+ [44.Bxg7 similar movement with a time advantage Qxg7 45.Qe1 Qxg1+ 46.Kxg1 d5 47.Qxb4] 44...Qxg7 45.Bxg7 Rxg7** material advantage **46.f6 Rd7 47.Qe1 d5 48.Qxb4 d4 49.Qc4+ Kh7 50.Qd3+ Kg8 51.f5 Kf7 52.Kg2 Kxf6 53.Kg3 Kg7 54.h4 Nh7 55.Kf2 Nf6 56.Qd2 Nh7 57.Ke1 d3 58.Qg2+ Kh8 59.Kd2 Nf8 60.Qg5 Kh7 61.h5 Kh8 62.f6 Kh7 63.f4 Kh8 64.h6 Kh7 65.f5 1-0**

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Carlsen,M 2826 vs Topalov,V 2803

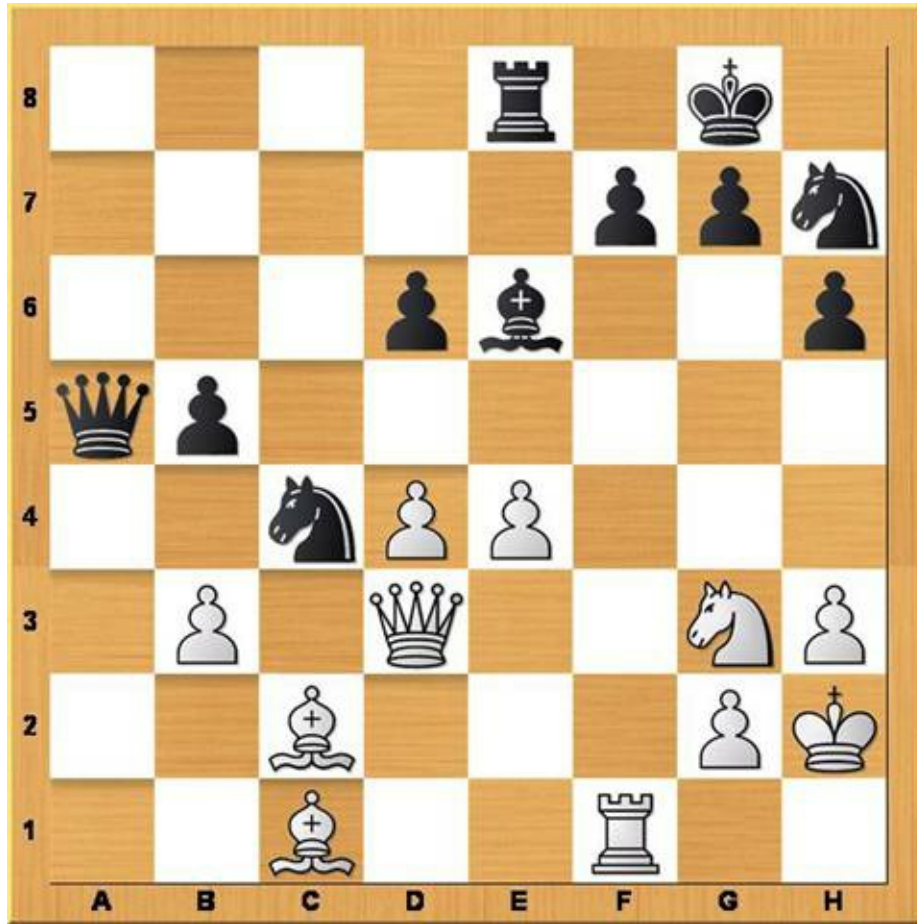
3rd Pearl Spring Nanjing CHN

ECO "C84" 1 – 0 2010.10.24

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10.Nbd2 O-O 11.Re1 Bd7 12.c3 Ra8 13.Rxa8 Qxa8 14.d4 h6 15.Nf1 Re8 16.Ng3 Qc8 17.Nh4
Bf8 18.Ng6 Na5 19.Nxf8 Rxf8 20.Bc2 Re8 21.f4 Bg4 22.Qd3 exf4 23.Bxf4 Nc4 24.Bc1 c5
25.Rf1 cxd4 26.cxd4 Qd8 27.h3 Be6 28.b3 Qa5 29.Kh2 Nh7



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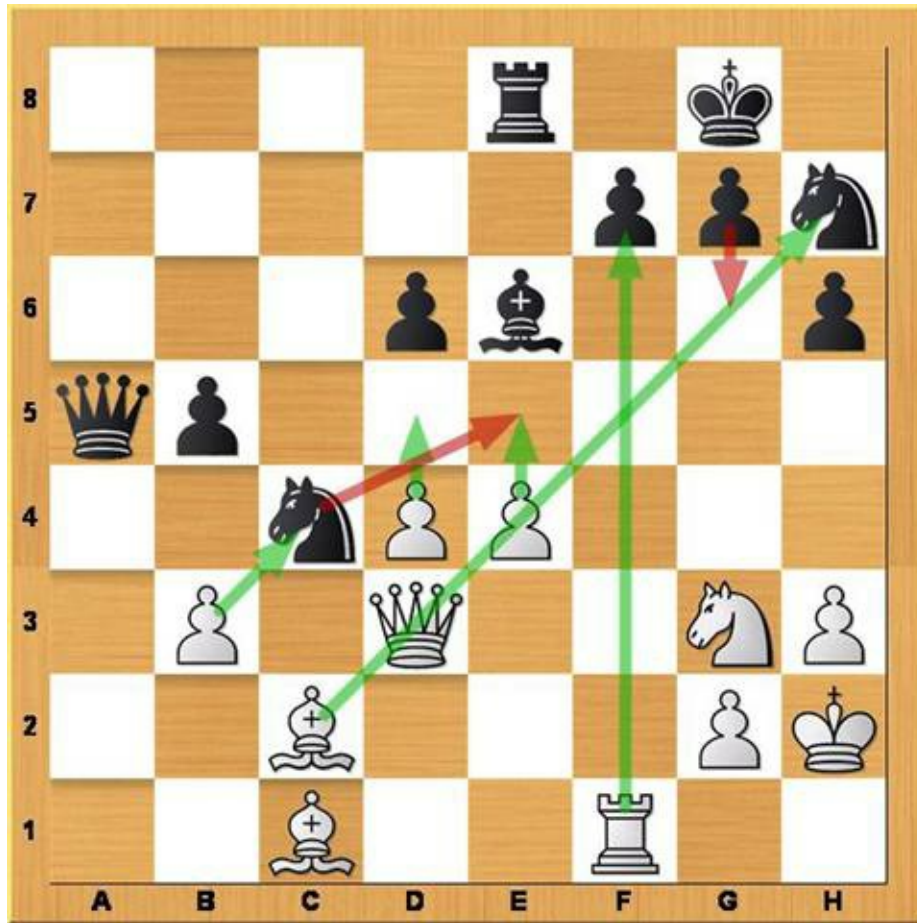
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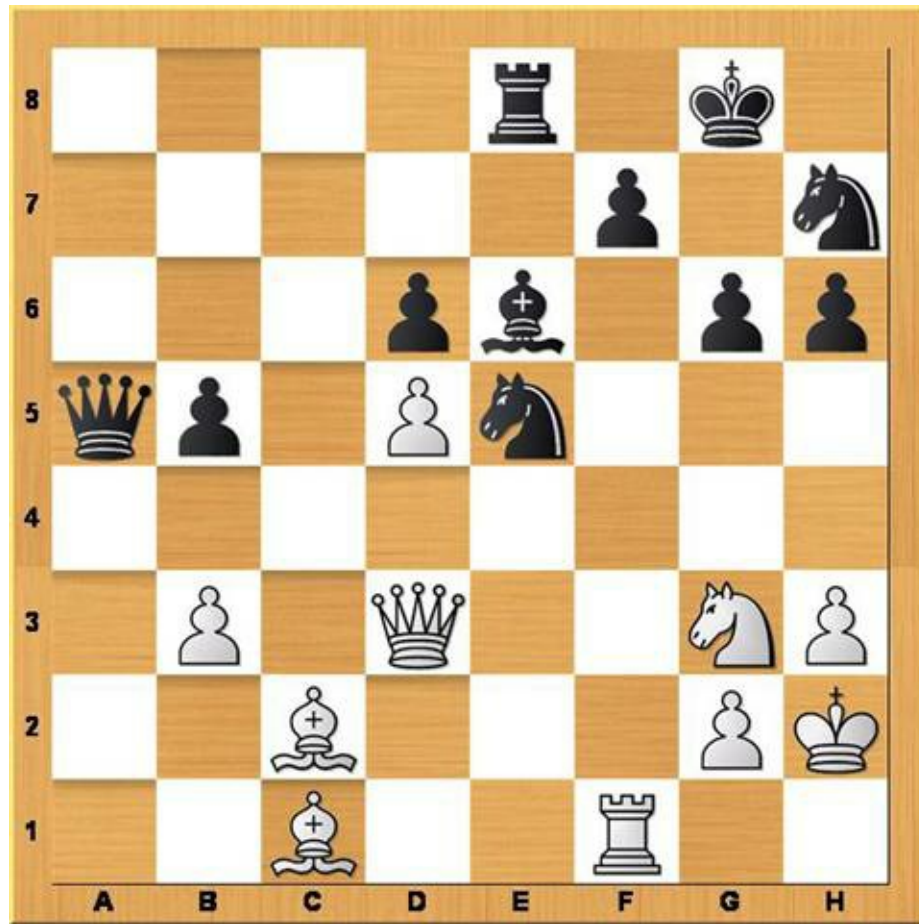
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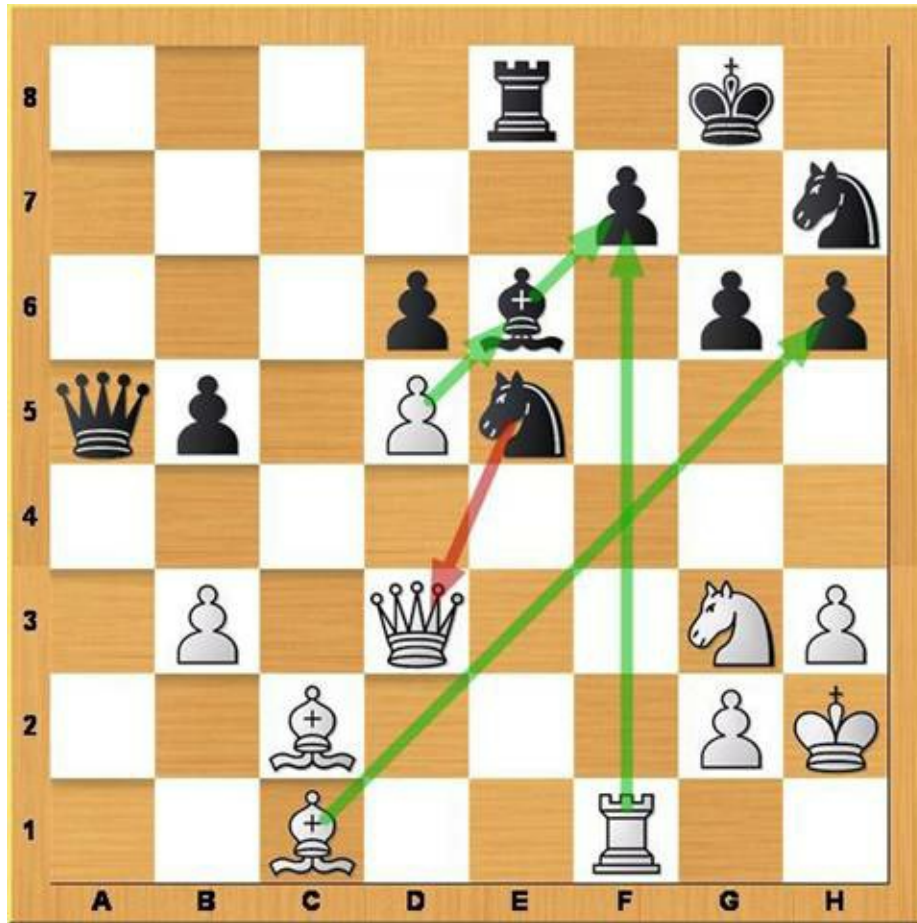


30.e5 g6 31.d5 Nxe5





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30.e5 [30.Nh5 this dubious g6 31.d5 Ne5 32.dxe6 Nxd3 33.exf7+ Kf8 34.Bxh6+ Ke7 35.fxe8Q+ Kxe8 36.Ng7+ Ke7 37.Bxd3 Qc3 38.Rf3 Qe5+ 39.Kh1 Nf6 40.Bf4 Qa1+ 41.Kh2 Nh7 42.Ne8 Kxe8 43.Bxd6 Kd7 44.e5 slight advantage white and a complicated endgame]

[30.d5 the strongest move since it keeps the pawn on e4, generating some important tactical aspects Ne5 31.dxe6 Nxd3 32.exf7+ Kf8 33.fxe8Q+ Kxe8 34.Bxd3 Qb4 35.e5 Nf8 36.Nf5 dxe5 37.Bxb5+ Kd8 38.Rd1+ Kc7 39.Bc4 g6 40.Nd6 Kb8 50.Bb7+ Kd7 51.Rd6+ winning Queen]

30...g6 31.d5 Nxe5



32.dxe6 1-0 Here black resign, demoralized to see that he losing piece and is not possible to take the Queen (see sub-variant) and are therefore at a disadvantage in material **Rxe6** [32...Nxd3 33.exf7+ Kf8 34.Bxh6+ Ke7 35.fxe8Q+ Kxe8 36.Bxd3 Qc3 37.Bxg6+ winning knight and the game Kd8 38.Bxh7 Qxb3 39.Rf8 Kd7 40.Bf5+ Kc6 41.Ne4 Qd5 42.Bf4 Qd4 43.Rf6 Kb7 44.Rxd6 Qb4 45.Rd8 Qa3 46.Be6 Qe7 47.Nd6+ Kc6 48.Rc8+ Kb6 49.Be3+.... 50.Bc5] **33.Qd1 Kg7 34.Ne2 b4 35.Bb2 Ng5 36.Nf4 Rf6 37.Re1 Rxf4** [37...Kg8 38.Kh1 Qa2 39.Bc1 Qa1 40.Nd5 Re6 41.Rf1 Nc6 42.h4 Nh7 53.Qf3 Qa7 44.Bxh6 with piece of advantage Nd4 45.Qd3 Nf5 46.Bd2 Re4 47.Be1 Re5 48.Nxb4 Qb7 49.Qd2 Ne3 50.Rf3 Nxc2 51.Nxc2 Re6 52.Bf2 with piece of advantage] **38.Qxd6 f6 39.Rxe5 fxe5 40.Bxe5+ Qxe5** winning

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GAME No. 22

Carlsen,M 2826 vs Vallejo Pons,F 2697

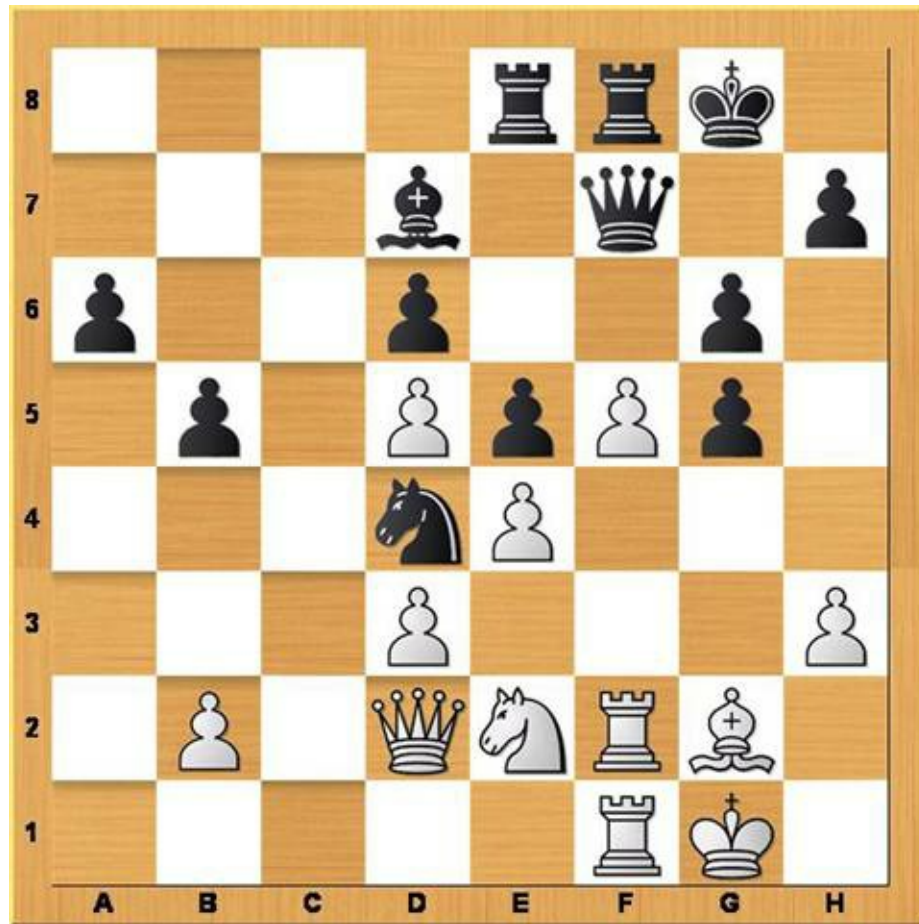
39th Olympiad Men Khanty-Mansiysk RUS

ECO "B23" 1 – 0 2010.09.25

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10.Bh6 Bxh6 11.Qxh6 Nd4 12.Nxd4 cxd4 13.Ne2 e5 14.O-O Ng8 15.Qd2 Ne7 16.f4 O-O 17.g4
f6 18.Rf2 Nc6 19.Raf1 Qa5 20.c3 Qxa2 21.g5 fxg5 22.f5 Qf7 23.cxd4 Rae8 24.d5 Nd4



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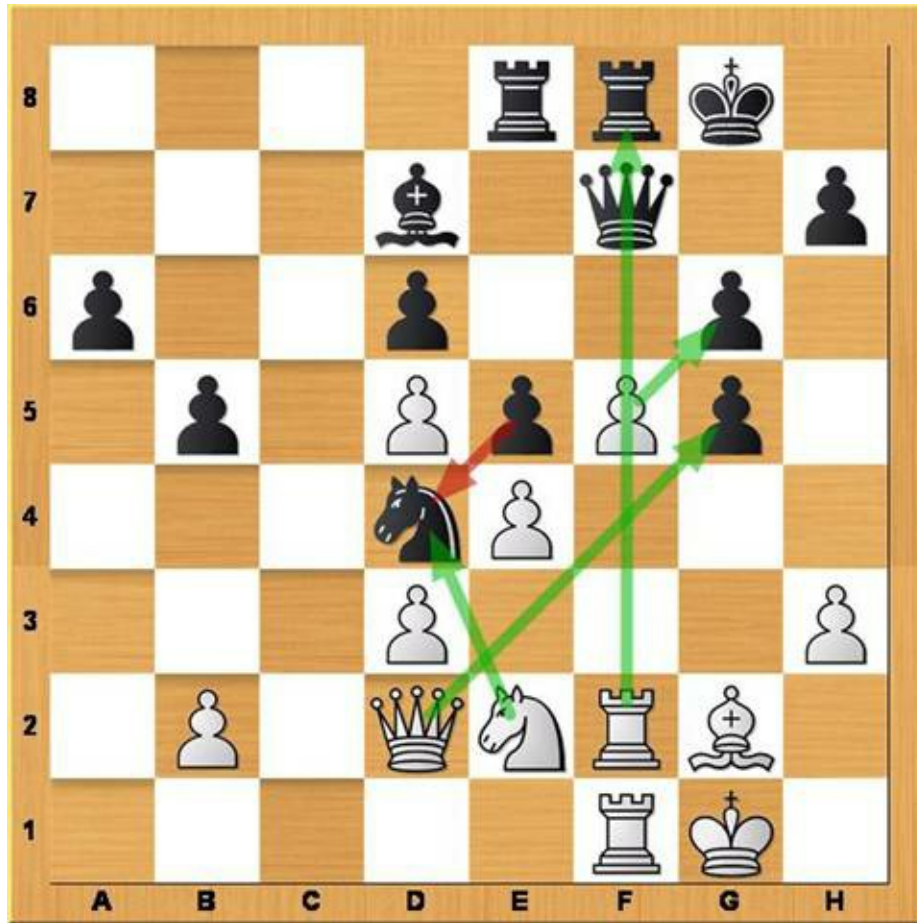
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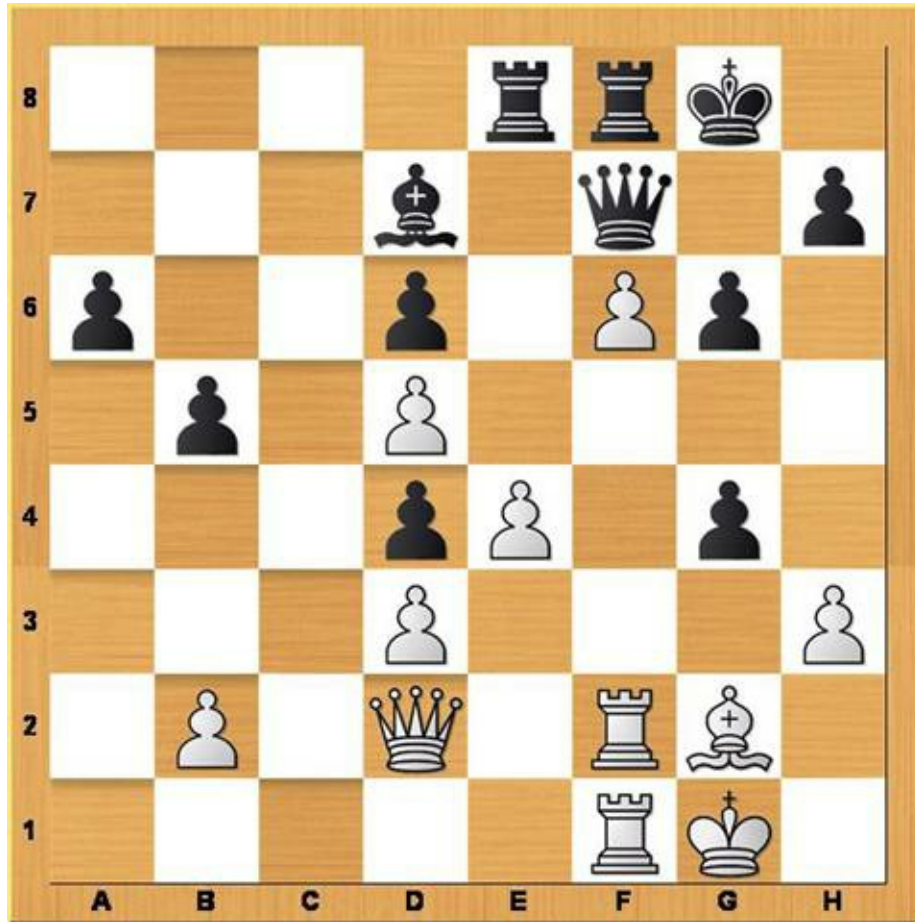
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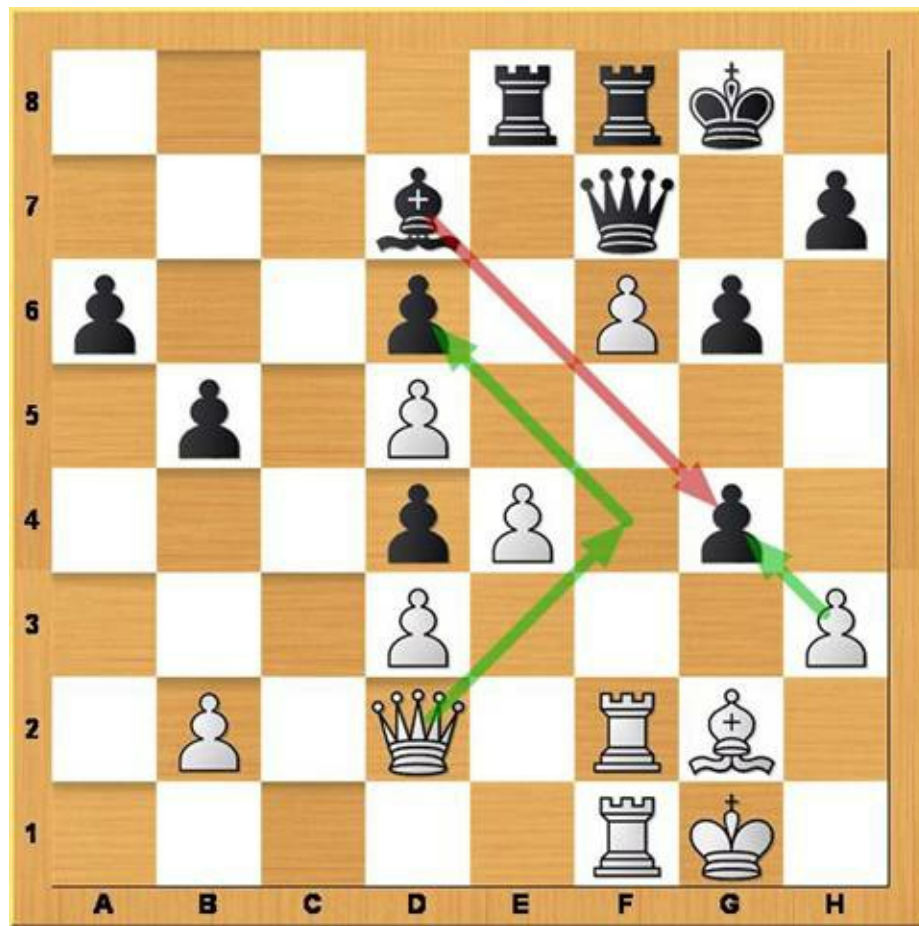


25. Nxd4 exd4 26.f6





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25. Nxd4 exd4 26.f6 [26. Qxg5 is good because it achieves a long-term advantage but Carlsen has prepared another surprise Qf6 27. Qg3; 26.fxg6 bad decision because the Black's position could be vented Qxg6 27. Rxf8+ Rxf8]



26...g4 Vallejo is not resist losing the pawn, but is not easy to foresee under pressure what awaits below [26...Rd8 the best defense is giving up the pawn on g5 with a clear target domain of time and space].

27.hxg4 Bxg4 28.Qf4 h5 29.Qxd6 1-0 Black resign here, Carlsen managed to do magic and put 3 past linked central pawns supporting them throughout their pieces **a5 30. Qf4 Kh7 31.e5 Qc7 32.Rc1 Qb8 33.d6 Rc8 34.Rfc2 Rxc2 35.Rxc2 Rc8 36.Rc7+ Rxc7 37.dxc7 si 37...Qxc7 [37...Qf8 38.Bd5 Qb4 39.f7 Qe1+ 40.Qf1 Qe3+ 41.Qf2 Qc1+ 42.Kg2 Qxc7 43.f8Q] 38.f7 1-0 Queens**

GAME No. 23

Carlsen,M 2826 vs Anand,V 2800

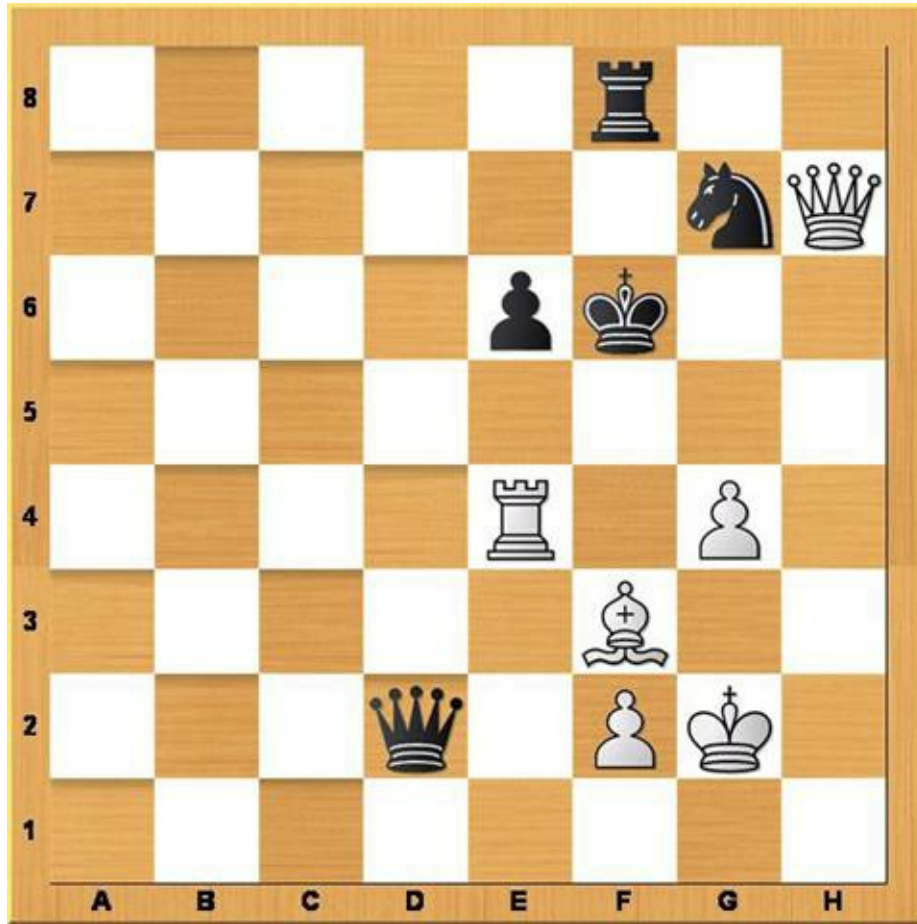
Arctic Stars Final Kristiansund NOR

ECO "D78" 1 – 0 2010.08.30

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10.Nh4 Nxd2 11.Qxd2 Be6 12.Rac1 Qd7 13.Nf3 Rfd8 14.Rfd1 Nc7 15.Qa5 Ne8 16.e3 Bg4
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53.g4 Ng7



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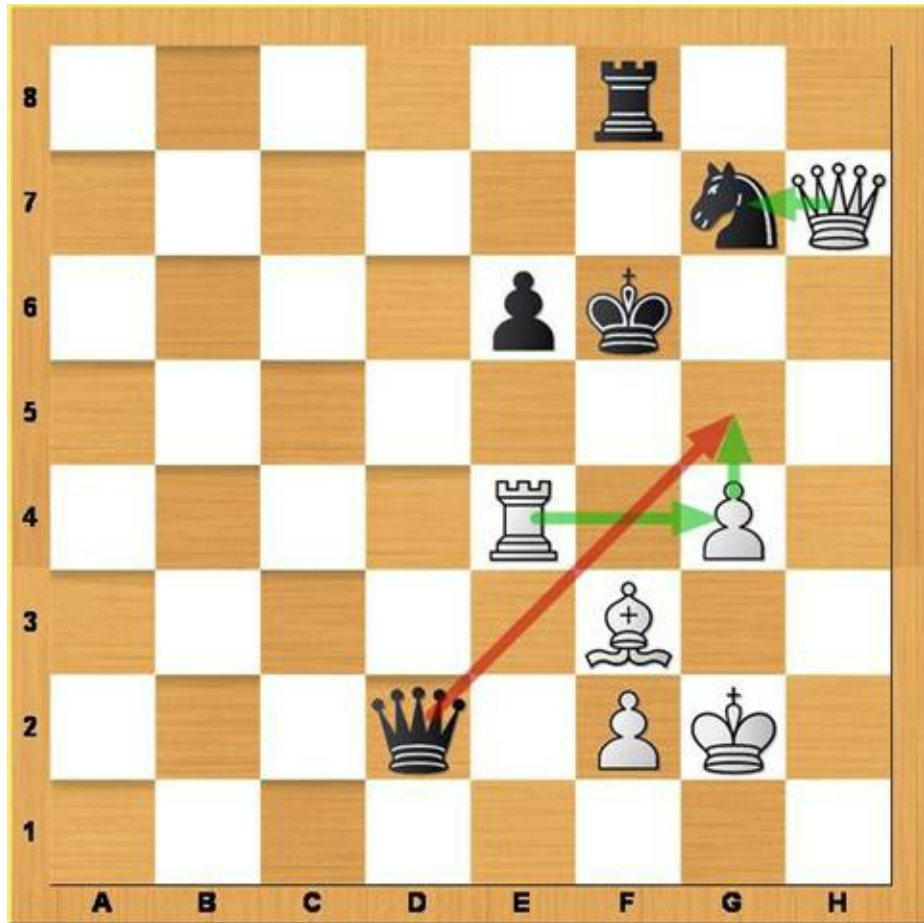
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Again Carlsen acts up beating the current world champion with a brilliant game and no less brilliant final shot **54.g5+ Qxg5+** [54...Kxg5 55.Qxg7+; 54...Kf7 55.Bh5+ Ke7] **55.Rg4 Qxg4+ 56.Bxg4 1-0** winning material

GAME No. 24

Carlsen,M 2826 vs Wang Yue 2732

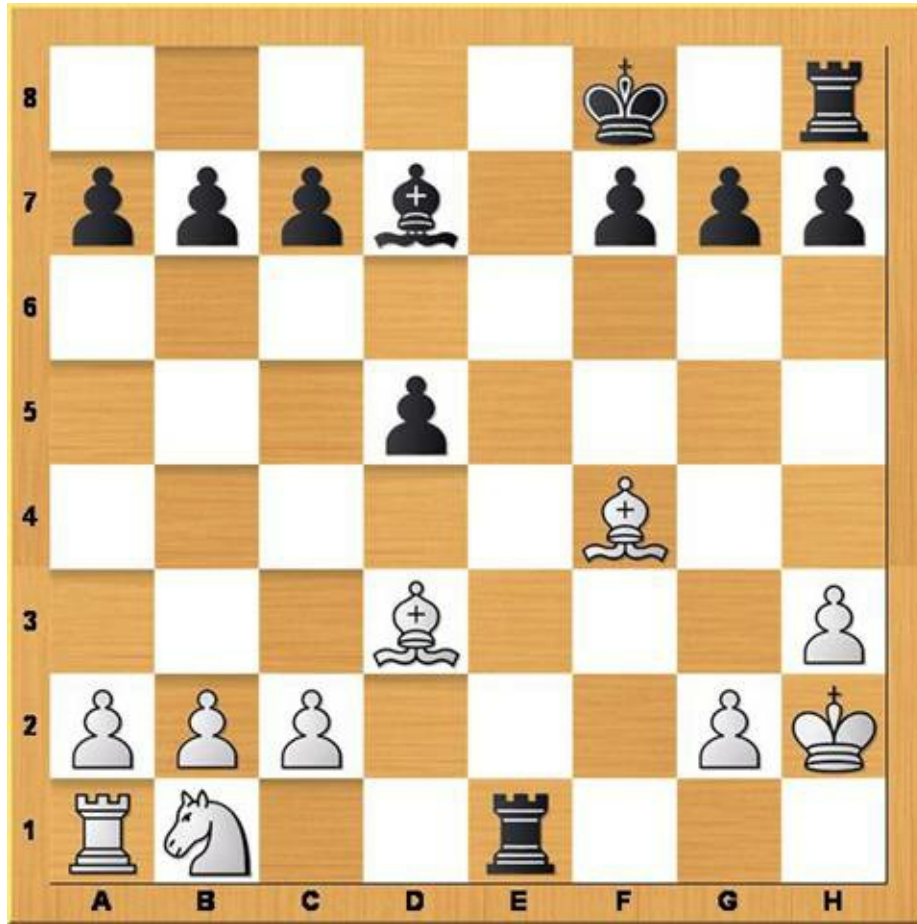
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ECO "C43" 1 – 0 2010.10.22

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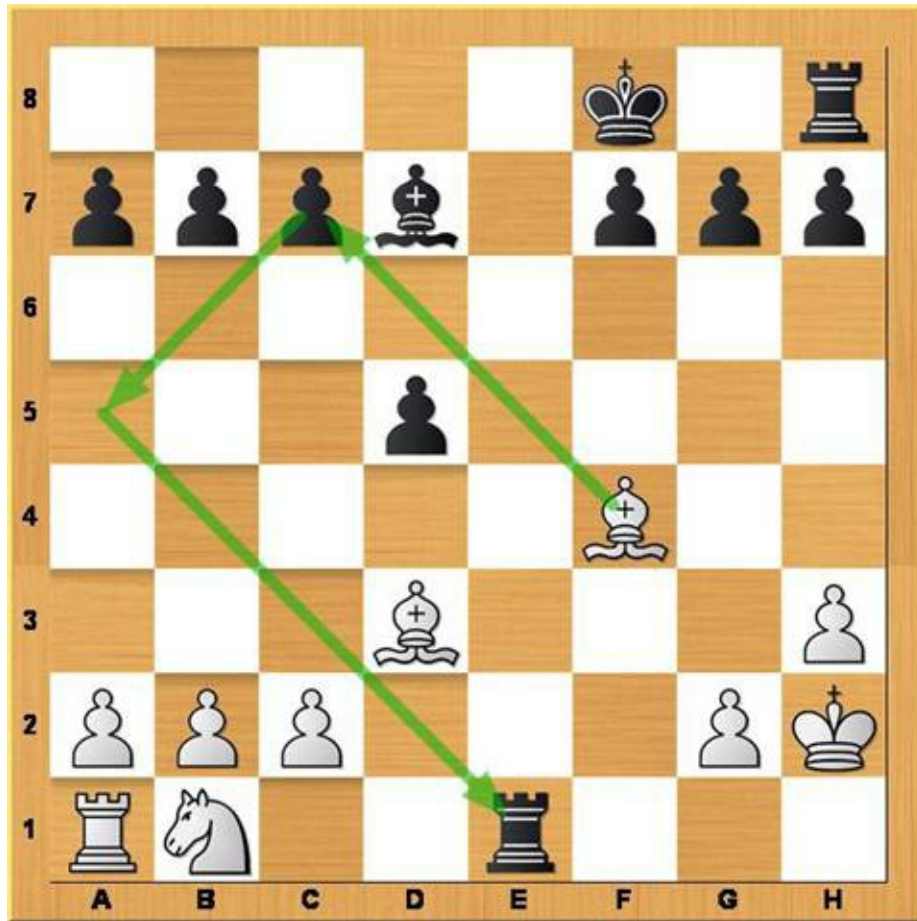
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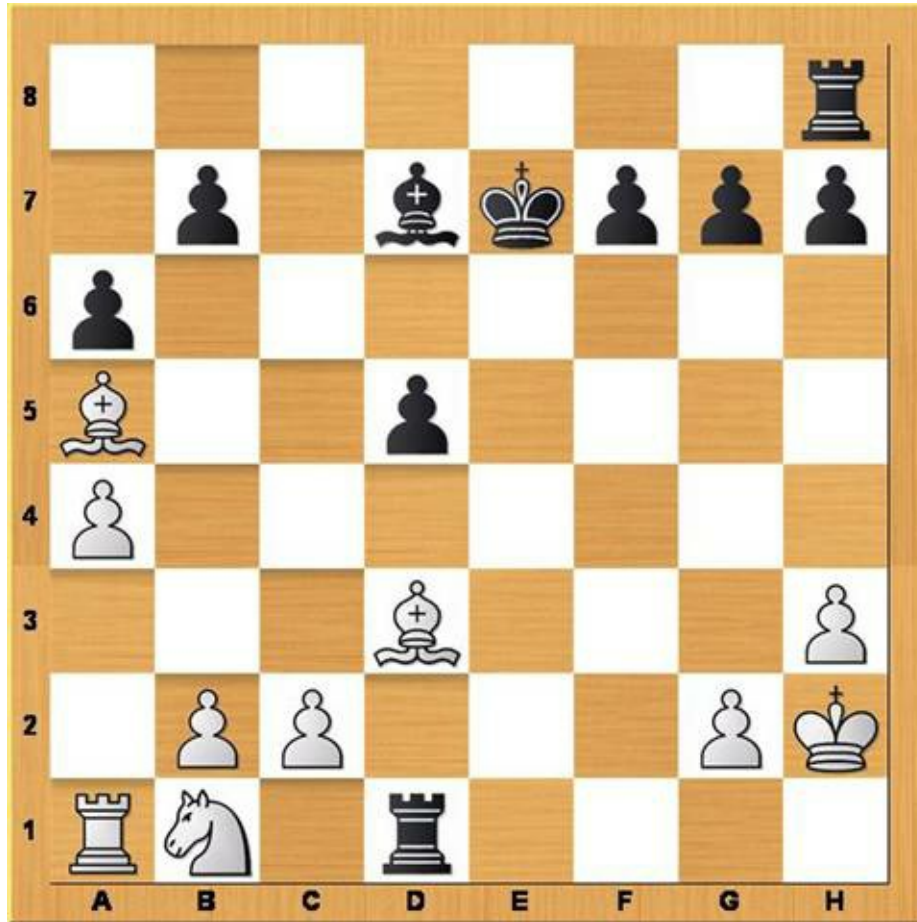
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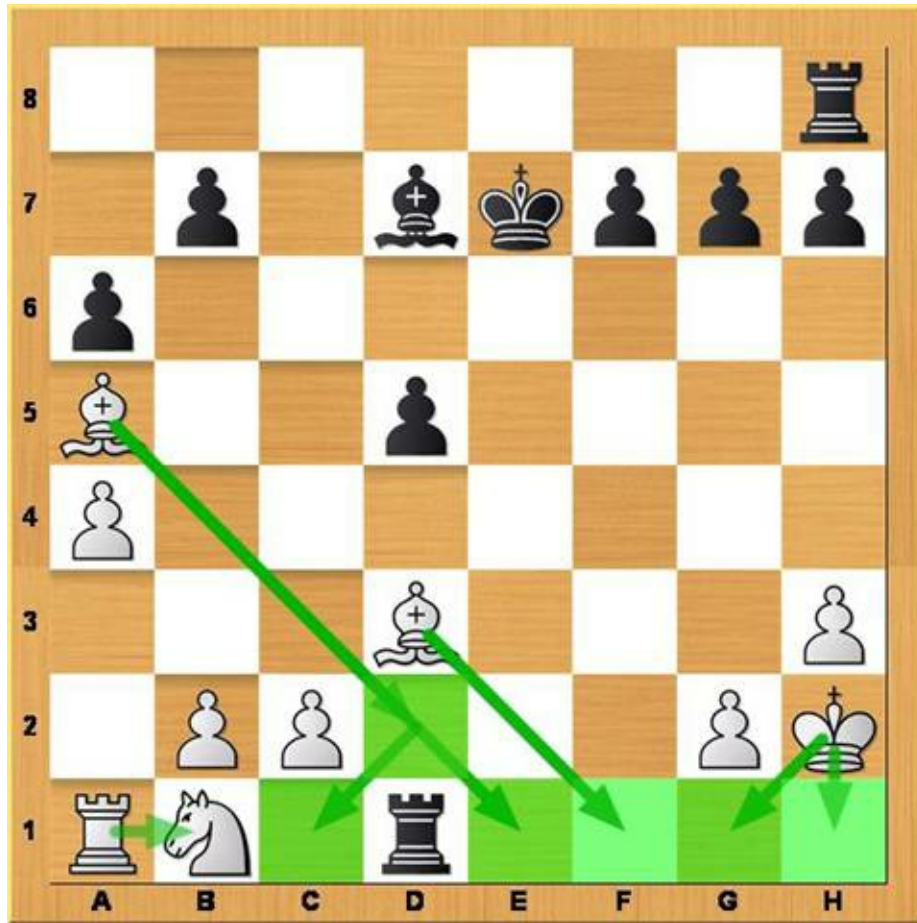
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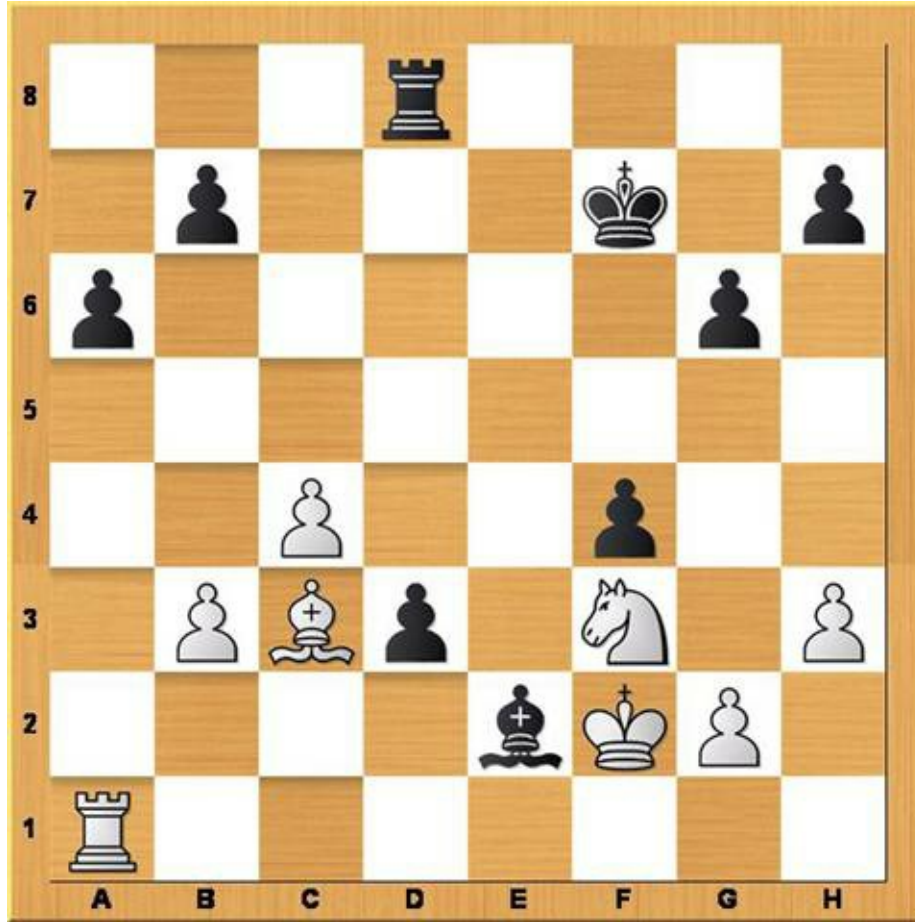
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An excellent game so we recommend fully studying to better understand the conclusion, Carlsen suffers initially because delayed in developing their pieces but ingeniously yet manages to take the initiative **22.Bxc7** obtaining material advantage but difficult to solve the game

[22.Bd2 Re6 with balanced position]



22...a6 23.Ba5 Rd1 24.a4 excellent solution in order to take advantage, prevents exchange of bishops [24.Be2 Rc1 allows time for the black; 24.a3 allows the exchange of bishops and the position does not improve anything; 24.Bb4+ giving time to the black King to release the rook]



24...g6 28.Be2 Bxa4 winning a piece advantage **29.Bb4+ Ke6 30.Bxd1 Bxd1 31.Nd2 Be2 32.b3 f5 33.Kg3 Rd8 34.Kf2 d3 35.Bc3 Kf7 36.Nf3 f4 37.Ng5+** mathematical solution that

solves the position **Kg8 38.Ne6 1-0** here black resign **Re8 39.Nxf4 Rf8 40.Ke3 Re8+ 41.Kd2 Rd8 42.Nxe2 dxe2+ 43.Kxe2** with a piece advantage

GAME No. 25

Carlsen is not impressed with the sacrifice and winning the game with a precise technique.

Gelfand,B 2733 vs Carlsen,M 2815

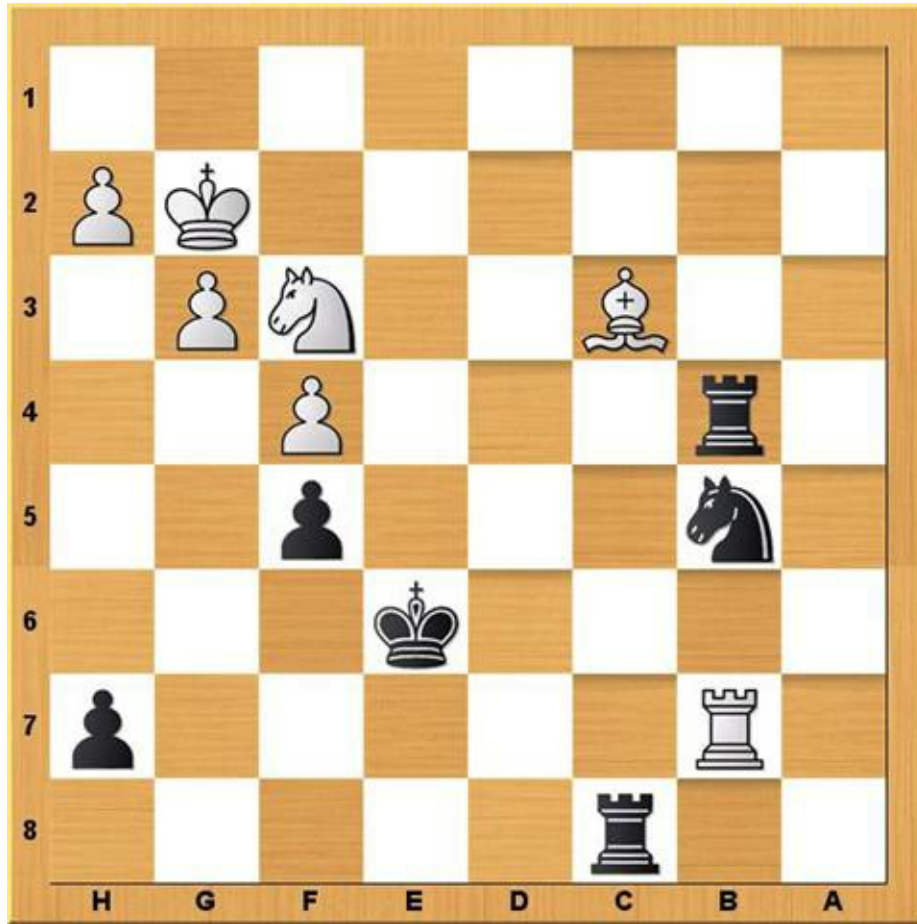
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ECO "A59" 0 – 1 2011.03.24

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10.Kg2 Nbd7 11.f4 O-O 12.Nf3 Ne8 13.Re1 Nc7 14.Bd2 Nb6 15.Qe2 Qd7 16.b3 f5 17.a4 fxe4
18.Qxe4 Qf5 19.Qxf5 gxf5 20.Rxe7 Nbxd5 21.Rd7 Nxc3 22.Rxg7+ Kxg7 23.Bxc3+ Kf7 24.Rd1
Ke7 25.b4 Rxa4 26.bxc5 dxc5 27.Be5 Nb5 28.Rb1 Rb4 29.Ra1 c4 30.Ra6 Rc8 31.Rb6 c3
32.Rb7+ Ke6 33.Bxc3



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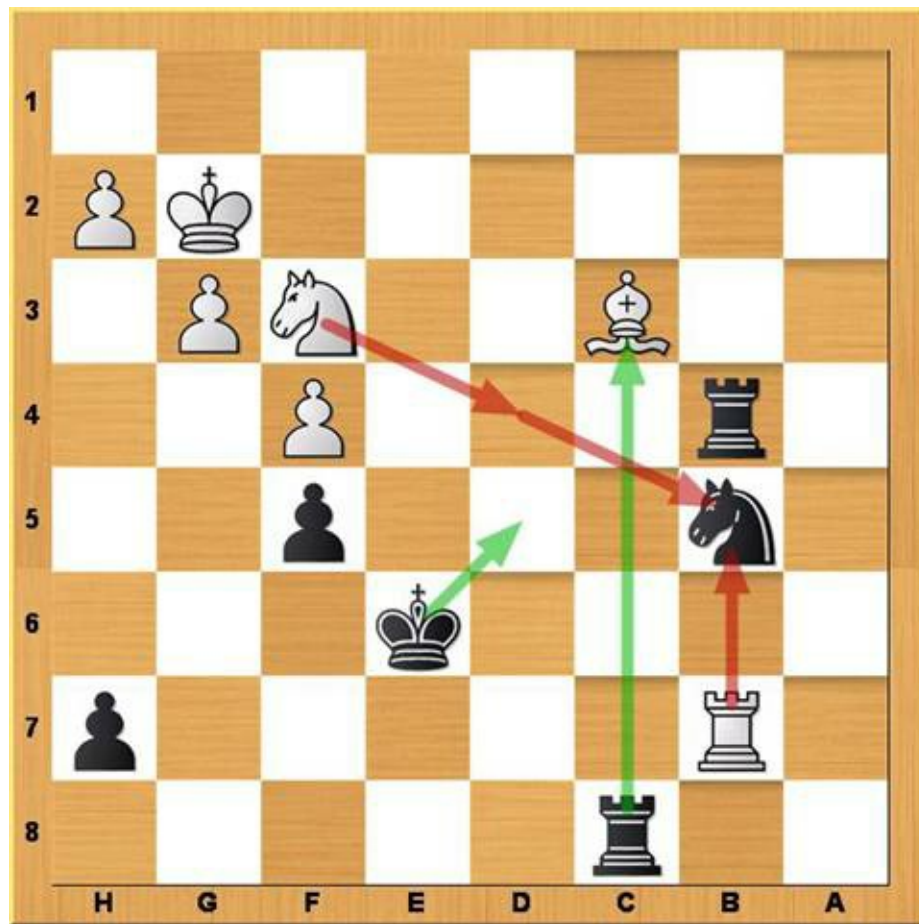
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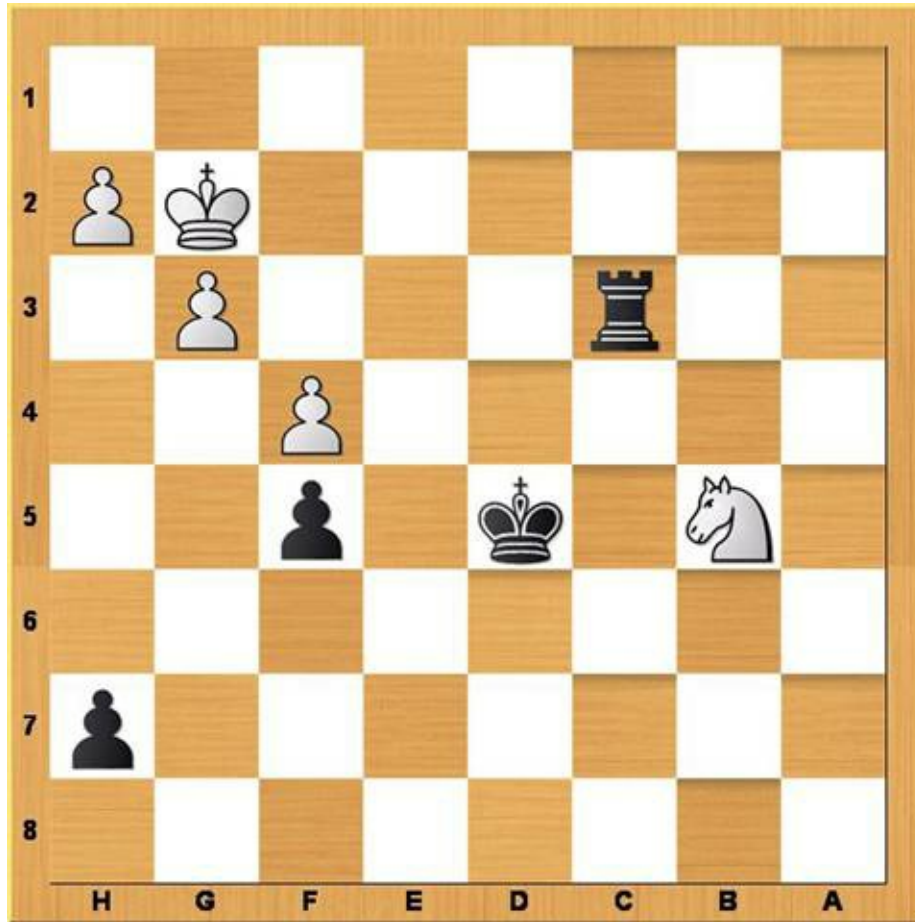
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33...Rxc3 34.Rxb5 Rxb5 35.Nd4+ Kd5 36.Nxb5



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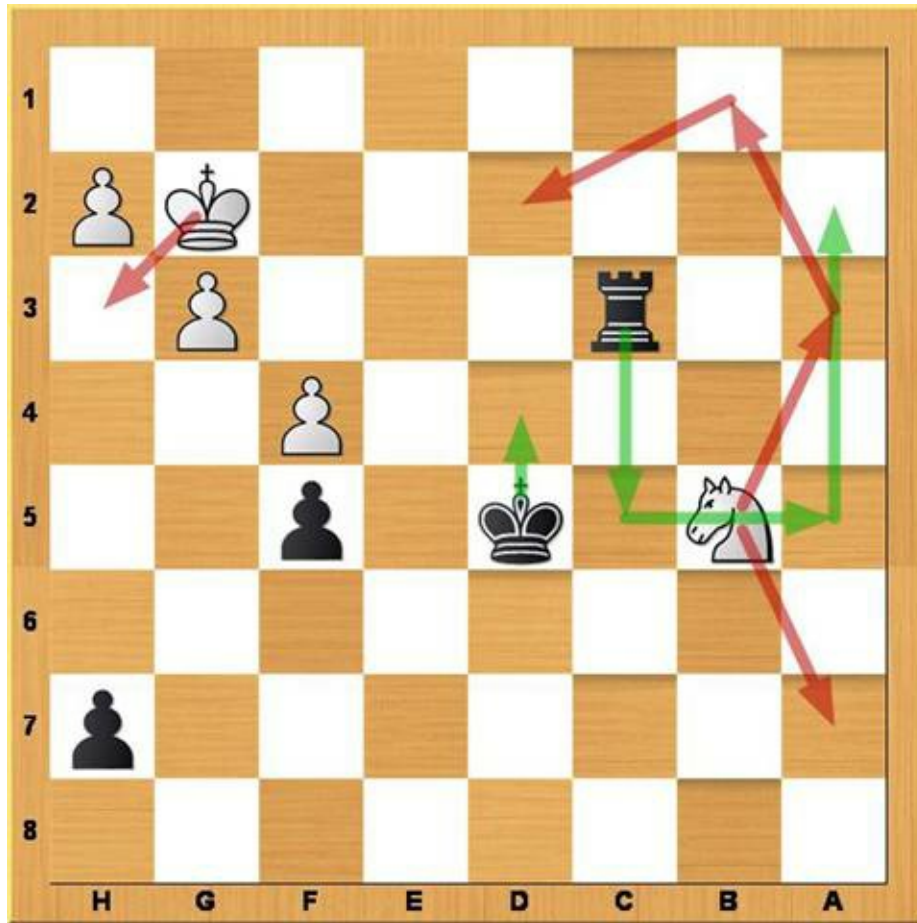
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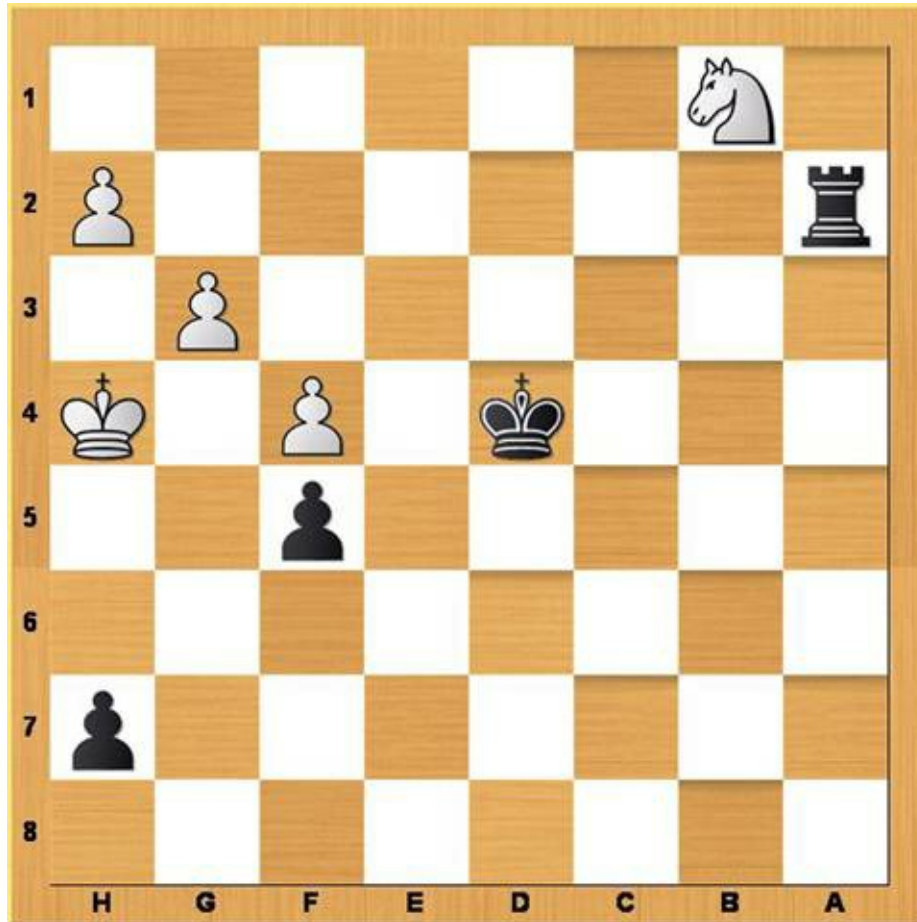
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36...Rc5 37.Na3 Ra5 38.Nb1 Ra2+ 39.Kh3 Kd4 40.Kh4



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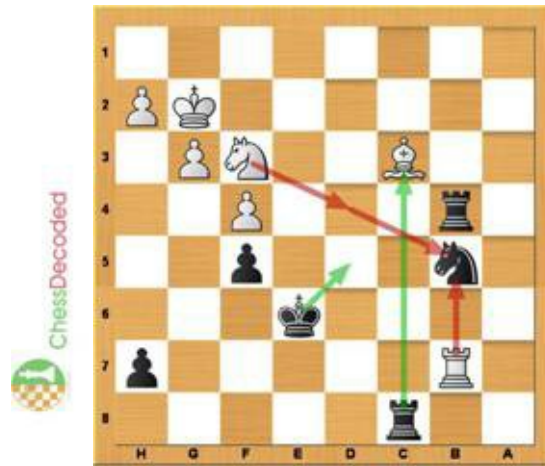


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Gelfand attempts in the exchange with less quality in order to fight for a draw **33...Rxc3**
34.Rxb5 Rxb5 35.Nd4+ Kd5 36.Nxb5



Carlsen found the only precise sequence to trap the enemy knight and win the game **36...Rc5**
37.Na3 [37.Na7 Kc4 38.g4 fxg4 39.Kg3 Rc7 40.Nb5 Kxb5 41.Kxg4 winning a piece]

37...Ra5 38.Nb1 Ra2+ 39.Kh3 Kd4 40.Kh4



Rxh2+ 41.Kg5 Rb2 42.Na3 Rb3 43.Nc2+ Ke4 44.Kh4 h6 45.Kh3 Rb2 46.Ne1 Rb1 47.Nc2
Kd3 0-1 the black resign because lose the knight after **48.Na3 Rb3** trapped.

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Kramnik,V 2785 vs Carlsen,M 2815

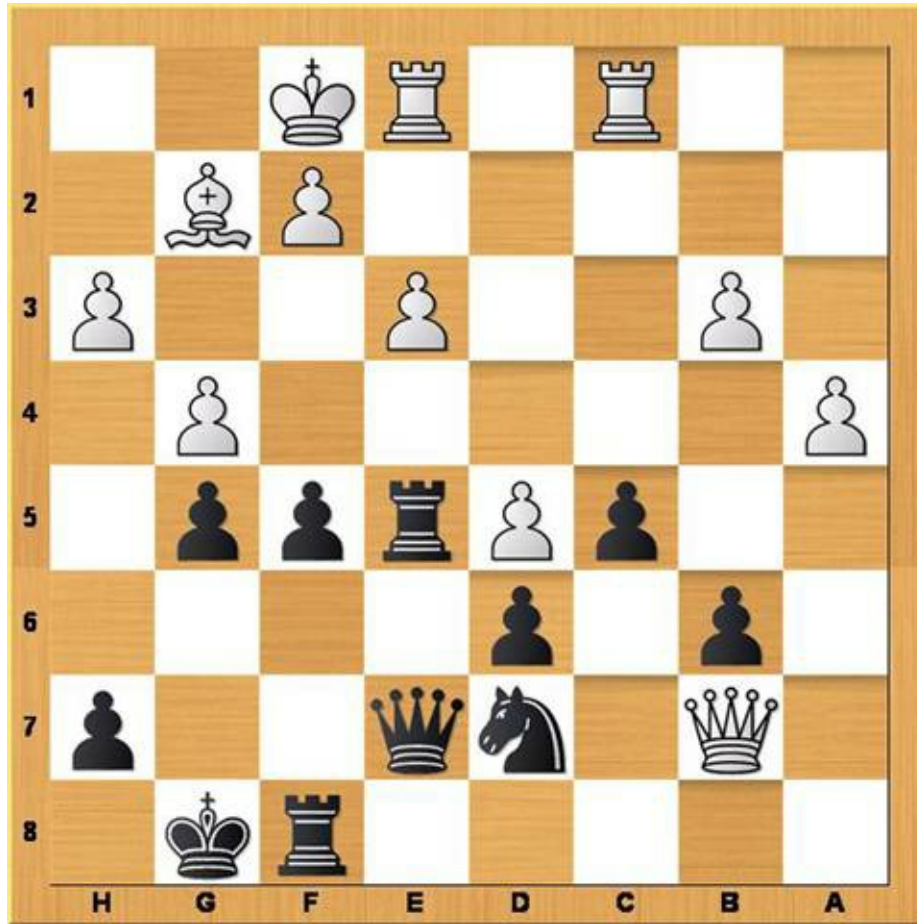
20th Amber Rapid Monaco MNC

ECO "A15" 0 – 1 2011.03.19

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Ne4 11.d5 Nxc3 12.Bxc3 exd5 13.Ne1 Bf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.Rc1 Qf5 16.Nd3 Nd7 17.Nf4 Nf6
18.Re1 Rfe8 19.h3 Re5 20.g4 Qd7 21.Nxd5 Bxd5 22.cxd5 Qe7 23.Qd3 g5 24.Kf1 Nd7 25.a4
Rf8 26.Qxa6 f5 27.Qb7



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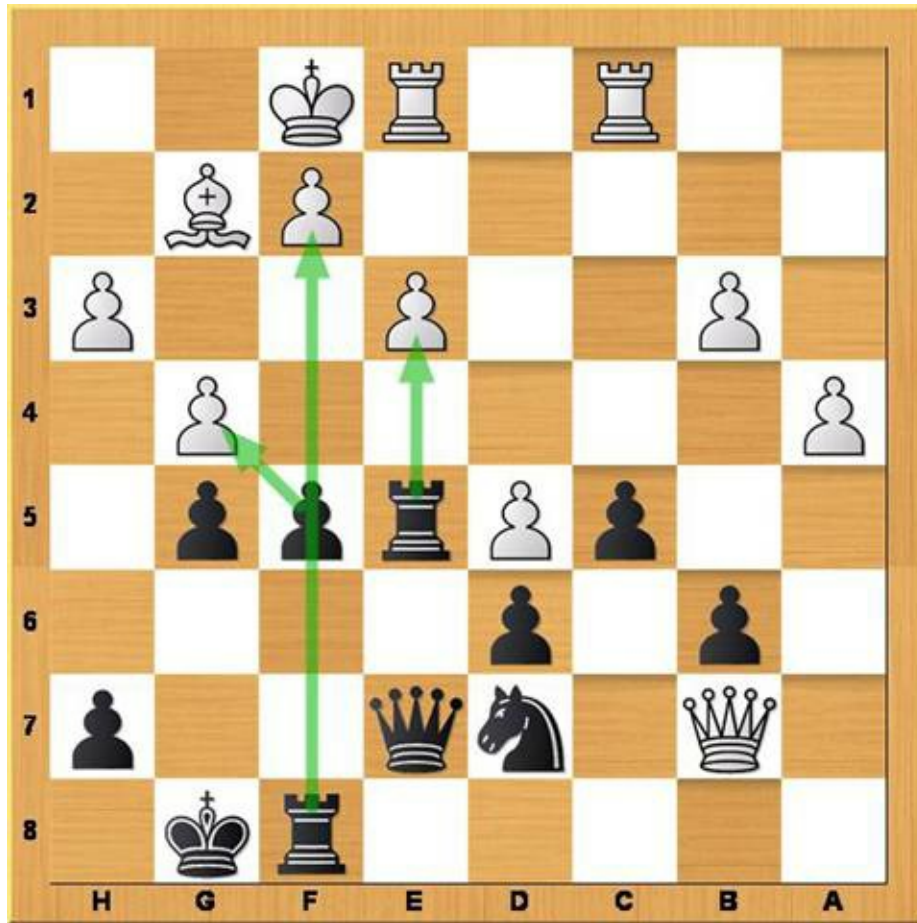
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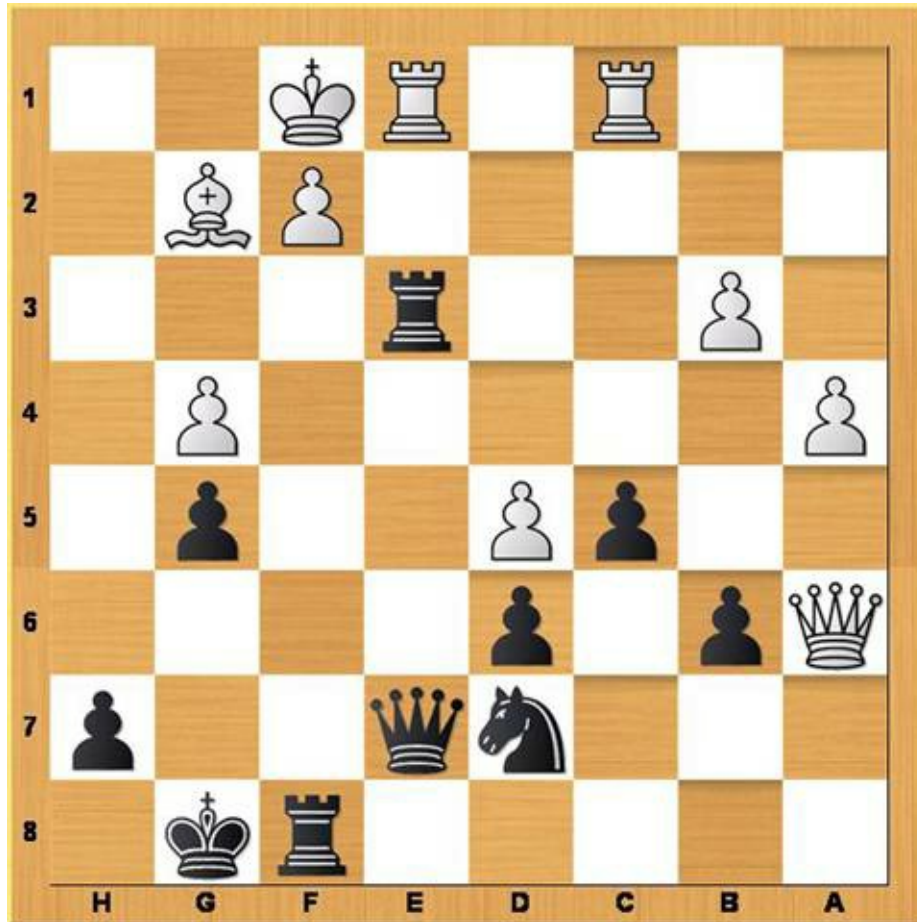
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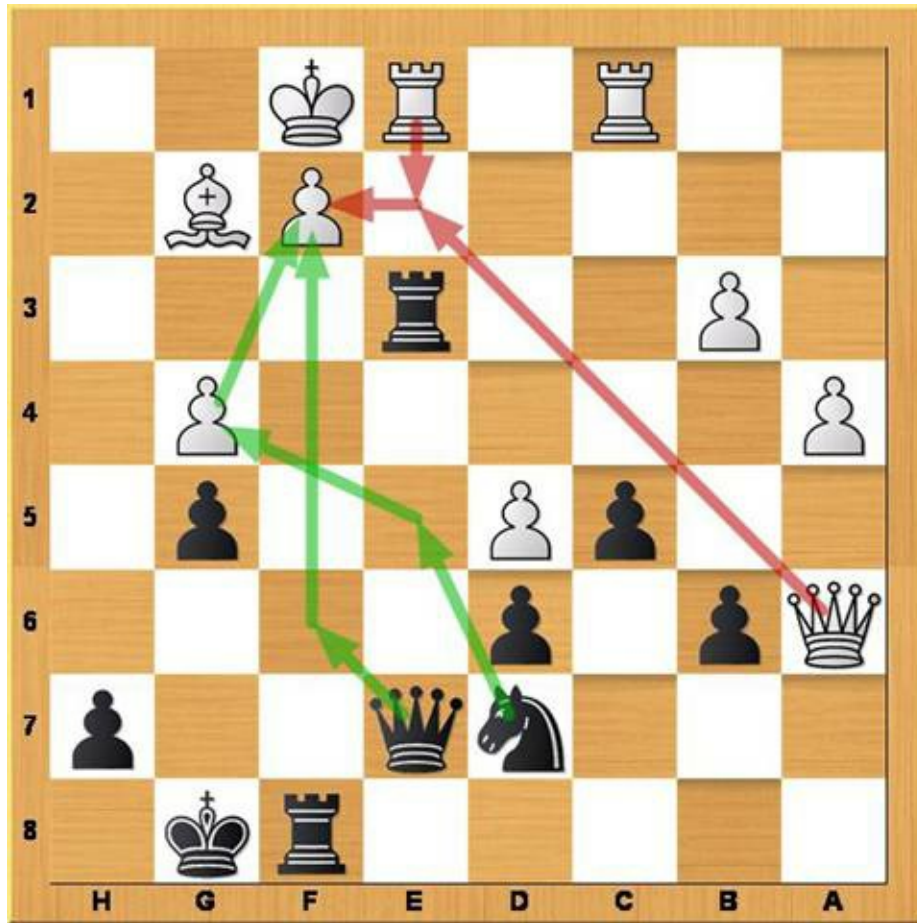


27...fxg4 28.hxg4 Rxe3 29.Qa6





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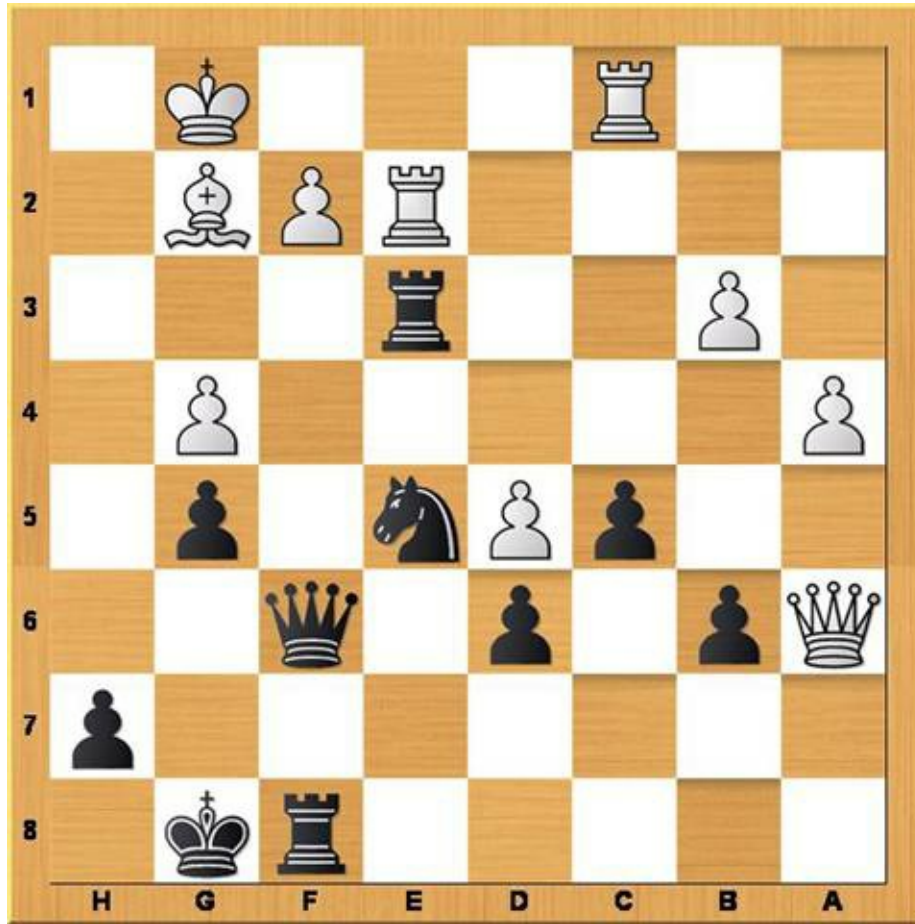
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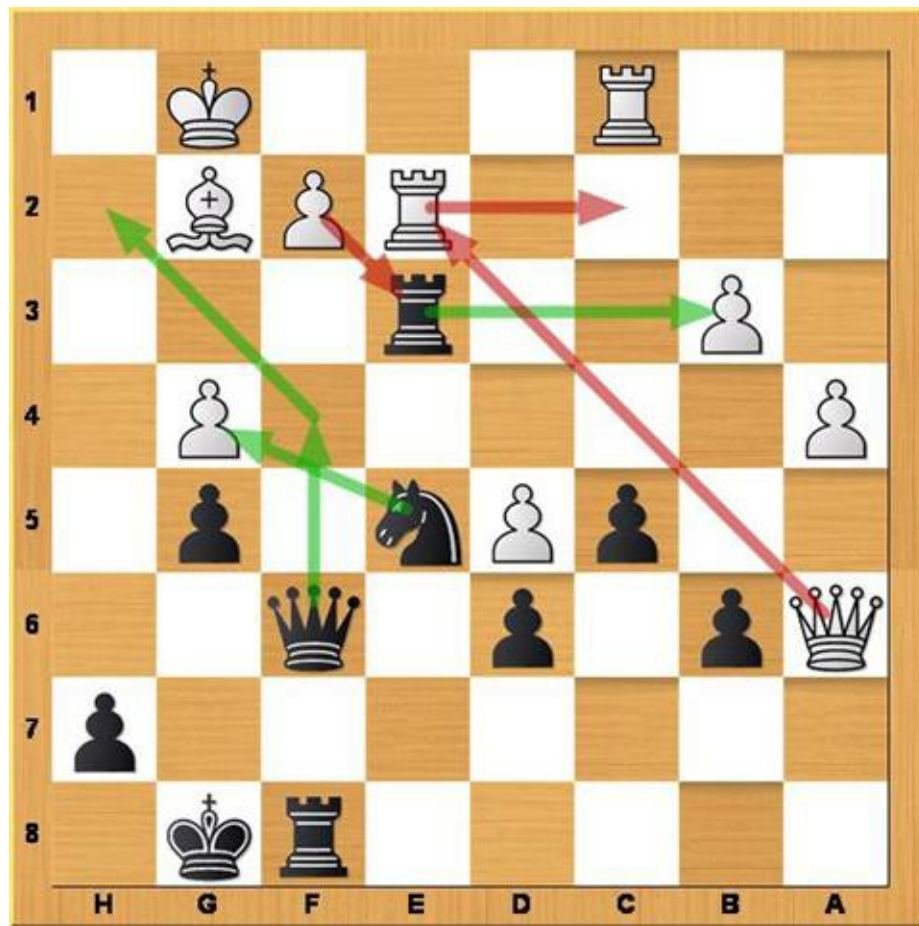


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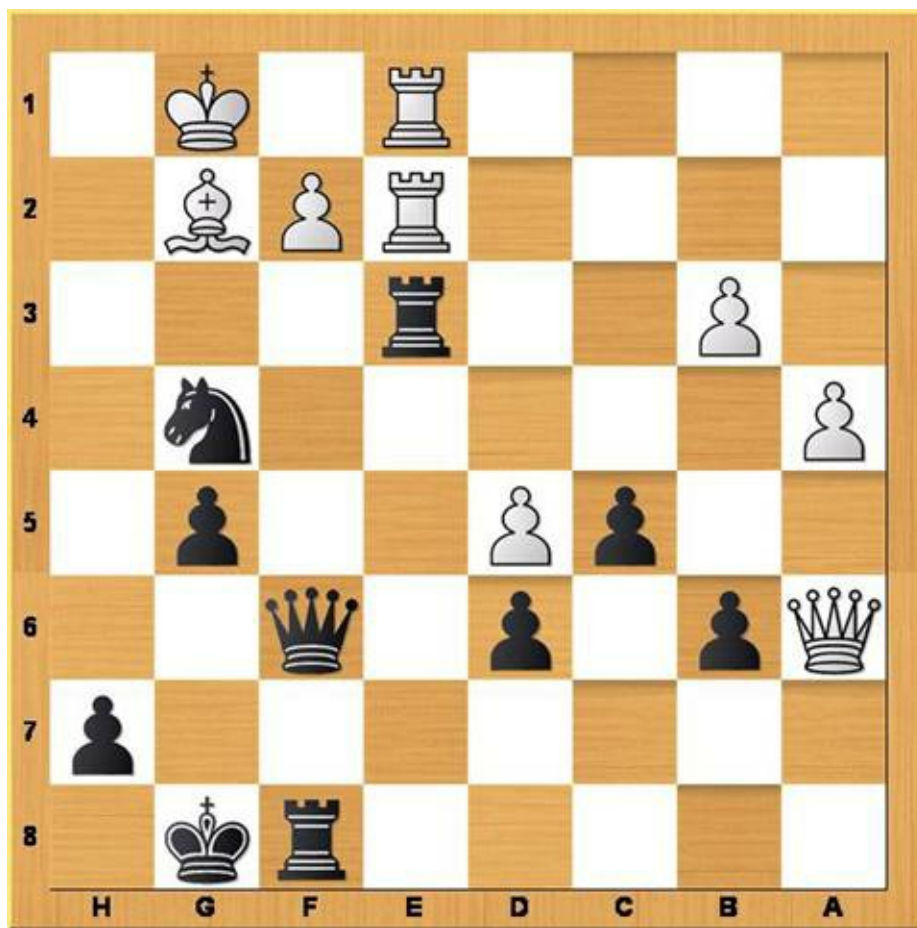
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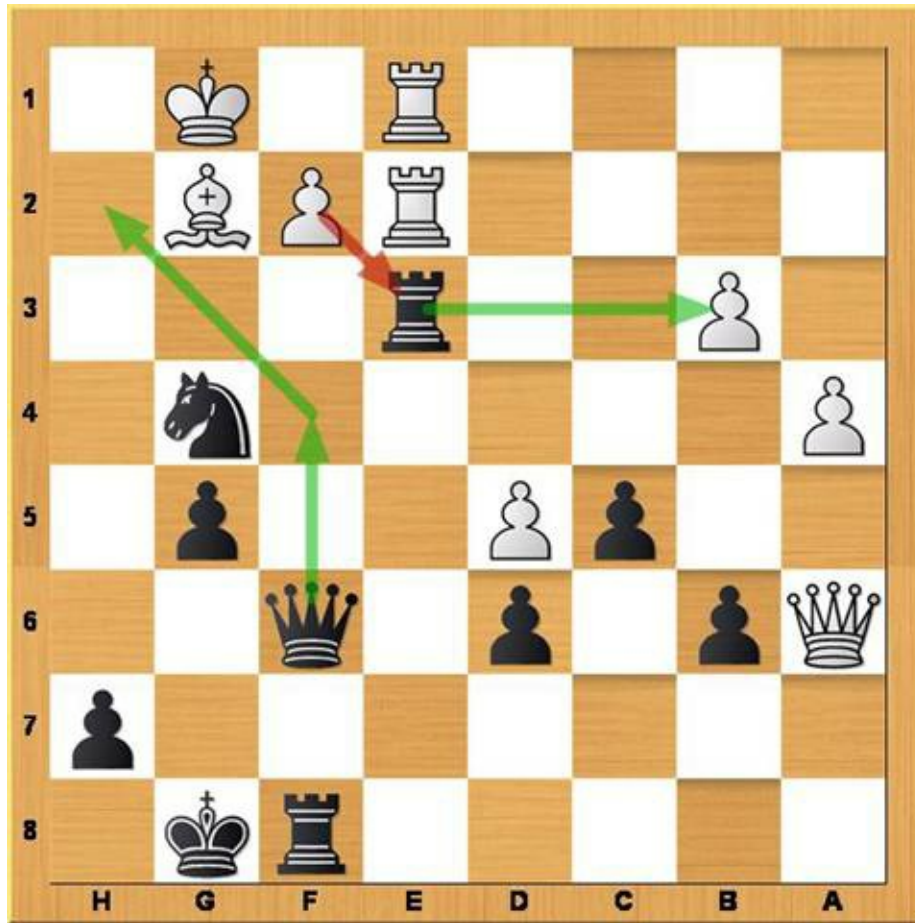


29...Qf6 30.Re2 Ne5 31.Rce1 Nxg4





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27...fxg4 28.hxg4 [28.Rc2 Rf7 29.Kg1 gxh3 30.Bxh3 g4 31.Bg2 (31.Bxg4 does not work due Rg5 32.f3 h5 losing material) 31...g3 32.e4 Qh4 33.Ree2 Qh2+ 34.Kf1 h5 35.Rc3 Ree7 36.Rf3 Kg7 37.Rxf7+ Rxf7 38.Qc8 Qh4 39.f3 Qf4 40.Kg1 Ne5 41.Qh3 Qc1+ 42.Bf1 Nxf3+ 43.Kg2 Nh4+ 44.Kg1 Kh8 45.Qc8+ Kh7 46.Qh3 g2 47.Qxg2 Nxg2 winning material]



28...Rxe3 29.Qa6 Returning the Queen, trying to defend his position but fails to remedy their mistake



Qf6 30.Re2 Ne5 0-1 White resign here because Kramnik doesn't find solution to the net mating in which he is involved



31...Nxg4 32.Kg1 Qf4 33.Rd1 Rh3 34.f3 Qg3 35.Kf1 Nh2+ 36.Kg1 Nxf3+ 37.Kf1 Nd4+ 38.Kg1 Qh2#

GAME No. 27

Smeets,J 2662 vs Carlsen,M 2814

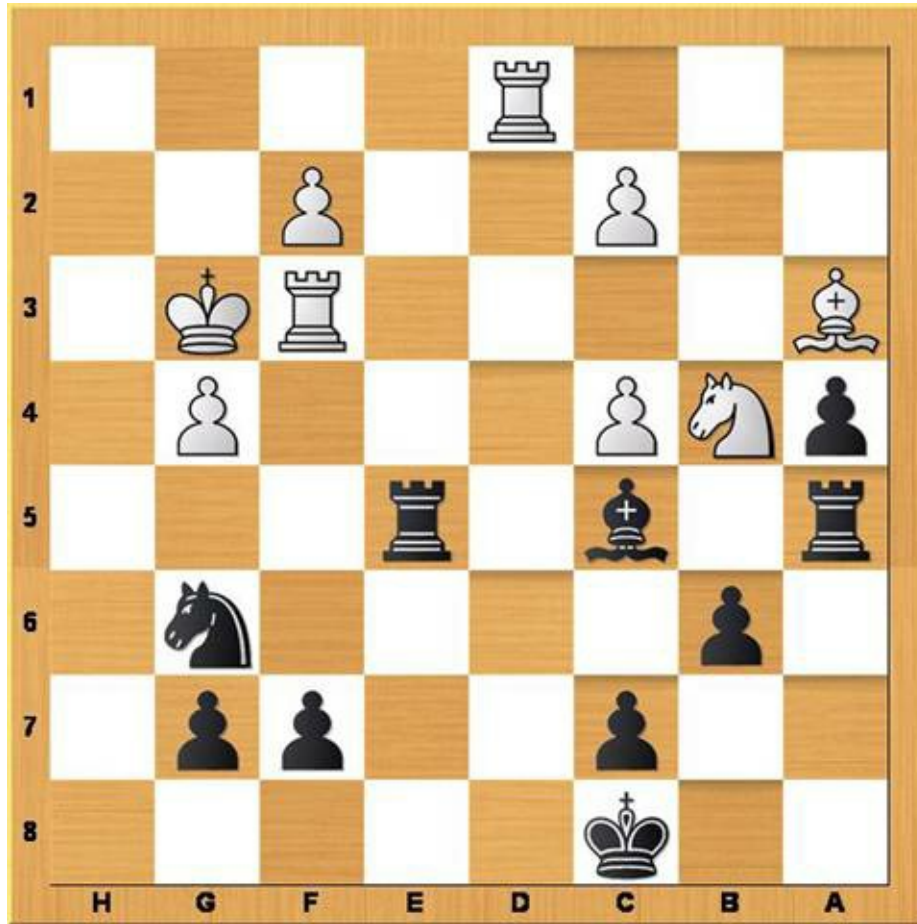
73rd Tata Steel GMA Wijk aan Zee NED

ECO "C67" 0 – 1 2011.01.21

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9.Nc3 Bd7 10.h3 b6 11.b3 Kc8 12.Bb2 h5 13.g3 Be7 14.Rad1 a5 15.a4 Re8 16.Rd3 c5
17.Nd5 c4 18.Rc3 Bc5 19.Kh2 Bc6 20.bxc4 Bxa4 21.Ra1 Bc6 22.Rf1 a4 23.Ba3 Ra5 24.g4
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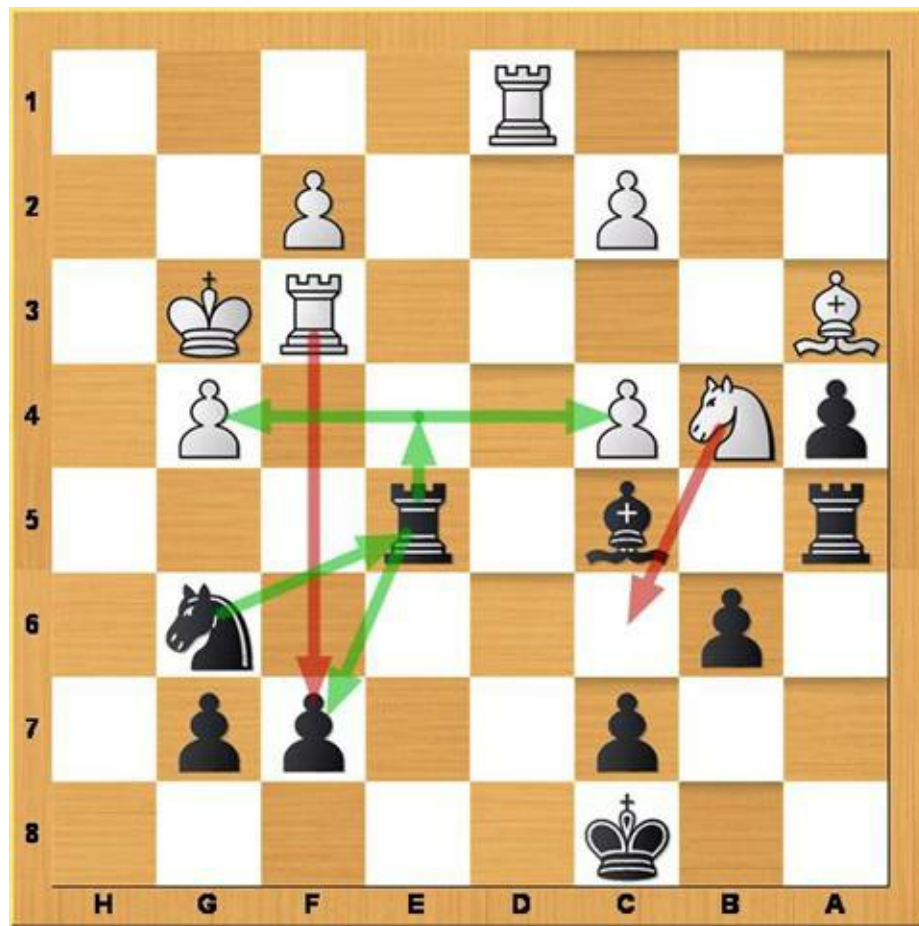
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30...Re4 31.Rxf7 Rxf7 Ingenious rooks exchange, staying with decisive advantage **32.Kxg4 Ne5+ 33.Kg3 Nxf7 0-1** Here white resign **34.c3 Ne5 35.Nc2 Nxc4 36.Bb4 Bxb4 37.cxb4 Ra7 38.Rd4** [38.Kf4 a3 39.Rd4 b5 40.Rd1 a2 41.Ra1b Ra4 42.Kf5 Nd2 43.f4 Nb3 44.Rg1 c5 45.bxc5 b4 46.Rd1 Nxc5 47.Na1 b3 48.Rd2 Ra6 49.Kg4 Kc7 50.f5 Kc6 51.Rb2 Kb5 52.Rxb3 Nxb3 53.Nxb3 Kb4 54.Na1 Kc3 Winning the game]



Although not part of the original game, is shown as realize the advantage and eventually crown his pawn achieve the a file **34.c3 Ne5 35.Nc2 Nxc4 36.Bb4 Bxb4 37.cxb4 Ra7 38.Rd4**



b5 39.Rg4 a3 40.Rxg7 a2 41.Rg8+ Kb7 42.Rg5



Ra3+ 43.Kh2 Rc3 44.Na1 Rc1 45.Rg1 Rb1 [45...Rxc1 46.Kxc1 Nd2 47.f4 c5 48.bxc5 b4 49.Kf2 b3 50.Ke2 b2 *a little less imprecise but equally wins*] **46.Kg2 Nd2 47.Rh1 Rxh1 48.Kxh1 c5 49.bxc5 b4** with a pawn Queens.

GAME No. 28

Svidler,P 2750 vs Carlsen,M 2813

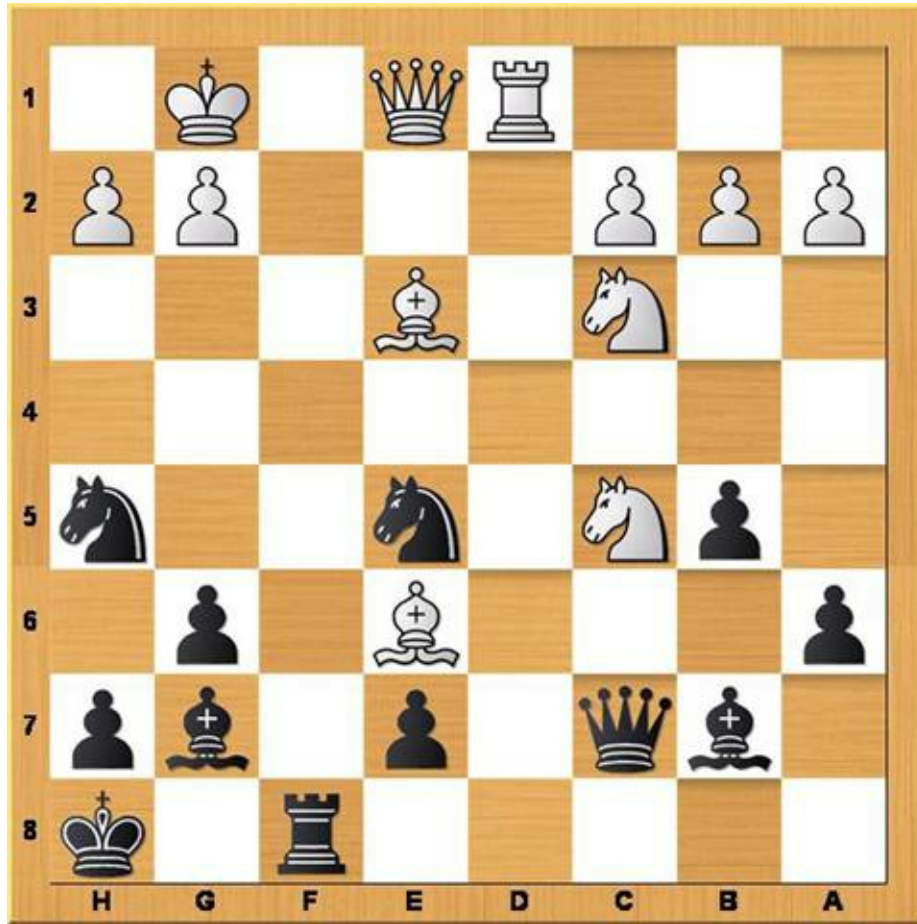
19th Amber Blindfold Nice FRA

ECO "B74" 0 – 1 2010.03.15

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10.f4 b5 11.Bf3 Bb7 12.e5 dxe5 13.fxe5 Nd7 14.e6 fxe6 15.Bg4 Rxf1+ 16.Qxf1 Nce5
17.Bxe6+ Kh8 18.Rd1 Qc7 19.Qf4 Rf8 20.Qg3 Nf6 21.Nc5 Nh5 22.Qe1



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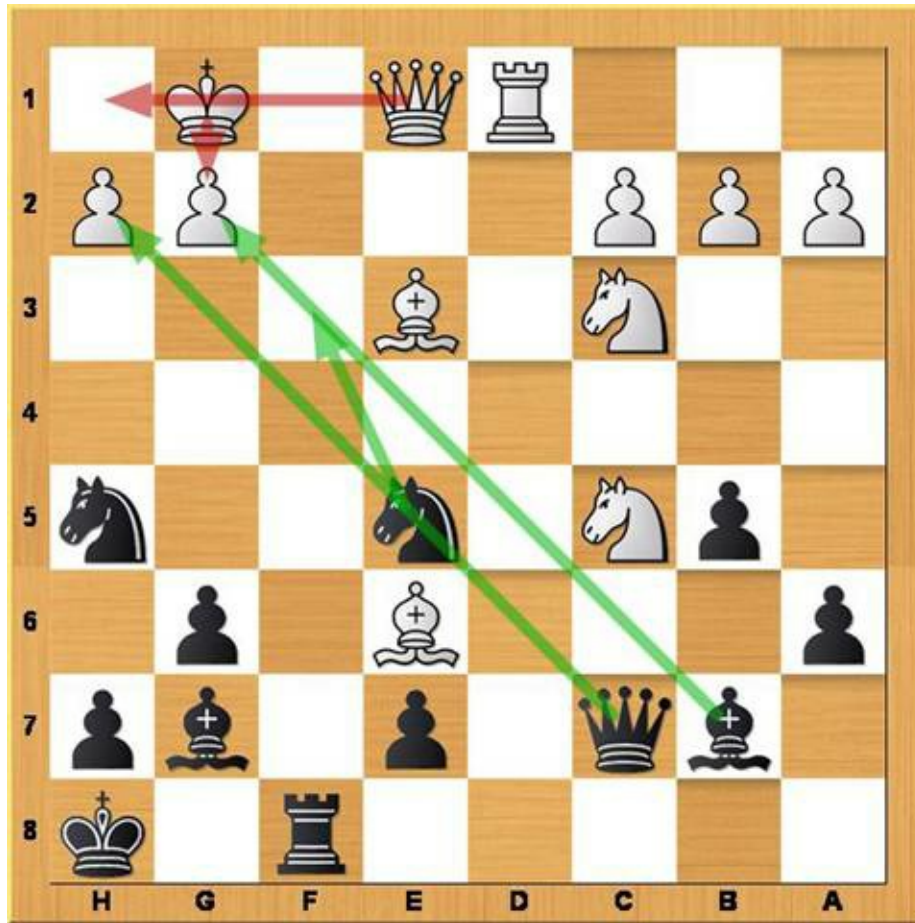
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22...Bxg2!! 23.Kxg2 Nf3 24.Qh1



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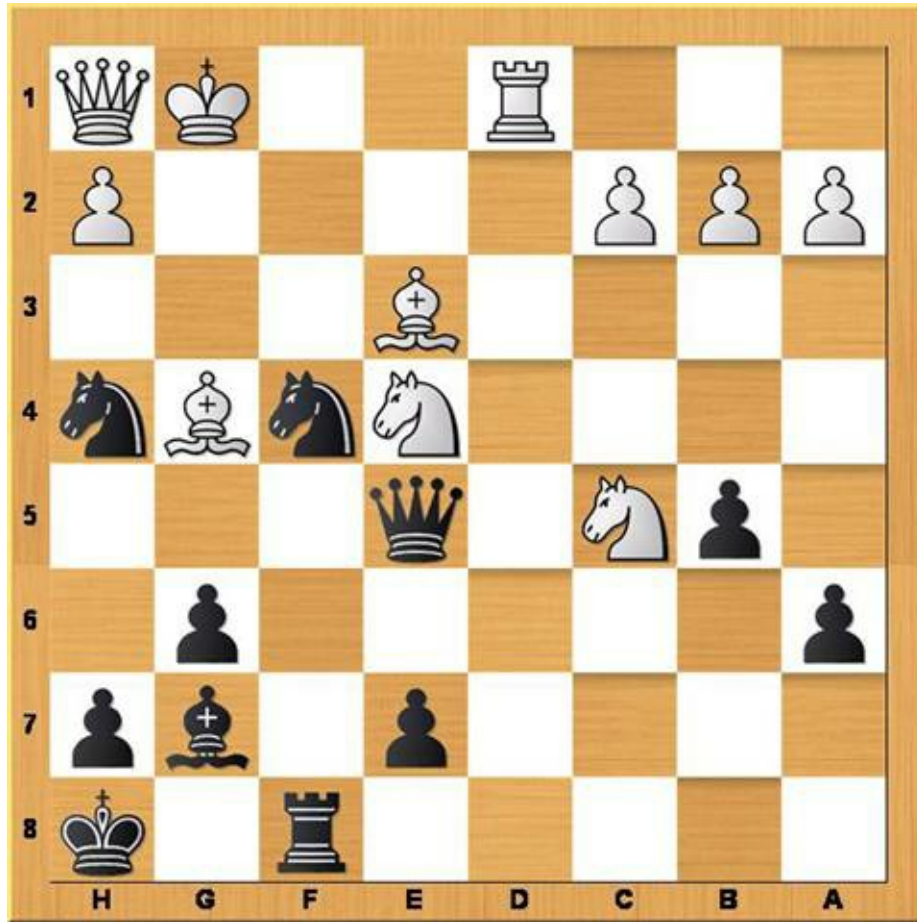
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22...Bxg2!! 23.Kxg2 Nf3 24.Qh1 Nf4+ 25.Kf2 [25.Bxf4 Qxf4 26.N5e4 Nh4+] 25...Nd4 0-1
 here the white resign, the game is in a very complex position, adding to this that is a blind game. There is a spectacular solution to the position; it would be difficult for humans, especially with the stress of the game and times troubles. [Nd7!! Great defensive play attacking rook in f8, avoiding Discovered check]



This sequence was not part of the game but it is instructive how the attack comes over the black **24...Nh4+** The strongest move **25.Kg1 Qe5 26.N3e4 Nf4**



27.Bg4 Qh5 28.Qg2 incredible sacrifice but the Queen is poisoned by (28.Bxh5 Nh3#)
28...Nhxg2 There is no way to cover the winning double checkmate]

GAME No. 29

Excellent tactic combination

Topalov,V 2803 vs Carlsen,M 2826

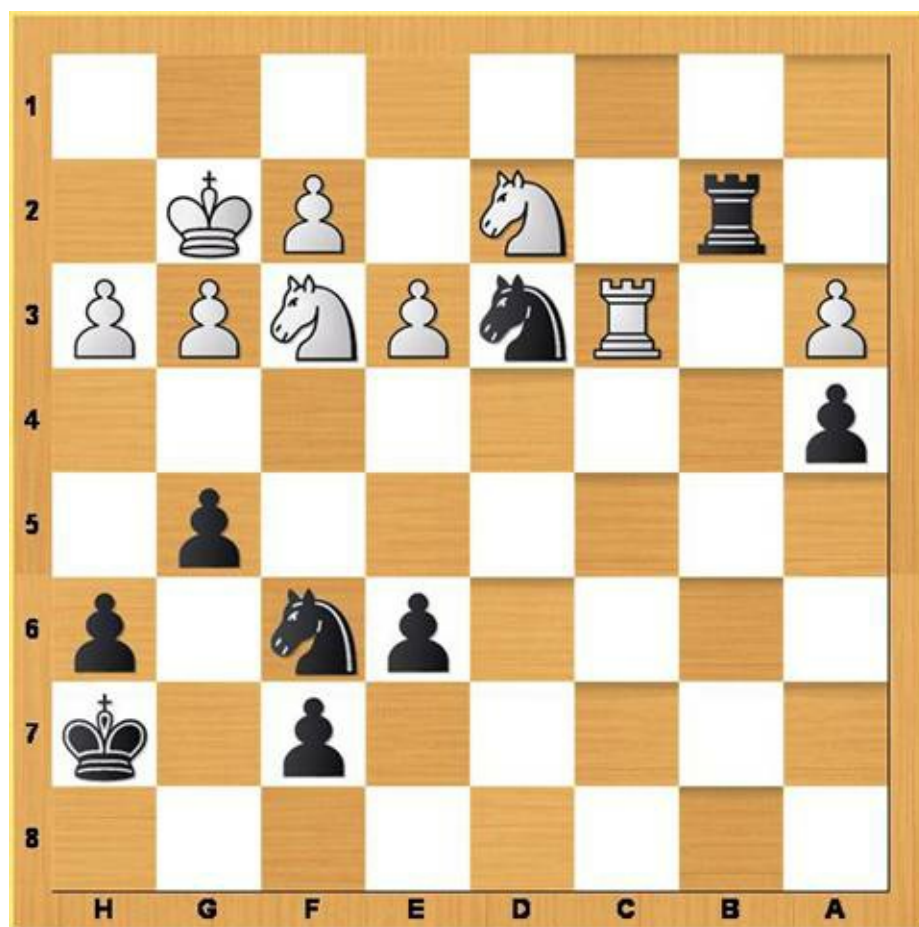
3rd Pearl Spring Nanjing CHN

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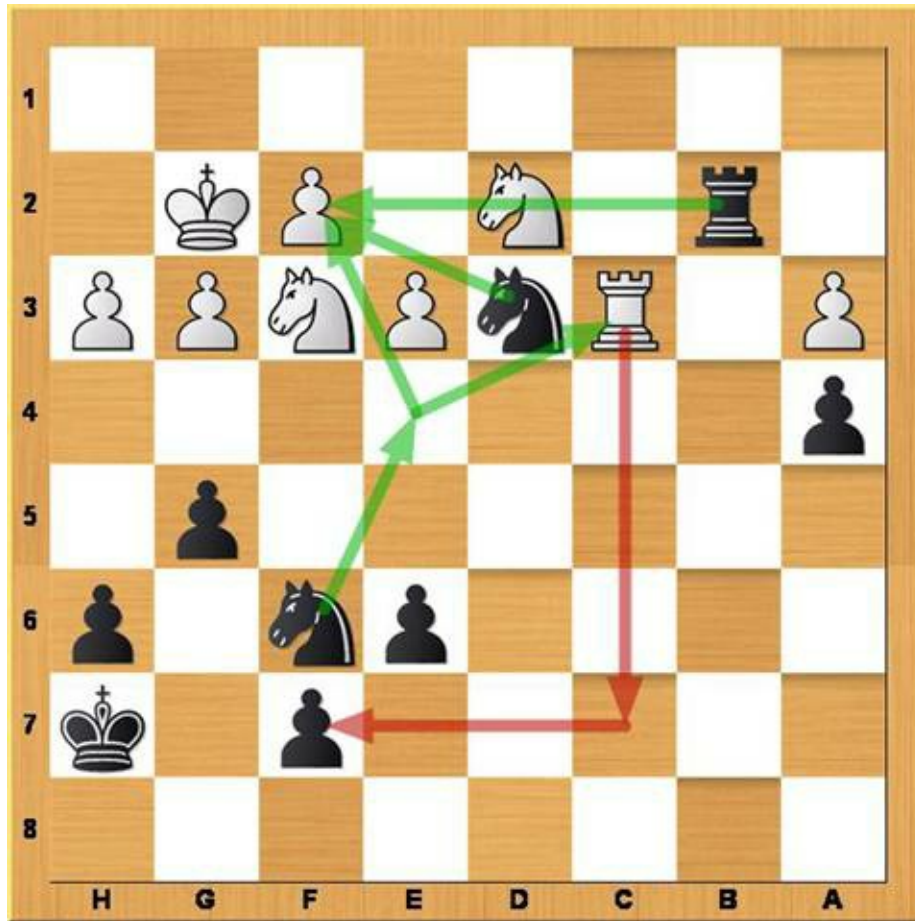
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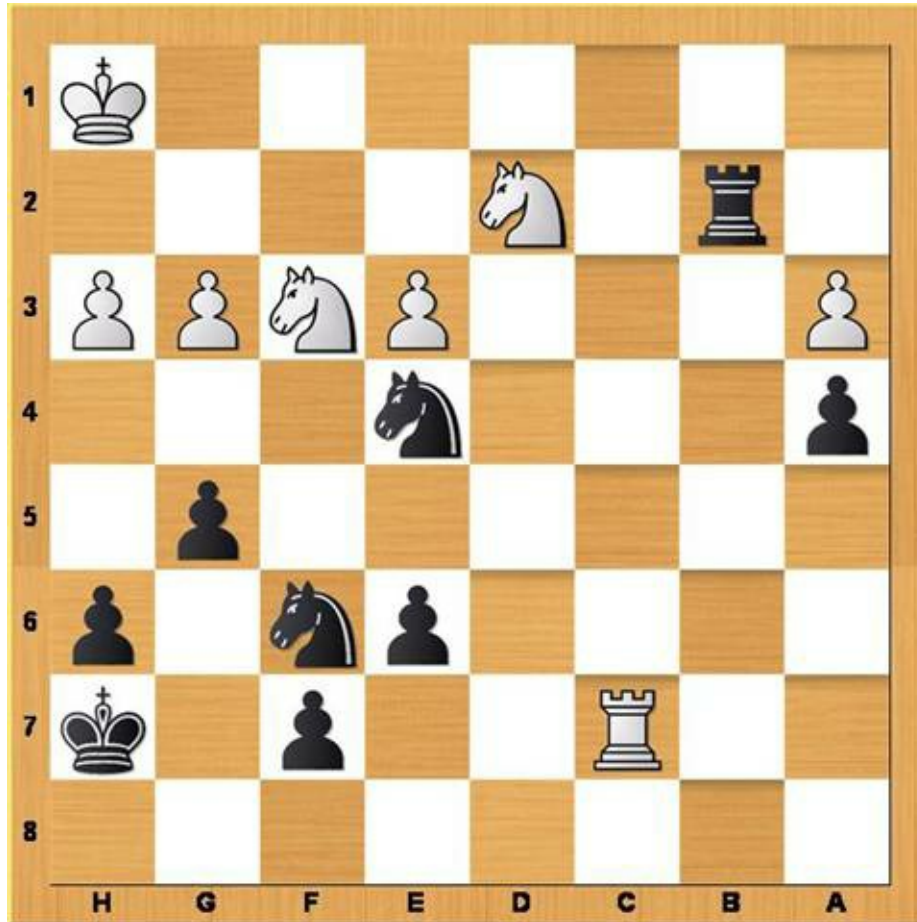
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32...Nxf2 33.Rc7 N2e4 34.Kh1



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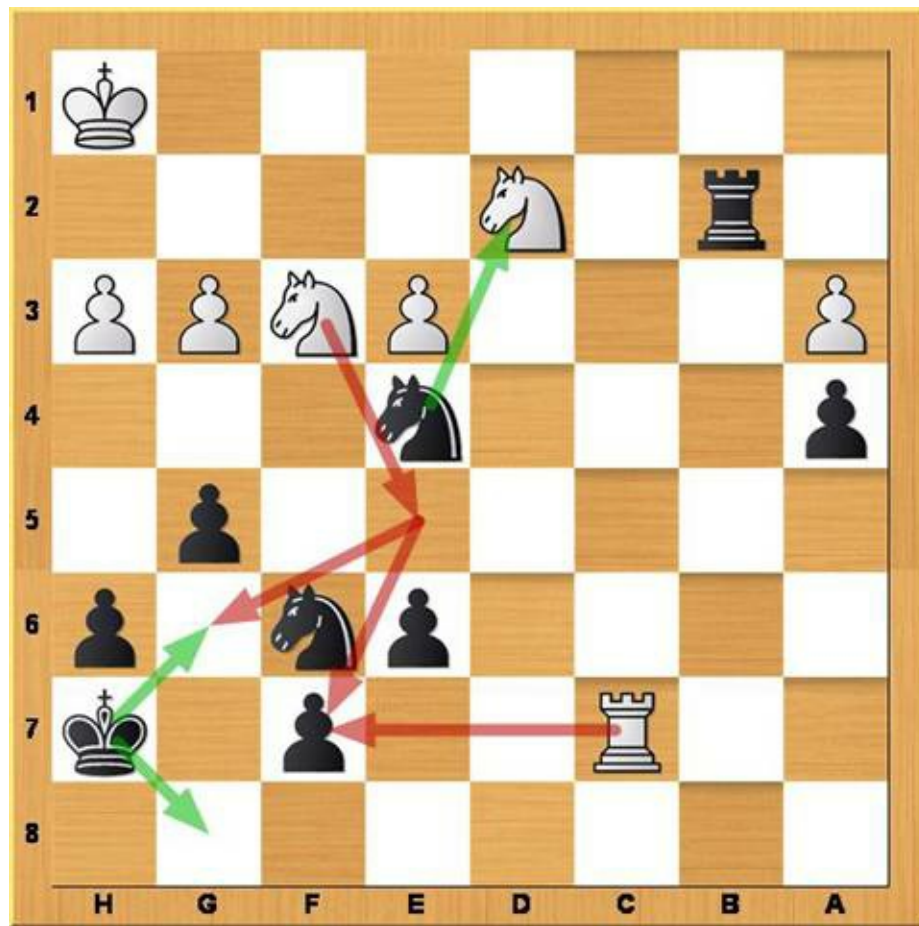
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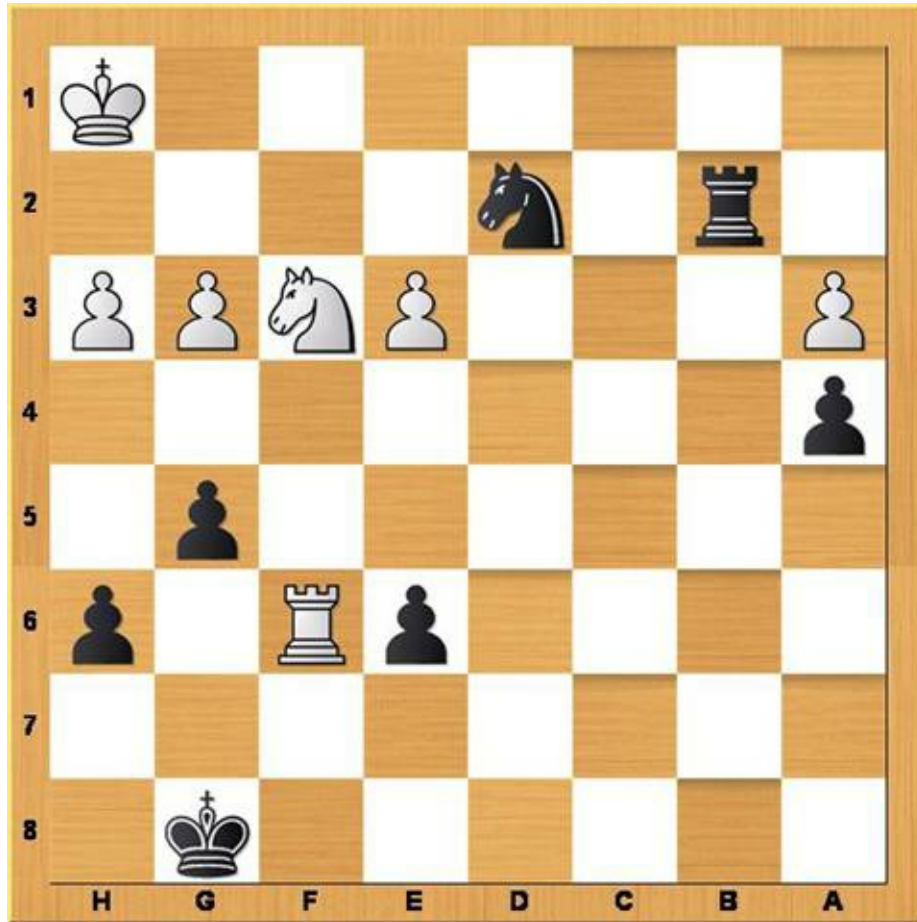
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Nxd2 35.Rxf7+ Kg8 36.Rxf6



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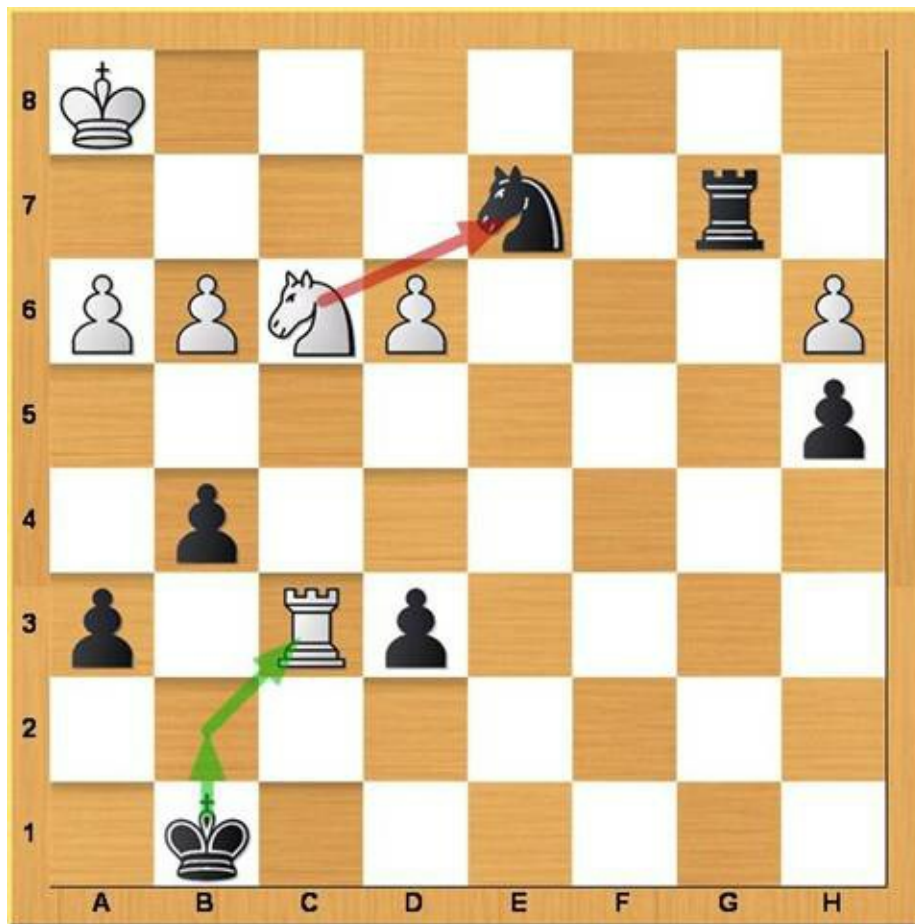
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The diagram shows an 8x8 chessboard with columns labeled A-H and rows labeled 1-8. A knight moves from E6 to C7, indicated by a red arrow. A king moves from B1 to B2, indicated by a green arrow. Other pieces are positioned at B8 (white king), G7 (black rook), H6 (white pawn), D6 (white knight), C6 (white pawn), B6 (white pawn), D4 (black pawn), C3 (white rook), D3 (black pawn), B3 (black pawn), and B1 (black king).

Nxd2 35.Rxf7+ Kg8 36.Rxf6 Kg7 37.Nxd2 Kxf6 38.Nc4 Rb3 39.Kg2 Rc3 40.Nd6 Rxe3 0-1
gaining material and winning the game.

GAME No. 30

Carlsen,M 2813 vs Grischuk,A 2756

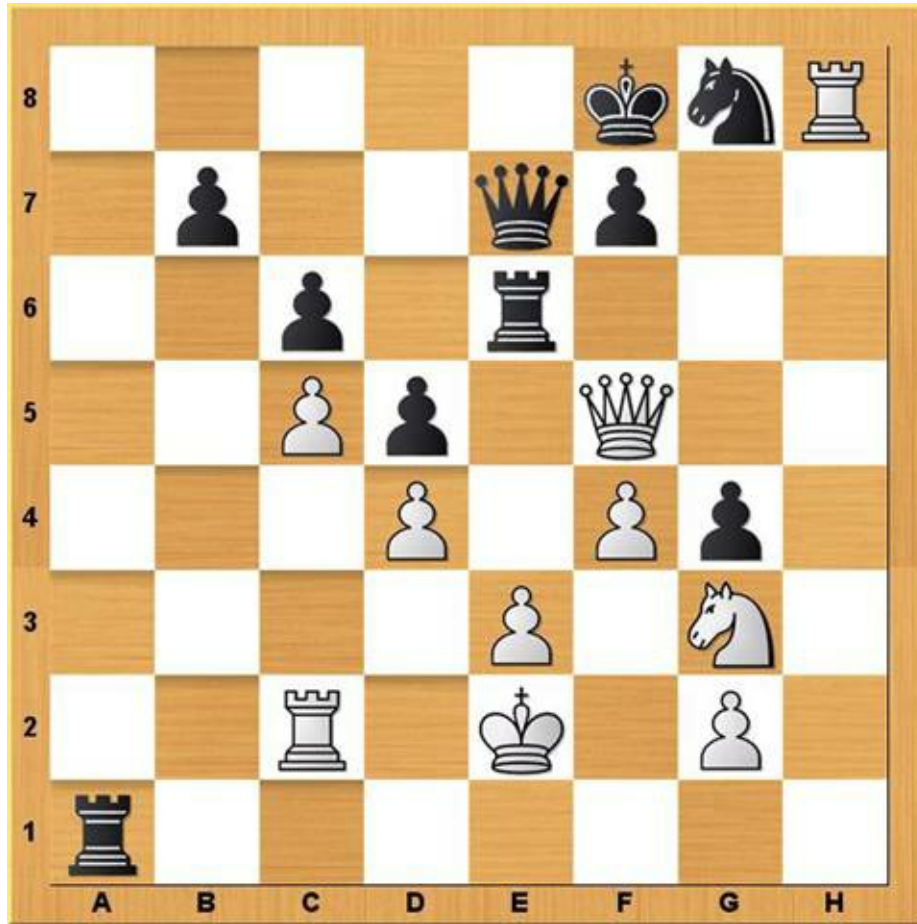
19th Amber Rapid Nice FRA

ECO "D38" 1 – 0 2010.03.25

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10.Bg3 Ne4 11.Nd2 Ndf6 12.e3 Nxg3 13.hxg3 Qe7 14.Bd3 Be6 15.a3 Bd6 16.Na4 Rd8 17.Nc5
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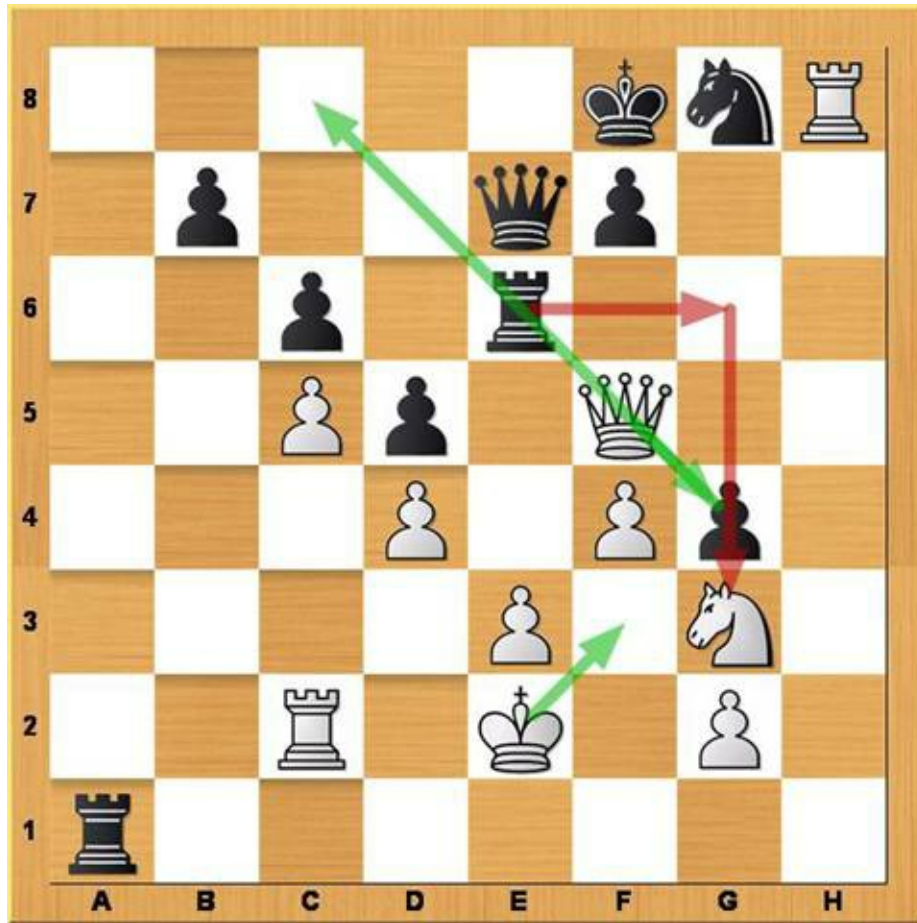
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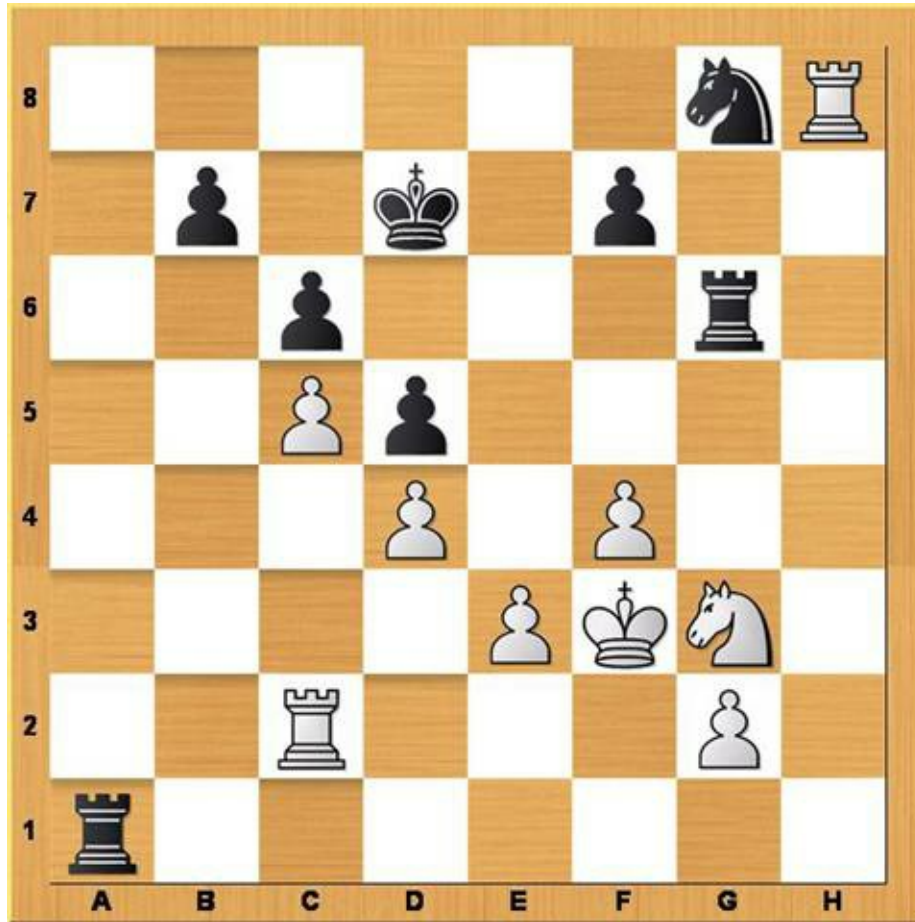
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33. Qxg4 Rg6 34.Qc8+ Qe8 35.Qxe8+ Kxe8 36.Kf3 Kd7



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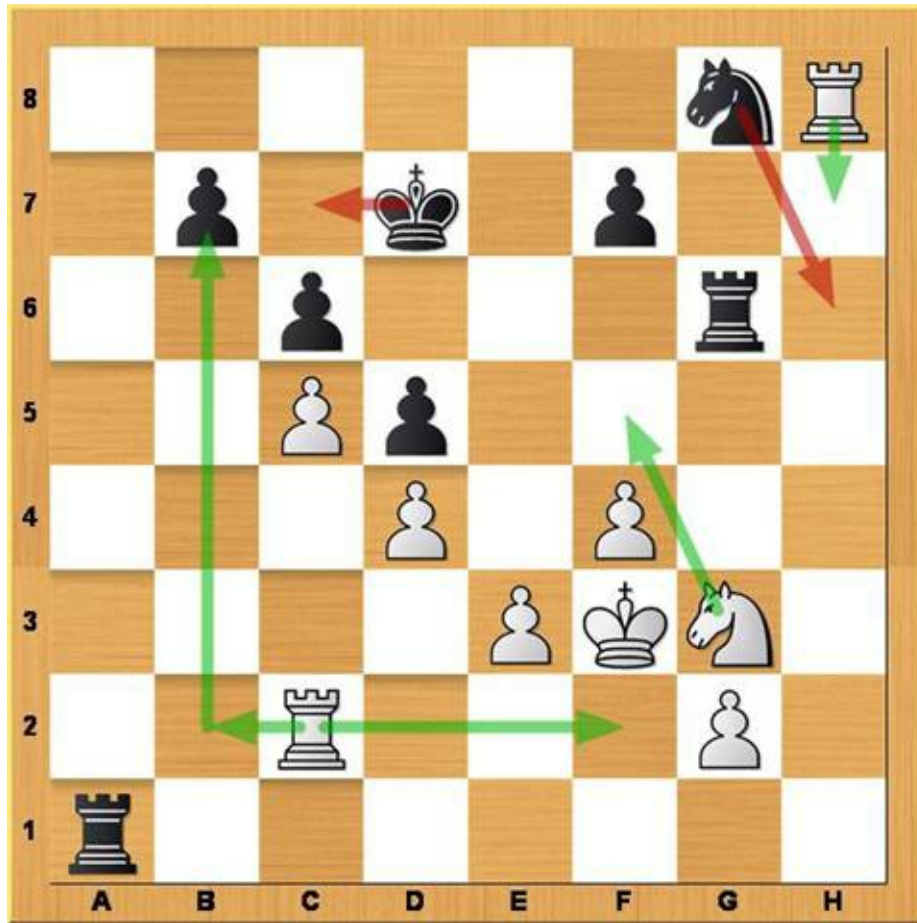
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33.Qxg4 Carlsen stands by his attack despite the apparent threat of the rook in check by taking into e3 since the rook would not have the time to stop the checkmate on g8 **Rg6**
34.Qc8+ Qe8 35.Qxe8+ Kxe8 36.Kf3 Kd7



37.Rb2 Kc7 38.Rh7 Nh6 defending the f7 pawn but did not expect the overwhelming **Nf5!!** Which despite being unsupported nullifies the defending pawn, because if the knight takes the rook takes in check and not only recovers the knight but it allows the emergence of another rook with Txb7 entering in a checkmate network **39.Nf5? Rf1+ 40.Rf2 Rxf2+ 41.Kxf2 1-0**

GAME No. 31

Ponomariov,R 2733 vs Carlsen,M 2813

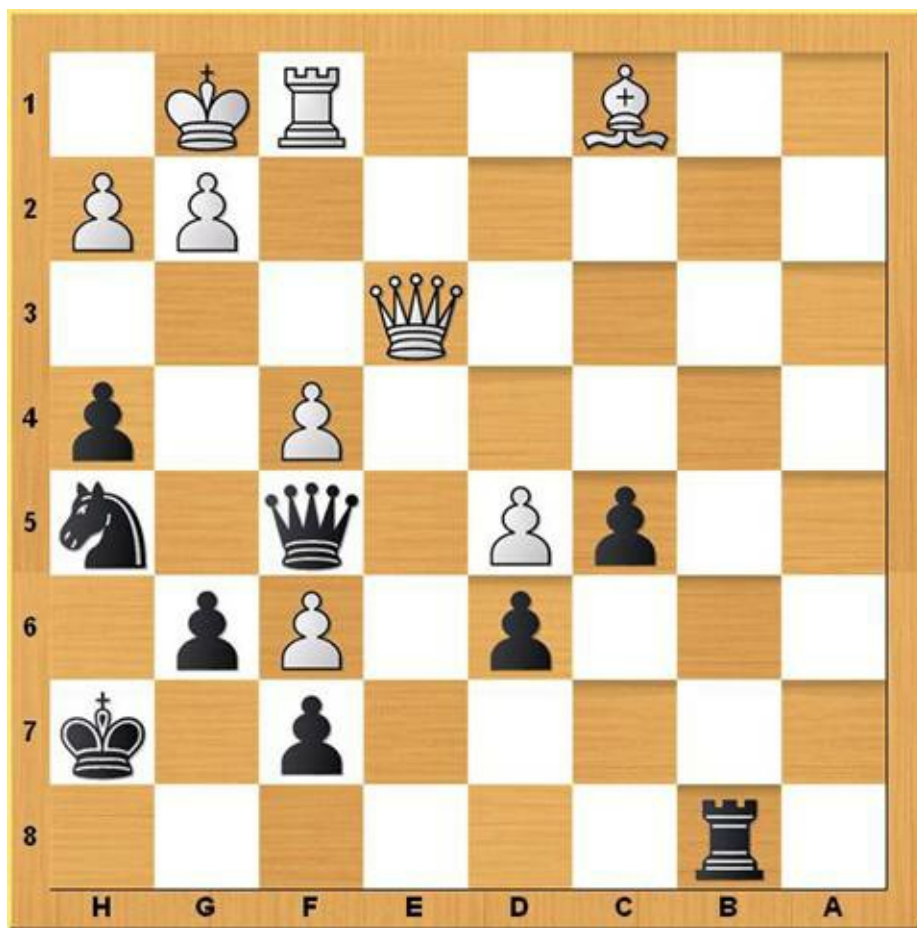
4th Kings Tournament Medias ROU

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10.Be2 h4 11.Nf1 e6 12.Nd2 exd5 13.cxd5 Bd7 14.O-O b5 15.Nxb5 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 Rb8 17.a4
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Ndf6 25.Qf3 Qe8 26.e5 Qxa4 27.exf6 Qxa6 28.Bc3 Qc8 29.Kg1 Qf5 30.Rf1 Re8 31.Ba1 Ra8
32.Qe3 Kh7 33.Bb2 Rb8 34.Bc1



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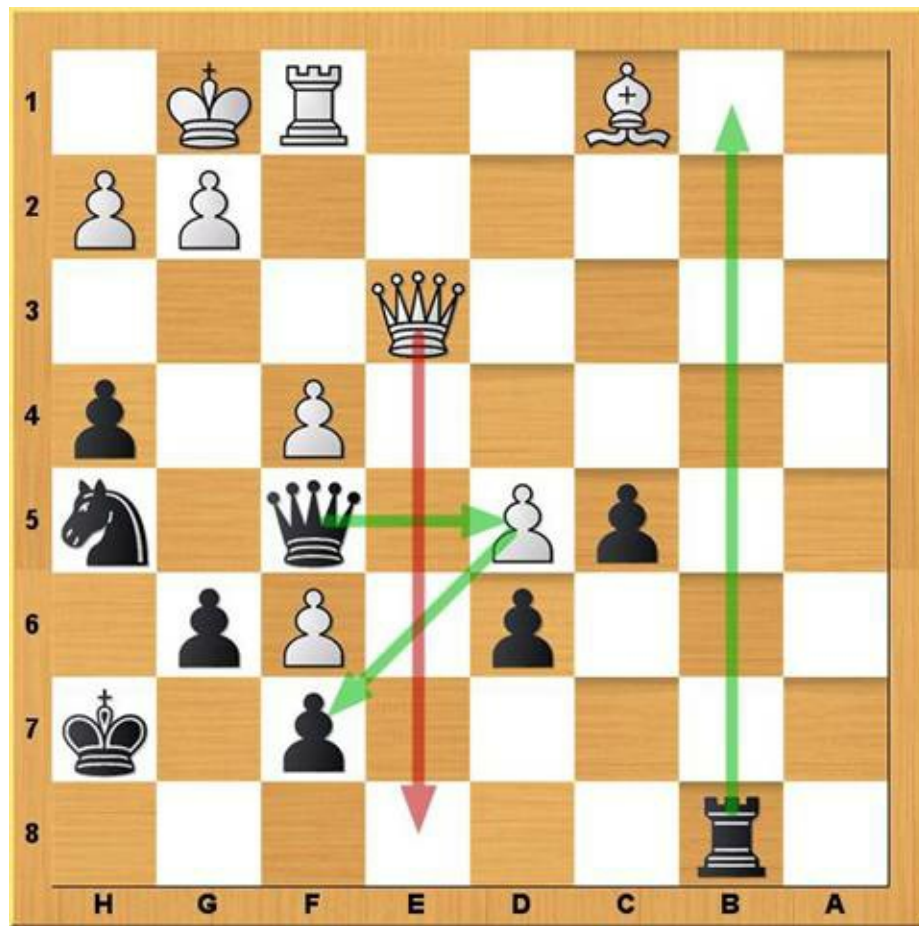
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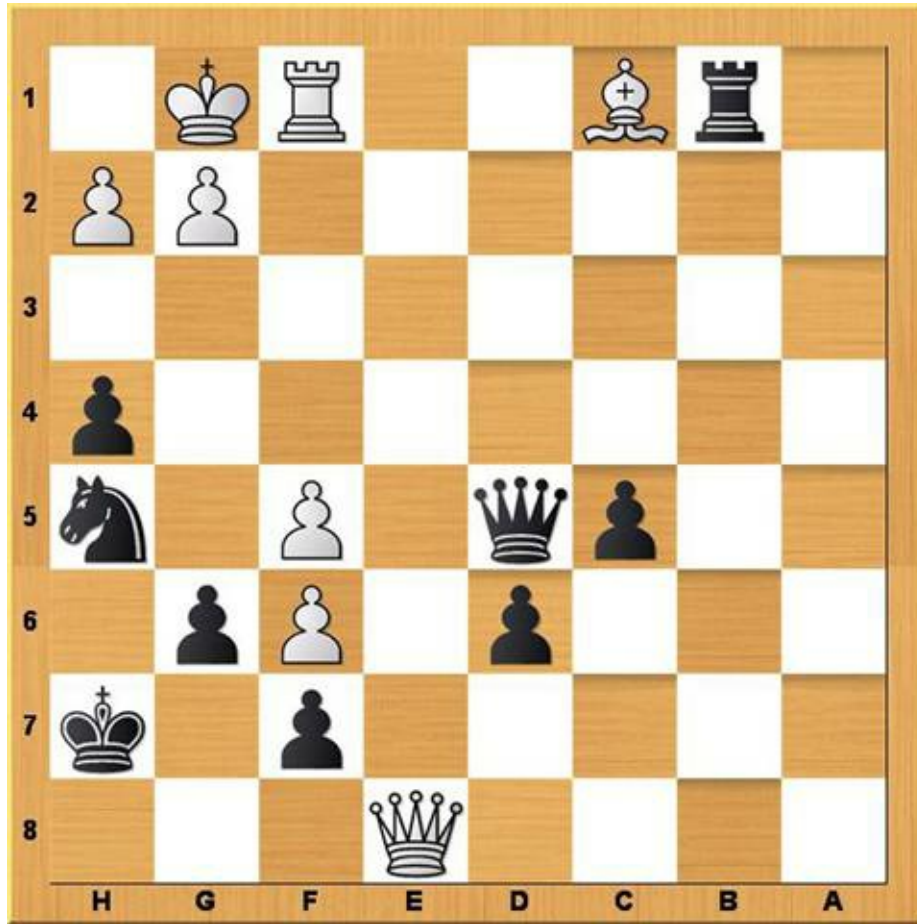
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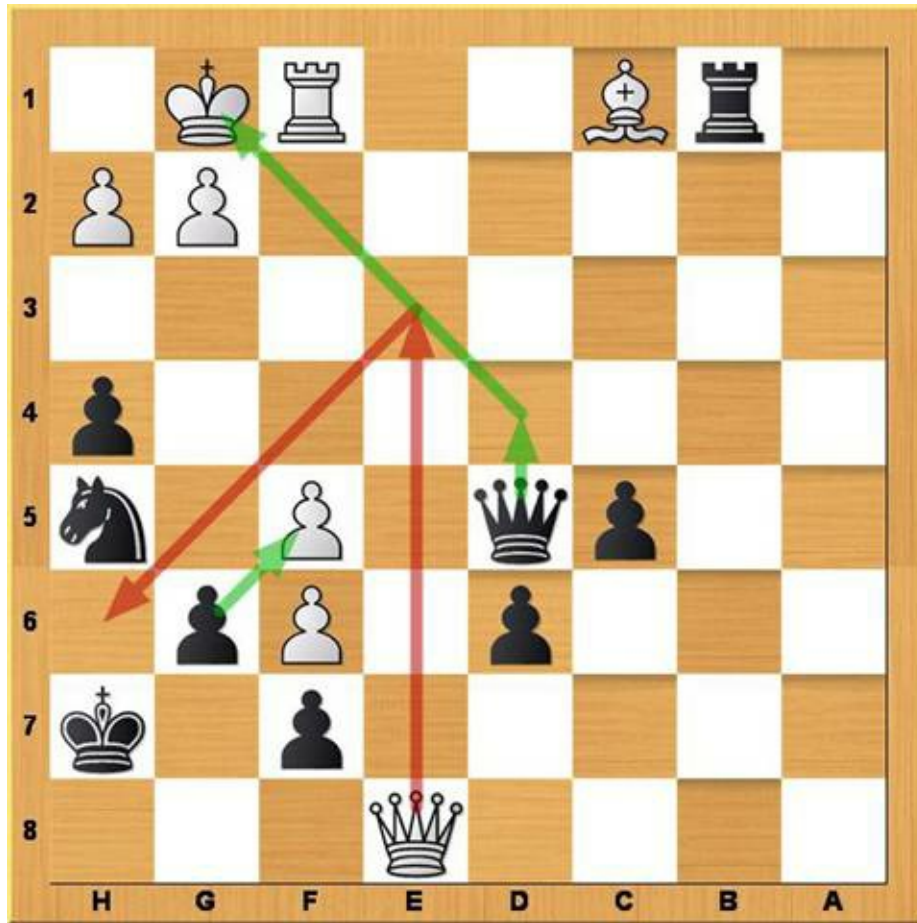
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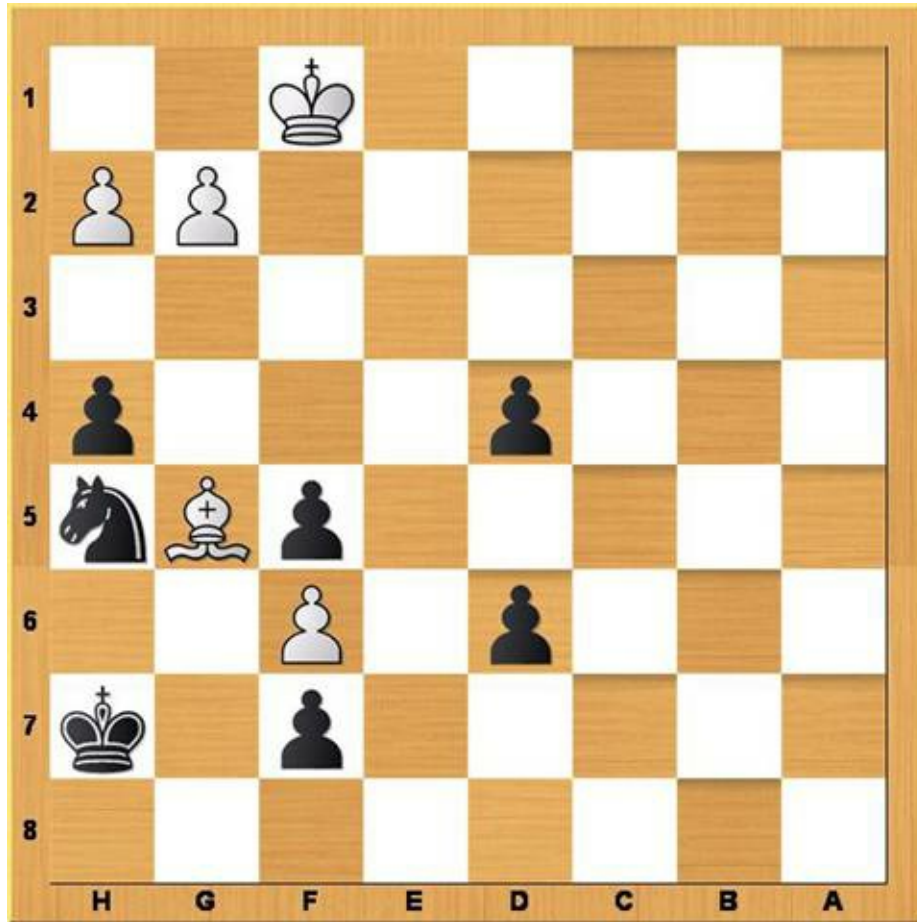
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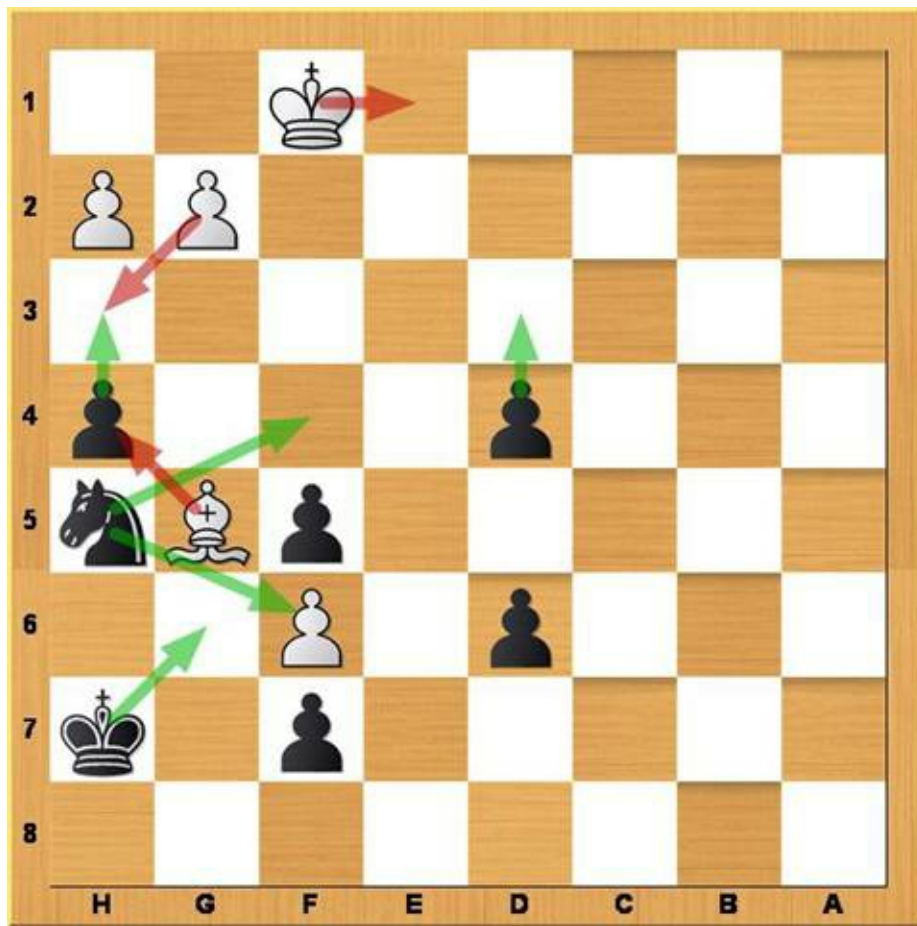
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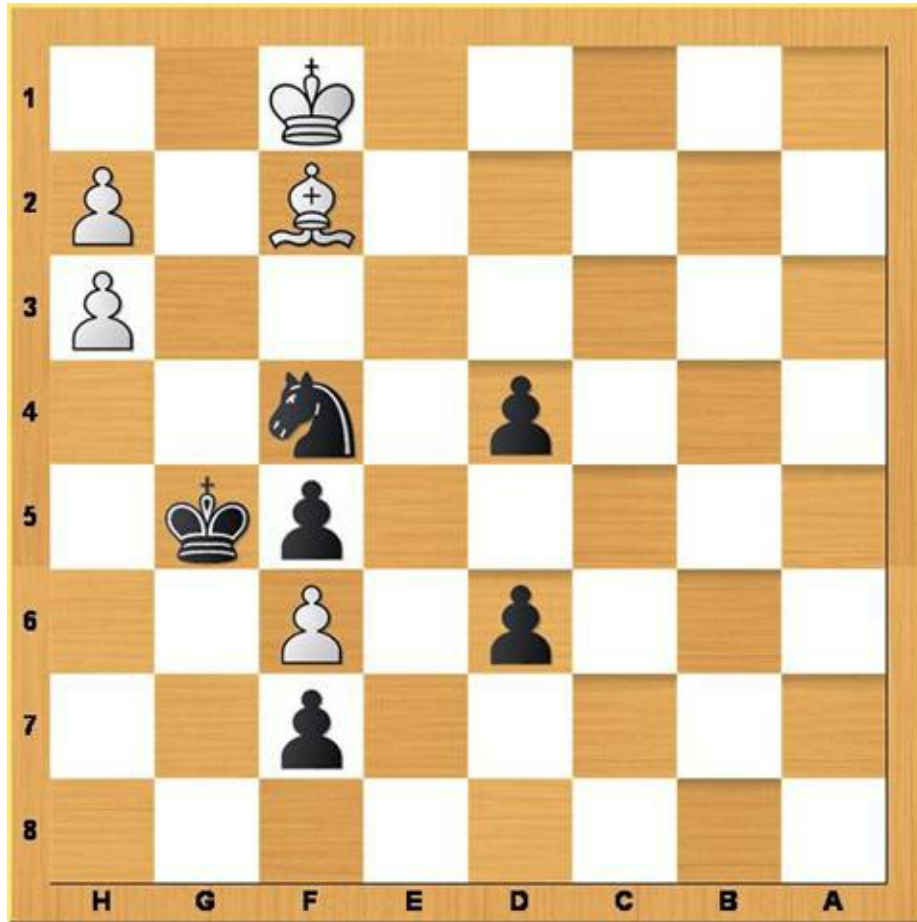
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40...h3 41.gxh3 Kg6 42.Bh4 Nf4 43.Bg3 Kg5 44.Bf2



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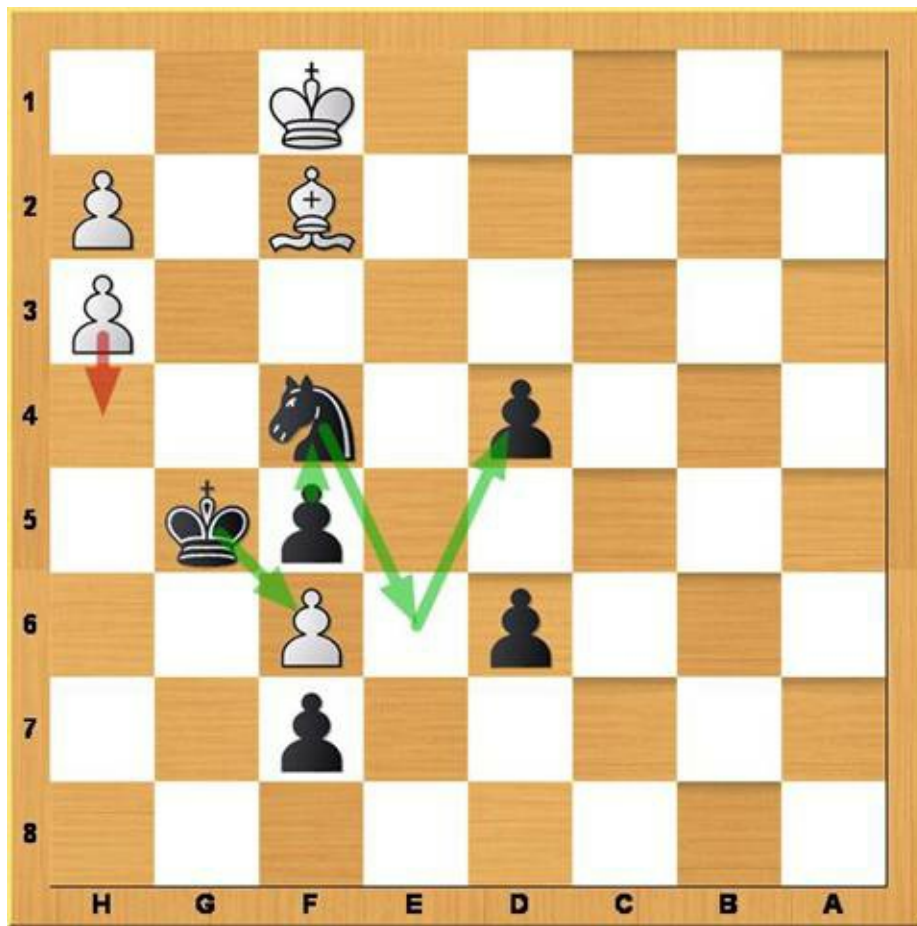
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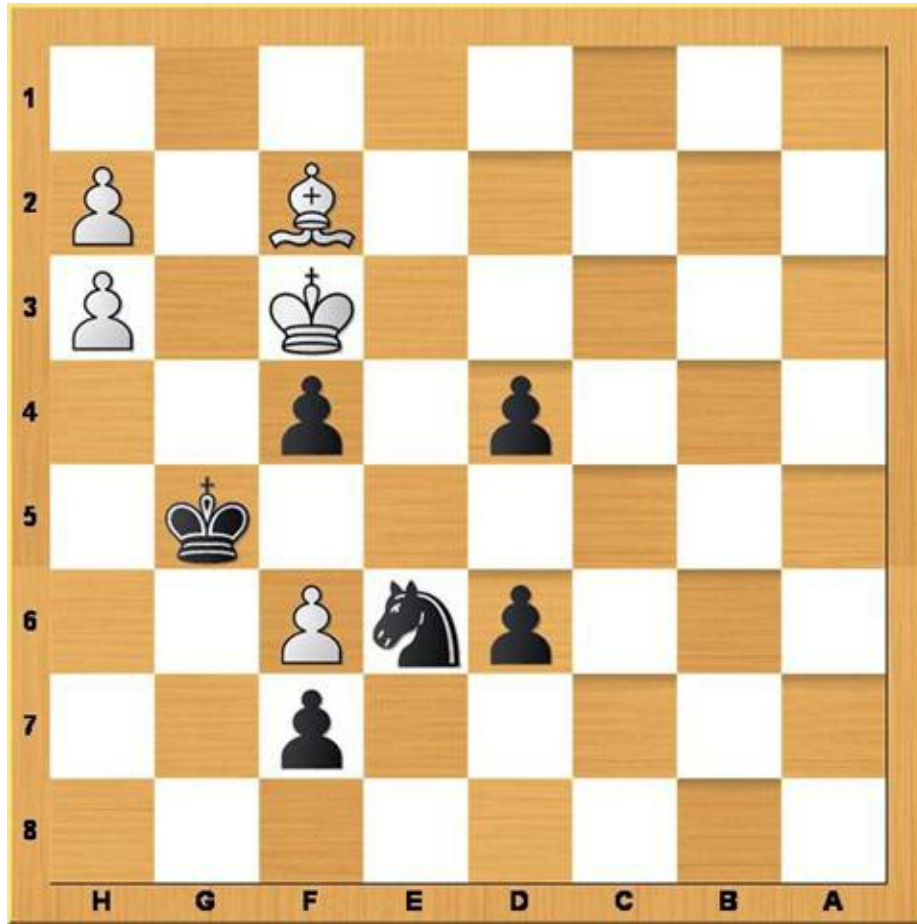
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Ne6 45.Ke2 f4 46.Kf3



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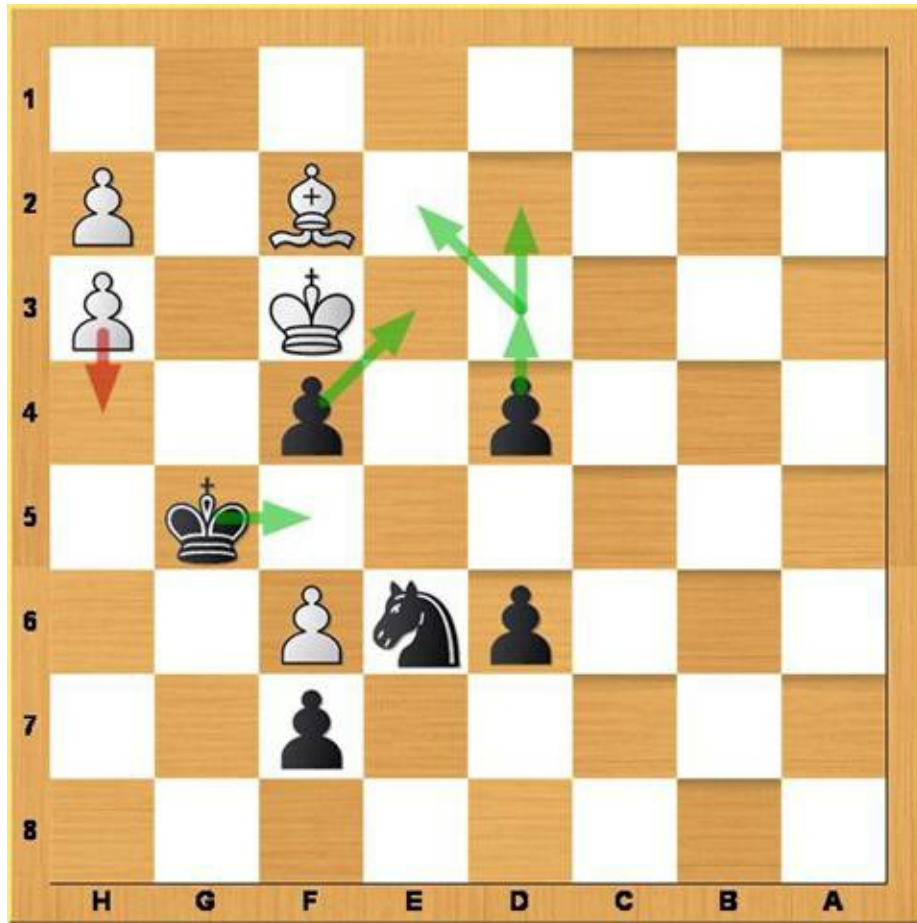
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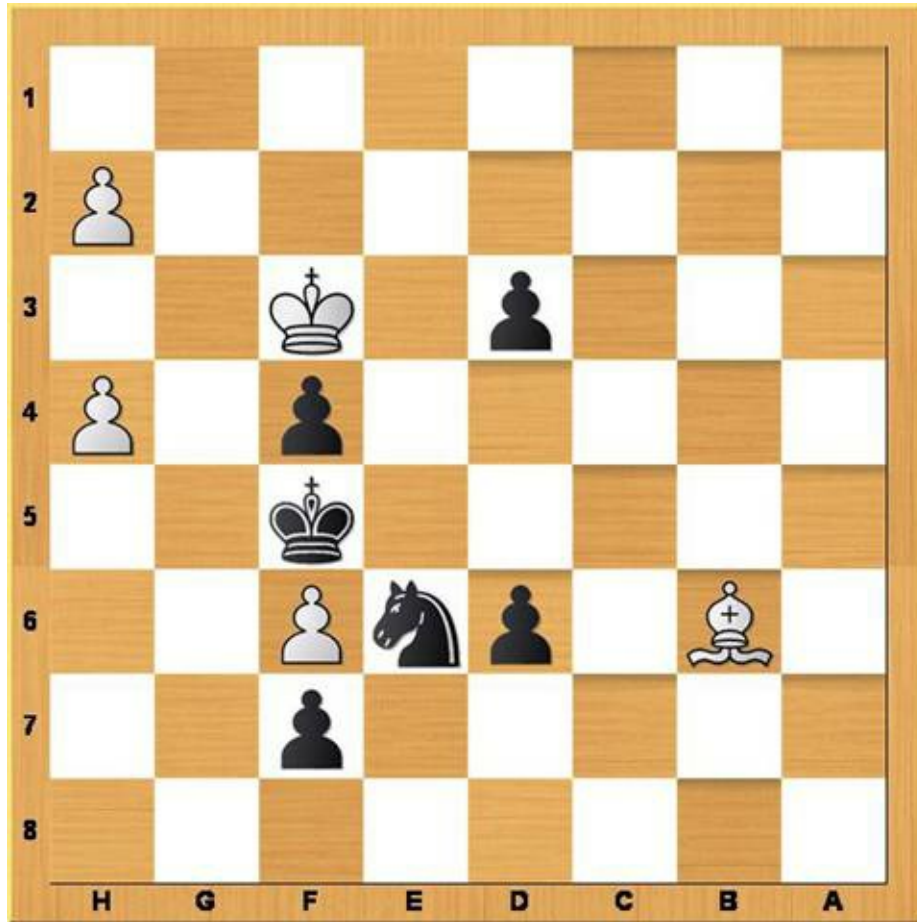
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46...d3 47.h4+ Kf5 48.Bb6



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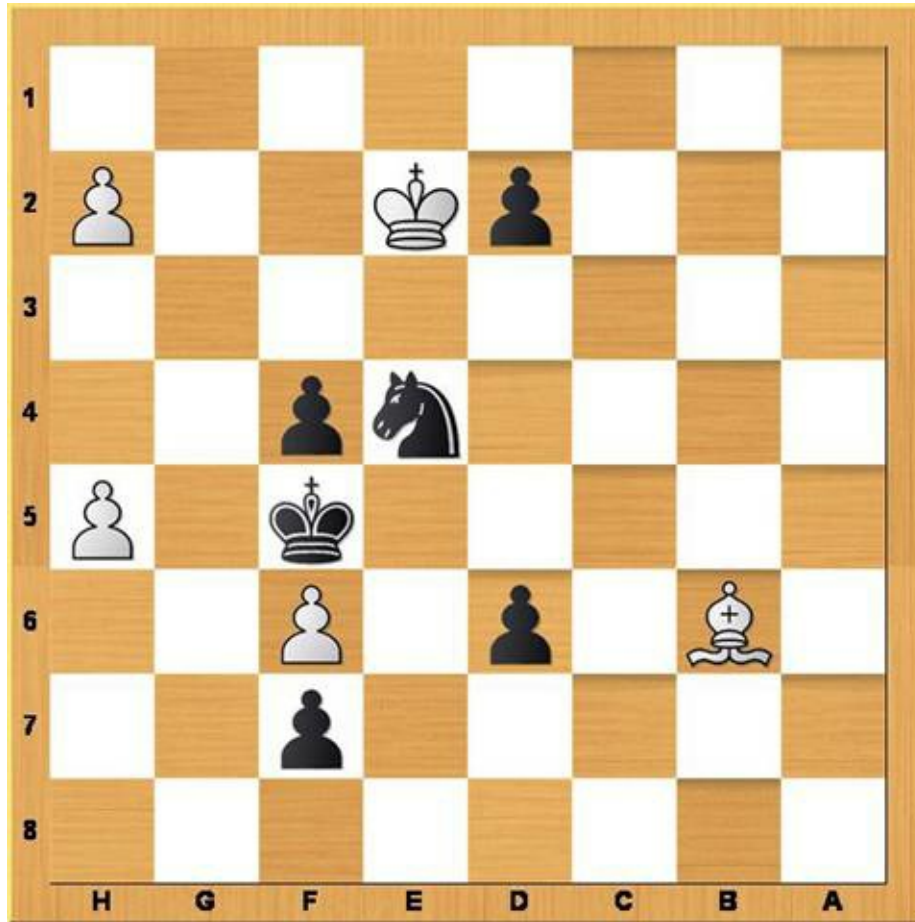
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48...Nc5 49.h5 d2 50.Ke2 Ne4



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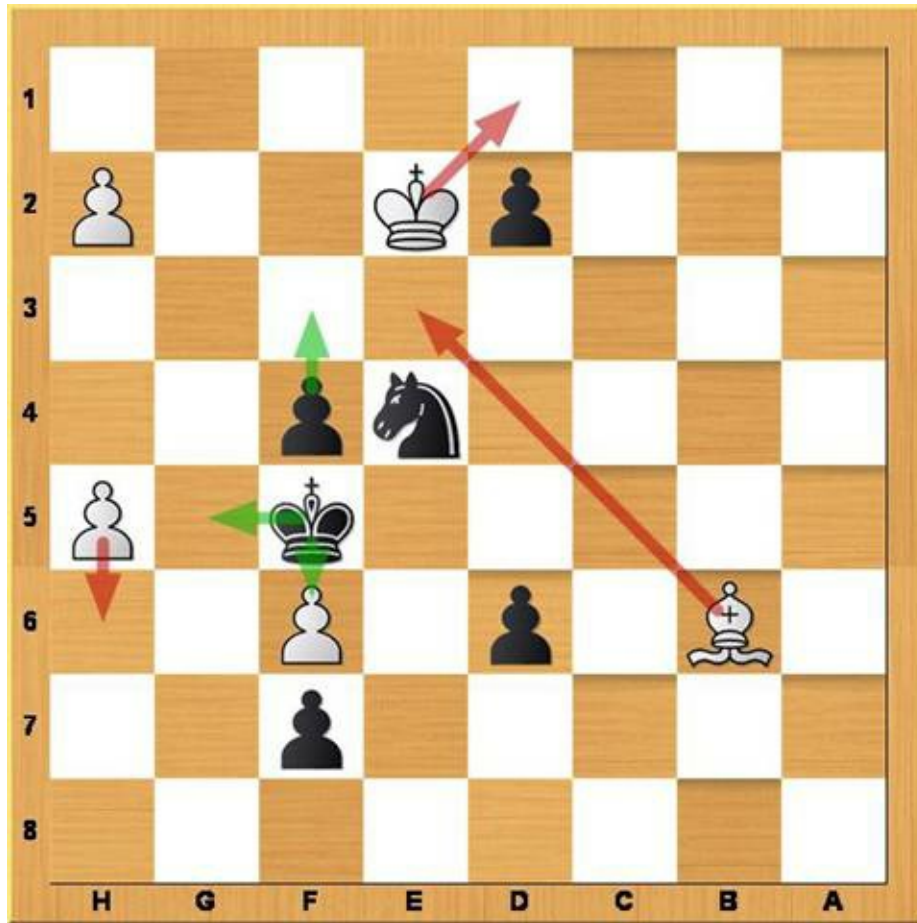
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A complicated game where Carlsen achieved to reach the endgame of bishop vs. knight based on a precise strategy achieves imposed to Ponomarev



34...Rb1 35. Qe8 Ponomarev try to create threats in the position **Qxd5** Carlsen step by step is managing imposed and getting the best out of the position **36.f5**



36...gxf5 37.Qe3 Qd4 Force the Queen's exchange in order to arrive to an bishop vs knight endgame **38.Qxd4 cxd4 39.Bg5 Rxf1+ 40.Kxf1**



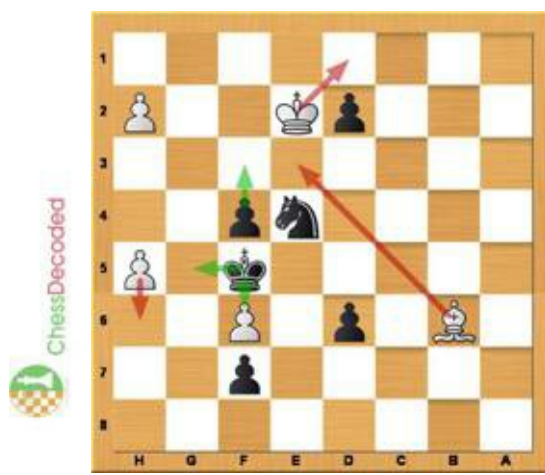
40...h3 41.gxh3 Kg6 42.Bh4 [42...Nxf6 is doubtful since it simplifies the white defense
43.Ke2 Nd5 44.Kd3 f4 45.Kxd4] Nf4 43.Bg3 Kg5 44.Bf2



Ne6 45.Ke2 f4 46.Kf3 We strongly recommend to you follow these instructive bishop
 vs. knight endgame step by step where Carlsen masterfully shows us precisely how to take
 advantage and win the game



46...d3 47.h4+ Kf5 48.Bb6



48...Nc5 49.h5 d2 50.Ke2 Ne4

Here White resign **51.h6 f3+ 52.Kd1 Kxf6 53.Be3 Kg6 54.Bxd2 f2 55.Ke2 Nxd2 56.Kxf2 Kxh6** with decisive advantage.

GAME No. 32

Tremendous beating he puts to the GM Bareev

Bareev,E 2634 vs Carlsen,M 2801

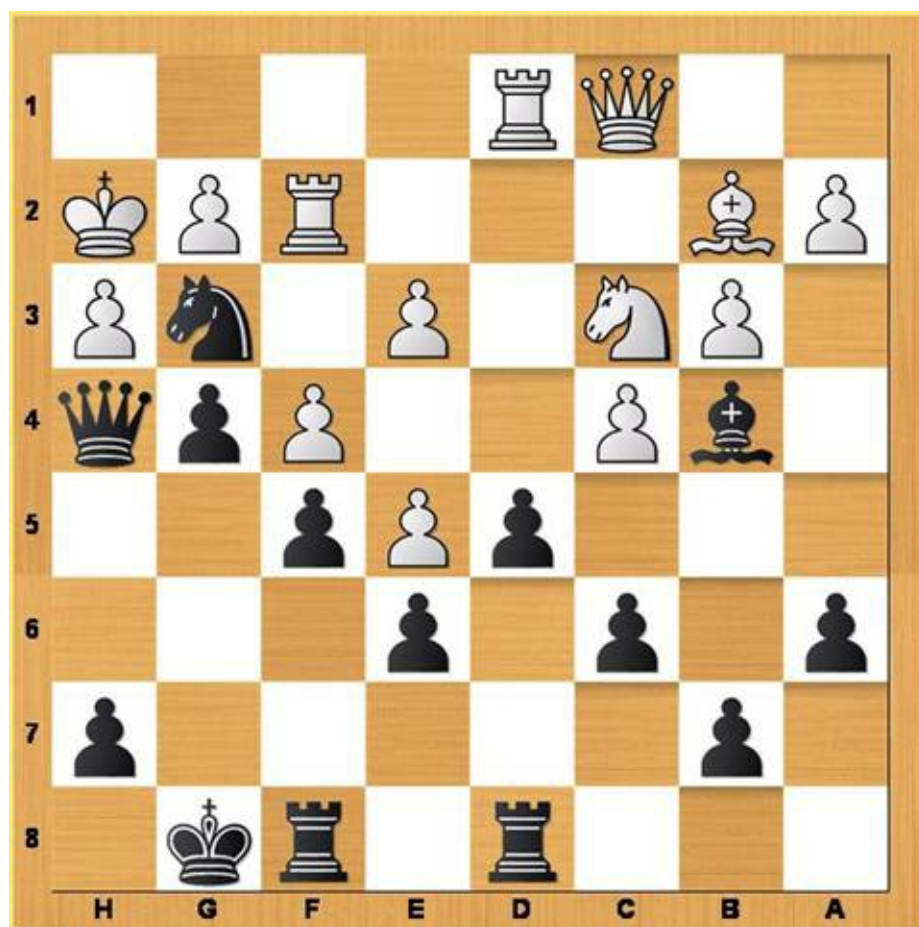
World Blitz Moscow RUS

ECO "D11" 0 – 1 2009.11.16

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10.Qc2 Bh5 11.Be2 O-O 12.h3 Qe7 13.Rad1 Rad8 14.Rfe1 Bb4 15.Qc1 Ne4 16.Nd2 Bxe2
17.Rxe2 f5 18.f4 g5 19.Nf3 Ng3 20.Rf2 g4 21.Ne5 Nxe5 22.dxe5 Qh4 23.Kh2



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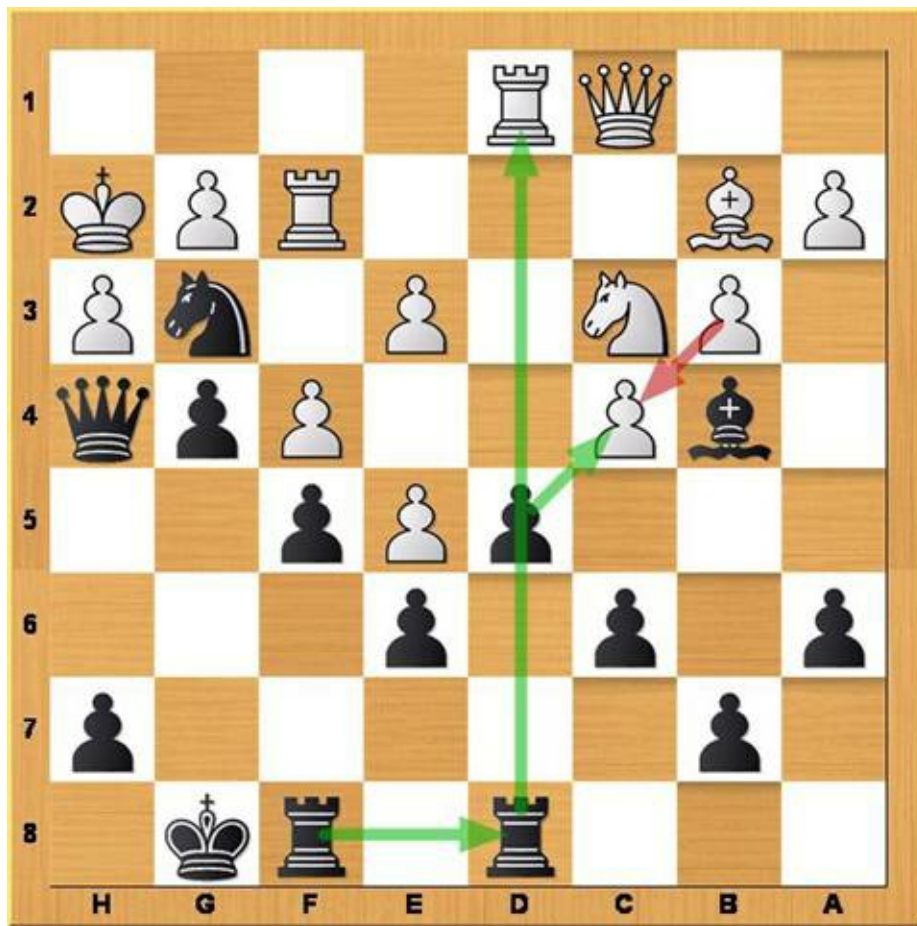
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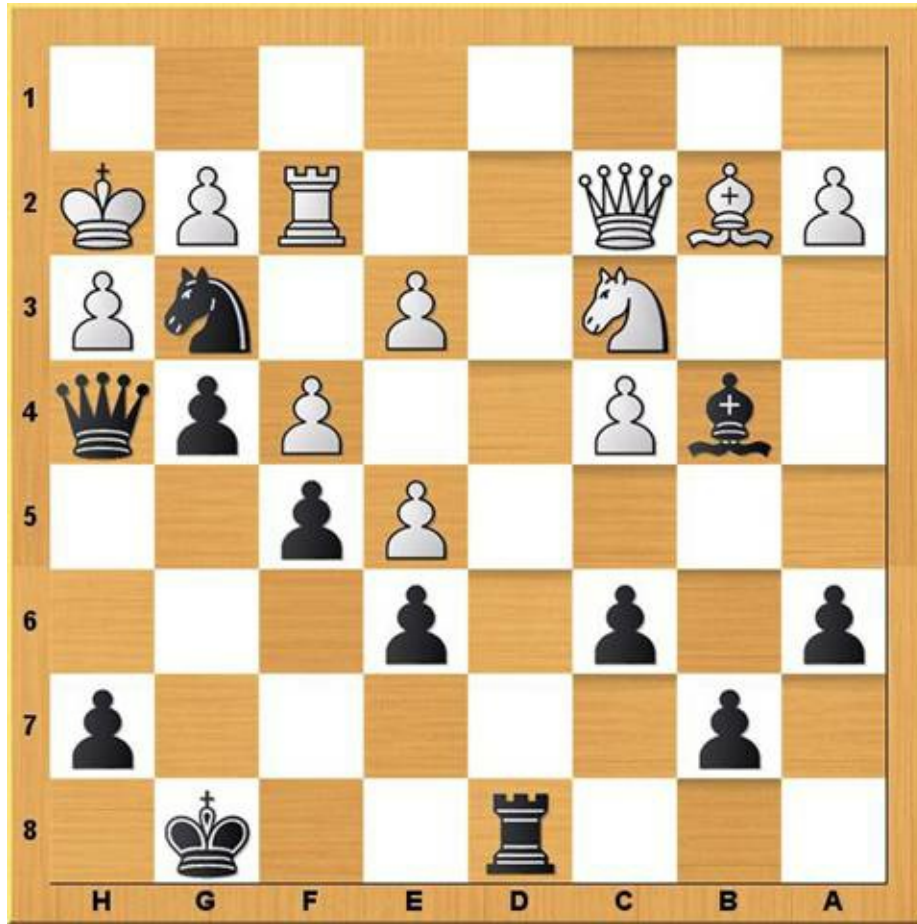
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23...dxc4 24.bxc4 Rxd1 25.Qxd1 Rd8 26.Qc2



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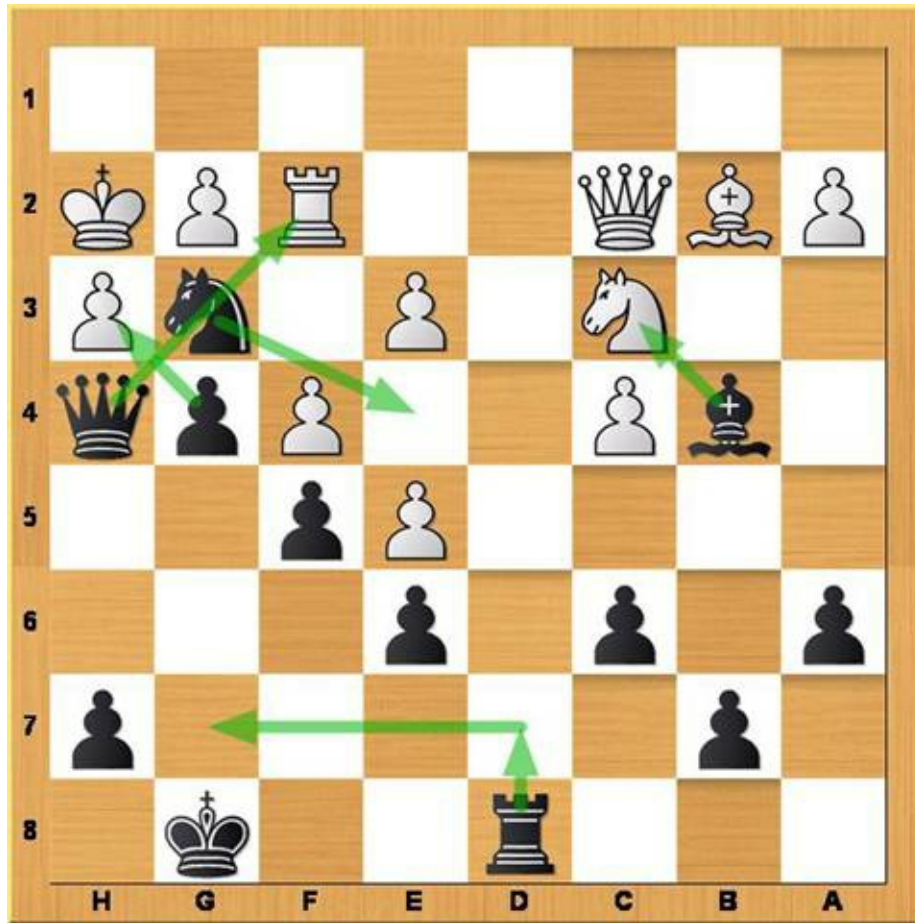
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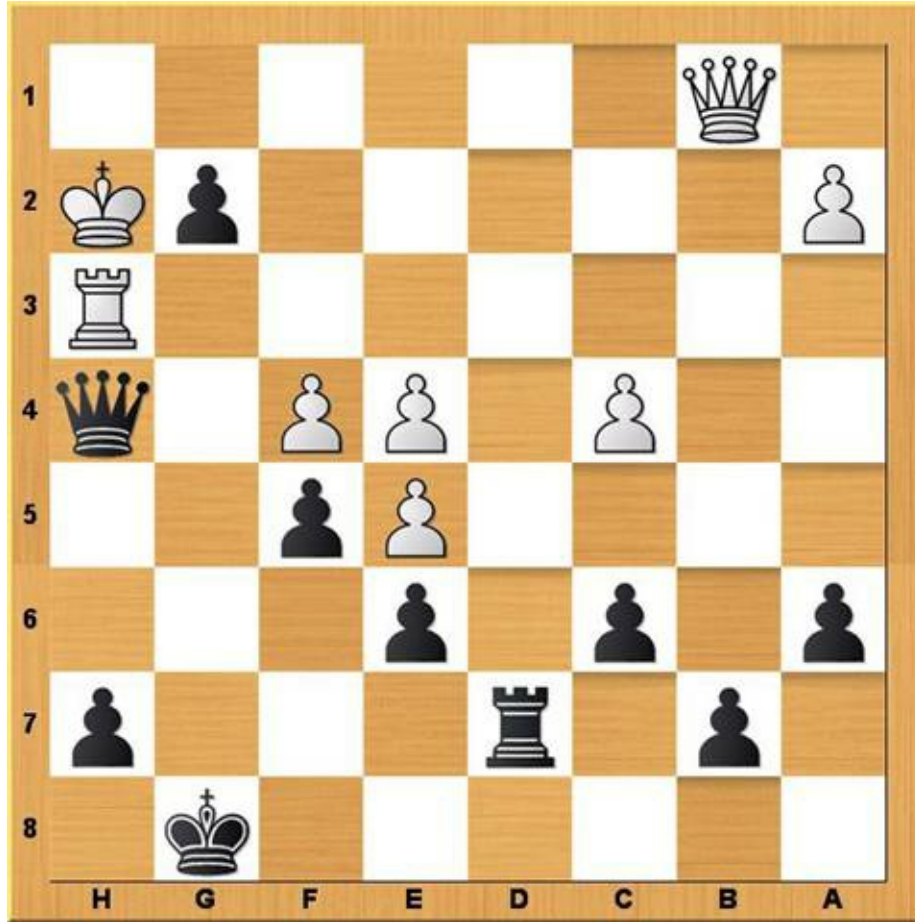
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26...Rd7 27.Qb1 Bxc3 28.Bxc3 Ne4 29.Rc2 Nxc3 30.Rxc3 gxh3 31.e4 hxg2+ 32.Rh3



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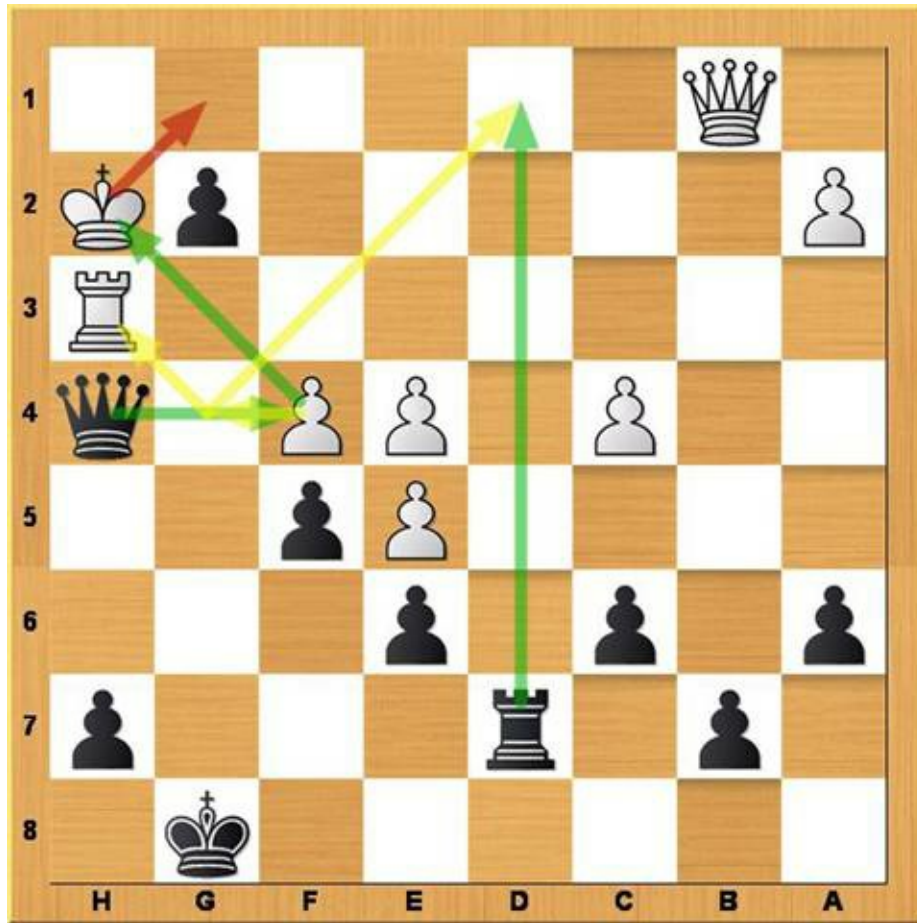
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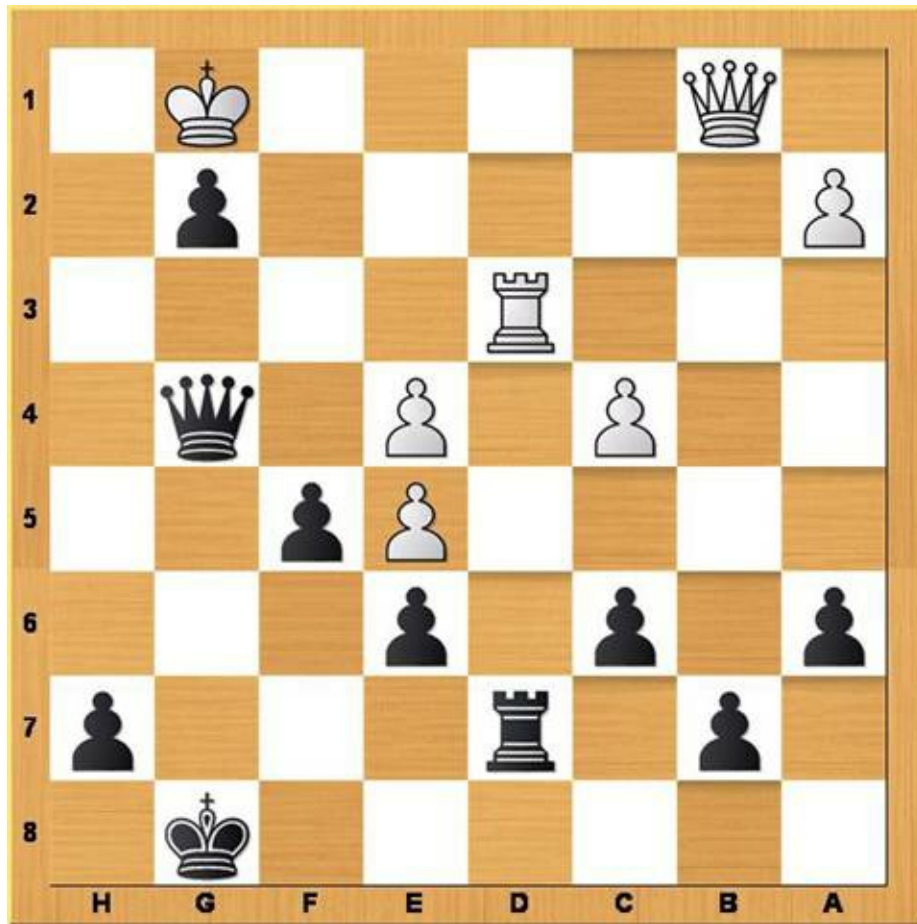
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Qxf4+ 33.Kg1 Qg4 34.Rd3



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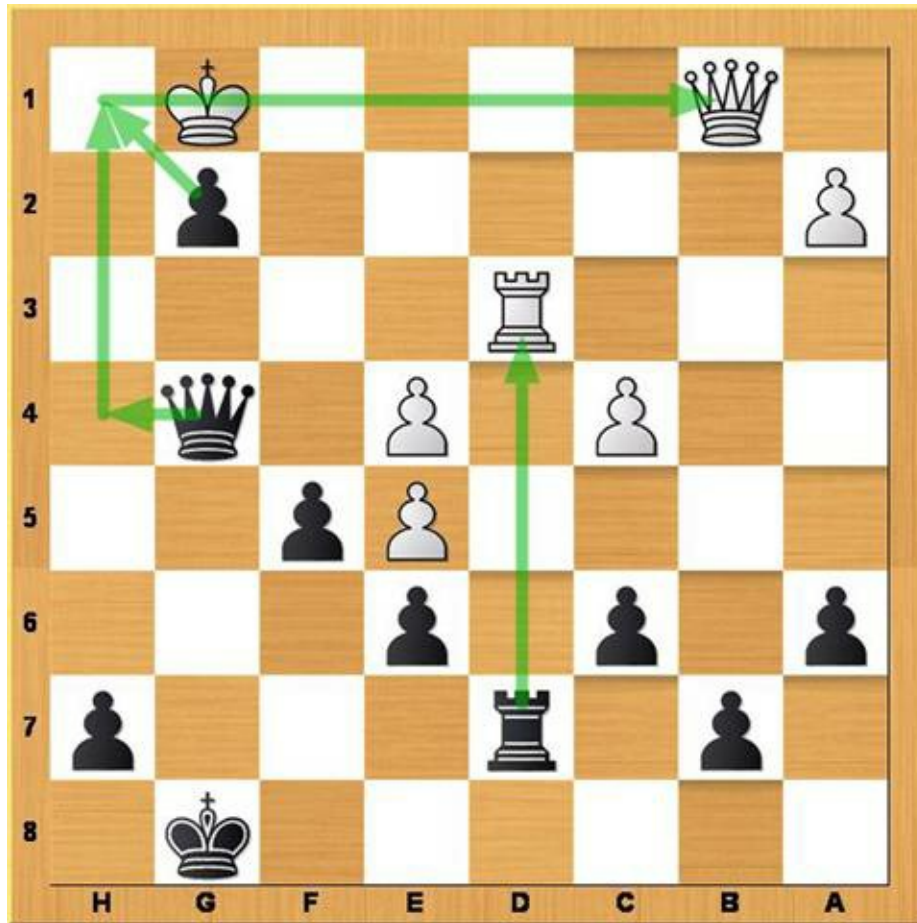
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23...dxc4 24.bxc4 He is taking possession of the d-file after the following sequence of movements



24...Rxd1 25.Qxd1 Rd8 26.Qc2 It achieves the first objective of the attack plus it opens up a range of tactical possibilities to include the rook in the attack through the g-file



26...Rd7 27.Qb1 Bxc3 28.Bxc3 Ne4 29.Rc2 Nxc3 30.Rxc3 gxh3 31.e4 hxg2+ 32.Rh3 The second objective is achieved by penetrating the Queen and leaving the white pieces uncoordinated and poorly located



Qxf4+ 33.Kg1 Qg4 34.Rd3 Qh4 35.Kxg2 [35.*Rxd7 Qh1+ 36.Kf2 Qxb1 37.Kxg2 with winner game*]35...**Rg7+ 36.Kf1 Qf4+ 0-1** winning material.

GAME No. 33

Karpov,A 2619 vs Carlsen,M 2801

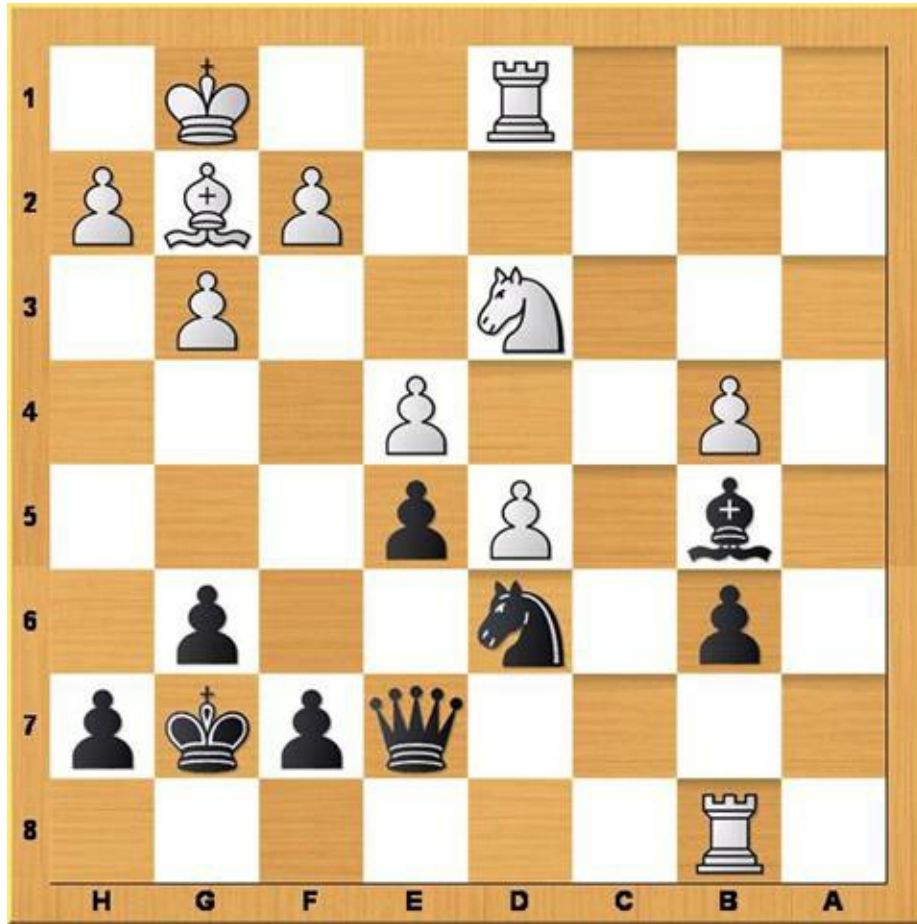
World Blitz Moscow RUS

ECO "D72" 0 – 1 2009.11.18

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10.Nec3 Na6 11.a4 Nb4 12.Be3 Bd4 13.Bxd4 cxd4 14.Nb5 e5 15.a5 Bd7 16.N1a3 Nc8 17.Qa4
Na6 18.Rfc1 Nd6 19.Qb3 Nxb5 20.Nxb5 b6 21.Nd6 Nc5 22.Qa3 Qf6 23.Nc4 Bb5 24.b4 Nb7
25.axb6 axb6 26.Qxa8 Rxa8 27.Rxa8+ Kg7 28.Rb8 Nd6 29.Nb2 d3 30.Rd1 Qe7 31.Nxd3



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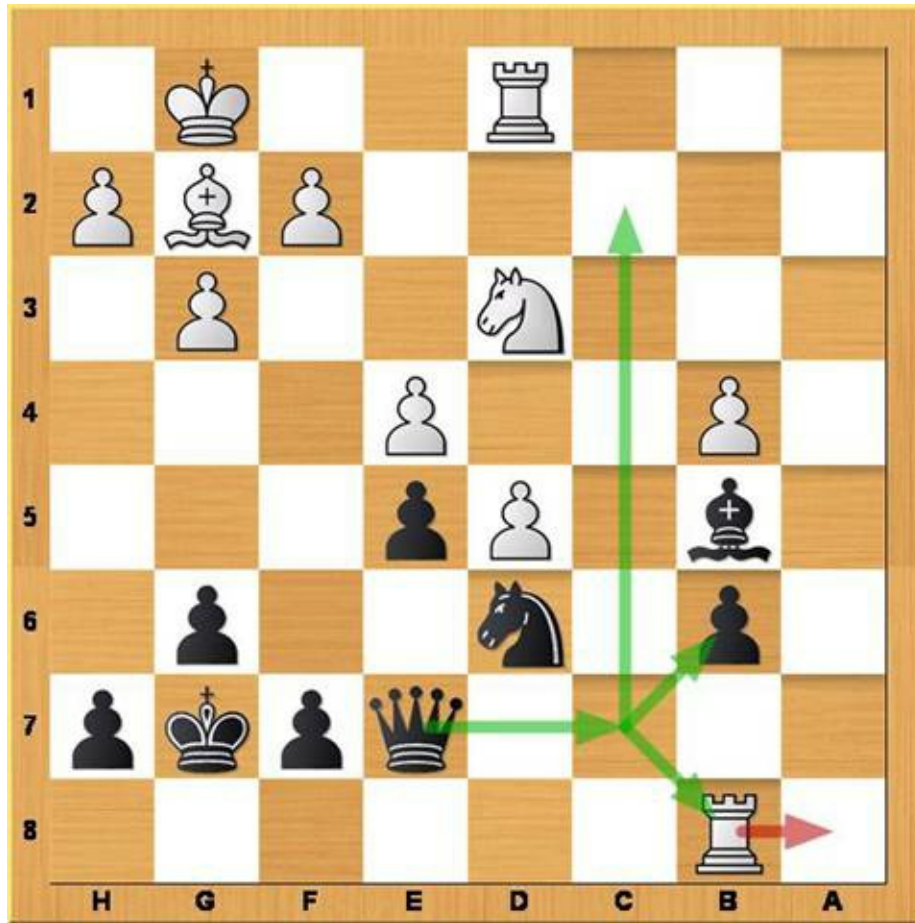
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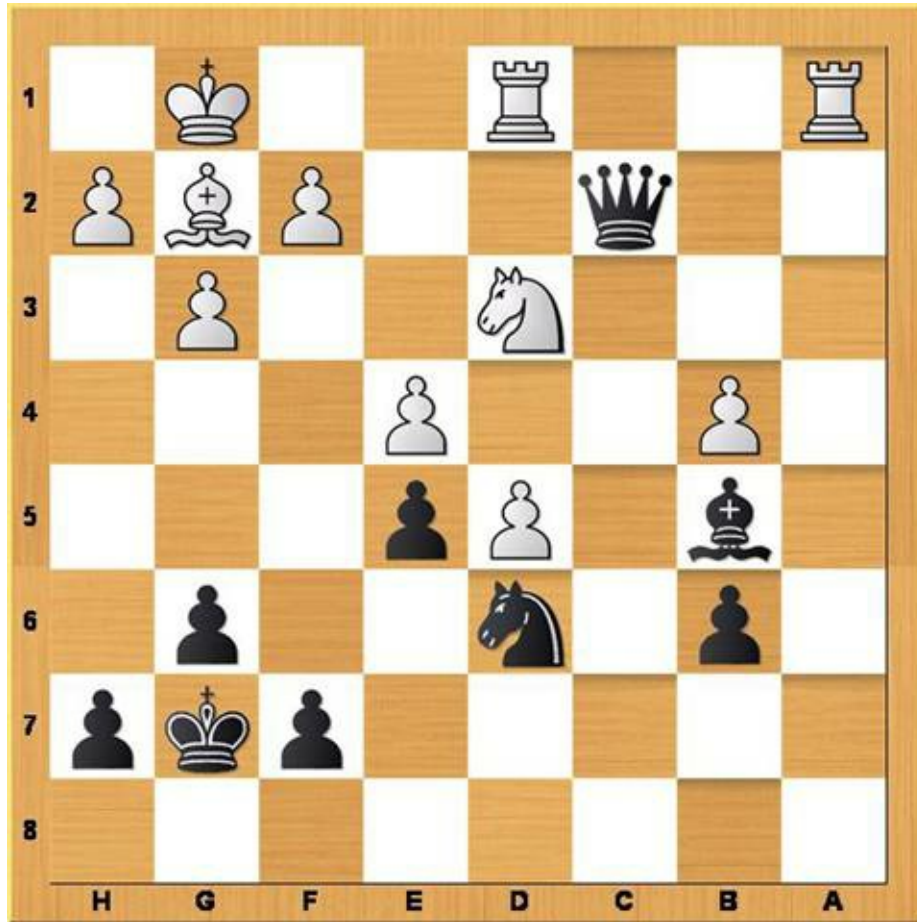
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31...Qc7 32. Ra8 Qc2 33. Raa1



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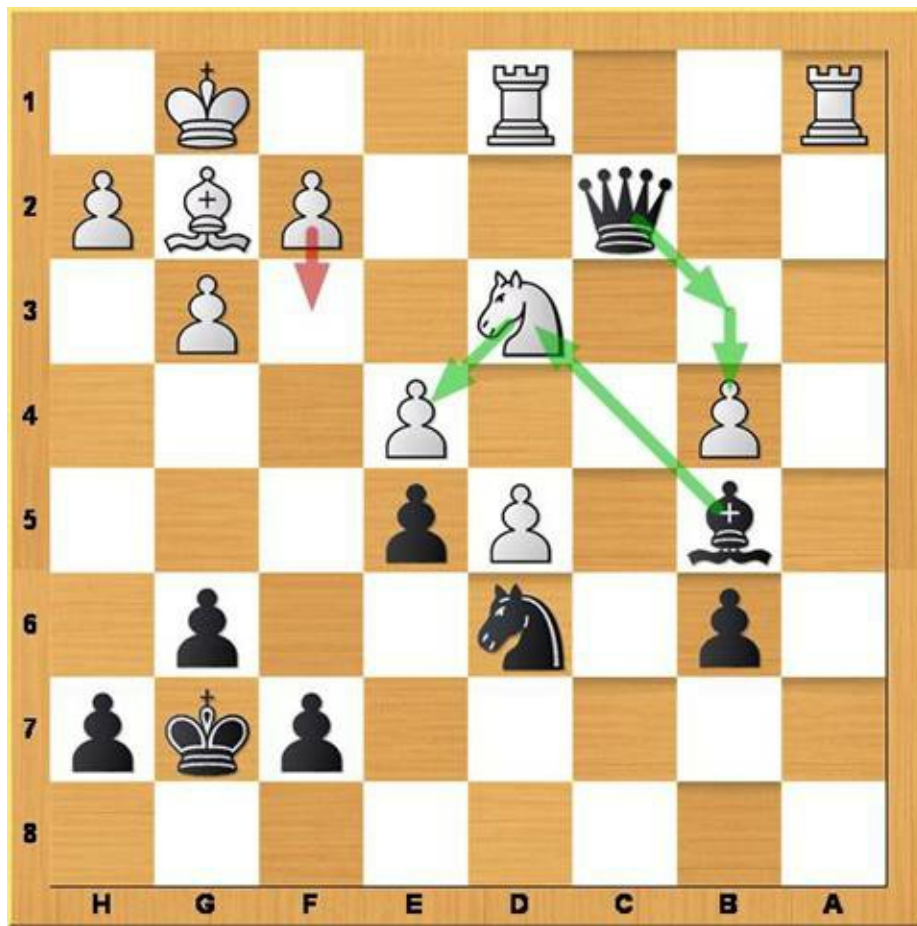
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31...Qc7 32.Ra8 [32.Nxe5 Qxb8 33.Nc6 Qa8 34.e5 Nc4 35.h4 Qa3 36.h5 gxh5 37.d6 Qa4 38.Rc1 Bxc6 Qxc6 40.d7 Qxd7 41.Rxc4 with winner advantage] **32...Qc2 0-1** Here the White resign **33.Raa1**



Bxd3 34.f3 [34.Rac1 Qb3 35.Re1 Qxb4 36.f3 Qd4+ 37.Kh1 b5 38.Red1 f5 39.exf5 Nxf5 40.Rc7+ Kh6 41.g4 Nh4 42.g5+ Kxg5 43.Rxh7 Qf2 44.Rg1 Kf6 45.Rxh4 Qxh4 winning easily] **34...Nc4 35.Rdc1 Qb2 36.b5 Ne3 37.Bh1 Qd4 38.Ra2 Bxe4 39.fxe4 Nc2+ 40.Kf1 Qd3+ 41.Kg1 Qe3+ 42.Kg2 Qxc1** winning material.

GAME No. 34

Spectacular endgame

Carlsen,M 2776 vs Anand,V 2791

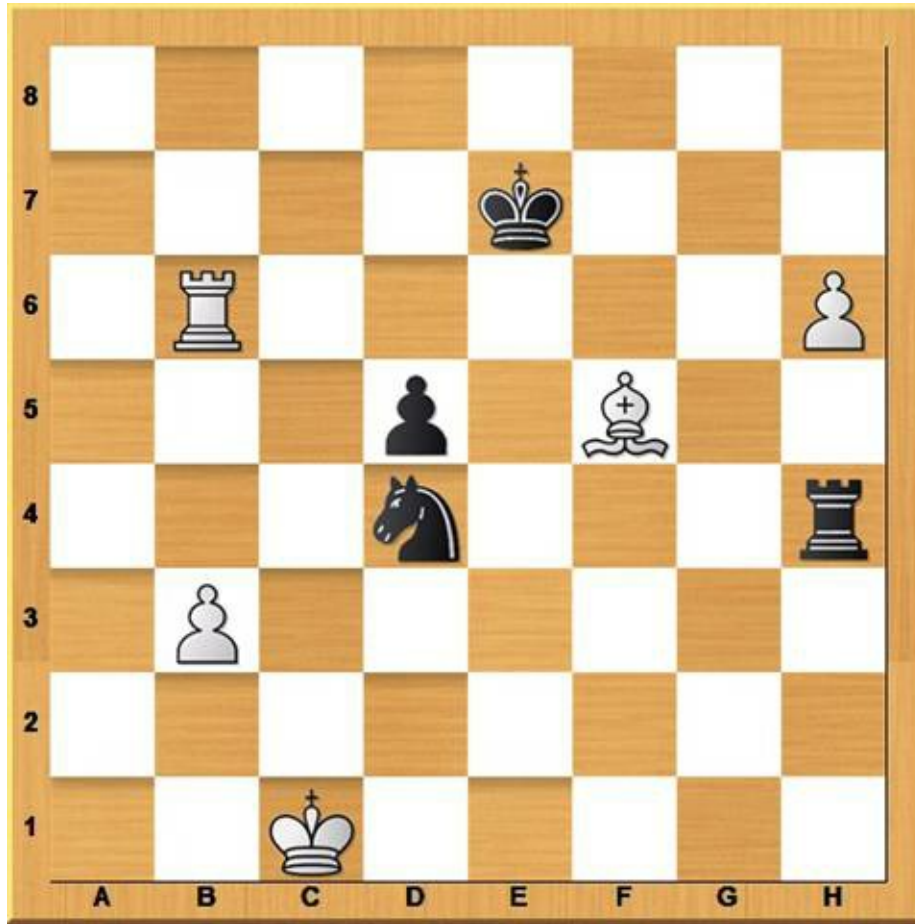
XXVI SuperGM Linares ESP

ECO "D45" 1 – 0 2009.02.25

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10.Rxg7 Nf6 11.h3 Qf5 12.Qxf5 exf5 13.cxd5 cxd5 14.Nb5 Bb4+ 15.Bd2 Bxd2+ 16.Kxd2 Ke7
17.Bd3 Be6 18.Nc7 Rag8 19.Nxe6 Kxe6 20.Rxg8 Nxg8 21.Ke2 Ne7 22.Kf3 Rc8 23.a4 Rc7
24.a5 h6 25.h4 Kf6 26.h5 Nc8 27.Kf4 Nd6 28.Rg1 Rc8 29.f3 Ke6 30.Rg7 Rh8 31.Bc2 Rc8
32.Bb3 Rh8 33.Rg1 Rc8 34.Rg7 Rh8 35.Rg2 Rc8 36.Rg1 Ne8 37.e4 fxe4 38.fxe4 Nf6 39.e5
Ne4 40.Ke3 b6 41.axb6 axb6 42.Kd3 Nf2+ 43.Ke2 Ne4 44.Ke3 f6 45.Rg6 Rc1 46.Rxh6 Rh1
47.Bc2 Rh3+ 48.Kf4 Rh4+ 49.Kf3 Nd2+ 50.Ke2 Rh2+ 51.Kd1 Nc4 52.Rxf6+ Ke7 53.Bg6 Rd2+
54.Kc1 Rxd4 55.b3 Nxe5 56.Rxb6 Rh4 57.Bf5 Nf3 58.h6 Nd4



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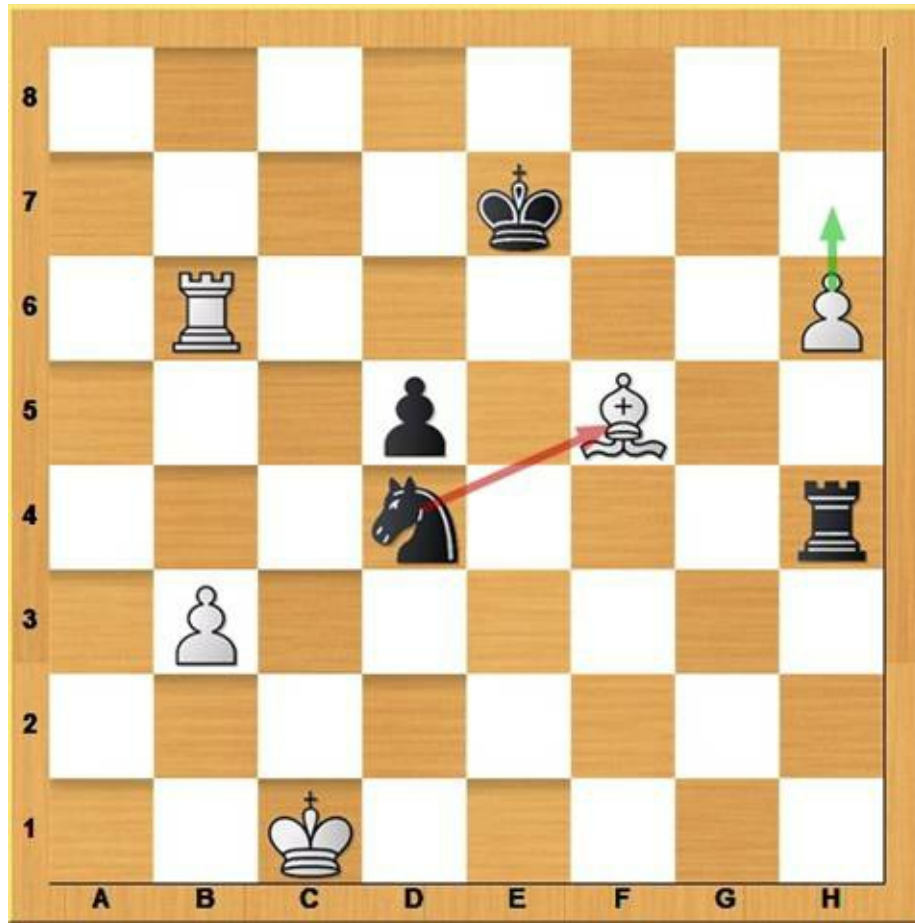
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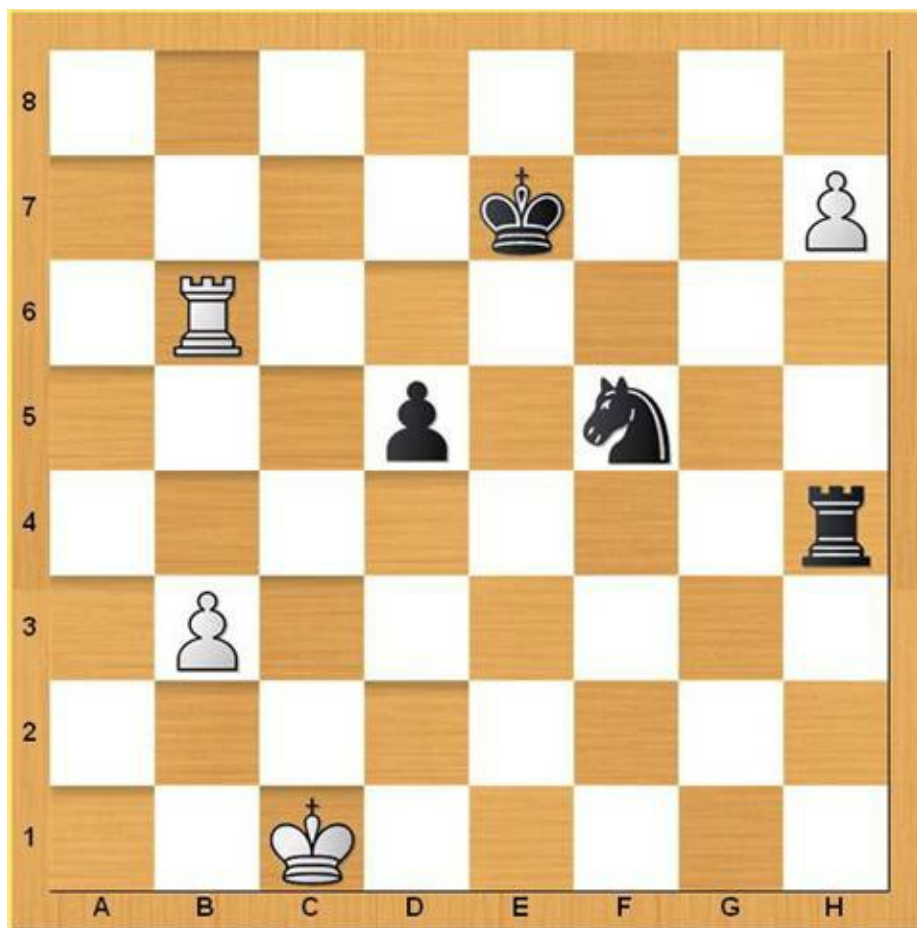
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59.h7 Nxf5



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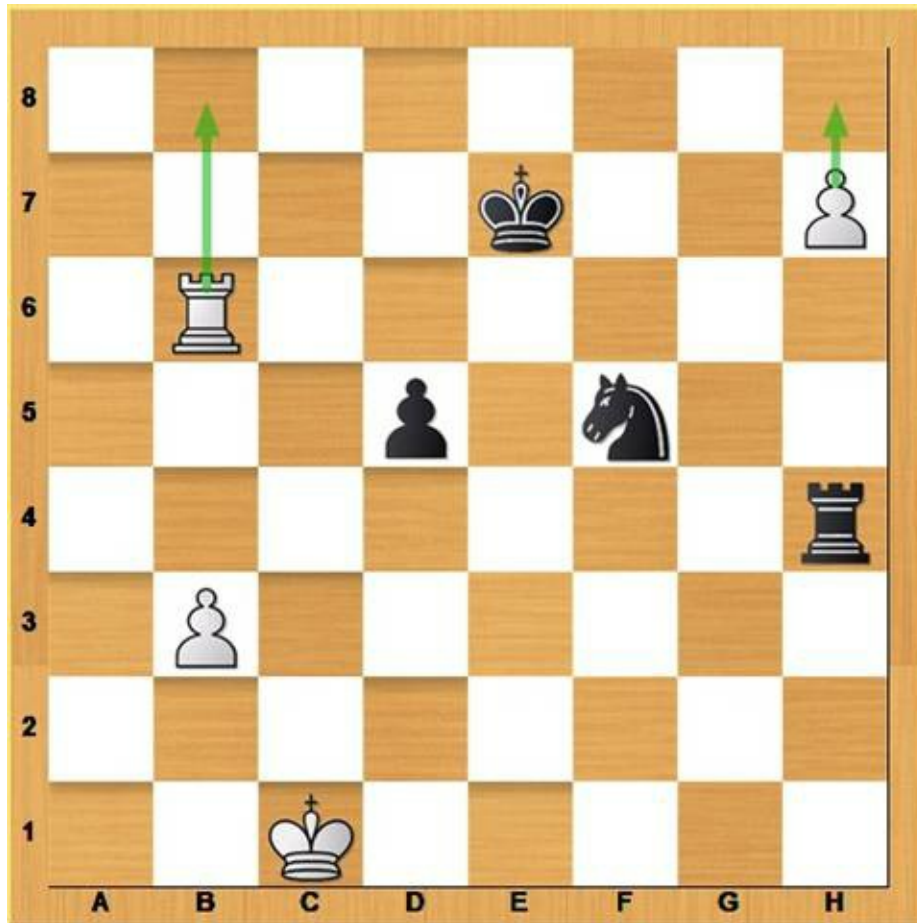
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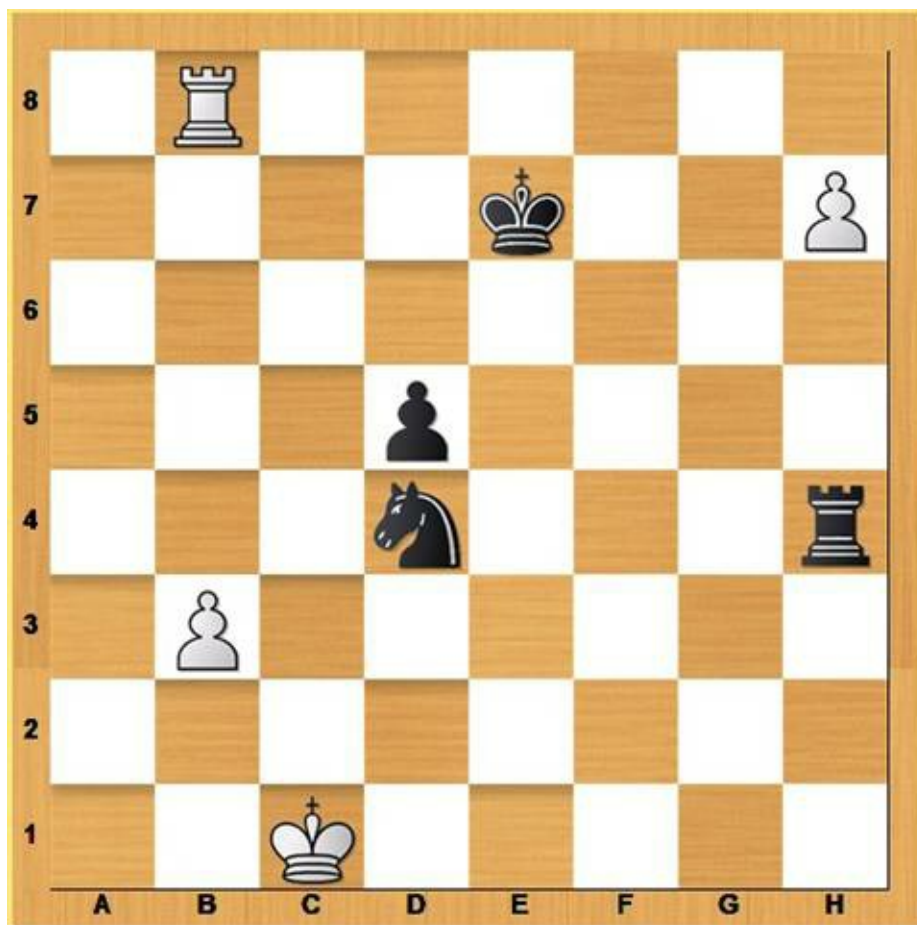
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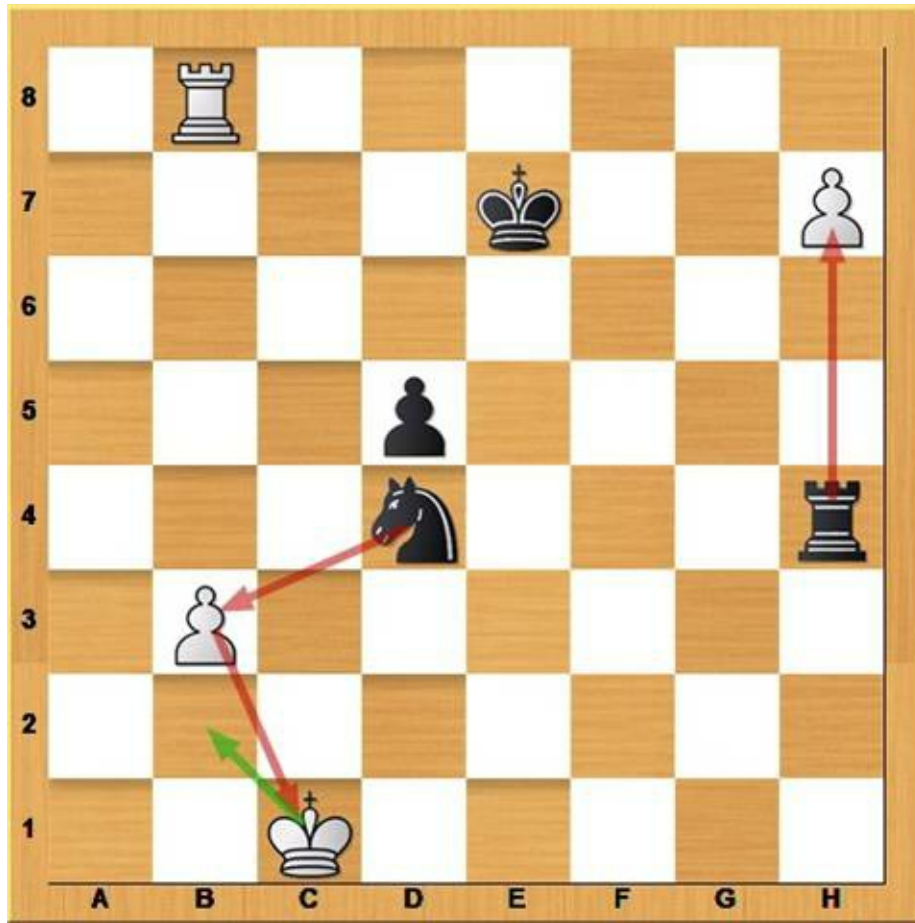
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This wonderful game is the first time Carlsen winner against the reigning world champion in classic game **59.h7!!**

[59.Bd3 allows the draw with Nxb3+ 60.Rxb3 Rxh6 theoretical draw]



59...Nxf5 60.Rb8!! Beautiful Carlsen's move, apparently leaving the pawn to their fate, however this poisoned since if the black rook take it, would die due x-ray attack



Nd4 61.Kb2 [61.h8Q does not work due the sacrifice of knight in check Nxb3+ 62. Kc2 Rxh8

63. Rxh8 Nd4+ 64. Kd3 Ne6 65. Rh7+ Kd6 with draw position]

61...Kd6 62.h8Q Rxh8 63.Rxh8 Kc5 arriving to a winning position and very difficult to defend for the black 64.Rh5 Nc6 65.Rh4 Nb4 66.Ka3 d4 67.Rh5+ Nd5 68.Kb2 Kc6 69.Ka3 Kc5 70.Rh4 Nb4 71.Rh8 Nc6 72.Rh5+ Kd6 73.b4 d3 74.Rh3 Ne5 75.Kb3 d2 76.Kc2 Nc6 77.Rh4 Kd5 1-0

GAME No. 35

Carlsen defies the world champion's pawn sacrifice

Carlsen,M 2625 vs Anand,V 2792

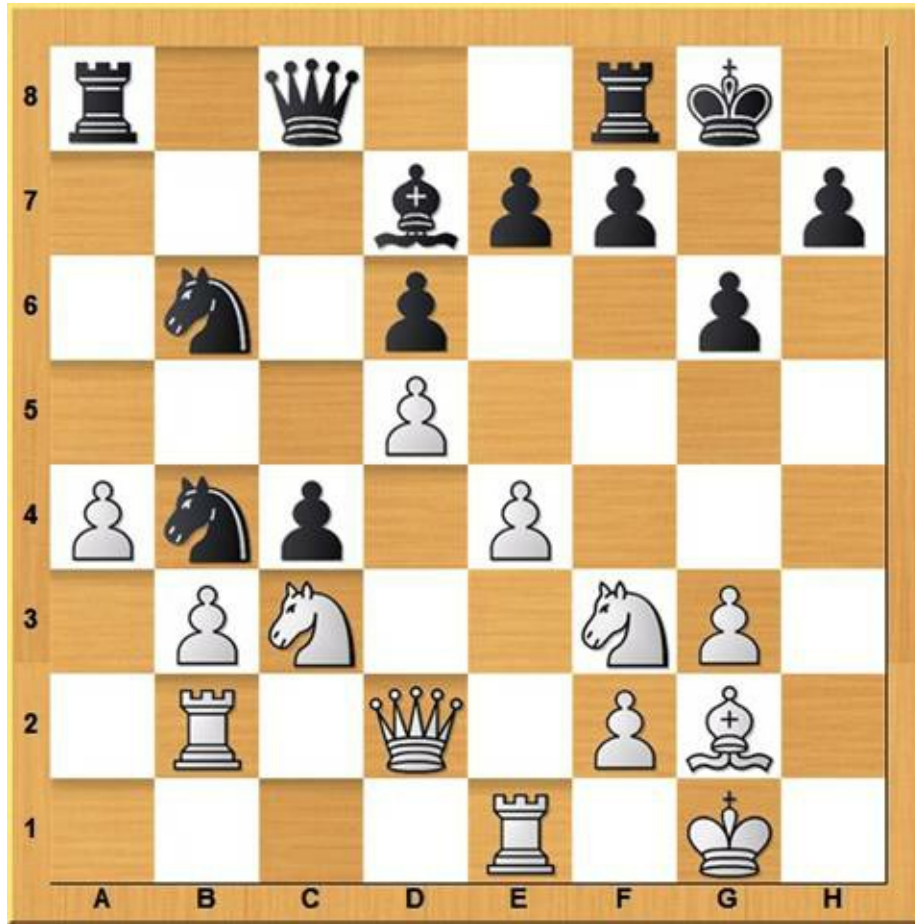
Glitnir Blitz Reykjavik ISL

ECO "A58" 1 – 0 2006.03.16

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10.O-O Nbd7 11.Rb1 Ne8 12.Qc2 Nc7 13.Rd1 Nb6 14.e4 Bc8 15.h3 Bd7 16.b3 Qc8 17.a4
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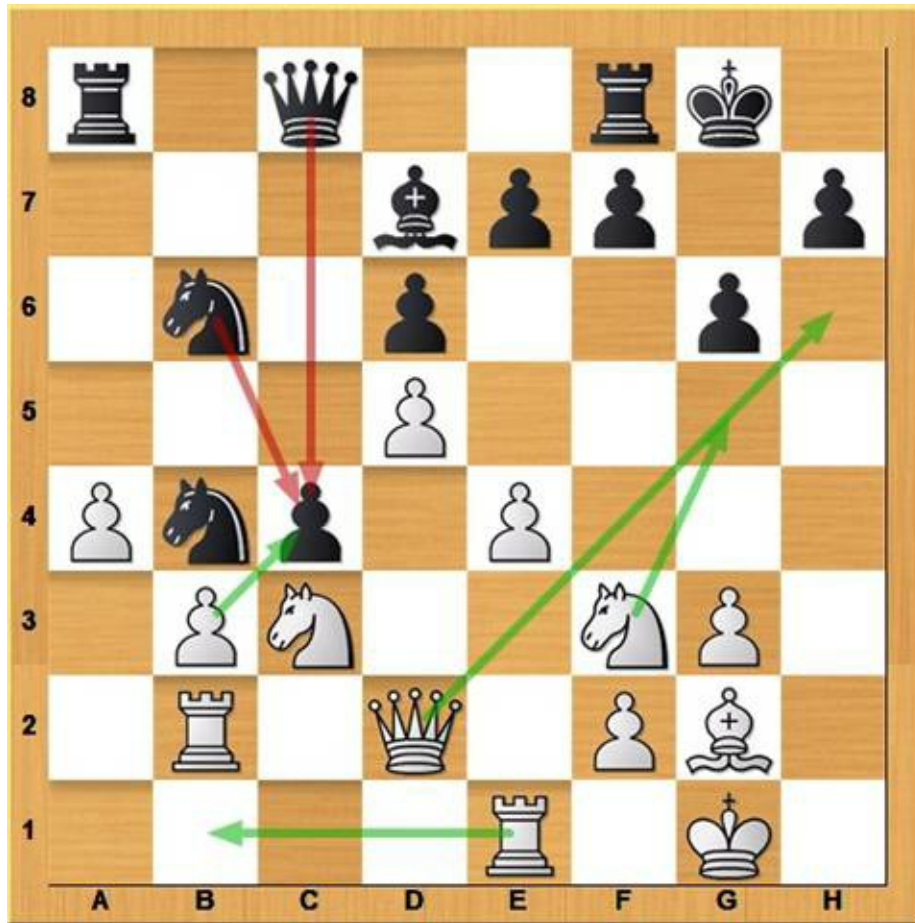
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Anand sacrificed a pawn looking tactical complications with their knights but tactically there are some loose ends and Carlsen take the challenge, won the piece and practically the game

24.bxc4 Nxc4 [24...Qxc4 25. Reb1 N4xd5 26.Nxd5 Nxd5 27.exd Rxa4 28. Qh6 f6 29. Rb7 Qc8 30. Qe3 Re8 White staying with material advantage] **25.Qh6 f6** [Black cannot take the rook on b2 because it threatens Ng5 with unstoppable checkmate after Qxf7#] **26.Rxb4 Ne5** [26...Nb2 27.Rxb2 Qxc3 28.Rb7 Qc8 29.Reb1 Rxa4 White staying with material advantage].

GAME No. 36

Karjakin,Sergey 2727 vs Carlsen,M 2775

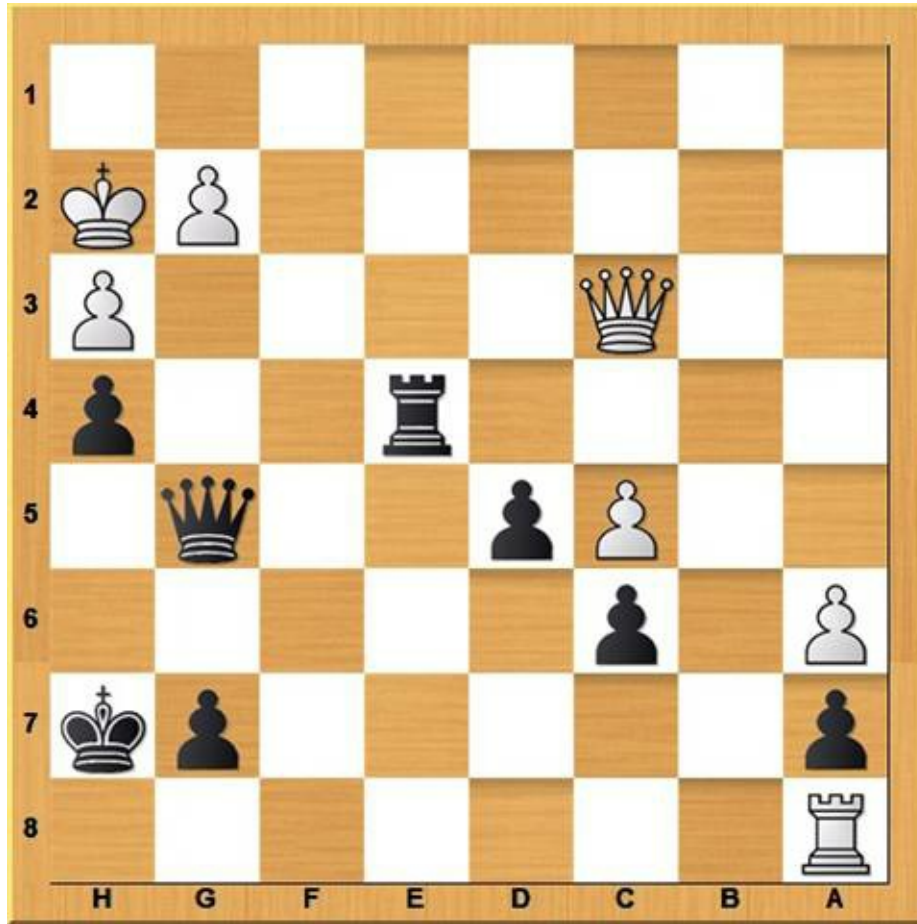
Tal Memorial Blitz Moscow RUS

ECO "B12" 0 – 1 2008.08.30

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6 5.Be2 Nd7 6.O-O Bg6 7.Nbd2 Nh6 8.c4 Be7 9.Qb3 Rb8
10.Qc3 O-O 11.c5 f6 12.exf6 Bxf6 13.b4 Nf7 14.Nb3 e5 15.Be3 Re8 16.Rfe1 e4 17.Nfd2 Nh6
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33.Rxf3 bxc5 34.bxc5 Re6 35.Qd3 Rae8 36.Nd2 Qb7 37.h3 Qb4 38.Nf1 Qb7 39.Ng3 Qf7
40.Be5 h4 41.Ne2 Rxe5 42.dxe5 Rxe5 43.Nd4 Qe8 44.a5 Re4 45.Nf5 Qe5 46.Nd4 Qc7 47.a6
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55.Qf2 Qh6 56.Rf5 Qg6 57.Qf3 Rxd4 58.Rh5+ Kg8 59.Rf5 Re4 60.Rf8+ Kh7 61.Ra8 Qg5
62.Qc3



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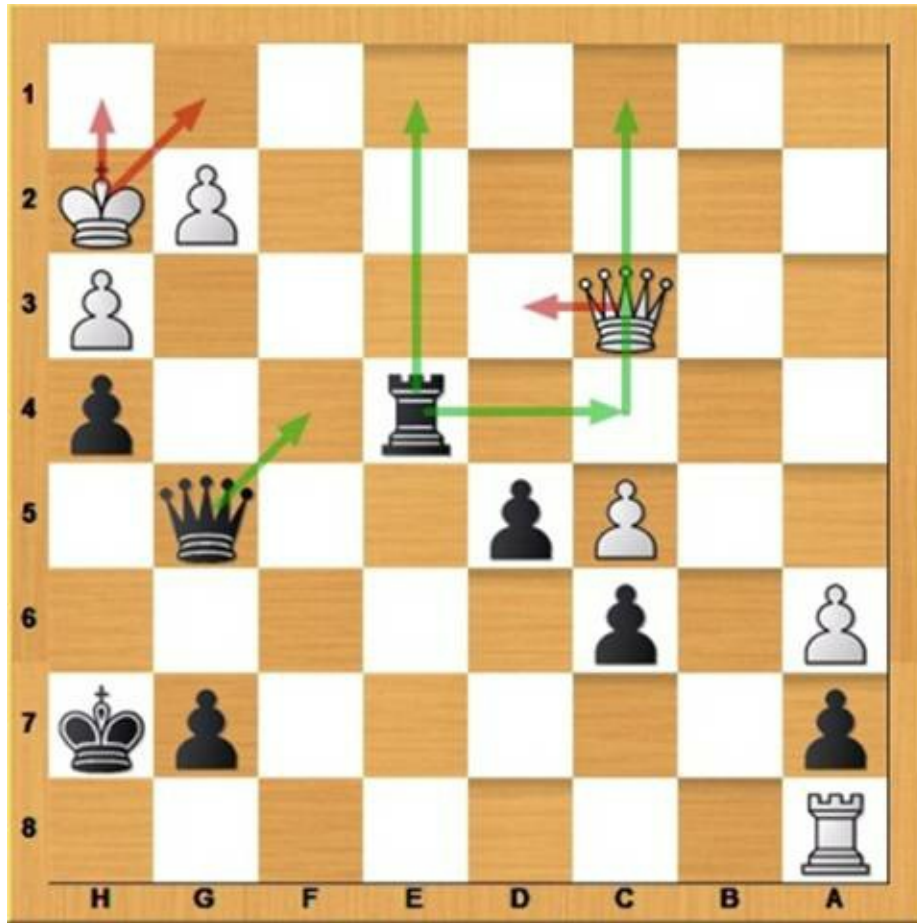
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63...Qf1+ [63...Rc4 64.Qd3+ Rh6 65.Rh8+ Kg5 threatening checkmate due the delivery of material is inevitable]
64.Kh2 Re1 65.Qc2+ g6 66.Rxa7+ Kh6 67.Qd2+ g5 68.Qxe1 Qxe1 69.Rb7 Qe5+ 70.Kh1 Qa1+ 0-1.

GAME No. 37

Alekseev,Evgeny 2708 vs Carlsen,M 2775

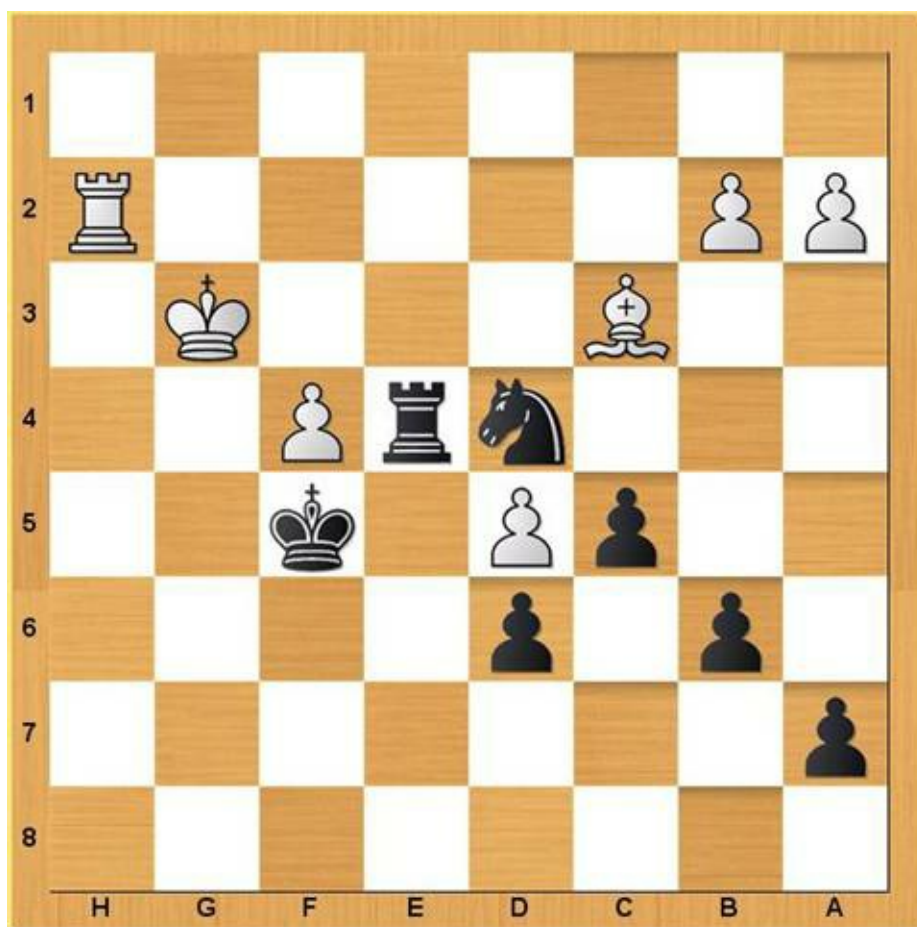
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ECO "E15" 0 – 1 2008.08.29

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10.Rd1 Qc8 11.Bg5 f6 12.Bc1 Nc7 13.e4 Nc6 14.Nc3 O-O 15.Be3 d6 16.Nh4 g6 17.Nd5 Nxd5
18.exd5 Ne5 19.f4 Nf7 20.Nxg6 Re8 21.Nxe7+ Rxe7 22.Re1 Qd7 23.Bd2 Rae8 24.Rxe7 Rxe7
25.Bc3 Kg7 26.h3 h5 27.Kh2 Nh6 28.Bf3 Qf5 29.Qxf5 Nxf5 30.g4 hxg4 31.hxg4 Re3 32.Rf1
Ba6 33.Rf2 Nd4 34.Bh1 Bd3 35.g5 Kg6 36.gxf6 Kxf6 37.Bg2 Be4 38.Bxe4 Rxe4 39.Kg3 Kf5
40.Rh2



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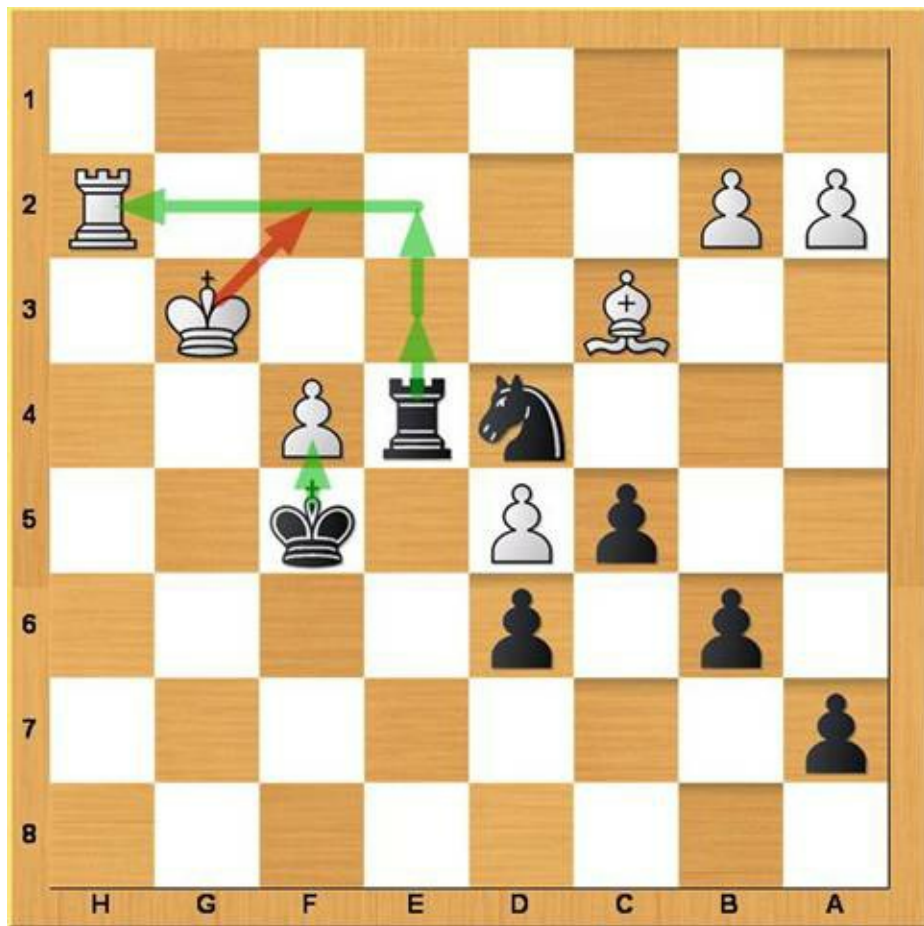
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40.Rh2 try to activate his rook but it's too late

[*40...Rxf4 also winner but allows White counter play*]

40...Re3+ 41.Kf2 Re2+ 42.Kg3 Rxh2 43.Kxh2 Kxf4 0-1 White resign due lose the pawn on e5 and not likely to attack.

GAME No. 38

Pelletier,Y 2569 vs Carlsen,M 2775

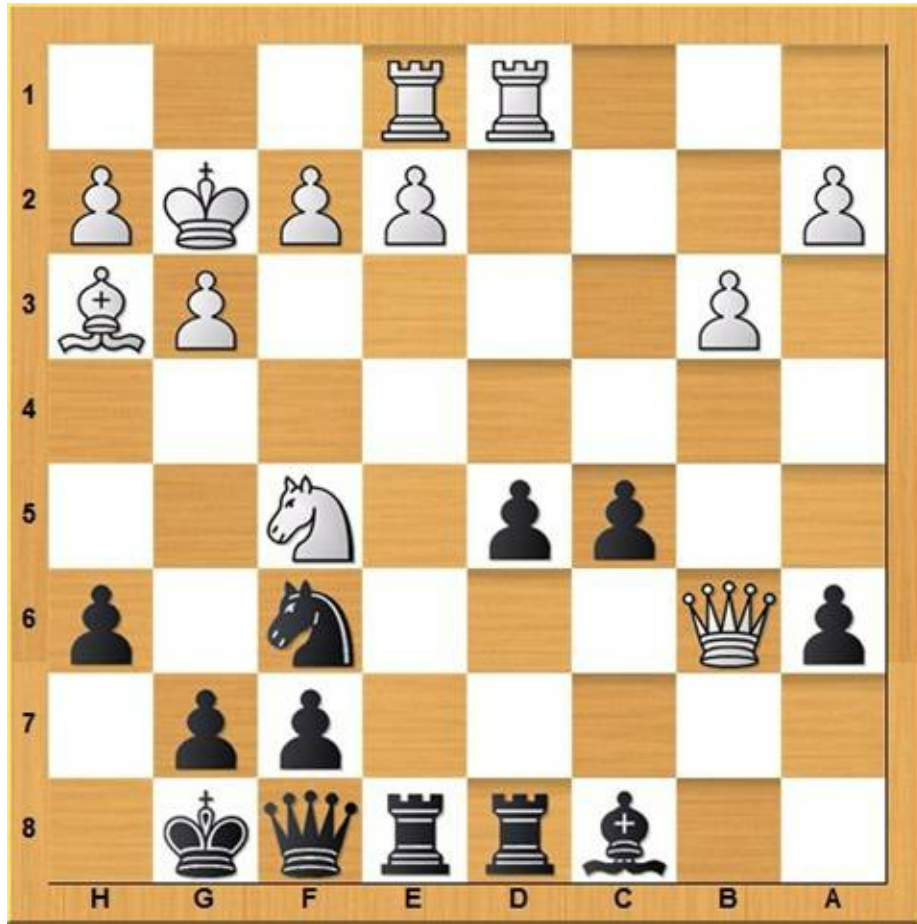
41st Festival GM Biel SUI

ECO "E15" 0 – 1 2008.07.26

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10.O-O Bb7 11.Rc1 Nbd7 12.Bf4 c6 13.Qc2 Re8 14.Rcd1 Bb4 15.Bd2 Rc8 16.Qb2 Qe7
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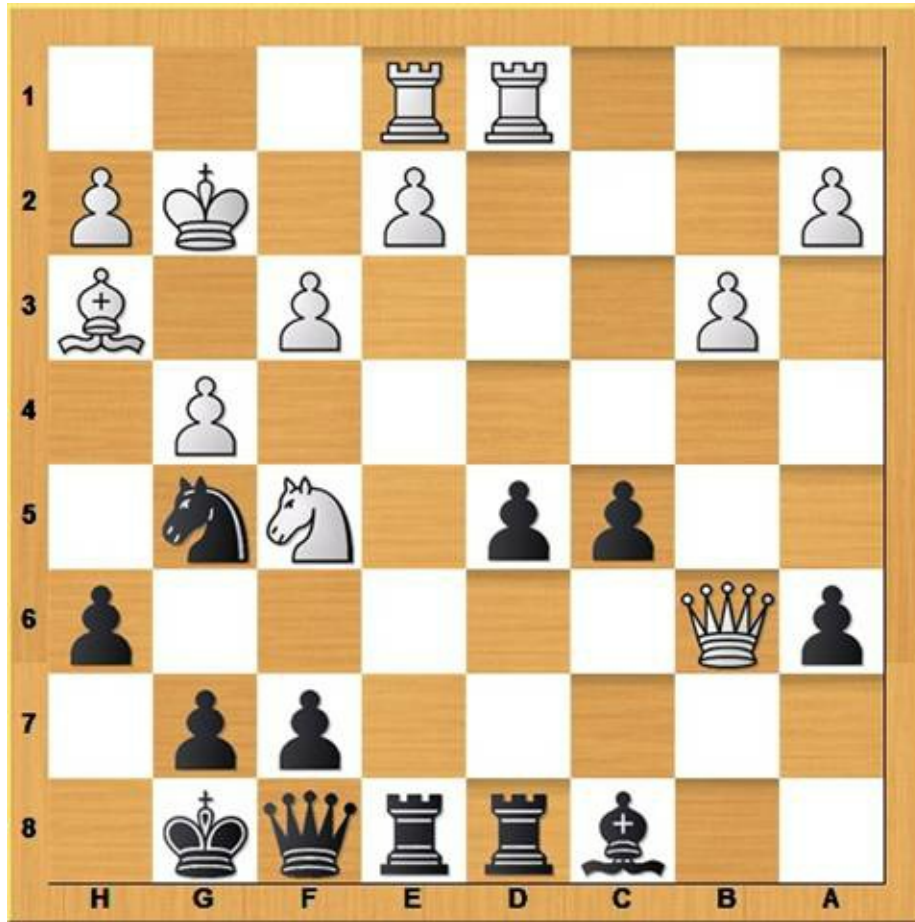


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28...Ne5 29.f3 Ng5 30.g4



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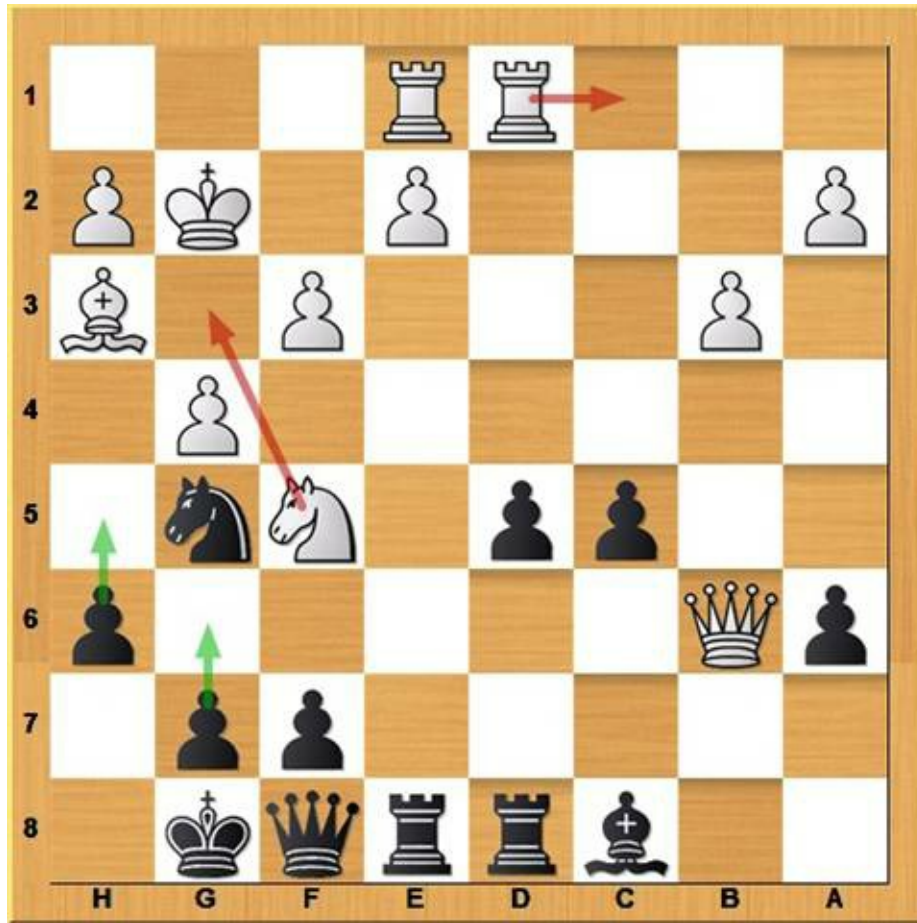
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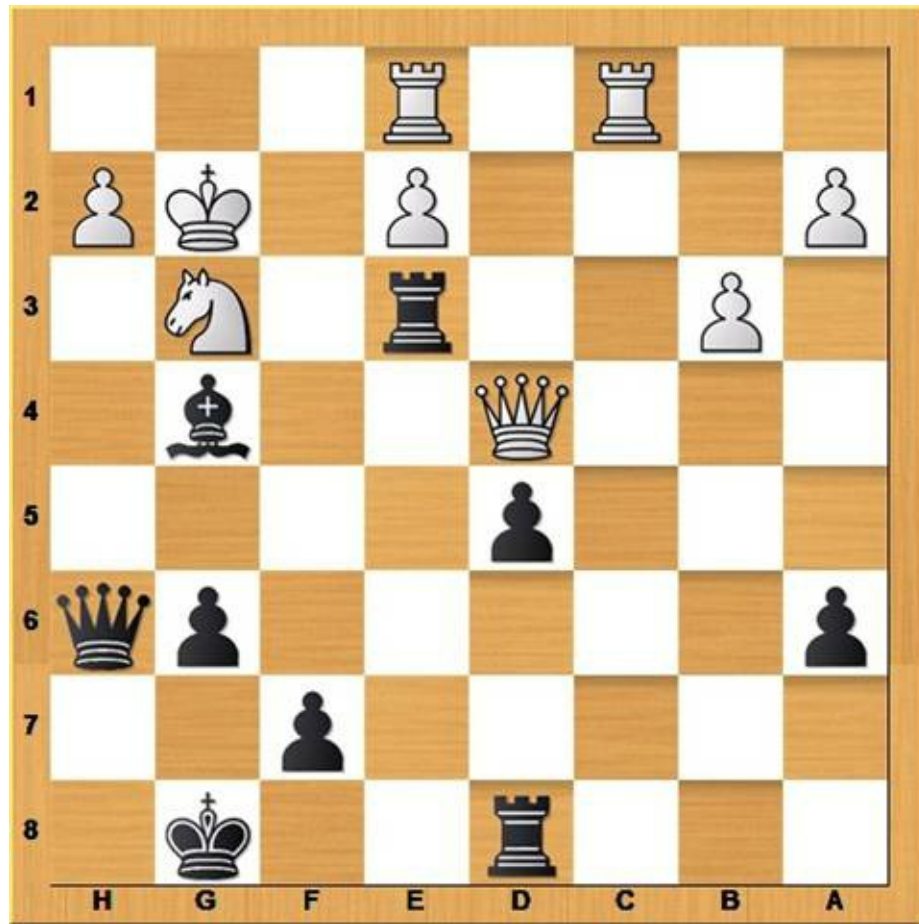
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30...h5 31. Rc1 g6 32. Ng3 Nxh3 33. Kxh3 hxg4+ 34.fxg4 Qh6+ 35. Kg2 Bxg4 36.
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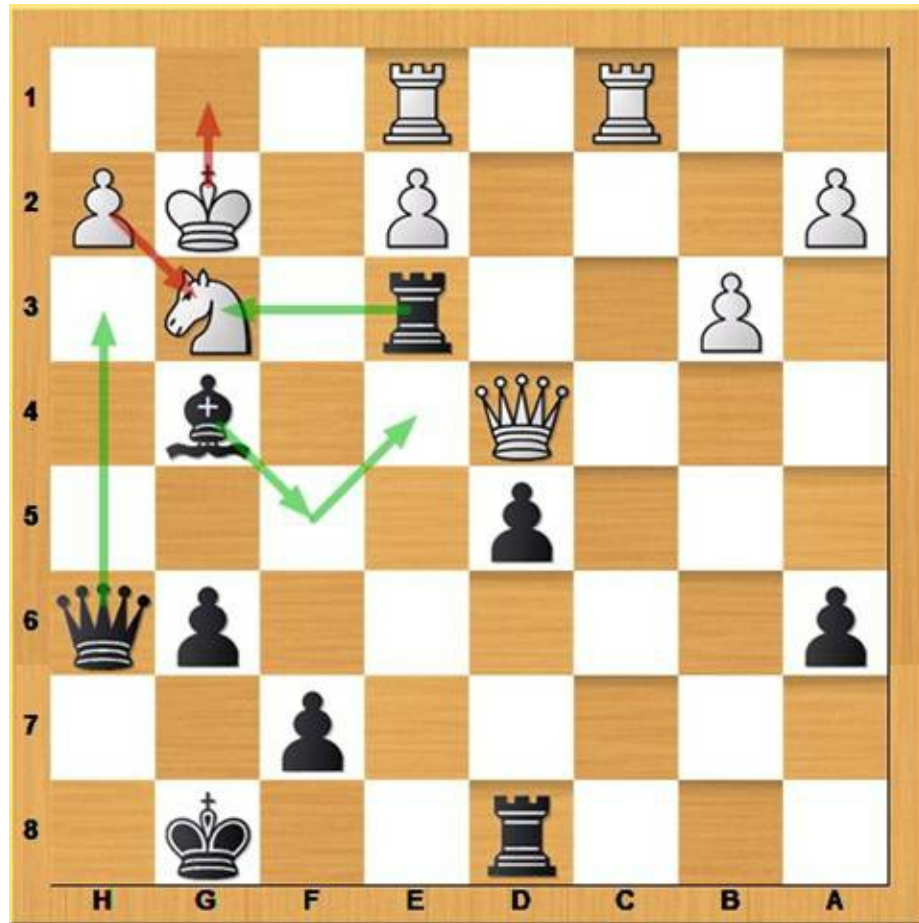
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Then we will see how Carlsen makes a clever maneuver his knight trying to exploit the weakness of White's position



28...Ne5 a very shrewd movement taking advantage of the recent move of the King that blocks the bishop **29.f3 Ng5 30.g4**



h5 31.Rc1 g6 32.Ng3 Nxh3 33.Kxh3 hxg4+ 34.fxg4 Qh6+ 35.Kg2 Bxg4 36.Qxc5 Re3 [36... Rc8 37.Qa3 Rxe2+ 38.Rxe2 Rxc1 39.h4 Qf4 40.Rf2 Bf3+ 41.Rxf3 Rc2+ 42.Kh3 Qxf3 43.Qe7 Qg2+ 44.Kg4 f5+ 45.Kf4 Qf2+ 46.Kg5 Qxg3+ 47.Kh6 Qf4+ 48.Qg5 with material advantage] 37.Qd4 Qh3+ 38.Kg1 Rxg3+ 39.hxg3 Qxg3+ 40.Kh1 Bf5 0-1 Here White resign because the

bishop enters with check, gaining long enough time to force the Queen sacrifice. **41.Red1 Be4+**
42.Qxe4 dxe4.

GAME No. 39

Carlsen, Magnus 2835 vs Radjabov, T 2784

7th Tal Mem Blitz Moscow RUS

ECO "C03" 1 – 0 2012.06.07

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nd2 a6 4. Ngf3 c5 5. c3 cxd4 6. Nxd4 Nf6 7. e5 Nfd7 8. f4 Nc6 9. N2f3 Be7
10. Bd3 Nc5 11. Bc2 Bd7 12. O-O Nxd4 13. Nxd4 g6 14. Be3 Qc7 15. Kh1 h5 16. Qe1 Rc8 17. Bf2
Ba4 18. Bb1 Bd7 19. Bh4 Bxh4 20. Qxh4 Qd8 21. Qf2 Qe7 22. Bc2 Ba4 23. b3 Bd7 24. a4 O-O
25. Rae1 Bc6 26. f5 exf5



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27.Nxf5 gxf5 28.Qg3+ 1-0 here black resign Kh7 29.Rxf5 Kh6 30.Qf4+ Kg7 31.Rg5+ Qxg5 32.Qxg5+ Kh8 33.Qxh5+ Kg7 34.Qh7#

Sub - Variant



[27...Qg5 28.h4 Qd8 29.Nd6 Ne4 30.Bxe4 dxe4 31.Nxc8 winning quality Qxc8 32.Rd1 Qg4 33.Rd4 e3 34.Rxg4 exf2 35.Rf4 Bd5 36.c4 Be6 37.Rd4 Rc8 38.Rxf2 Rc5 39.Rd8+ Kg7 40.Rd2 Rxe5 41.Rb8 Re4 42.Rxb7 Rxh4+ 43.Kg1 with decisive advantage].

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Carlsen, Magnus 2835 vs Grischuk, A. 2761

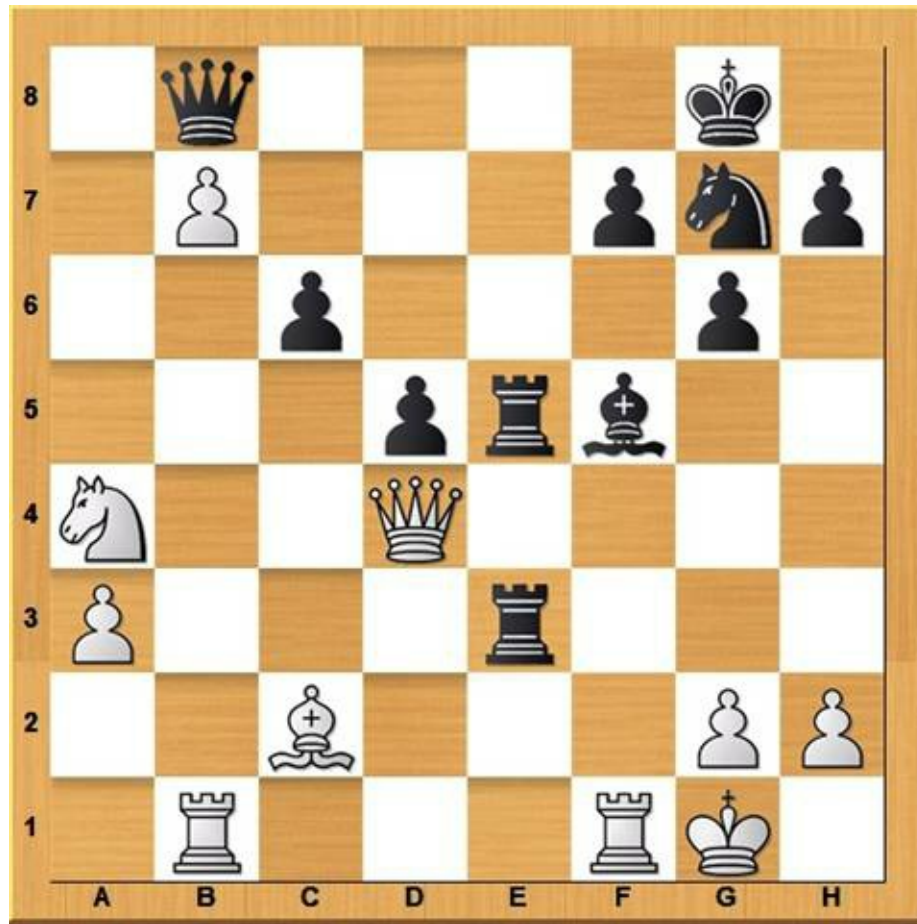
7th Tal MemBlitz Moscow RUS

ECO "E92" 1 – 0 2012.06.07

1. Nf3 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. e4 d6 5. d4 O-O 6. Be2 e5 7. Be3 exd4 8. Nxd4 Re8 9. f3 c6
10. Bf2 d5 11. exd5 cxd5 12. O-O Nc6 13. c5 Re5 14. a3 Qf8 15. b4 Bd7 16. Nxc6 bxc6 17. Bd4
Re6 18. Bd3 Nh5 19. Bc2 Rae8 20. Qd2 Bxd4+ 21. Qxd4 Qh6 22. f4 Re3 23. f5 Qg5 24. b5
R8e5 25. b6 Qd8 26. Rab1 axb6 27. cxb6 Ng7 28. b7 Qb8 29. Na4 Bxf5



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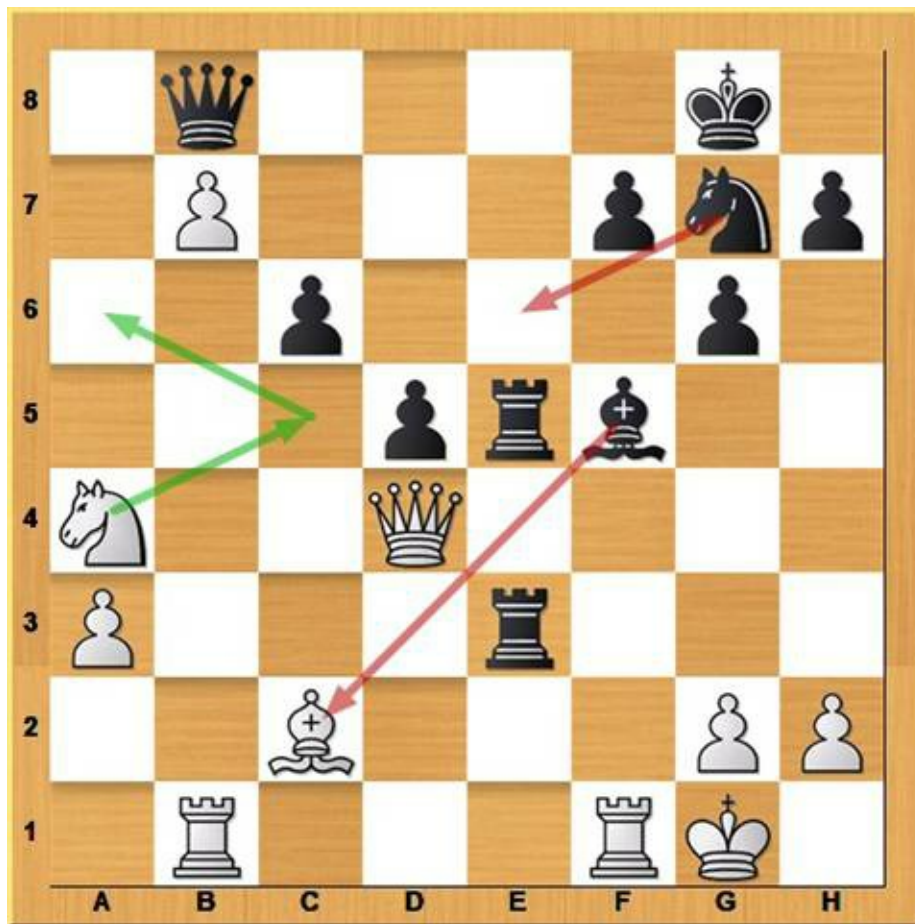
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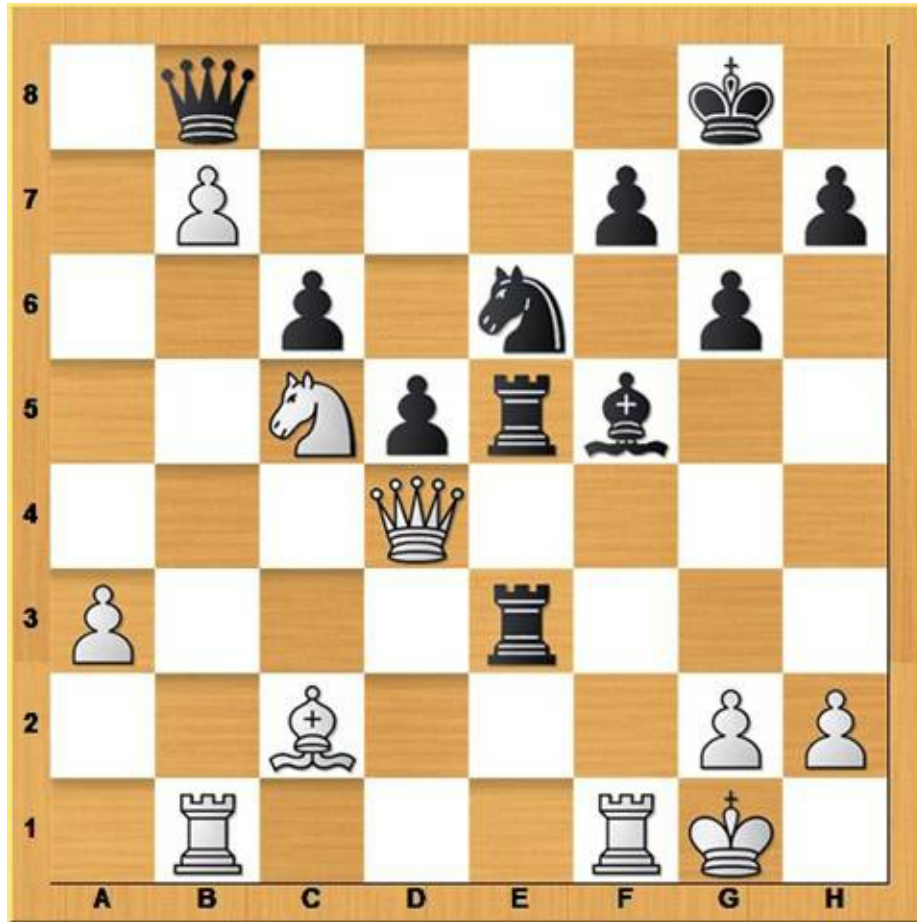
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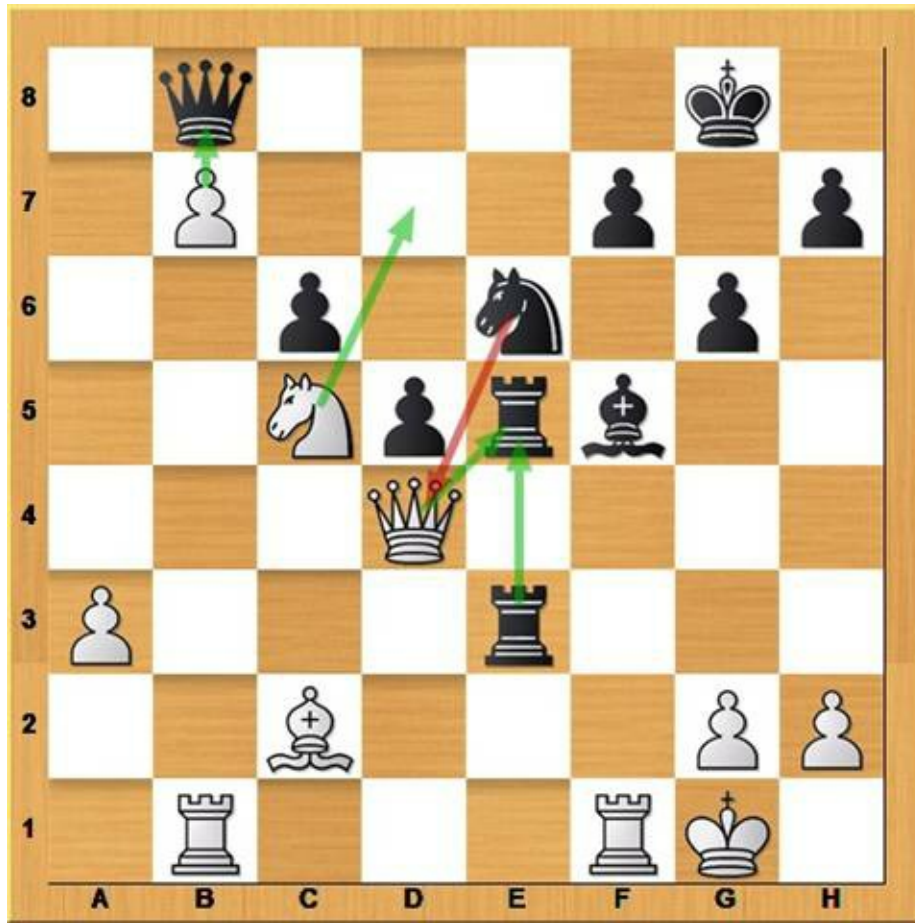
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29...Bxf5 strong move, the engine need time in order to takes value due the tactical aspects surrounding the game but despite being blitz the No. 1 found the solution and brings to win the position



30.Nc5 [30.Bxf5 this move guarantees good possibilities for the endgame Nxf5 31.Qb6 Re2 32.Qxc6 Re6 33.Qc8+ Re8 34.Qxb8 Rxb8 35.Nc5 Re7 36.Rfd1 Rc7 37.Rxd5 Ne3 38.Rd3 Rxc5 39.Rxe3 with white advantage] **30...Ne6 31.Qxe5!** a genial movement **Rxe5 32.Nd7 Qa7+ 33.Kh1 Kg7 34.b8Q** [34.Nxe5 very strong move Bxc2 35.Rxf7+ Kh6 36.b8Q Qxb8 37.Rxb8 by far advantage] **34...Qxb8 35.Rxb8 Re3 36. Bxf5 gxf5 37.h3 f4 38.Rc8 Rc3 39.a4 d4 40.Ne5 c5 41.a5 Ra3 42.Rc1 Rxa5 43.Nd3 f3 44.gxf3 Ra3 45.Nxc5 Nf4 46.Rg1+ Kf6 47.Ne4+ Ke6 48.Re1 Kd7 49.Rc4 Rxf3 50.Rxd4+ Kc7 51.Rc1+ Kb6 52.Rb4+ Ka5 53.Rb2 Rxh3+ 54.Kg1 1-0** Black resign due their destroyed position.

GAME No. 41

Kramnik, Vladimir 2801 vs Carlsen, M. 2835

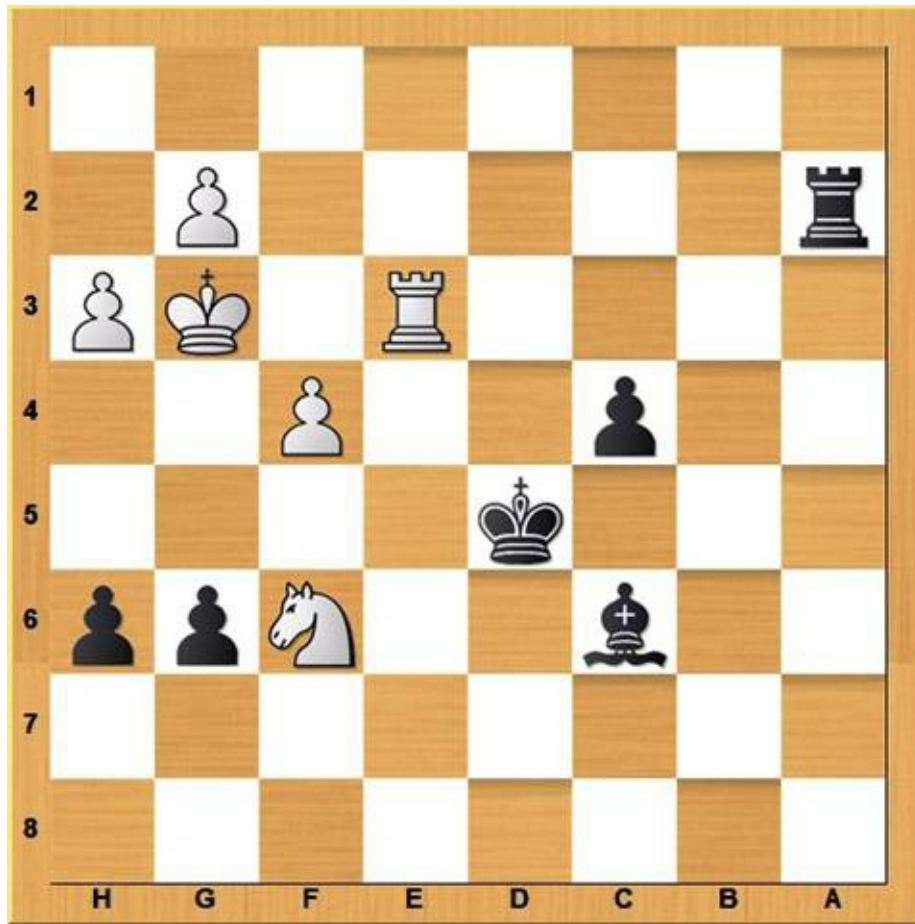
7th Tal Mem Blitz Moscow RUS

ECO "A04" 0 – 1 2012.06.07

1. Nf3 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.d4 d6 4.Bc4 a6 5.O-O b5 6.Bb3 Bb7 7.Re1 e6 8.a4 Nd7 9.Bg5 Ne7
10.axb5 axb5 11.Rxa8 Qxa8 12.d5 Nc5 13.Nd4 h6 14.Bxe7 Kxe7 15.Nxb5 Qa5 16.N1c3 Rb8
17.dxe6 fxe6 18.Nd4 Nxb3 19.Nxb3 Qb4 20.Qg4 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Qxc3 22.Re3 Qxc2 23.h3 Rf8
24.Qxe6+ Kxe6 25.Nd4+ Ke5 26.Nxc2 c5 27.Ne1 Ra8 28.Nd3+ Kd4 29.e5 c4 30.Nf4 dxe5
31.Ne2+ Kd5 32.Nc3+ Ke6 33.f4 e4 34.Kf2 Bc6 35.Nxe4 Ra2+ 36.Kg3 Kd5 37.Nf6+



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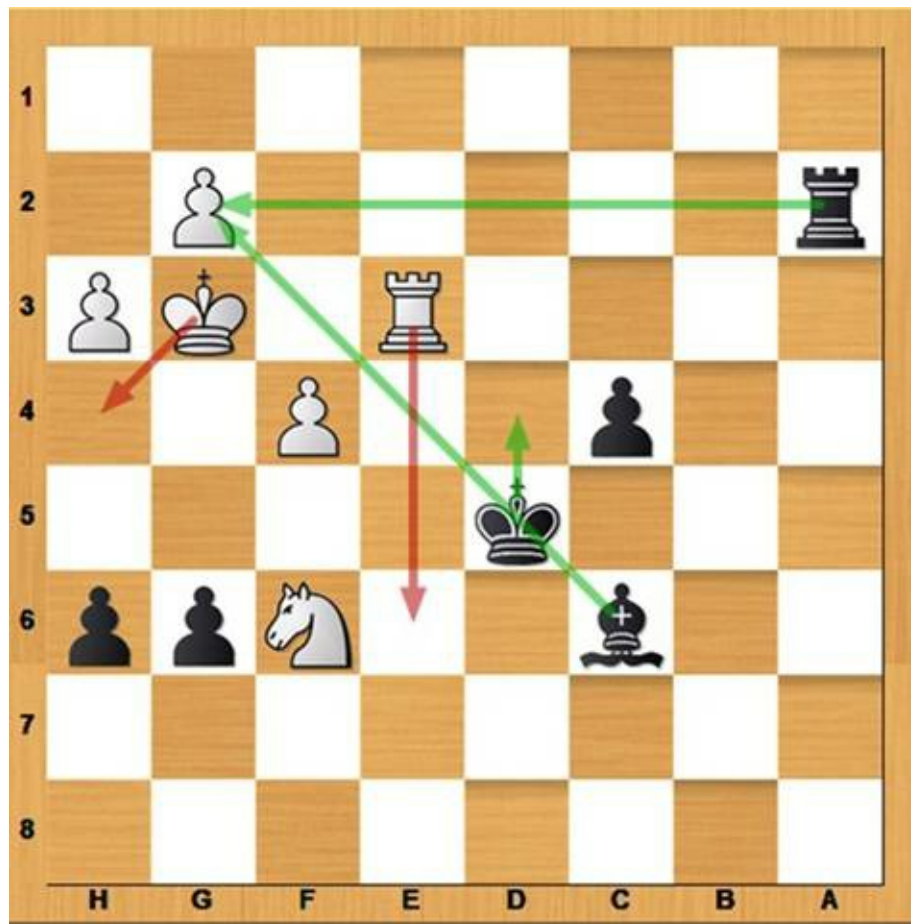
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37.Nf6+ Kd4 38.Re6 Rxc2+ 39.Kh4 Bf3 [39...g5+ 40.fxc5 hxc5+ 41.Kh5 Bf3+ 42.Kh6 c3 43.Re8 c2 44.Rc8 Bb7 45.Rc7 Ba6 achieved cross the bishop] 40.Ng4 c3 41.Rd6+ Kc5 42.Rd8 Rxc4+!! Excellent sacrifice 43.hxc4 c2 0-1 Unexpected end doing unstoppable the pawn promote because if Rc8+ simple Bc6 And Kramnik makes have to tilt their King.

GAME No. 42

Carlsen, M. 2821 vs Shirov, A. 2714

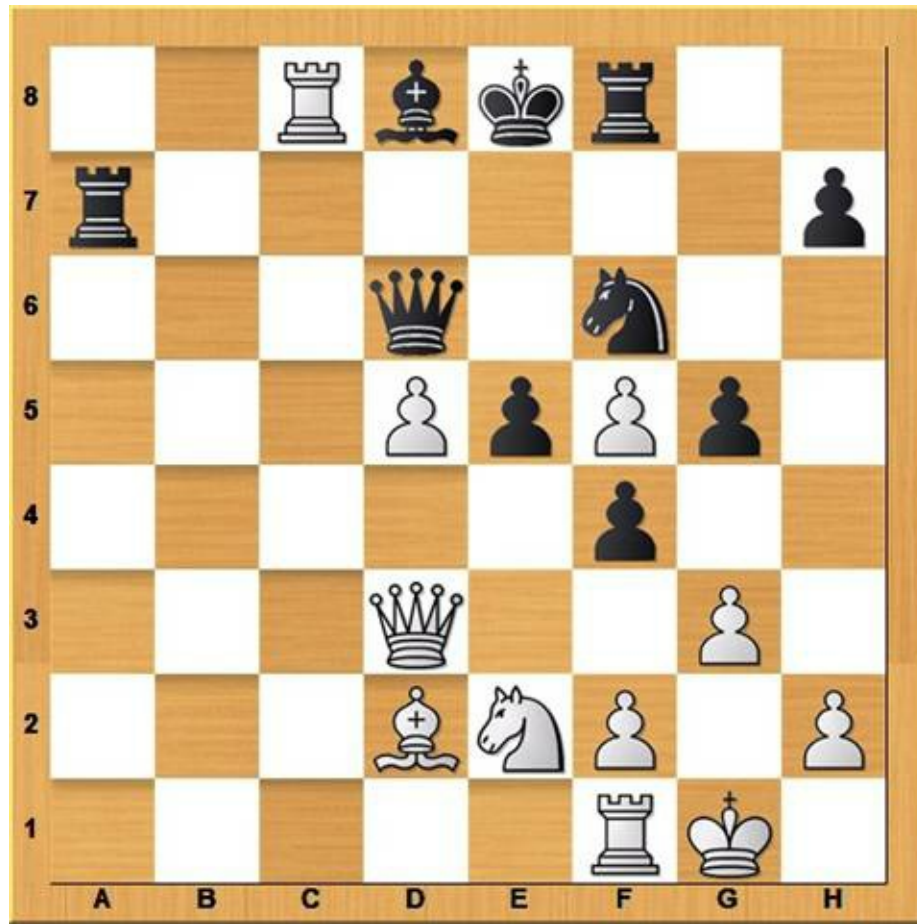
Biel ACCENTUS GM Biel SUI

ECO "D47" 1 – 0 2011.07.19

1. Nf3 d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.Nc3 e6 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5 8.Bd3 Bb7 9.O-O a6
10.e4 c5 11.d5 c4 12.Bc2 Qc7 13.Nd4 e5 14.Nf5 g6 15.Nh6 Nh5 16.g3 Bc5 17.Qf3 Rf8
18.Bd2 Bd4 19.b4 cxb3 20.Bxb3 Qd6 21.Rac1 Ng7 22.a4 f5 23.axb5 f4 24.Ne2 Bb6
25.bxa6 Bxa6 26.Bc4 g5 27.Bxa6 Rxa6 28.Rc8+ Bd8 29.Nf5 Nxf5 30.exf5 Nf6 31.Qd3 Ra7



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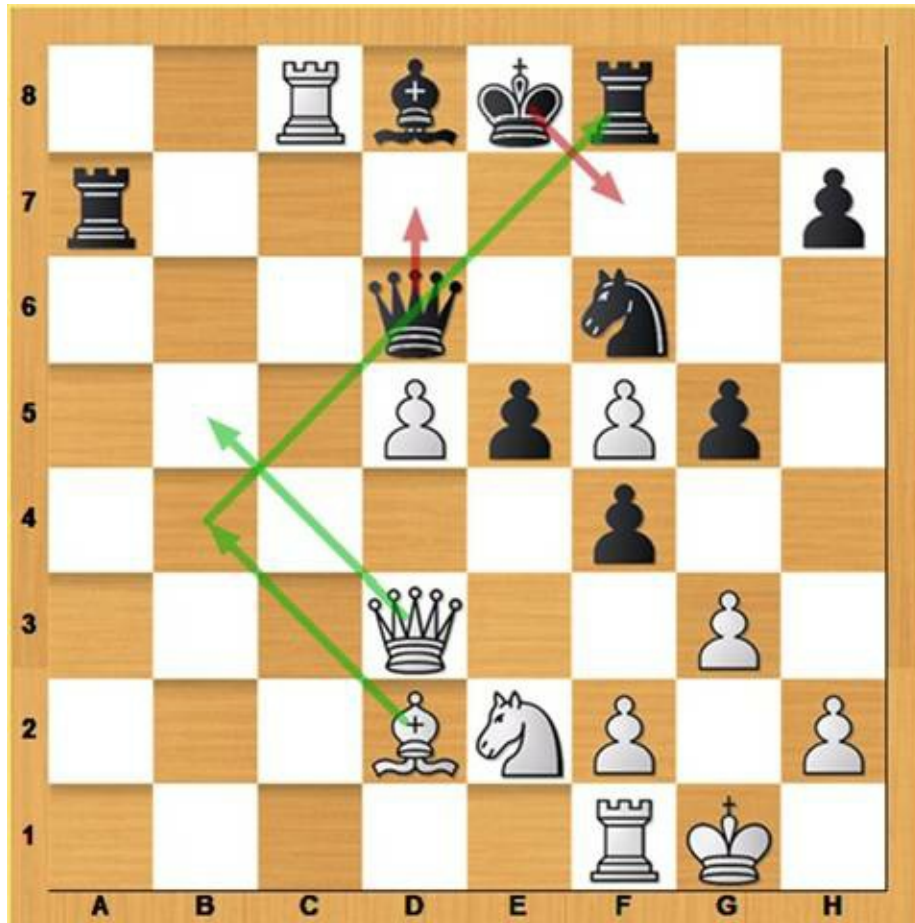
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31...Ra7 Shirov miscalculates the tactical aspects of his King exposed and pay the price of not castling

32.Qb5+ Qd7 [32...Kf7 33.Bb4 Qd7 34.Qxd7+ Rxd7 35.Bxf8 Kxf8 36.Rd1 Kf7 (36...Nxd5 loses the bishop 37.Nc3 Nf6 38.Rxd7 Nxd7 39.Rxd8+) 37.d6 h5 38.Nc3 Ba5 39.Nb5 Bb4 40.Rc7 Ke8 41.Kg2 g2 42.f3 e4 43.fxe4 f3+ 44.Kg1 Nxe4 45.Rc8+ Kf7 46.Rc4 Bxd6 47.Kf1 Rb7 48.Nxd6 49.Rxd6 with decisive advantage]

33. Rxd8+ 1-0 with enough advantage to win.

GAME No. 43

Gelfand, B. 2738 vs Carlsen, Magnus 2837

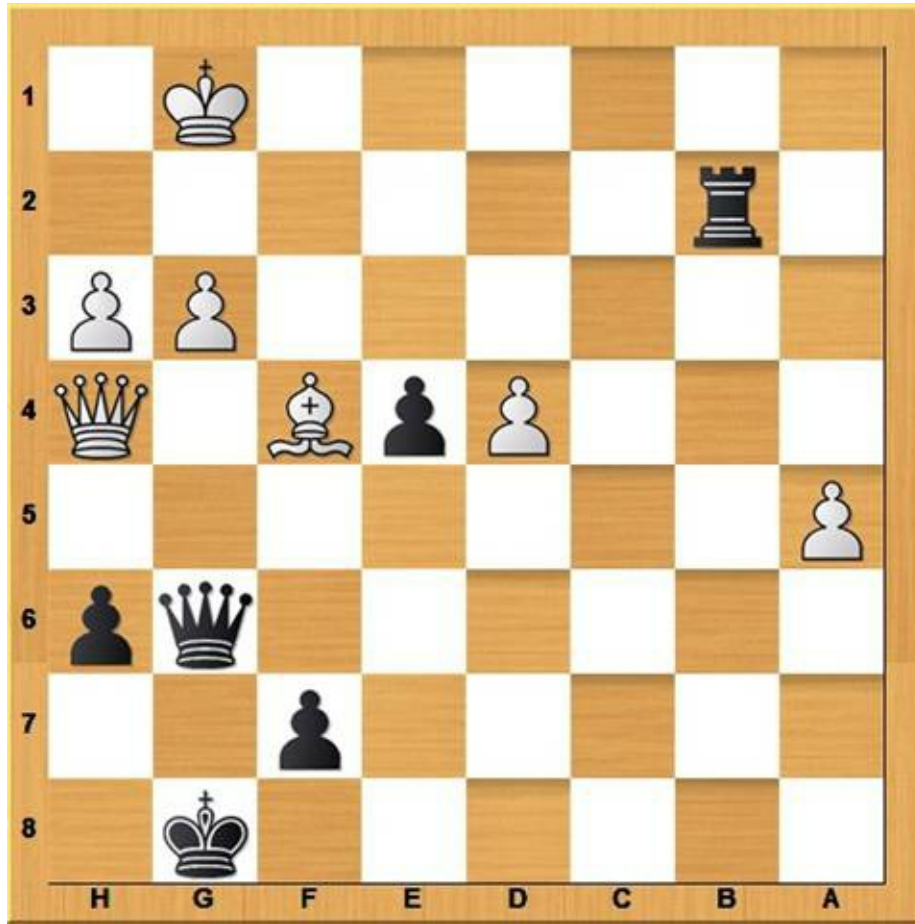
Blitz World Championship 2012

0 – 1 2012.07.10

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. Nf3 Nf6 4. Nc3 a6 5. e3 Bf5 6. Qb3 Ra7 7. Be2 h6 8. cxd5 cxd5 9. Ne5 e6
10. Bd2 Nbd7 11. Nxd7 Nxd7 12. O-O Bd6 13. a4 O-O 14. a5 Qh4 15. f4 Qe7 16. Na4 Raa8
17. Nb6 Nxb6 18. Qxb6 Rac8 19. Rac1 Be4 20. b4 g5 21. b5 axb5 22. Qxb5 gxf4 23. exf4 Qf6
24. Qb6 Rxc1 25. Bxc1 Qg7 26. Bf3 Be7 27. Be3 Bd3 28. Qxb7 Bxf1 29. Qxe7 Bd3 30. f5 exf5
31. Bxd5 Qg6 32. Qh4 Rb8 33. h3 Qd6 34. Ba2 Rb2 35. Bf4 Qg6 36. Bd5 Be4 37. Bxe4 fxe4 38. g3



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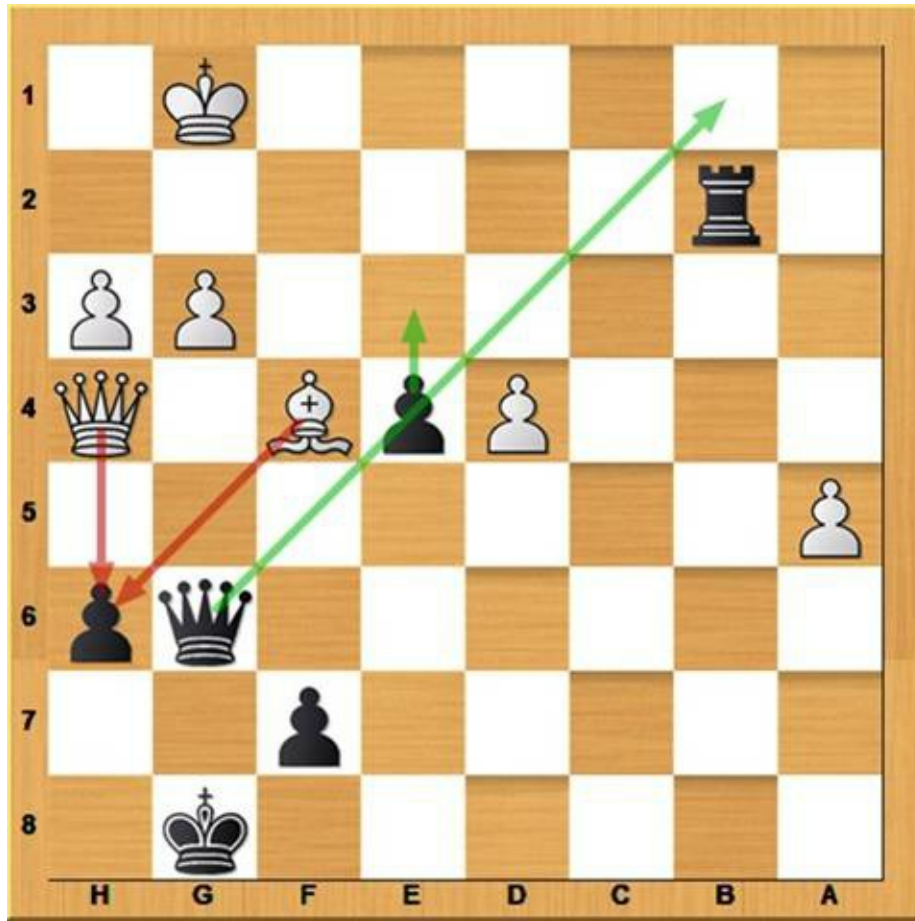
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38...e3!! Excellent move open the way for the Queen **39.Qg4 Qxg4 40.hxg4 Rb1+ 0-1**

[40...e2 it is not precise for 41.Kf2 Kg7 42.Ke1 Kg6 43. Bd2 Rb3 44. Bf4 Rd3 45. Be5 Ra3 46.Kxe2 Rxa5].

GAME No. 44

Carlsen, M. 2821 vs Pelletier, Y. 2590

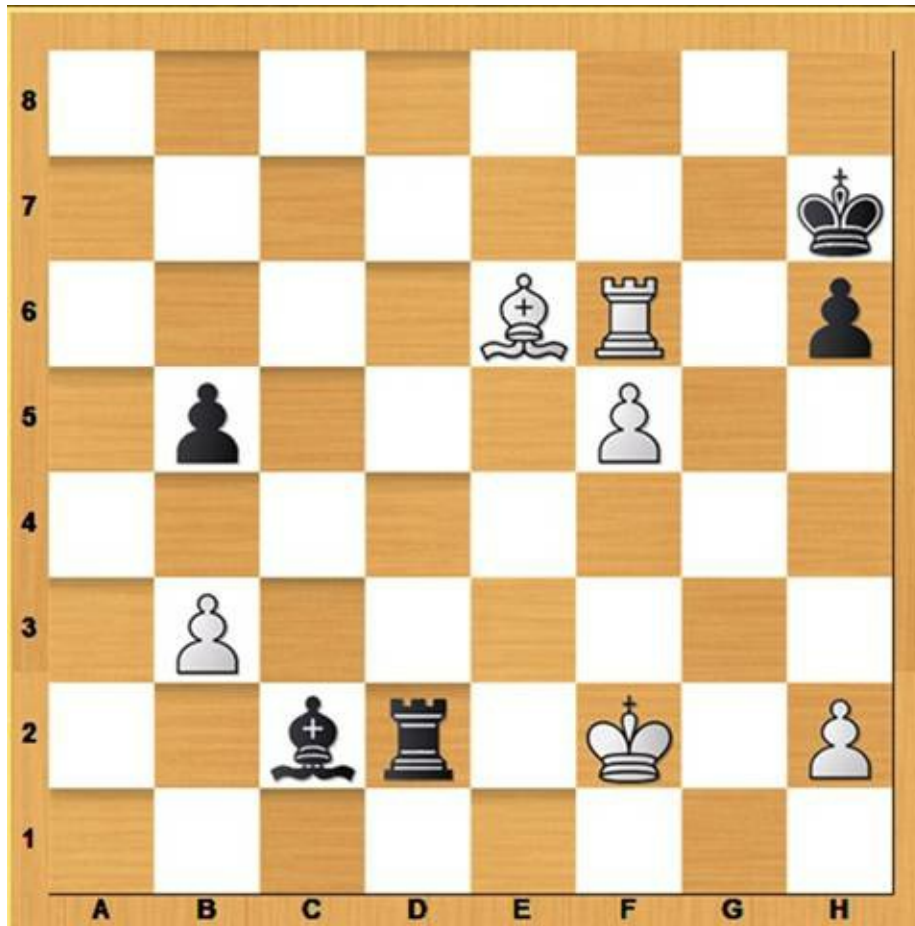
Biel ACCENTUS GM Biel SUI

ECO "C10" 1 – 0 2011.07.25

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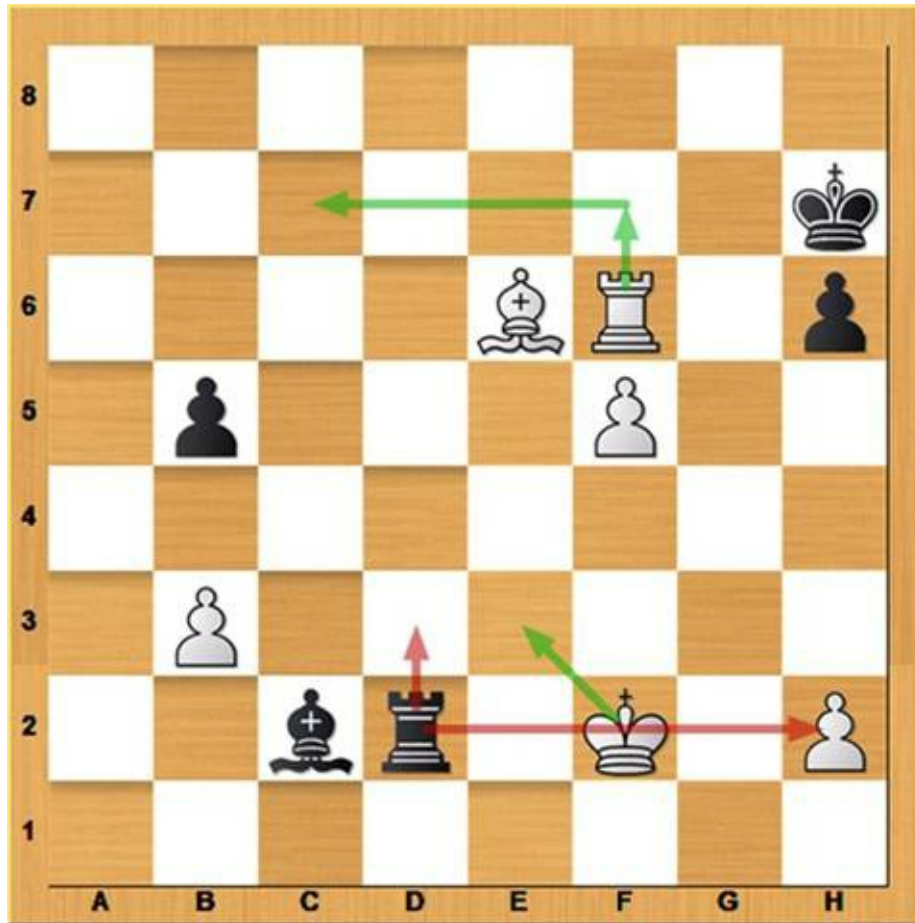
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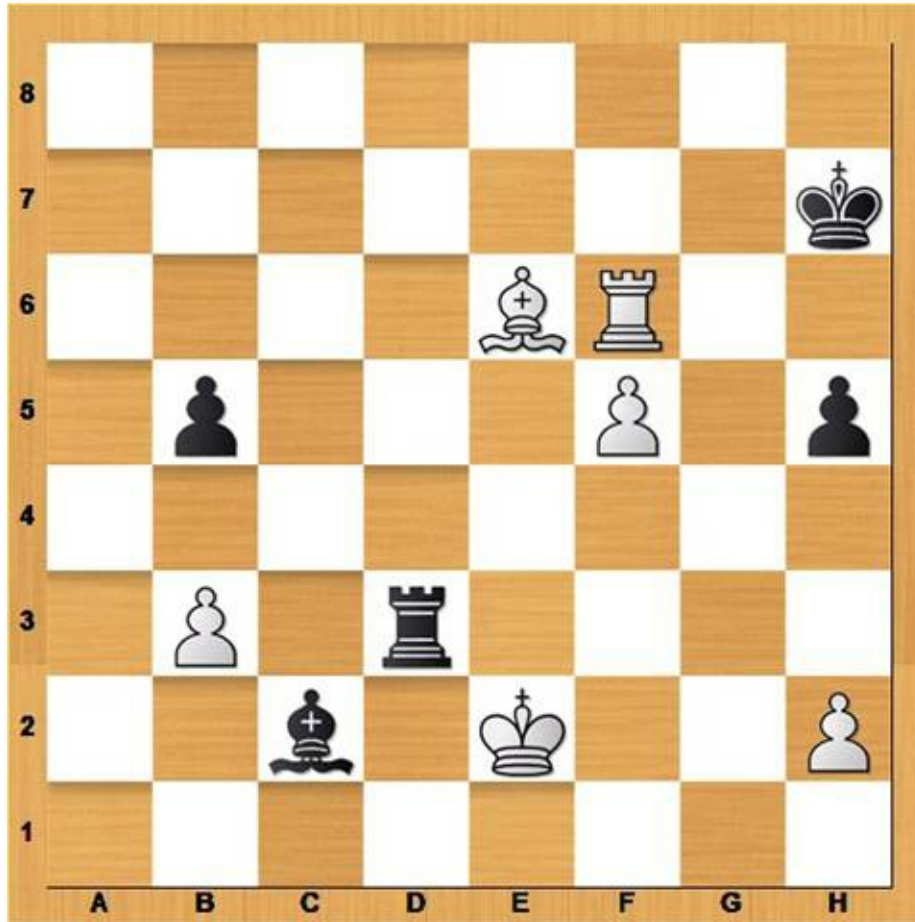
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39.Ke3 Rd3+ 40.Ke2 h5



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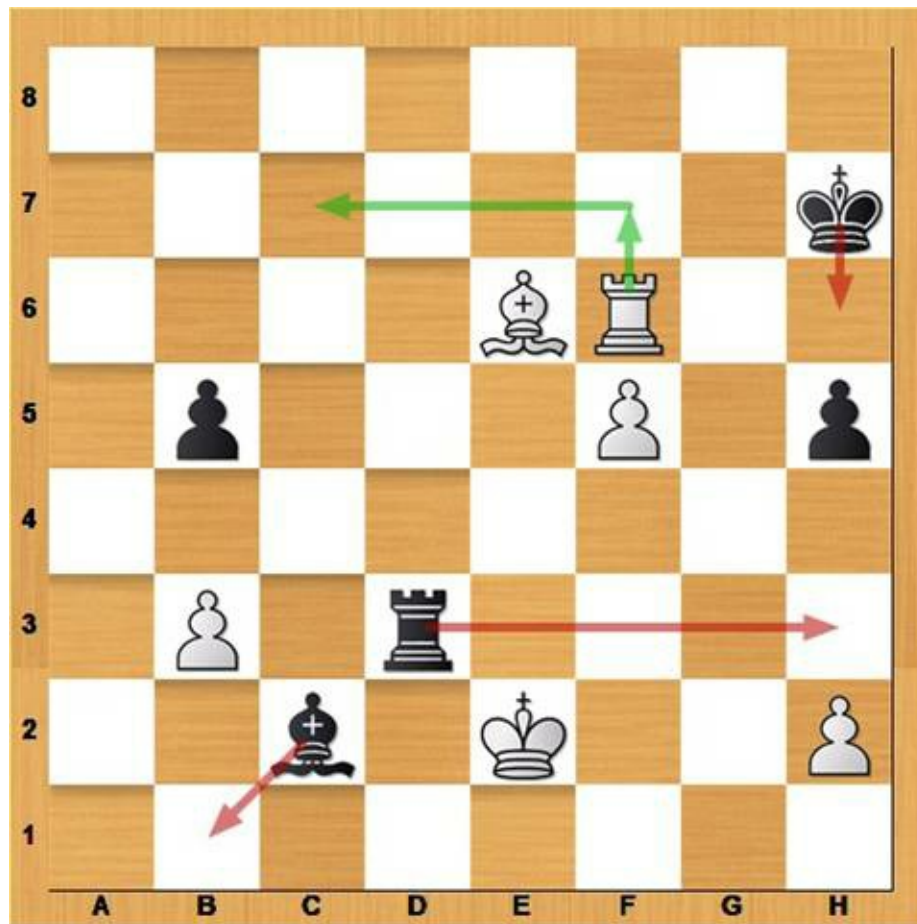
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The diagram shows a chessboard with the following pieces and moves:

- White Pieces:** King on D2, Rook on F2, Pawn on F3, Pawn on E6, Pawn on G7, Pawn on H2.
- Black Pieces:** King on H7, Rook on D2, Pawn on B5, Pawn on C3.

Red arrows indicate the king's movement from D2 to F2. A green arrow points from F2 to G7, indicating a potential capture.

40.Ke2 h5 [40...b4 41.Rf7+ Kh8 42.Rb7 Rd4 43.Rc7 Re4+ 44.Kf3 Bd3 45.Bc4 Bb1 46.f6 Re8 47.Bf7 Re5 48.Rc8+ Kh7 49. Bg8+ Kg6 50.f7 with clear dominance].



41.Rf7+ Kh6 42.Rc7 1-0 winning piece because if **42...Bb1 43.Rc1** decisive.

GAME No. 45

Shirov, A. 2714 vs Carlsen, M. 2821

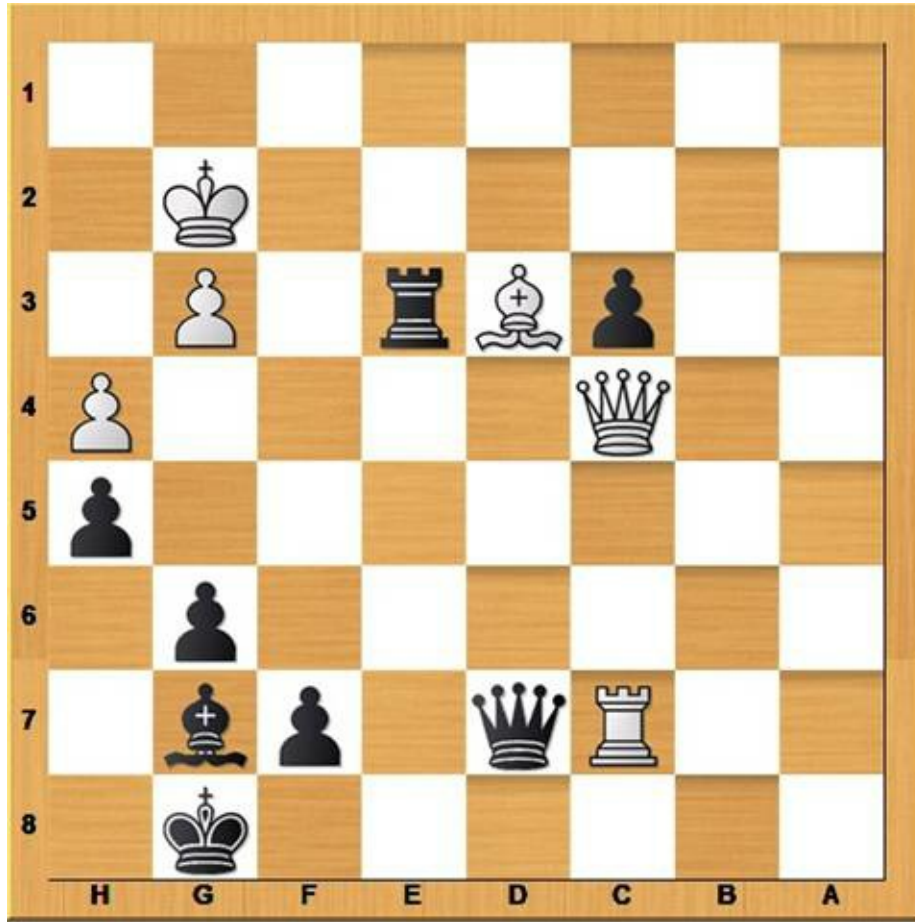
Biel ACCENTUS GM Biel SUI

ECO "C65" 0 – 1 2011.07.26

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10.Ne3 Ng4 11.Bg3 Nxe3 12.fxe3 Nd7 13. d4 Nf6 14.Bd3 Ng4 15.Qe2 Bg5 16.dxe5 dxe5
17.Bxe5 Bh4+ 18.g3 Nxe5 19. Nxe5 Bf6 20. Nf3 Qe7 21.O-O-O c6 22.Nd4 a6 23.Rhf1 c5
24.Nf5 Bxf5 25.Rxf5 b5 26.Bc2 c4 27.Rfd5 Be5 28.Qh5 Rae8 29.a3 Qa7 30.Kd2 Qb8 31.Ke2
Re6 32.Qh4 Qb6 33. Rd8 Ree8 34. Rxe8 Rxe8 35.Rd5 Qc7 36.a4 Qb6 37.axb5 axb5 38.Qh5
Qb8 39.Rd7 g6 40.Qf3 Rf8 41.Kf2 b4 42.Qe2 bxc3 43.bxc3 Qc8 44.Qd2 Bxc3 45.Qd5 Qa6
46.e5 Qa2 47.Qe4 Bxe5 48.h4 Re8 49.Kg2 h5 50.Kh3 c3 51.Rd5 Qa6 52.Bd3 Qc8+ 53.Kg2
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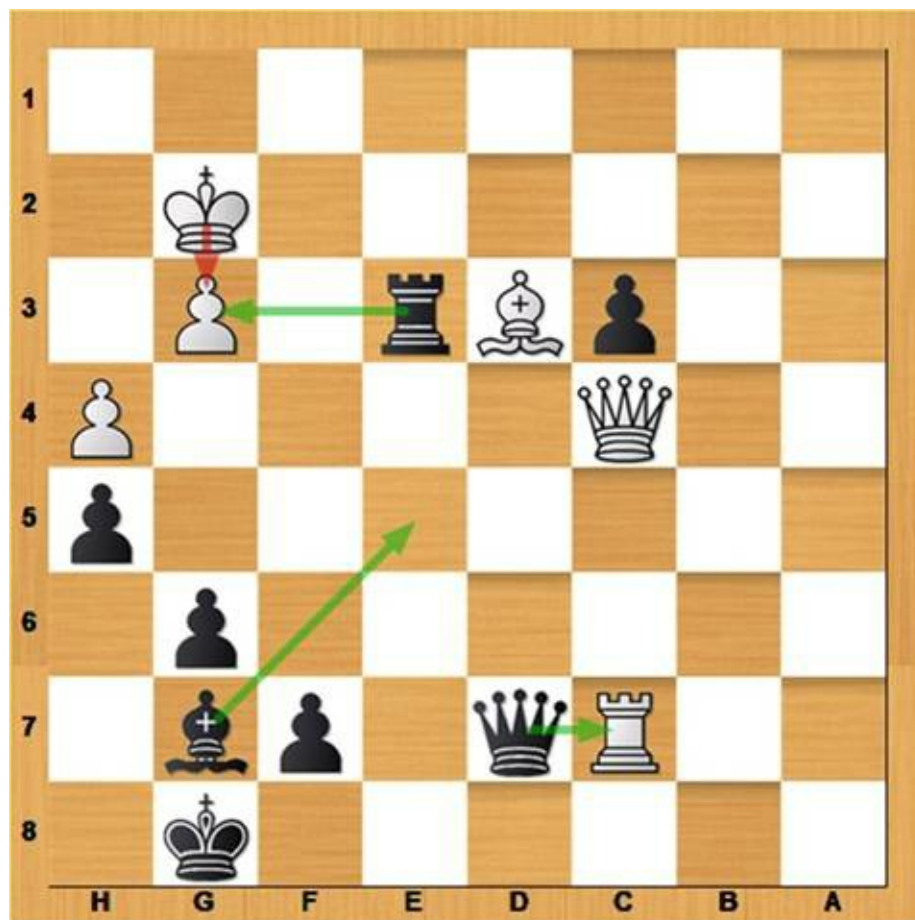
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The board became Fire vs. Fire

56.Rc7 Shirov try that not slacken his attack but Carlsen's response really leaves him with *3rd degree burns!!*

56...Rxg3+!! 57.Kxg3 Be5+ 58.Kf2 Qxc7 59.Qxc7 Bxc7 60.Kf3 0-1.

GAME No. 46

Carlsen, M. 2826 vs Nakamura, Hi 2758

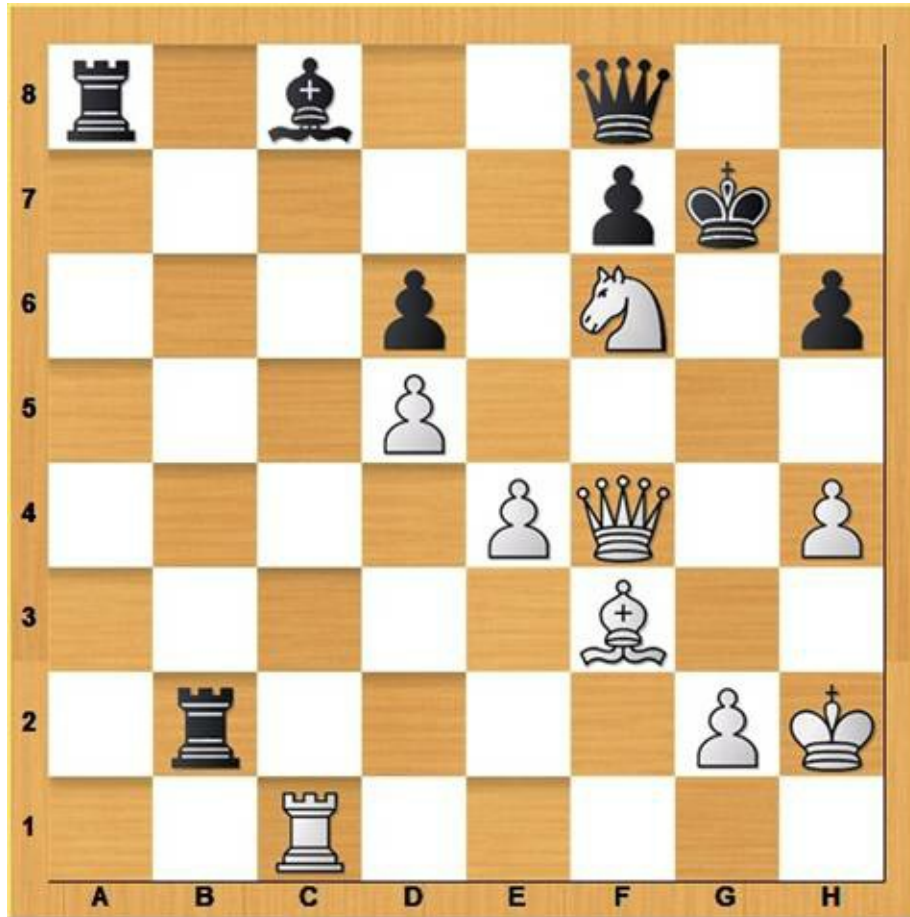
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ECO "C50" 1 – 0 2011.12.05

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10. O-O Be6 11. h3 Qd7 12. Be3 Ne7 13. Nh4 Ng6 14. Nhf5 Ne7 15. Nxe7+ Qxe7 16. Bxa7 Rxa7
17. f4 c5 18. Bc2 b5 19. Qd2 Rb7 20. a3 a5 21. Rf2 b4 22. axb4 axb4 23. Raf1 bxc3 24. bxc3 exf4
25. Rxf4 Nh7 26. d4 cxd4 27. cxd4 Qg5 28. Kh2 Nf6 29. Bd1 Rfb8 30. h4 Qg6 31. Rxf6 gxf6 32. Qf4
Rb2 33. Bh5 Qg7 34. Bf3 Ra8 35. d5 Bc8 36. Nh5 Qf8 37. Nxf6+ Kh8 38. Rc1 Kg7



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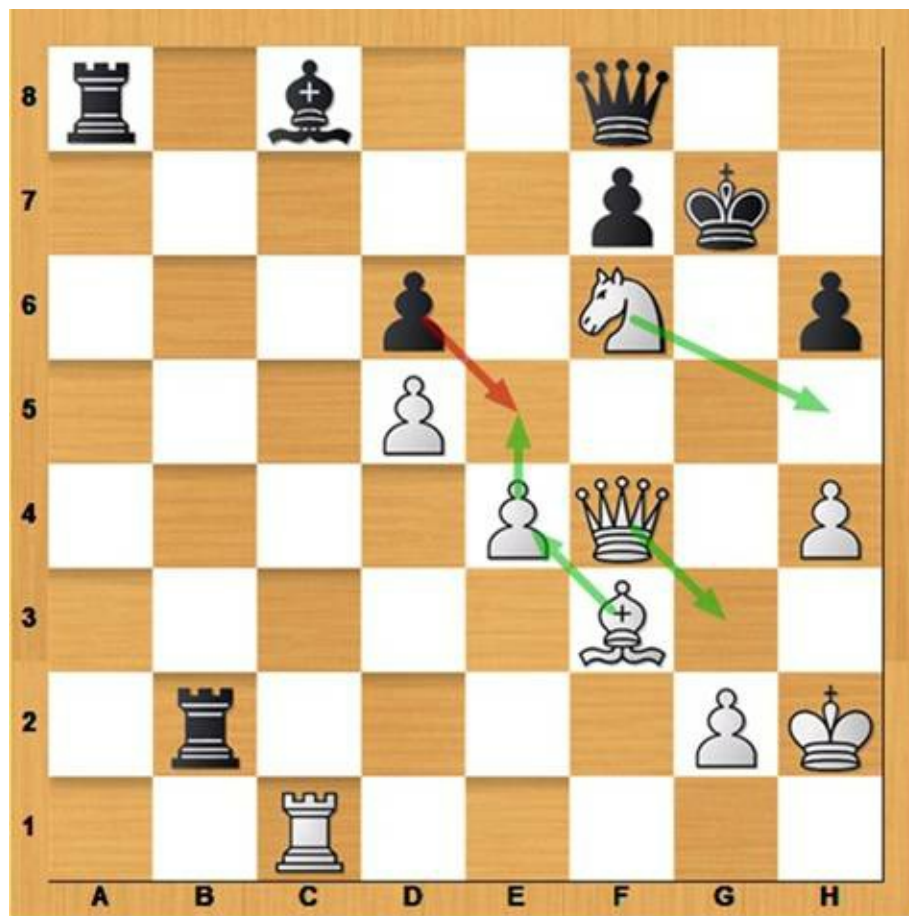
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39.e5! opening the way to the bishop **dxe5** [39...Rb7 40.Qe4 dxe5 41.Rc6 Be6 42.dxe6 Qb4 43.Rc4 Qb5 44.Nh5+ Kf8 45.exf7 Rd8 46.Qg6 Rxf7 47.Qxh6+ Ke8 48.Bc6+ Qxc6 49.Qxc6+ winning material]

40.Nh5+ Kh7 41. Be4+ Kh8 here black resign **42.Qxe5+ f6 43.Qxb2** winning material.

GAME No. 47

Carlsen, M. 2826 vs Howell, D. 2633

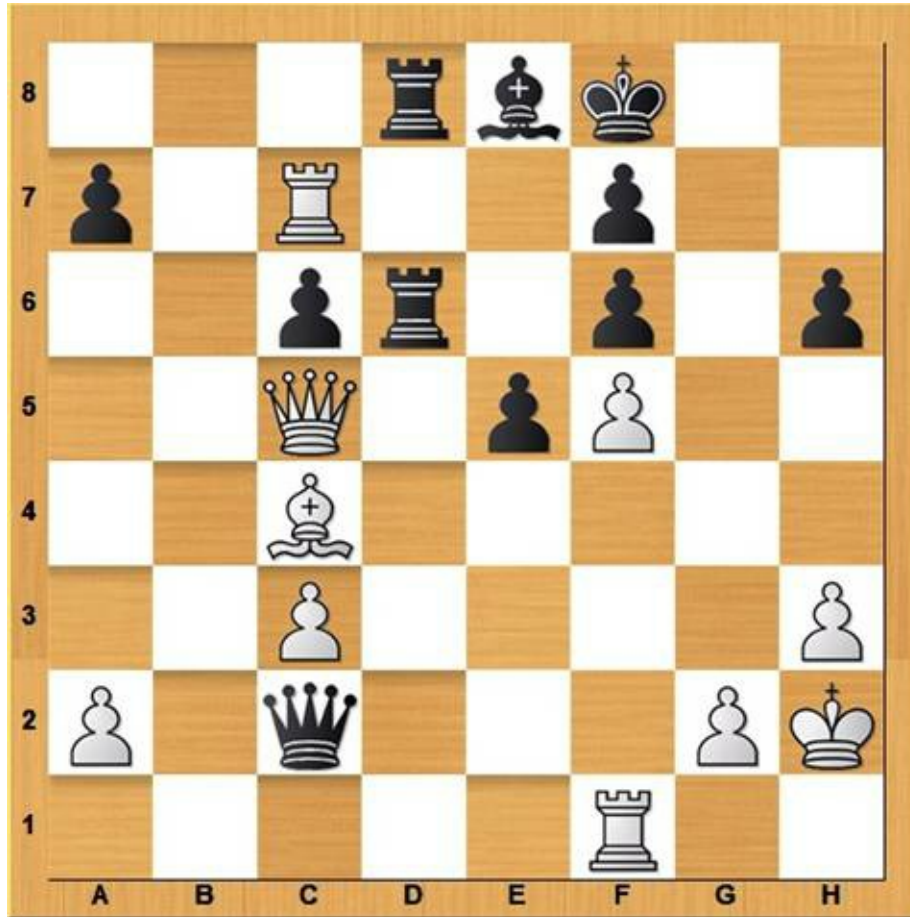
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ECO "C65" 1 – 0 2011.12.03

1. e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.d3 Bc5 5.c3 O-O 6. O-O Re8 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Bf8 9.Nbd2 d6
10.d4 exd4 11.Nxd4 Bd7 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bd3 Be7 14.f4 Qb8 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.e5 dxe5
17.Ne4 Qxb2 18.f5 Red8 19.Bc4 Be8 20.Qh5 Rd6 21.Rab1 Qc2 22.Qg4 Kf8 23.h3 Rad8
24.Kh2 Qa4 25.Rb4 Qa3 26.Rb7 R6d7 27.Qf3 Qa4 28.Qe2 Re7 29.Nxf6 gxf6 30.Qe3 Red7
31.Qc5+ Rd6 32.Rxc7 Qc2



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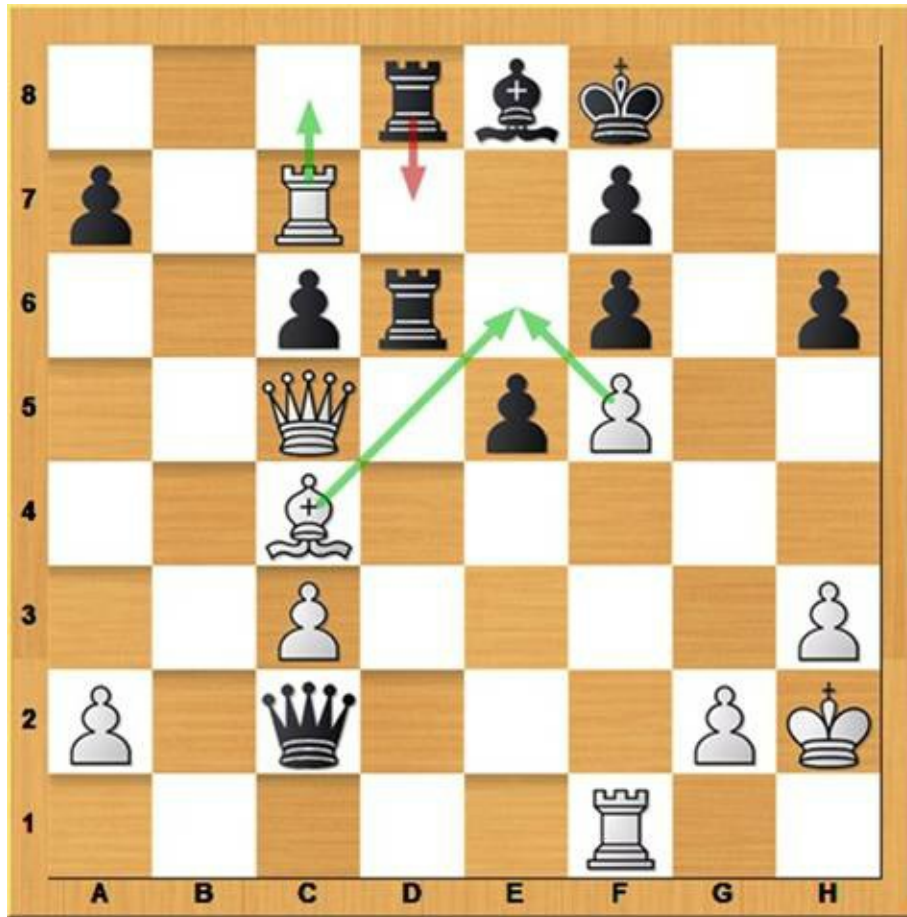
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The diagram shows an 8x8 chessboard with columns labeled A-H and rows labeled 1-8. A white knight is on C4, and a green arrow points to E5, indicating a move. Other pieces are positioned as follows: Black king on G8, Black queen on F8, Black rook on D8, Black rook on A7, Black pawn on B7, Black pawn on C6, Black pawn on D6, Black pawn on E6, Black pawn on F6, Black pawn on H6, Black pawn on A1, Black pawn on G1, Black pawn on H1, White king on H1, White queen on C2, White rook on F1, White rook on C4, White pawn on B4, White pawn on C3, White pawn on D3, White pawn on E3, White pawn on F3, White pawn on G3, White pawn on H3, White pawn on A2, White pawn on B2, White pawn on C2, White pawn on D2, White pawn on E2, White pawn on F2, White pawn on G2, White pawn on H2.

[36.Qxa7 more precise because eat the pawn and pinning the bishop Rd2 37.Rg8 Kd6 38.Qb8+ Kd5 39.Qf8 Qxc3 40.Qxf7+ Kc5 41.Qe7+ Kc4 42.Rg4+ Kb5 43.Rf3+ Qb2 44.Rb3+ winning material]

36...Qd3 37.Rf3 Qd5 38.Qxa7 e4 39.Qb8 Qe5+ 40.Rg3 Here Black resign because is in a desperate position.

GAME No. 48

Carlsen, Magnus 2837 vs Wang, Hao 2739

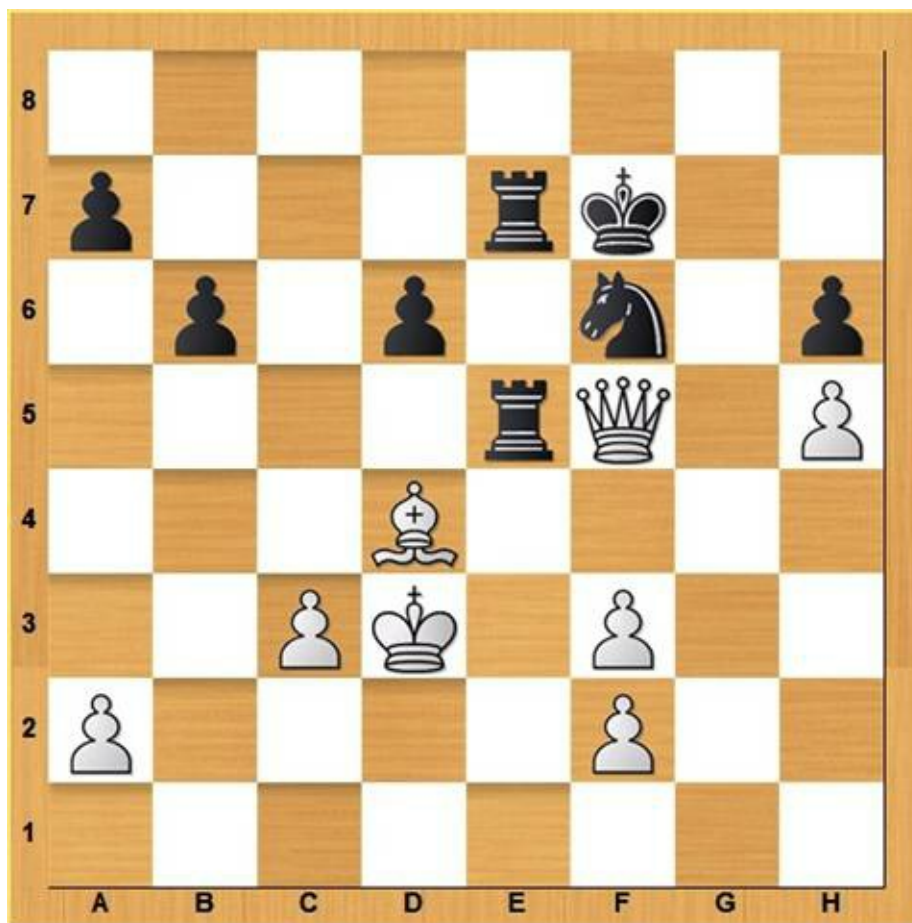
45th Biel GM Biel SUI

ECO "E32" 1 – 0 2012.07.24

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10.Bg5 f6 11.exf6 Nxf6 12.O-O-O Bxc3 13.bxc3 Bg4 14.Re1 Bxf3 15.gxf3 Nbd7 16.Bd3 h6 17.
Bf4 c4 18.Bf5 Nc5 19.Rhg1 Kh8 20.Rg6 Rf7 21.Reg1 Qf8 22.Be3 Nxd5 23.Bd4 Nf6 24.Qd2
Re8 25.Rxg7 Qxg7 26.Rxg7 Kxg7 27.Qf4 Nd3+ 28.Bxd3 cxd3 29.Kd2 Kg6 30.Kxd3 Re6 31.h4
Rfe7 32. h5+ Kf7 33.Qf5 Re5



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34...Ke6 35.f4 Rf5 36.Bxf6 Rxf6 37.f5+ Ke5 38.f4+! Winning the rook Kd5 39.Qxf6 1-0

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Wang, Hao 2739 vs Carlsen, Magnus 2837

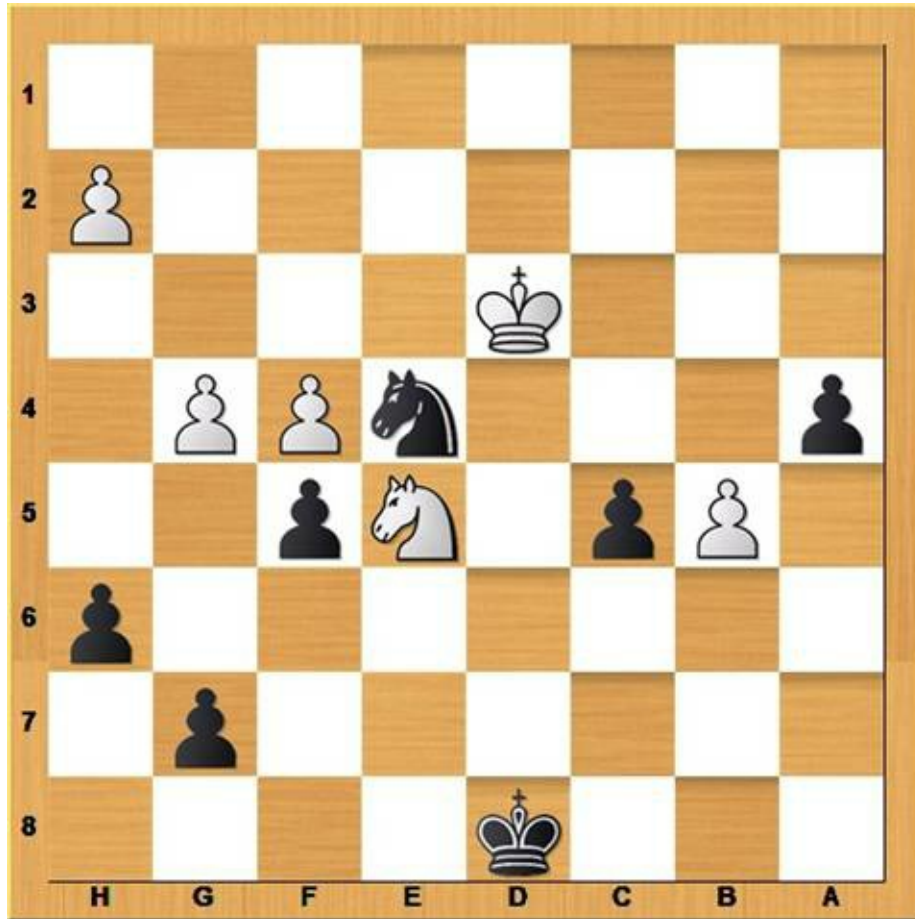
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ECO "E15" 0 – 1 2012.07.30

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10.a3 Bxc3 11.Nxc3 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 Nc5 14.Rc1 Qc7 15.b4 Nb7 16.Ncb5 Qb8
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Qa7 25.N2b3 Nd5 26.c6 dxc6 27.e4 Ne7 28.Nc5 Nf6 29.Ndb3 Ng6 30.Qc3 Nf8 31.Na5 Rab8
32.a4 Kh8 33.Rb1 Rb6 34.Rxb6 Qxb6 35.Nab7 Rb8 36.Nd6 Kg8 37.Rd2 a5 38.Nd3 N8d7
39.Nc4 Qa6 40.Rc2 c5 41.Rb2 Rb7 42.Rxb7 Qxb7 43.Qb2 Qa6 44.Qb5 Qxb5 45.axb5 a4
46.Ndb2 Nb6 47.Kf2 Nfd7 48.Ke3 Kf8 49.f4 f5 50.exf5 exf5 51.Kd3 Ke7 52.Na3 Nf6 53.Nbc4
Nxc4 54.Nxc4 Ne4 55.Ne5 Kd8 56.g4



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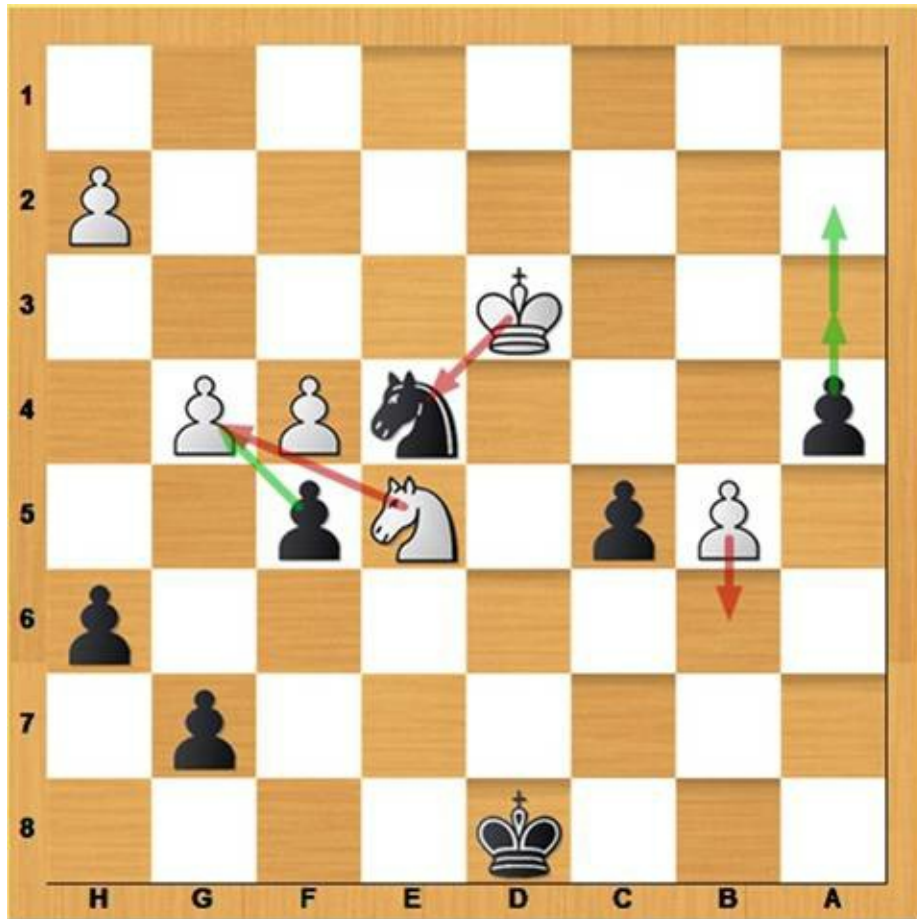
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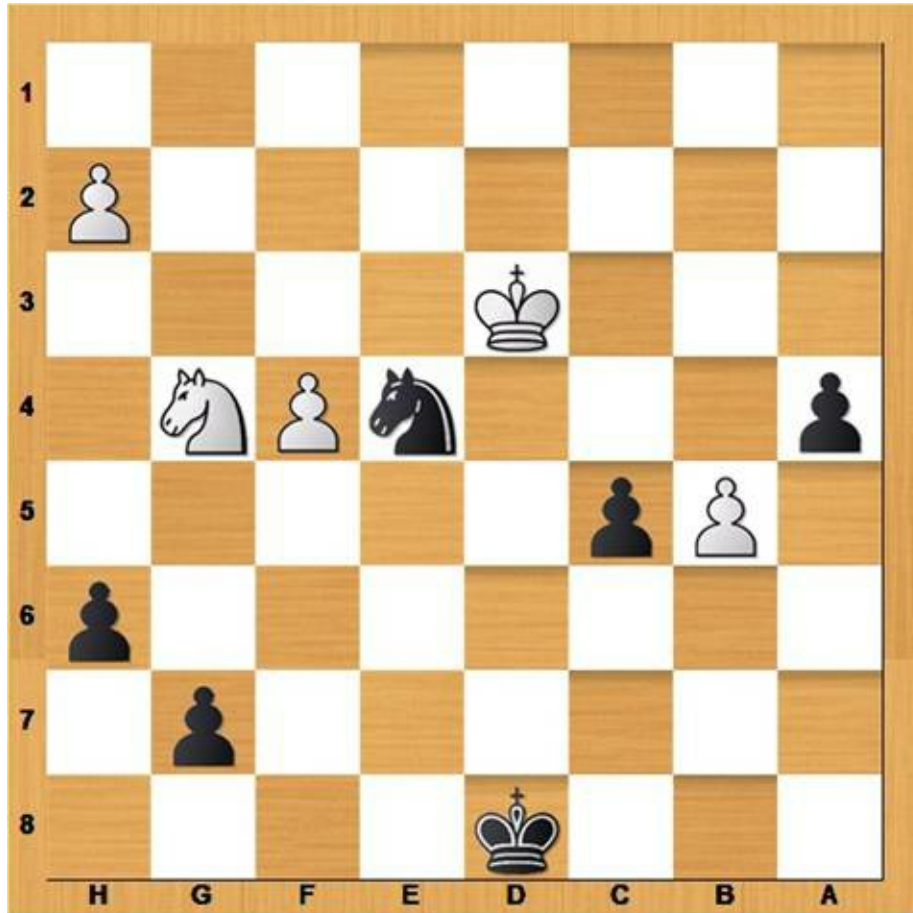
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56...fxg4 57.Nxg4



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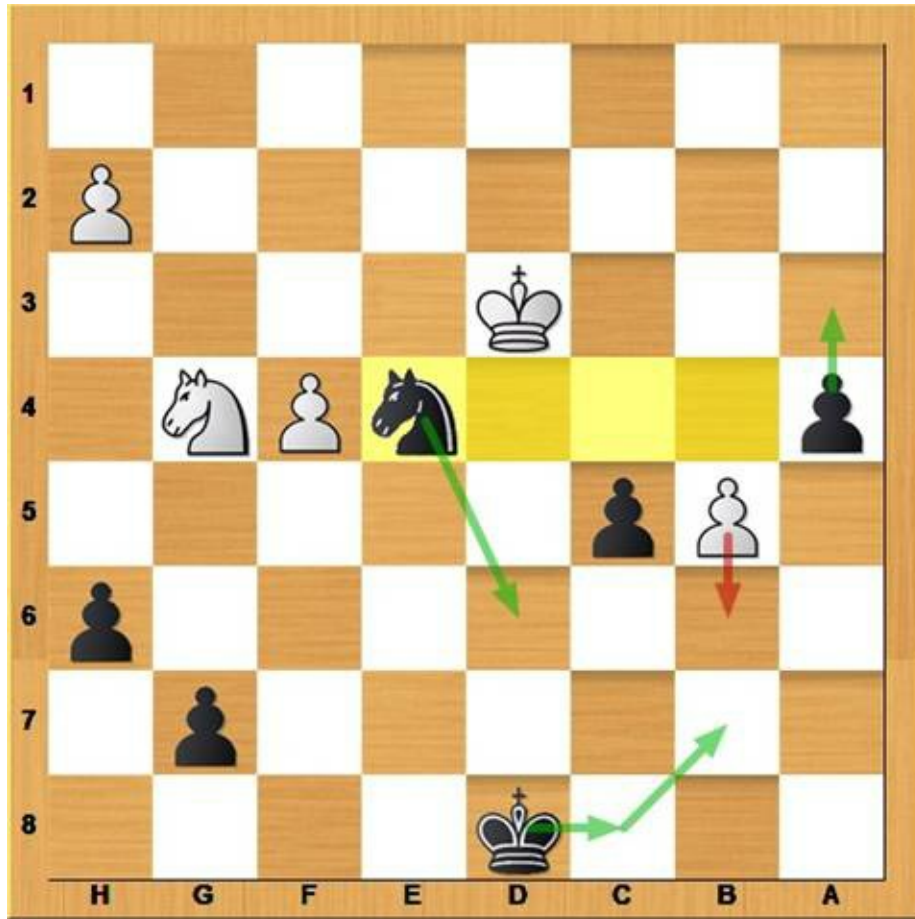
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An spectacular endgame. Carlsen defies the proposed delivery Wang Hao and apparently gift the knight which can not be taken as discussed below



56...fxg4 impressive calculate power, Carlsen could see very far **57.Nxg4 Nd6 58.b6 Kc8 59.Ne3 Kb7 60.Nd5 Kc6 0-1** Here white resign **61.b7 Nxb7 62.Nxe7+ Kb5 63.Kc3 Nd6 64.Nd5 g5 65.Kb2 gxf4** with decisive advantage.

Sub - Variant



57...Kxe4 a3 58.b6 a2 59.b7 Kc7 60.Nd7 Kxb7 61.Nxc5+ Kc6 62.Nxb3 h5 63.Kd4 h4 winning.

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Bologan, Viktor 2732 vs Carlsen, Magnus 2837

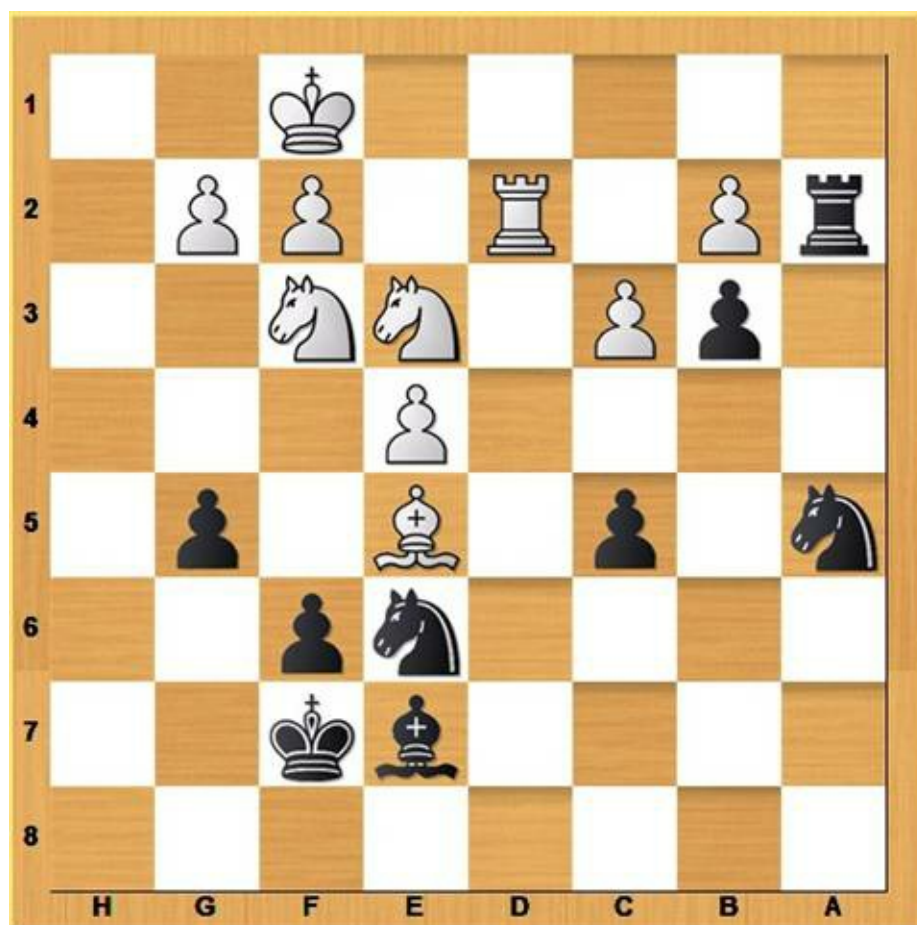
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ECO "B30" 0 – 1 2012.07.29

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 d6 4.O-O Bd7 5.Re1 Nf6 6.h3 e6 7.c3 d5 8.d3 a6 9.Ba4 b5 10.Bc2
dxe4 11.dxe4 e5 12.a4 Be7 13.axb5 axb5 14.Rxa8 Qxa8 15.Bg5 Be6 16.Na3 b4 17.Nb1 O-O
18.Ba4 h6 19.Bh4 Rd8 20.Nbd2 g5 21.Bg3 Nd7 22.Bb3 Nf8 23.Qc2 f6 24.Nc4 Qa6 25.Qe2
Rb8 26.Ne3 Qxe2 27.Bxe6+ Nxe6 28.Rxe2 Ra8 29.h4 Ra2 30.Kf1 Kf7 31.Bh2 Na5 32.hxg5
hxg5 33.Rd2 b3 34.Bxe5



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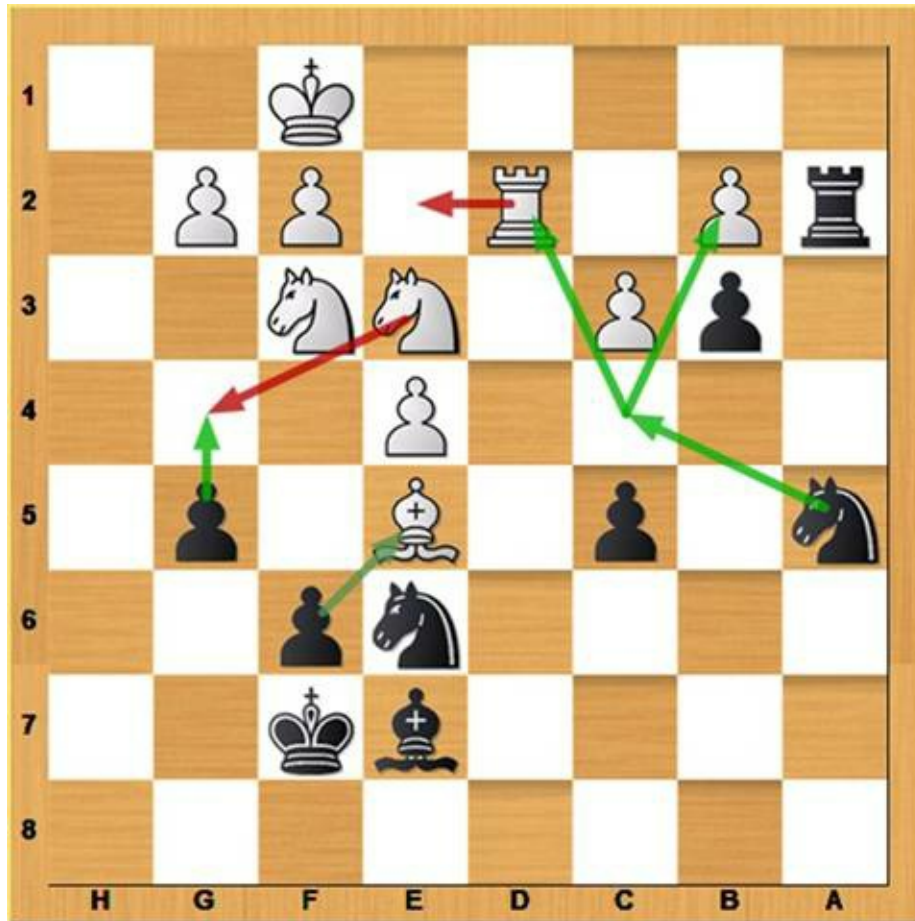
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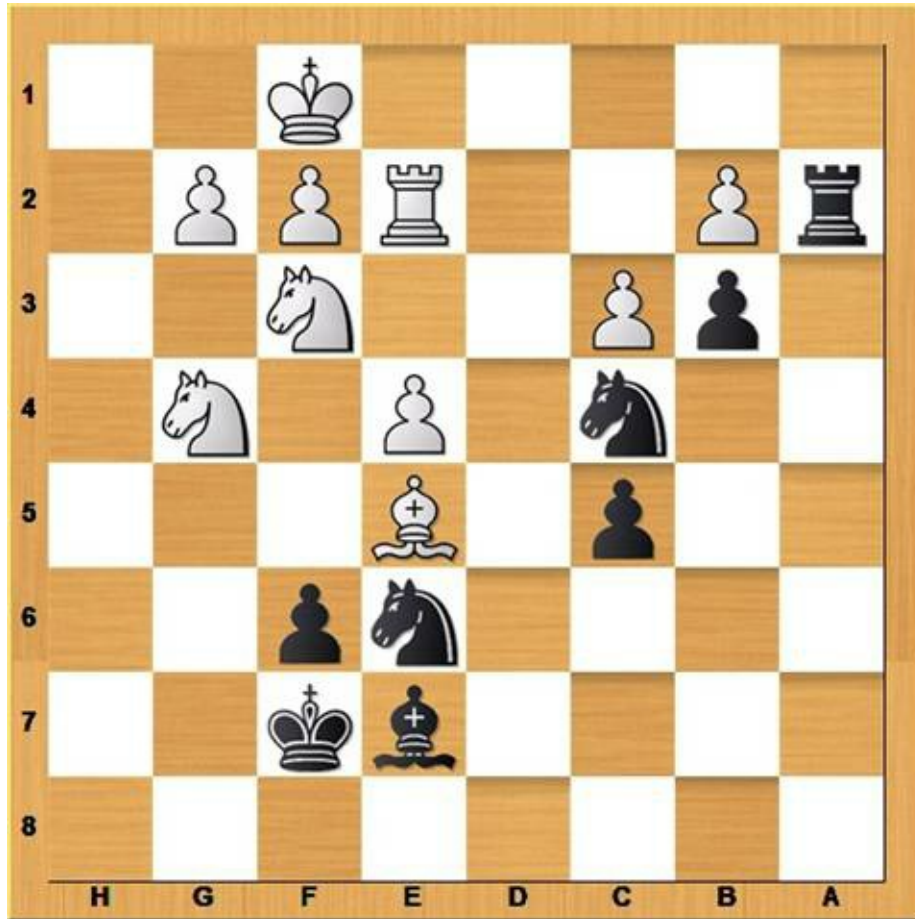
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34. Bxe5 g4 35.Nxg4 Nc4 36.Re2



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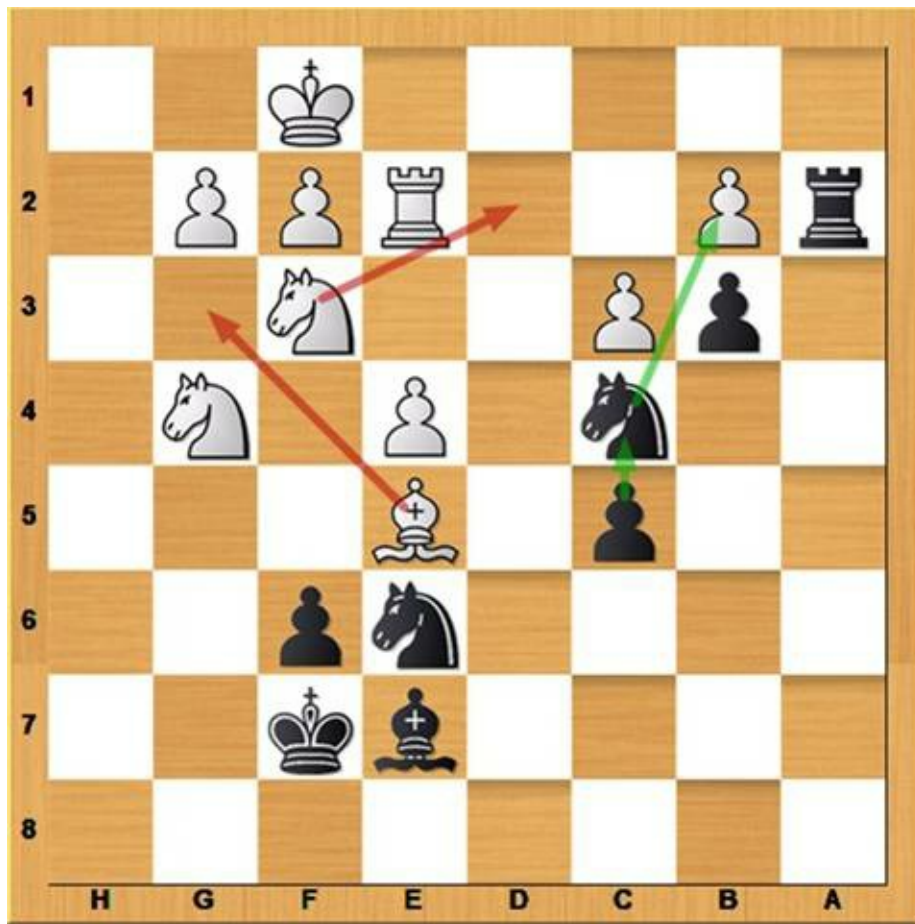
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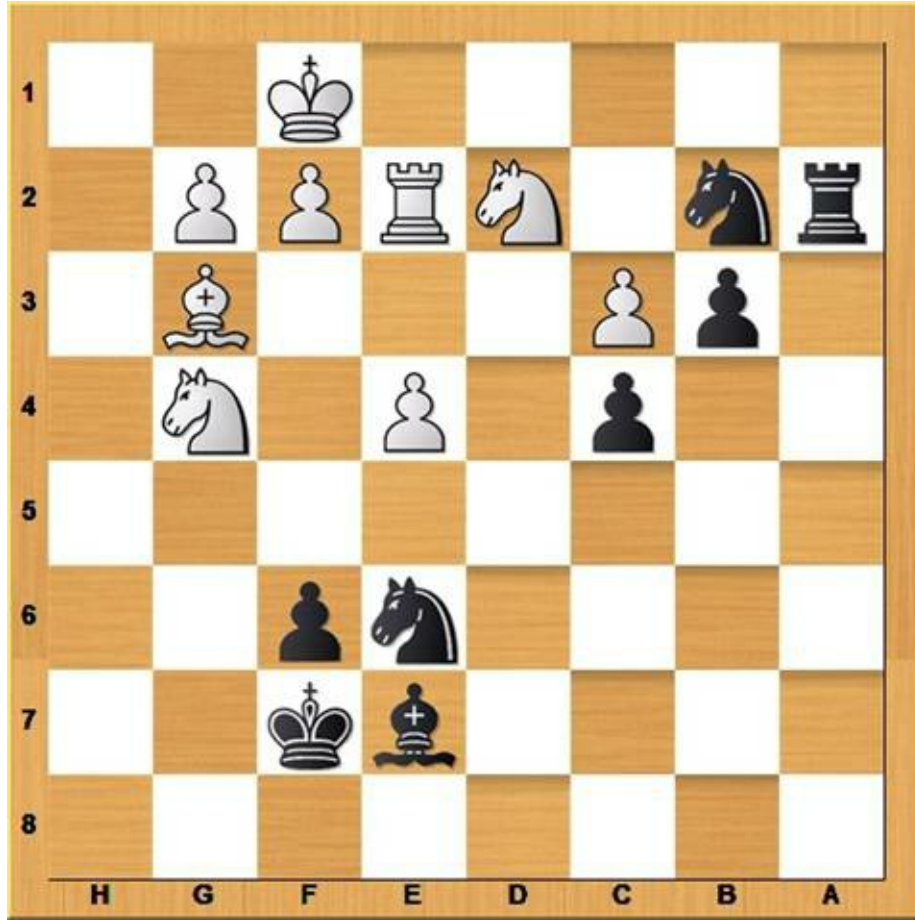
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Nxb2 37.Nd2 c4 38.Bg3



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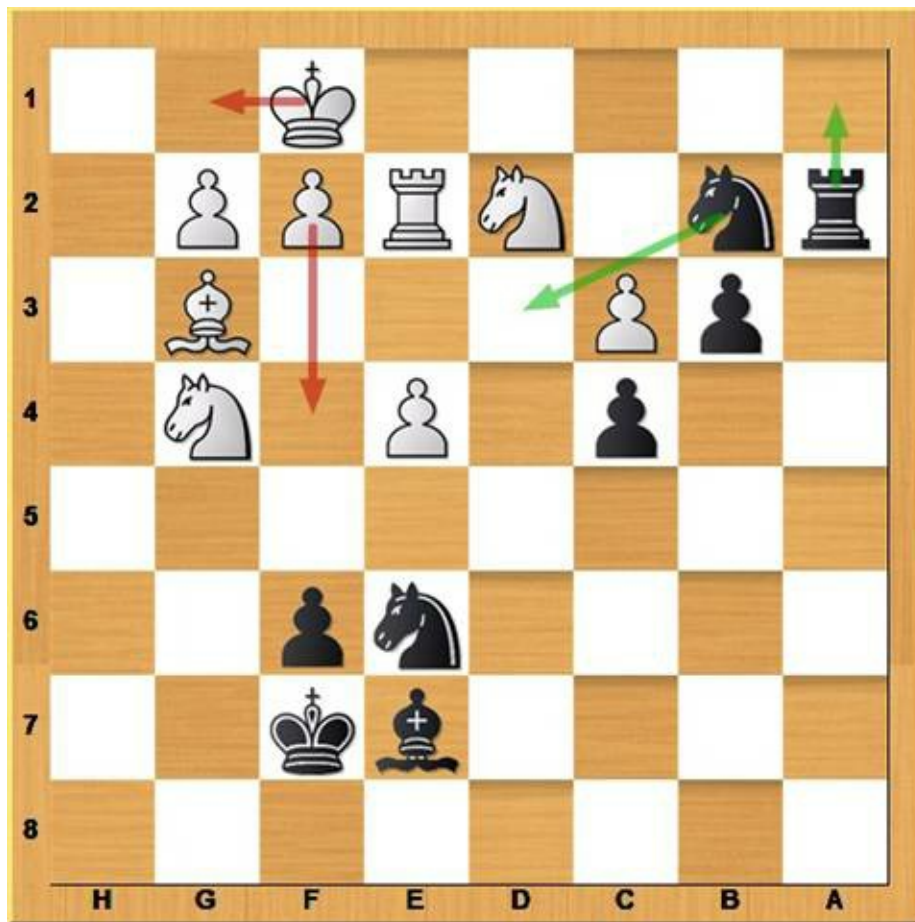
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34.Bxe5 Bologan tactical strike trying to complicate the game to try to take advantage of the position, but Carlsen's response is even more complicate and as a result leaving his opponent in darkness.



34...g4 [34...fxe5 not as accurate but maintains the advantage 35.Nxe5+ Ke8 36.g3] **35.Nxg4**
Nc4 36.Re2



Nxb2 37.Nd2 c4 38.Bg3 Nd3 39.f4 Nexf4 40.Bxf4 Ra1+ 0-1 with unstoppable checkmate

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Carlsen,M 2843 vs Anand,V 2780

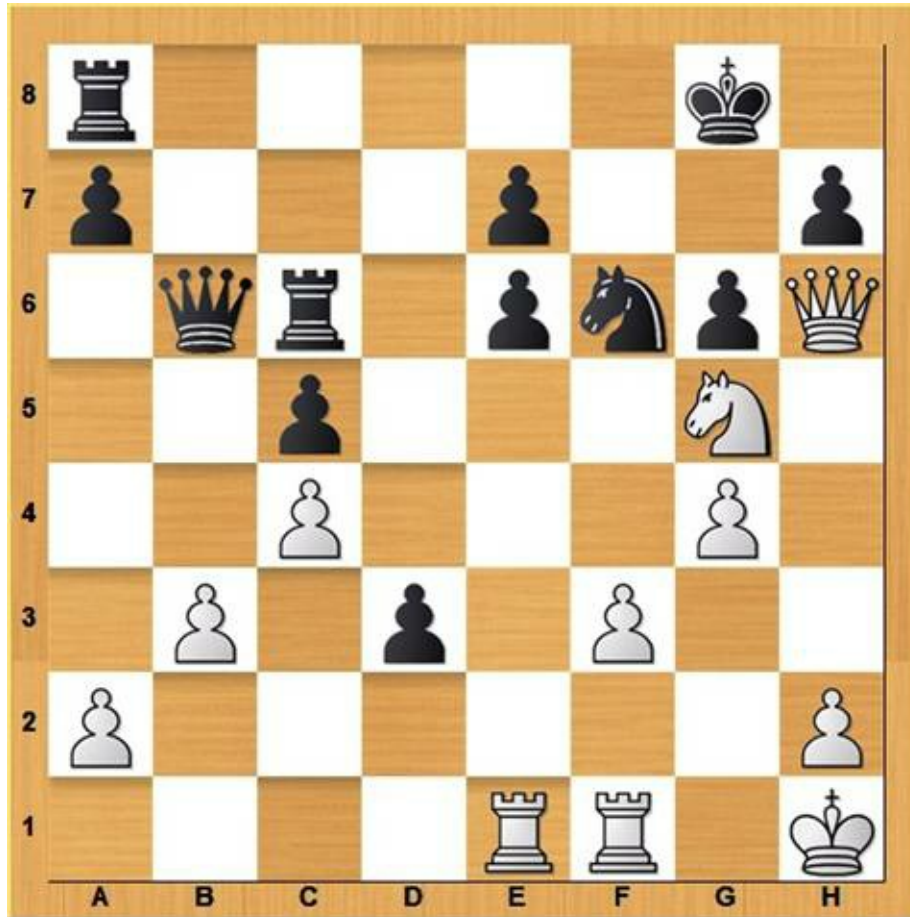
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ECO "B52" 1 – 0 2012.09.24

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bxd7+ Qxd7 5.c4 Nf6 6.Nc3 g6 7.d4 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Bg7 9.f3
Qc7 10.b3 Qa5 11.Bb2 Nc6 12.O-O O-O 13.Nce2 Rfd8 14.Bc3 Qb6 15.Kh1 d5 16.Nxc6 bxc6
17.Qe1 Rdc8 18.e5 Ne8 19.e6 fxe6 20.Nf4 Bxc3 21.Qxc3 d4 22.Qd2 c5 23.Rae1 Ng7 24.g4
Rc6 25.Nh3 Ne8 26.Qh6 Nf6 27.Ng5 d3



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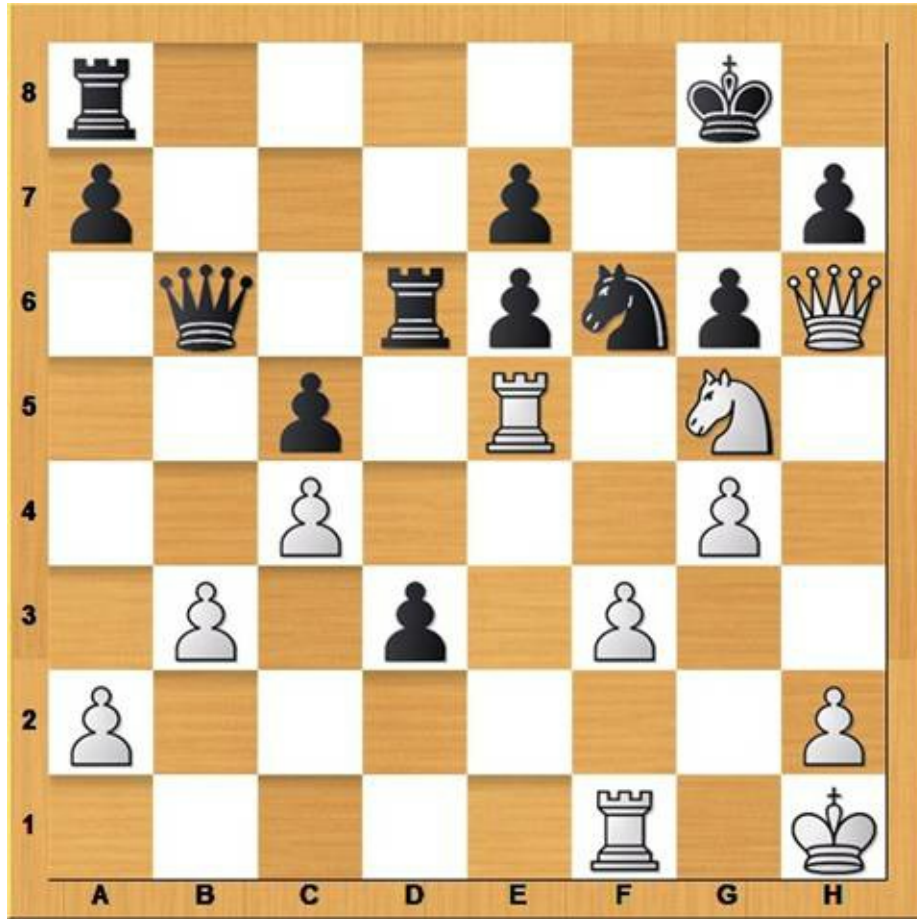
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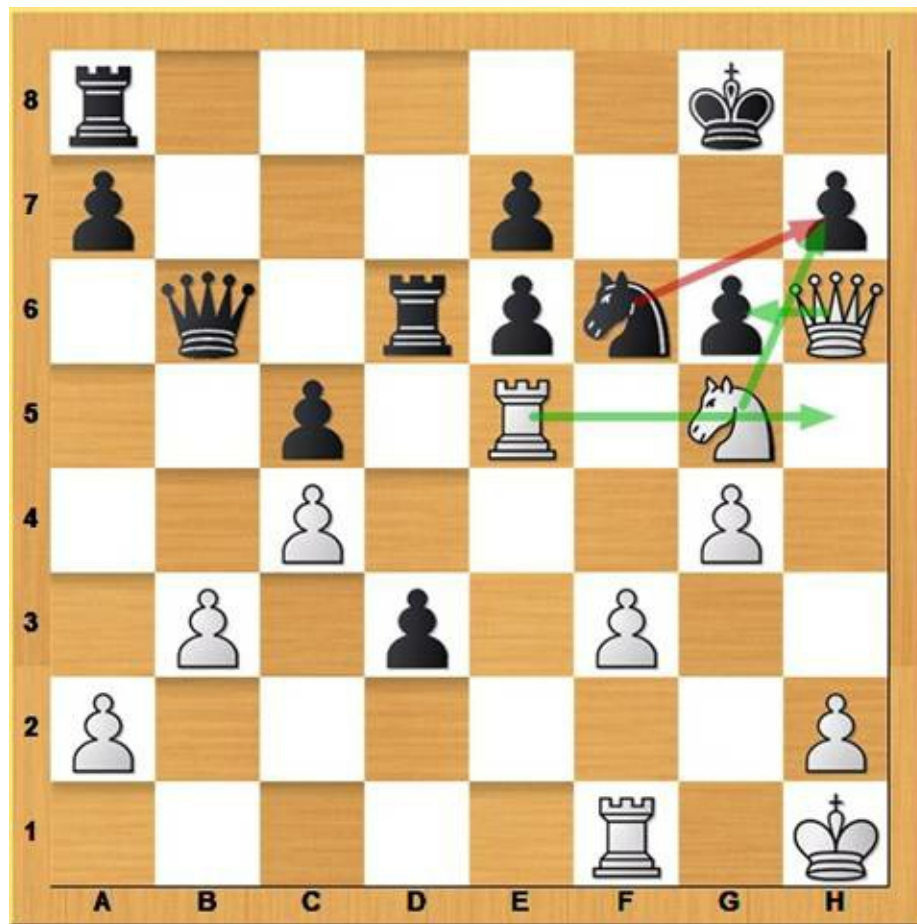
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27.....d3 subtle tactical error that Carlsen take advantage to score 3 points in this tournament which leading until this moment the Italian GM Fabiano Caruana who previously defeated Carlsen.



28.Re5 Kh8 [28...Rd6 Lose with a nice combination tactic 29. Nh7 Nxh7 30. Qxg6+ Kh8 31. Rh5 deciding the game]

29.Rd1 Qa6 30.a4 Here Black resign but the movement Qc8 gives some resistance 30...Qc8 31.Rxd3 Qg8 32.Rde3 Rd8 33.Nxe6 Rd1+ 34.Kg2 Rd2+ 35.Kh3 Nd7 36.Qg5 Rc8 37.Rd5 Rxd5 38.Qxd5 Nf6 39.Qe5 h6 40.f4 g5 41.fxg5 hxg5 42.Qxg5 Qh7+ 43.Qh4 Qxh4+ 44.Kxh4 Rg8 45.g5 with decisive advantage.

GAME No. 52

Carlsen, M. 2843 vs Caruana F. 2773

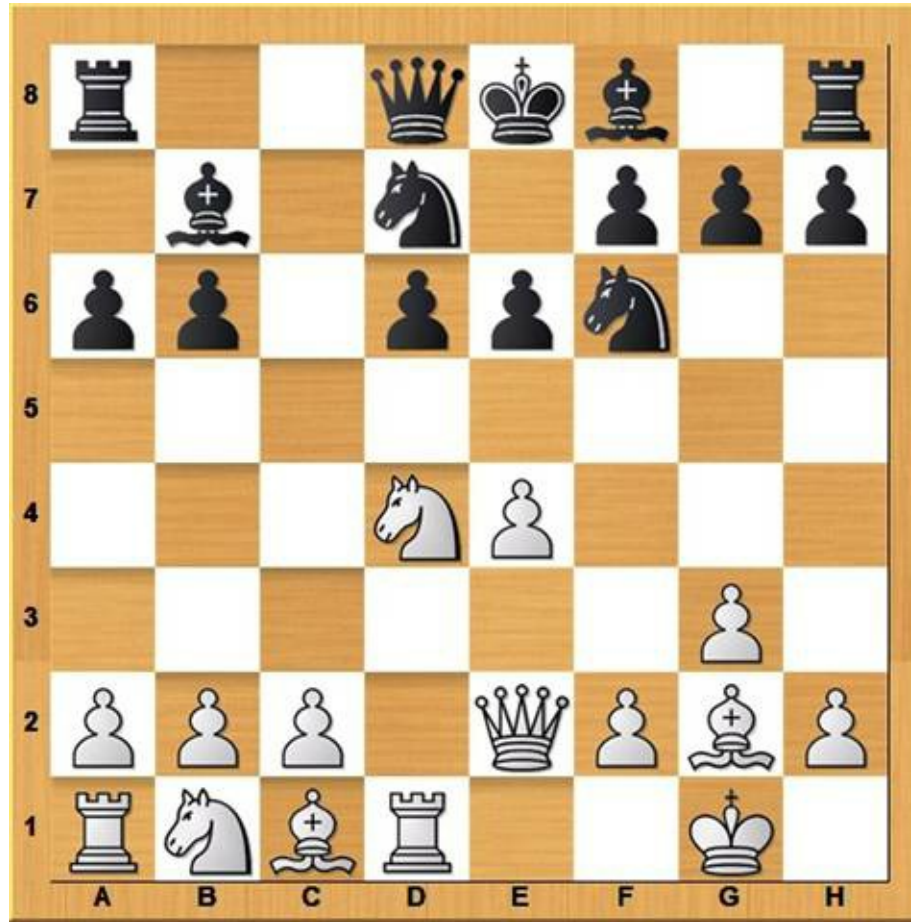
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ECO "B40" 1 – 0 2012.10.13

1.e4 c5 2.N f3 e6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7 5.Qe2 d6 6.d4 cxd4 7.Nxd4 N f6 8.O-O Nbd7 9.Rd1 a6



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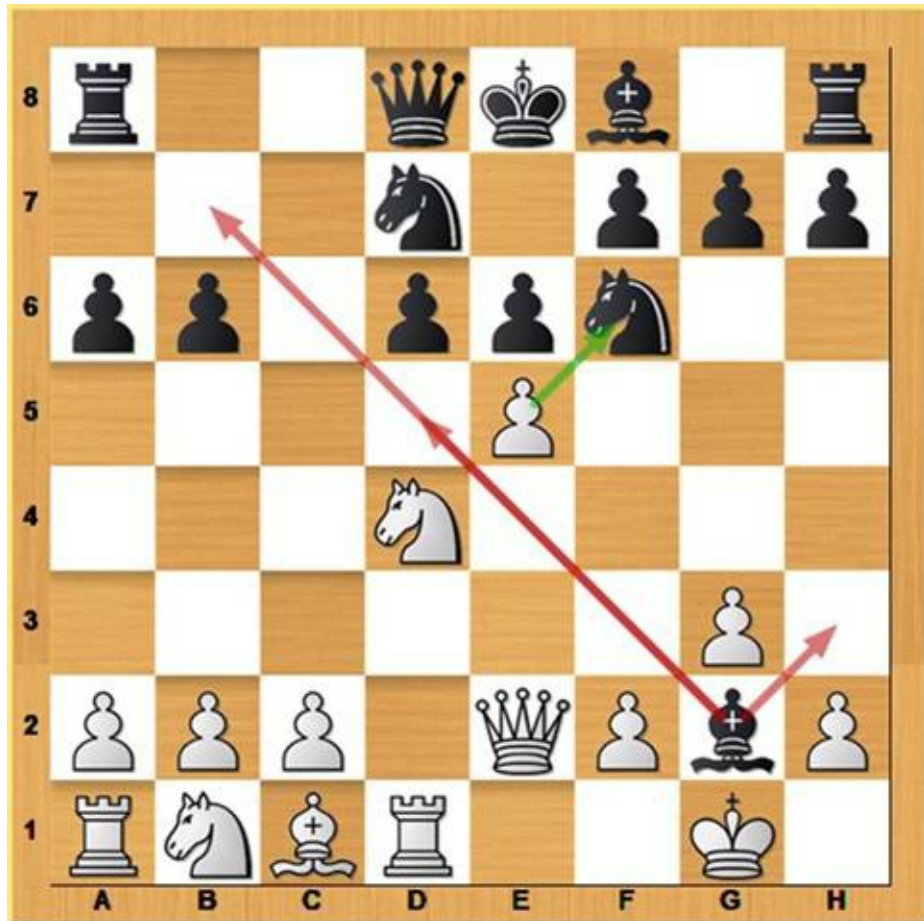


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9. Rd1 pieces development and adds pressure to the center **9...a6** subtle error from Caruana who cannot see the tactical combinations through the center of the board



10.e5 Bxg2 11.exf6 Bh3 solves the sacrifice on e6 but Carlsen's attack will not stop until generating serious damage to your opponent.

[11...Bb7 save the bishop is not easy to solve by the sacrifice on e6 12.Nxe6 Qxf6 13.Nc7+ Kd8 14.Nxa8 Qf3 15.Qxf3 Bxf3 16.Re1 Bxa8 17]

Here black resign due the disadvantage material and exposed position of his King.

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Carlsen,M 2843 vs Caruana,F 2773

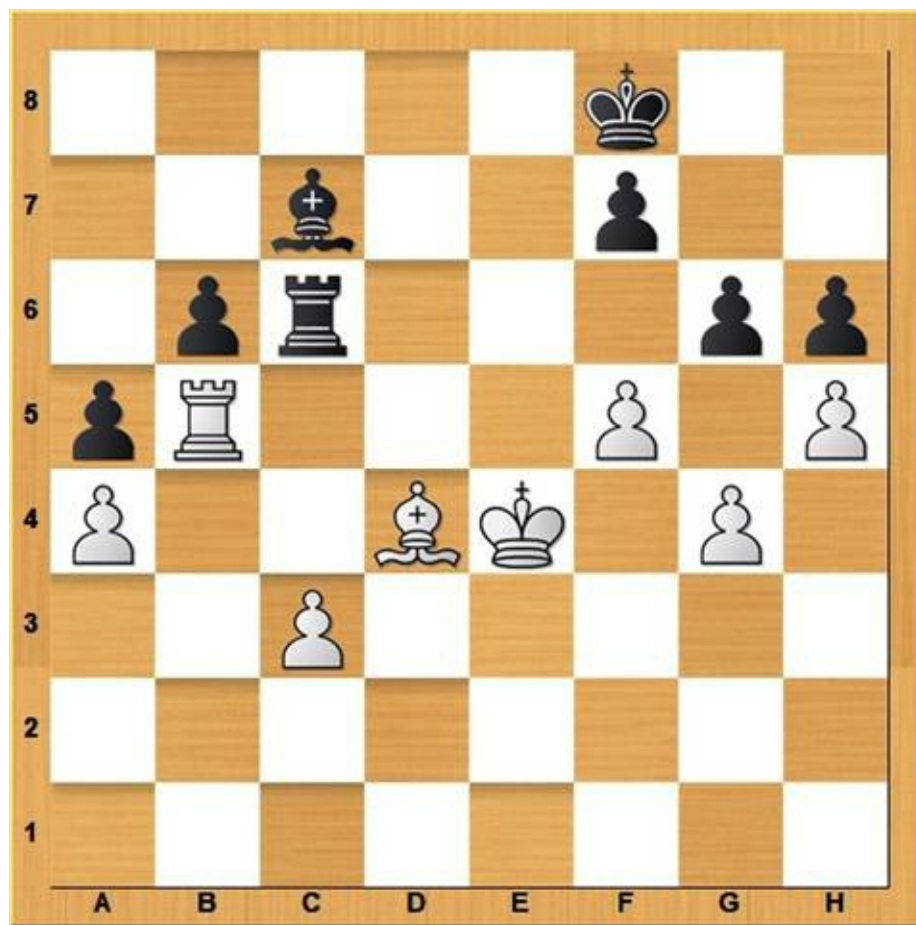
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ECO "C00" 1 – 0 2012.10.08

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10.Nc4 Re8 11.Bf1 Bg4 12.h3 Bh5 13.g3 Nb6 14.Nxb6 cxb6 15.Bg2 b5 16.a4 b4 17.Be3 Bc7
18.Qb3 h6 19.Qc4 bxc3 20.bxc3 e4 21.dxe4 Bxf3 22.Bxf3 Ne5 23.Qe2 Nxf3+ 24.Qxf3 Qd3
25.Kg2 Qxe4 26.Bd4 Qxf3+ 27.Kxf3 b6 28.Rab1 Rac8 29.Re4 g6 30.g4 Kf8 31.h4 Rxe4
32.Kxe4 Re8+ 33.Kd3 Re6 34.Be3 Kg7 35.Rb5 Bd8 36.h5 Rd6+ 37.Kc4 Rc6+ 38.Kd5 Re6
39.Bd4+ Kf8 40.f4 Bc7 41.f5 Rd6+ 42.Ke4 Rc6



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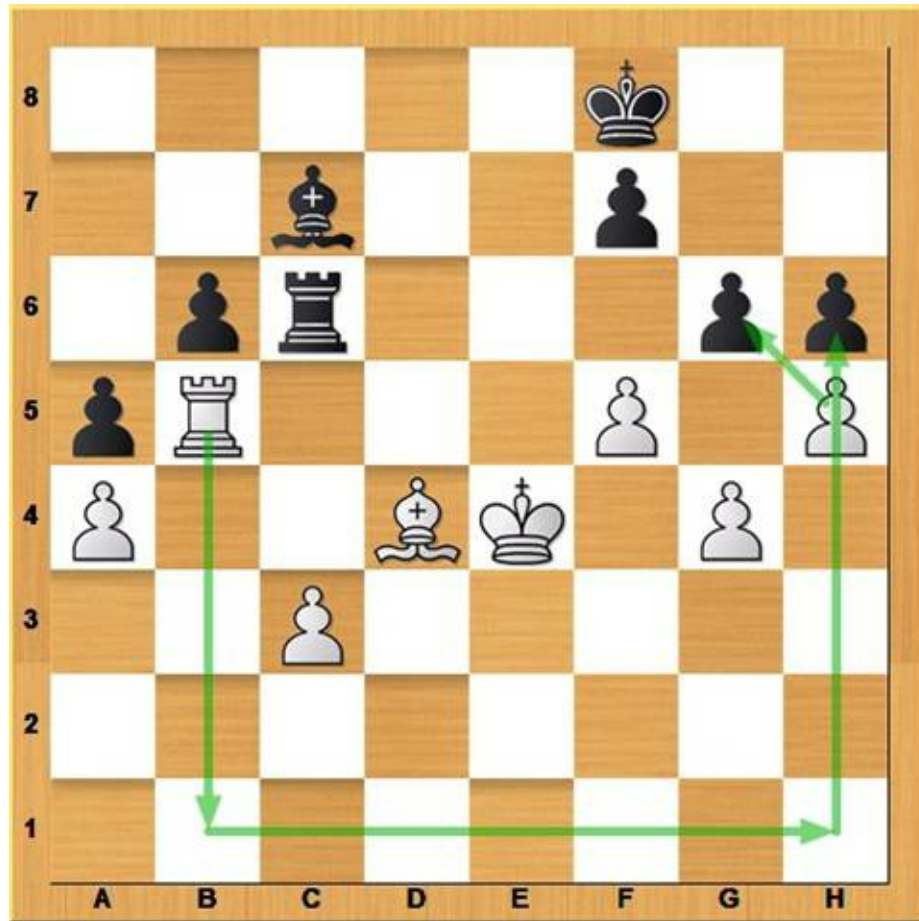
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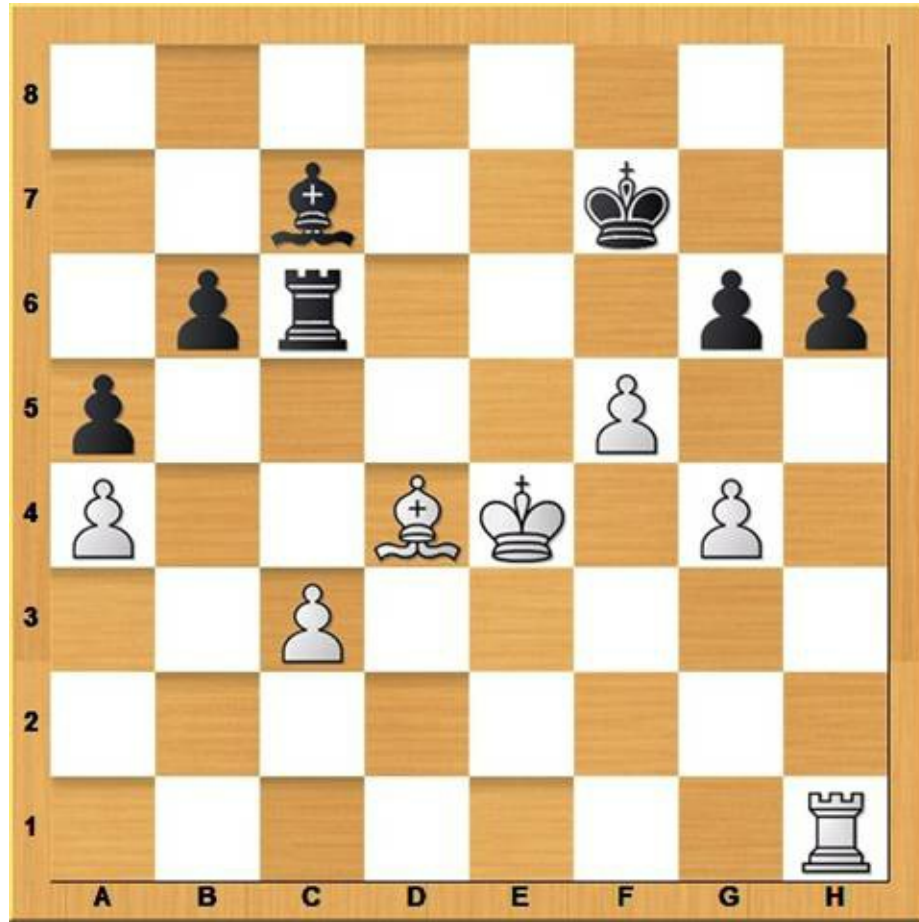
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43.Rb1 Ke8 44.hxg6 fxg6 45.Rh1 Kf7



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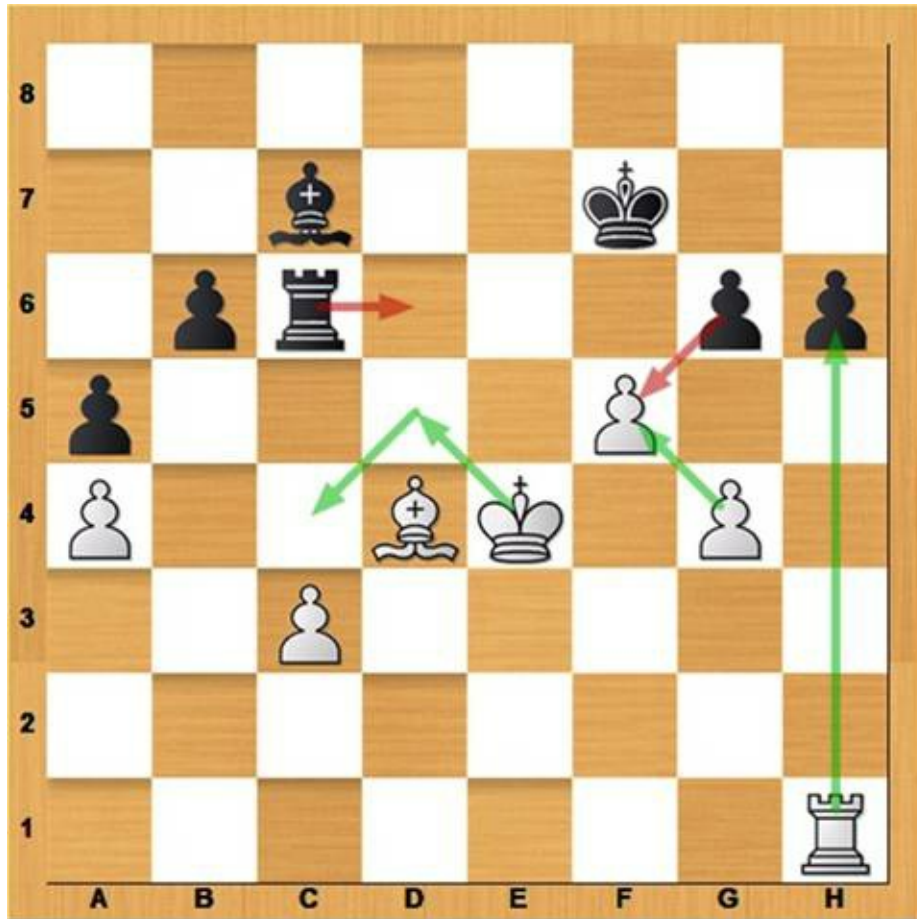
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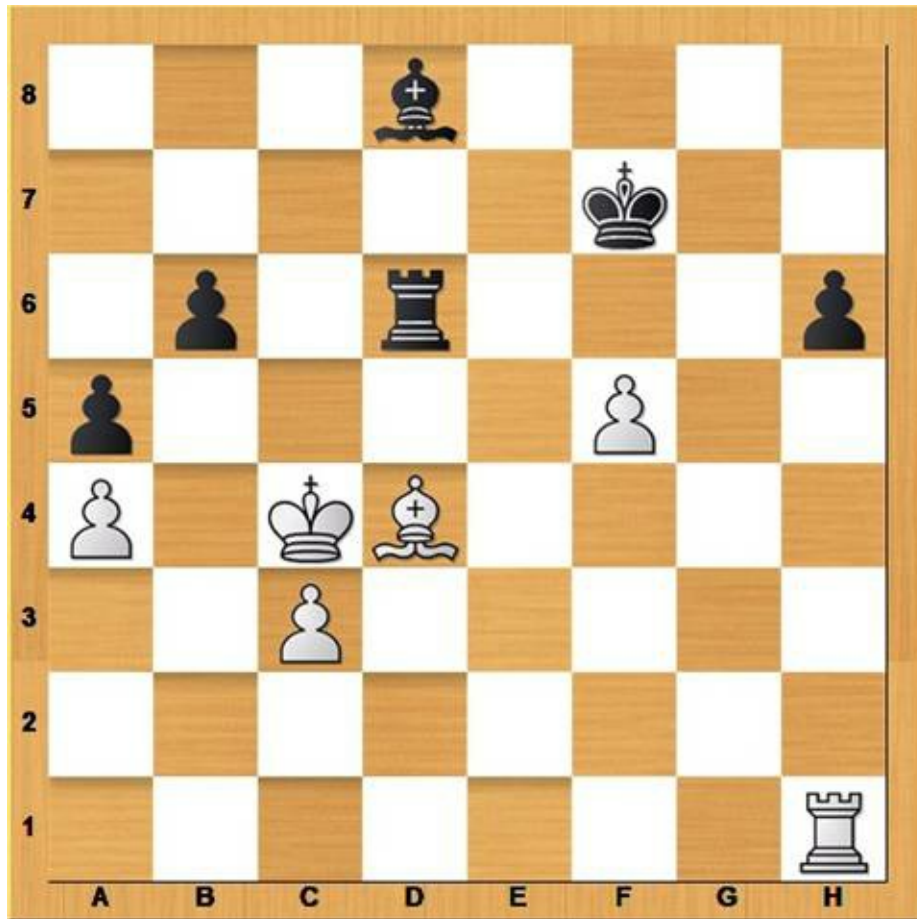
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46.Kd5 Rd6+ 47.Kc4 gxf5 48.gxf5 Bd8



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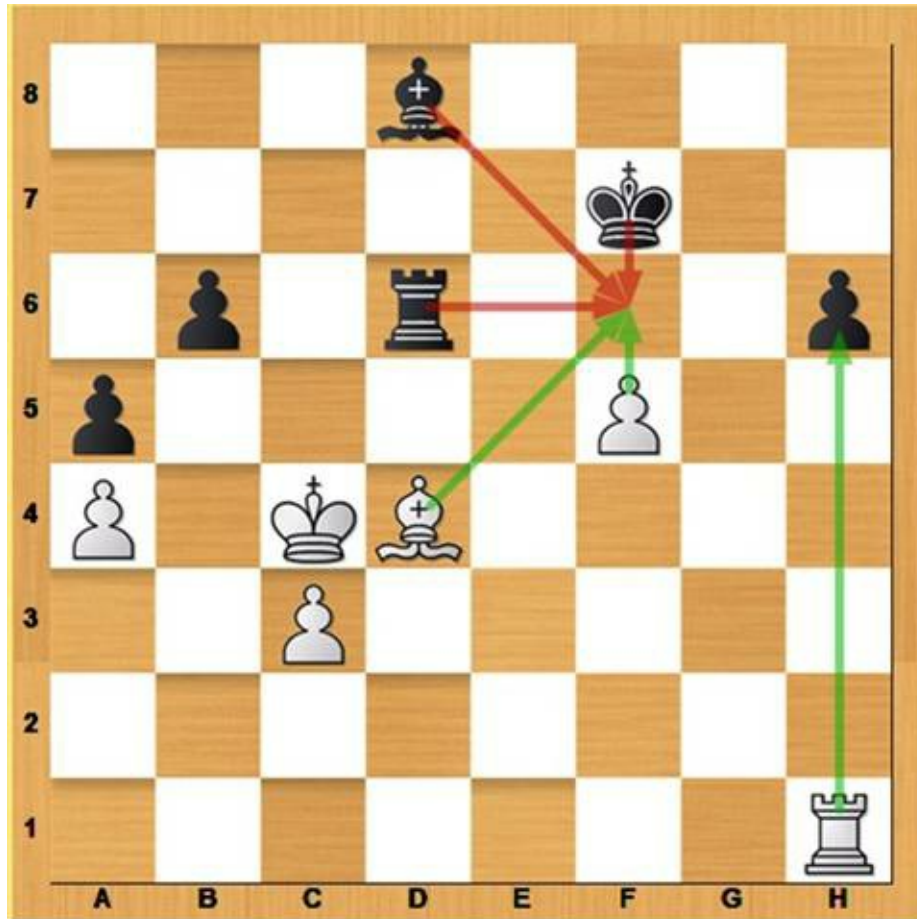
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One of the best endgame by Carlsen, played at the highest level technically, remembering that it is the rematch since earlier in the same tournament had lost versus Caruana



43.Rb1 Ke8 44.hxg6 fxg6 45.Rh1 Kf7 46.Kd5 with this King's movement great, attacks the rook and clear the dangerous square that prevents the capture on h6 rook due to check with the pawn, leaving the rook hung



46...Rd6+ 47.Kc4 gxf5 48.gxf5 Bd8 49.f6 with this move completes his plan and leverages the tactical aspects of the game to its highest possible level. **49...Bxf6 50.Rxh6 Be7 51.Rxd6**

Bxd6 52.Kb5 Ke6 53.Bxb6 Kd7 54.c4 Kc8 55.Bxa5 Kb7 56.Bb4 Bf4 57.c5 Ka7 58.c6 Kb8 59.a5 Ka7 60.a6 Ka8 61.Bc5 Bb8 62.Kc4 Bc7 63.Kd5 Bd8 64.Ke6 Bc7 65.Kd7 Ba5 66.Be7 1-0.

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Carlsen,M 2843 vs Vallejo Pons,F 2697

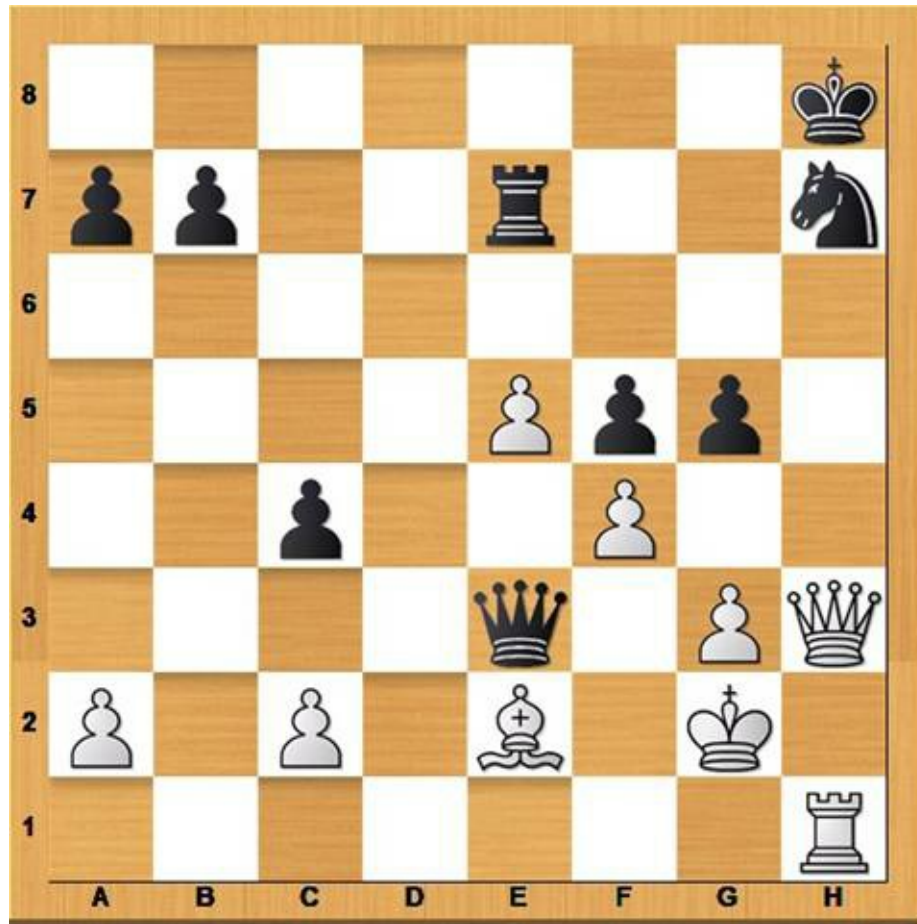
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ECO "C15" 1 – 0 2012.10.09

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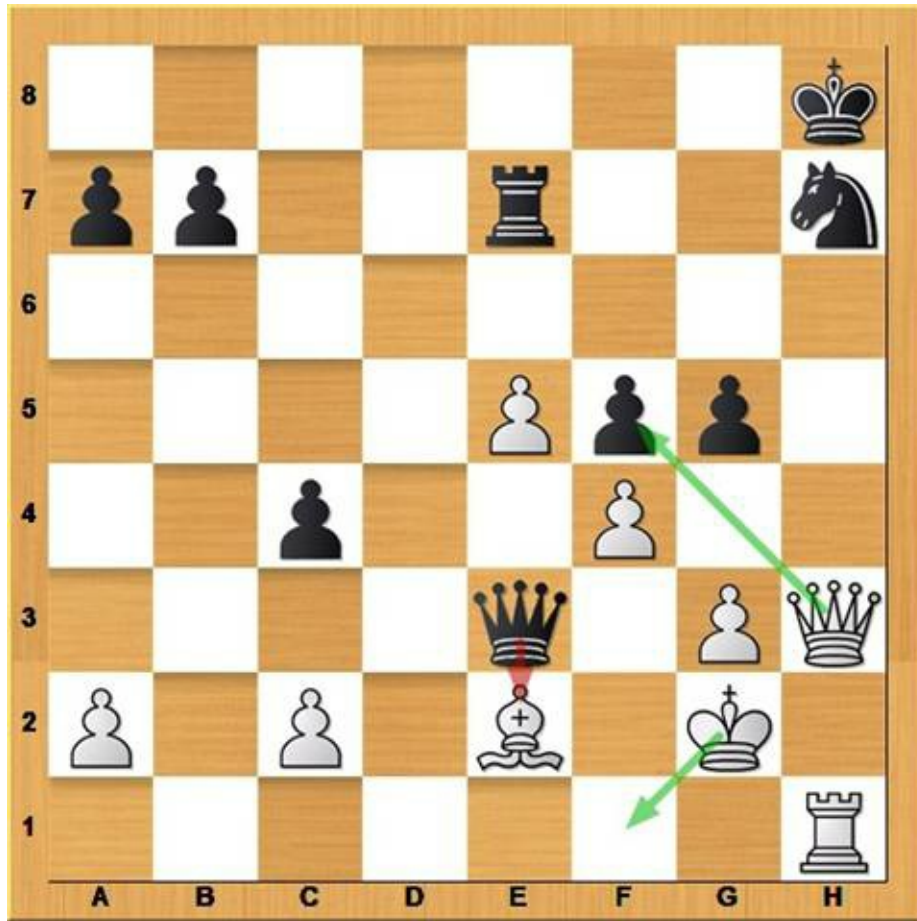
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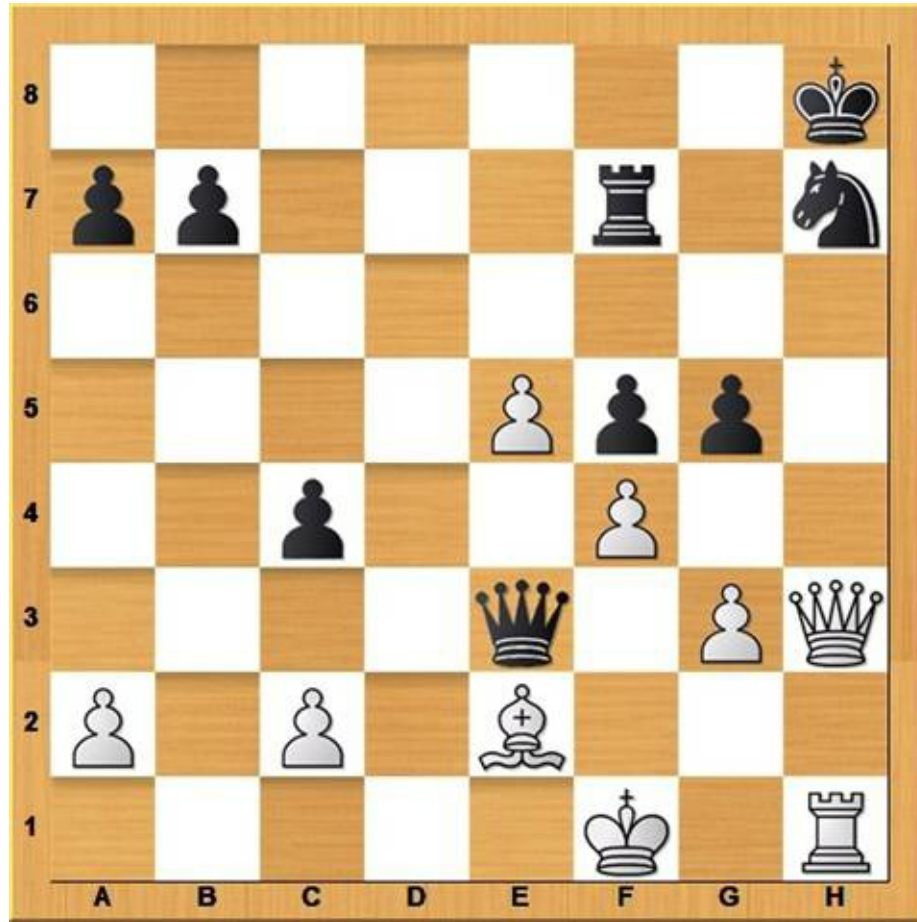
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37.Kf1 Rf7



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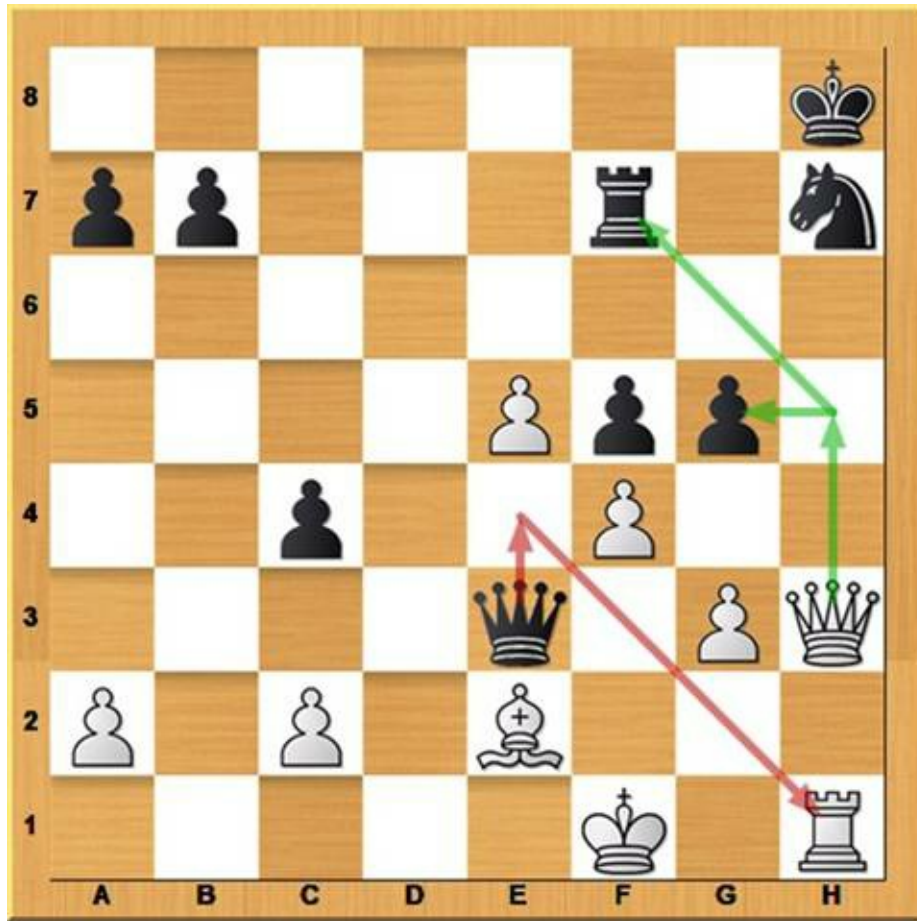
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37. Kf1 Rf7

[37...Qe4 best defense 38.Qh6 Rg7 39.fxg5 Qxc2 40.Kf2 f4 41.gxf4 Qe4 42.Rh4 Qd4+ 43.Kg3 Qe3+ 44.Bf3 Qe1+ 45.Kg4 Qg1+ 46.Kf5 Rf7+ 47.Kg6 Kg8 48.Qxh7+ Rxh7 49.Bd5+ Kf8 50.Rxh7 Qd4 51.Rf7+ Ke8 52.Bxb7 Qe3 53.Bc8 c3 54.Bf5 a6 55.Kg7 Qc5 56.Bg6 Kd8 57.e6 c2 58.Bxc2 Qc3+ 59.Kg8 Qxc2 60.Kf8 Qc5 61.e7+ Kc7 62.g6 Qe3 63.g7 a5 64.g8Q winning]



38.Qh5 Qxg3 due to time trouble, finally the black getting into a loser variant [38...Qe4 39.Rh2 Rg7 40.Qe8+ Rg8 41.Qe7 Rg7 42.Qf8+ Rg8 43.Qf6+ Rg7 44.fxg5 f4 45.gxf4 Kg8 with three passed pawns and the game won]

39.Qxf7 Qxf4+ 40.Rg2 Qe4+ 41.Bf3 Qxc2+ 42.Rg3 f4+ 1-0 here black resign.

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Caruana F 2773 vs Carlsen M 2843

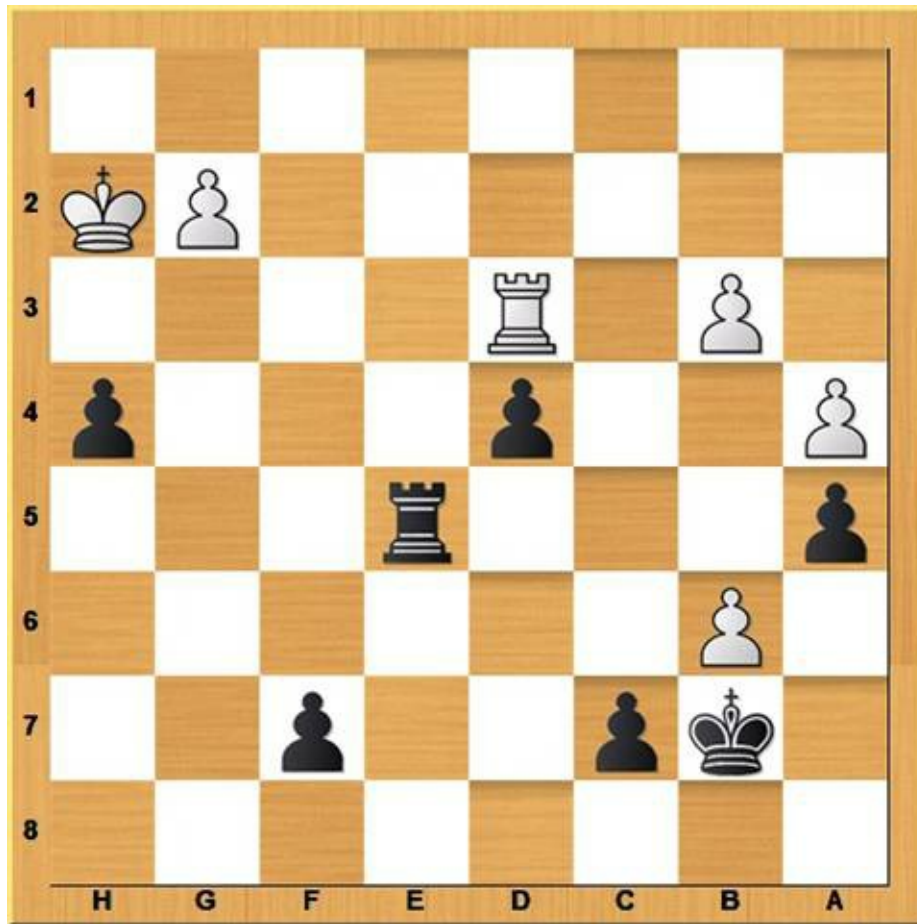
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ECO "C67" 0 – 1 2012.10.13

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.O-O Nxe4 5.d4 Nd6 6.Bxc6 dxc6 7.dxe5 Nf5 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8
9.Nc3 Ne7 10.h3 h6 11.Ne4 b6 12.b3 Bd7 13.Bb2 Kc8 14.Rad1 a5 15.a4 Nd5 16.Ng3 Rg8
17.Nd4 c5 18.Nb5 Nf4 19.Rfe1 Bc6 20.f3 Kb7 21.c4 Re8 22.Kh2 Be7 23.Nf5 h5 24.h4 Ne6
25.Nxe7 Rxe7 26.Rd2 g5 27.hxg5 Rxc5 28.Re3 Re8 29.Nc3 Nd4 30.Ne4 Rgxe5 31.Bxd4 cxd4
32.Red3 Bxe4 33.fxe4 Rxe4 34.Rf2 R8e7 35.Rf5 h4 36.c5 R7e5 37.Rxe5 Rxe5 38.cxb6



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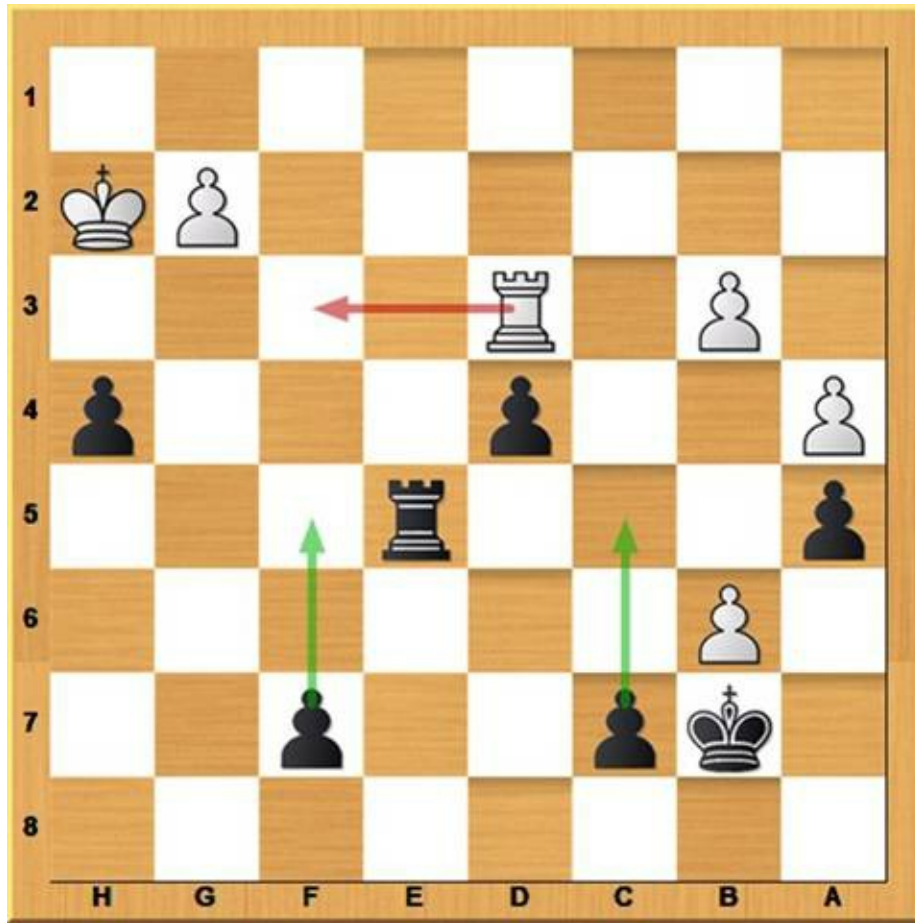
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38.cxb6 Caruana attempt to cause the error and equalize

38...c5 Carlsen's forceful move that leaves freeze to Caruana and on the edge of defeat

[38...cxb6 39.Rxd4 Kxc6 40.Rxh4 equalize the position]

39.Rf3 f5 40.Rf4 d3 41.Rxh4 Rd5 0-1 Here White resigns because the pawn is heading to crown.

GAME No. 56

Vallejo Pons,F 2697 vs Carlsen,M 2843

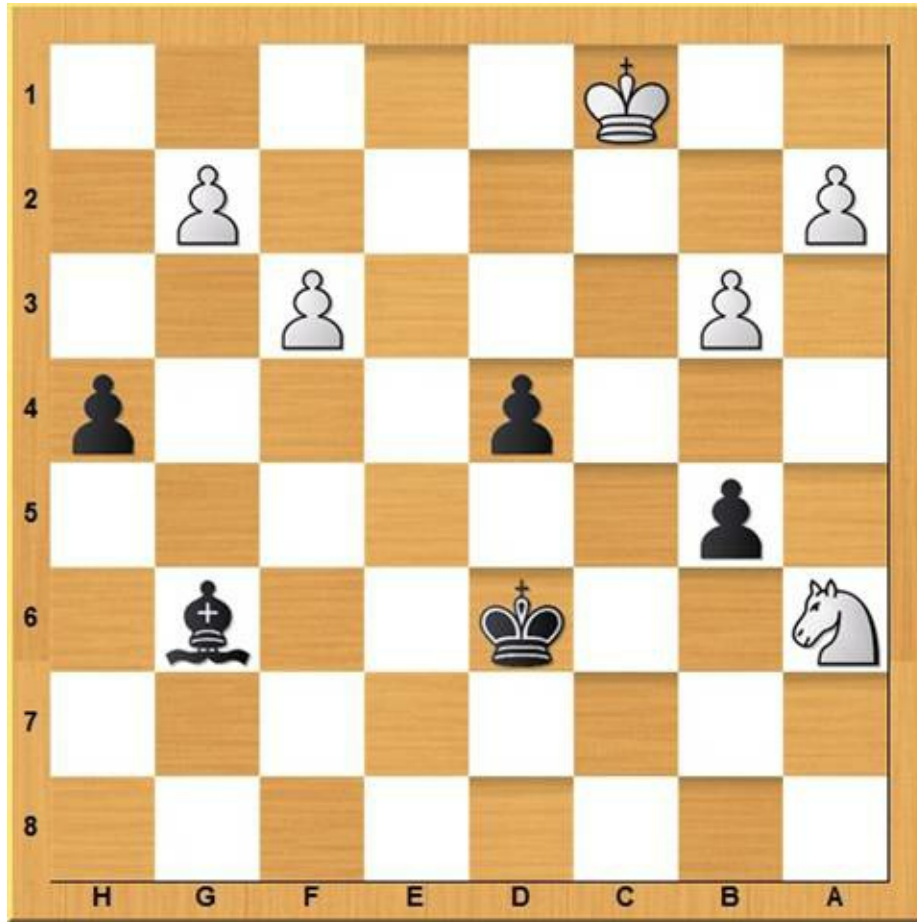
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ECO "B07" 0 – 1 2012.09.25

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 e5 4.dxe5 dxe5 5.Qxd8+ Kxd8 6.Nf3 Bd6 7.Bg5 Be6 8.O-O-O Nbd7
9.Nb5 Ke7 10.Nxd6 cxd6 11.Bb5 Rhd8 12.Nd2 h6 13.Bh4 g5 14.Bg3 a6 15.Bxd7 Rxd7 16.f3
Rc8 17.Kb1 Nh5 18.Nf1 f5 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Ne3 Bg6 21.Rd2 Ke6 22.b3 b5 23.Kb2 d5 24.Re1
Nxc3 25.hxc3 h5 26.c3 d4 27.cxd4 Rxd4 28.Rxd4 exd4 29.Nc2+ Kd5 30.Nb4+ Kd6 31.Rc1
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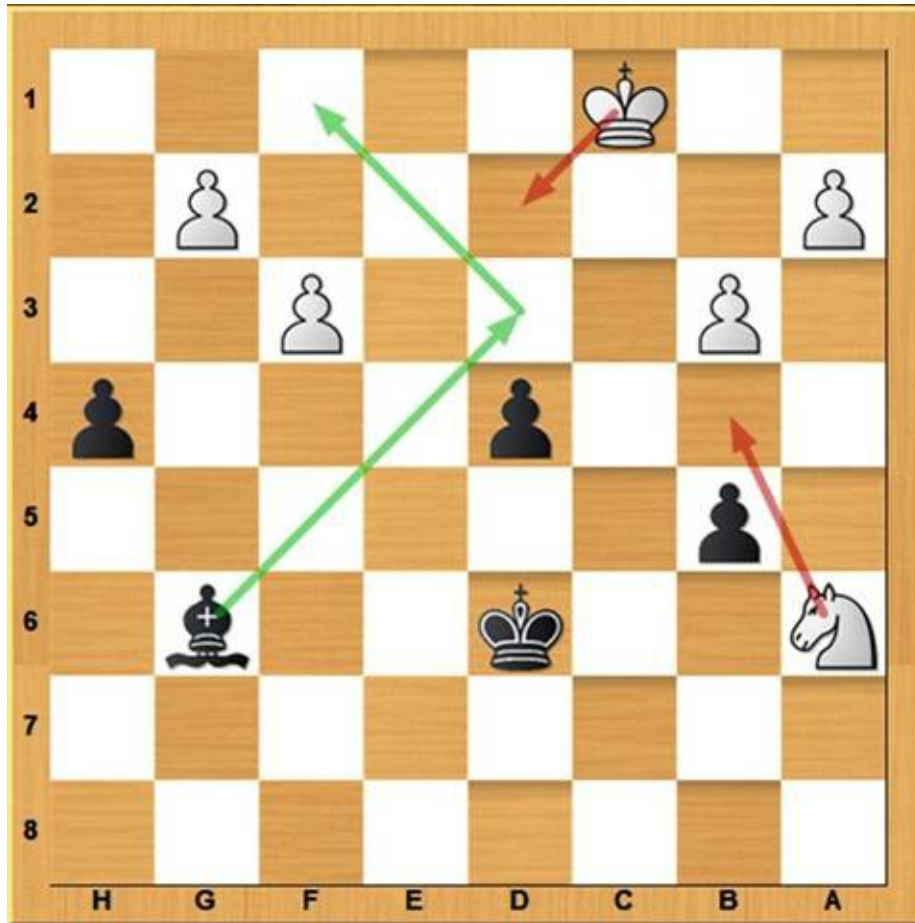
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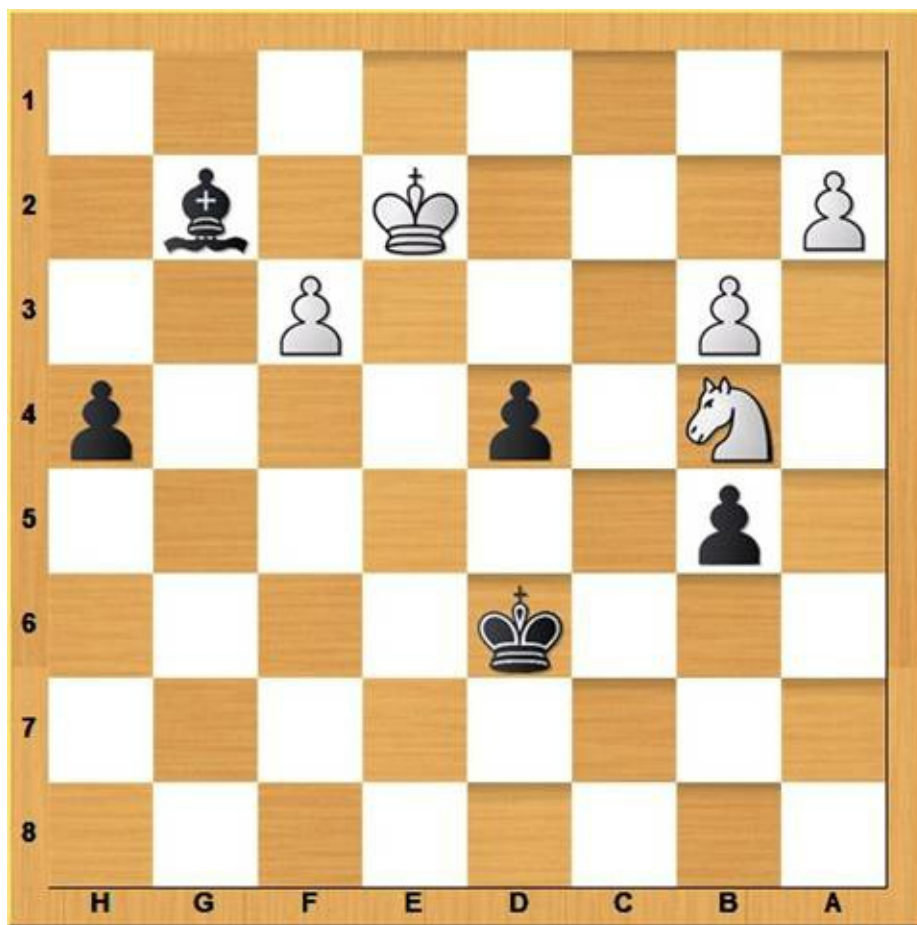
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34...Bd3 35.Nb4 Bf1 36.Kd2 Bxg2 37.Ke2



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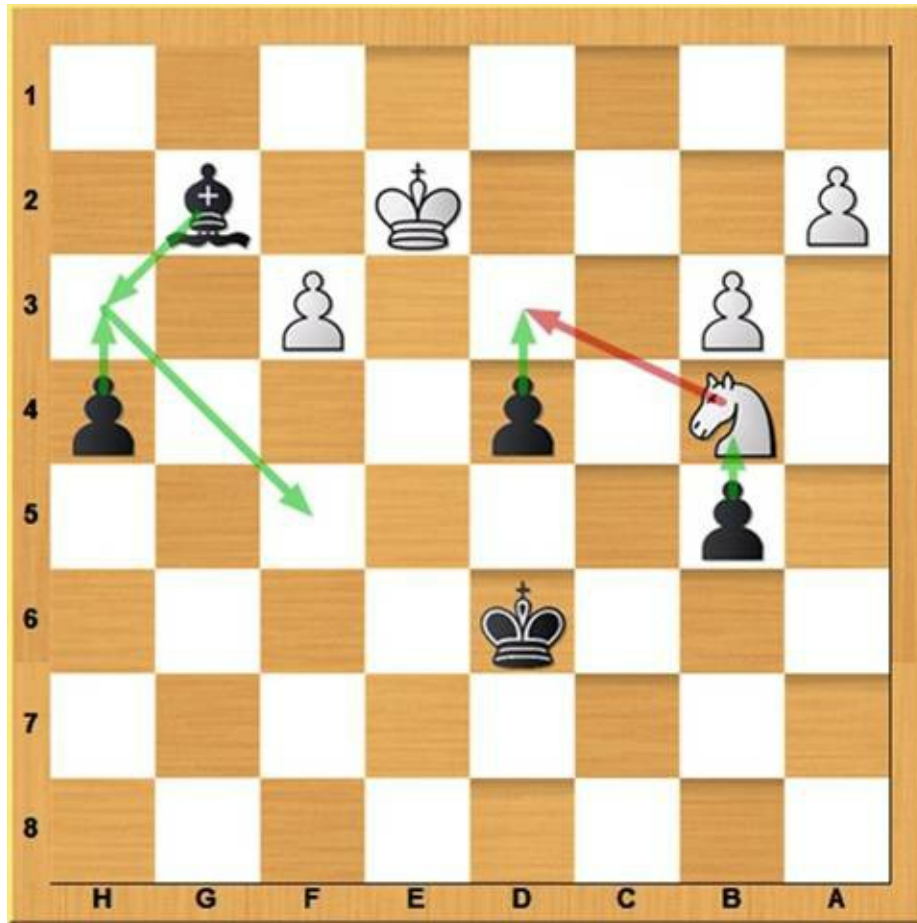
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34.Nx a 6 Trying to equalize **34...Bd3!!** Taking the initiative in attack [34...Ke5 Strong movement that Carlsen do not consider it 35.Kd2 Kf4 36.Ke1 Kg3 37.Kf1 d3 38.Nc7 d2 39.Ke2 Bf7 40.cxb5 Kxg2 41.Nd6 Bh5 42.Nf5 d1Q+ 43.Kxd1 h3 44.Ke2 h2 45.Ne3+ Kg1 46.Ng4 h1Q]



35.Nb4 Bf1 36.Kd2 Bxg2 37.Ke2 Bh3

*[37...h3 would be a tactical mistake because the game gets complicated with possible draw
38.Kxf2 Bh1 39.Kg3 Bg2 40.Kf2 Ke6 41.Nd3 Kf6 42.Ne1 Ke5 43.a4 bxa4 44.bxa4 equalize]*

38.a4 Bf5 39.axb5 d3+ beautiful movement 40.Ke3 h3 41.Nxd3 Bxd3 42.Kd4 0-1 winning position.

GAME No. 57

Caruana,F 2773 vs Carlsen,M 2843

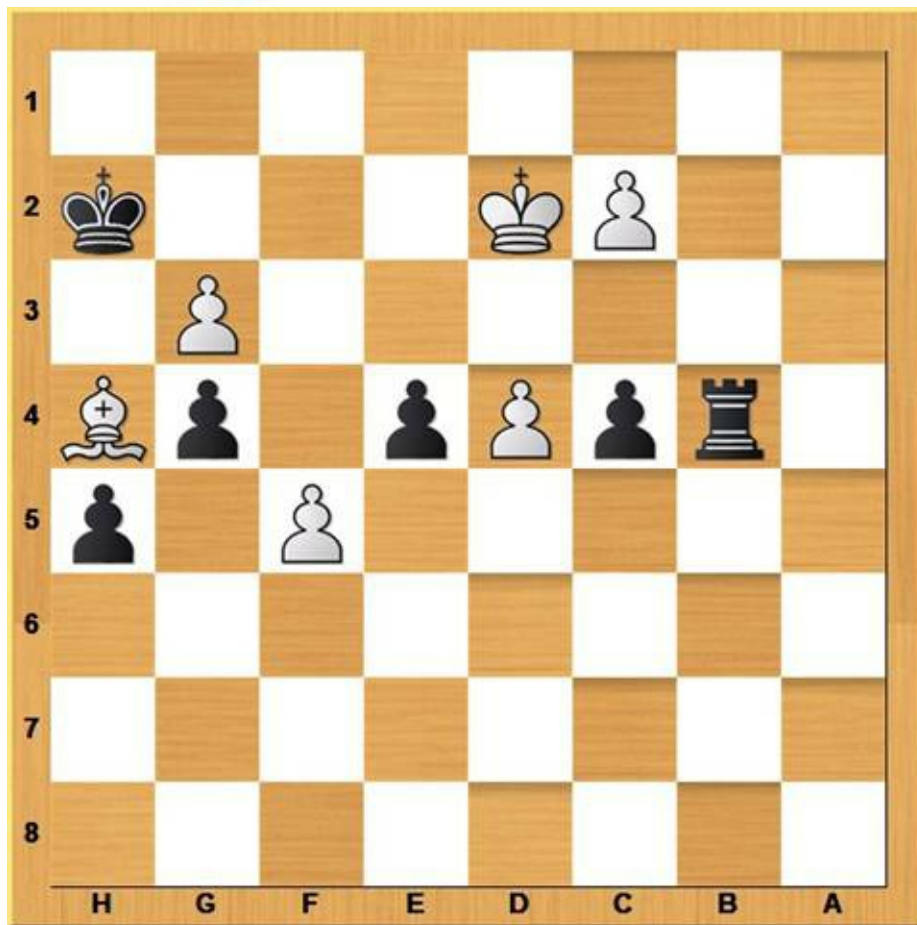
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ECO "C19" 1 – 0 2012.09.24

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10.Re1 Na5 11.Ng5 Ng6 12.Re3 c4 13.Be2 Nc6 14.Bh5 Nce7 15.Qg4 Ba4 16.Ra2 Nf5 17.Re1
O-O-O 18.Nf3 Kb8 19.h4 Rdf8 20.Qh3 Nge7 21.Qh2 h6 22.Bg4 g5 23.h5 Ng7 24.Nd2 f5
25.exf6 Qxh2+ 26.Kxh2 Rxf6 27.Bf3 Rhf8 28.Nf1 Nef5 29.Bg4 Be8 30.Bxf5 Nxf5 31.Ne3 Nxe3
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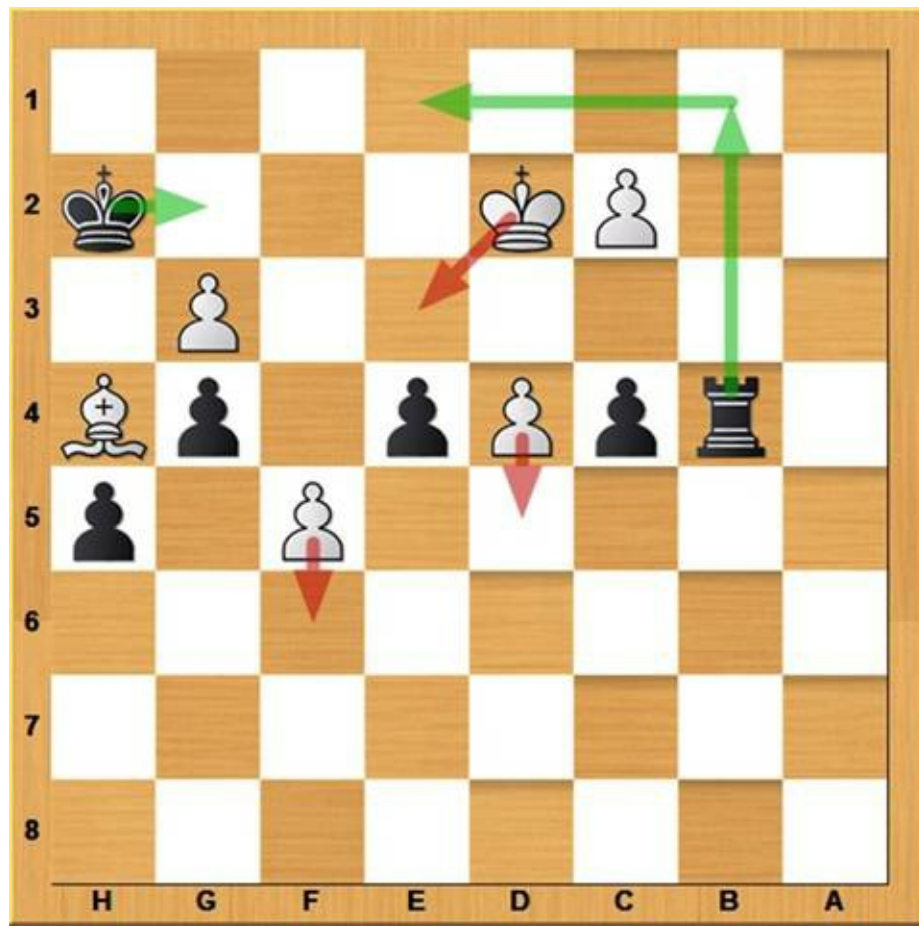
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80...Kg2

[80...Rb1!! Carlsen's winning movement that was not making by the time trouble, we highly recommend you study this variant. 81. Ke3 (81.f6 Kg2 82.Ke3 Re1+ 83.Kf4 e3 84.Ke4 e2 85.Ke3 Rc1 86.Kxe2 Rxc2+ 87.Kd1 Ra2 88.d5 Ra5 89.d6 Ra7 90.Kd2 Rd7 91.Kc3 Rxd6 92.Kxc4 Rxf6 93.Bxf6 Kxg3 94.Kd3 h4 95.Ke3 h3 96.Be5+ Kg2 97.Kf4 g3 98.Kg4 h2 99.Bxg3 h1Q crowning) 81...Re1+ 82.Kd2 Rf1 83.f6 Kg2 84.Ke3 Re1+ 85.Kf4 e3 86.Ke4 e2 87.Ke3 Rc1 88.Kxe2 Rxc2+ 89.Kd1 Ra2 90.Kc1 Kf3 91.f7 Ra8 92.Be7 h4 93.Bxh4 Rf8 94.Kc2 Kc4 95.Kc3 Kd5 96.Bf6 Rxf7 97.Be5 With decisive advantage.]

81.Ke3 Rb2 Sad movement that does not have time to stop the d-pawn.

[81...Rb3+ It gives for a draw in a very complicated endgame and with time trouble 82.Kxe4 Rc3 83.d5 Rxc2 84.d6 c3 85.Bg5 Re2+ 86.Kd5 Rf2 87.Ke6 Re2+ 88.Kd5 Rf2 89.Ke6 Re2+ With draw position.]

82.d5 Rc2 83.d6 c3 84.d7 Rd2 85.d8Q Rxd8 86.Bxd8 h4 87.gxh4 g3 88.f6 c2 89.Kd2 e3+ 90.Kxc2 e2 91.Ba5 1-0 With the game decided to Caruana, but Carlsen managed to generate a winning edge beyond the assessment of the engines that have long marked the equal position.

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