



7th Composing Thematic Tourney FRME, 2025

The Royal Moroccan Chess Federation (FRME) organizes the 7th Composing Thematic Tourney FRME, in four 7 sections:

Twomovers #2 proposed theme Abdullayev. In a two-mover, after the key, Black's defenses are made by Pawns only, regardless if Black has other units available. The number of the defenses by Pawns should be no less than eight.

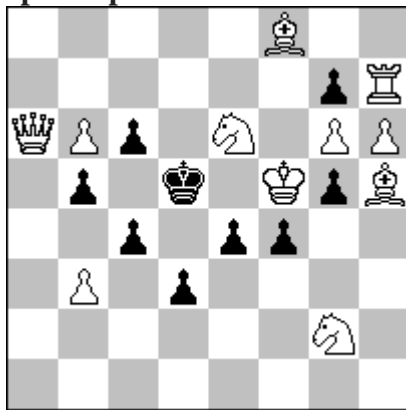
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Examples:

№1) Elmar Abdullayev (Azerbaijan)

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Special prize

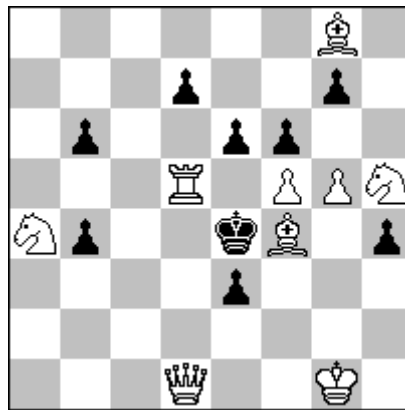


#2 C+ (11+9)

№2) Elmar Abdullayev (Azerbaijan)

Alexander Feoktistov – 70 JT, 2018

3rd Commendation



#2 C+ (9+9)

№1) Elmar Abdullayev (Azerbaijan) Special prize.

- 1. Qa2!** Zugzwang, 1...gxh6 2. Rd7#, 1...c5 2. Qa8#, 1...b4 2. bxc4#, 1...g4 2. Sgxf4#, 1...cxb3 2. Qxb3#, 1...c3 2. b4#, 1...e3 2. Bf3#, 1...f3 2. Se3#, 1...d2 2. Qxd2#

№2) Elmar Abdullayev (Azerbaijan) 3rd Commendation.

- 1. Bd6!** Zugzwang, 1... g6 2. Sxf6#, 1...b5 2. Sc5#, 1...exf5 2. Rd4#, 1...exd5 2. Qxd5#, 1...e5 2. Qg4#, 1...fxg5 2. Re5# 1... b3 2. Sc3#, 1... h3 2. Sg3#, 1...e2 2. Qd3#

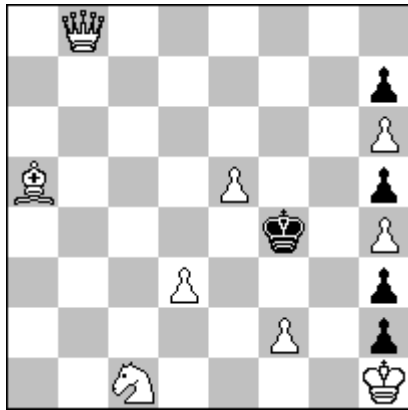
Send to tournament director: Twomovers (#2) to Mustapha Bakani (Marocco) E-mail: bakanim@gmail.com

Threemovers #3 proposed theme: In the variations White moves a piece that then mates the black king.

Judge: Martin Hoffmann (Switzerland)

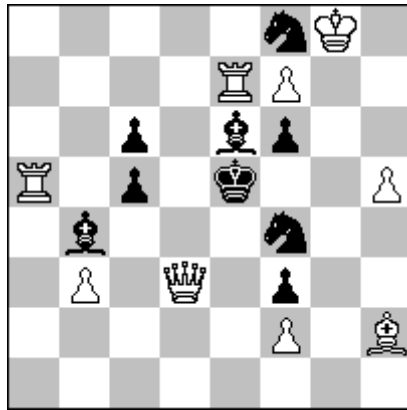
Examples:

№1.Martin Hoffmann
Schach, 08.2012 (17494)



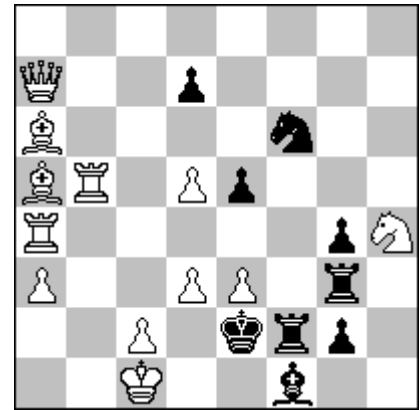
#3 C+ (9+5)

№2.Eugene Fomichev
StrateGems, 2014 (M1227)



#3 C+ (9+9)

№3.Martin Hoffmann
64-Shakhmatnoe Obozrenie,2019(9/78)



#3 C+ (12+9)

№1.Martin Hoffmann (Switzerland)

1. Qd6! impractical threat -2. Qe6 Kf3 3. Qf5#,1... Kf3 2. Qb4! (2.Qd4? stalemate) Kxf2 3. Qf4#,1... Kg4 2. Qf8! (2.Qf6? stalemate) Kxh4 3. Qf4#,1... Kf5 2. Qd5 Kf4/Kg4 3. Qe4#,2...Kg6 3. Qe6#. Queen moves.

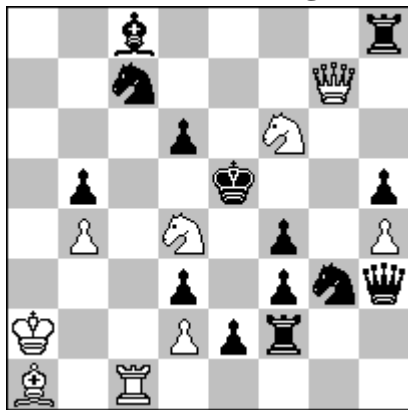
№2.Eugene Fomichev (Russia) Special Prize.

1. Qc4! -2. Qxf4+ Kd5 3. Qc4#,1... S8g6 2. Qxe6+ Kd4 3. Qc4#,1... Kd6 2. Qxf4+ Kxe7 3. Qd6#,1... Bd2 2. Qxc5+ Ke4 3. Qc4#. Haring

№3. Martin Hoffmann (Switzerland) 4th Honorable Mention.

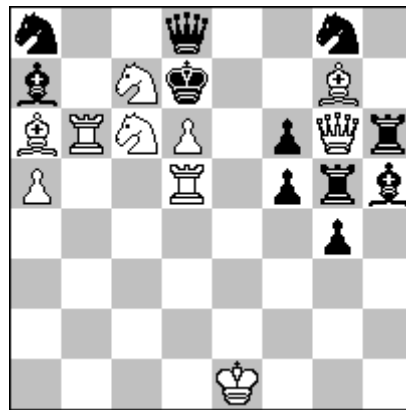
1. Rb2! -2. d4+ Kxe3 3. dxe5#,1... Sxd5 2. c4+ Kxd3 3. cxd5#,1... Rf5(Rf~) 2. c3+ Ke1 3. c4#,1... Rxe3 2. c4+ Kxd3 3. c5#. Pawnee theme.

№4.Martin Hoffmann
Schweizer Schach-Magazin, 1987-1990



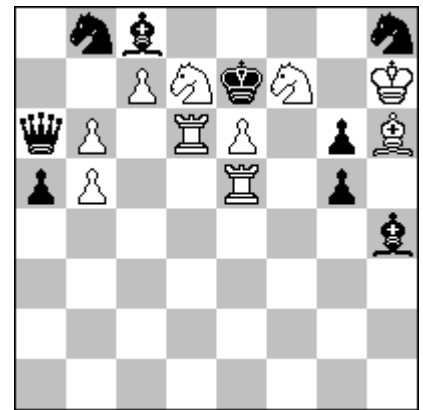
#3 C+ (9+14)

№5.Martin Hoffmann
Schach-Aktiv, 05.2009 (3544)



#3 C+ (10+11)

№6.Martin Hoffmann
idee & form,01.2008 (97/2339)



#3 C+ (10+9)

№4. Martin Hoffmann (Switzerland) 2nd prize.

1. Re1! -2. Sxe2+ Ke6/Kf5 3. Sd4#,1...Sd5 2. Sg4+ Ke4 3. Sxf2#,1... Se6 2. Sc6+ Kf5 3. Se7#,1...Se4 2. Sd7+ Kd5 3. Sb6#,1...Sf5 2. Sxf3+ Ke6 3. Sg5#,1...d5 2. Se8+ Ke4 3. Sd6#,1...Qe6+ 2. Sb3+ Kf5 3. Qg5#,1...Be6+ 2. Sb3+ Kf5 3. Qg5#.Siers mechanism

№5.Martin Hoffmann(Switzerland)

1.Se7!- 2.Bb5#, 1...Qxc7 2.dxc7+ Kxc7 3.Rb7#, 2...Kxe7 3.cxd8=Q#! (cd=Q#), 1...Qxc7 2.dxc7+ Kxc7 3.Rb7#, 2...Kxe7 3.c8=S#!, 1...Sxe7 2.dxe7+ Kxc7 3.exd8=Q# (cd=B#), 2...Kxe7 3.Re6#, 1...Qxe7+ 2.dxe7+ Kxc7 3.e8=S#! 2...Kxe7 3.Re6#, 1...Qb8 (Q~8) 2.Bb5+ Kd8 3.Se6#. pawn promotions.

№6. Martin Hoffmann (Switzerland) 4th Honorable Mention.

1.Rc6! -2.Bf8+(A) Ke8 3.Sd6#(B),1...Sxd7 2.exd7+! Kxd7 3.Rd6#,2...Kxf7 3.d8S#!,1...Bxd7 2.exd7+! Kxd7 3.cxb8=S#! ,2...Kxf7 3.d8S#!,1...Sxf7 2.e×f7+ Kxd7 3.f8S#,2...Kxf7 3.Rf6#,1...Ke8 2.Sd6+(B) Ke7 3.Bf8#(A) pawn promotions.

Moremovers #4-7 proposed theme: The problem can be performed in one variants (or in several equivalent variants).

White's main plan does not work, because black has the opportunity to declare check (not checkmate!) to the white king. In the process of solving the problem, White eliminates this obstacle in any way:

(except for taking a black piece on the square where the thematic check is declared)

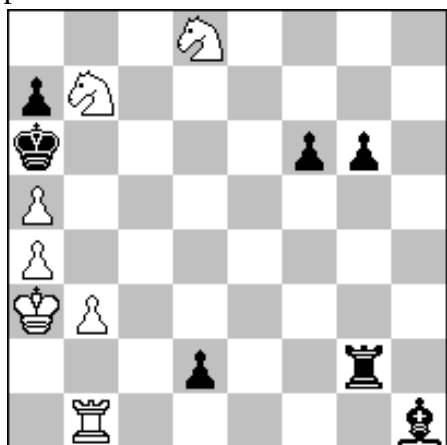
- 1) prepare the white king to retreat to this check of black.
- 2) prepare to block this check of black with their piece. (pawn).
- 3) prepare a countercheck to the check of black.

judge: Igor Yarmonov (Ukraine)

Example:

№1. Igor Yarmonov (Ukraine)

published for the first time



#7 C+ (7+7)

№1. Igor Yarmonov (Ukraine). 1.b4? **Rg3+!**; 1.Rf1! -2.Rxf6#, 1...f5 2.b4 **Rg3+** 3.Rf3 Rxf3+ 4.Ka2 Ra3+ 5.Kxa3 Bxb7 6.Se6 B~ 7.Sc5# (MM)

Endgame studies proposed theme: The win study. Need: Underpromotion for second color bishop or third knight, bishop, rook. The play after underpromotion must continue at least 3rd moves.

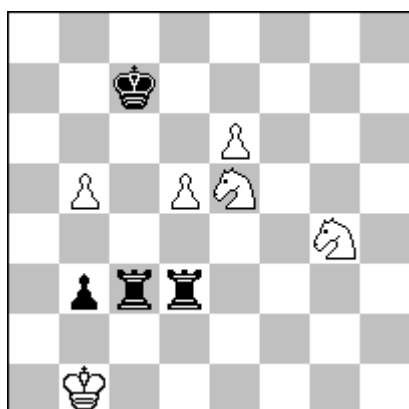
Judge: Oleg Pervakov (Russia)

Example:

№1. Mikhail Gromov & Oleg Pervakov(Russia)

Moscow tourney 2023

1st Prize



Win (6+4)

№1. Mikhail Gromov & Oleg Pervakov (Russia) 1st Prize

1.e7 Rd1+ 2.Kb2 Rg3! 3.d6+ Rxd6! 4.e8N+! Kb6 5.Nxd6 Rg2+! 6.Kxb3 Kc5 7.Ne3. The theme completed. **7...Rg1! 8.N3c4! Rb1+ 9.Kc3! Rxb5 10.Kc2! Kb4 11.Nd3+ Ka4 12.Ne4! Rb8 13.Nc3#.**

Selfmates S#3-5 proposed theme: Dual avoidance in at least 2nd variants.

Judge: Waldemar Tura (Poland)

Examples:

Waldemar TURA

№1.

№2.

№3.

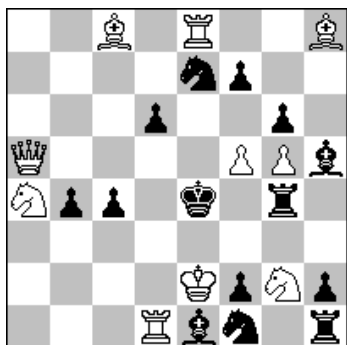
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1st Comm. StrateGems 2013

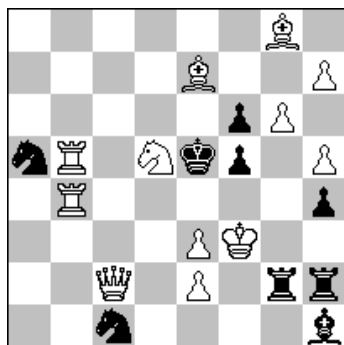
1st PR Wola Gułowska 1995

S1436 The Problemist 1992

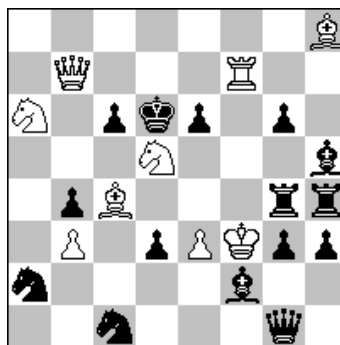
1st/2nd PR Gambit 1997



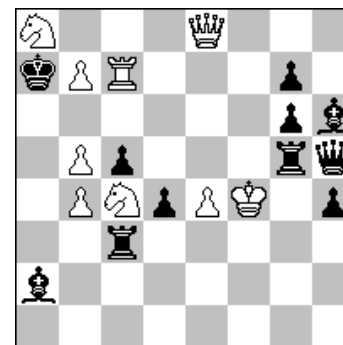
S#3 C+ (10+14)



S#4 C+ (12+9)



S#4 C+ (9+15)



S#5 C+ (9+11)

№1. 1.Qc7! ~ 2.Sc5+ dxc5 3.Qf4+ Rxf4# ,1...Bd2 2.Rxe7+ Kd5 3.Sf4+ Rxf4# (2.Qxe7+? Kd5 3.Qe4+? Rxe4+ 4.Kxf2?) 1...Sd2 2.Qxe7+ Kd5 3.Qe4+ Rxe4# (2.Rxe7+? Kd5 3.Sf4+? Rxf4+ 4.Ke3?) 1...f6 2.Qxc4+ Ke5 3.Qd4+ Rxd4#

№2. 1.Bf8! -2.Sxf6+ Kxf6 3.h8Q+ Kg5 4.Rg4+ Rxc4#,1...Scb3 2.Sb6+ Sc5 3.Sc4+ Sxc4 4.Qe4+ fxe4#(2.Sf4+? Sc5 3.Sd3?#!) 1...Sab3 2.Sf4+ Sc5 3.Sd3+ Sxd3 4.Re4+ fxe4# (2.Sb6+? Sc5 3.Sc4?#!) 1...f4 2.Re4+ Kf5 3.Qc8+ Kg5 4.Qg4+ Rxc4#

№3. 1.Qc8! ~ 2.Qce6+ Kxe6 3.Sc3+ Kd6 4.Se4+ Rxe4#,1...c5 2.Qb8+ Kc6 3.Bb5+ Kxd5 4.e4+ Rxe4# (2.Qd8+ Kc6 3.Sb8?#!) 1...cxd5 2.Qd8+ Kc6 3.Sb8+ Kc5 4.Bd4+ Rxd4# (2.Qb8+ Kc6 3.Bb5?#!) 1...exd5 2.Qc7+ Ke6 3.Re7+ Kf5 4.Qf4+ Rxf4#,1.Bc5/Rf6? cxd5!; 1.Sc5? e5!; 1.Rg7? Bxe3!

№4. 1.Re7! ~ 2.b6+ Ka6 3.Sc7+ K:b7 4.Se6+ Ka6 5.Sxc5+ Rxc5#,1...Bxc4 2.b8B+ Kxa8 3.Bc7+ Ka7/b7 4.Bd6+ Kb6 5.Bxc5+ Rxc5# (2.b8S+ K:a8 3.Sd7+ Ka7/b7 4.Sf6+ Kb6 5.Sd5+ Bxd5!), 1...Rxc4 2.b8S+ Kxa8 3.Sd7+ Ka7/b7 4.Sf6+ Kb6 5.Sd5+ Rxd5# (2.b8B+ Kxa8 3.Bc7+ Ka7/b7 4.Bd6+ Kb6 5.Bxc5+ Rxc5!) 1.Rf7? Bxc4!

Send to tournament director: Threemovers (#3), Moremovers (#4-7), Endgame studies (+) and Selfmates (S#3-5) to Vidadi Zamanov (Azerbaijan) E-mail: vidadzamanov37@gmail.com

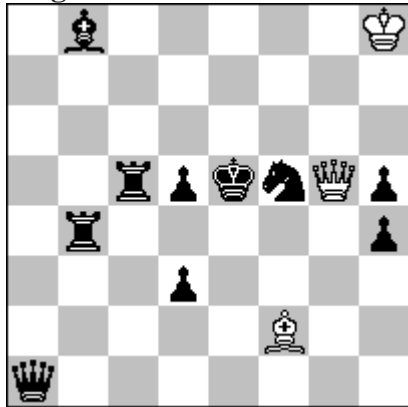
Helpmates H#2 proposed theme: Minimum 3 solutions. But not twins! In the first solution, white checkmates with a move to square X. In the second solution, the black king moves to square X, where he is checked. In the third solution, black blocks square X.

Judge: Vladislav Nefyodov(Russia)

Examples

№1. Vladislav Nefyodov(Russia)

Original



H#2 3 solutions (3+10) C+

№1.János Csák (Hungary) Original.

1)1.Rb4-b2 Qg5-g4 2.Sf5-d6 Bf2-d4 #

2)1.h4-h3 Qg5-g6 2.Sf5-d4 Bf2-g3#

3)1.Bb8-a7 Bf2-e1 2.Ke5-d4 Qg5-f4 #

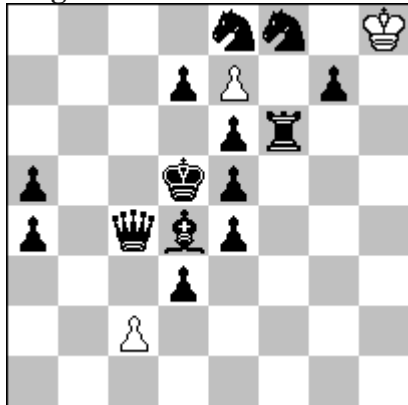
Helpmates H#3 proposed theme: (excluding H#2.5!):A white Pawn transforms into a Q or R or B puppet its first move and captures a dark puppet during the play.

Judge: János Csák (Hungary)

Example:

№1.János Csák (Hungary)

Original



H#3 2 solutions (3+14) C+

№1.János Csák (Hungary) Original

1)1.Be3 exf8=Q 2.Kd4 Qb4 3.d5 c3# (MM)

2)1.Sc7 e8=Q 2.d6 Qb5+ 3.Qc5 c4# (MM)

Send to tournament director: H#2 and H#3 to Jamal M Elbaz (Morocco) E-mail: jamalelbaz4@gmail.com

Prizes, honourable mentions and commendations will be awarded.

Send problems and studies in format Word and PDF.

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All received problems and studies will be presented to the judges in anonymous form.

Award will be published on the website: <http://frme.fr.nf>

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