



The Most Important Novelty of Volume 99

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After seven years on the chess throne, Vladimir Kramnik has passed the crown to a new champion: Viswanathan Anand. However, the final result of the tournament in Mexico was no surprise, as Kramnik achieves his best results in matches. Now the chess world eagerly awaits the proposed match between Anand and Kramnik.

Last [month](#) the best game of Informant 99 was presented in which Anand won against his young rival Magnus Carlsen. Therefore, it is interesting that a rapid game played in Monaco between Kramnik and Carlsen was voted as the most important theoretical novelty of Informant 99, where Kramnik made a brilliant piece sacrifice. The fact that the novelty Kramnik played against Anand in Wijk aan Zee came in second is a testament to Kramnik's creativity during the past year. Furthermore, the interconnection of these players bears witness to how new rising star Carlsen is jeopardizing the positions of both Anand and Kramnik.

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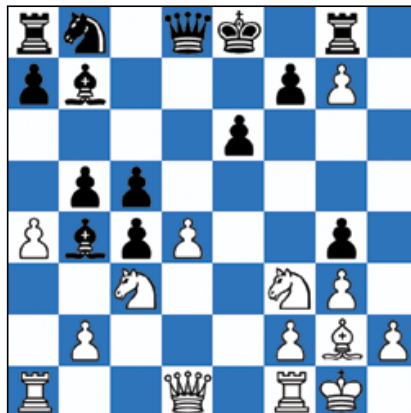
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1. KRAMNIK – M. CARLSEN	295	5	6	10	6	10	9	10	10	66									
2. KRAMNIK – V. ANAND	344	9	10	7	1	8	5	-	9	49									
3. SUTOVSKY – SAKAEV	211	-	8	-	10	6	10	-	7	41									
4. MOTYLEV – CH. LUTZ	113	7	5	3	9	3	-	-	8	35									
5. NEPOMNIACHTCH – VALLEJO PONS	199	-	9	-	-	7	8	7	-	31									
6. M. CARLSEN – IVANCHUK	328	8	-	8	-	9	-	3	-	28									
7. KRAMNIK – IVANCHUK	10	-	-	9	5	-	7	5	1	27									
8. IVANCHUK – ARONIAN	289	10	4	2	-	-	1	4	-	21									
9. WERLE – A. HAJDITSCH	361	-	1	1	7	-	6	-	6	21									
10. TH. LUTHER – AND. SOKOLOV	156	-	-	4	-	1	-	9	5	19									
11. MOTYLEV – M. CARLSEN	218	-	7	6	-	-	2	-	3	18									
12. KRAMNIK – LÉKO	28	-	-	-	8	-	4	-	4	16									
13. LYSYJ – SUTOVSKY	321	4	-	5	3	-	-	-	-	12									
14. ALEXANDER MOISEENKO – DVOIRYS	319	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	6	10									
15. BECERRA RIVERO – ESSERMAN	81	2	2	-	-	5	-	-	-	9									
16. SUTOVSKY – BOLOGAN	68	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	8									
17. SHADRINA – A. STEFANOVA	(214)	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	8									
18. BECERRA RIVERO – ALO. ZAPATA	120	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	2	7									
19. D. JAKOVENKO – D. STELLWAGEN	163	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3									
20. AHN – T. RUCK	212	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3									
21. NAVARA – MOTYLEV	268	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3									
22. DA COSTA JÚNIOR – R. DAMJANOVIC	84	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2									
23. BOGININ – ALEXANDER MOISEENKO	372	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2									
24. BOLOGAN – SWEETS	173	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1									
25. V. MALAKHOV – A. GAIKIN	45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0									
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27. ZHU CHEN – EHLVEST	160	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0									
28. A. ONISCHUK – SUTOVSKY	335	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0									
29. V. GOLOD – W. MORANDA	382	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0									
30. EVGENY ALEKSEEV – BOLOGAN	394	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0									

1.Kramnik 2766 – M.Carlsen 2690
Monaco (rapid) 2007 – 99/295 [D44]

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.e4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.d4 dc4 5.e4 Bb4 6.Bg5 b5 7.a4 c6 8.e5 h6 9.ef6 hg5 10.fg7 Rg8 11.g3 Bb7
12.Bg2 e5 13.0-0 g4



14.ab5!! [a novelty; 14.Nh4 see 96/325] **gf3** [14...Bc3 15.bc3 gf3 16.Bf3 Bf3 17.Qf3 Qd5 18.Qd5 ed5 19.dc5 Rg7 20.Rfe1 Kd7 21.Re5 and White is superior; 14...Rg7 15.Ne5 Bg2 16.Kg2 cd4 17.Qa4 dc3 (17...Bc3 18.b6 Kf8 19.bc3 Qb6 20.Qc4 and White is superior) 18.b6 Nd7 19.Rfd1 f6 (19...f5?! 20.Rd7 Rd7 21.Rd1 ab6 22.Qc6) 20.Nd7 Rd7 21.bc3 Bc3 22.Rd7 Qd7 23.Qd7 Kd7 24.Ra7 Kc6 25.Ra8 Kb6 26.Re8 and White is superior] **15.Bf3 Bf3** [15...Qc7 16.b6 (16.dc5 Bc5 17.b6) Qb6 17.dc5 Bc5 18.Na4 Bf3 19.Qf3 Qc6 20.Qc6 Nc6 21.Nc5 and White is superior, with the idea 21...Rg7 22.Rfc1 Ne5 23.f4 Nf3 24.Kg2 Nd2 25.Rd1 Nb3 26.Nb3 cb3 27.Rd3] **16.Qf3 Nd7** [16...Bc3 17.bc3 (17.Qa8 Bd4 18.Ra7 Rg7 19.Rd1 and White is superior) Qd5 18.Qd5 ed5 19.dc5 Rg7 20.Rfe1 Kd8 21.Re5 and White is superior] **17.dc5 Bc3** [17...Rg7 18.Rfd1 Bc5 19.Rd7 and White is winning; better is 17...Nc5 18.Qc6 Nd7 a) 19.Rfd1 Rc8 20.Ra7 Rc6 21.bc6 Nb6 (21...Rg7 22.Rdd7 Qc8 23.Ne4 and White is winning) 22.Rd8 Kd8 23.Rf7 Be7 24.Nb5 and White is superior; b) 19.Nd5 Rc8 (19...ed5 20.Rfe1 Be7 21.Re7 and White is winning) 20.Nf6 Ke7 21.Ng8 Qg8 22.Qb7 Bd6 23.Ra7 Rc7 24.Qa8 and White is superior] **18.bc3** (and White is winning) **Nc5 19.Rfd1!** [19.b6 Ke7] **Qc8** (only move) **20.Rd6! Qb7** [20...Ke7 21.Rc6 Qb7 22.Qf4 Nd7 23.Qh4; 20...Nb3 21.b6!; 20...Qb8 21.Rb6! Qd8 22.Rc6 Qd3 23.Qh5] **21.Qh5 Rc8 22.Rc6! Nd3** [22...Rc6 23.bc6 Qb2 (23...Qc6 24.Qh8) 24.Qh8 Qa1 25.Kg2 Kd8 (25...Rh8 26.gh8Q Ke7 27.c7; 25...Ke7 26.Qg8 Qd1 27.Qf8 Kf6 28.g8Q) 26.Qg8 Kc7 27.Qf7] **23.Rc8** [23.Re6 Kd8 24.Qh4 and White is winning] **Qc8 24.Ra7 1-0** [Kramnik]

2.Kramnik 2766 – V.Anand 2779 Wijk aan Zee 2007 – 99/344 [E05]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Bg2 Be7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.0-0 dc4 7.Qc2 a6 8.Qc4 b5 9.Qc2 Bb7 10.Bd2 Ra7 11.Rc1 Be4 12.Qb3 Nc6 13.e3 Qa8 14.Qd1 Nb8 15.Ba5 Rc8

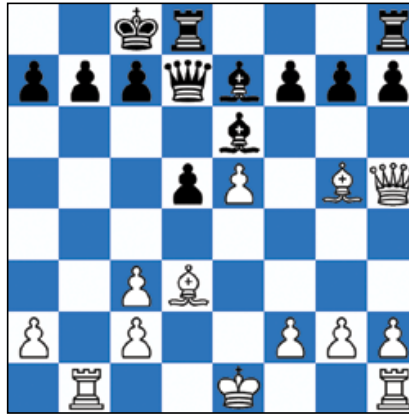


16.a3! [a novelty; 16.Bb6 see 99/(344)] **Bd6** [16...c5?! 17.Nbd2 Bd5 18.Bb6 and White is superior; 16...Nbd7 17.b4 Bd6 (17...e5 18.Nbd2 Bd5 19.de5 Ne5 20.Ne5 Bg2 21.f3 and White is superior) 18.Nbd2 Bd5 19.Qf1] **17.Nbd2 Bd5 18.Qf1!** [with the idea Ne1] **Nbd7** [18...Nc6 19.Bc3 Ne7 20.b4 and White is slightly better] **19.b4 e5 20.de5 Be5** [20...Ne5 21.Ne5 Be5 22.Ra2! and White is slightly better] **21.Ne5 Ne5 22.f3! Nc4?!** [22...Nc6 23.e4 Be6 a) 24.f4 Rd8! 25.e5 Rd2 26.Bc6 (26.Rc6 Rg2 27.Qg2 Bd5) Qd8 27.ef6 Qd4 28.Kh1 Bd5 29.Bd5 Qd5 equal; b) 24.Qf2 Na5 25.ba5 and White is slightly better; 22...Re8 23.e4 Bc4 24.Nc4 Nc4 25.Rc4 bc4 26.Qc4 and White is slightly better; 22...Bc4 23.Nc4 (23.f4 c6; 23.Qd1 Nd3 24.Nc4 bc4 25.Rc4 Nb2 26.Qc2 Nc4 27.Qc4) Nc4 24.Rc4 (24.f4 Nd5) bc4 25.Qc4 (and White is slightly better) c6 26.Bh3 Re8 27.e4] **23.Nc4 Bc4 24.Qf2!** [and White is superior; 24.Rc4 bc4 25.Qc4 see 22...Bc4] **Re8 25.e4 c6 26.Rd1 Rd7 27.Rd7** [27.Bh3 Be6 28.Be6 fe6 29.Rd7 Nd7 30.Qd4 Nf8 31.Rd1 Qb7 32.Qd6 Ng6 and White is slightly better] **Nd7 28.Rd1 Qb7** [28...Ne5 29.f4 Bb3 30.Rb1 Nd3 31.Qd4 Bc2 32.Rf1 and White is superior] **29.Rd6** [29.Qd4 and White is superior] **f6 30.f4** [better is 30.Qd4 Ne5 (30...Nf8 31.Qc5 f5 32.Qc6 and White is winning) 31.f4 Nf7 (31...c5 32.bc5) 32.Rd7 and White is superior] **Re6 31.Rd2** [31.e5 Rd6 32.ed6 Qc8 33.Bc7! (33.Qe3 Nf8 34.Qc5 Qe6) Bd5 34.Bd5 cd5 35.Qf3 Qa8 36.Qe3 Qf8 37.Qe6 Qf7 38.f5 d4 and White is slightly better; 31.Re6 Be6 32.Qd4 Nf8] **Re7 32.Qd4 Nf8 33.Qd8 Rd7** [33...Bf7 34.Rd6 Re6 (34...Rd7 35.Rd7 Qd7 36.Qd7 Nd7 37.Bh3 Be8 38.Bc7 Kf7 39.Kf2 and White is superior) 35.Re6 Be6 36.Bc7 Qc8 37.Qc8 Bc8 38.Kf2 Ne6 39.Bb6 and White is superior; 33...Kf7!? with the idea 34.e5 Ne6] **34.Rd7 Qd7 35.Qd7 Nd7** [NB 9/d] **36.e5!** [36.Bh3 Nf8 37.Bc8 Bd3 38.e5 fe5 39.fe5 Kf7 40.Kf2 Ne6 41.Ke3 Bc4 42.Ba6 Ke7 43.Bc8 Bd5 and White is slightly better] **fe5** [36...Bd5 37.Bh3 (37.e6 Be6 38.Bc6 Nb8 39.Bb7 Bd7! 40.Bd5 Kf8 41.Bc7 Nc6 42.Bb6 and White is superior) Nf8 38.ef6 gf6 39.Bc8 and White is superior] **37.Bc6 Nf6** [37...Nb8 38.Bb7 ef4 39.Bc7 Nd7 40.Bf4 and White is winning] **38.Bb7** [38.fe5? Bd5 equal] **ef4** [38...e4 39.Bb6! Nd5 40.Bd4 e3 41.Ba6 Kf7 42.Kg2 (42.Bc8) h5 43.Kf3 e2 44.Kf2 g6 45.Ke1 and White is

winning] **39.gf4 Nd5 40.Kf2!** [40.Ba6 Nf4 41.Kf2 (41.a4 Ne2 42.Kf2 Nc3 43.ab5 Nb5 equal) Nd5 and White is slightly better] **Nf4?** [40...Bb3! 41.Ba6 Ba4 42.Kf3 (42.Bb7 Nf4 43.Ke3 g5) Nc3 43.Ke3 Nb1 44.Kd4 Na3 45.Kc5 Kf7 and White is superior] **41.Ke3** (and White is winning) **g5** [41...Ne2 42.Kd2! (42.Ba6 Nc3 43.Kd4 Na4 and White is superior) Kf7 (42...Nf4 43.Ba6 Nd5 44.a4) 43.Ba6 Nd4 44.Bb6! Nf3 45.Kc3 Nh2 46.a4 Ng4 (46...Ke6 47.a5; 46...h5 47.Bb7 and White is winning) 47.a5 Nf6 48.Kd4 and White is winning] **42.Ba6 Kf7** [42...Ne2 43.Kd2 g4 44.a4 g3 45.hg3 Ng3 46.Bc7 Ne4 47.Kc2 Kf7 48.a5 Nf6 49.Bc8 and White is winning] **43.a4 Ke7** [43...Ke6 44.Bb5 Bb5 45.ab5 Kd5 46.Bc7 Ne6 47.b6 Kc6 48.Ke4 and White is winning] **44.Bb5 Bb5 45.ab5 Kd7** [NB 4/b] **46.Ke4 Ne2** [46...Nh3 47.Kf5 h5 48.Kg6 h4 49.Kf5 Ng1 50.Bb6 Nf3 51.h3 and White is winning] **47.Bb6 g4** [47...Nc3 48.Kf5] **48.Bf2 Nc3 49.Kf5 Nb5 50.Kg4 Ke6** [50...Nd6 51.Bg3 Ne4 52.Kf5 Nc3 53.Kg5 (and White is winning) Nd5 54.Be1] **51.Kg5 Kf7 52.Kf5 Ke7** [52...Nc3 53.Be5 Nb5 54.Ke5 Na3 55.Kd6 h5 56.Kc6 and White is winning] **53.Be5** [53...Kd7 54.Kf6; 53... Kf7 54.Ke5] **1-0** [Kramnik]

3.Sutovsky 2637 – Sakaev 2633 Dresden 2007 — 99/211 [C43]

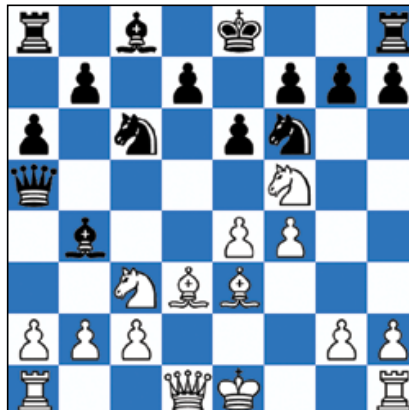
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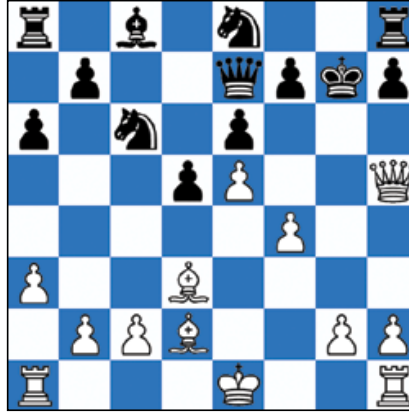
12.Bb5! [a novelty; 12.0-0] **c6 13.Ba6!! Bg4** [13...g6 a) 14.Qe2?! Bg5 15.0-0! Qc7! (15...Be7 16.Rb7 Qb7 17.Rb1 Qa6 18.Qa6 Kd7 19.Rb7 Ke8 20.Qa7 and White is winning) 16.Rb7 Qb7 17.Rb1 Qa6 18.Qa6 Kd7 19.Qa7 (19.Rb7 Ke8) Ke8 20.Qc5 Be7 21.Qc6 Kf8 unclear; b) 14.Bb7 Qb7 15.Rb7 gh5 16.Re7 and White is superior] **14.Qf7!** [14.Rb7? Bh5 15.Rb4 Kc7 16.Rb7 Kc8 equal; 14.Bb7? Kc7 15.Qh4 Bg5 16.Qg5 Rb8 17.Qf4! Qf5 18.Qb4 Qe5 19.Kd2 Rhe8 20.Qg4 h5! 21.Qg3 (21.Qb4 Qg5 22.Kd3 Qf5 23.Kd2 Qf2 with attack) Rb7 22.Qe5 Re5 23.Rb7 Kb7 24.Rb1 Kc7 equal] **Bg5 15.Rb7 Qf7 16.Rf7 Kb8 17.0-0 Be8** (only move) **18.Rb1 Ka8 19.Bc8 Rc8 20.Rbb7 Rce8 21.Ra7 Kb8 22.Rfb7 Kc8 23.Rg7 Kb8 24.g3! Bd2** [24...Re5 25.f4 Re1 26.Kf2 and White is winning] **25.Rgb7 Kc8 26.Rc7 Kb8 27.Rcb7** time [27.Rab7 Ka8 28.f4 Bc3 29.Rh7 and White is winning] **Kc8 28.Rf7 Kb8 29.Rab7 Ka8 30.Ra7 Kb8 31.Rab7 Ka8 32.Rbc7?! [32.f4 Bc3 33.Rh7 and White is winning] Bc3 33.f4 Bd4 34.Kg2 Rc8?** time [34...h5! and White is superior] **35.Rh7 Rh7 36.Rc8** [36.Rh7 Rb8 37.e6 and White is winning] **Kb7 37.Rg8 Kb6! 38.h4 Ra7! 39.e6** [39.h5 Ra2 40.h6 Rc2 41.Kh3 Rc1 with counterplay] **Kc5 40.Rd8! Bf6 41.Rd7 Ra2** [41...Rd7 42.ed7 Kd6 43.a4! Kd7 44.a5 c5 45.h5 and White is winning] **42.Rf7** [42.e7 Rc2 43.Kf1 Rc1 44.Ke2 Be7 45.Re7 Kd6 46.Re8 and White is winning] **Rc2 43.Kf3 Bd4 44.f5 Rf2** [44...Rc3 45.Kg4 Bf2 46.h5 Rg3 47.Kf4 Rg1 48.e7 Re1 49.f6 Bd4 50.Kf5 Kd6 51.h6 and White is winning] **45.Kg4 Re2 46.h5 Kd6 47.h6 c5 48.h7 Rh2 49.Kg5 c4 50.e7 Kd7 51.f6 c3 52.Rf8 Bf6 53.Kf6 Rh6 54.Ke5 Re6 55.Kd4 1-0** [Sutovsky]

4.Motylev 2647 – Ch.Lutz 2580 Deutschland 2007 — 99/113 [B46]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.f4 Bb4 8.Bd3 Qb6 9.Nf5! Qa5



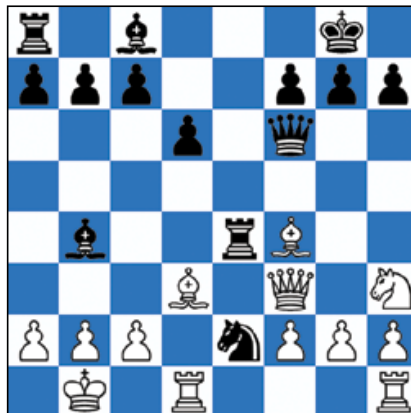
10.Ng7! [a novelty; 10.Ng3] **Kf8 11.Bd2! Kg7 12.a3 Be7** [12...Bf8? 13.Nd5 Qd8 14.Bc3 and White is winning] **13.Nd5 Qd8 14.Ne7 Qe7** [14...Ne7 15.e5 Ne8 (15...Nfd5 16.c4) a) 16.Qg4!? Ng6 17.0-0-0 f5 (17...Qh4 18.Qf3 see 16.Qh5) 18.ef6 Nf6 19.Qg3 d6 20.Bc3 with initiative; b) 16.Qh5 Ng6 17.0-0-0 f5 (17...Qh4 18.Qf3 with attack) 18.g4 Qh4 19.Qh4 Nh4 20.gf5 ef5 (20...Nf5 21.Bf5 ef5 22.Bc3 and White is winning) 21.Rhg1 with attack; 20...Kf7! unclear; 18.h4 with attack] **15.e5 Ne8 16.Qh5! d5** [16...f5 17.g4! Qf7 18.Qh3 fg4 19.Qg4 Kf8 20.0-0-0; 16...d6 17.ed6! see 16...d5; 16...f6 17.Bc3 d5 18.ed6 Nd6 see 16...d5]



17.g4?! [17.0-0-0? f5! 18.g4 Qf7 a) 19.Qg5 Qg6 20.Qh4 Qh6 21.Qg3 Rg8? 22.gf5 Kh8 23.f6!! Nf6 (23...Rg3 24.hg3 and White is winning) 24.ef6! Rg3 25.hg3 Qf6 26.Rh7 Kg8 27.Rdh1 with the idea R1h6 and White is winning; 21...Kf7! unclear; b) 19.Qh4 Rg8 20.Rdg1 Kh8 and Black is slightly better; 17.f5? ef5; 17.ed6! Nd6 (17...Qd6 18.Bc3 f6 19.0-0-0 Qd5 20.Qg4 Kf8 21.Qh4 and White is winning) 18.Bc3 f6 (18...e5 19.fe5 f6 20.0-0!) 19.g4!! (19.Qg5 Kf7 20.Qh5 Kg7) e5 (19...Nb5 20.Bb5 ab5 21.g5 e5 22.gf6 and White is winning) 20.g5!! a) 20...ef4 21.Kd1 and White is winning; b) 20...fg5 21.fe5 (21.Rg1) Ne5 22.0-0! Bg4 (only move) 23.Qg4 and White is winning; c) 20...f5 21.Qh6 (21.fe5) Kg8 22.Rg1 and White is winning; d) 20...Nf7 21.0-0-0 (21.gf6 Qf6 22.fe5 Re8 23.Rg1 Kf8 24.0-0-0 Qh6 25.Qh6 Nh6 26.Rdf1 Nf7 27.Bh7 Be6 28.Rf6 Ke7 29.Rg7 Rf8 30.h4 and White is superior) f5 (21...fg5 22.Rhg1 g4 23.Rdf1 with attack) 22.Rhg1 and White is superior] **Kg8!** [17...b5 18.0-0-0 b4 19.f5!; 18...Kg8 see 17...Kg8; 17...Bd7!? 18.0-0-0 f6 19.Rde1 with compensation] **18.0-0-0 h6** [18...b5!? a) 19.Kb1!? b4 20.f5 f6 (20...ba3 21.f6 Qb7 22.b3 a2 23.Kb2 Qb6 24.Rhe1 and White is winning) 21.ef6 (21.g5 fe5 22.f6 Qf7 23.Qh6) Nf6 22.Qg5 Qg7 23.Qh4 h6 24.ab4 with compensation; b) 19.f5 Ne5 20.Bc3 Nd3 (20...d4 21.Bd4 Nd3 22.Rd3 e5 23.Re1 f6 24.g5 with attack) 21.Rd3 e5 22.Rd5 f6 23.Rhd1 Qf7 24.Qh6 with compensation] **19.Rde1** [19.Rhg1 Ng7 20.Qh3 Bd7 21.Rde1 f6 22.ef6 Qf6 23.Qg3 with compensation] **Bd7** [19...b5 20.Rhg1! (20.Kb1!? b4 21.a4 b3; 20.f5 Ng7 21.Qh3 ef5 22.gf5 Ne5 23.Rhg1 f6 24.Bc3 Ra7 unclear) b4 21.a4 Ng7 (21...b3 22.g5 and White is superior) 22.Qh3 b3 23.f5 with attack] **20.Qh3** [20.Rhg1 Ng7 21.Qh3 f6 22.ef6 Qf6 23.Qg3 with compensation] **Ng7** [20...b5?! 21.f5! b4 22.f6 and White is superior (22.a4?! b3) ba3? 23.fe7 a2 24.Bh7 Rh7 25.Qa3 and White is winning; 20...f6!? (E. Gleizerov) 21.Kb1 with compensation; 21.Qg3 with compensation] **21.Qg2 Re8** [21...f6 22.ef6 Qf6 23.h4 with compensation; 23.Rhf1 with compensation] **22.Kb1!** [22.f5? ef5 23.gf5 Ne5] **f5!** [22...f6 23.ef6] **23.ef6** [23.gf5!? ef5 24.Rhg1 Be6 25.Qh3 Kh7 26.Rg4 with compensation] **Qf6 24.h4?!** [24.Rhf1! and White is superior] **h5!** [24...Qf7 25.h5 Ne7; 25.Rhf1 with attack] **25.f5!** [25.g5? Qf7 weak point f5] **hg4** [25...ef5 26.gf5 and White is winning] **26.Bg5 Qd4?** [26...Qf7! a) 27.fe6 Be6 28.Rhf1 Qd7 29.Rf6 Re8 30.Bg6 Nd4 31.Be8 Ne8 32.Qf2 Nf6 33.Qf6 Qg7 (only move) a1) 34.Re6 Ne6 (34...Qf6 35.Rf6 g3 36.Rg6 Kf7 37.Rf6 Ke8 38.c3 equal) 35.Qe6 Qf7 36.Qg4 Kh7 and Black is slightly better; a2) 34.Qf4 Rh5 35.Bf6 Rf5 36.Qb8 Qf8 37.Qf8 Kf8 38.Bd4 Kf7 and Black is slightly better; b) 27.f6 Nh5! (27...Nf5 28.Qg4 Qh5 29.Qg2 and White is superior) 28.Qg4 e5 b1) 29.Bf5 Bf5 30.Qf5 Re8 (30...Rc7 31.Rhg1 Kf8 32.Re5 Ne5 33.Qe5 Qd7 34.Bd2) 31.Rhg1 Kf8 and Black is superior; b2) 29.Qg2 Kf8 (29...Rh7!?) 30.Rhg1 e4 31.Qd2 Be6 unclear; b3) 29.Qg1 Kf8 30.Qc5; 29...Rh7! unclear] **27.f6!** [27.fe6! a) 27...Be6 28.h5! Bf5 29.Bf5 Nf5 30.Rhf1 Rf8 31.Rf4 Qg7 32.Qg4 (32.Rg4 Kh7) Ncd4 33.c3 Qh7 34.Ka2 and White is winning; b) 27...Ne6 28.Be3 Qg7 29.h5 with attack] **Nf5!** [27...Nh5 28.Be3! Qf6 (28...Qa4 29.b3) 29.Qg4 Qg7 (29...Ng7 30.Rf1 Qe7 31.Bg5 and White is winning) 30.Qd1! and White is winning] **28.Rd1!** time **Qe5** time [28...Nd6 a) 29.Be3!? Qf6 30.Qg4 (E. Gleizerov) Kf7 (30...Qg7 31.Qf4 e5 32.Qh2 and White is winning) 31.Bg5 Qg7 32.Qf4 Nf5 33.Bf5 ef5 34.Rd5 Kg8 35.Qd6 and White is winning; b) 29.Bh7 Rh7 30.Rd4 Nd4 31.Qg4 e5 32.Qg3 b1) 32...Re8 33.Be3 Kh8 34.Bd4 Nf5 35.Be5!! (35.f7!! Ng3 36.Be5) Ng3 36.f7 Rg7 37.fe8Q Be8 38.Bg7 Kg7 39.Rg1 and White is winning; b2) 32...Nf7 33.Be3 Kh8 34.Bd4 ed4 35.Qf4 and White is superior] **29.Bf5!** [29.Qg4 Kf7 30.Rde1 Qd6 31.Bf4 Rcg8 32.Qf5 ef5 33.Bd6 Kf6 and White is slightly better] **Qf5** [29...ef5 30.Rhe1 Qd6 31.Rd5 Qc7 32.Bf4! Qf4 33.Rd7 Rh4 (33...Qc4 34.Qd2) 34.Qd5 Kh8 35.Qf7 and White is winning] **30.Rhf1 Qg6 31.f7 Kf8** [31...Kg7 32.Qg4 and White is winning] **32.Rf6 Qh7 33.Qd2! Qe4** [33...Qh5 34.Rdf1 Kg7 35.f8Q Rcf8 36.Qf2 and White is winning; 33...Kg7 34.Rdf1 Rcf8 (34...Qh5 see 33...Qh5) 35.R6f2 Qh5 36.Bf6 Kh7 37.Qd3 Qg6 38.Qg3 e5 39.h5 Qe4 40.Bh8 Kh8 41.Qh4 and White is winning] **34.Bh6** [better is 34.Rdf1! and White is winning] **Ke7 35.Qg5 Kd6 36.f8Q Rcf8 37.Bf8 Kc7 38.Bg7 Rg8 39.Rf4??** [39.Rg6 Kc8 (39...Be8 40.Be5) 40.Qg4 and White is winning] **Qh7??** [39...Rg7! 40.Qg7 Qf4 41.h5 Ne5 (41...Qe5 42.Qe5 Ne5 43.h6 equal) 42.h6 Nf7 43.h7 equal] **40.Rg4 Kc8 41.h5 e5 42.Qg6 1-0** [Motylev]

5.Nepomniachtchi 2587 – Vallejo Pons 2679 Moscow 2007 — 99/199 [C22]

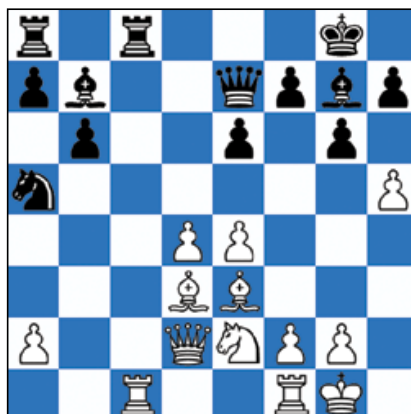
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14...Ba3!! [a novelty; 14...Rf4?! 15.Nf4 Nf4 16.Qe4 and White is slightly better] **15.ba3?!** [better is 15.Bc1 Qf3 16.gf3 and Black is superior] **Nc3** (and Black is winning) **16.Kc1 Na2 17.Kb1 Nc3 18.Kc1 Bh3! 19.Be4 Bg2!! 20.Qg2** [20.Bh7 Kh7 21.Qg2 Qf4 22.Kb2 Nd1 23.Rd1 Qe5 24.Kb3 Qb5 25.Kc3 Re8 and Black is winning] **Qf4 21.Kb2 Ne4** [21...Qe4?! 22.Qe4 Ne4 23.Rde1 and Black is superior] **22.Rd4 Qf6** [and Black is winning; better is 22...d5!? 23.Rg1 Qf6 24.c3 and Black is winning] **23.Qe4 c5 24.Re1 h5! 25.Qf4 Qd4** [25...cd4 26.Qf6 gf6 27.Re4 and Black is superior] **26.Qd4 cd4 27.Re7 b6 28.a4 g5 29.Kb3 Kg7 30.Rc7** [30.Re4 Kf6] **Re8 31.Ra7 Re2 32.Rb7 Rf2 33.Rb6 Rh2 34.a5 Re2 35.a6** [35.Rd6 Re8] **Re8 36.a7 Ra8 0-1** [Vallejo Pons]

6.M.Carlsen 2690 – Ivanchuk 2750 Morelia/Linares 2007 – 99/328 [D88]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cd5 Nd5 5.e4 Nc3 6.bc3 Bg7 7.Bc4 c5 8.Ne2 Nc6 9.Be3 0-0 10.0-0 Na5 11.Bd3 b6 12.Rc1 cd4 13.cd4 e6 14.Qd2 Bb7 15.h4 Qe7 16.h5 Rfe8



17.e5! [a novelty; 17.Bg5 see 37/525] **Rc1?** [17...Qd8 18.Bg5 a) 18...Qd5 19.f3 Nc4 (19...Qd7 20.Bf6 Rc1 21.Rc1 Rc8 22.Rc8 Qc8 23.Qg5 with attack) 20.Bc4 Rc4 21.Rc4 Qc4 22.Rc1 and White is slightly better; b) 18...Qd7 19.f3 (19.Bf6 Bf6 20.ef6 Qd5) Rc1 20.Rc1 Rc8 21.Rc8 Bc8 22.Qf4 Nc6! with counterplay, weak point d4] **18.Rc1 Rc8?! [18...Qd7 19.Bg5 Rc8 20.Rc8 Qc8 21.Bf6 Nc6 22.Bg7 Kg7 23.Be4 Ne7 and White is slightly better] 19.Rc8 Bc8 20.Bg5 Qc7? [20...Qd7! 21.Bf6 Nc6 22.Bg7 Kg7 23.Qf4 Qd8 and White is slightly better] 21.Bf6 [21.Nc3 Bb7 22.Nb5 Qd7 23.Nd6 and White is superior] Nc6 [21...Bf6 22.ef6 Qd8 23.Qg5 h6 (23...Nc6 24.hg6 fg6 25.Bg6!) 24.Qh6 Qf6 25.hg6 and White is winning; 21...Bf8 22.Qg5 with attack] 22.Qg5 [22.Bg7 Kg7 23.h6 Kg8 24.Qc3 Bb7 25.Be4 Qd7 26.Qf3! and White is superior, zugzwang] h6 [22...Nb4 23.Bg7 Kg7 24.Qf6 Kf8 25.Bg6! hg6 26.h6 and White is winning] 23.Qc1 g5 [23...Qd7 24.hg6 fg6 25.Nf4 Nd4 26.Ng6 Kf7 27.Ne7 and White is winning] 24.Bb5 Bd7 25.d5! ed5 26.Nd4 (and White is winning) Bf6 27.ef6 Qd6 28.Bc6 Qf6 29.Bd7 Qd4 30.g3 Qc5 31.Qc5 bc5 32.Bc6 d4 33.Bb5 Kf8 34.f4 gf4 35.gf4 1-0 [Ivanchuk, Sulypa]**

7.Kramnik 2766 – Ivanchuk 2750 Monaco (rapid) 2007 – 99/10 [A17]

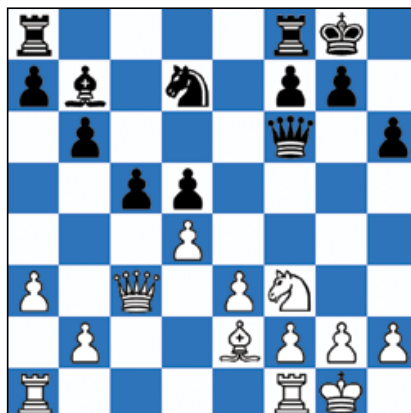
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11...b5!? [a novelty; 11...b6] **12.cb5** [12.Bg2 bc4 13.Qc4 Be6 14.Qc2 Na6 15.Bc3 Nd5 with initiative] **Bd7** [12...Nd5 13.Qb3 Bb7 14.e4 Nf6 15.d3 Qd7 (15...d5 16.Be2 de4 17.de4 Ne4 18.0-0! and White is slightly better) 16.Qc4 c6 17.bc6 Nc6 with compensation] **13.e3** [13.d4 e4 14.Nd2 a) 14...Bb5 15.d5 e3 (15...Re8 16.Bg2 e3 17.fe3 Nbd7 18.0-0 Be2 19.Rc1 and White is slightly better) a1) 16.Qe3 Nd5 17.Qd4 Nf6 (17...Qf6 18.Qf6 Nf6 19.e4 Bf1 20.Kf1 Nc6 21.b5 Na7 22.b6 cb6 23.Bf6 gf6 24.Kg2 Rb8 25.Nc4 Nc8 26.Rb1 b5 27.Kf3 equal) 18.Ne4 Nbd7 19.Bg2 Re8 20.0-0 Be2 21.Re1 (21.Rc1 with compensation) Ba6 22.h3 with compensation; a2) 16.fe3 Nbd7 17.Bg2 Ne5 18.Nf3 Nd5 19.Qd4 Nf3 20.Bf3 Nf6 21.Kf2 and White is slightly better; b) 14...d5 15.e3 Qc8 b1) 16.h3 Qb7 17.Qe5 c6 with counterplay; b2) 16.Qc5 Bh3 (16...Bg4 17.h3!) 17.Bh3 (17.Qa7 Bf1 18.Kf1 Qh3 19.Ke2) Qh3 18.Qc7 Rc8 (18...Ng4!?) 19.Qb7 Rc1 20.Ke2 Qg4 21.f3 ef3 22.Nf3 Rc2 23.Kd1 Qf5 24.Ne1 Rc8 and Black is superior; b3) 16.Bb2!? Qb7! (16...Bh3 17.Bh3 Qh3 18.Qc7 Qg2 19.Rf1 Ng4 20.Ke2 Nh2 21.Rc1 Ng4 22.Qf4 f5 23.Rf1 and White is slightly better) 17.Qc5 c6 18.b6 Bf5 with counterplay] **Qc8 14.Be2 Qb7 15.d3** [15.0-0? Bg4 16.Kg2 Ne4 with attack] **Bb5 16.0-0 Nc6 17.Rb1?** [17.Nd2 Ne7 18.Rc1 Ra8 19.Bf3 Nf5 20.Qb3 Ba4 21.Qc4 Ra6 22.d4 Rc6 23.Qf1 Rc1 24.Qc1 ed4 25.Bd4 Qb4 and Black is slightly better] **Qa6! 18.Qb3** [18.Bb2 Nd5 19.Qd2 Ndb4 20.Ra1 Qb7 21.Ne1 Ra8 and Black is superior; 18.Nd2 Nd5 19.Qb3 Ndb4 and Black is superior] **Ra8** (and Black is superior) **19.Nd2 Qa2 20.Bc3 Qb3 21.Rb3 Ra2 22.Bf1?** [22.Rb2 Rb2 23.Bb2 Nb4 and Black is superior] **Nd5 23.Bg2 Nce7 24.Bb2 Ba4 25.Ra3 Rb2 26.Ra4 Nb6** (and Black is winning) **27.Ra7 Rd2 28.Rc7 Kf8 29.Rb7 Rd1 30.Bf1 Nec8 31.b5 Ra1 32.Rc7 g6 33.h4 Rb1 34.d4 ed4 35.ed4 Ne7 36.Kg2 h5 37.Rb7 Nbd5 38.Rb8 Kg7 39.Rd8 Rb2 40.Kg1 Nf5 41.Bc4 Rb1 42.Kh2 Nf6 43.f3 Rb2 44.Kh3 Nd4 0-1 [Ivanchuk]**

8.Ivanchuk 2750 – Aronian 2744 Morelia/Linares 2007 — 99/289 [D38]

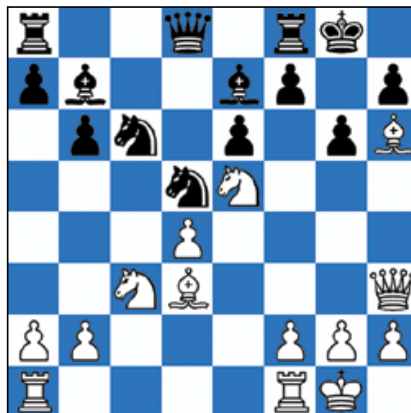
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14.Rfc1! [a novelty; with the idea dc5, b4, with initiative, file a; 14.b3 see 79/392] **Rac8** [14...c4 15.b3 b5 16.a4 with initiative (file a) a6 17.Ne5 and White is slightly better] **15.dc5 Qc3** [15...bc5 16.Qf6 (16.Bb5!?) Nf6 17.b4 c4 18.Nd4 and White is slightly better] **16.Rc3 Rc5 17.Rcc1!** [17.Rac1 Rfe8 18.Rc5 Rc5 19.Rc5 bc5 equal] **Rfe8 18.Rd1** (and White is slightly better) **Rc2** [18...Kf8 19.Nd4 Ne5 20.Kf1 and White is slightly better; 18...Nf8 19.Nd4 Ne6 20.Bg4 and White is slightly better] **19.Bb5 Nf8** [19...Nc5 20.Rab1 Ne4 21.Bd3 R2c5 22.Nd4 and White is slightly better] **20.Rab1 R2c7 21.Ba4!** [with the idea Bb3 with attack, weak point d5] **Ne6 22.Bb3 Kf8 23.h3** [23.Bd5 Bd5 24.Rd5 Rc1 25.Rd1 Rd1 26.Rd1 Rc2 27.Rb1 Ke7 with compensation] **Rc5 24.Kh2 Ke7 25.Rd2 Rb5** [25...f5!? 26.Kg3 g5 27.Nd4 Kf6 28.h4 and White is slightly better] **26.Ba2 Rbc5 27.Ne1! a5 28.Rbd1 Rd8** [28...Rb5 29.Nd3 Nc5 30.Nf4 Ne4 31.Nd5 Bd5 32.Rd5 Rb2 33.Rd7 Kf6 34.Rf7 Kg6 and White is slightly better; 29.e4!] **29.Kg3 Rb5?** [29...g5] **30.f3! Rc8** [30...Kf6 31.e4! d4 (31...g5 32.ed5 Nf4 33.d6 and White is superior) 32.Bc4 Rg5 33.Kf2 and White is superior] **31.Nd3** [31.e4 Nc5 32.ed5 Kd6 33.Bc4 Ne4 34.fe4 Rc4 35.e5 Kd7 and White is superior] **d4** [31...Nc5 32.Nf4 and White is superior; 31...a4 32.Nb4 Ne7 33.Rc1 Rc5 34.Rc5 bc5 35.Nd5 Bd5 36.Bd5 Nd5 37.Rd5 and White is superior; 33.e4 and White is superior] **32.Be6 Ke6** [better is 32...fe6 33.ed4 Rg5 34.Kf2 Rd5 35.Ne5 Rdd8 and White is superior] **33.Nf4 Ke7 34.Rd4 Rc7 35.R1d2 Rbc5 36.e4 Rc4** [36...Rc2!?] **37.Rd6 R4c6 38.e5! Rc2** [38...Rc5 39.e6! fe6 40.Re6 Kf7 41.Rb6 and White is winning] **39.Rc2 Rc2 40.Rb6** (and White is winning) **Bc6 41.b4 g5 42.Nh5 ab4 43.ab4 Bd5 44.Ng7 Re2 45.Nf5 Ke8 46.Nh6 Be6 47.Rb5 Rb2 48.Rb8 Kd7 49.Rg8 1-0 [Ivanchuk]**

9.Werle 2556 – Naiditsch 2654 Dresden 2007 — 99/361 [E14]

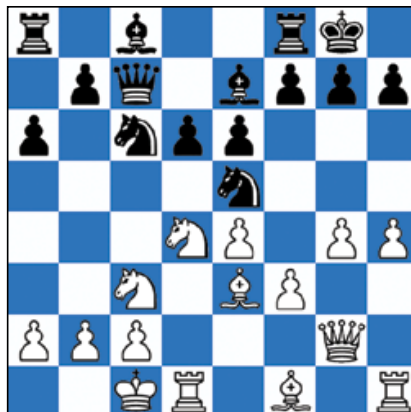
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g6 12.Qh3 Nc6 13.Bh6



13...Nd4! [a novelty; 13...Re8] **14.Bf8 Bf8 15.Nd5** [15.Rad1 Nf4 16.Qg3 Bh6 17.f3 Nd3 18.Nd3 (18.Rd3 Ba6 and Black is winning) Nf5 19.Qh3 Be3 20.Kh1 (20.Nf2?! Qc7 21.Nce4 Kg7 22.b3 Rc8 and Black is superior) Qe7 21.Rfe1 Rd8] **Qd5 16.Rfe1 Bb4! 17.Be4** [17.Re3 Rf8 (17...Rd8? 18.Nf7 and White is superior) 18.Be4 Qc5 19.Rd1 Nf5 20.Re2 Nd4 21.Re3 equal] **Qe5 18.Bb7 Be1 19.Ba8 Ne2! 20.Kh1** [20.Kf1 Qb5 a) 21.Ke1 Nd4 22.Qg4 (22.Kd2 Qb2 23.Kd3 Qa1 and Black is winning) Qb2 23.Rd1 (23.Qd1 Nc2 and Black is winning) Qb4 24.Kf1 Qc4 25.Kg1 Ne2 and Black is winning; b) 21.Qg4 Nd4 22.Kg1 Bf2 23.Kh1 Qb2 and Black is superior] **Bf2 21.Rf1?! [21.Qf3 Bh4 22.g3 a) 22...Bg3 23.hg3 Ng3 24.Kg1 Ne2 25.Kg2! (25.Kf2? Qb2 and Black is superior; 25.Kf1 Ng3 26.Kg1 equal) Qb2 26.Re1 Nf4 27.Kh1 g5; b) 22...Bf6 23.Re1 Nd4 24.Re5 Nf3 25.Re3 Nd4 equal] Bg3!! 22.Bf3** [22.hg3?? Ng3 23.Kg1 Qd4 24.Rf2 Ne2 25.Kf1 Qd1 mate] **Bh2 23.Be2 Qe2 24.Qf3 Qf3 25.Rf3 Bd6** (and Black is superior) **26.Kg1** [26.Rd3 Be5 27.g4 Kg7 28.Kg2 a5 and Black is superior] **Bc5 27.Kf1 h5 28.Ke2 Kg7 29.Kd3 f5 30.Kc4 a5 31.a3 g5 32.b4 ab4 33.ab4 g4** (and Black is winning) **34.Rf1 Be7 35.Kb5 h4 36.Rb1 f4 37.Kb6 f3 38.gf3 g3 39.Kc6 g2 40.b5 Bd8 0-1** [Naiditsch]

10.Th.Luther 2580 – And.Sokolov 2585 Deutschland 2007 — 99/156 [B80]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Qd2 Be7 8.f3 0-0 9.g4 a6 10.0-0-0 Nd7 11.h4
Nde5 12.Qg2 Qc7



13.Nf5! [a novelty; 13.g5 see 52/216] **b5** [13...ef5 14.gf5 (14.Nd5 Qa5 15.gf5 Qa2 16.f6 Bf6 17.Nf6 Kh8 and Black is superior) Kh8 15.Nd5 with compensation] **14.f4 Nc4** [14...b4 15.fe5 bc3 16.ed6 Qb7 17.Ne7 Ne7 18.b3 and White is superior] **15.Be4 bc4 16.Ne7 Ne7** [16...Qe7 17.Qe2 and White is superior] **17.f5!** [17.Kb1 Rb8 18.Ka1 d5!] **Rb8 18.f6 Nc6** [18...gf6? 19.Bh6 Qb7 20.Qf1 and White is winning] **19.fg7** [19.Qd2 Qb7 20.Bb6 gf6 with counterplay] **Rd8 20.g5** [20.Kb1 Qa5 21.Qd2 (21.Ka1 Rb2!) Qa3 22.b3 cb3 23.ab3 Ne5 with counterplay] **Qb7 21.Na4** [21.g6!? fg6 22.Na4! (22.h5 Qb2 23.Kd2 d5 24.hg6 h5 25.ed5 Nb4 with attack) Nb4 23.h5 (23.Nb6 e5 24.h5 Bf5 with counterplay) Na2 24.Kd2 (24.Kb1? Nc3!) Qb4 25.Ke2 (25.c3? Qb2!) Qa4 26.hg6 h6 27.Qf3 Rb7 28.Bh6 and White is winning] **Ne5** [21...c3 22.g6 cb2 23.Kb1 fg6 24.h5 Ne5 25.hg6 Ng6 26.Rh7 Kh7 27.Rh1 Kg8 28.Qg6 Qg7 29.Qh5 and White is superior; 21...Nb4 22.g6!] **22.Nb6?!** [22.g6? Ng6; 22.Bd4!? Bd7 (22...Qb5 23.Nc3 Qb2 24.Kd2 Bd7 25.h5 and White is superior) 23.Nc5!] **Qc6?!** [22...Qc7] **23.Nc8?!** [23.Bd4! c3 (23...Ng6 24.h5 Nf4 25.Qf3 e5 26.Nc8 Rdc8 27.Bc3 and White is superior) 24.Be5 cb2 25.Kb1 Qb6 26.g6 with attack] **Rdc8 24.Bd4** [24.Kb1 a5 25.h5 c3 26.b3 a4 27.Rd4 (27.g6 ab3 28.gh7 Kh7 29.ab3 Rb3 30.cb3 c2 31.Kc1 cd1Q 32.Kd1 Qc3 and Black is winning) ab3 28.ab3 Ra8 29.g6 Qc5! and Black is winning] **Nd3! 25.cd3?** [25.Kd2 Nb2 26.Bc3! (26.g6 c3 27.Ke1 fg6 28.h5 g5 and Black is winning) Na4 (26...Nd1 27.Rd1 e5 28.h5 with compensation) 27.Rh3 Nc3 28.Rc3 and Black is slightly better] **cd3 26.Bc3** [26.Kb1 Qc2] **Qc3 27.bc3 Rc3 28.Kd2 Rc2 29.Kd3 Rg2 30.Rb1** [30.Ke3 Ra2 31.Rd6 Rb3 32.Kf4 Kg7 and Black is winning] **Rb1 31.Rb1 Ra2 32.h5 Kg7 33.h6** [33.Rb8 h6 34.gh6 Kh6 35.Rb7 Kg7 36.h6 Kg6 37.h7 Rh2 38.Ra7 Kf6 and Black is winning] **Kg6 34.Rf1 Ra3 35.Ke2**

Ra2 36.Ke3 Ra3 37.Ke2 e5 38.Rf5 Rg3 39.Rf6 Kg5 40.Rd6 f6 41.Ra6 Rh3 42.Ra7 Rh6 43.Kf3 Rh3 44.
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