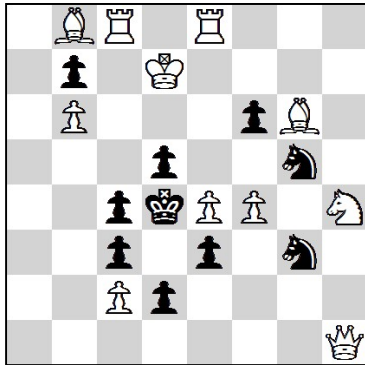


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1.



#2 11 + 10

Byron ZAPPAS  
The Problemist 1978-I, 1st Prix

1. ♖e6! (zz) [5]

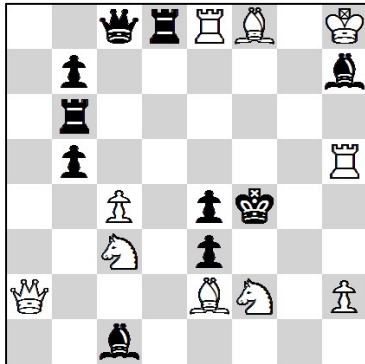
1. ♔e7? (zz) dxe4 2. ♖ed8♯; 1... ♘xh1!

1. ♖f1? (zz) dxe4 2. ♖xc4♯; 1... f5!

1. ♗f7? (zz) dxe4 2. ♖xc4♯; 1... ♘e6!

(Theme "Zappas")

2.



#3 10 + 10

Demetrios KAPRALOS, Stavros IATRIDIS  
Problem 1956

1. ♔a7! threat 2. ♔b8+ @

1. ... ♖bd6 2. ♔d4 @

1. ... ♖dd6 2. ♗h6+ @

1. ... ♖f5 2. ♖xe4+ @

1. ... ♖e6 2. ♗h6+ @

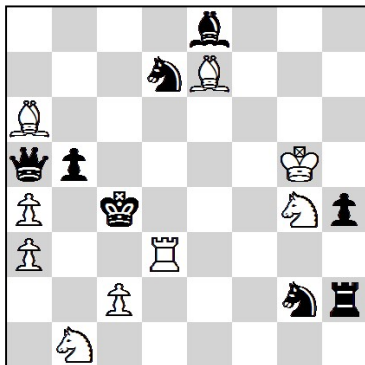
1. ... ♖d7 2. ♘d5+ @

1. ... ♗f5 2. ♘h3+ @

1. ... e×f2 2. ♗h6+ @

@	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Pts.	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	3.5	4	5

3.



#4 9 + 8

Andrei DOBUSOV  
Jub. V. Rudenko 1988, 2nd Prix

1. ♗d6! threat 2. ♔h6 threat 3. ♗xb5+ [1]

1. ... ♖h1/♖h3 2. ♘e3+ ♘xe3/♖xe3 3. ♘d2+ [1,5]

1. ... ♗g6 2. ♘e5+ ♘xe5 3. ♗xb5+ [1,5]

1. ... ♖d8+ 2. ♔h6 ♖f6+ 3. ♘xf6 [0,5]

3. ♖g5+ [0,5]

1. ♗xb5+? ♖xb5+;

1. ♘d2+? ♖xd2+;

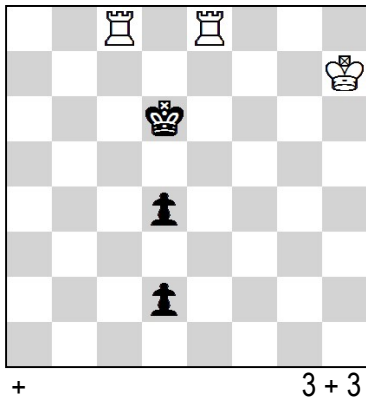
1. ♘e5+? ♘xe5 2. ♗xb5+ ♗xb5!

1. ♘e3+? ♘xe3 2. ♘d2+ ♖xd2!

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4.



David GURGENIDZE

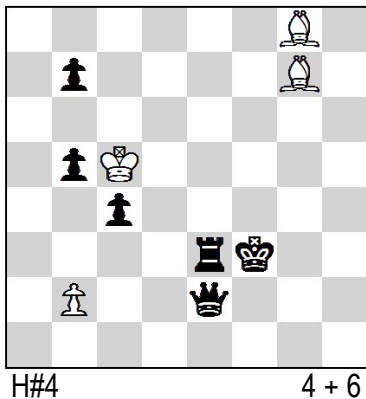
Mongolian competition 1980, 1st Hon. Mention

1. ♖cd8+ (i) [1] ♜c5 2. ♜e5+ ♜c4  
 3. ♜c8+ ♜d3 4. ♜d5 [+2] ♜e4 (ii)  
 5. ♜d7 d1=♚ 6. ♜e8+ [+1] ♜f4 (♜f~)  
 7. ♜f7+ ♜g5 (♜g~) 8. ♜g8+ ♜h5 (♜h~) 9. ♜h8 [+1]

- (i) 1. ♜ed8+? ♜e5 2. ♜c5+ ♜e4  
 3. ♜c7 d1=♚ 4. ♜e7+ ♜f5  
 5. ♜f8+ ♜g5 6. ♜g7+ ♜h5 7. ♜h8 ♜b3 = or  
 7. ♜f5+ ♜h4 8. ♜f4+ ♜h3!  
 9. ♜f6 ♜b1+ 10. ♜h8 ♜b8+ =

- (ii) 4...d1=♚ 5. ♜xd4+ ♜xd4 5. ♜d8+ ±

5.



Kostas PRENTOS

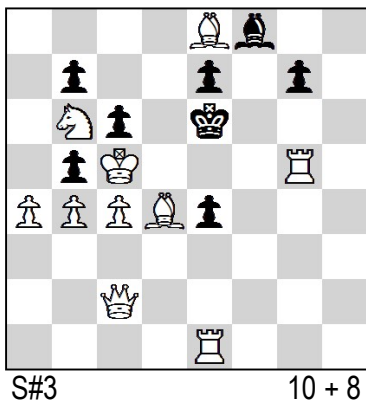
Original for the ECSC-Open 2025

- a) 1. ♜e4 ♜c3 2. ♜d3 ♜d2 3. c3 ♜a2 4. cxd2 ♜b1 † @  
 b) 1. ♜e4 ♜c7 2. ♜e3 ♜d6 3. ♜d3+ ♜d4+ 4. ♜xd4 ♜b6 † @

@	1	2
Pts.	2.5	5

- a) Diagram  
 b) ♜g8 ⇒ e5

6.



Michel CAILLAUD

Best Problems 1996-2002, 1st Prix

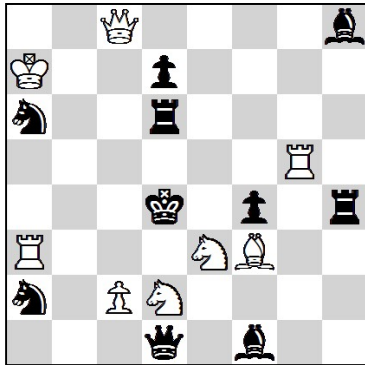
1. ♜eg1! (zz)  
 1. ... g6 2. ♜xg6+ ♜f5 3. ♜f6+ [1,25] exf6 †  
 1. ... e3 2. ♜e5+ ♜f6 3. ♜xe3+ [1,25] e5 †  
 1. ... bxa4 2. ♜h2 ~ 3. ♜d6+ [1,25] exd6 †  
 1. ... bxc4 2. ♜d7+ ♜f7 3. ♜xc4+ [1,25] e6 †

(Pickaninny)

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7.



#2 8 + 10

Demetrios KAPRALOS, 78th T.T. Probleemblad 1950, 1st Prix

(Set Play)

1... ♖e5 2. ♘f5♯ / 1... ♜xe3 2. ♘b3♯

1... ♘c3 2. ♚xc3♯ / 1... ♘c5 2. ♚xc5♯

1. ♚e8! [5]

1. ... ~ 2. ♚e4♯

1... ♖e5 2. ♚xe5♯ / 1... ♜xe3 2. ♚xe3♯

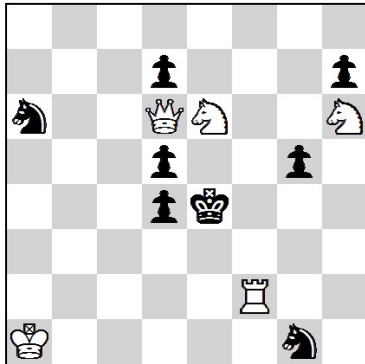
1... ♘c3 2. ♘b3♯ / 1... ♘c5 2. ♘f5♯

(Theme "Bikos")

1..... ♖d3/ ♚xc2/ ♚xf3/ ♜e6/ ♜d5

2. ♜xd3/ ♘xc2/ ♘xf3/ ♜d5/ ♜xd5 ♯

8.



#3 5 + 8

Vadar CISAR

Tyden nozhlasu 1942

1. ♚c7! (zz)

1. ... ♘g1~ 2. ♜e2+ @

1. ... d3 2. ♘xg5+ @

1. ... ♚e3 2. ♚g3+ @

1. ... ♚d3 2. ♚c2+ @

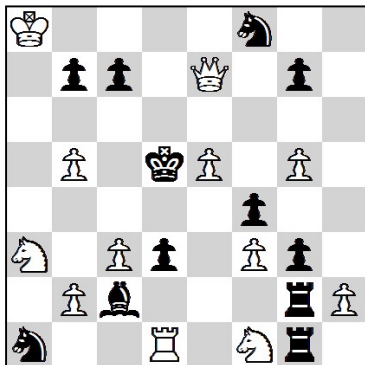
1. ... g4 2. ♚f4+ @

1. ... ♘a6~ 2. ♘c5+ @

1. ... d7~ 2. ♚xh7+ @

@	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pts.	0.7	1.4	2.1	2.8	3.5	4.2	5

9.



#5 12 + 12

Camillo GAMNITZER

Schach 1996

1.h4! threat 2. ♚f7+ ♘e6 3. ♚d7+ ♚xe5 4. ♘c4+ [1,5]

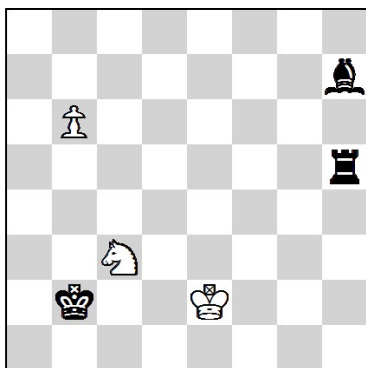
1. ... ♚c5 4.b4+ [1,5]

1. ... ♘b3 2. ♘e3+ ♜xe3 3.c4+ ♚d4 4. ♚xc7 [2]

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10.



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Alexei G. KOPNIN

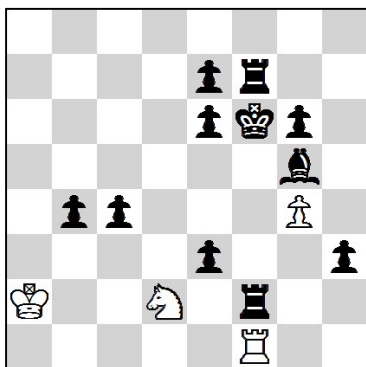
Shakhmaty v SSSR 1966, Special Hon. Mention

1. b7 ♖e5+ 2. ♕d2 (i) [1] ♜e8 3. ♘a4+ ♖a3  
 4. ♘c5 ♜b8 5. ♕c3 ♙g6 6. ♕c4 (ii) [+2] ♙e8  
 7. ♕d5 ♜d8+ 8. ♘d7 [+2] 8... ♜xd7+ 9. ♕c6=  
 or 8... ♙xd7 9. ♕d6=

(i) 2. ♕f2? ♜e8 3. ♘a4+ ♖c2  
 4. ♘c5 ♜b8 5. ♕e3 ♖c3 6. ♕f4 ♖c4 -+

(ii) 6. ♕d4? ♙h5! 7. ♕d5 ♙f3+  
 8. ♕d6 ♙xb7 9. ♕c7 ♜c8+ -+

11.



H#3 4 Solutions 4 + 11

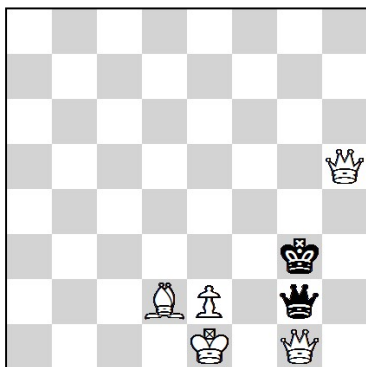
Demetrios LIAKOS

Original for the ECSC-Open 2025

1. ♜xf1 ♘xc4 2. ♜f5 ♘d6 3. ♜e5 ♘e8 † @  
 1. ♜f5 ♜f4 2. ♙h6 ♘f3 3. ♙g7 g5 † @  
 1. ♜f4 ♜xf4+ 2. ♕e5 ♜d4 3. ♙f6 ♘f3 † @  
 1. ♙f4 ♜xf2 2. ♕g5 ♜g2 3. ♕h4 ♘f3 † @

@	1	2	3	4
Pts.	1.25	2.5	3.75	5

12.



S#6 5 + 2

Pavlos MOUTECIDIS

"Vodka" Portoroz 2002, Hon. Mention

1. ♕f3+ ♖h4 2. ♕d4+ ♖g4 3. ♕h1+ ♖g3  
 4. ♕e3+ ♖f3 5. ♕eg1+ ♖g2 6. ♕h5 [5] ♖xg1 †