

SECTION F – PROBLEM 1

15+6

S#8

Selfmate in 8

(C+ - Tested with Gustav 4.1d with **Brute Force**)

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3° PRIZE on 7th International Composing Tournament FRME 2021 –
judge **MIKE PRCIC**.

Solution: **1. c8=Q+!**

1. ... Kb5 2. Qg5+

2. ... Bf5 3. a4+

3. ... bxa3 e.p. 4. e8=R [zugzwang]

4. ... a2! (4. ... h4? leads to selfmate in 7) 5. Re3! [zugzwang]

(5. O-O-O? a1=S! refutes)

5. ... h4 6. O-O-O [zugzwang]

With two variations:

6. ... hxg3 7. Rg2 [zugzwang]

7. ... a1=S 8. Rb3+ ... **Sxb3#**

7. ... a1=B 9. Rb2+ ... **Bxb2#** [model mate]

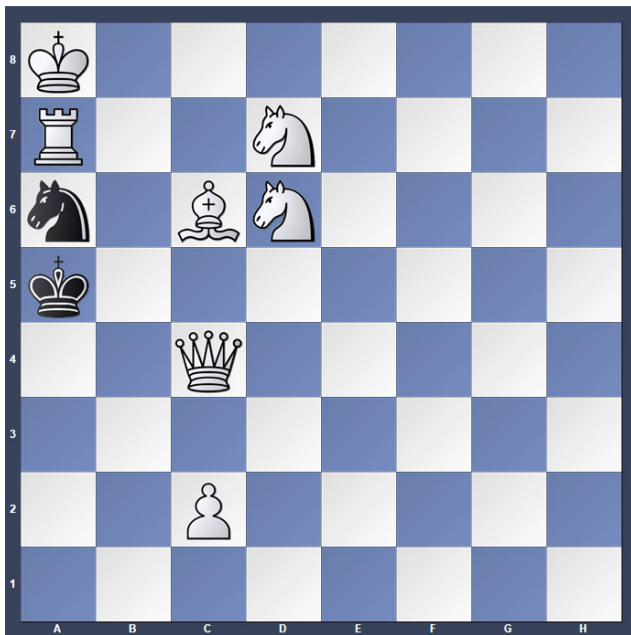
6. ... h3 7. Rh2 [zugzwang]

7. ... a1=S 8. Rb3+ ... **Sxb3#**

7. ... a1=B 9. Rb2+ ... **Bxb2#** [model mate]

Themes: Valladao Task + Bi-color AUW.

FEN: 5BQ1/1NP1P3/pNk5/P6p/1pn2P2/5PP1/P2R4/Rb2KB2



SECTION F – PROBLEM 2

7+2

S#10

Selfmate in 10

(C+ - Each twin has been tested with Gustav 4.1d with **Brute Force**)

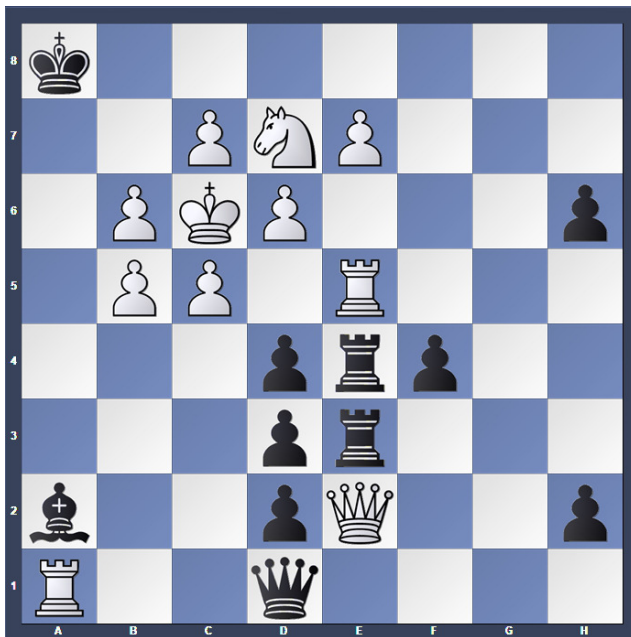
Twin position

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3° PRIZE on SACHOVA SKLADBA (2019), judge **VALERY KOPYL**.

<p>Original position (A)</p> <p>Solution: 1. Qd3! [zugzwang]</p> <p>1. ... Kb4 2. Rb7+ 2. ... Ka5 3. Qd2+ 3. ... Sb4 4. Se8 [zugzwang] 4. ... Ka6 5. Rb6+ 5. ... Ka5 6. Qg5+ 6. ... Sd5 7. Rb8 [zugzwang] 7. ... Ka6 8. Sc5+ 8. ... Ka5 9. Sb3+ 9. ... Ka6 10. Sc7+ ... Sxc7# [model mate]</p>	<p>Twin (B): Move Bishop c6 to b3.</p> <p>Solution: 1. Se5! [zugzwang]</p> <p>1. ... Kb6 2. Rb7+ 2. ... Ka5 3. Qc3+ 3. ... Sb4 4. Sc8 [zugzwang] 4. ... Ka6 5. Bc4+ 5. ... Ka5 6. Ka7 [zugzwang] 6. ... Ka4 7. Sb6+ 7. ... Ka5 8. Sa8 [zugzwang] 8. ... Ka4 9. Qb3+ 9. ... Ka5 10. Sc6+ ... Sxc6# [model mate]</p>
<p>Twin (C): Move Bishop c6 to e8.</p> <p>Solution: 1. Qc3+!</p> <p>1. ... Ka4 2. Sb7 [zugzwang] 2. ... Kb5 3. Se5+ 3. ... Kb6 4. Sc4+ 4. ... Kc7 5. Qe5+ 5. ... Kc8 6. Sbd6+ 6. ... Kd8 7. Sf7+ 7. ... Kc8 8. Qb8+ 8. ... Sxb8 9. Bd7+ 9. ... Sxd7 10. Sb6+ ... Sxb6# [model mate]</p>	

FEN: K7/R2N4/n1BN4/k7/2Q5/8/2P5/8



SECTION F – PROBLEM 3

Selfmate in 6

(C+ - Tested with Gustav 4.1d with **Brute Force**)

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1° HONORABLE MENTION on 7th International Composing Tournament FRME 2021 – section Selfmates – judge **MIKE PRCIC**.

Solution: **1. Rg5!** [threat 2. e8=Q+ Rxe8 3. c8=Q+ Rxc8#]

First variation

1. ... h1=Q 2. Qg2 [threat 3. e8=Q+ Rxe8 4. c8=Q+ Rxc8#]

[2. e8=Q+? Rxe8+! **[Refutes]**]

2. ... Qf3 3. Qxf3! [threat 4. e8=Q+ Rxe8 5. c8=Q+ Rxc8#]

[3. e8=Q+? Rxe8+! **[Refutes]**]

[3. Rd5? Qh4! 4. e8=Q+ Qd8! **[Refutes]**]

3. ... Qxf3 4. Rg2! [threat 5. e8=Q+ Rxe8 6. c8=Q+ Rxc8#]

[4. e8=Q+? Rxe8+! **[Refutes]**]

[4. Rd5? Rxe7! **[Refutes]**]

[4. Rg4? 4. Rg6? 4. Rg7? Qh1!

[Refutes]]

4. ... Qh5 5. e8=Q+

5. ... Qxe8 6. c8=Q+ ... Qxc8#

5. ... Rxe8 6. c8=Q+ ... Rxc8#

3. ... Rxe7 4. Rg8+

4. ... Re8 5. Rxe8+

5. ... Rxe8 6. c8=Q+ ... Rxc8#

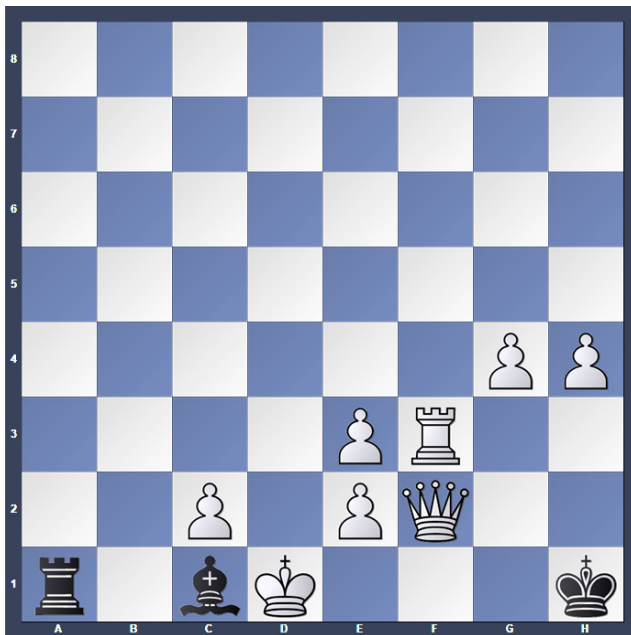
Second variation

1. ... h1=B 2. Qg2 [threat 3. e8=Q+ Rxe8 4. c8=Q+ Rxc8#]

[2. e8=Q+? Rxe8+! [Refutes]]

<p>2. ... Qf3 3. Rd5! [threat 4. e8=Q+ Rxe8 5. c8=Q+ Rxc8#]</p> <p>[3. e8=Q+? Rxe8+! [Refutes]] [3. Qxf3? Bxf3! 4. Rg2 Bh5! 5. e8=Q+ Bxe8! [Refutes]]</p> <p>3. ... Rxe7 4. Qg8+ 4. ... Re8 5. Qxe8+ 5. ... Rxe8 6. c8=Q+ ... Rxc8#</p>	<p>2. ... Bxg2 3. Rxc2 [threat 4. e8=Q+ Rxe8 5. c8=Q+ Rxc8#]</p> <p>[3. Rd5? Rxe7! [Refutes]]</p> <p>3. ... Rxe7 4. Rg8+ 4. ... Re8 5. Rxe8+ 5. ... Rxe8 6. c8=Q+ ... Rxc8#</p>
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FEN: k7/2PNP3/1PKP3p/1PP1R3/3prp2/3pr3/b2pQ2p/R2q4



SECTION F – PROBLEM 4

8+3

S#15

Selfmate in 15

(C+ - Tested with Gustav 4.1d with **Brute Force**)

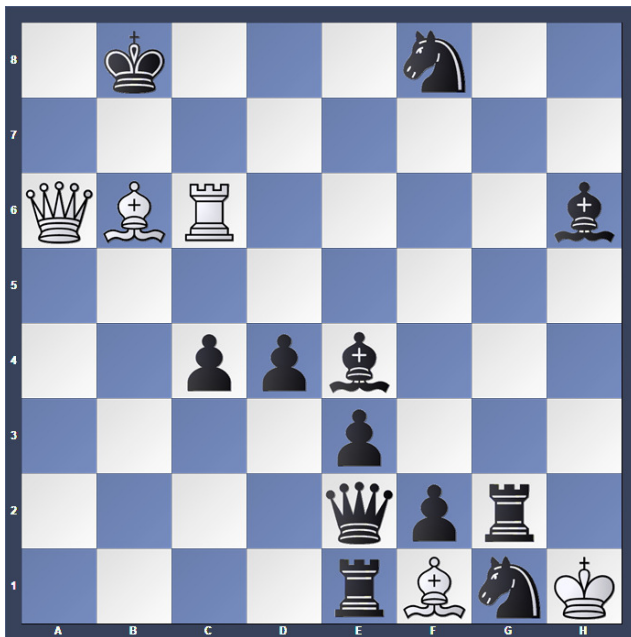
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4° PRIZE on **YVES TALLEC MEMORIAL TOURNEY (2020)**, judge **MICHEL CAILLAUD**.

Solution: **1. Qf1+!**

1. ... Kh2 2. Qh3+
2. ... Kg1 3. Rg3+
3. ... Kf2 4. Rg2+
4. ... Kf1 5. Rh2+
5. ... Kg1 6. Qg3+
6. ... Kf1 7. Qf3+
7. ... Kg1 8. Rg2+
8. ... Kh1 9. Rf2+
9. ... Kg1 10. Rf1+
10. ... Kh2 11. Qh1+
11. ... Kg3 12. Rg1+
12. ... Kf2 13. Qh2+
13. ... Kxe3 14. Qe5+
14. ... Kf2 15. Qc5+ ... **Be3#**

FEN: 8/8/8/6PP/4PR2/2P1PQ2/r1bK3k



SECTION F – PROBLEM 5

5+12

S#19

Selfmate in 19

(C+ - Tested with Gustav 4.1d with **Brute Force**)

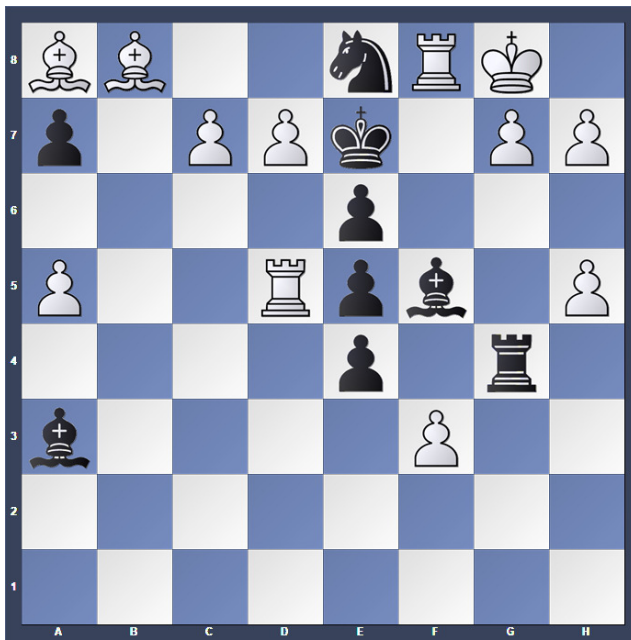
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2° HONORABLE MENTION on 7th International Composing Tournament FRME 2021 – section Selfmates – judge **MIKE PRCIC**.

Solution: **1. Ba7+!**

1. ... Ka8
2. Bxd4+
2. ... Kb8
3. Qb6+!
3. ... Ka8
4. Qd8+
4. ... Kb7
5. Rb6+
5. ... Ka7
6. Rxh6+
6. ... Kb7
7. Rb6+
7. ... Ka7
8. Rc6+
8. ... Kb7
9. Qb6+
9. ... Ka8
10. Qa6+
10. ... Qb8
11. Ba7+
11. ... Ka8
12. Bxe3+
12. ... Kb8
13. Ba7+
13. ... Ka8
14. Bxf2+
14. ... Kb8
15. Ba7+
15. ... Ka8
16. Bxg1+
16. ... Kb8
17. Ba7+
17. ... Ka8
18. Bf2+
18. ... Kb8
19. Bg3+ ... **Rxg3#**

FEN: 1k3n2/8/QBR4b/8/2ppb3/4p3/4qpr1/4rBnK



SECTION F – PROBLEM 6

12+9

S#29

Selfmate in 29

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**COMMENDATION ex aequo on 6° ROYAL MOROCCAN CHESS
FEDERATION TOURNEY 2020, section S#4-N, judge VALERY KOPYL.**

Solution: **1. c8=S+!**

1. ... Kd8 2. Bc7+
2. ... Kxc7 3. d8=Q+
3. ... Kb8 4. Rb5+
4. ... Kxa8 5. Sxa7+
5. ... Kxa7 6. Qb6+
6. ... Ka8 7. Qc6+
7. ... Ka7 8. Rb7+
8. ... Ka8 9. Rb6+
9. ... Ka7 10. Ra6+
10. ... Kb8 11. Qb6+
11. ... Kc8 12. Rxe8+
12. ... Kd7 13. Qb5+
13. ... Kc7 14. Rc6+
14. ... Kd7 15. Rxe6+
15. ... Kc7 16. Rc6+
16. ... Kd7 17. Rcc8+
17. ... Kd6 18. Qxe5+
18. ... Kd7 19. Qxf5+
19. ... Kd6 20. Qe5+
20. ... Kd7 21. Qd5+
21. ... Bd6 22. fxg4 [zugzwang]
22. ... e3 23. Kh8 [zugzwang]
23. ... e2 24. g8=B [threat 25. Red8+ Ke7 26. Qe5+ Bxe5#]
24. ... e1=R! 25. Qf5+
25. ... Re6 26. Red8+
26. ... Ke7 27. Qg5+
27. ... Rf6 28. Qg7+
28. ... Rf7 29. Qe5+ ... **Bxe5#**

FEN: BB2nRK1/p1PPk1PP/4p3/P2Rpb1P/4p1r1/b4P2/8/8