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21 SELFMATES FOR SELECTION INTO THE FIDE ALBUM 2019 – 2021

F01	2019	s#8	Problemist Ukrainy 1st Prize (& Jenkner)
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F03	2019	s#8	Mikhail Marandyuk 70 2nd Prize (& Jenkner)
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F11	2020	s#18	Mykhailo Myshko MT 1st Prize (& Soroka)
F12	2020	s#12	The 6 th FRME Tourney 4th Prize
F13	2020	s#7	Mykhailo Myshko MT 2nd Hon. Mention (& Soroka)
F14	2020	s#6	Polish Chess Federation 2nd Prize (& Soroka)
F15	2020	s#10	The Problemist 1st Prize
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F17	2020	s#19	StrateGems 2nd Prize
F18	2021	s#5	Polish Chess Federation (not awarded)
F19	2021	s#12	The 7 th FRME Tourney 1st Prize
F20	2021	s#3	Leopold Szwedowski MT 1st-2nd Prize
F21	2021	s#7	Aleksandr Azhusin 70 1st Commend (& Jenkner)

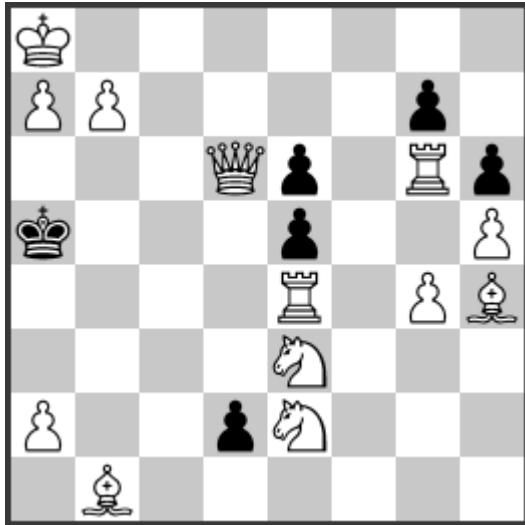
MAY 2022

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Olaf Jenkner F01
 Marcin Banaszek
 Problemist Ukrainy Jul-Sep 2019
 1st Prize FA=8.5



S#8 **13+6** **C+**

K7/PP4p1/3Qp1Rp/k3p2P/4R1PB/4N3/P2pN3/1B6 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1366020

Selfmate in 8 moves

1. b8R! waiting

1... d1Q 2. Rb5+ K:b5 3. Sc3+ Ka5 4. Ra4+ Q:a4 5. Sc4+ Q:c4 6. Bd8+ Qc7 7. Qa3+ Kb6
 8. Be4! Q:d8#

1... d1R 2. Sc4+ Ka4 3. Sb2++ Ka5 4. Rb5+ K:b5 5. R:e5+ Rd5 6. Sd4+ Ka5 7. Qa3+ Kb6
 8. Bd8+ R:d8#

1... d1B 2. Qa3+ Ba4 3. Bc2! Ka6 4. Bb3! Ka5 5. Kb7! Kb5 6. Bd8! B:b3 7. Kc8+ Kc6
 8. R:e6+ B:e6#

1... d1S 2. Be1+ Sc3 3. Qd7! Ka6 4. R:e6+ Ka5 5. Sd5! threat (g6) 6. Ra6+ K:a6 7. Qb5+
 S:b5 8. Sc7+ S:c7#

Allumwandlung, black
sacrifices of white pieces (11x)
promoted black pieces give mate (4x)

Judge: "Theme Black Allumwandlung with many sacrifices by the white pieces, each variation ends with a mate by black promoted pawn. Absolutely a technical achievement of the German duo, because to realise four non-dual eight-move variations is not an easy task."

Judge Ivan Soroka **Section s#** **Award Jul 2020**

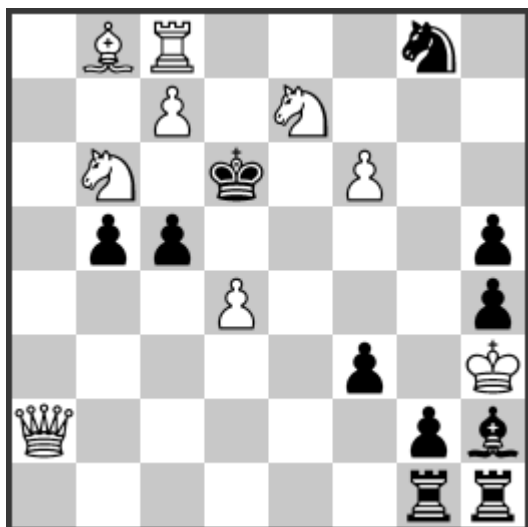
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Waldemar Tura
Marcin Banaszek

F02

Warsaw Solving GP
1st-2nd Prize

Dec 2019
FA=8.0



S#3

9+11 C+

1BR3n1/2P1N3/1N1k1P2/1pp4p/3P3p/5p1K/Q5pb/6rr pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1370767

Selfmate in 3 moves

1. Rf8! ~ 2. Sbc8+ Kd7 3. Qd5+ Bd6#

1. ... S:f6 2. c8=Q+ K:e7 3. Q:c5+ Bd6#

1. ... S:e7 2. c8=B+ Kc6 3. Qe6+ Bd6#

1. ... c4 2. c8=R+ Ke6 3. Rc6+ Bd6#

1. ... c:d4 2. c8=S+ Kc5 3. Bd6+ B:d6#

Tournament theme: In s#3 at least 2 variants end with the same mate.

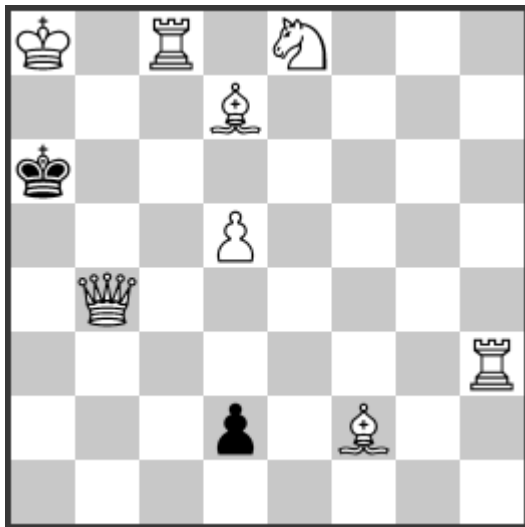
The **black king moves** from d6 to 5 different squares. In each variant, the black battery plays **the same mating move** on the vacated by black king square d6. The variants of the solution are combined with the theme **Allumwandlung**.

Judge: "The task realizes the given theme in five variants, with four cases after the promotion of white pawn c7 into all figures.(...) The 5-fold unblocking of the mate square by the black king departing to different squares with the following 5 different white moves gives a free change in 5 variants, i.e. it refers to a change of the type Visserman (change in the subvariants of the one-phase threemover). The clear and economical construction. (...) The unified character of the black defences (vacating the squares around the black king) makes this problem a harmonious and rich composition, which would certainly be the highlight of many competitions."

Judge Jarosław Brzozowicz Theme Tourney s#3 Award Dec 2019

Source: <https://pzszech.pl/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/XVIII-WSGP2019-s3-werdykt-ostateczny.pdf>

Olaf Jenkner F03
 Marcin Banaszek
 Mikhail Marandiyuk 70 Jun 2019
 2nd Prize FA=8.5



S#8 **8+2 C+**

K1R1N3/3B4/k7/3P4/1Q6/7R/3p1B2/8 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1365427

Selfmate in 8 moves

1. Rh5! waiting

1... d1Q 2. Qd6+ Ka5 3. Qa3+ Qa4 4. d6+ Ka6 5. Bb5+ Ka5 6. Qc3+ Qb4 7. Bc6+ Ka6
 8. Bb7+ Q:b7#

1... d1R 2. Qc4+ Ka5 3. Qa2+ Kb4 4. Rh4+ Rd4 5. Rc4+ R:c4 6. Qb2+ Ka5 7. Bb6+ Ka6
 8. Bc8+ R:c8#

1... d1B 2. Qa3+ Ba4 3. Ba7! Ka5 4. Bb5! K:b5 5. d6+ Ka6 6. Bb8! Kb6 7. Qe3+ Ka6
 8. Rc6+ B:c6#

1... d1S 2. Qc4+ Ka5 3. Qa2+ Kb4 4. Be1+ Sc3 5. Qb2+ Ka5 6. Rb8! Ka6 7. Qb5+ S:b5
 8. Sc7+ S:c7#

Allumwandlung, black

sacrifices of white pieces (7x)

promoted black pieces give mate (4x)

AUW black theme presented for the first time in selfmate with less than 11 pieces

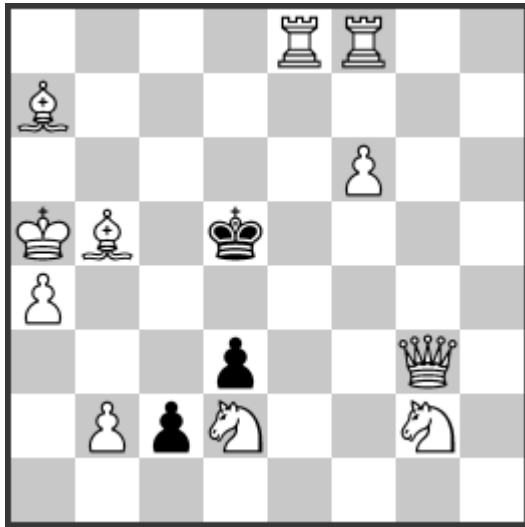
Judge: "Theme Allumwandlung. Variants with the promotion of the black pawn. This is not the first time that all pieces have been promoted in all figures, but in this task only 10 (!) pieces on the chessboard are a record technical achievement...."

Judge Valery Kopyl Section s#8-n Final award Aug 2019

Source: www.banaszek.de/problems/marandiyuk70_2019_sx%20award.pdf

Olaf Jenkner
Marcin Banaszek
SuperProblem
3rd Prize

F04
Apr 2019
FA=8.0



S#7 11+3 C+

4RR2/B7/5P2/KB1k4/P7/3p2Q1/1PpN2N1/8 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1363040

Selfmate in 7 moves

1... d1Q 2. Qg8+ Kd6 3. Qe6+ Kc7 4. Rc8+ Kb7 5. Ba6+ K:a7 6. Rc7+ Q:c7+ 7. Qb6+ Q:b6#

1. f7! waiting

1... d1Q 2. Sf4+ Kd6 3. Qg6+ Kc7 4. Rc8+ Kb7 5. Ba6+ K:a7 6. Rc7+ Q:c7+ 7. Qb6+ Q:b6#

1... d1R 2. Re5+ Kd6 3. Bb8+ Rc7 4. Qg6+ Kxe5 5. Bc6! Kd4 6. Qf6+ Kc5 7. Ba7+ R:a7#

1... d1S 2. Qg5+ Kd6 3. Bc5+ Kc7 4. Qd8+ Kb7 5. Ba6+ Kc6 6. Re6+ Kc5 7. Sb3+ S:b3#

1... d1B 2. Sf4+ Kd6 3. Bb8+ Kc5 4. Qg5+ Kd4 5. Qf6+ Kc5 6. Ba6! B:d2+ 7. b4+ B:b4#
6. ... B:b2 7. Qc3+ B:c3#

Allumwandlung, black

Change of continuation after 1...d1Q

Promoted black pieces give mate (6x)

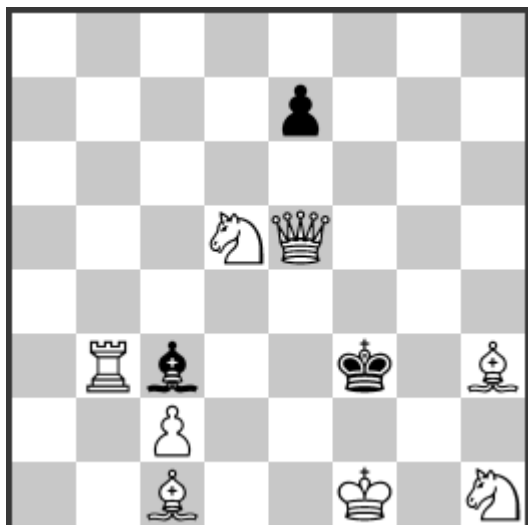
Flight giving for black King after W2 (5x)

Judge: "Black allumwandlung with change play after 1...c1Q. All mates in the problem are given by the promoted piece. A solid task predisposing to prize, but clearly missing an interesting, fresh sense. Repetitions of 2.Sf4+ and 3.Bb8+ have lowered the placement of the problem in the tournament."

Judge Gennady Koziura Section s#5-n Award Apr 2020

Source: http://superproblem.ru/htm/tourneys/annual-it/2019/award_selfmates_2019.html

Marcin Banaszek **F05**
Polish Chess Federation Oct 2019
3rd Hon. Mention **noFA=6.0**



S#5 a) *diagram* **8+3 C+**

b) *Bc1>f8* c) *Bh3>f5* d)=c) *Pe7>f7*

8/4p3/8/3NQ3/8/1Rb2k1B/2P5/2B2K1N pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1368274

Selfmate in 5 moves

- a) 1. *Bd2!* e6 2. *Ke1* e:d5 3. *Kd1* d4 4. *Bc1* d3 5. *Qe2+* d:e2# (A)
 b) 1. *Sg3!* e6 2. *Bc5* e:d5 3. *Bg1* d4 4. *Sh5* d3 5. *Qe2+* d:e2# (A)
 c) 1. *Bf4!* e6 2. *Sf6* e:f5 3. *Bh2* f4 4. *Sg3* f:g3 5. *Bg1* g2# (B)
 d) 1. *Qg7!* f6 2. *Qg5* f:g5 3. *Ba3* g4 4. *Bc5* g3 5. *Bg1* g2# (B)

Adabashev-Synthesis (A+B):

(A) In twin a) & b):

*white bishop blocks the free square at white king in 2 moves,
 white piece (Kf1,Sh1) makes 2 moves,
 white Sd5 is passively sacrificed,
 the mate is forced on e2 by the check of the white queen.*

(B) In twin c) & d):

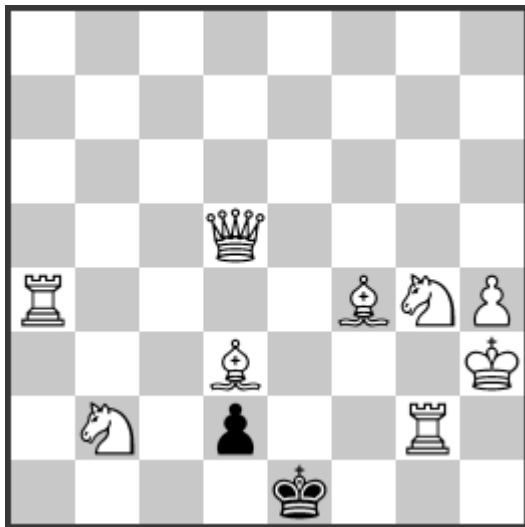
*white bishop blocks the free square at white king in 3 moves,
 white piece (S,D) is actively sacrificed on the g-line,
 the mate is forced on g2 by Zugzwang.*

Judge Eugeniusz Iwanow **Section s#3-6** **Award Feb 2020**

Sources: <https://pzszech.pl/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/15-X-2019-1899-1904-2.pdf>

Olaf Jenkner
Marcin Banaszek
The Problemist
not awarded

F06
May 2019
noFA=7.5



S#7 9+2 C+

8/8/8/3Q4/R4BNP/3B3K/1N1p2R1/4k3 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1363746

Selfmate in 7 moves

1. Bc4? d1Q,S!
1. Bb5? d1R!

1. Ba6! waiting

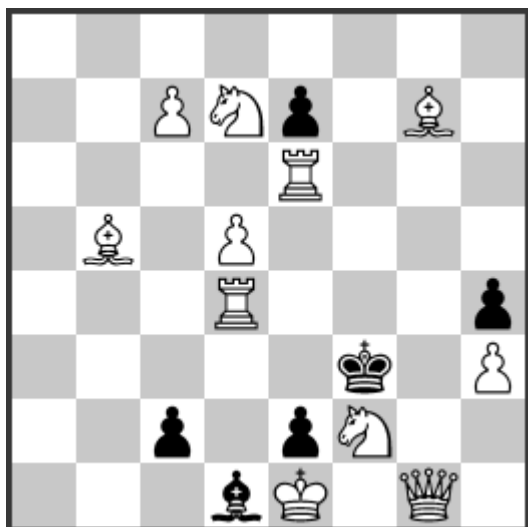
1... d1Q 2. Re4+ Qe2 3. Qd2+ Kf1 4. Rf2+ Kg1 5. Bh2+ Kh1 6. Rf1+! Qxf1+ 7. Qg2+ Q:g2#
1... d1R 2. Qa5+ Rd2 3. Re2+ Kf1 4. Sh2+ Kg1 5. Re1+ Kf2 6. Sd3+! R:d3+ 7. Bg3+ R:g3#
1... d1B 2. Qe4+ Be2 3. Bd3! Kf1 4. Bg3! B:d3 5. Rf2+ Kg1 6. Qh1+! K:h1 7. Rf1+ B:f1#
1... d1S 2. Re4+ Se3 3. Re2+ Kf1 4. Qd1+! S:d1 5. Re3+ Kg1 6. Rg3+ Kh1 7. Sf2+ S:f2#

Allumwandlung, black
decoy sacrifices by white (4x)
white sacrifices to force mate (4x)

Judge Miodrag Mladenović not awarded Award May 2023

See also: <https://www.theproblemist.org/abcps.pl?type=news&yr=2019>

Ivan Soroka F07
 Marcin Banaszek
Sinfonie Scacchistiche Oct-Dec 2019
 award yet unknown noFA=7.5



S#7 **11+6 C+**

8/2PNp1B1/4R3/1B1P4/3R3p/5k1P/2p1pN2/3bK1Q1 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1368183

Selfmate in 7 moves

1. c8Q! waiting

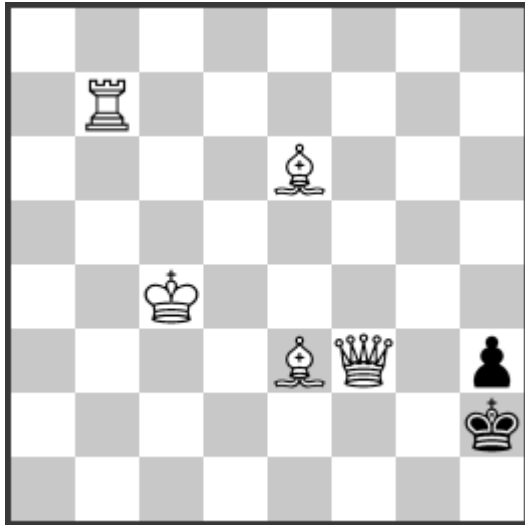
- 1... c1Q 2. Qf8+ Qf4 3. Qf5! Q:f5 4. Re3+ K:e3 5. S:d1+ Kf3 6. Se5+ D:e5 7. B:e2+ Q:e2#
- 1... c1S 2. Se5+ Ke3 3. Se4+ Kf4 4. Sd2+ Kf5 5. Rf4+ K:f4 6. Sg6+ Kf5 7. Bd3+ S:d3#
- 1... c1R 2. Re3+ K:e3 3. Sh1+ Kf3 4. Rf4+ K:f4 5. Qf8+ Ke4 6. Qg2+ Ke3 7. Q:e2+ B:e2#
- 1... c1B 2. Se5+ Ke3 3. Qg5+ K:d4 4. Sc6+ Kc5 5. Sd4+ Kb4 6. Qc3+ K:c3 7. Qd2+ B:d2#

Allumwandlung, black
 sacrifices of white pieces (12x)
 white battery play (6x)

Judge Stephen Taylor Award yet unknown

Marcin Banaszek
Pat a Mat
2nd Commend

F08
Sep 2019
noFA=5.5



S#13 **b) wPb7** **5+2**

8/1R6/4B3/8/2K5/4BQ1p/7k/8 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1368657

Selfmate in 13 moves

a) 1. Qg4! Kh1 2. Qe4+ Kh2 3. Kd3 Kg3 4. Qg4+ Kh2 5. Ke2 Kh1 6. Rb1+ Kh2 7. Kf1 Kh1 8. Qe4+ Kh2 9. Re1 Kg3 10. Bf2+ Kh2 11. Qe2 Kh1 12. Bd5+ Kh2 13. Bg2 h:g2#

b) 1. Qf1! Kg3 2. b8=Q+ Kh4 3. Qh2 Kh5 4. Qb1 Kh4 5. Kd3 Kh5 6. Ke2 Kh4 7. Kf1 Kh5 8. Qe2+ Kh4 9. Qb4+ Kg3 10. Bf2+ Kh2 11. Qbe1 Kh1 12. Bd5+ Kh2 13. Bg2 h:g2#

Miniature with block change: a) wRb7>Re1 wQf3>Qe2 b) wPb7>Qe2 wQf3>Qe1 with the same mate picture.

Ivan Soroka

F09

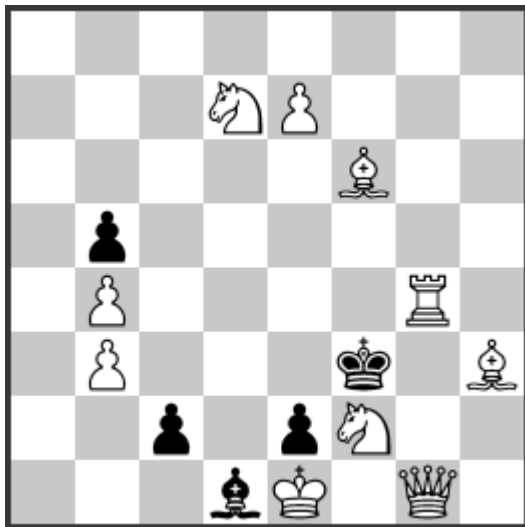
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Sergiy Borodavkin 50

Mar 2020

1st Prize

FA=9.0



S#7

10+5 C+

8/3NP3/5B2/1p6/1P4R1/1P3k1B/2p1pN2/3bK1Q1 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1373504

Selfmate in 7 moves

1. e8Q! waiting

1... c1Q 2. Qa8+ Qc6 3. Qg2+ Ke3 4. Qg3+ Qf3 5. Qe5+ Qe4 6. Qc3+ Qd3 7. Qcd2+ Q:d2#
2. ... Ke3 3. Re4+ Kf3 4. Rc4+ Ke3 5. S:d1+ Kd3 6. Qf3+ Qe3 7. Qf:e2+ Q:e2#
1... c1R 2. Qe3+ K:e3 3. Sh1+ Kd3 4. Qd4+ Kc2 5. Qb2+ Kd3 6. Se5+ Ke3 7. Qb:e2+ B:e2#
1... c1B 2. Rf4+ K:f4 3. Qe5+ Kf3 4. Qd5+ Ke3 5. Sh1+ Kf4 6. Qg4+ Ke3 7. Qdd2+ B:d2#
1... c1S 2. Se5+ Ke3 3. Sc4+ Kf3 4. Rg3+ Kf4 5. Rf3+ K:f3 6. Sd2+ Kf4 7. Sfd3+ S:d3#

Allumwandlung, black

sacrifices of white pieces (8x)

promoted black pieces give mate (5x)

white battery play (5x)

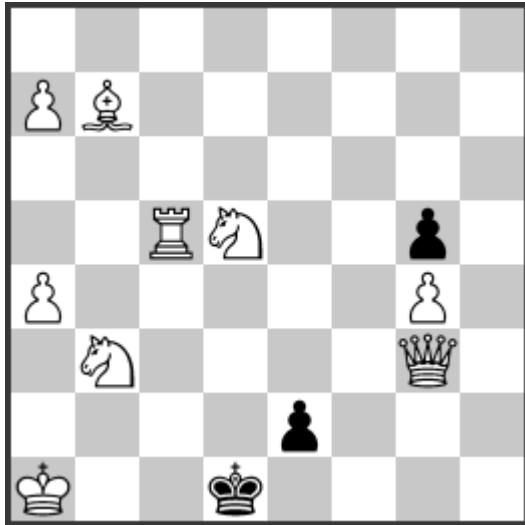
Although the key takes the free square e3 away from the black king, it is given back to him many times during the five variants play, so the black king enters this square as many as 8 times.

Judge: "Eight white sacrifices, five-fold promotion of white and black pawns (1+4), transformation and play of white batteries, the Grand Concept."

Judge Sergiy Borodavkin Section s#4-8 Award Mar 2020

Source: www.banaszek.de/problems/borodavkin%2050%202020%20sx4-8.pdf

Marcin Banaszek **F10**
Olaf Jenkner
Csák-Majoros-Pásztor **Nov 2020**
Béla Majoros 65 JT
1st Prize *noFA=7.5*



S#10 **9+3 C+**

8/PB6/8/2RN2p1/P5P1/1N4Q1/4p3/K2k4 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1381391

Selfmate in 10 moves

1. **a8Q!** *waiting*

1... **e1Q** 2. **Qf3+** **Qe2** 3. **Se3+** **Ke1** 4. **Qg3+** **Qf2** 5. **Qa5+** **Ke2** 6. **Rc2+** **Kd3**
 7. **Sc1+** **Kd4** 8. **Rd2+** **Q:d2** 9. **Qb6+** **Kc3** 10. **Qb2+** **Q:b2#**

1... **e1S** 2. **Rc1+** **Ke2** 3. **Qe8+** **Kf1** 4. **Qf8+** **Ke2** 5. **Qe5+** **Kd3** 6. **Rd1+** **Kc2,Kc4**
 7. **Se3+** **K:b3** 8. **Rb1+** **K:a4** 9. **Qe8+** **Ka3** 10. **Sc2+** **S:c2#**

1... **e1R** 2. **Qf3+** **Re2** 3. **Se3+** **Ke1** 4. **Qa5+** **Rd2** 5. **Qg3+** **Ke2** 6. **Qb5+** **Rd3**
 7. **Sc1+** **Kd2** 8. **Qb4+** **Rc3** 9. **Rd5+** **K:c1** 10. **Qa3+** **R:a3#**

1... **e1B** 2. **Qd3+** **Bd2** 3. **Qaa6!** **Ke1** 4. **Qg3+** **Kd1** 5. **Rc1+** **B:c1** 6. **Sc3+** **Kc2**
 7. **Qd3+** **K:b3** 8. **Sb1+** **Kb4** 9. **Qd4+** **Kb3** 10. **Qb2+** **B:b2#**

Allumwandlung - black,
sacrifices of white pieces (9),
promoted black pieces give model mates (4),

Judge: "Sötét AUW 10 lépésben, ami önmagáért beszél, ráadásul könnyed állásban, kiváló technikával".

(Black AUW in 10 moves, which speaks for itself, and in an easy position with excellent technique.)

Judge János Csák **Section s#5-10** **Award Nov 2020**

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Ivan Soroka

F11

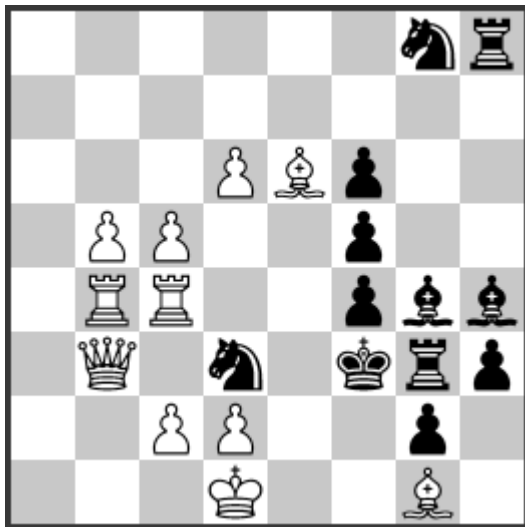
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Mykhailo Myshko MT

Mar 2020

1st Prize

FA=9.5



S#18

11+12

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Selfmate in 18 moves

1. R:f4+?? mate!

1. Rc3! ~ 3. R:f4+ K:f4#

1. ... Bg5 2. Qa4 ~ 3. R:f4+ B:f4 4. Q:f4+ K:f4#

2. ... Bh4 3. Rb3 Bg5 4. Rc4 Bh4 (key position)

5. Qa8+?? mate!

5. Qa1! Bg5 6. Qd4 Bh4 7. Rc3 Bg5 8. Rb4 Bh4 9. Bc4! Bg5 10. B:g8 Bh4

11. Bc4 Bg5 12. Be6 Bh4 13. Rb3 Bg5 14. Rc4 Bh4 15. Qa1 Bg5 16. Qa4 Bh4
(the same key position as before the 5th move just without the Sg8)

17. Qa8+! R:a8 18. R:f4+ K:f4#

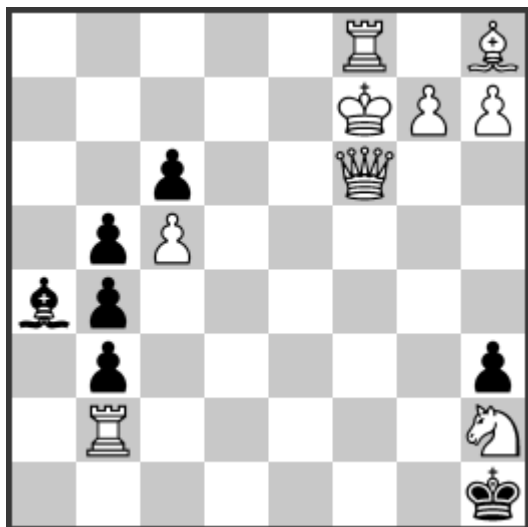
Logical problem, Pendulum

A Pendulum maneuver based on successive change between single and double attacks of the square f4 by White, answered by successive change between single guard and no by Black. After the four-move foreplay a key position is achieved, with the white thematic pieces on: wQa4, wRb3, wRc4, wBe6. The main plan does not work yet, because sSg8 blocks sRh8. White must perform a 12-move maneuver in order to remove the interfering sSg8. After the 16th move the white thematic pieces return to the same squares as 12 moves before. Then we end up with the same position as before the 5th move just without the black Sg8. Only now the main plan works. It is important, however, to move the white pieces accurately and to pay attention to the alternate single and double attacks on square f4 and the constant pinning of sSd3.

Judge Gennady Koziura Section s#11-n Award Mar 2020

Source: www.banaszek.de/problems/myshko_mt_2020_sx11-n_award.pdf

Marcin Banaszek **F12**
The Royal Moroccan Chess Federation
6th FRME Tourney **Nov 2020**
4th Prize **noFA=7.0**



S#12 **9+7**

5R1B/5KPP/2p2Q2/1pP5/bp6/1p5p/1R5N/7k pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1382527

Selfmate in 12 moves

Main plan: 1. Kg8? Kg1 2. Qf2+ Kh1 3. Sf3 h2 4. R:b3 B:b3#?? 5. Rf7

1. g8=B! Kg1 2. Bg7 Kh1 3. h8=B! Kg1 4. Bh7 Kh1 5. Rg8 Kg1 6. Bf8 Kh1
7. Bhg7 Kg1 8. Rh8 Kh1 and now the main plan:
9. Kg8! Kg1 10. Qf2+ Kh1 11. Sf3 h2 12. R:b3 B:b3#

Logical problem, Umnov-moves, white under-promotions (bb), Platzwechsel

The main plan 1. Kg8? doesn't work yet because of 5. Rf7. White has to perform a maneuver where their four pieces change places. This maneuver consists of eight white Umnov-moves and two place exchanges: wRf8-wBh8 and wPg7-wPh7 (after the pawns have been promoted to bishops).

White Umnov-moves: g7-g8 h8-g7 h7-h8 g8-h7 f8-g8 g7-f8 h8-g7 g8-h8

Computer test with Gustav 4.1c only possible with automatic parameters.

Judge Valery Kopyl **Section s#4-n** **Award Nov 2020**

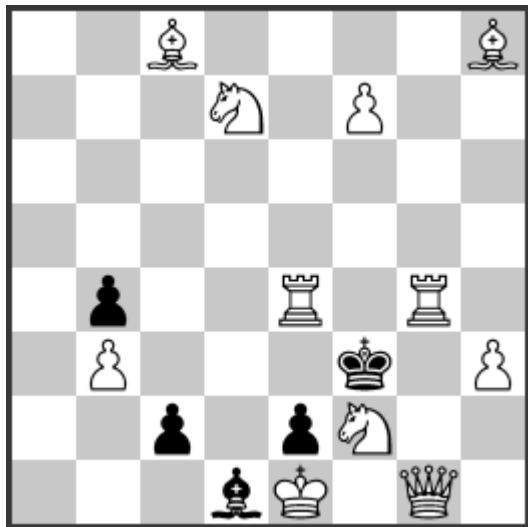
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Ivan Soroka
Marcin Banaszek

F13

Mykhailo Myshko MT
2nd Hon. Mention

Mar 2020
noFA=6.5



S#7

11+5 C+

2B4B/3N1P2/8/8/1p2R1R1/1P3k1P/2p1pN2/3bK1Q1 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1373745

Selfmate in 7 moves

1. **Re8!** waiting

1... c1Q 2. f8Q+ Qf4 3. Se5+ Ke3 4. Qc5+ Qd4 5. Qc3+ bc3 6. Sc4+ Kf3 7. Sd2+ Q:d2#,cd2#
1... c1S 2. Se5+ Ke3 3. Sc4+ Kf3 4. Rg3+ Kf4 5. Rf3+ K:f3 6. Sd2+ Kf4 7. Sd3+ S:d3#
1... c1R 2. Re3+ K:e3 3. Sh1+ Kd3 4. Qd4+ Kc2 5. Qb2+ Kd3 6. Se5+ Ke3 7. Q:e2+ B:e2#
1... c1B 2. f8Q+ Bf4 3. Se5+ Ke3 4. Se4+ K:e4 5. Qd6 B:b3,Bc2 6. Qh1+ Ke3 7. Rg3+ B:g3#

Allumwandlung, black
sacrifices of white pieces (8x)
promoted black pieces give mate (4x)
white battery play (4x)

Judge Valery Kirillov Section s#7-10 Award Mar 2020

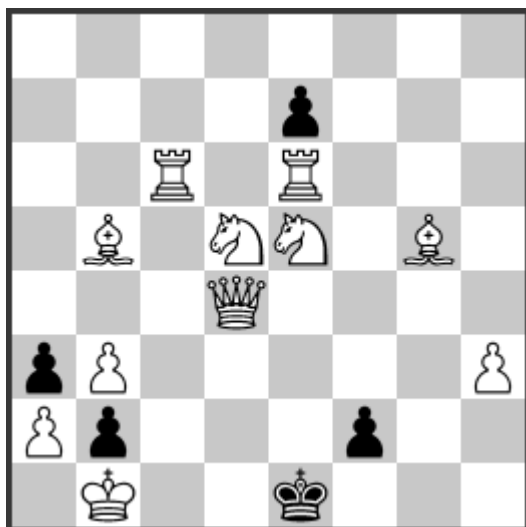
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Ivan Soroka
Marcin Banaszek

F14

Polish Chess Federation Feb 2020
2nd Prize

noFA=7.5



S#6

11+5 C+

8/4p3/2R1R3/1B1NN1B1/3Q4/pP5P/Pp3p2/1K2k3 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1372565

Selfmate in 6 moves

1... f1Q 2. Bh4+ Qf2 3. Rc2 Q:h4,Qg3 4. Re2+ Kf1 5. Qd1+ Qe1 6. Sf3 Qe1:d1# (A)

1. Ra6! waiting

1... f1Q 2. Sg4+ Qe2 3. Bh4+ Kf1 4. Qd1+ Kg2 5. Sf4+ Kf3 6. Ra4 Qe2:d1# (A)

1... f1R 2. Bh4+ Rf2 3. Qg4 Kd2 4. Sc4+ Kd3 5. Qd1+ Rd2 6. Bf2 Rd2:d1# (A)

1... f1B 2. Qg1 Kd1 3. Be3 Ke1 4. Be2! K:e2 5. Qg4+ Ke1 6. Sd3+ B:d3# (B)

4. Bc6? Ke2 5. Qg4+ Ke1 6. Sd3+ B:d3#, but 4...Kd1!

1... f1S 2. Bh4+ Sg3 3. Qd2+! K:d2 4. Sf3+ Kd1 5. Be2+ S:e2 6. Sc3+ S:c3# (B)

3. Qb6? Kd2 4. Sf3+ Kd1 5. Be2+ S:e2 6. Sc3+ S:c3#, but 3...Kd1!

Allumwandlung black, change of continuation after 1...f1Q

The 5 variations (including setplay) are grouped into the **Adabashev-Synthesis (A+B)**:

(A) after promotion to queen or rook, white pins the black heavy piece at least twice, the move W6 takes the king's free square and forces a mate on the same square by the black pinned piece, three times but from different directions.

(B) after promoting to bishop or knight, White pins the black piece only once, and then offers his piece instead of going aside, which creates a double dual avoidance, and the mate is forced by check.

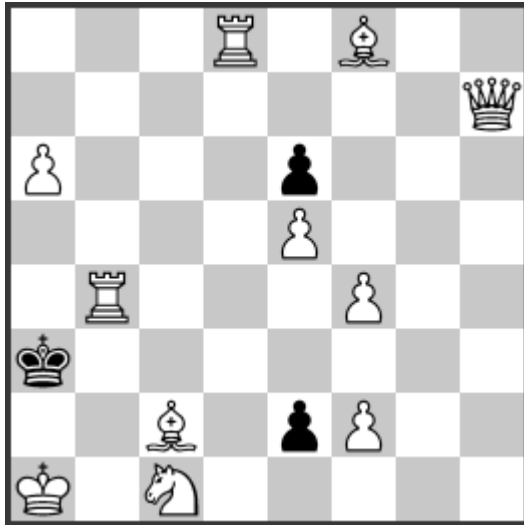
The black king stands on five different squares in the final mate positions.

Judge Eugeniusz Iwanow Section s#3-6 Award Aug 2021

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Marcin Banaszek
The Problemist
1st Prize

F15
Mar 2020
WCCI=FA=8.5



S#10

11+3 C+

3R1B2/7Q/P3p3/4P3/1R3P2/k7/2B1pP2/K1N5 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1375825

Selfmate in 10 moves

1. **Be4!** waiting

1... **e1Q** 2. **Rb3+** Ka4 3. **Bc6+** Ka5 4. **Qc7+** K:a6 5. **Qb7+** Ka5 6. **Rb5+** Ka4
7. **Qa7+** Qa5 8. **Qd4+** Qb4 9. **Rc5+** Ka3 10. **Qb2+** Q:b2#

1... **e1B** 2. **Rc4+** Bb4 3. **Rc3+** Ka4 4. **Rd4!** Ka5 5. **Qc7+** K:a6 6. **Qb7+** Ka5
7. **Sb3+** Ka4 8. **Bb1!** Ka3 9. **Sc5+** B:c3+ 10. **Qb2+** **B:b2#**

1... **e1S** 2. **Rb1+** Ka4 3. **Qd7+** Ka5 4. **Sb3+** K:a6,Kb6 5. **Qc6+** Ka7 6. **Qc7+** Ka6
7. **Rd6+** Kb5 8. **Sd4+** Ka4 9. **Bc6+** Ka3 10. **Sc2+** **S:c2#**

1... **e1R** 2. **Rb3+** Ka4 3. **Ra3+** Kb5 4. **Qb7+** Kc4 5. **Rd4+** K:d4 6. **Ra4+** Kc3
7. **Qb3+** Kd2 8. **Rd4+** K:c1 9. **Qe3+** R:e3 10. **Ba3+** **R:a3#**

Allumwandlung, black (for the first time in selfmate with more than 9 moves)
white battery plays (7), white line interferences (4), model mates (3).

In each variant the black king marches far and returns three times to a3 after visiting a6 or a7, the fourth march with 4 sacrifices is another and finishes on the opposition square c1.

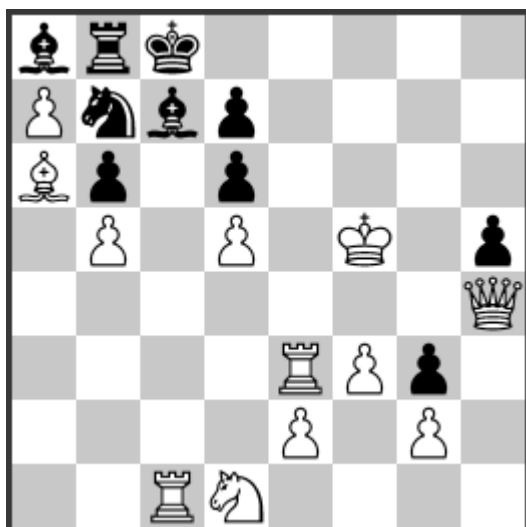
Judge: "At the moment of publication of the problem, this was the first-ever presentation of black A UW in a S#10. Obviously, it is simply impossible to compose such a problem without using a computer program. Each variation involves white battery play – unfortunately, with repetition of moves after 1...e1Q, 1...e1R. A considerable technical achievement of the author and his devoted assistant Gustav."

Judge Ivan Soroka **Section s#5-n** **Award Jul 2023**

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Marcin Banaszek
StrateGems
not awarded

F16
Jul-Sep 2020
noFA=6.5



S#14

12+10

brk5/Pnbp4/Bp1p4/1P1P1K1p/7Q/4RPp1/4P1P1/2RN4 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1377421

Selfmate in 14 moves

1. Sc3! Bd8 2. Se4+ Bc7 3. Sf6 Kd8 4. Se8+ Kc8 5. Re7 Kd8 6. Re6+ Kc8
7. Rf6 Kd8 8. Rf8+ Kc8 9. Kf6 Kd8 10. Kf7+ Kc8 11. Qf6 h4 12. Ke7 h3
13. Qf7 h2 14. Rh1 Bd8#
13. ...h:g2 14. Rg1 Bd8#

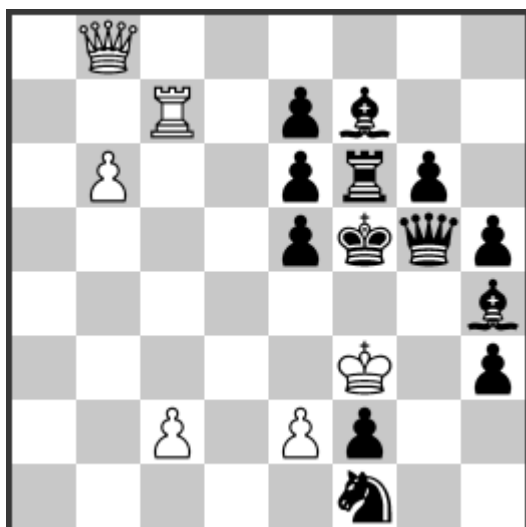
Try: 1. Qg5? h4 2. Rd3 h3 3. e4 h2? 4. Se3 h1=Q 5. R:h1 Bd8 6. Rc1+ Bc7
7. e5 d:e5 8. Ke4 d6 9. Qg8+ Kd7 10. R:c7+ K:c7 11. a:b8=Q+ Kd7
12. Qbc8+ Ke7 13. Qc7+ Kf6 14. Q:d6+ S:d6#
3. ... h:g2!

The white King must be placed into a mate-net. To do this, five batteries must be created and actively played. One battery is built and plays on the c-rank and four others are created and play on the diagonal d8-h4. Another mate-net is formed in the try. The pawn a7 plays an active role here with the promotion and mate setting. In the solution, the pawn plays the role of a cook-stopper only.

Judge Miorag Mladenović Section # Award Jul 2022

Marcin Banaszek
StrateGems
2nd Prize

F17
Jan-Mar 2020
WCCI=FA=8.0



S#19

6+13

1Q6/2R1pb2/1P2prp1/4pkqp/7b/5K1p/2P1Pp2/5n2 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1371350

Selfmate in 19 moves

1. Ra7! ~ 2. Q:e5+ K:e5#

1. ... Bg3 2. Ra5 ~ 3. Q/R:e5+ B:e5 R/Q:e5+ K:e5#

2. ... Bh4 3. Qe8 ~ 4. R:e5+ K:e5#

3. ... Bg3 4. Qb5 Bh4 5. Qb1 Bg3 6. Qa1 Bh4 7. c3 Bg3 8. c4 Bh4 9. Qa4 Bg3

10. Qb5 Bh4 11. Qe8 Bg3 12. Qb8 Bh4 13. c5 Bg3 14. c6 Bh4 15. c7 Bg3

16. c8=S Bh4 17. Sd6+ e:d6 18. R:e5+ d:e5 19. Q:e5+ K:e5#

3. Q:e5?#!, 5. Qa4? Qf4+!, 6. Qb2? Bh4 7. c3 Sd2+!, 9. Qb1?+!,

Logical problem, Pendulum, Excelsior, Switchback (Q)

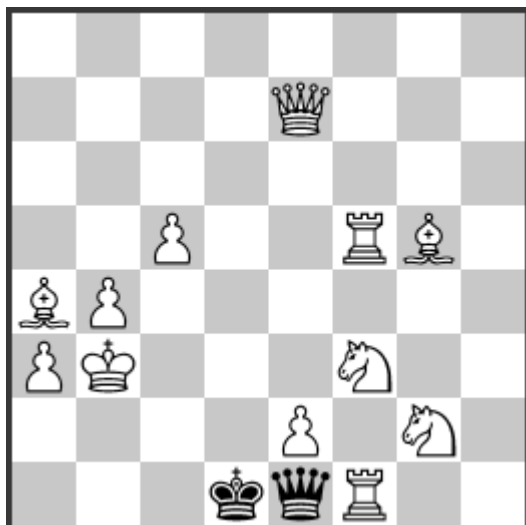
A pendulum maneuver involving white changing single and double attacks on square e5, to which black answers with successive changes between single guard and no guard. The white queen comes to square a1 to begin the excelsior of the c2 pawn. The successive return of the queen to the starting position enables the pawn to be converted into a knight. Finally white sacrifices the promoted knight and then the rook and queen to force a selfmate. Computer-Test (partial) with Gustav 4.0i, the last 17 moves are C+

Judge: "Great zig-zag maneuvers of the white Queen and Rook with logical motives. To achieve the goal White has to promote 'c' Pawn to Knight. Although zig-zag play is not new in longer selfmates this is one of the best."

Judge Miorag Mladenović Section s# Award Jul 2022

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Marcin Banaszek **F18**
Polish Chess Federation Oct 2021
 not awarded **noFA=6.5**



S#5 **12+2** **C+**

8/4Q3/8/2P2RB1/BP6/PK3N2/4P1N1/3kqR2 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1394558

Selfmate in 5 moves

1. Qg7? ~ **2. Qd4+ K:e2** **3. Rf2+ Q:f2** **4. Qc4+ Kd1** **5. Qc4-c2+ Q:c2#**
1. ... K:e2 **2. Bb5+ Kd1** **3. Qb2!** **Q:f1** **4. Be2+ Q:e2** **5. Qb2-c2+ Q:c2#**
1. ... Q:f1!

1. Qh7? waiting

1. ... K:e2 **2. Bb5+ Kd1** **3. Re5!** **Q:f1** **4. Be2+ Q:e2** **5. Qh7-c2+ Q:c2#**
1. ... Q:f1!

1. Qb7! waiting

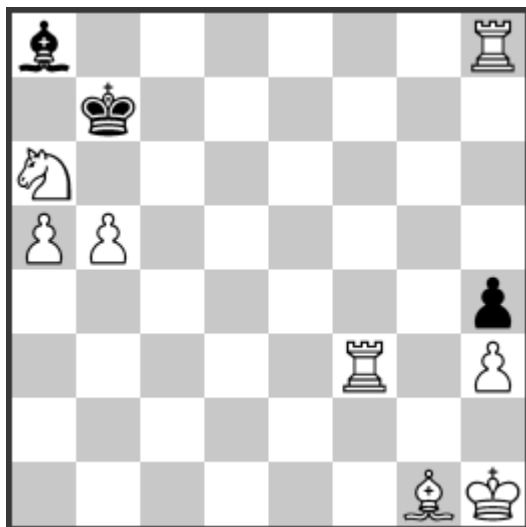
1. ... K:e2 **2. Bb5+ Kd1** **3. Qe4!** **Q:f1** **4. Be2+ Q:e2** **5. Qe4-c2+ Q:c2#**
1. ... Q:f1 **2. Kc4+ K:e2** **3. Sg1+ Q:g1** **4. Qe4+ Qe3** **5. Qe4-d3+ Q:d3#**

Option key, the 3rd silent white move is changed twice, white Queen forces mate on c2 from different squares, model mates, echo, single black Queen

Judge Eugeniusz Iwanow **Section s#3-6** **Award Jan 2023**

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Marcin Banaszek **F19**
The Royal Moroccan Chess Federation
7th FRME Tourney **Oct 2021**
1st Prize **noFA=6.5**



S#12 **8+3 C+**

b6R/1k6/N7/PP6/7p/5R1P/8/6BK pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1394929

Selfmate in 12 moves

Logical problem, staircase (R), switchback (R)

1. Rb8?#

1. Rg3? h:g3 2. Rc8 K:c8?# 2... g2+!

1. Sc5+? Ka7 2. Se6+ Kb7 3. Rg3 h:g3 4. Rb8+ K:b8# 1... Kc7!

1. Re3! Ka7+ 2. Re4+ Kb7 3. Rd4 Ka7+ 4. Rd5+ Kb7 5. Sc5+ Kc7,Ka7

6. Se6+ Kb7 7. Rd4 Ka7+ 8. Re4+ Kb7 9. Re3 Ka7+ 10. Rf3+ Kb7

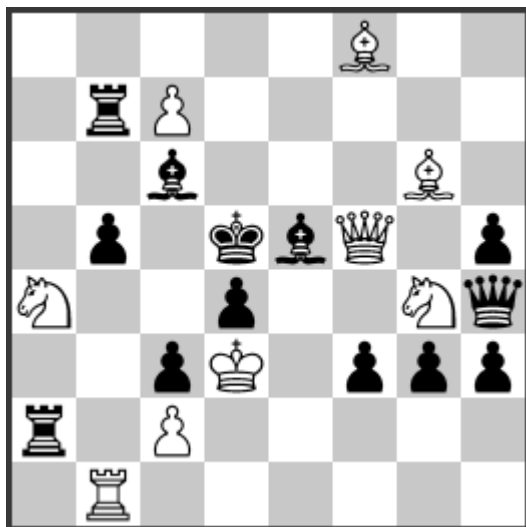
11. Rg3 h:g3 12. Rb8+ K:b8#

Judge: "White must first guard the d-file and then maneuver its Knight to e6-square in order to guard c7-square. Only then can White its Rook on g3-square and play 12. Rb8+ Kxb8#. This is accomplished with a witty pendulum movement by the white Rook which represents a staircase Rundlauf by the same Rook."

Judge Mike Prcic Section s# Award Oct 2021

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Marcin Banaszek **F20**
Leopold Szwedowski MT Nov 2021
1st-2nd Prize noFA=6.5



S#3 **9+13** **C+**

5B2/1rP5/2b3B1/1p1kbQ1p/N2p2Nq/2pK1ppp/r1P5/1R6 pdb.dieschwalbe.de/ P1395393

Selfmate in 3 moves

1. c8B? Bc~!

1. c8Q! threat 2. Sf6+ Q:f6 3. Q:f3+ D2 Q:f3#

1. ... Qe7, Qf6 2. Q:e5+ Q:e5 3. Be4+ Q:e4# (A)

1. ... Re7 2. Qce6+ R:e6 3. R:b5+ C2 B:b5# (A)

1. ... Rd7, Rf7 2. R:b5+ C1 B:b5+ 3. Qc4+ B:c4# (A)

1. ... h:g4 2. Q:f3+ D1 E1 g:f3 3. Be4+ F2 Q:e4# (B)

1. ... Q:g4 2. Bf7+ F1 R:f7 3. Qe4+ E2 Q:e4# (B)

1. ... R:c2 2. Se3+ G d:e3 3. S:c3+ G R:c3#

Adabashev-Synthesis (A+B):

(A) Closure of the white line by black; white decoy sacrifice to force an opening of the white line

(B) Capture of the threatening piece (knight); white sacrifice to eliminate a double attack

Additionally:

- Changing the functions of the white moves: **C1-C2, D1-D2**

- Exchange of the roles of the white pieces: **E1-E2, F1-F2**

- White knights sacrifice: **G**

Judge Eugeniusz Iwanow **Section S#2-3** **Award Nov 2021**

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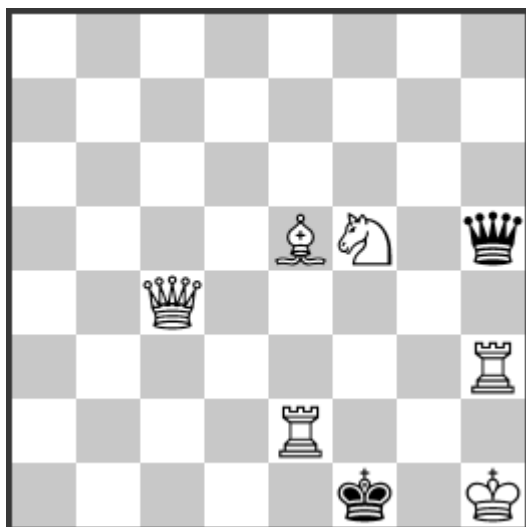
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Nov 2021

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S#7 a) b) c) d) 6+2 C+

8/8/8/4BN1q/2Q5/7R/4R3/5k1K pdb.dieschwalbe.de/P1396487

- a) **bQh5 = diagram**
- b) **bRh5**
- c) **bSh5 & wS>e4**
- d)=c) **bBh5 & wQ>b5**

Selfmate in 7 moves

- a) **1. Reh2+!** Ke1 2. Qc1+ Qd1 3. Rf3! Q:c1 4. Bg3+ Kd1 5. Se3+ Q:e3
6. Rf1+ Qe1 7. Bf4! **Q:f1#**
- b) **1. Rg2+!** Ke1 2. Bc3+ Kd1 3. Se3+ Kc1 4. **Ba5+** Kb1 5. Rg1+ Kb2
6. Qc2+ Ka3 7. **Sg2+ R:h3#**
- c) **1. Reh2+!** Ke1 2. Re3+ Kd1 3. Rd3+ Ke1 4. Rd1+ K:d1 5. Qc2+ Ke1
6. Bc3+ Kf1 7. Sg3+ **S:g3#**
- d) **1. Ree3+!** Be2 2. Rhf3+ Ke1 3. Qb2! Kd1 4. Sf2+ Ke1 5. Bh2! Kf1
6. **Sd3+ B:f3+** 7. Qg2+ **B:g2#**

Forsberg twins (4) with 2 shifts, **model mates (4)**, **battery play (7)**,
maximum economy and optimal use of all pieces.

Judge: „Wonderful idea: 4 model mates by different figures in the form of twins. So why the low distinction? Because in twins (c) and (d) we have a violation of the purity of the change of position.“

Judge Aleksandr Azhusin Section s# with model mates Award Nov 2021

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