

SHARJAH MASTER 2024



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Organizer(s)	Sharjah Cultural & Chess Club
Federação	Emirados Árabes Unidos (Emirados Árabes Unidos)
Diretor do torneio	IA IO Murad Abdulla (9300970)
Árbitro Chefe	IA Alhammadi, Faisal (9301240)
Árbitro-Chefe Adjunto	IA Turdialiev Husan 14203251; IA Al Taher Salman 9303995
Árbitro	Nader, Youssef 10607153; Ribeiro, Fábio 10606963; FA Amer Hassan, Al Ali 9304274; FA Muallem, Duha 7605919; FA Esmaeili, Sanaz 12508683; Nour Saleh, Jasim 9310517; NA ALTaHER, Saeed Tarek 9304045; NA Zayid Faisal Albalushi 9323848; Talal Mohammed, AlBlooshi 9316850; IA Adeb Zehrawi 7607148
Controle de tempo (Padrão)	90 minutos + Incremento de 30 segundos por movimento para todo o jogo
Localização	<u>Clube de Xadrez Sharjah</u>
Número de rodadas	9
Tipo de torneio	Sistema Suíço
Cálculo de Rating	Rating internacional (FIDE)
FIDE-Evento-ID	<u>363391</u>
Data	14 a 22/05/2024
Rating Médio	2596

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C	B	Tit	Name	Rtg	FED	1ª	2ª	3ª	4ª	5ª	6ª	7ª	8ª	9ª	CD	Buc	Buc	Vit	RP	Pts.
1º		GM	Daneshvar Bardiya	2581	IRI	6w½	55b1	38w½	10b1	19b1	15w½	13b1	3w½	7b½	0	45,5	41	4	2850	6,5
2º		GM	Murzin Volodar	2631	FID	73b1	17w1	5b½	21w½	7b½	8w½	23b1	13w1	3b½	0	45,5	40,5	2	2796	6,5
3º		GM	Shankland Sam	2671	USA	79b½	48w1	76b1	14w½	36b1	13w½	15b1	1b½	2w½	0	41,5	38,5	3	2772	6,5
4º		GM	Vokhidov Shamsiddin	2591	UZB	9w½	39b½	29w½	27b½	25w½	55b1	30w1	15w1	16b1	0	41,5	37	2	2860	6,5
5º		GM	Tabatabaei M. Amin	2707	IRI	23w1	59b1	2w½	13w½	14b1	16b½	6w½	10w½	9b½	0	46	41	2	2771	6
6º		GM	Sarana Alexey	2706	SRB	1b½	24w1	40b½	71w1	15b½	21w1	5b½	7w½	10b½	0	44,5	40	0	2756	6
7º		GM	Erigaisi Arjun	2761	IND	56w1	37b0	78w1	35b1	2w½	40b1	9w½	6b½	1w½	0	43	39	2	2749	6
8º		GM	Yu Yangyi	2728	CHN	33w½	77b1	22w½	37b½	11w1	2b½	16w½	14b½	24w1	0	43	38,5	1	2723	6
9º		GM	Maghsoodloo Parham	2732	IRI	4b½	50w1	14b0	54w½	71b1	37w1	7b½	36w1	5w½	0	41,5	37,5	1	2738	6
10º		GM	Suleymanli Aydin	2621	AZE	83b½	26w½	43b1	1w0	85b1	32w1	19w1	5b½	6w½	0	41	38,5	2	2735	6
11º		FM	Zemlyanskii Ivan	2516	FID	61b½	31w½	47b1	18w½	8b0	76w1	41b1	12w½	28b1	0	40,5	36,5	3	2770	6
12º		GM	Mishra Abhimanyu	2634	USA	63w1	81b0	53w½	85b½	70w½	42b1	44w1	11b½	21w1	0	34	31,5	1	2657	6
13º		GM	Aravindh Chithambaram V.	2670	IND	70w1	36b1	81w1	5b½	16w1	3b½	1w0	2b0	14w½	0	44,5	41	1	2689	5,5
14º		GM	Puranik Abhimanyu	2629	IND	45w½	72b1	9w1	3b½	5w0	54b½	17w1	8w½	13b½	0	44	40	1	2694	5,5
15º		GM	Niemann Hans Moke	2688	USA	82b1	71w1	37w1	16b½	6w½	1b½	3w0	4b0	46w1	0	43,5	40	1	2697	5,5
16º		GM	Salem A.R. Saleh	2629	UAE	80b1	54w1	41b1	15w½	13b0	5w½	8b½	18w1	4w0	0	43,5	39,5	2	2715	5,5
17º		GM	Iniyani Pa	2493	IND	46w1	2b0	59w1	22b½	39w½	18w½	14b0	74b1	38w1	0	40	36	1	2714	5,5
18º		GM	Nguyen Thai Dai Van	2649	CZE	42w1	78b½	44w½	11b½	22w½	17b½	40w1	16b0	51w1	0	40	35,5	0	2629	5,5
19º		GM	Sindarov Javokhir	2684	UZB	53w½	62b1	35w½	81b1	1w0	41w1	10b0	22b½	44w1	0	39,5	35,5	2	2666	5,5
20º		GM	Sargsyan Shant	2637	ARM	60b½	21w0	42b½	43w1	57b½	24w½	62b½	70w1	36b1	0	35,5	31,5	1	2629	5,5
21º		GM	Sankalp Gupta	2531	IND	38w½	20b1	86w1	2b½	29w½	6b0	27w1	28w½	12b0	0	43,5	39	1	2704	5
22º		GM	Maurizzi Marc`andria	2617	FRA	26b½	87w1	8b½	17w½	18b½	28w½	25b½	19w½	29w½	0	42,5	37,5	0	2666	5
23º		GM	Pranav V	2587	IND	5b0	69w1	25b½	32w½	86w1	29b1	2w0	38b½	30w½	0	41	37	1	2700	5
24º		GM	Gurel Ediz	2578	TUR	55w½	6b0	75w1	39b½	38w½	20b½	64w1	32w1	8b0	0	39,5	35,5	0	2688	5
25º		GM	Artemiev Vladislav	2705	FID	77w½	33b½	23w½	56w½	4b½	82b1	22w½	31w½	35b½	0	38,5	35,5	1	2637	5
26º		GM	Blohberger Felix	2505	AUT	22w½	10b½	30w½	46b½	58w½	59b1	38w½	39b½	27w½	0	38,5	34,5	1	2687	5
27º		GM	Deac Bogdan-Daniel	2692	ROU	36b0	70w1	57b½	4w½	33b½	45w1	21b0	53w1	26b½	0	38,5	34,5	0	2594	5
28º		GM	Mendonca Leon Luke	2640	IND	81w0	63b½	34w1	49b1	37w½	22b½	58w1	21b½	11w0	0	38	34	1	2595	5
29º		GM	Sevian Samuel	2698	USA	57b½	43w½	4b½	78w1	21b½	23w0	53b½	56w1	22b½	0	38	34	0	2612	5
30º		GM	Nihal Sarin	2680	IND	43b½	57w½	26b½	60w1	54b½	36w½	4b0	62w1	23b½	0	37,5	33,5	0	2587	5
31º		GM	Gledura Benjamin	2619	HUN	44w½	11b½	45w½	53b½	42w½	70b½	72w1	25b½	34w½	0	37	33,5	0	2586	5
32º		GM	Martirosyan Haik M.	2678	ARM	62w½	53b½	49w½	23b½	77w1	10b0	54w1	24b0	64w1	0	36,5	32,5	0	2596	5
33º		GM	Nesterov Arseniy	2589	FID	8b½	25w½	88b1	41w0	27w½	39b0	55w½	77b1	58w1	0	36	33	2	2724	5
34º		IM	Gholami Orimi Mahdi	2470	IRI	71b0	82w1	28b0	50w1	47b½	46w½	56b½	37w1	31b½	0	35,5	32	0	2645	5
35º		GM	Petrosyan Manuel	2616	ARM	87b½	83w1	19b½	7w0	81b½	53w½	48b½	42w1	25w½	0	34,5	32	0	2634	5
36º		GM	Muradli Mahammad	2560	AZE	27w1	13w0	65b1	38b1	3w0	30b½	39w1	9b0	20w0	0	42,5	38	2	2683	4,5
37º		GM	Theodorou Nikolas	2616	GRE	68w1	7w1	15b0	8w½	28b½	9b0	51w½	34b0	70b1	0	42	38	1	2618	4,5
38º		GM	Ter-Sahakyan Samvel	2650	ARM	21b½	60w1	1b½	36w0	24b½	57w1	26b½	23w½	17b0	0	40,5	36,5	0	2547	4,5
39º		GM	Radjabov Teimour	2723	AZE	50b½	4w½	56b½	24w½	17b½	33w1	36b0	26w½	48b½	0	40,5	36	0	2560	4,5
40º		GM	Yuffa Daniil	2617	ESP	51w½	75b1	6w½	44b1	41b½	7w0	18b0	48w½	45b½	0	40	35,5	2	2598	4,5
41º		GM	Fedoseev Vladimir	2701	SLO	67w1	58b1	16w0	33b1	40w½	19b0	11w0	49b½	43w½	0	39,5	35,5	2	2592	4,5
42º		GM	Pranav Anand	2530	IND	18b0	66b½	20w½	61w1	31b½	12w0	47b1	35b0	74w1	0	39,5	35,5	1	2624	4,5
43º		IM	Erdogmus Yagiz Kaan	2553	TUR	30w½	29b½	10w0	20b0	50b1	61w½	76b1	52w½	41b½	0	39	35	2	2645	4,5
44º		IM	Siddharth Jagadeesh	2508	SGP	31b½	61w1	18b½	40w0	76b½	47w1	12b0	55w1	19b0	0	39	35	0	2637	4,5

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44º		IM	Siddharth Jagadeesh	2508	SGP	31b½	61w1	18b½	40w0	76b½	47w1	12b0	55w1	19b0	0	39	35	0	2637	4,5
45º		GM	Adhiban B.	2520	IND	14b½	52w½	31b½	76w½	46w1	27b0	49w½	58b½	40w½	0	37,5	33,5	0	2621	4,5
46º		GM	Idani Pouya	2605	IRI	17b0	73w½	80b1	26w½	45b0	34b½	79w1	54w1	15b0	0	36	33	1	2525	4,5
47º		GM	Gupta Abhijeet	2601	IND	64w½	51b½	11w0	63b1	34w½	44b0	42w0	84b1	72w1	0	36	32,5	2	2505	4,5
48º		GM	Sivuk Vitaly	2541	SWE	86w½	3b0	55w½	58b0	80w1	67b1	35w½	40b½	39w½	0	35,5	32,5	1	2632	4,5
49º		GM	Sanal Vahap	2566	TUR	88b½	65w½	32b½	28w0	73b½	60w1	45b½	41w½	52b½	0	35	31,5	0	2625	4,5
50º		GM	Sethuraman S.P.	2588	IND	39w½	9b0	63w½	34b0	43w0	87w1	78b1	72b½	75w1	0	34	31	1	2563	4,5
51º		IM	Madaminov Mukhiddin	2504	UZB	40b½	47w½	71b0	74b½	67w½	85w1	37b½	61w1	18b0	0	34	30,5	0	2603	4,5
52º		GM	Sadhvani Raunak	2654	IND	72w½	45b½	85w½	77b½	53w½	62b½	70w½	43b½	49w½	0	31,5	28,5	0	2551	4,5
53º		GM	Horvath Dominik	2553	AUT	19b½	32w½	12b½	31w½	52b½	35b½	29w½	27b0	66w½	0	41	36,5	0	2614	4
54º		IM	Royal Shreyas	2463	ENG	74w1	16b0	58w1	9b½	30w½	14w½	32b0	46b0	67w½	0	39,5	35,5	0	2593	4
55º		GM	Esipenko Andrey	2703	FID	24b½	1w0	48b½	84w1	56b½	4w0	33b½	44b0	79w1	0	39	36	0	2513	4
56º		GM	Safarli Eltaj	2594	AZE	7b0	68w1	39w½	25b½	55w½	64b½	34w½	29b0	63w½	0	37,5	33,5	0	2575	4
57º		GM	Mchedlishvili Mikheil	2567	GEO	29w½	30b½	27w½	86b½	20w½	38b0	66w½	59b½	65b½	0	37	33	0	2620	4
58º		GM	Kuybokarov Temur	2600	AUS	84b1	41w0	54b0	48w1	26b½	81w1	28b0	45w½	33b0	0	35	32,5	1	2508	4
59º		GM	Ivanchuk Vasyil	2609	UKR	69b1	5w0	17b0	79w½	78b1	26w0	73b½	57w½	60b½	0	35	32	2	2500	4
60º		GM	Nikitenko Mihail	2525	BLR	20w½	38b0	66w1	30b0	74w½	49b0	67w½	82b1	59w½	0	35	31,5	1	2569	4
61º		GM	Banusz Tamas	2623	HUN	11w½	44b0	72w½	42b0	75w1	43b½	82w1	51b0	62w½	0	35	31,5	0	2485	4
62º		GM	Can Emre	2549	TUR	32b½	19w0	84b0	83w1	87b1	52w½	20w½	30b0	61b½	0	34,5	32	1	2562	4
63º		GM	Raja Rithvik R	2523	IND	12b0	28w½	50b½	47w0	66b½	84w½	71b½	76w1	56b½	0	34,5	31,5	0	2555	4
64º		IM	Assaubayeva Bibisara	2481	KAZ	47b½	76w0	79b½	66w½	65b1	56w½	24b0	71w1	32b0	0	33	30	1	2572	4
65º		GM	Sjugirov Sanan	2691	HUN	85w½	49b½	36w0	72b½	64w0	68b1	77w½	75b½	57w½	0	31	28	1	2495	4
66º		GM	Yilmaz Mustafa	2641	TUR	78b0	42w½	60b0	64b½	63w½	83w1	57b½	73w½	53b½	0	31	28	0	2484	4
67º		GM	Peralta Fernando	2573	ARG	41b0	84w½	87b½	73w½	51b½	48w0	60b½	81w1	54b½	0	30	27,5	0	2486	4
68º		GM	Samant Aditya S	2499	IND	37b0	56b0	82w0	69b½	-1	65w0	84w½	83b1	77w1	0	29	26,5	1	2478	4
69º		GM	Suleymenov Alisher	2499	KAZ	59w0	23b0	70b0	68w½	83b0	80b1	87w1	79b½	73w1	0	28,5	26	1	2495	4
70º		GM	Bharath Subramaniyam H	2544	IND	13b0	27b0	69w1	88w1	12b½	31w½	52b½	20b0	37w0	0	40	36	0	2555	3,5
71º		GM	Vakhidov Jakhongir	2599	UZB	34w1	15b0	51w1	6b0	9w0	72b0	63w½	64b0	84w1	0	38,5	35	0	2488	3,5
72º		GM	Gavrilesco David	2538	ROU	52b½	14w0	61b½	65w½	79b½	71w1	31b0	50w½	47b0	0	35,5	32	0	2537	3,5
73º		GM	Yilmazyerli Mert	2522	TUR	2w0	46b½	74w½	67b½	49w½	77b½	59w½	66b½	69b0	0	35	31,5	0	2509	3,5
74º		GM	Jumabayev Rinat	2595	KAZ	54b0	80w½	73b½	51w½	60b½	79w½	81b1	17w0	42b0	0	32	29	1	2434	3,5
75º		GM	Cardoso Jose Gabriel	2496	COL	76b½	40w0	24b0	80w1	61b0	78w½	85b1	65w½	50b0	0	31	28	1	2510	3,5
76º		GM	Aditya Mittal	2607	IND	75w½	64b1	3w0	45b½	44w½	11b0	43w0	63b0	80w½	0	37,5	34	1	2407	3
77º		GM	Moroni Luca Jr	2580	ITA	25b½	8w0	83b1	52w½	32b0	73w½	65b½	33w0	68b0	0	37	33,5	1	2495	3
78º		GM	Kacharava Nikoloz	2527	GEO	66w1	18w½	7b0	29b0	59w0	75b½	50w0	80b0	81w1	0	35,5	32,5	0	2484	3
79º		GM	Erdos Viktor	2546	HUN	3w½	86b0	64w½	59b½	72w½	74b½	46b0	69w½	55b0	0	34	30,5	0	2471	3
80º		IM	Klimkowski Jan	2517	POL	16w0	74b½	46w0	75b0	48b0	69w0	83b1	78w1	76b½	0	31,5	28,5	1	2432	3
81º		GM	Krzyzanowski Marcin	2526	POL	28b1	12w1	13b0	19w0	35w½	58b0	74w0	67b0	78b0	0	38,5	35	1	2449	2,5
82º		GM	Dudin Gleb	2554	HUN	15w0	34b0	68b1	87w½	84b1	25w0	61b0	60w0	0	0	34,5	32	2	2420	2,5
83º		GM	Avila Pavas Santiago	2514	COL	10w½	35b0	77w0	62b0	69w1	66b0	80w0	68w0	-1	0	34,5	31,5	0	2314	2,5
84º		IM	Seemann Jakub	2474	POL	58w0	67b½	62w1	55b0	82w0	63b½	68b½	47w0	71b0	0	32	28,5	0	2412	2,5
85º		GM	Kadric Denis	2558	MNE	65b½	88w½	52b½	12w½	10w0	51b0	75w0	0	0	0	37,5	34	0	2456	2
86º		GM	Yakubboev Nodirbek	2665	UZB	48b½	79w1	21b0	57w½	23b0	0	0	0	0	0	36,5	32,5	0	2482	2
87º		GM	Dronavalli Harika	2503	IND	35w½	22b0	67w½	82b½	62w0	50b0	69b0	0	0	0	35,5	31,5	0	2341	1,5
88º		GM	Narayanan S L	2695	IND	49w½	85b½	33w0	70b0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35,5	32	0	2371	1

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Estatística de Rating FIDE

Nº	Tít	Nome	FED	ID-FIDE	EloInt	W	n	We	W-We	K	Ra	Rp	Val+/-
1	GM	Erigaisi, Arjun	IND	35009192	2761	6,0	9	6,12	-0,12	10	2624	2749	-1
2	GM	Maghsoodloo, Parham	IRI	12539929	2732	6,0	9	5,91	0,09	10	2613	2738	1
3	GM	Yu, Yangyi	CHN	8603820	2728	6,0	9	6,07	-0,07	10	2598	2723	-1
4	GM	Radjabov, Teimour	AZE	13400924	2723	4,5	9	6,43	-1,93	10	2560	2560	-19
5	GM	Tabatabaei, M. Amin	IRI	12521213	2707	6,0	9	5,25	0,75	10	2646	2771	8
6	GM	Sarana, Alexey	SRB	24133795	2706	6,0	9	5,41	0,59	10	2631	2756	6
7	GM	Artemiev, Vladislav	FID	24101605	2705	5,0	9	5,86	-0,86	10	2594	2637	-9
8	GM	Esipenko, Andrey	FID	24175439	2703	4,0	9	6,26	-2,26	10	2556	2513	-23
9	GM	Fedoseev, Vladimir	SLO	24130737	2701	4,5	9	5,82	-1,32	10	2592	2592	-13
10	GM	Sevian, Samuel	USA	2040506	2698	5,0	9	6,06	-1,06	10	2569	2612	-11
11	GM	Narayanan, S L	IND	5058422	2695	1,0	4	2,69	-1,69	10	2564	2371	-17
12	GM	Deac, Bogdan-Daniel	ROU	1226380	2692	5,0	9	6,20	-1,20	10	2551	2594	-12
13	GM	Sjugirov, Sanan	HUN	4189302	2691	4,0	9	6,32	-2,32	10	2538	2495	-23
14	GM	Niemann, Hans Moke	USA	2093596	2688	5,5	9	5,36	0,14	10	2617	2697	1
15	GM	Sindarov, Javokhir	UZB	14205483	2684	5,5	9	5,69	-0,19	10	2586	2666	-2
16	GM	Nihal, Sarin	IND	25092340	2680	5,0	9	6,13	-1,13	10	2544	2587	-11
17	GM	Martirosyan, Haik M.	ARM	13306553	2678	5,0	9	5,98	-0,98	10	2553	2596	-10
18	GM	Shankland, Sam	USA	2004887	2671	6,5	9	5,31	1,19	10	2606	2772	12
19	GM	Aravindh, Chithambaram Vr.	IND	5072786	2670	5,5	9	5,25	0,25	10	2609	2689	3
20	GM	Yakubboev, Nodirbek	UZB	14203987	2665	2,0	5	3,25	-1,25	10	2554	2482	-13
21	GM	Sadhwani, Raunak	IND	35093487	2654	4,5	9	5,76	-1,26	10	2551	2551	-13
22	GM	Ter-Sahakyan, Samvel	ARM	13302531	2650	4,5	9	5,75	-1,25	10	2547	2547	-13
23	GM	Nguyen, Thai Dai Van	CZE	358878	2649	5,5	9	5,71	-0,21	10	2549	2629	-2
24	GM	Yilmaz, Mustafa	TUR	6302718	2641	4,0	9	5,89	-1,89	10	2527	2484	-19
25	GM	Mendonca, Leon Luke	IND	35028561	2640	5,0	9	5,58	-0,58	10	2552	2595	-6
26	GM	Sargsyan, Shant	ARM	13306766	2637	5,5	9	5,60	-0,10	10	2549	2629	-1
27	GM	Mishra, Abhimanyu	USA	30920019	2634	6,0	9	5,74	0,26	10	2532	2657	3
28	GM	Murzin, Volodar	FID	44155573	2631	6,5	9	4,52	1,98	10	2630	2796	20
29	GM	Puranik, Abhimanyu	IND	5061245	2629	5,5	9	4,66	0,84	10	2614	2694	8
30	GM	Salem, A.R. Saleh	UAE	9301348	2629	5,5	9	4,40	1,10	10	2635	2715	11
31	GM	Banusz, Tamas	HUN	722413	2623	4,0	9	5,69	-1,69	10	2528	2485	-17
32	GM	Suleymanli, Aydin	AZE	13413937	2621	6,0	9	4,64	1,36	10	2610	2735	14
33	GM	Gledura, Benjamin	HUN	712779	2619	5,0	9	5,43	-0,43	10	2543	2586	-4
34	GM	Maurizzi, Marc`andria	FRA	36083534	2617	5,0	9	4,44	0,56	10	2623	2666	6
35	GM	Yuffa, Daniil	ESP	24131423	2617	4,5	9	4,72	-0,22	10	2598	2598	-2
36	GM	Petrosyan, Manuel	ARM	13300857	2616	5,0	9	4,82	0,18	10	2591	2634	2
37	GM	Theodorou, Nikolas	GRE	4262875	2616	4,5	9	4,48	0,02	10	2618	2618	0
38	GM	Ivanchuk, Vasyil	UKR	14100010	2609	4,0	9	5,32	-1,32	10	2543	2500	-13
39	GM	Aditya, Mittal	IND	35042025	2607	3,0	9	5,43	-2,43	10	2532	2407	-24
40	GM	Idani, Pouya	IRI	12510130	2605	4,5	9	5,48	-0,98	10	2525	2525	-10
41	GM	Gupta, Abhijeet	IND	5010608	2601	4,5	9	5,69	-1,19	10	2505	2505	-12
42	GM	Kuybokarov, Temur	AUS	14203049	2600	4,0	9	5,09	-1,09	10	2551	2508	-11
43	GM	Vakhidov, Jakhongir	UZB	14201801	2599	3,5	9	4,86	-1,36	10	2568	2488	-14
44	GM	Jumabayev, Rinat	KAZ	13702661	2595	3,5	9	5,51	-2,01	10	2514	2434	-20

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Nº	Tit	Nome	FED	ID-FIDE	EloInt	W	n	We	W-We	K	Ra	Rp	Val+/-
45	GM	Safarli, Eltaj	AZE	13402129	2594	4,0	9	4,22	-0,22	10	2618	2575	-2
46	GM	Vokhidov, Shamsiddin	UZB	14204223	2591	6,5	9	3,23	3,27	10	2694	2860	33
47	GM	Nesterov, Arseniy	FID	24198455	2589	5,0	9	3,37	1,63	10	2681	2724	16
48	GM	Sethuraman, S.P.	IND	5021596	2588	4,5	9	4,83	-0,33	10	2563	2563	-3
49	GM	Pranav, V	IND	25060783	2587	5,0	9	3,64	1,36	10	2657	2700	14
50	GM	Daneshvar, Bardiya	IRI	12576468	2581	6,5	9	3,23	3,27	10	2684	2850	33
51	GM	Moroni, Luca Jr	ITA	865834	2580	3,0	9	4,02	-1,02	10	2620	2495	-10
52	GM	Gurel, Ediz	TUR	44507356	2578	5,0	9	3,69	1,31	10	2645	2688	13
53	GM	Peralta, Fernando	ARG	105309	2573	4,0	9	5,07	-1,07	10	2529	2486	-11
54	GM	Mchedlishvili, Mikheil	GEO	13600966	2567	4,0	9	3,33	0,67	10	2663	2620	7
55	GM	Sanal, Vahap	TUR	6300545	2566	4,5	9	3,79	0,71	10	2625	2625	7
56	GM	Muradli, Mahammad	AZE	13409301	2560	4,5	9	3,00	1,50	10	2683	2683	15
57	GM	Kadric, Denis	MNE	14403803	2558	2,0	7	2,99	-0,99	10	2614	2456	-10
58	GM	Dudin, Gleb	HUN	34184934	2554	2,5	8	3,94	-1,44	10	2561	2420	-14
59	GM	Horvath, Dominik	AUT	1642561	2553	4,0	9	3,22	0,78	10	2657	2614	8
60	IM	Erdogmus, Yagiz Kaan	TUR	44599790	2553	4,5	9	3,36	1,14	10	2645	2645	11
61	GM	Can, Emre	TUR	6302181	2549	4,0	9	3,82	0,18	10	2605	2562	2
62	GM	Erdos, Viktor	HUN	719978	2546	3,0	9	3,89	-0,89	10	2596	2471	-9
63	GM	Bharath, Subramaniam H	IND	46634827	2544	3,5	9	3,39	0,11	10	2635	2555	1
64	GM	Sivuk, Vitaly	SWE	14116502	2541	4,5	9	3,41	1,09	10	2632	2632	11
65	GM	Gavrilescu, David	ROU	1227190	2538	3,5	9	3,54	-0,04	10	2617	2537	0
66	GM	Sankalp, Gupta	IND	5097010	2531	5,0	9	2,93	2,07	10	2661	2704	21
67	GM	Pranav, Anand	IND	46626786	2530	4,5	9	3,34	1,16	10	2624	2624	12
68	GM	Kacharava, Nikolozi	GEO	13611860	2527	3,0	9	3,51	-0,51	10	2609	2484	-5
69	GM	Krzyzanowski, Marcin	POL	1132199	2526	2,5	9	3,40	-0,90	10	2615	2449	-9
70	GM	Nikitenko, Mihail	BLR	13506862	2525	4,0	9	3,42	0,58	10	2612	2569	6
71	GM	Raja, Rithvik R	IND	35007394	2523	4,0	9	3,58	0,42	10	2598	2555	4
72	GM	Yilmazyerli, Mert	TUR	6305962	2522	3,5	9	3,68	-0,18	10	2589	2509	-2
73	GM	Adhiban, B.	IND	5018471	2520	4,5	9	3,26	1,24	10	2621	2621	12
74	IM	Klimkowski, Jan	POL	21856222	2517	3,0	9	4,02	-1,02	10	2557	2432	-10
75	FM	Zemlyanskii, Ivan	FID	24249971	2516	6,0	9	2,95	3,05	10	2645	2770	31
76	GM	Avila Pavas, Santiago	COL	4437128	2514	1,5	8	3,44	-1,94	10	2565	2314	-19
77	IM	Siddharth, Jagadeesh	SGP	5818320	2508	4,5	9	2,93	1,57	10	2637	2637	16
78	GM	Blohberger, Felix	AUT	1632051	2505	5,0	9	2,84	2,16	10	2644	2687	22
79	IM	Madaminov, Mukhiddin	UZB	14210703	2504	4,5	9	3,29	1,21	10	2603	2603	12
80	GM	Dronavalli, Harika	IND	5015197	2503	1,5	7	2,85	-1,35	10	2571	2341	-14
81	GM	Samant, Aditya S	IND	35080580	2499	3,0	8	3,28	-0,28	10	2565	2478	-3
82	GM	Suleymenov, Alisher	KAZ	13707833	2499	4,0	9	4,01	-0,01	10	2538	2495	0
83	GM	Cardoso Cardoso, Jose Gabriel	COL	4430492	2496	3,5	9	3,37	0,13	10	2590	2510	1
84	GM	Iniyana, Pa	IND	25002767	2493	5,5	9	2,80	2,70	10	2634	2714	27
85	IM	Assaubayeva, Bibisara	KAZ	13708694	2481	4,0	9	2,91	1,09	10	2615	2572	11
86	IM	Seemann, Jakub	POL	21874697	2474	2,5	9	3,25	-0,75	10	2578	2412	-8
87	IM	Gholami Orimi, Mahdi	IRI	12558486	2470	5,0	9	2,90	2,10	10	2602	2645	21
88	IM	Royal, Shreyas	ENG	448869	2463	4,0	9	2,48	1,52	10	2636	2593	15



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1.♟f3 d6 2.d4 g6 3.g3 ♙g7 4.♙g2
 ♜f6 5.0-0 0-0 6.♞e1 ♜bd7 7.e4 e5
 8.♜c3 c6 9.a4 ♞e8 10.a5 ♚c7 11.h3N
 [RR 11.b3 exd4 12.♜xd4 ♜c5
 13.♙b2 ♞b8 14.b4 ♜e6 15.♚d2 ♜g4
 16.♜xe6 ♙xe6 17.f4 b5 18.h3 ♜f6
 19.♞ad1 ♞bd8 20.♚f2 a6 21.♜e2
 ♙c4 22.♜d4 c5 23.bxc5 dxc5
 24.♜b3 ♜d7 25.♙xg7 ♚xg7
 Zafirakos,J (2022)-Anuj,S (2390)
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 11...♞b8 12.♙e3 b5 13.axb6 axb6
 14.d5 ♙b7 15.♜h2 b5 16.dxc6 ♚xc6
 17.♜g4 b4 18.♜xf6+ ♜xf6 19.♜d5
 ♜xd5 20.exd5 ♚c4 21.♞a4 ♙c8
 22.c3?! Inaccuracy. Ba7 was best.
 [22.♙a7]
 22...♙d7 23.♞a7 bxc3 24.♞xd7 cxb2
 25.♙f1 ♚c8 26.♞xd6 b1♚ 27.♚xb1
 ♞xb1 28.♞xb1 ♙f8 29.♞c6 ♚d7
 30.♙c4?! Inaccuracy. Bg2 was best.
 [30.♙g2]
 30...♞c8?! Inaccuracy. Ra8 was best.
 [30...♞a8 31.♚h2 ♞a3 32.♞b3 ♞xb3
 33.♙xb3 ♙d6 34.♙a4 ♚d8 35.♞a6
 ♚b8 36.♙h6]
 31.♞bb6 ♚xh3 32.♞b7 ♞a8 33.♙a7
 ♞c8 34.♙e3 h5 35.♙f1 ♚g4 36.♙e2
 ♚xe2 37.♞xc8 ♚d1+ 38.♚h2 ♚g7
 39.♞d8 h4 40.gxh4 ♚g4 41.♙g5 ♚f3
 42.♙e3 ♚f6 43.♞dd7 ♚xh4+ 44.♚g2
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1.♜f3 d5 2.g3 ♜f6 3.♙g2 e6 4.0-0 c5
 5.c4 d4 6.e3 ♜c6 7.d3 h6 8.exd4

cx d4 9.♙f4
 [RR 9.♞e1 ♙d6 10.♜a3 0-0 11.♜c2
 a5 12.a3 e5 13.♞b1 a4 14.b4 axb3
 15.♜b4 ♞e8 16.♚xb3 ♙f5 17.♜d2
 ♚d7 18.♚c2 ♙h3 19.♙h1 ♜e7
 20.♜a2 ♞ab8 21.a4 ♜g6 22.♞b5
 ♚c7 23.♜e4 ♜xe4 Duda,J (2732)-
 Keymer,V (2743) chess.com INT 2024
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9...♙d6 10.♙xd6 ♚xd6 11.♜bd2N
 [RR 11.♜a3 0-0 12.♞e1 a6 13.♞c1
 ♜d7 14.♚d2 ♞b8 15.♜c2 b5 16.b4
 bxc4 17.dxc4 ♜xb4 18.♜xb4 ♚xb4
 19.♚xd4 ♚c5 20.♞b1 ♞xb1 21.♞xb1
 ♚c7 22.♞d1 e5 23.♚c3 e4 24.♜d4
 ♜c5 25.♜b3 ♙e6 Gallo Garcia,K
 (2348)-Rodriguez Hernandez,L (2386)
 Holguin CUB 2024 1/2-1/2]
 [RR 11.♜a3 a6 12.♜c2 0-0 13.♚d2
 a5 14.a3 e5 15.b4 axb4 16.axb4
 ♞xa1 17.♞xa1 ♙f5 18.b5 ♜b8
 19.♜h4 ♙c8 20.♚b4 ♚c7 21.c5 g5
 22.♜f3 ♙f5 23.b6 ♚e7 24.c6 ♜xc6
 25.♚xe7 ♜xe7 Cieslak,P (2373)-
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11...0-0 12.♞e1 ♞d8 13.a3 a5 14.♞c1
 a4 15.♜e4 ♜xe4 16.♞xe4 b6 17.♞e1
 ♙b7 18.♜d2 ♚e7 19.f4 ♜b8 20.♞e5
 ♙xg2 21.♚xg2 ♜d7 22.♞b5 ♜c5
 23.♚f3 ♚c7 24.♞e1 ♞a5 25.♞xa5 bxa5
 26.♜e4 ♜d7 27.g4 ♞b8 28.♞e2 ♞b3
 29.♜f2 ♜c5 30.f5 e5 31.♞d2 ♚b7
 32.♚xb7 ♞xb7 33.♞e2?! Inaccuracy.
 Kf3 was best.

[33.♚f3 ♞b3 34.h4 ♚f8 35.♚e2 g5
 36.fxg6 fxg6 37.h5 g5 38.♚d1 ♚e7]
 33...f6 34.h4 ♞b3 35.♞d2 ♚f7 36.h5
 ♚e7 37.♚f3?! Inaccuracy. Kg1 was
 best.

[37.♚g1 ♚d7 38.♚g2 ♚c6 39.♚g1
 ♜b7 40.♚f1 ♜d6 41.♞c2 ♜f7
 42.♞d2 ♜g5]

37...e4+ 38.♜xe4 ♜xd3 39.♚e2 ♜e5
 40.♞xd4 ♞xb2+ 41.♚d1 ♞b3 42.♚c2
 ♞xa3 43.c5? Mistake. Nc3 was best.

[43.♖c3 ♗c6 44.♞d1 ♘b4+ 45.♔d2 ♕d7 46.♞e1 ♗c6 47.♕c2 ♘e5 48.♞d1+ ♕c6]

43...♗c6 44.♞d6 ♘b4+ 45.♕d2 ♞a2+ 46.♕d1 ♞a1+ 47.♕d2 a3 48.c6 ♗xc6 49.♞xc6 a2 50.♗c3 ♞d1+ 51.♗xd1 a1♞ 52.♞c7+ ♕f8 53.♞c8+ ♕f7 54.♞c7+ ♕g8 55.♞c8+ ♕h7 56.♞c4 ♞a2+ 57.♕d3 ♞b1+ 58.♕d2 ♞b3 59.♞d4 a4 60.♗c3 a3 61.♞a4?!

Inaccuracy. Re4 was best.

[61.♞e4 a2 62.♗xa2 ♞xa2+ 63.♔e3 ♞g2 64.♞d4 ♞g3+ 65.♕d2 ♕g8 66.♞a4 ♞f2+]

61...♞xa4

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■ **Sethuraman,S.P.**
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1.♗f3 ♗f6 2.g3 c5 3.♙g2 ♗c6 4.0-0 e5 5.e4 d6 6.d3 g6 7.c4N

[RR 7.♗c3 ♙g7 8.♗d2 0-0 9.♗c4 ♙g4 10.♙f3 ♙xf3 11.♞xf3 d5 12.exd5 ♗d4 13.♞d1 (13.♞g2) 13...♗xd5 14.♙e3 ♞c8 15.a4 ♗b4 16.♞c1 f5 17.♞e1 (White should try 17.♗b5!) 17...♗bc6 18.♗b5 ♞d7 19.♙xd4 cxd4 20.♞f3 (20.c3) 20...♞ce8 21.♞g2 ♞e6 Daneshvar,B (2597)-Dominguez Perez,L (2752) chess.com INT 2024 1-0]

[RR 7.c3 ♙g7 8.a3 0-0 9.b4 a6 10.♗bd2 b5 11.♞b1 ♗d7 12.♗b3 ♗b6 13.♙g5 ♞d7 14.♞d2 ♗a4 15.♞fc1 ♙b7 16.c4 ♗d4! 17.bxc5 dxc5 18.cxb5! ♗xb3 19.♞xb3 axb5 20.♙e3 ♞fc8 21.h4 ½-½ (21) Hausrath,D (2462)-Kurmman,O (2438) Munich GER 2024]

[RR 7.♗c3 ♙g7 8.♗d2 0-0 9.♗c4 ♞b8 10.a4 a6 11.a5 ♙e6 12.♗d5 ♙xd5 13.exd5 ♗e7 14.♙g5 h6

15.♙xf6! ♙xf6 16.♞b1 ♞c7 17.b4 cxb4 18.♞d2 ♙g7 19.♞xb4 ♗c8 20.♕h1 ♞d8 21.f4 exf4 Blohberger,F (2531)-Georgescu,L (2218) Basel SUI 2024 1-0 (55)]

7...h5 8.♗c3 The position is equal.

8...♙g4 9.♙g5 ♙e7 10.♞d2 ♙xf3 11.♙xf3 ♗d5 12.♙xe7 [Don't play 12.cxd5 ♙xg5 13.♞d1 ♗d4=]

12...♗dxe7 13.♙d1

[13.h4!]

13...h4 14.g4 ♞d7 15.h3

[15.f4]

15...♕f8? Mistake. f5 was best.

[15...f5 16.f3]

[15...f5 stays ahead.]

16.♙a4 ♞e6?! Inaccuracy. Kg7 was best.

[16...♕g7 17.f4]

[Better is 16...♕g7]

17.♙xc6 bxc6 18.f4 exf4 19.♞xf4?! Inaccuracy. Rxf4 was best.

[19.♞xf4 ♕g7 20.♞af1 ♞hf8 21.e5! dxe5 22.♞f6! ♞d7 23.♗e4! ♞ad8 24.♞f2 ♞d4]

19...♕g7 20.g5?! Inaccuracy. e5 was best.

[20.e5 dxe5 21.♞e3! ♞hf8 22.♗e4 ♗g8 23.♞ae1 ♞ae8 24.♗xc5 ♞d6 25.♗e4! ♞b8]

[20.e5± dxe5 21.♞e3]

20...♞h5= 21.♞f6+ ♕g8 22.♕h2 ♞d8 23.♞xe6 fxe6 24.♞f6 e5 25.♞g1↑

White fights for an advantage. 25...♕g7 26.♞gf1 Strongly threatening Rf7+.

26...♕g8! 27.♗d1 Black should prevent Nf2. 27...♞xg5 28.♗e3 And now Ng4 would win. 28...♞h5?? Blunder. Rg3 was best.

[28...♞g3 29.♗g4 ♞xd3 30.b3 a5 31.♞e6 ♞d2+ 32.♕g1 ♞e8 33.♗h6+ ♕g7 34.♗f7]

[28...♞g3= and Black has nothing to worry. 29.♗g4 ♞xd3]

29.♗g4+- ♞h7 30.♞e6 ♞g7 31.♞ff6

♠c8 32.♖xg6 ♖xg6 33.♖xg6+
 Endgame KRN-KRN **33...♔f7 34.♖h6!**
♔g7 35.♖xh4 ♖f8 36.♔e3 ♖f2+?!
 Inaccuracy. Ne7 was best.

[36...♔e7 [#] 37.♔g3! ♖b8 38.b3 ♖f8
 39.♖g4+ ♔f6 40.h4 ♔g6 41.♖g5 ♖h8
 42.♔g4+]
 [♠36...♔e7]

37.♔g1 ♖xb2 38.♔f5+ ♔g8 39.♖g4+
♔f8?! Inaccuracy. Kh8 was best.

[39...♔h8 40.♖g2]

40.h4 ♔e7 41.♔xd6 ♖xa2 42.h5
♖d2?! Inaccuracy. a5 was best.

[42...a5 43.h6]

[42...a5 was necessary.]

43.♖g3 ♔g8 44.♔f5 a5 [#] 45.h6!
♔f6?! Inaccuracy. Nxb6 was best.

[45...♔xh6 46.♔xh6 ♔e7 47.♖g7+
 ♔e6 48.♖a7 ♖xd3 49.♔f2 ♖d4
 50.♔e3 ♖xc4 51.♖xa5]

46.♖g6 ♖d1+ 47.♔f2 ♔f7 48.♖g7+
♔f8 49.♔e2 ♖h1 50.♖a7 a4 51.♖xa4
♔g4?! Inaccuracy. Rh2+ was best.

[51...♖h2+ 52.♔f1 ♔g8 53.♖a6 ♔h5
 54.♔e7+ ♔h7 55.♔xc6 ♔xh6
 56.♔xe5+ ♔g7 57.♔d7]

52.♖a8+ ♔f7 53.♖a7+ ♔f6 54.h7
 Threatens to win with Kf3. **54...♖h3**

55.♔f1 ♖h2 56.♔g1 ♖h5 57.♔g2 ♔h2
58.♖g7 ♔f1?! Inaccuracy. Ng4 was best.

intending ...Ne3+.

[58...♔g4 59.♖xg4 ♖xh7 60.♔h4
 ♖h8 61.♔f2 ♖d8 62.♔e3 ♖e8 63.♔f3
 ♔e6 64.♔f2]

59.♖g8? Mistake. Rc7 was best.
 Accuracy: White = 79%, Black = 62%.

[59.♖c7 ♔d2 60.♔h6 ♖xh6
 61.♖xc6+ ♔g7 62.♖xh6 ♔xh6
 63.h8♖+ ♔g6 64.♖xe5 ♔b3]

[♠59.♖c7 ♖h2+ 60.♔xf1 ♔g6
 61.♖xc6+ ♔xh7 62.♔e1 ♖h3 63.♔d2
 ♖h2+ 64.♔c3]

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1.♔f3 d5 2.g3 ♔f6 3.♔g2 e6 4.0-0
♔e7 5.d3 0-0 6.♔bd2 ♔c6 7.d4 a5
8.c4N

[RR 8.♖e1 b6 9.e4 dxe4 10.♔xe4
 ♔xe4 11.♖xe4 ♔b7 12.♖e1 ♔f6
 13.c3 ♔e7 14.h4 a4 15.♔g5 ♔xg5
 16.hxg5 (16.♔xg5= ♔xg2 17.♖c2)
 16...♔g6 17.♖d2 ♖a5 18.b4 axb3
 19.axb3 ♔xf3 20.♔xf3 ♖xg5 21.♔g2
 h5 22.♖a8 ♖f6 Malakhov,V (2648)-
 Lysyj,I (2589) chess.com INT 2024
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8...b6 9.b3 White has an edge. **9...♔b7**
10.♔b2 a4 11.cxd5 exd5 12.bxa4 ♔d6
13.♔b1 ♔e4 14.♔fd2

[14.♔c3 keeps more tension. ♔a5
 15.♖c2 f6 16.e3 f5 17.♔e5]

14...♔xd2?! Inaccuracy. f5 was best.

[14...f5 15.♔b3 h5 16.♔c3 h4
 17.♔xd5 ♔e7 18.♔xe7+ ♖xe7
 19.♔d2! ♔d5 20.♖c2]

[14...f5!=]

15.♔xd2± ♔b4 16.♔b1 ♔a5 17.♔c3
♖e7 18.♖c2 ♔d6 19.e3 ♖d7 20.♔xa5
♖xa5 21.♔c3 ♖fa8 22.♖b3 ♔f8
23.♖fc1 ♖d8 24.♖ab1 ♔a8 25.♖d1
♖a6?! Inaccuracy. Rb8 was best.

[25...♖b8]

[25...♖b8± was worth a try.]

26.♖e2+- ♖a5 27.♖b5 c5?! Inaccuracy.
g6 was best.

[27...g6 28.h4 ♔g7 29.♖c2 ♔e7
 30.♖cb1 ♖c6 31.♖b3 ♖d7 32.♖xa5
 bxa5 33.♔e2]

[♠27...g6 28.♖c2 ♔g7]

28.♖xb6 cxd4 29.exd4 ♖c8 30.♖b2
♖a7 31.♔b5 And now Rxc8 would win.

31...♖xa4?! Inaccuracy. Rxc1+ was best.
 next ...Rb4 is good for Black.

[31...♖xc1+ 32.♖xc1]

32.♖xc8 ♖xc8 [#] 33.♔c3! ♖a3

34.♖xd5 ♖d3 [#] aiming for ...Rd1+.
 35.♗e7+! ♕xe7 36.♖b8 Double Attack
 36...♖d1+ 37.♕f1 ♖f8 38.♖xf8+ ♕xf8
 39.f4 ♕d5 intending ...Bc4.

[39...♕c6]

40.♔f2 g6 41.♕g2?! Inaccuracy. Ke2 was best.

[41.♔e2 ♕f3+ 42.♔xf3 ♖xf1+ 43.♔e4 ♖e1+ 44.♔d3 ♖f1 45.♔c4 ♖f3 46.a4 ♖a3]

41...♕g2?! Inaccuracy. Be6 was best.

[41...♕e6 42.♔e2 ♖g1 43.♕f3 ♕f5 44.♕d5 ♖b1 45.♖c3 ♕g4+ 46.♔d3 ♕f5+ 47.♔e3]

42.♔xg2 Endgame KQ-KRB. White is clearly winning. 42...♕g7 43.♖b8+ ♕f8 44.♖a7 ♖d2+ 45.♔f1 ♔g7 46.a4 ♕b4 47.♖b8 ♕e7 48.♖b7 ♕f6 49.d5 ♖a2 50.♖c6 h5 51.d6 ♖xh2 52.d7 ♖d2 53.a5 Strongly threatening a6. 53...h4 54.gxh4 ♖d4?! Inaccuracy. Ra2 was best.

[54...♖a2 55.a6 ♕xh4 56.♖c4 ♖a3 57.a7 ♕f6 58.♖c7 g5 59.fxc5 ♕xc5 60.♖e5+]

55.a6 ♖xf4+ 56.♔e2 Accuracy: White = 86%, Black = 52%.

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■ Pranav Anand

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1.♗f3 ♗f6 2.g3 d5 3.♕g2 e6 4.0-0 ♕e7 5.d3 0-0 6.♕f4 b5N

[RR 6...c5 7.e4 ♗c6 8.♗e5 ♗xe5 9.♕xe5 b5 10.exd5 exd5 11.♖e1 ♕b7 12.c4 b4 13.d4 ♖c8 14.cxd5 ♗xd5 15.dxc5 ♖d8 16.♗d2 ♖xc5 17.♖c1 ♖b5 18.♖g4 ♗f6 19.♖c4 ♖d7 20.♕c7 ♕xg2 21.♕xd8

Daneshvar,B (2597)-Kuziev,M (2218) Tashkent UZB 2024 1-0 (45)]

[RR 6...c5 7.♗a3 ♗c6 8.e4 dxe4

9.dxe4 ♗xe4 10.♗e5 ♗xe5 11.♕xe5 ♗f6 12.♗c4 ♗d7 13.♕d6 ♗b6 14.♕xe7 ♖xe7 15.♗a5 ♖c7 16.c4 ♖b8 17.♖f3 ♗a4 18.♖f4 ♖xf4 19.gxf4 ♗xb2 20.♖ab1 ♗d3 21.♗c6 Kupervaser,E (2250)-Rangel,D (2176) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (51)]

[RR 6...♗c6 7.d4 ♗h5 (RR 7...b6 8.c4 ♕b7 9.♗c3 ♗a5 10.cxd5 ♗xd5 11.♗xd5 ♕xd5 12.♖c2 ♖c8 13.e4 ♕b7 14.♖ad1 ♖d7 15.♗e5 ♖b5 16.♖fe1 ♖fd8 17.♕h3 ♕b4 18.♖e3 ♕d6 19.d5 ♕xe5 20.♕xe5 ♗c4 21.♖b3 ♖a4 22.♖d4; RR 7...a6 8.♗e5 ♗xe5 9.dxe5 ♗d7 10.e4 c6 11.h4 f6 12.exf6 ♕xf6 13.♕c1 ♗c5 14.♗d2 e5 15.exd5 cxd5 16.♗b3 ♗e4 17.c4 dxc4 18.♕xe4 ♖xd1 19.♖xd1 cxb3 20.axb3 ♕g4 21.f3 ♕e6 22.b4) 8.♕c1 ♗f6 9.♕f4 ♕d6 10.e3 b6 11.c4 ♕b7 12.♕xd6 cxd6 13.cxd5 ♗xd5 14.e4 ♗f6 15.♖e1 b5 16.a3 d5 17.e5 ♗e4 18.♗bd2 ♗a5 19.♖e2 ♖c8 20.♗e1 ♗xd2 21.♖xd2 Indjic,A (2603)-Yu,Y (2728) Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024 0-1 (41)]

[RR 6...b6 7.e4 dxe4 8.dxe4 ♕b7 9.♖xd8 ♖xd8 10.♕xc7 ♖c8 11.♕xb8 ♖axb8 12.c3 ♕xe4 13.♗bd2 ♕a8 14.♗e5 ♕xg2 15.♔xg2 ♖c7 16.♖fd1 ♗d5 17.♗df3 f6 18.♗d3 ♔f7 19.♗d4 b5 20.♖ac1 ♕f8 21.♗xb5]

7.a3 ♕b7 8.♗c3 a6 9.e4 c5 10.e5 ♗fd7 11.♖e1 ♗c6 12.h4 b4 13.axb4 ♗xb4 14.♖d2 ♖b6 15.h5 ♖fc8?! Inaccuracy. h6 was best.

[15...h6 16.♗a4]

16.h6 g6 17.♕g5 ♕f8 18.♗h2 ♗c6 19.♗g4 ♗d4 20.♖a2 ♗f5 21.b3 ♕c6 22.♖ea1 ♖b4 23.♕f4 ♖b7 24.♗e2?! Inaccuracy. Nd1 was best.

[24.♗d1]

24...d4 25.♕xc6 ♖xc6 26.♖d1 ♕e7 27.♔h2 ♖d5?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.

[27...g5 28.♕d2 ♗xh6 29.♗xh6+ ♔g7 30.♗xf7 ♔xf7 31.f4 g4 32.♖h1

♔xh1+ 33.♖xh1]

28.♔h1?! Inaccuracy. c4 was best.

[28.c4 ♔f3 29.♖g1 ♔xd1 30.♖xd1 g5 31.♙c1 f6 32.♗h3 fxe5 33.♙xg5 ♖cb8]

28...g5 29.♔xd5 exd5 30.♖xa6 ♖xa6

31.♖xa6 gxf4 32.♗xf4 ♗b8 33.♖b6 ♗c6 34.♗xd5 ♙f8?! Inaccuracy. Bd8 was best.

[34...♙d8]

35.♙g2?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best.

[35.f4]

35...♗h8 36.♙f3?! Inaccuracy. Rb7 was best.

[36.♖b7 ♗xh6 37.♗xh6 ♙xh6 38.f4 ♙g7 39.♙f2 ♙g6 40.g4 ♙f8 41.♙f3 ♙g7]

36...♗xh6 37.♗xh6 ♙xh6 38.♙e4 ♙f8

39.♖b7 ♙g7

[39...♙g8]

40.f4 ♙g6 41.g4 ♙g7 42.♖d7 ♗b8

43.♖a7 ♗c6 44.♖b7 ♙g6?! Inaccuracy. h6 was best.

[44...h6 45.♖d7 ♖e8 46.♗f6 ♖e7 47.♖d6 ♖e6 48.♗h5+ ♙g8 49.♖d5 ♖g6 50.♖d7]

45.f5+?! Inaccuracy. Nf6 was best.

[45.♗f6 ♙e7 46.f5+ ♙g5 47.♗xh7+ ♙h6 48.f6 ♙xh7 49.fxe7 ♖e8 50.♙d5 ♗xe7+]

45...♙g5 46.♗f6 ♙g7 47.♗xh7+ ♙h6

48.♗f6 ♗xe5 49.♙xe5 ♖e8+ 50.♙d5

♙xf6 51.♖xf7 ♖e5+ 52.♙c4 ♙g5

53.♖f8 ♖e2 54.♖g8+ ♙f4 55.♙xc5

♖xc2+ 56.♙d5

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■ Yakubboev,Nodirbek

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1.♗f3 d5 2.e3 ♗f6 3.c4 e6 4.♗c3

♙d6 5.b3 0-0 6.♙b2 ♗c6 7.d4 dxc4

8.bxc4 White has an edge. 8...e5 9.d5

♗a5N

[RR 9...♗e7 10.♙d3 ♗g6 11.♔c2 c6

12.dxc6 bxc6 13.h4 ♖e8 14.♗g5

(14.h5± ♗f8 15.♗e4) 14...♙b4 15.a3

♙a5 (15...♙e7±) 16.0-0-0! ♔e7

17.♗ce4! ♖b8 (17...♙g4±) 18.♗d6!

e4 19.♗gxe4 ♗xe4 20.♙xe4 ♖d8

21.c5 ♗f8 22.♗c4 ♔xc5 23.♗xa5

♔xa5 24.♔c3 Ganguly,S (2574)-

Sorensen,H (2428) Fagernes NOR

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10.♙e2 b6 11.0-0 ♖e8 12.♗d2 ♗d7

13.♔c2 ♗c5 14.e4 a6 15.♗d1 ♙d7

16.♖c1 c6 17.♗e3 ♖c8 18.♔b1 ♗a4

19.♙a1 ♙c5 20.♗b3?! Inaccuracy. Qd3

was best.

[20.♔d3 b5 21.h3 cxd5 22.♗xd5

♗xc4 23.♗xc4 bxc4 24.♔g3 c3

25.♙xc3 ♗xc3]

[20.♔d3=]

20...♙xe3!± 21.fxe3 ♗b7! 22.♖cd1 c5

23.♗d2 ♗d6 24.♗f3 f6 25.♗h4?! Inaccuracy. Nd2 was best.

[25.♗d2 b5 26.♖c1 ♔e7 27.a3 ♖b8

28.♙c3 ♗b7 29.♗b3 b4 30.♙e1 a5]

[25.♔c2±]

25...g6?! Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[25...b5 26.♗f3 bxc4 27.♔c2 c3

28.♙xc3 ♗xc3 29.♔xc3 ♗xe4

30.♔b3 ♗d6 31.♗d2]

[25...b5!-+ has better winning

chances. 26.♗f5 ♙xf5 27.exf5 ♔d7]

26.♗f3 b5 27.♗d2 ♔e7 28.♖f2 ♗b6

29.♖df1 ♖f8 30.♔c2?! Inaccuracy. a3

was best.

[30.a3 ♖b8]

30...b4 31.♗b3 ♗b7 32.♙d3 a5

33.♙b2 a4 34.♗d2 a3 35.♙a1 ♙a4

36.♗b3

[36.♔c1±]

36...♗d6+ 37.h3 ♖f7 38.♔c1 ♙xb3

39.axb3 ♗d7 40.♔b1 h5 41.♙c2 ♖h7

42.♙d3 ♖f8 43.♙c2 ♖ff7 44.♙d3 ♙f8

45.♙c2 ♙e8 46.♙d3 ♙d8 47.♙c2 ♙c7

48.♙d3 ♔f8 49.♙c2 ♔h6 50.♔e1

♔g5? Mistake. Rh8 was best.

[50...♖h8 51.g3 ♗hf8 52.♔h2 f5
53.exf5 gxf5 54.♖f3 ♔g5 55.♗f2
♔c8 56.♗e1]
[50...♖h8+ 51.g3 ♗a8]
51.♖f3? Mistake. Bd4 was best.
[51.♔d4 f5!]
[51.♔d4♣]
51...h4?! [#] Inaccuracy. Rh8 was best.
[51...♖h8 52.♔h1 ♗h6 53.♖3f2 ♖b8
54.♔h2 ♗g5 55.♖f3 ♗a8 56.♔g1 h4
57.♔h1]
[51...♖f8+ is more deadly. 52.♔d3
h4]
52.♔h2?! Inaccuracy. Bc3 was best.
[52.♔c3 f5 53.♔xb4 cxb4 54.♗xb4
fxe4 55.♖xf7 ♖xf7 56.♖e1 a2!
57.♗a5+ ♔b8]
[52.♔c3!♣ bxc3 53.♗xc3]
**52...♖f8 53.♖g1 ♗h6 54.♖gf1 ♖hf7
55.♖3f2 ♗g5 56.♖f3 f5 57.exf5 ♗xf5
58.♔xf5 ♖xf5**
[Don't do 58...gxf5 59.♔h1♣]
59.d6+?! Inaccuracy. Qf2 was best.
[59.♗f2 ♔c8 60.♗e1 ♖xf3 61.gxf3
♗f5 62.♗xh4 ♗c2+ 63.♖f2
(♠63.♔g1) 63...♗b1 64.d6 ♗d3]
[♠59.♗f2]
59...♔xd6 60.♗d2+ ♔c7 Threatens to
win with ...Rxf3. **61.♖d1 ♗e7 62.♖xf5
gxf5**
[62...♖xf5? 63.♗d5♣]
63.♗d5 ♖e8 64.♗f3 ♗e6?! Inaccuracy.
Nb8 was best.
[64...♗b8 65.♗xf5 ♗c6 66.♗g6 ♖f8
67.♔g1 ♗f6 68.♗g4 ♔b6 69.♔h2
♖f7 70.♗e4]
65.♗h5 ♗f6! 66.♗xh4 ♖d8 67.♖f1?!
Inaccuracy. Rxd8 was best.
[67.♖xd8 ♔xd8 68.♗g5 ♔e8! 69.g4
fxg4 70.♔xe5 ♔f7 71.h4 g3+
72.♔g1 ♗d7]
67...♗e4?? Blunder. Rd3 was best.
[67...♖d3! 68.♗h8 ♗d7 69.♗h7 ♗d6
70.♗xf5 e4+ 71.♔g1 ♖xb3 72.h4
♖xe3 73.h5]
[67...♖d3!-+ 68.♗h8 ♗d7]

68.♗h7+= ♔b6 aiming for ...Nd2.
69.♖xf5 ♖d7 70.♗h5 ♗c3?!
Inaccuracy. Rg7 was best.
[70...♖g7 71.♔xe5 ♖e7 72.♗h8 ♖e8
73.♗h7 ♖e7 74.♗h8]
71.♖g5 ♗c6?! Inaccuracy. Rf7 was best.
[71...♖f7 72.♖xe5]
72.♗e8?! Inaccuracy. h4 was best.
[72.h4]
**72...♗c7! 73.h4 e4+! 74.♔h3 ♖d8!
75.♗e6+ ♔a7??** Blunder. Qd6 was best.
[75...♗d6 76.♗f5 ♖f8 77.♗h7! ♗e6+
78.g4 ♖f3+ 79.♔g2 ♗d6 80.♖g6 ♖f6
81.♖xf6]
[75...♗d6= and Black stays safe.
76.♗f5 ♖f8]
76.♖f5?! Inaccuracy. h5 was best.
[76.h5! a2 77.♖f5 ♖d1 78.♖f7 ♗xf7
79.♗xf7+ ♔b6 80.♗e6+ ♔a7 81.♔b2
♖d2]
[76.h5!+- and the rest is easy.]
76...♖d6± 77.♗e5 Double Attack
77...a2?? Blunder. Kb7 was best.
[77...♔b7 [#] 78.♖f1!]
[77...♔b7± is a better defense.]
78.♖f2+- ♔b6?! Inaccuracy. Qc8+ was
best.
[78...♗c8+ 79.g4 ♖g6 80.♗f4 ♖c6
81.h5 ♔b7 82.♔xc3 bxc3 83.♖xa2
♗e8 84.♗f5]
[78...♗c8+ was called for. 79.♔h2
♖e6 80.♗g7+ ♔b6 81.♔xc3 bxc3
82.♖xa2 ♗c7+ 83.♗xc7+ ♔xc7]
79.♔xc3 bxc3 80.♖xa2 ♖d2?
[#] Mistake. Rd1 was best.
[80...♖d1 80...♗d7+ 4.32 [#]
81.♗xc7+ (♠81.♖a6+! ♔xa6
82.♗xc7)]
[♠80...♗d7+ 81.g4 ♖d2]
81.♖a6+! Deflection **81...♔xa6 82.♗xc7
c2??** Checkmate is now unavoidable.
Rd3 was best.
[82...♖d3 83.♗c6+ (♠83.b4 cxb4
84.♗c6+ ♔a7 85.♗a4+ ♔b7
86.♗xb4+ ♔c7 87.h5 ♔d7 88.♗b7+
♔d6 89.h6) 83...♔a7 84.♗xc5+ ♔b7

85. ♖b5+ ♔c7 86. ♖e5+ ♔c8
87. ♖xe4 c2 88. ♖xd3]
83. ♖c6+ Double Attack. Accuracy: White = 66%, Black = 67%.
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■ Ter-Sahakyan, Samvel 2650
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1. ♖f3 d5 2. e3 ♖f6 3. c4 c6 4. ♖c3
♜bd7 5. cxd5 cxd5 6. d4 e6 7. ♕d3
♕d6

[RR 7...a6 8.0-0 ♕d6 9. ♖e2 b5 (9...h6=) 10. e4 dxe4 11. ♜xe4 ♕e7 12. a4 (12. ♜e5!±) 12...bxa4 (12...♕b7=) 13. ♕g5 (13. ♜e5!± ♖b6 14. ♖f3) 13...♕b7 14. ♖xa4 ♜b6 15. ♖aa1 ♜xe4 16. ♕xe7 ♖xe7 17. ♕xe4 0-0 18. ♖a5 ♕xe4 19. ♖xe4 ♜c4 20. ♖c5 ♜xb2 (20...♜d6= remains equal. 21. ♖e5 ♖ad8) 21. ♖c2 ♖ab8 22. ♖b1 Galyas, M (2423)-Shivakumar, S (2307) Sunnyvale USA 2024 ½-½ (White should play 22. h4±)

8.0-0
[8. ♖f1 8. ♕d2 0.12]

8...0-0 9. ♕d2N
[RR 9. a3 ♖e8 10. b4 b6 11. ♕b2 ♕b7 12. ♖c1 ♖c8 13. ♖a4 ♕b8 (13...a6! =) 14. ♜e2 ♜e4 15. ♖xc8 ♖xc8 16. ♖c1 ♖d8 17. ♕xe4 (17. ♜e5± ♜df6 18. ♖c2) 17...dxe4 18. ♜e5 ♜xe5 19. dxe5 h6 20. ♜d4 ♕xe5 21. ♖xa7 ♕d5 22. ♜c6 ♕xc6 23. ♕xe5 ♖d2 Kaganskiy, G (2177)-Rees, I (2273) chess.com INT 2023 ½-½ (40)]

9...a6 10. a3 e5 11. dxe5 ♜xe5 12. ♕e2 ♖e8 13. ♖c1 ♖e7 14. ♜d4 b5 15. ♜a2 ♜c4 16. ♖c2 ♖e5 17. ♜f3 ♖h5→
Black is out for blood.

[Don't blunder 17...♜xb2? 18. ♖b1+ (18. ♜xe5 ♜xd1 19. ♜d3 ♜xf2±)

18. ♕b4?! [#] Inaccuracy. Bc3 was best.

[18. ♕c3 ♜e4]

[18. ♕c3♠]

18...♕b8!-+ 19. b3?! Inaccuracy. Bc5 was best.

[19. ♕c5 ♕f5 20. ♕d4 ♕xc2 21. ♖xc2 ♜e4 22. h3 ♕a7 23. ♕xa7 ♖xa7 24. ♜b4 a5]

[19. g3♠]

19...♜g4 20. h3 [#]

[20. bxc4 ♕xh2+ 21. ♖h1 dxc4]

20...♜gxe3! 21. fxe3 ♜xe3

Double Attack 22. ♖xc8 ♖xc8 23. ♖d3 ♕a7 24. ♖f2

[24. ♕d2♠ might work better. ♜xf1+ 25. ♖xf1]

24...♖f5 aiming for ...Qxd3. 25. ♕c3 ♖xd3?! Inaccuracy. Rxc3 was best.

[25...♖xc3 26. ♖xc3 ♖c8 27. ♜d4 ♖b1+ 28. ♖f1 ♖xf1+! 29. ♕xf1 ♖xc3 30. ♜xc3 ♕xd4 31. ♜a2]

26. ♕xd3 intending Bd4. 26...♖xc3?? Blunder. Nd1 was best.

[26...♜d1 27. ♕d4 ♜xf2 28. ♖xf2 ♖c6 29. ♖e3 ♕xd4+ 30. ♖xd4 g6 31. ♜b4 ♖c1 32. ♖e3]

[Better is 26...♜d1+ 27. ♕d4 ♜xf2 28. ♖xf2 g6]

27. ♜xc3♠ Black should prevent Kh1.

27...♖c8 28. ♜e2 ♜d1 Pin 29. ♜ed4 Re2 is the strong threat. 29...♜xf2

30. ♖xf2 ♕c5 31. a4 bxa4 32. bxa4 ♖b8

33. ♕xa6 ♖b4 34. ♖e3 ♖xa4 35. ♕e2 g6

36. ♖d3 ♖a3+ 37. ♖c2 ♖g7 38. ♜b5 ♖a5

39. ♜e5 ♖a2+ 40. ♖d3 ♖b2

41. ♜c7 ♖b3+ 42. ♖d2 ♕b4+ 43. ♖d1 ♖b2

44. ♜f3 [#] 44...d4! 45. ♜d5

[45. ♜xd4 ♖d2+]

45...♕c3 46. ♜f4 f5 47. ♜d3 ♖a2

48. ♜c1 ♖a8

[48...♖a1 is interesting. 49. ♖c2 ♖f6 50. h4 ♖a4 51. ♕d3 h6]

49. ♖c2 ♖e8 50. ♕c4 ♖f6 51. ♜e2 g5

52. ♜fxd4 ♕xd4 53. ♜xd4 ♖e5 54. ♜e2 ♖d8

Black has compensation. 55. ♕d3 ♖a8

56. ♖d2 h5 57. ♜g3 ♖a2+ 58. ♕c2!

h4 59. ♜xf5 The position is equal.

59...Rxc2+ Remove Defender 60.Qxc2
 And now Ne3 would win. **60...Qxf5=**
 Endgame KPP-KPP **61.Qd3 Qf4**
 Hoping for ...Kg3. **62.Qe2! Qg3 63.Qf1**
g4 64.hxg4 Qxg4 65.Qf2 h3
66.gxh3+ Qxh3 Accuracy: White = 77%,
 Black = 87%.
 1/2-1/2

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□ **Assaubayeva,Bibisara** **2481**
 ■ **Safarli,Eltaj** **2594**
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1.d3 d5 2.e3 c5 3.c4 d4 4.g3 g6N
 [RR 4...Qc6 5.exd4 cxd4 6.Qg2 e5
 7.0-0 Qd6 8.d3 Qf6 9.Qg5 h6
 10.Qxf6 Qxf6 11.a3 a5 12.Qbd2
 Qc7 13.Qc2 0-0 14.Rab1 Qe7
 15.Rfe1 Qf5 16.c5 Rab8 17.b4 axb4
 18.axb4 Qd7 19.b5 Cu,I (1909)-
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[RR 4...Qc6 5.exd4 cxd4 6.Qg2 e5
 7.d3 Qd6 8.0-0 h6 9.Re1 Qge7
 10.c5 Qc7 11.Qbd2 0-0 12.Qc4
 Qg6 13.b4 Qxb4 14.Qfxe5 Qxe5
 15.Qxe5 Qf6 16.Qa3 Qxe5 17.Qxb4
 a5 18.Qa3 Rab8 19.Qe2 Borisova,E
 (2168)-Kalambetov,A (2041) Ershovo
 RUS 2024 1-0 (33)]

5.Qg2 Qg7 6.0-0 Qc6 7.d3 dxe3
8.fxe3?! Inaccuracy. Bxe3 was best.
 [8.Qxe3 Qxb2 9.Qbd2 Qxa1
 10.Qxa1 Qf6 11.Qxc5 Qxd3 12.Qe5
 Qxe5]

8...Qf6 9.Qc3 0-0 10.h3 Qd6 11.Qe2
Qd8 12.d4 Qe4 13.Qh2 f5?!
 Inaccuracy. a5 was best.
 [13...a5 14.a4]

14.a3 b6 15.Qc2 Qa6 16.b4 Qb7
17.Qb2 e5?! Inaccuracy. cxb4 was best.
 [17...cxb4 18.Qf4]

18.d5 Qb8? Mistake. Ne7 was best.
 [18...Qe7 19.Qd2 Qxd2 20.Qxd2 b5

21.Qc3 bxc4 22.e4 cxb4 23.axb4
 fxe4 24.Ra5]

19.Qd2? Mistake. Nh4 was best.
 [19.Qh4 Qf6 20.e4 fxe4 21.Qc3
 Qbd7 22.b5 Rf8 23.Rae1 Rf7
 24.Qxe4 Qxe4]

19...Qxd2 20.Qxd2 Qd7 21.e4 Rf8
22.Qh1 a5 23.b5 Rae8 24.Rf2 Qc8
25.Raf1 Qf6 26.exf5 gxf5 27.Qg5
Qh8?! Inaccuracy. h6 was best.

[27...h6 28.Qh4]
28.g4 fxc4? Mistake. h6 was best.
 [28...h6 29.Qh4 fxc4 30.Qg3 Qd8
 31.Qg1 Qg8 32.Qf5 Qxf5 33.Rxf5
 gxh3 34.Qxh3]

29.h4 Qg8 30.Qg3 Rxf2 31.Rxf2
Qg6? Mistake. h6 was best.
 [31...h6 32.Qe4 Qd8 33.Qxd8 Rxd8
 34.h5 a4 35.Qc3 Qe7 36.Rf7 Qf5
 37.Rc7]

32.Qe4? Mistake. Be4 was best.
 [32.Qe4 Qxg5 33.hxg5 Rf8 34.Rxf8
 Qxf8 35.Qxe5+ Qg7 36.Qc7 h6
 37.Qf5 Qb7]

32...Qh6 33.Qxg6?? Blunder. Ng3 was
best.
 [33.Qg3 e4 34.Qxg7+ Qxg7
 35.Qxe4 a4 36.Rf6 Qg8 37.Qxg7+
 Qxg7 38.Rxb6 Qf6]

33...hxg6 34.Qd6 Rd8 35.Qxc8 Rxc8
36.Qe4 Qf5 37.Qxf5 Rf8 38.Re2 gxf5
39.Qxe5 f4 40.Qg1 g3 41.Re4 Qxe5
42.Rxe5 Qg7 43.Rg5+ Qh6 44.d6 Rf7
45.Qf1 Rd7 46.Rd5 f3 47.Rd3 Qh5
48.Rxf3 Rxd6 49.Rxg3 Rd4 50.Rg5+
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□ **Assaubayeva,Bibisara** **2481**
 ■ **Yilmaz,Mustafa** **2641**
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1.d3 d5 2.e3 Qf6 3.c4 e6 4.b3 Qd6
5.Qb2 0-0 6.Qc3 Re8
 [RR 6...b6 7.d4 Qb7 8.Qc2 a6

9.cxd5 exd5 10.♔d3 ♖bd7 11.♗e2 ♖e8 12.♗g3 ♗e4 13.♖c1 ♕b4+ 14.♔e2 ♖c8 15.♗e5 ♔d6 16.♗xe4 dxe4 17.♔xe4 ♔xe4 18.♖xe4 ♔xe5 19.dxe5 ♗c5 20.♖c4 ♖g5 21.h4 Erigaisi,A (2748)-Sarana,A (2699) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (77)]

7.♔e2

[RR 7.g4 ♗e4 8.♖c2 ♗xc3 9.♖xc3 e5 10.cxd5 ♔xg4 11.e4 ♖f6 12.♔e2 ♗d7 13.♖g1 ♔h5 14.0-0-0 c6 15.dxc6 ♖ac8 16.♔b1 ♖xc6 17.♖e3 ♔g6 18.♔b5 ♔c5 19.♖e2 ♖d6 20.d3 a6 21.♔xd7 ♖xd7 Dzida,K (2404)-Cieslak,P (2372) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (33)]

7...♗bd7N

[RR 7...dxc4 8.♔xc4 a6 9.♖c2 b5 10.♔d3 ♔b7 11.♗e4 ♗bd7 12.0-0 h6 13.a4 b4 14.♗xf6+ ♗xf6 15.♔xf6 gxf6 16.♔e4 c6 17.♗d4 ♖c8 18.♖ac1 ♖e7 19.♔f3 ♖d7 20.♖fd1 f5 21.♗e2 h5 22.g3 Dimitrov,R (2499)-Gatineau,Y (2386) Arandjelovac SRB 2023 1/2-1/2 (54)]

[RR 7...b6 8.cxd5 exd5 9.♗b5 ♔e7 10.♔e5 ♗a6 11.♖c2 c5 12.0-0 ♔b7 13.d4 ♗e4 14.♖fd1 ♔f6 15.♖b2 ♔xe5 16.♗xe5 ♖f6 17.♔f3 ♗g5 18.♔g4 ♖e7 19.♗c3 g6 20.♖ac1 h5 21.♔e2 ♗c7 22.♖d2 Bocharov,D (2518)-Van Foreest,J (2679) Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1 (51)]

8.♖c2 a6 9.♖g1 b6?! Inaccuracy. e5 was best.

[9...e5 10.♗xd5]

10.g4 ♔b7 11.d3 ♗e5 12.♗xe5 ♔xe5 13.g5 ♗d7 14.d4 ♔xh2 15.♖g4 ♔d6 16.0-0-0 ♗f8 17.f4 c5 18.dxc5 ♔xc5 19.♔b1 ♖c8?? Blunder. Bxe3 was best.

[19...♔xe3 20.♔f3]

20.♔d3? Mistake. Ne4 was best.

[20.♗e4 ♖c7]

20...♖c7?? Blunder. Bxe3 was best.

[20...♔xe3 21.♔xh7+ ♗xh7 22.♖h1 ♗f8 23.♖h2 ♗g6 24.♗xd5 ♔xd5

25.♖h7+ ♔f8 26.♖xg7+]

21.♖h2 ♖d7?! Inaccuracy. g6 was best.

[21...g6 22.♖h6 d4 23.♗e4 ♔xe4 24.♔xe4 ♖d7 25.b4 ♔xb4 26.exd4 f5 27.gxf6]

22.♖h1?? Blunder. Rh4 was best.

[22.♖h4 dxc4 23.♖xh7 ♗xh7 24.♖xh7+ ♔f8 25.♗d5 ♔xd5 26.♔xg7+ ♔e7 27.♔f6+ ♔d6]

22...g6 23.♖h4?! Inaccuracy. Qh6 was best.

[23.♖h6]

23...f5 24.gxf6 dxc4 25.♔c2 ♔xe3? Mistake. Bxh1 was best.

[25...♔xh1 26.♖xh1 ♖c7 27.♗e4 ♖c8 28.♖e1 c3 29.♖xc3 ♔b4 30.♖xc7 ♖dxc7 31.♖h2]

26.♖d1 ♖c7 27.♖xd7 ♖xd7 28.bxc4?? Blunder. Nd1 was best.

[28.♗d1 ♔c5]

28...♔d4 29.f5 exf5?! Inaccuracy. Bxf6 was best.

[29...♔xf6 30.fxc6 hxc6 31.♖g4 ♖g7 32.♖g3 ♔e5 33.♖e3 a5 34.♗d1 ♔xb2 35.♗xb2]

30.f7+ ♔xf7 31.♖xh7+ ♗xh7

32.♖xh7+ ♔g7 33.♗e4 ♔f8 34.♔a3+ ♖e7

35.♗g5 ♔e4 36.♗xe4 ♖d4

37.♔xe7+ ♔xe7 38.♔c1 fxe4 39.♖h4+ ♔f8

40.♖xe4 ♖g1+ 41.♔d2 ♖f2+

42.♔d3 ♖f1+ 43.♔d2 ♖f2+ 44.♔d3 a5

45.♖a8+ ♔e7 46.♖e4+ ♔f6 47.♖d4+ ♖xd4+

48.♔xd4 g5 49.♔e4 ♔e6

50.♔a4 ♔e5 51.♔f3 ♔d6 52.♔b5 ♔c5

53.a4 ♔f4 54.♔g4 ♔d2 55.♔f3

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■ Gavrilesco,David

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1.♗f3 d5 2.e3 ♗f6 3.c4 e6 4.♗c3 c5

5.cxd5 exd5 6.♔b5+ ♗c6 7.♗e5 ♔d7

[7...♖c7 looks sharper. 8.♖a4 ♔d6

9.♘xc6 0-0 10.♘xa7 d4]
8.♙xc6 White has an edge. **8...bxc6**
9.♘xd7 ♘xd7 10.0-0 ♙d6 11.d3N
 [RR 11.b3 0-0 12.♙a3 ♖c7 13.h3
 a5 (13...♗a5= keeps the balance.
 14.♘a4 ♘b6) 14.♘a4 c4 15.♙xd6
 ♗xd6 16.bxc4 dxc4 17.♖c1 ♘e5
 18.f4 ♘d3 19.♖xc4 ♖ad8 20.♗b1 c5
 21.♖c3 h5 22.♖d1? (22.♘b6+-)
 22...h4? (22...♘xf4!= and Black is
 okay. 23.exf4 ♗d4+ 24.♙h1 ♗xa4)
 23.♘b2 ♘xb2 24.♗xb2 ♖fe8
 (24...♗a6± might work better. 25.♖xc5
 ♗e2) 25.♗c2 (25.♗b5+-) 25...♖c8
 Keymer,V (2743)-Shuvalova,P (2475)
 chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (41)]
11...0-0 12.e4 ♙e5 13.exd5 ♙xc3
14.dxc6 ♙d4 And now ...Ne5 would win.
15.cxd7 ♗xd7 16.♖b1 ♖fe8 17.b3
♖ad8 18.♙b2 ♙xb2 19.♖xb2 ♗xd3
20.♗xd3 ♖xd3= Endgame KRR-KRR
21.♖c2 ♖d5 22.♖fc1 g6 23.♙f1 ♖ee5
24.♖e1 ♖f5 25.h4 ♖d4 26.g3 ♙f8
27.♖e3 ♖b4 28.♖ec3 ♖b5! 29.♖d2 ♖a5
30.♖e3 ♖a3 31.♙e2 h5 32.♖e4 ♖f6
33.♖c4 ♖e6+ 34.♙d1 ♖ea6 35.♖cc2
♙e7 36.♙c1 ♖3a5 37.♙b1 ♖d6
38.♙b2 ♖b5 39.♖e2+ ♖e6 40.a4 ♖a5
41.♖xe6+ ♙xe6± KR-KR **42.♖e2+?!**
 Inaccuracy. Rc3 was best.
 [42.♖c3!]
 [White should try 42.♖c3±]
42...♙d6 43.♖d2+ ♙e6?? [#] Blunder.
 Kc6 was best.
 [43...♙c6!]
 [43...♙c6!±]
44.♙c3!+- ♖a6 [#] 45.♙c4! ♖b6 46.♖d3
 [Less strong is 46.♙xc5 ♖xb3
 47.♖d6+ ♙e7±]
46...♖b4+?! Inaccuracy. a5 was best.
 [46...a5 47.♙xc5 ♖b7 48.♖d6+ ♙e5
 49.♖b6 ♖a7 50.♖b5 ♖a6 51.b4 axb4
 52.♖xb4]
47.♙xc5 a5 48.♙c6? Mistake. Rd6+
 was best.
 [48.♖d6+ ♙f5 49.♖b6 ♖e4 50.♖b5

♙g4 51.b4 ♖e2 52.♖xa5 ♖xf2 53.b5
 ♖c2+]
 [♘48.♖d6+ ♙f5 49.♖b6]
48...f6?! Inaccuracy. Kf6 was best.
 [48...♙f6 49.♖d6+]
 [48...♙f6 was called for. 49.♖d6+
 ♙e7 50.♖d7+ ♙e6]
49.♖d6+ ♙f5 50.♖d5+ Double Attack
50...♙g4 51.♖b5 ♖e4 52.♖xa5 ♙f3
53.♖c5 ♙xf2 54.♖c3 g5 55.a5 gxh4
56.gxh4 f5 57.a6 White is clearly
 winning. **57...♖e6+ 58.♙b7 ♖e7+**
59.♖c7 ♖e3 60.b4 ♖b3 61.♖c4
 Accuracy: White = 86%, Black = 70%.
 [61.♖c5? 61.♖c4 4.81]
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□	Deac, Bogdan-Daniel	2692
■	Adhiban, B.	2520
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1.♘f3 d5 2.e3 ♘f6 3.c4 e6 4.d4 ♙e7
5.♘c3 0-0 6.♙d2 dxc4N
 [RR 6...a6 7.a4 c6 (7...c5±) 8.♙d3
 dxc4 9.♙xc4 ♘bd7 10.0-0 b6 [#]
 11.♗e2 (11.e4!±) 11...♙b7 12.♖fd1
 b5 13.♙d3 ♗b6 (13...b4= 14.♘e4
 c5 15.♘xf6+ ♘xf6) 14.a5 ♗c7 15.e4
 c5! 16.e5 ♘d5 17.♘e4 (17.♖ac1±)
 17...h6? (17...cxd4= 18.♖ac1 ♗b8)
 18.dxc5? (18.♘xc5± ♙xc5 19.♖ac1
 Pin) 18...♘xe5 19.♘xe5 ♗xe5
 20.♖ac1 ♖ac8 21.b4 Garv,G (2388)-
 Murthy,P (1821) chess.com INT 2024
 1-0 (41)]
 [RR 6...c5 7.cxd5 cxd4 8.♘xd4
 ♘xd5 9.♙e2 ♘xc3 10.♙xc3 ♙d7
 11.♙f3 ♗b6 12.♖c1 ♖d8 13.0-0 ♘c6
 14.♙xc6 ♙xc6 15.♗g4 ♙f8 16.♘xc6
 bxc6 17.h4 ♗b5 18.h5 ♗f5
 (18...h6!=) 19.♗xf5 exf5 20.♖fd1 f6
 21.h6 Firouzja,A (2760)-Melkumyan,H
 (2640) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (51)]
 [RR 6...a6 7.♖c1 dxc4 8.♙xc4 b5

9.♔e2 ♘b7 10.0-0 ♞bd7 11.a4 b4
 12.♞b1 a5 13.♔e1 c5 14.♞bd2 cxd4
 (14...♞b8♯) 15.♞xd4 ♞c8 16.♞c4
 (White should play 16.♞xc8= ♞xc8
 17.f3) 16...♞d5 (16...♔a6♯) 17.♞b5
 (17.♞b3=) 17...♔c6 (17...h6♯)
 18.♞bd6 (18.♞cd6= remains equal.
 ♔xd6 19.♞xd6) 18...♞a8 19.♔d2
 (19.♞b5♯) 19...♞7b6? (19...♞c5+
 20.♞b5 ♞b6) 20.♞b5 (20.♞xb6=
 ♞xb6 21.♞c4) 20...♞b8 (20...♞xc4♯
 21.♞xc4 ♞d7) 21.e4 Skotheim,A
 (2209)-Lopez Idarraga,D (2010) chess.
 com INT 2024 1-0 (21.♞xb6± ♞xb6
 22.e4)]
7.♔xc4 b6 8.e4 ♔b7 The position is
 equal. **9.♞e2 c5 10.dxc5 ♞bd7?!
 Inaccuracy. Bxc5 was best.**
 [10...♔xc5 11.♞d1 ♞bd7! 12.♔f4
 ♞h5 13.♔g5 ♞c7! 14.0-0 ♞e5
 15.♞xe5 ♞xe5 16.♞xh5]
 [10...♔xc5= 11.♔f4 ♔b4]
**11.cxb6± ♞xb6 12.♔b5 ♔b4 13.♞d1
 ♞c8 14.♔d3 ♞d8 15.0-0 ♞xd3
 [15...♞bd7±]**
**16.♞xd3+- ♔a6 17.♞b1? Mistake. Nb5
 was best.**
 [17.♞b5 ♞e8 18.♞b3 ♔xb5 19.♞xb4
 ♔xf1 20.♞xf1 ♞c8 21.b3 ♞bd7
 22.♔e3 ♞f8]
 [White should try 17.♞b5+- ♔xd2
 18.e5 (18.♞xd2 ♞e8♯; 18.♞xd2
 ♞c4±)]
17...♔xf1± 18.♞xf1 ♞c4 19.♞c1
 Black must now prevent Ne2. **19...♞xd2
 20.♞xd2 ♞b7 21.♞d3 ♔a5 22.♞c2
 [22.♞c4!? ♔xc3 23.♞xc3= (23.bxc3
 ♞xe4 24.♞xe4 ♞xe4=; 23.♞xc3
 ♞xe4 24.♞b3 ♞c6=)]**
22...♞d8 23.h3
 [23.e5!? ♞d5 24.♞xd5 ♞xd5
 25.♞c4±]
**23...h6 24.♞e1 ♞c8 25.♞b3 ♔c7
 26.♞d2 ♔a5 27.♞b3 ♔c7 28.e5 ♞d7
 29.f4 ♞f8 30.♞e4 ♞b6+ 31.♞h1 ♞g6
 32.♞d1 ♔b8 33.g3 h5 34.h4 a5**

35.♞d4 ♞b7+ 36.♞e4 ♞b6 37.♞d4↑
 White fights for an advantage. **37...♞b7+
 38.♞h2 ♔a7 39.♞d7 ♞c7 40.♞d8+?!
 Inaccuracy. Qb5 was best.**
 [40.♞b5 ♞e7]
**40...♞f8! 41.♞d3 ♞b4?! Inaccuracy.
 Rd7 was best.**
 [41...♞d7 42.♞f1]
 [Better is 41...♞d7± 42.♞e2 ♞xd1
 43.♞xd1 g6]
**42.♞b5 ♞e7?! Inaccuracy. Rb7 was
 best.**
 [42...♞b7]
 [42...♞b7± 43.♞c6 (43.♞xa5 ♞xa5
 44.♞xa5 ♞xb2+ 45.♞h3 ♞c2±)
 43...♞b6 44.♞xb6 ♔xb6]
**43.♞xa5+- ♔e3?! Inaccuracy. Rc5 was
 best.**
 [43...♞c5 44.♞a6 ♞c7 45.♞b7 ♞c6
 46.♞xa7 ♞b6 [#] 47.♞d2! ♞xb7
 48.♞f2 ♞b8 49.♞e4]
**44.♞c6 ♞e8 45.♞d4?! Inaccuracy. Rd6
 was best.**
 [45.♞d6 ♞a8 46.a4 g6 47.b4 ♞g7
 48.♞e4 ♞d7 49.a5 ♞h6 50.♞f6
 ♞xf6]
45...♞e7?! Inaccuracy. Qa8 was best.
 [45...♞a8 46.♞e2]
**46.♞f3 ♞d7?! Inaccuracy. Rc8 was
 best.**
 [46...♞c8 47.♞e2 ♔c5 48.♞g5 ♞b7
 49.b3 ♔e7 50.♞ge4 g6 51.♞b5 ♞a6
 52.a4]
47.♞g5 Hoping for Qd3. **47...g6 48.♞e2
 White is winning. 48...♔b6 49.♞b5 ♞c5
 50.♞d6 Accuracy: White = 76%, Black =
 57%.
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1.♟f3 d5 2.g3 g6 3.♙g2 ♙g7 4.d4 c6
 5.0-0

[5.♙f1]
 5...♞f6 6.c4 dxc4 7.a4 ♞e4 8.♞c3
 White has compensation. 8...♞d6
 White is slightly better. 9.e4 0-0N

[RR 9...♙g4 10.♙e3 ♞a6 11.h3 ♙xf3
 12.♙xf3 ♞b4 13.♙e2 a5 14.f4
 (14.♙ad1±) 14...♞d3 (14...♙b6!=
 remains equal.) 15.g4! ♙a6 16.e5
 ♙b6 17.♙ab1 ♙b3 18.exd6 ♙xd6
 19.♞e4 ♙b4 20.♞d2 ♙xb2 21.♙e4
 ♙c3 22.♙xd3 cxd3 23.♙f2 0-0 [#]
 24.♙xb2! De Waele,W (2345)-

Hauchamps,M (2262) Wachtebeke
 BEL 2024 1-0 (83)]

[RR 9...♙g4 10.♙e3 ♙c8 11.♙e2 0-0
 12.e5 ♞f5 13.♙xc4 ♞a6 14.♞g5 h6
 15.♞ge4 (15.h3!±) 15...♞xe3 16.fxe3
 ♙e6 17.♙xe6 ♙xe6 18.a5 ♙ad8
 19.♞a4 ♞b4 (19...♙c8= keeps the
 balance.) 20.♙a3 ♞c2 21.♙c3 ♞xd4
 22.exd4 ♙xd4 23.♞ac5 ♙d5 24.♙e3
 Mikhalevski,V (2514)-Sarana,A
 (2699) Bucharest ROU 2024 1-0 (60)]

[RR 9...♙g4 10.h3 ♙xf3! 11.♙xf3
 ♞a6 12.♙e3 ♞b4 13.♙e2 a5
 14.♙ad1 0-0 15.♙g2 e6 16.g4 f5
 17.e5 ♞e8 18.♙xc4 ♞c7 19.♙e2
 ♞cd5 20.gxf5 gxf5 (20...♙xf5=
 21.♞e4 ♞f4) 21.♙h5 ♙e8 22.♙xe8
 ♙fxe8 23.♙xd5 ♞xd5 24.♞xd5
 Kaldarova,A (2110)-Mkrtchyan,M
 (2352) Tashkent UZB 2024 ½-½]

10.♙e3 ♙g4 11.h3 ♙xf3 12.♙xf3 ♞d7
 13.♙e2 e5 14.♙ad1?! Inaccuracy. d5
 was best.

[14.d5 ♙e8 15.♙fd1 ♙f8 16.♙d2 ♙c7
 17.♙ad1 ♙g7 18.h4 ♞f6 19.f4 h5]

14...♙e7?! Inaccuracy. exd4 was best.
 [14...exd4]

[14...exd4= 15.♙xd4 ♞e5]
 15.d5± aiming for dxc6. 15...♙fd8 16.h4
 h5?! Inaccuracy. Nf6 was best.

[16...♞f6]
 [Better is 16...♞f6±]
 17.♙h3 c5 18.♞b5 b6 19.♞xd6 ♙xd6
 20.♙xc4 a6 21.♙c1 ♙f8 22.♙c2
 ♙db8?! Inaccuracy. Ra7 was best.

[22...♙a7 23.a5 bxa5 24.♙a1 a4
 25.♙xa4 ♙b8 26.♙xd7 ♙b4 27.♙c6
 ♙xd7 28.♙xa6]

23.♙d3?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best.
 [23.f4 b5 24.♙e2 c4 25.f5 ♙g7
 26.♙f3 ♞f6 27.a5 ♙b7 28.♙g2 ♙f8]

23...b5 24.b3 bxa4 25.bxa4 ♙b4
 26.♙c4 ♙ab8 27.♙fc1 ♙xc4 28.♙xc4
 ♙b4 29.♙f1 ♙b8 [#] 30.♙d2! ♙b1
 31.♙c1 ♙xc1 32.♙xc1 ♙b4?!
 Inaccuracy. c4 was best.

[32...c4 33.♙xc4 ♞c5 34.♙d2 ♙e8
 35.a5 ♙d6 36.♙c3 ♙d7 37.♙g2 ♙g7
 38.♙e1]

[Δ32...c4 33.♙xc4 ♞c5]
 33.♙xa6+- ♙xe4 34.a5 ♙xd5 35.♙c8
 White is clearly winning. 35...c4
 Now ...Kg7 and Black clings on. 36.a6
 ♞b6 37.♙b8 ♞d7?! Inaccuracy. Qd6
 was best.

[37...♙d6 38.a7 c3 39.♙e3 c2
 40.♙xd6 ♙xd6 41.♙xb6 c1♙
 42.a8♙+ ♙f8 43.♙d5]

38.♙d8 Strongly threatening a7.
 38...♙g7?! Inaccuracy. Qd6 was best.
 intending ...Bc5.

[38...♙d6 39.a7 ♞b6 40.♙xd6 ♙xd6
 41.♙e3 ♞a8 42.♙xc4 ♙c7 43.♙d5
 ♙b6 44.♙xa8]

39.a7 Accuracy: White = 83%, Black =
 38%.
 1-0

A07
 Banusz,Tamas **2623**
 Can,Emre **2549**
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.♘f3 d5 2.g3 g6 3.♙g2 ♙g7 4.0-0
 e5 5.d3 ♘e7 6.e4 0-0 7.♘c3 d4
 8.♘e2 c5 9.♘d2N

[RR 9.a4 ♘bc6 10.♘d2 ♖b8 11.♘c4
 ♙e6 12.f4 ♙xc4 13.dxc4 exf4
 14.♘xf4 ♘e5 15.♚e2 ♘7c6 16.♘d5
 ♘b4 17.♙f4 ♖e8 18.♖ad1 ♘xd5
 19.exd5 ♚d7 20.b3 d3 21.♚d2 dxc2
 22.♚xc2 ♖bd8 23.h3 f5 Kashefi,A
 (2193)-Fedoseev,V (2690) chess.com
 INT 2024 1-0 (68)]

9...♘bc6 10.f4 f6 11.♘f3 ♙d7 12.h3
 ♚b6 13.♙h2 f5 14.♘xe5 ♘xe5
 15.fxe5 fxe4 16.♙xe4 ♙xe5 17.♙f4
 ♙g7 18.♚d2 ♙c6 19.b3 ♘d5
 20.♙xd5+ ♙xd5 21.♙h6 ♙xh6 22.♚xh6
 ♚e6 23.♚d2 ♙c6 24.♘f4 ♚d6 25.♖ae1
 ♖f6 26.♚e2?! Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[26.h4 h6 27.♘h3 ♖xf1 28.♖xf1 ♚d5
 29.♖e1 ♚f3 30.♚f2 ♖f8 31.♚xf3
 ♖xf3]

26...♖af8?! Inaccuracy. Re8 was best.

[26...♖e8 27.♚g4]

27.♚e5 h6 28.♚xd6 ♖xd6 29.h4 ♖df6
 30.♖e5 ♖f5 31.♖fe1 g5 32.hxg5 hxg5
 33.♘h3 g4 34.♘f4 ♖xe5 35.♖xe5 ♖e8
 36.♖xe8+

1/2-1/2

A07
 Shankland,Sam **2671**
 Murzin,Volodar **2631**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (9.1) 22.05.2024

1.♘f3 d5 2.g3 g6 3.♙g2 ♙g7 4.0-0
 e5 5.d3 ♘c6 6.e4 ♘ge7

[RR 6...dxe4 7.dxe4 ♚xd1 8.♖xd1
 ♙g4 9.c3 ♘f6 10.h3 ♙e6 11.♘g5
 ♙d7 12.♘d2 h6 13.♘gf3 0-0-0
 14.♖e1 (RR 14.b4 ♙e6 15.♙b2 ♘d7

16.a4 a5 17.b5 ♘cb8 18.c4 f6
 19.♘h4 ♙f7 20.f4 ♘c5 21.fxe5 fxe5
 22.♖f1 ♙e8 23.♙c3 [#] b6! 24.♘hf3
 ♖d3 25.♖fc1 ♖f8 26.♙b2 g5 27.♖c3
 ♖d6 28.♘b3 ♘bd7) 14...♙e6 15.♙f1
 ♘d7 16.♘b3 a5 17.♙e3 a4 18.♘bd2
 ♙f8 19.b4 axb3 20.axb3 ♙c5
 21.♙xc5 Carlsen,M (2828)-Wei,Y
 (2758) Warsaw, Poland 2024 1-0 (58)]

7.c3N

[RR 7.c4 dxe4 8.dxe4 ♚xd1 9.♖xd1
 ♙g4 10.♖e1 0-0-0 11.♘c3 ♘b4
 12.♖e2 ♘ec6 13.♘d5 ♙xf3 14.♙xf3
 ♘xd5 15.cxd5 ♘d4 16.♙g2 ♘xe2
 17.♙xe2 f5 18.♙g5 ♖d6 19.♖c1 fxe4
 20.♙e7? (20.♙g4+ ♙b8 21.♙e6)
 20...♖xd5 21.♙c4 ♖d2 Olsen,F (2454)-
 Durarbayli,V (2627) chess.com INT
 2024 0-1 (34)]

[RR 7.♘c3 d4 8.♘d5 0-0 9.♖e1
 ♙e6 10.♘xe7+ ♚xe7 11.♘g5 ♙d7
 12.f4 a5 13.♙d2 a4 14.c4 (14.a3?)
 14...dxc3 15.bxc3 exf4 (15...b5?)
 16.gxf4 ♙xc3 17.♙xc3 ♚c5+ 18.d4
 ♚xc3 19.d5! ♚d4+ 20.♚xd4 ♘xd4
 21.♖ab1 (21.♖ad1!? ♘b5 22.e5=)
 21...b5 Solcan,M (2182)-Hrabusa,M
 (2346) Slovakia SVK 2024 0-1 (43)]

[RR 7.exd5 ♘xd5 8.♘bd2 0-0 9.♘c4
 ♖e8 10.♖e1 ♙f5 11.♙g5 ♚d7
 12.♚d2 b5 13.♘e3 ♙e6 14.♘xd5
 ♙xd5 15.c4 ♙xf3! 16.♙xf3 ♘d4
 17.♙g2 bxc4 18.dxc4 ♖ab8 19.♙e3
 e4 20.♖ad1 c5 21.♙xd4 ♚xd4
 Gaboyan,S (2179)-Zhai Mo (2339)
 Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1 (43)]

7...dxe4 8.dxe4 ♚xd1 9.♖xd1
 The position is equal. 9...♙e6 10.♘a3 f6
 11.♙e3 ♙f7 12.♙f1 a6 13.♘c4 ♖hd8
 14.♖dc1 ♘g8 15.b4 ♙h6 16.a4 a5
 17.b5 ♘b8 18.b6 c6! 19.♙xh6 ♘xh6
 20.♘fd2 ♙e7 21.♘b3! ♙xc4 22.♙xc4
 ♘d7 23.♖cb1 ♘xb6 [#] 24.♘xa5! ♖xa5
 25.♖xb6 Accuracy: White = 83%, Black
 = 89%.
 1/2-1/2

A07
 2531
 2698
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.♟f3 https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/ebhz9euB 1...d5 2.g3 ♘d7 3.d4 e6 4.♙g2 ♗gf6 5.0-0 b5 6.a4 b4 7.c4 bxc3 8.bxc3N

[RR 8.♗xc3 ♙e7 9.♙f4 ♘h5 10.♙d2 ♗hf6 11.♖c2 ♙b7 12.a5 ♖c8 13.a6 ♙a8 14.♗b5 c6 15.♗xa7 ♖b8 16.♙a5 ♗b6 17.♗xc6 ♖c7 18.♖fc1 ♖c8 19.♖b3 ♗fd7 20.♗xe7 ♖xc1+ 21.♖xc1 ♖xc1+ 22.♙f1 ♗c4 Gaal,Z (2356)-Schwibbert,J (2135) Karlsruhe, Germany [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/ebhz9euB] 1-0]

[RR 8.♗xc3 a5 9.♗e5 ♗xe5 10.dxe5 ♗d7 11.e4 d4 12.♖xd4 ♙c5 13.♖d1 ♙a6 14.♗b5 0-0 15.♙g5 ♖xc5 16.♖xd7 ♖xe5 17.♖ad1 ♖ab8 18.♙h1 ♙xb5 19.axb5 ♖xb2 20.♖b1 ♖e5 21.f4 ♖d6 22.♖fd1 ♖b6 Menzel,M (2103)-Koellner,R (2465) Baden Baden GER 2024 0-1 (37)]

[RR 8.♗xc3 ♙b4 9.♙f4 ♙xc3 10.bxc3 0-0 11.♖c2 ♙a6 12.♖fe1 c5 13.♙d6 ♖e8 14.dxc5 ♗e4 15.♗d4 ♗dxc5 16.♙xc5 ♗xc5 17.h4 ♖c8 18.♖ed1 ♙c4 19.e4 e5 20.♗f5 ♙b3 21.♖e2 ♙xd1 22.♖xd1 d4 Rosenberg, E (1932)-Annaberdiev,M (2467) chess.com INT 2024 0-1]

8...♙a6 9.♗a3 ♗e4 10.c4 c6 11.♖c2 ♖c8 12.c5 ♙e7 13.♗e1 e5 14.♙xe4 dxe4 15.dxe5 ♗xc5 16.♗g2 ♖d4 17.♙e3 ♖xe5 18.♗c4 ♖e6 19.♖ac1 0-0 20.♗d2 ♗d7 21.♗xe4 ♖fe8 22.♖fd1 ♗f6 23.♗xf6+ ♙xf6 24.♗f4 ♖e7 25.♙c5 ♖c7 26.e3 h6 27.♗h5 ♖e5 28.♗f4 ♖c7 29.♗h5 ♖e5 30.♗f4 1/2-1/2

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 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.♟f3 d5 2.g3 ♙g4 3.♙g2 c6 4.h3 ♙xf3 5.♙xf3 ♗d7 6.0-0 e5 7.d3 ♗gf6 8.e4 ♙c5N

[RR 8...dxe4 9.dxe4 ♙c5 10.♗d2 0-0 11.a4 a5 12.♖e2 ♖e7 13.♗c4 ♗e8 14.h4 ♗d6 15.♙g5 f6 16.♙d2 ♗xc4 17.♖xc4+ ♖f7 18.♙e2 ♖fd8 19.♖ad1 ♖xc4 20.♙xc4+ ♙f8 21.♙g2 ♙e7 22.♙c1 ♙d6 23.♙e3 Meier,G (2608)-Kuybokarov,T (2602) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (52)]

9.exd5 ♗xd5 10.♗c3 ♗c7 11.♗a4 ♙e7 12.d4 exd4 13.♖xd4 ♗e6 14.♖e3 ♖a5 15.b3 h5 16.♙b2 ♖f5 17.♙g2 ♙f6 18.♖fe1 0-0 19.♖ad1 ♖fd8 20.♖d3 ♖a5 21.♙c3 ♙xc3 22.♖xc3 ♖c7 23.h4 ♖ac8?! Inaccuracy. Nf6 was best.

[23...♗f6 24.♗c5]

24.♙f3?! Inaccuracy. Bh3 was best.

[24.♙h3 ♗df8]

1/2-1/2

A07
 2531
 2640
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.♟f3 d5 2.g3 ♗f6 3.♙g2 c6 4.0-0 ♙g4 5.c4 e6 6.h3 ♙xf3N

[RR 6...♙h5 7.cxd5 exd5 8.d4 ♗bd7 9.♗e5 ♙g6 10.♗c3 ♙b4 11.f4 ♙xc3 12.bxc3 ♙e4 13.♙a3 ♙xc3 14.♙xc3 ♗e4 15.♖d3 f6 16.♗g4 ♗b6 17.♗f2 ♗xf2 18.♖xf2 ♗c4 19.♙c1 ♗d6 20.♙a3 ♗e4 21.♖f3 Gutkin,I (2289)-Gubajdullin,A (2253) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (42)]

[RR 6...♙h5 7.♖b3 ♖b6 8.d3 ♖xb3 9.axb3 ♗bd7 10.♗c3 a6 11.cxd5 exd5 12.♗h4 ♙b4 13.g4 ♙g6 14.♖a4

a5 15.f4 h6 16.♘xg6 fxc6 17.♖a2
0-0 18.e4 dxe4 19.dxe4 ♘c5 20.e5
♘fd7 21.♙e3 Gokhale,R (2078)-
Floresvillar Gonzalez,L (2019) chess.
com INT 2024 1-0 (39)]

7.♙xf3 dxc4 8.♘a3 ♙xa3 9.bxa3 0-0
10.a4 ♖a5 11.♖b1 ♖a6 12.♙a3 ♖e8
13.d4 ♘bd7 14.♖c2 ♖ac8 15.♙c1
♘b6 16.♙g5 ♘xa4 17.♙xf6 gxf6
18.♖e4 b5 19.♖h4?! Inaccuracy. Qg4+
was best.

[19.♖g4+ ♔f8 20.♖h4 ♖b6 21.♖xf6
♖d8 22.♖h8+ ♔e7 23.♖e5 ♖g8
24.♖f4 ♖g6]

19...♖b7 20.♖xf6 ♖e7 21.♖h6 ♘c3
22.♖b2 ♘d5 23.♖d1 ♖f6 24.♖c1 ♖ed8
25.♙g2 a5?! Inaccuracy. Nb6 was best.

[25...♘b6 26.e3 a5 27.a3 ♘a4
28.♖b1 c3 29.h4 ♘b2 30.♖xc3
♘xd1 31.♖xd1]

26.e4 ♘b4 27.e5 ♖g6 28.♖e2 ♘d3
29.♖e3 c5 30.♙e4 cxd4 31.♖d2 ♖h5
32.♙f3 ♖f5 33.♙e4 ♖h5 34.♙f3 ♖f5

1/2-1/2

□ **A08 Aravindh,Chithambaram VR. 2670**
■ **Daneshvar,Bardiya 2581**
Sharjah Master 2024 (7.1) 20.05.2024

1.♘f3 d5 2.g3 c5 3.♙g2 ♘c6 4.d4 e6
5.0-0 ♘f6 6.b3 ♙d7 7.♙b2 ♖c8N

[RR 7...♙e7 8.e3 0-0 9.♘bd2 b5
10.c4 bxc4 11.bxc4 ♖b8 12.♙c3
dxc4 13.dxc5 ♘d5 14.♖c1 ♘cb4
15.♙e5 ♘xa2 16.♖a1 (16.♖xc4±
♙b5 17.♖a1 ♙xc4 18.♘xc4)
16...♘dc3! 17.♖c2? (17.♖e1!=
and White stays safe.) 17...♙a4
18.♖xa2 ♙xc2 19.♖xc2 ♘e2+
20.♔h1 ♖b4 21.♘e4 c3 22.♘e1
Sredojevic,I (2246)-Slugin,A (2138)
Banja Luka BIH 2024 1-0 (50)]

8.♘bd2 cxd4 The position is equal.
9.♘xd4 ♘xd4 10.♙xd4 ♙c5 11.♙b2

0-0 12.c4 ♙c6 13.♖c1 aiming for cxd5.
13...♙e7 14.e3 a5 15.a4 ♙b4 16.cxd5
♘xd5 17.♘c4 ♖e7 18.♖e2 f6
19.♖h5?! Inaccuracy. Rfd1 was best.

[19.♖fd1 ♖cd8 20.e4 ♘c7 21.♙d4
e5 22.♙b6 ♖xd1+ 23.♖xd1 ♘e6
24.♘e3 ♘d4]

[19.♖fd1±]

19...e5 20.♖fd1 ♖cd8 21.♖e2 ♖e6
22.e4 ♘e7 23.♙c3↑ White is in control.
23...♙xc3?! Inaccuracy. Rxd1+ was best.

[23...♖xd1+]

24.♖xc3 ♖a8

[24...♖xd1± 25.♖xd1 ♖d7 26.♖xd7
♙xd7]

25.♖d6 ♖f7 26.♖d2 ♘c8 27.♖dd3
♖c7 28.♘e3 ♔h8 29.♘d5 ♖f7 30.♖c5
♘d6 31.♘c3 ♘e8 32.♘d5 ♘d6
33.f3?! Inaccuracy. g4 was best.

[33.g4 ♖ad8 34.♖xa5 ♖e6 35.h3
♘f7 36.b4 h6 37.♖d1 ♖e8 38.h4
♖d6]

33...f5 34.h4?? Blunder. Rc1 was best.

[34.♖c1 ♖ad8]

[34.♖c1± stays on course.]

34...fxe4+ 35.♖e3 [#]

[35.fxe4 ♘xe4! 36.♖c2 ♘xc5-+]

35...♖ad8?? Blunder. Nf5 was best.

[35...♘f5! 36.fxe4 ♘xe3 37.♖xe3 h6
38.♖c2 ♖ac8 39.♘b6 ♖cd8 40.♘d5
♖g6 41.♖d2]

[Less strong is 35...exf3 36.♖xf3 ♖g6
37.♘e7±]

[Black should play 35...♘f5!-+ 36.fxe4
♘xe3 37.♖xe3 ♙xd5 38.exd5 e4!]

36.fxe4± [#] 36...♘xe4! 37.♖xe4 ♖xd5
38.♖xd5 ♙xd5 39.♖xe5?! Inaccuracy.
Re3 was best.

[39.♖e3]

[39.♖e3=]

39...♙xg2±

[But not 39...♙xb3?! 40.♖xa5 ♖f6
41.♖b5=]

40.♖xg2 ♖xb3 41.♖xa5?? Blunder.
Kh2 was best.

[41.♔h2]

[41.♔h2♠]
41...♚b6+ Double Attack. Accuracy:
 White = 62%, Black = 71%.
0-1

☐ **Yuffa,Daniil** **A09**
2617
 ■ **Sarana,Alexey** **2706**
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.♘f3 d5 2.c4 d4 3.b4 c5 4.b5 ♖c7
5.g3 e5 6.d3 ♘f6N
 [RR 6...h6 7.♙g2 ♘f6 8.0-0 ♙d6
 9.a4 a5 10.e4 dxe3 11.fxe3 0-0
 12.♘c3 ♖e8 13.♘h4 ♙g4 14.♘d5
 ♙xd1 15.♘xc7 ♙xc7 16.♖xd1 ♖a7
 17.♙b2 b6 18.d4 ♘bd7 19.♖e1 g6
 20.♙c6 ♖e7 21.♘f3 Makarian,R
 (2525)-Mekhitarian,K (2554) chess.
 com INT 2024 1-0 (36)]
7.♙g2 ♙d6 8.0-0 ♘bd7 9.a4 ♘f8
10.e3 ♘e6 11.a5 ♖b8 12.exd4 cxd4
13.♖e1 0-0 14.b6 axb6 15.♘a3 ♙d7
16.axb6 ♚xb6 17.♘xe5 ♙xe5 18.♖xe5
♙c6 19.♙h3 ♘d7 20.♖e1 ♘dc5
21.♘c2 ♖a8 22.♙a3 ♘g5 23.♙g2
♙xg2 24.♔xg2 ♚c6+ 25.f3 ♚d6
26.♙xc5 ♚xc5 27.♖b1 ♚c8 28.♖b5
♘e6 29.♘b4 ♖e8 30.♚d2 h6 31.♖be5
♚d7 32.f4 ♘c7 33.♖xe8+ ♖xe8
34.♖xe8+ ♚xe8 35.♚f2 ♚a4 36.♚xd4
1/2-1/2

☐ **Deac,Bogdan-Daniel** **A13**
2692
 ■ **Bharath Subramaniyam H** **2544**
 Sharjah Master 2024 15.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.g3 d5 3.♙g2 ♘f6 4.♘f3
dxc4 5.♚a4+ ♙d7 6.♚xc4 c5 7.♘e5
♚c8! 8.♚d3 ♙c6
 [RR 8...♘c6 9.♘xd7 ♘xd7 10.b3
 ♙e7 11.♙b2 0-0 12.♘c3 ♖d8 13.♖c1
 ♘f6 14.♚b1 ♚d7 15.d3 ♖ac8 16.0-0

h6 17.♖fd1 b6 18.e3 ♘d5 19.♖d2
 ♘xc3 20.♙xc3 ♙f8 21.♚a1 ♘e7
 22.♙b2 b5 23.♙e4 Giri,A (2745)-
 Oparin,G (2670) chess.com INT 2024
 1-0 (68)]

9.♘xc6 ♘xc6 10.♘c3N
 [RR 10.♚b5 ♙e7 11.♙xc6+ bxc6
 12.♚a4 e5 13.d3 h5 14.♙g5 ♖b8
 15.♘d2 ♖xb2 16.♘c4 ♖b4 17.♚xa7
 e4 18.♙xf6 gxf6 19.h4 (19.0-0±)
 19...exd3 20.exd3 ♚e6+ 21.♔d2 0-0
 22.♖he1 ♚d5 23.♖xe7 ♖xc4
 (23...♖d8!? 24.♚a3☐ ♖xc4=) 24.♚d7
 ♖d4 Pantsulaia,L (2535)-Danielyan,V
 (2331) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (38)
 (24...♖a4= keeps the balance.)
 [RR 10.♚b5 ♙e7 11.♙xc6+ bxc6
 12.♚a4 h5 13.h4 ♘d5 14.d3 ♖b8
 15.♘a3 ♚d7 16.♚d1 ♘b6 17.♚c2
 ♚d5 18.e4 ♚d7 19.♙e3 0-0 20.0-0
 ♖fd8 (20...e5= remains equal.)
 21.♖fd1 e5 22.♚e2 ♚g4 23.♚xg4
 hxg4 24.♖ac1 (24.♖d2±) 24...♘a4
 Mkrtchyan,M (2352)-Nurgaliyeva,Z
 (2075) Tashkent UZB 2024 1-0 (54)]
10...a6 11.b3 ♙e7 12.♙b2 0-0 13.♖c1
♖d8 14.♚b1 ♚d7 15.d3 b5 16.0-0
♖ac8 17.♖fd1 h5 Accuracy: White =
 91%, Black = 92%.
 . Loss on time!?
1-0

☐ **Gledura,Benjamin** **A13**
2619
 ■ **Gholami Orimi,Mahdi** **2470**
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.g3 d5 3.♙g2 ♘f6 4.♘f3
dxc4 5.♚a4+ ♙d7 6.♚xc4 c5 7.♘e5
♚c8 8.♚d3 ♘c6 9.♘xd7 ♘xd7 10.0-0
 [RR 10.b3 ♙e7 11.♙b2 0-0 12.♘c3
 ♖d8 13.♖c1 ♘f6 14.♚b1 ♚d7 15.d3
 ♖ac8 16.0-0 h6 17.♖fd1 b6 18.e3
 ♘d5 19.♖d2 ♘xc3 20.♙xc3 ♙f8
 21.♚a1 ♘e7 22.♙b2 b5 23.♙e4

♖d5 24.♚b1 a6 Giri,A (2745)-Oparin,
G (2670) chess.com INT 2024 1-0
(68)]

10...♙e7 11.♘c3 0-0 12.b3 ♘de5N

[RR 12...♞d8 13.♙b2 ♘f6 14.♚c2
♚c7 15.♘e4 ♘d4 16.♙xd4 ♞xd4
17.e3 ♞dd8 18.♞ac1 ♞ac8 19.♘xf6+
♙xf6 20.d4 b6 21.♞fd1 ♚b8 22.d5
♚e5 23.♚c4 exd5 24.♙xd5 ♞d7
25.a4 ♞cd8 26.e4 g5 27.♞d3
Astafurov,A (2263)-Krzywda,A (2234)
chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (45)]

[RR 12...♘f6 13.♙b2 ♞d8 14.♚c2
♚d7 15.♞ad1 ♞ac8 16.♘e4 ♘d4
17.♚d3 ♘d5 18.e3 ♘b4 19.♚b1
♘f5 20.a3 ♘d3 21.♙a1 b5 22.♘c3
c4 23.bxc4 bxc4 24.a4 ♞b8 25.♚c2
h6 26.♘b5 a6 27.♘d4 Seo,J (2450)-
Yuan,Q (2360) chess.com INT 2024
0-1 (38)]

[RR 12...♞d8 13.♙b2 ♘f6 14.♚c2
♘d4 15.♚d1 ♚d7 16.♞c1 ♞ac8
17.d3 b6 18.♚d2 ♘d5 19.♘xd5
exd5 20.e3 ♘e6 21.f4 d4 22.e4 ♘f8
23.♞ce1 b5 24.e5 c4 25.bxc4 bxc4
26.dxc4 ♞xc4 27.♚d3 Shimanov,A
(2578)-Koellner,R (2453) chess.com
INT 2024 1-0 (42)]

**13.♚c2 ♞d8 14.♞d1 ♚d7 15.d3 ♞ac8
16.♚d2 b6 17.♞b1 f5 18.♚e1 ♙f6
19.♙b2 ♘b4 20.♚f1 ♘g4 21.h3
1/2-1/2**

A13

□ **Kuybokarov,Temur** **2600**
■ **Adhiban,B.** **2520**
Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

**1.c4 e6 2.♘f3 d5 3.g3 ♘f6 4.♙g2 d4
5.0-0 ♘c6 6.d3 ♙c5 7.♘bd2 0-0
8.♘b3**

[8.♘b1]

8...♙e7 9.e3 dxe3 10.♙xe3 ♘g4

[10...♙c5]

11.♙c5

[RR 11.♙c1 a5 12.h3 ♘ge5
13.♘xe5 ♘xe5 14.♚e2 ♘c6 15.a4
e5 16.♙e3 ♙f5 17.♞fd1 ♞e8 18.g4
♙g6 19.♙e4 ♞a6 20.♘d2 ♙h4
21.♙xg6 hxg6 22.♘f3 f5 23.g5 f4
24.♘h4 fxe3 25.fxe3 ♚xg5+
Daneshvar,B (2591)-Erigaisi,A
(2727) Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1
(37)]

11...♙xc5 12.♘xc5 b6 13.♘b3N

[RR 13.♘d2 ♘ge5 14.♘cb3 ♙b7
15.d4 ♘g6 16.♘e4 ♞b8 17.h4 h6
18.♞e1 ♘ge7 19.♘c3 ♘f5 20.d5
exd5 21.♘xd5 ♘ce7 22.♘xe7+
♘xe7 23.♚xd8 1-0 (23) Bernadskiy,V
(2573)-Crevatin,L (2259) chess.com
INT 2024]

[RR 13.♘e4 ♙b7 14.d4 ♞b8 15.♚e2
♘f6 16.♞ad1 ♘xe4 17.♚xe4 ♘e7
18.♚c2 ♙xf3 19.♙xf3 ♚d6 20.♞fe1
c6 21.♙e4 g6 22.h4 h5 23.♚d2
♞bd8 24.♚g5 ♙g7 25.♙g2 c5
26.dxc5 ♚xc5 27.♚c1 ♞xd1
Maznitsin,A (2167)-Zhakshylykov,E
(2257) Bishkek KGZ 2024 0-1 (46)]

13...♙b7 14.d4

[14.c5 ♘e7]

**14...♘e7 15.♚c2 ♘f6 16.♞ad1 ♙xf3
17.♙xf3 c6 18.♘c1 ♚c7 19.♘e2 ♞ad8
20.♞d2 ♞d7 21.♞fd1 ♞fd8 22.♘c3 h6
23.♘e4 ♘xe4 24.♙xe4 b5 25.b3 b4
26.♞d3 a5 27.♚e2 ♚a7**

1/2-1/2

A13

□ **Royal,Shreyas** **2463**
■ **Peralta,Fernando** **2573**
Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♘c3 ♙b4 3.e4 d6N

[RR 3...♘e7 4.♘f3 0-0 5.d4 c5
6.♙d3 cxd4 7.♘xd4 d5 8.exd5 exd5
9.cxd5 ♚xd5 10.0-0 ♙xc3 11.bxc3
♘bc6 12.♙a3 ♞d8 13.♞e1 ♘g6
14.♙e4 ♚g5 15.♞b1 ♘xd4 16.cxd4

♙e6 17.♞xb7 ♚a5 18.♙c5
 Lagarde, M (2640)-Willow, J (2427)
 Hastings ENG 2023 ½-½ (35)]
4.♘f3 ♘f6 5.d3 0-0 6.a3 ♙xc3+
7.bxc3 e5 8.g3 c6 9.♙g2 d5 10.exd5
cxd5 11.♘xe5 dxc4 12.♘xc4 ♙g4
**13.♚d2 ♘bd7 14.d4 ♞e8+?!
 Inaccuracy. Nb6 was best.**
 [14...♘b6 15.♘e5 ♙e6 16.0-0 ♙d5
 17.♙xd5 ♚xd5 18.♚d3 ♚e4 19.♞d1
 ♚xd3 20.♞xd3]
15.♘e3 ♘e4 16.♚b2?! Inaccuracy. Qc2
was best.
 [16.♚c2 ♘g5 17.0-0 ♙f3 18.♘f5
 ♙xg2 19.♚xg2 h6 20.c4 ♘f6 21.f3
 ♞c8]
16...♘g5?! Inaccuracy. Bh5 was best.
 [16...♙h5 17.0-0]
17.0-0 ♙f3 18.♙xf3 ♘xf3+ 19.♚g2
♘g5 20.c4 ♘b6 21.f3 ♚d7 22.♞a2?
Mistake. Qd2 was best.
 [22.♚d2]
22...♘xc4 23.♘xc4?? Blunder. Qb3 was
best.
 [23.♚b3]
23...♚h3+ 24.♚g1 ♘xf3+ 25.♚f2
♘xh2 26.♞d1 ♘g4+ 27.♚f3 ♚h5
28.♚g2 ♚h2+ 29.♚f3 ♚h5 30.♚g2
♚d5+ 31.♚h3 ♞e4
 [31...♚h5+?? Blunder. Re4 was best.]
32.♞f1 ♞xd4 33.♚c2 ♞xc4 34.♚f5
♚xf5 35.♞xf5 ♞xc1 36.♚xg4 g6
37.♞d5
 ½-½

Mchedlishvili, Mikheil **A13** **2567**
 Sevian, Samuel **2698**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.10) 14.05.2024

1.♘f3 d5 2.c4 e6 3.g3 ♘f6 4.♙g2
dxc4 5.♚a4+ ♙d7 6.♚xc4 c5 7.♘e5
♚c8 8.♚d3 ♙c6 9.♘xc6 ♘xc6 10.♘c3
♙e7 11.♚b5 h5N
 [RR 11...0-0 12.♙xc6 bxc6 13.♚a4

♞d8 14.d3 ♞d4 15.♚c2 c4 16.dxc4
♞xc4 17.b3 ♞c5 18.♙e3 ♞h5 19.f3
c5 20.♘e4 ♘d5 21.♙d2 f5
(21...♘b6=) 22.♘f2 ♙f6 23.♞c1 ♙d4
24.♚d3 ♚f8 25.e3! ♙f6 26.♚c4
 Kokoszczyński, J (2287)-Tang, D (2217)
 San Jose CA USA 2024 1-0 (47)]
12.h3 0-0 13.♙xc6
 [13.♚a4 looks sharper. ♞d8 14.0-0
 ♞d4 15.♚d1 ♞d7 16.♞b1]
13...bxc6 14.♚a4 e5 15.d3 ♞d8
16.♙g5 ♞b8 17.♚c2 ♚e6 18.♚f1 ♞b4
19.a3 ♞b7 20.♚g2 c4
 [20...♘d5= 21.♙xe7 ♘xe7]
21.dxc4!± ♚xc4 22.♞ac1 ♚e6 23.♙xf6
♙xf6 24.♘a4 And now Nc5 would win.
24...♞c7?! Inaccuracy. Be7 was best.
 [24...♙e7 25.♚xc6 ♚xc6+ 26.♞xc6
 ♞d4 27.♞a6 ♞d2 28.♞e1 g6 29.♚f1
 ♞c7 30.♞a5]
 [24...♙e7±]
**25.♘c5 ♚d5+ 26.♘e4 ♚e6 27.♘xf6+?!
 Inaccuracy. Rhd1 was best.**
 [27.♞hd1 ♞xd1]
 [27.♞hd1±]
27...♚xf6?! Inaccuracy. gxf6 was best.
 [27...gxf6 28.e3 ♞d5 29.e4 ♞d4
 30.♞he1 ♚g7 31.b4 a5! 32.bxa5 c5
 33.♚e2]
28.♞hd1 h4 29.g4 c5 30.♞xd8+
♚xd8± Endgame [#] KQR-KQR
31.♚e4?! Inaccuracy. Qc4 was best.
 [31.♚c4!]
 [31.♚c4!±]
31...♚d6
 [31...♚d4± 32.♚xd4 exd4]
32.♞c3 ♚d4 33.♚xd4?! Inaccuracy.
Qa8+ was best.
 [33.♚a8+ ♚h7 34.e3 ♚d6 35.♚e4+
 ♚h6 36.♞d3 ♚c6 37.♞d5 f6 38.♚g1
 ♚e6]
 [33.♚a8± ♚h7 34.e3]
33...exd4= The position is equal. **34.♞c2**
♞b7 35.♞xc5 Threatens to win with b4.
35...♞xb2 36.♞c8+ ♚h7 37.♞c7 f6

Accuracy: White = 67%, Black = 69%.
1/2-1/2

A14
 Puranik,Abhimanyu **2629**
 Adhiban,B. **2520**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.29) 14.05.2024

1.♠f3 d5 2.g3 ♘f6 3.♙g2 e6 4.0-0
 ♙e7 5.c4 0-0 6.d4 c6 7.♚c2 b6
 8.♘bd2 c5 9.e4

[RR 9.dxc5 bxc5 10.e4 ♘c6 11.exd5
 exd5 12.cxd5 ♘b4 13.♚b3 ♙f5
 14.♘e5 ♘c2! 15.♘c6 ♚d7! 16.♚b1!
 ♘d4 17.♚c4 ♙d6 (17...♚ac8=) 18.b4
 ♙xb1 19.bxc5 ♙xc5 20.♚xc5 ♘e2+
 21.♙h1 ♙d3 22.♙b2 ♚ae8 23.♙xf6
 gxf6 Ponkratov,P (2608)-Fressinet,L
 (2637) Samarkand UZB 2023 1-0]

9...♙b7N

[RR 9...♘c6 10.cxd5 exd5 11.dxc5
 bxc5 (11...♙a6!≠ 12.♚e1 ♙xc5)
 12.exd5 ♘xd5 13.a3 ♚b8 14.♘c4
 (14.♚d1±) 14...♙e6 15.♚d1 ♚c8
 16.♙g5 ♚d8 17.♙xe7 ♘cxe7 18.♘fe5
 ♙f5 (18...h6= keeps the balance.)
 19.♚a4 ♚c7 20.♚ac1 ♘b6 21.♚a5
 h5 22.b4 cxb4 23.♚xd8+ (23.♘e3±
 ♚xd1+ 24.♚xd1) 23...♚xd8 24.axb4
 Kolmagorov,A (2124)-Sierra Vallina,L
 (2275) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (39)]

[RR 9...♘c6 10.dxc5 bxc5 11.exd5
 exd5 12.cxd5 ♘xd5 13.♘b3
 (13.a3=) 13...♘db4 14.♚e4 [#] ♙a6!
 15.♚e1 ♙d3 16.♚g4 [#] ♘c2! 17.♙h6
 ♙g6 18.♚ed1 ♚c8 19.♚xc8 ♚axc8
 20.♙e3 ♘xa1 21.♚xa1 ♘b4 22.♚c1
 c4 23.♘a5 ♘xa2 24.♚xc4
 Vakhidov,D (2175)-Idani,P (2602)
 Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1 (47)]

[RR 9...♘c6 10.e5 ♘d7 11.cxd5
 exd5 12.a3 ♙a6 13.♚e1 ♘xd4
 14.♘xd4 cxd4 15.b4 ♚c8 16.♚b3
 ♙c4 17.♚b2 d3 18.♘f3 ♚e8 19.♙e3
 ♙f8 (19...f6≠ 20.e6 ♘e5) 20.♙d4 a5

21.♚ec1 (21.h4± keeps the upper
 hand.) 21...♚e7 22.♙h3 ♚c6 23.♙c3
 ♚h6 (23...d4!? 24.♘xd4 ♘xe5±)
 24.♙f5 Andriamasoandro,M (2120)-
 Rakotomaharo,F (2460) Antananarivo
 MAD 2024 0-1 (53)]

10.exd5 exd5 White has an edge.
 11.dxc5 bxc5 12.cxd5 ♙xd5 13.♚d1
 ♘c6 14.♘f1 ♚c8 15.♙f4 ♚e8 16.♚d2
 h6 17.♘e3 ♙xf3 18.♙xf3 White wants
 to play Nf5. 18...g5 19.♙xc6 gxf4
 20.♙xe8 fxe3 21.♚e2?! Inaccuracy.
 Bxf7+ was best.

[21.♙xf7+!]

[21.♙xf7+!= ♙xf7 22.♚e2 (22.fxe3
 ♚b8±)]

21...♘xe8≠ 22.♚xe3 ♙f6 23.♚ae1 ♘g7
 24.♚f3 ♚c6! 25.♚f4 ♙g5 26.♚fe4?!
 Inaccuracy. Rc4 was best.

[26.♚c4 ♘e6 27.h4 ♙f6 28.b4! ♙d4
 29.♚e4 ♚xe4 30.♚xe4 cxb4 31.♚xe6
 fxe6]

[White should try 26.♚c4=]

26...♚c8 27.b3 ♘f5

[27...a5≠]

28.h4= ♙f6 29.♚g4+ Discovered Attack
 29...♘g7 30.♚c4 ♙d4?! Inaccuracy.
 Qd7 was best.

[30...♚d7 31.♚ee4 ♚c6 32.♙g2 a5
 33.♚e2 ♙f8 34.♚a4 ♘f5 35.♚xa5
 ♙d8 36.♚aa4!]

31.♚f4? Mistake. Re7 was best.

[31.♚e7 ♚f6 32.♚e2! ♙f8 33.♚ge4!
 ♚a8 34.♚xf7+ ♙xf7 (34...♚xf7!?
 35.♚f4□ ♘f5=) 35.♚f4 ♚xf4 36.gxf4
 ♙f6]

[31.♚e7= ♚f6 32.♚e2]

31...♘e6≠ Black is better. 32.♚f5 ♚d8
 33.♙h2 ♙g7 34.♚e4 Accuracy: White =
 71%, Black = 77%.

1/2-1/2

A14
Yu, Yangyi **2728**
Maurizzi, Marc`Andria **2617**
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.g3 d5 3.♙g2 ♘f6 4.♘f3 ♙e7
 5.0-0 0-0 6.cxd5 exd5 7.b3 c5 8.d4
 ♘c6 9.♘c3 ♘e4 10.♙b2 ♙f6 11.♘a4
 ♙e8 12.♙c1 cxd4 13.♘xd4 ♘xd4
 14.♙xd4 ♙f5 15.e3 ♙e7 White is
 slightly better. 16.♘c5 b6 17.♘xe4
 dxe4 18.♙xf6 ♙xf6 19.♙c7 ♙e5
 20.♙c2 ♙ac8 21.♙c1 h5 22.♙f1 ♙ed8
 23.♙xc8 ♙xc8 24.♙d2 [#] aiming for
 Rxc8+. 24...♙xc1 25.♙xc1 g6 26.h4
 ♙g7 27.b4 ♙g4 28.a3 ♙d7 29.♙e2
 ♙e6 30.♙f1 ♙h3+ 31.♙e1 ♙e6 32.♙d1
 ♙h7 33.♙e2 ♙g7 34.♙f1 ♙h3+
 35.♙g1 ♙e6 36.♙g2 ♙d7 37.♙d2 ♙e6
 38.a4 ♙a1 The position is equal. 39.a5
 ♙h3+ 40.♙h2 ♙e6 41.♙b5 ♙h7
 42.♙d7 ♙xd7 43.♙xd7= [#] Endgame
 Double Attack. KQ-KQ 43...♙f6 44.♙g1
 bxa5 45.bxa5 a6 46.♙b7 ♙e6 47.♙b6
 ♙c4 48.♙f6 ♙g8 49.♙g2 ♙b5 50.♙b6
 And now Qxb5 would win. 50...♙c4
 51.♙b8+ ♙h7 52.♙e5 ♙g8 53.♙g5
 ♙h7 54.♙f4 ♙g8 55.g4 gxh5 is the
 strong threat. 55...hxg4 56.♙xg4 ♙b5
 57.♙g5 ♙e2 58.♙d8+ ♙h7 59.♙d7
 ♙f3+ 60.♙g1 ♙g7 61.♙d4+ ♙g8
 62.♙d6 ♙f5 63.♙d8+ ♙g7 64.♙f1
 ♙h3+ 65.♙e1 ♙h1+ 66.♙e2 ♙f3+
 67.♙e1 ♙h1+ 68.♙e2 Accuracy: White
 = 92%, Black = 92%.
 1/2-1/2

A15
Deac, Bogdan-Daniel **2692**
Vokhidov, Shamsiddin **2591**
 Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.♘f3 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.b3 d5 4.♙b2 c5
 5.cxd5 exd5 6.g3 ♘c6 7.♙g2 d4
 8.0-0 ♙e7 9.♘a3 0-0 10.e3 ♙f5

11.exd4 cxd4 12.♘c4 ♙c8 13.♙e1
♙c5N

[RR 13...♙e8 14.♘fe5 ♘b4
 (14...♙e6= remains equal.) 15.♙xb7
 ♙c7 16.♙g2 (16.♙f3±) 16...♘c2
 17.♘c6 ♙d7? (17...♙c8± 18.♘xe7+
 ♙cxe7 19.♙xe7 ♙xe7) 18.♘xe7+
 ♙xe7 19.♙xe7 ♙xe7 20.♙c1 d3
 21.♙f3 ♙e6 (21...♙c5 22.h3 ♙d8)
 22.♙f4 ♙e7 23.♘e3 ♙g6 24.♙b8+
 ♘e8 (24...♙e8 25.♙xa7 ♙e4
 26.♙xe4 ♘xe4) 25.♘d5 ♙d7 26.♙h3
 f5 27.♘f4 ♙e7 28.♙f1 Mendonca,L
 (2608)-Budisavljevic,L (2475) chess.
 com INT 2024 1-0 (39)]

14.a3 b5 15.♘ce5 ♙e4 16.♘xc6 ♙xc6
17.♘e5 ♙xg2 18.♙xg2 ♙b6 19.a4 ♙e8
20.♘f3 ♘e4 21.axb5 ♙d5 22.♙a4 g5
 [#] Threatens to win with ...g4. **23.h3**

[Of course not 23.♙xd4 g4+]
23...h5 White must now prevent ...g4.
24.d3

[But not 24.♙xd4 g4+]
24...♘d6 aiming for ...Rxe1. **25.♙xe8+**
♙xe8 26.♙g1 ♘xb5 27.♙c4 f6 28.♘d2
 Threatening Ne4. The position is equal.
28...♘d6 29.♙c1 h4 30.g4

[30.gxh4 looks sharper. gxh4
 31.♙g4+ ♙f7 32.♙h2 ♙e5+ 33.♙h1]
30...♙f7 31.♙f3 ♙xf3 32.♘xf3 ♘b5
33.♙f1 ♙e7 34.♙c4 ♙d7 35.♙e2 ♙e7+
36.♙f1 ♙d7 37.♙c1 ♘c7 38.♘d2 ♘e6
39.♘e4 ♙d5 40.b4 ♙d8 41.♙d2 a5
42.♙g2 axb4 43.♙xb4 ♙c7 44.♙b7
♙g6 45.♙a7 ♙b5 46.♙a6 ♙f7 47.♙a7
 [#] Hoping for Nd6+. **47...♙g6 48.♙a6**
♙f7 49.♙a7 Accuracy: White = 93%,
 Black = 85%.
 1/2-1/2

A15
2589
2600
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.♠f3 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/NRinja20> **1...♗f6 2.c4 c6 3.♗c3 d5 4.e3 ♕f5 5.d4 e6 6.♗h4 ♕g6 7.♕e2**

[RR 7.♕d2 ♗bd7 8.cxd5 exd5 (8...♕h5!? 9.♖b3 ♗xd5=) 9.♗xg6 hxg6 10.h4 ♕b4 11.♕d3 ♖e7 12.a3 ♕xc3 13.♕xc3 ♗e4 14.♕b4 ♖e6 15.a4 g5 16.h5 g4 17.♖c2 g3 18.♕xe4 gxf2+ 19.♖xf2 dxe4 20.0-0-0 ♗b6 21.♖df1 ♗d5

Abdusattorov,N (2765)-Erigaisi,A (2756) Malmo SWE 2024 ½-½ (35)]

7...♗bd7 8.0-0 ♕d6 9.g3 The position is equal. **9...♖e7N**

[RR 9...dxc4 10.♗xg6 hxg6 11.♕xc4 ♖a5 12.e4 b5 13.♕d3 b4 14.♗b1 e5 15.♗d2 exd4 16.♗c4 ♖c5 17.♕d2 ♕e7 18.♖e1 ♗e5 (18...♖h5± might work better. 19.♖xh5 ♖xh5) 19.♕xb4 ♖xb4 20.♗xe5 ♖c5 21.♖a4 ♗f8 22.f4 ♖c8? (22...♖h5 23.♖ec1 ♖b4 24.♖xc6 ♖d8) 23.♖b3

1-0 (23) Moussard,J (2621)-Ragnarsson,D (2337) Reykjavik 2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/NRinja20]]

[RR 9...dxc4 10.♗xg6 hxg6 11.♕xc4 ♖a5 12.e4 b5 13.♕d3 b4 [#] 14.♗b1! e5 15.♗d2 exd4 16.♗c4 ♖c5 17.♕d2 ♕e7 18.♖e1 ♗e5? (18...♖h5± 19.♖xh5 ♖xh5) 19.♕xb4! ♖xb4 20.♗xe5 ♖c5 21.♖a4 ♗f8 22.f4 ♖c8? (22...♖h5 23.♖ec1 ♖b4 24.♖xc6 ♖d8) 23.♖b3

1-0 (23) Moussard,J (2621)-Ragnarsson,D (2337) Reykjavik ISL 2024]

[RR 9...0-0 10.♗xg6 hxg6 11.b3 ♖e7 12.♖c2 ♖fd8 13.♖b1 a5 14.♖d1 ♖ac8 15.♕b2 ♕b8 16.e4 dxe4 17.♗xe4 ♗xe4 18.♖xe4 ♗f6 19.♖e3 ♖d7 20.♕c3 ♕c7 21.♕f3 ♖cd8

22.♖d2 ♕b6 23.♖bd1 ♗e8 24.♖d3 Bronstein,O (2443)-Zemach,N (2388) Israel ISR 2024 ½-½ (46)]

10.♕d2 ♗e4 11.a3

[11.♗xe4± ♕xe4 12.f3]

11...♗xd2= 12.♖xd2 dxc4 13.♕xc4 ♗b6 14.♕e2 ♗d5 15.♕f3 ♗xc3 16.♖xc3 0-0 17.♗xg6 hxg6 18.♗g2 e5 19.h4 exd4 20.exd4 ♖f6 21.♖fe1 ♖fe8 22.♖ad1 ♖ad8 23.♖c4 ♖e7 24.♖xe7 ♖xe7 25.♖d3 ♖e8 26.♖a4 ♖a8 27.♖e3 ♖f6 28.♕d1 ♖f5 29.♖f3↑

White is in control. **29...♖b5 30.♖xb5 cxb5 31.♕b3 ♖f8 32.g4 ♗h7?** Mistake. a5 was best.

[32...a5 33.g5 a4 34.♕a2 b4 35.axb4 ♕xb4 36.h5 ♗h7 [#] 37.♕b1! f5 38.gxf6!]

[32...a5±]

33.♕xf7+-

[Don't take 33.♖xf7?! ♖xf7 34.♕xf7 ♕f4]

33...♖c8?! Inaccuracy. a5 was best.

[33...a5 34.g5]

[33...a5 is a better defense. 34.♕d5 ♖xf3 35.♗xf3 ♗h6 36.♕xb7 g5]

34.g5 ♖c7 35.♕d5 Accuracy: White = 91%, Black = 61%.

1-0

A15
2580
2654
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1.c4 ♗f6 2.g3 e6 3.♕g2 d5 4.♗f3 d4 5.d3 ♕b4+ 6.♗bd2

[RR 6.♕d2 a5 7.0-0 0-0 8.♕xb4 axb4 9.♗bd2 ♗c6 10.♗b3 e5 11.♗e1 ♕f5 12.♗c2 ♖e7 13.♖d2 ♖a4 14.c5 ♖fa8 15.♕xc6 bxc6 16.♗xb4 ♖e6 17.♖fc1 ♕h3 18.f3 h5 19.♖c4 h4 20.a3 ♖f5 Arabidze,M (2458)-Perez Ponsa,F (2538) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (41)]

6...a5 7.a3 ♖e7 8.0-0N

[RR 8.♘b3 c5 9.e4 a4 10.♘bd2 ♘c6 11.♘h4 ♘d7 12.0-0 ♖xh4 13.gxh4 ♗xh4 14.f4 e5 15.♘f3 ♗e7 16.♗e1 f6 17.♗g3 0-0 18.♘h4 exf4 19.♖xf4 ♘de5 20.♘f5 ♖xf5 21.exf5 ♖ad8 22.♖d5+ ♖xd5 Mikhalevski,V (2524)-Steiners,E (1993) Hastings ENG 2023 1-0 (52)]

[RR 8.♘e5 0-0 9.0-0 ♘fd7 10.f4 ♘xe5 11.fxe5 ♖g5 12.♘e4 ♖xc1 13.♗xc1 ♘d7 14.♗f4 ♗e7 15.♖f2 a4 16.♖af1 ♖a5 17.♘f6+ gxf6 18.♗g4+ ♘h8 19.exf6 ♘xf6 20.♖xf6 ♖f5 21.♗xd4 e5 22.♗h4 ♖xf1+ Yakubboev,N (2661)-Nogerbek,K (2483) Samarkand UZB 2023 1/2-1/2 (84)]

8...♘c6 9.♘b3 e5 10.e3?! Inaccuracy.
a4 was best.

[10.a4]

10...a4 11.exd4 axb3 12.dxe5 ♘d7 13.d4 ♘b6 14.c5 ♘d5 15.♗xb3 0-0 16.♖e3 ♖e6 17.♗xb7 ♘a5 18.♗b5 ♘xe3 19.fxe3 ♘c4 20.♖fe1 ♖b8 21.♗a4 ♖g5?? Blunder. Rxb2 was best.

[21...♖xb2 22.♖ac1 ♘d2 23.♘xd2 ♖xd2 24.♖e4 ♖d5 25.♖c2 ♖xe4 26.♖xd2 ♗d5 27.♗a5]

22.♘xg5 ♗xg5 23.d5 ♘xe3 24.dxe6 ♘xg2 25.e7 ♗xe7 26.♖e2 ♘e3 27.♗e4 ♖b3 28.♖xe3 ♗xc5 29.♖ae1 ♖xb2

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□ **Raja Rithvik R** **A15** **2523**
 ■ **Mendonca,Leon Luke** **2640**
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1.c4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/76DE4tsu> **1...♘f6 2.g3 e6 3.♖g2 d5 4.♘f3 d4 5.0-0 c5 6.e3 ♘c6 7.exd4 cxd4 8.d3 ♖d6**

[RR 8...h6 9.♖e1 ♖d6 10.♘a3 0-0

11.♘c2 a5 12.a3 e5 13.♖b1 a4 14.b4 axb3 15.♘b4 ♖e8 16.♗xb3 ♖f5 17.♘d2 ♗d7 18.♗c2 ♖h3 19.♖h1 ♘e7 20.♘a2 ♖ab8 21.a4 ♘g6 22.♖b5 ♗c7 23.♘e4 Duda,J (2732)-Keymer,V (2743) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (37)]

9.♖g5 h6 10.♖xf6 gxf6N

[RR 10...♗xf6 11.♘bd2 ♗e7 12.♖e1 0-0 13.♘b3 ♗f6 14.c5 ♖c7 15.♖c1 ♖d8 16.♘bd2 ♗e7 17.♗a4 a5 18.a3 ♖d7 19.♘xd4 ♘xd4 20.♗xd4 ♖b5 21.♗c3 ♖xd3 22.♗c2 ♖ad8 23.♘e4 ♖3d4 24.♗c3 ♖d3 25.♗c2 Makkar,R (2455)-Czopor,M (2363) England ENG 2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 10...♗xf6 11.♘bd2 ♗e7 12.♖e1 0-0 13.a3 a5 14.♘b3 ♗f6 15.c5 ♖c7 16.♘bd2 a4 17.♖c1 ♖d7 18.♘c4 ♖a6 19.♘fd2 ♗e7 20.♘e4 ♘a5 21.♘xa5 ♖xa5 22.♗d2 ♖b5 23.f4 ♖a5 24.♗f2 ♖xe1 25.♖xe1 Darcy Lima (2416)-Eugenio Chinchilla Miranda (2179) lichess.org 2023 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/76DE4tsu] 1/2-1/2 (42)]

[RR 10...♗xf6 11.♘bd2 ♗e7 12.a3 a5 13.♘e4 ♖c7 14.c5 0-0 15.♘fd2 f5 16.♘d6 ♖xd6 17.cxd6 ♗xd6 18.♘c4 ♗d8 19.♖c1 ♖a6 20.♗b3 ♘h8 21.♖fe1 f4 22.♗b5 ♖f5 23.♗b3 f3 24.♖h3 ♖f6 25.♘e5 Fridman,D (2590)-Ding Liren (2762) Karlsruhe GER 2024 1-0 (34)]

11.♘bd2 ♘f8 12.a3 a5 13.♖c1 f5?! Inaccuracy. Bc5 was best.

[13...♖c5 14.♘e4 ♖e7 15.c5 ♘g7 16.♖e1 ♖a6 17.♗a4 ♗d7 18.♘fd2 ♘e5 19.♗c2]

14.c5 ♖c7 15.♖e1 ♗f6 16.♘c4 ♘g7 17.♘fd2 ♖a6 18.♘d6 ♖xd6 19.cxd6 ♖d8 20.♖c5 ♖xd6 21.b4 axb4 22.axb4 ♖a8 23.♘c4 ♖d8 24.b5 ♘e7 25.♖c7 ♖d7 26.♖xd7?! Inaccuracy. Rc5 was best.

[26.♖c5 ♖d8 27.♗c1 ♘d5 28.♘e5

f4 29.b6 ♖a2 30.♘g4 ♕f5 31.h3
♙d7]
26...♙xd7 27.♘b6 ♖d8 28.♗a4
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□ Gupta,Abhijeet
■ Pranav Anand
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2530
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1.♘f3 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 d5 4.e3
♙d6 5.b3 0-0 6.♙b2 ♘c6 7.♙e2
dxc4N

[RR 7...b6 8.cxd5 exd5 9.0-0 d4?
(9...a6=) 10.exd4 (10.♘b5+-)
10...♙b7 11.♖e1 a6 12.h3 ♖e8
13.♙c4 ♗d7 14.♘g5 ♖xe1+ 15.♗xe1
♖e8 16.♗f1 ♘d8 (16...♖e7=
remains equal.) 17.♙xa6 ♙xa6
18.♗xa6 ♗f5 19.♘f3 ♘e6 20.♖e1
♖f8 21.♙a3 ♙xa3 22.♗xa3
Donchenko,A (2643)-Gadimbayli,A
(2489) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (51)]

8.bxc4 The position is equal. 8...e5
9.♗c2 ♖e8 10.♘g5 h6 11.h4?!
Inaccuracy. Nge4 was best.

[11.♘ge4]

11...♘d4↑ Black is pushing.
[Don't play 11...hxg5?! 12.hxg5 ♘b4
13.♗b1±]

12.exd4 exd4 13.♘b5
[13.♘d5♞ hxg5 14.hxg5 ♘xd5
15.cxd5 ♗xg5 16.♗h7+ ♔f8
17.♗h8+ ♔e7 18.♗h4 ♗xh4
19.♖xh4]

13...♙c5?! Inaccuracy. c5 was best.
[13...c5]
[13...c5♞ 14.♘f3 (14.♘xd6? ♗xd6
15.♗d3 hxg5♞) 14...♙f4]

14.♙f1?? Blunder. Qd3 was best.
[14.♗d3!]
[White must play 14.♗d3!♞]

14...a6+ 15.♙d3 axb5 16.cxb5 b6
17.♘e4 ♘xe4 18.♙xe4 ♖a7 19.a4 ♗d6
20.♖e1 ♙d7 21.♙h7+ ♔f8 22.♖xe8+

♙xe8 23.♙d3 c6 24.♖h3

[24.h5♞]

24...cxb5?! Inaccuracy. Re7 was best.
[24...♖e7 25.h5 cxb5 26.♙xb5
♙xb5+ 27.axb5 ♗d7 28.♙a3 ♗xb5+
29.♗d3 ♗a4 30.♗b3]

25.axb5?! Inaccuracy. Bxb5 was best.
[25.♙xb5]

[♞25.♙xb5 ♙xb5+ 26.axb5]

25...♖a5?! Inaccuracy. Bd7 was best.
[25...♙d7 26.♖g3 ♗f4 27.♔g1 ♗xh4
28.♖f3 ♙e6 29.♙e4 ♖a2 30.♙c6 ♔g8
31.♗c1]

[25...♙d7+ 26.♖h1 ♖a5]

26.♗b3

[♞26.♖f3]

26...♗f4♞ 27.♙c4 ♗xd2?! Inaccuracy.
d3 was best.

[27...d3 28.♖f3]

[27...♗e4♞ 28.d3 ♗g4]

28.♖d3= ♗f4 29.♖f3 ♗c7! 30.g3 ♖a8?!
Inaccuracy. f6 was best.

[30...f6]

[Black should play 30...f6♞ 31.♔g1
♙g6]

31.♖f4 ♖d8 32.♔g1 ♔g8 33.h5 ♗e7
34.♗d3 ♖d6 35.♙b3? Mistake. Re4 was
best.

[35.♖e4 ♗d8 36.♙c1 ♙d7 37.♙f4
♙f5 38.♙xd6 ♙xd6 39.♗e2 ♙xe4
40.♗xe4 ♙c5]

[35.♖e4= ♗d8 36.♖f4]

35...♖f6♞ 36.♖e4 [#]

[Better is 36.♖xf6 ♗xf6 37.♗e4 ♙xb5
38.♗a8+ ♔h7 39.♗b7]

36...♙xb5! 37.♖xe7

[37.♗xb5 ♗xe4]

37...♙xd3 38.♖d7?! Inaccuracy. Re8+
was best.

[38.♖e8+ ♔h7 39.♔g2 b5 40.♙d5
(40.♖d8♞) 40...♖f5 41.♙f3 g5
(41...♙f1++ 42.♔xf1 ♖xf3) 42.hxg6+
♔xg6 43.g4 ♙f1+]

38...♔f8! 39.♙xd4 ♙xd4 40.♖xd4?!-+
Endgame Inaccuracy. Rd8+ was best.
KRB-KRB

[40.♖d8+ ♔e7 41.♖xd4 ♕b5 42.♖b4 ♕d7 43.♕c4 ♔d8 44.f4 b5 45.♕e2 ♖b6]

40...♕e2 41.g4 ♕f3?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.

[41...g5 42.hxg6 ♖xg6 43.f4 ♕xg4 44.♔f2 h5 45.♕c2 ♖e6 46.♕d3 ♔e7 47.♔g3]

[41...g5+ 42.♔g2 b5]

42.♔h2 ♔e7?! Inaccuracy. Be2 was best.

[42...♕e2 43.♔g2 b5 44.♖d8+ ♔e7 45.♖d4 ♕f3+ 46.♔g3 ♕b7 47.f4 ♖a6 48.♔f2]

[♠42...♕e2 43.♔g2 b5]

43.♔g3 b5 44.♖d3 ♕c6 45.f4 ♕e8 46.♖e3+ ♔f8 47.g5

[47.♖d3+ was called for.]

47...♖a6 48.♕d5 ♖d6 49.♕b3 ♕d7 50.♔f3 ♕e6 51.♕xe6 ♖xe6 KR-KR 52.♖a3? Mistake. Rb3 was best.

[52.♖b3 ♖b6!]

[♠52.♖b3 ♖b6 53.♔e4]

52...♖e8? Mistake. b4 was best.

[52...b4! 53.♖b3 ♖b6! 54.♔e3 ♖b5 55.gxh6 gxh6 56.♔d4 ♔e7 57.♔c4 ♖b7 58.♖e3+]

[♠52...b4! 53.♖b3 ♖b6]

53.♖a6?! Inaccuracy. Ra5 was best.

[53.♖a5 ♖b8! 54.♔e2 ♔g8 55.♔d2 hxg5 56.fxg5 ♖b7! 57.g6 fxg6 58.hxg6 ♔f8]

[53.♖a5 was necessary. ♖b8 54.♔e2]

53...♖b8! 54.gxh6

[♠54.♔e2 b4 55.♔d2]

54...gxh6 Black is clearly winning.

55.♖xh6? Mistake. Ke2 was best. And now Rh8+ would win.

[55.♔e2 b4 56.♔d1 ♖b5 57.♖xh6 [#] b3! 58.♔c1 ♔g7 59.♖a6 ♖xh5 60.♖b6 [#] ♖h1+!]

55...♔g7 56.♖d6 b4 57.♖d2 b3 Hoping for ...b2. **58.♖b2 ♔h6 59.♔e4 ♖b5 60.♔d4 ♔xh5 61.♔c4 ♖b7 62.♔d4** Accuracy: White = 48%, Black =

69%.

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A16
 □ **Daneshvar,Bardiya** **2581**
 ■ **Shankland,Sam** **2671**
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1.c4 ♖f6 2.♖c3 g6 3.g3 ♕g7 4.♕g2 0-0 5.d4 ♖c6 6.♖f3 d5 7.cxd5 ♖xd5 8.0-0 e5 9.♖xd5N

[RR 9.♕g5 f6 10.♕c1 ♖xc3 11.bxc3 e4 12.♖d2 f5 13.e3 ♕e6 14.♖b1 ♖a5 15.♕a3 ♖f7 16.♕b4 ♖c4 17.♖e2 ♖xd2 18.♖xd2 ♕c4 19.♖fd1 ♖d5 20.♖b2 g5 21.♖e1 ♖e8 22.♖c2 ♖e6 23.a4 a5 Rustemov,A (2525)-Volokitin,A (2663) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (40)]

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A16
 □ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2684**
 ■ **Siddharth,Jagadeesh** **2508**
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1.c4 ♖f6 2.♖c3 g6 3.e4 e5 4.♖f3 ♕g7 5.♖xe5 0-0 6.♖f3 ♖e8! 7.♕d3 ♖xe4 8.♕xe4 And now d3 would win. White has an edge. **8...♕xc3! 9.dxc3** aiming for Ng5. **9...♖xe4+** Double Attack **10.♕e3 ♖c6 11.♖d5↑** White has good play. **11...♖e8N**

[RR 11...♖e7 11...♖e8 0.20 12.0-0 d6 13.♕g5! ♖e6 (Better is 13...♖e8) 14.♖fe1 f5 15.♖xe4 fxe4 16.♖d2 ♖xd5 17.cxd5 ♖e5 18.♖xe4 ♕f5 19.♖d2 ♖d3 20.b3 a5 21.f3 a4 [#] 22.g4! ♕d7 23.♖d1 axb3 24.axb3 ♖a2 25.♔f1 ♔f7 (25...h5± was worth a try.) 26.♔e2 Blohberger,F (2522)-Krause,B (2391) Germany GER 2024 1/2-1/2 (42)]

12.0-0 d6 13.h3 b6 14.♖fe1 ♕b7

15.b3 ♖b8 16.♚d2 f6? [#] Mistake. Qd7 was best.

[16...♚d7 17.c5]

[16...♚d7±]

17.♙xb6!+- ♖xe1+

[17...axb6 18.♚d5+]

18.♖xe1 ♚f7 19.♙d4 a5 20.c5 ♗e5

21.♗h2 White has a decisive advantage.

[Less strong is 21.♙xe5 dxe5 22.♗h2 ♚e7±]

21...♚d5?! Inaccuracy. Qf8 was best.

[21...♚f8 22.c4 a4 23.♚c3 ♖e8

24.cxd6 ♚xd6 25.♙xe5 ♖xe5

26.♖xe5 fxe5 27.bxa4]

22.f4 ♗d7 23.c4 Accuracy: White = 89%, Black = 69%.

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A16

2601

♐ Gupta,Abhijeet

♜ Zemlyanskii,Ivan

2516

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1.♗f3 ♗f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 d5 4.cxd5

♗xd5 5.h4 ♙g7 6.e4 ♗xc3 7.dxc3

♚xd1+ 8.♗xd1 ♗d7

[RR 8...h5 9.♚c2 ♗d7 10.♙g5 ♗c5

11.♗d2 ♙h6 12.♙xh6 ♖xh6 13.b4

♗d7 14.a4 a5 15.f3 ♖h8 16.♙b5 e6

17.♗b3 axb4 18.cxb4 ♚e7 19.a5 e5

20.♖hd1 ♗f8 21.♙f1 c6 22.♚c3 ♗e6

23.♗d2 Santos Latasa,J (2612)-

Mamedyarov,S (2722) chess.com INT

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9.h5 b6N

[RR 9...♗c5 10.h6 ♙f8 11.e5 ♙g4

12.♙e3 ♙xf3+ 13.gxf3 e6 14.♚c2

♗d7 15.f4 ♙c5 16.♙g2 0-0-0

17.♖ad1 ♙xe3 18.fxe3 ♗b6 19.b3

♖xd1 20.♖xd1 c6 21.♙f3 ♖d8 22.♖e1

♚c7 23.♖f1 ♖d7 24.♖e1 Xu,Y (2515)-

Wan Yunguo (2505) Qingdao CHN

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10.♙e3 ♙b7 11.♗d2 0-0-0 12.h6 ♙e5

13.♚c2 f5 14.f3 fxe4 15.♗xe4 ♙xe4+

16.fxe4 ♗f6 17.♖h4 ♙g3

[17...♗d7]

18.♖h3 ♙d6

[18...♙e5]

19.♙d3 ♖hf8

[19...♙e5]

20.♖d1 ♗g4

[20...♖h8 21.♙a6+]

21.♙a6+ ♗b8 22.b4 c6 23.♗b3 ♚c7

24.♙e2?! Inaccuracy. a4 was best.

[24.♚c2 ♗b8 25.♗b3 ♚c7]

[24.a4 ♗xe3 25.♖xe3 ♙f4 26.♖xd8

♗xd8 27.♖d3+ ♚c7 28.♖f3 ♗d6

29.♖d3+ ♚c7]

24...♗f2 25.♙xf2

[25.♙a6 ♗g4]

25...♖xf2 26.♙f3 ♙e5 27.♖xd8 ♗xd8

28.♖h1 e6

[28...♚c7]

29.a4 a6 30.♖c1 ♚e7 31.♖c2 ♖xc2

32.♗xc2 ♙f4 33.♙e2

[33.e5 ♙xe5 34.♙e2 ♙f4 35.♗d3 a5

36.♗c4 ♗d6]

33...a5 34.♗d3 ♗d6 35.♗c4 ♙xh6

36.e5+ ♗xe5 37.bxa5 bxa5 38.♚c5

♙d2 39.c4 ♙b4+ 40.♗xc6 ♗d4 41.c5

e5 42.♗b5 ♙xc5 43.♗xa5 ♚c3

44.♗b5 ♙a7 45.♗c6

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♐ Muradli,Mahammad

♜ Aravindh,Chithambaram VR. 2670

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1.♗f3 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.g3

b6 5.♙g2 ♙b7 6.♚c2 0-0 7.0-0 ♖e8

8.a3 ♙xc3 9.♚xc3 d5 10.d3

White has an edge. 10...c5 11.b3 ♗bd7

12.e3 e5 13.cxd5 ♗xd5 14.♚c2 ♗5f6

15.♙b2 e4 16.♗e1 exd3 17.♗xd3

♙xg2 18.♗xg2 ♚c7 19.♖fe1 ♖ac8

20.♖ac1 b5 21.f3 c4 22.bxc4 bxc4

23.♗f4 ♗e5 24.e4 g5 25.♗h3 g4↑

White is under pressure. 26.fxg4 ♗exg4

27.♔d2?! Inaccuracy. Nf2 was best.
 [27.♖f2 ♗xf2 28.♜xf2 ♘xe4 29.♜d4 c3 30.♙xc3! ♗xc3 31.♞xc3 ♜b7+ 32.♕h3 ♞cd8]

[27.♖f2= keeps the balance.]

27...♗xe4? 28.♞xe4?? Blunder. Qd5 was best.

[28.♜d5]

[28.♜f4? ♜xf4 29.♗xf4]

28...♞xe4+ 29.♜g5+ ♕f8 30.♗f4

[#] Hoping for Qg7+. 30...♜b7

[Not 30...♞xf4? 31.♙g7+ ♕e8 32.♞e1+ ♕d7 33.♞e7+ (33.gxf4 ♕c6+-) 33...♕c6 34.♞xc7+ (34.gxf4 ♜d6+-) 34...♞xc7 35.♜xf4+-]

31.♜g7+ ♕e8 32.♜g8+?! Inaccuracy. Kg1 was best. Black is clearly winning.

[32.♕g1 ♜b6+ 33.♕h1 ♜c6 34.♕g1 ♜c5+ 35.♕h1 ♗f2+ 36.♕g2 ♞xf4 37.gxf4 ♗d3]

32...♕e7 33.♜g5+ ♕d6 (-> ...Rxf4+)

34.♕h3 ♗f2+ 35.♕h4 intending Qf6+.

35...♜xb2 [#] Double Attack 36.♞f1 ♜e5

37.♜h6+?! Inaccuracy. Rxf2 was best.

[37.♞xf2 ♜xg5+ 38.♕xg5 c3 39.♞c2 ♕e5 40.♗e2 ♞xe2 41.♞xe2+ ♕d4 42.♕f6 c2]

37...♜e6 Accuracy: White = 67%, Black = 88%.

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Yilmazyerli, Mert 2522
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1.c4 ♗f6 2.♗c3 e6 3.e4 d5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.e5 d4 6.exf6 dxc3 7.♙b5+N
 [RR 7.bxc3 ♜xf6 8.d4 ♙d6 9.♗f3 h6 10.♙b5+ ♙d7 11.♜e2+ ♜e7 12.♜xe7+ ♕xe7 13.♙d3 ♞e8 14.0-0 ♕f8 15.♙d2 ♙c6 16.♞fe1 ♗d7 17.c4 ♙xf3 18.gxf3 b6 19.♙e4 ♞ad8 20.a4 c5 21.d5 ♗e5 Yeritsyan,H (2203)-Silva Lucena,C (2325) chess.com INT

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[RR 7.fxg7 ♜e7+ 8.♙e2 cxd2+ 9.♙xd2 ♙xg7 10.♗f3 0-0 11.0-0 ♙f5 12.♞e1 ♜d6 13.♜b3 ♗d7 14.♙c3 ♗c5 15.♜c4 ♙xc3 16.bxc3 b6 17.♜h4 ♞ae8 18.♙c4 ♙g6 19.♞ad1 ♞xe1+ 20.♞xe1 ♕g7 21.♗d4 ♗a4 Petrov,N (2573)-Aleksandrov,A (2418) Moscow RUS 2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 7.bxc3 ♜xf6 8.♜f3 ♙e7 9.d4 0-0 10.♜xf6 ♙xf6 11.♞b1 c5 12.♙e3 cxd4 13.♙xd4 ♙xd4 14.cxd4 ♗c6 15.d5 ♗d4 16.♗e2 ♞e8 17.♕d2 ♗f5 18.♗c3 a6 19.a4 ♗d6 20.♙d3 ♕f8 21.♞b6 ♞d8 Karttunen,M (2479)-Zulkipli,Z (2198) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (56)]

7...♗c6 8.♜e2+ ♙e6 9.dxc3 ♜xf6 10.♗f3 ♙d6 11.♗d4 0-0 12.♗xe6 ♞fe8 13.♙c4 ♗a5 14.♙g5 ♜g6 15.♙d3 ♜xe6 16.♜xe6 ♞xe6+ 17.♕d2 ♗c6 18.♕c2 ♙c5 19.f3 ♙e7 20.♙d2 ♞d8 21.♞ad1 ♗e5 22.♙f5 ♞ed6 23.♙f4 ♞xd1 24.♞xd1 ♞xd1 25.♕xd1 ♙d6 26.♙c1 h5 27.♕e2 g6 28.♙c8 b6 29.f4 ♗c6 30.♕d3 ♗e7 31.♙d7 ♗d5 32.g3 h4 33.♙d2 ♗f6 34.♙h3?! Inaccuracy. Bc6 was best.

[34.♙c6 ♗h5]

34...hxg3 35.hxg3 ♗h5 36.f5 1/2-1/2

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Peralta, Fernando 2573
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1.c4 ♗f6 2.♗c3 e6 3.e4 d5 4.e5 d4 5.exf6 dxc3 6.bxc3 ♜xf6
 [RR 6...c5 7.fxg7 ♙xg7 8.♜h5 e5 9.♗e2 0-0 10.g4 ♗d7 11.g5 (11.♗g3=) 11...e4 12.♙g2 ♞e8 13.0-0! ♗e5! 14.♙xe4 h6! 15.f3 ♜xg5+ 16.♜xg5 hxg5 17.d4 ♗xc4 18.dxc5 ♞e5 19.♞d1 ♙f5 20.♙xb7

♖b8 21.♙a6 Navara,D (2689)-
Nisipeanu,L (2600) Solingen GER
2024 ½-½ (88)]

7.♙d3 ♘c6N

[RR 7...♙d7 8.♙e4 (8.♘f3±) 8...♙c6
9.♚e2 ♚e5 10.♙xc6+ ♘xc6 11.♘f3
♚xe2+ 12.♙xe2 0-0-0 13.d4 ♘a5?
(13...e5=) 14.♘e5 ♖e8 15.♘xf7 ♖g8
16.♙d3 ♙d6 17.c5 ♖gf8 18.♘d6+
cxd6 19.cxd6 ♖xf2 20.♙g5 ♙d7
21.♖hf1 ♖ef8! 22.♖xf2 Herman,D
(1956)-Palczert,M (2297) chess.com
INT 2024 1-0]

[RR 7...♙e7 8.♘f3 0-0 9.♚c2 h6
10.♙h7+ ♙h8 11.♙e4 e5 12.0-0
♘c6 13.♖e1 ♙d6 14.♖b1 ♚e6
(14...♖e8±) 15.♙d5? (15.d4+-)
15...♚g4 16.h3 ♚h5

A) White should try 17.c5!± e4
(17...♙xc5 18.♙xc6) 18.♙xe4
♚xc5 19.d4;

B) 17.d4 exd4 18.cxd4 ♙xh3?
(18...♘b4= and Black has nothing
to worry. 19.♚b3 ♘xd5 20.cxd5
b6) 19.gxh3 ♚xh3 [#] (♠19...♘b4
20.♖e5 f5) 20.♚e4? (20.♘e5!+-)
20...♖ae8! 21.♚xe8 ♚g4+ 22.♙f1
Gao Rui (2534)-Abrahamyan,T
(2308) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½]

8.♙e4 e5 The position is equal. **9.♚c2**
g6 10.♖b1 ♙h6?! Inaccuracy. Bg7 was
best.

[10...♙g7 11.♘e2]

[10...♙g7 keeps more tension. 11.♘e2
♚e7 12.0-0 ♘d8 13.♖e1 0-0]

11.♘e2

[11.♘f3 is more complex. b6 12.0-0
♙f5 13.♖b5 0-0 14.♙xf5 gxf5 15.d4]

11...0-0 12.0-0 ♖b8 13.f4 aiming for
fxe5. **13...exf4?! Inaccuracy.** Qd6 was
best.

[13...♚d6 14.d3]

[13...♙f5±]

14.d4± ♙f5?! Inaccuracy. Re8 was best.

[14...♖e8 15.♙d3 ♘e7 16.♘xf4 ♚g7
17.♚f2 ♙f5 18.♙xf5 ♘xf5 19.g4 ♙xf4

20.♙xf4]

[14...♖e8±]

15.♙xf5+-

[15.♙xf4 ♙xf4 16.♘xf4 (16.♖xf4
♙xe4 17.♖xe4 ♘a5=) 16...♙xe4±]

15...♚xf5 16.♚xf5 gxf5 17.♘xf4

[Don't take 17.♙xf4?! ♙xf4 18.♘xf4
♘a5]

17...♖fe8 18.♖b5 ♘e7 19.♘h5 ♙g7?! Inaccuracy. Bxc1 was best.

[19...♙xc1 20.♘f6+ ♙f8 21.♖xc1
♖ed8 22.♖e1 c6 23.♖be5 ♘g8
24.♘xh7+ ♙g7 25.♘g5]

20.♙f4 a6 21.♖c5 ♖bc8 22.♘g7

[Resist 22.♖xc7 ♘g6]

22...♙xg7 23.♙xc7

[Don't do 23.♖xc7 ♘g6+-]

23...♘c6 24.♙b6 Accuracy: White =
85%, Black = 40%.

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□ **Moroni, Luca Jr**

2580

■ **Yilmazyerli, Mert**

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1.c4 ♘f6 2.♘c3 e6 3.e4 d5 4.e5 d4

5.exf6 dxc3 6.bxc3 ♚xf6

[RR 6...c5 7.fxg7 ♙xg7 8.♚h5 e5
9.♘e2 0-0 10.g4 ♘d7 11.g5 e4
12.♙g2 ♖e8 13.0-0 ♘e5 14.♙xe4 h6
15.f3 ♚xg5+ 16.♚xg5 hxg5 17.d4
♘xc4 18.dxc5 ♖e5 19.♖d1 ♙f5
20.♙xb7 ♖b8 21.♙a6 Navara,D
(2689)-Nisipeanu,L (2600) Solingen
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7.♙d3 ♙d7 8.♘f3N

[RR 8.♙e4 ♙c6 9.♚e2 ♚e5
10.♙xc6+ ♘xc6 11.♘f3 ♚xe2+
12.♙xe2 0-0-0 13.d4 ♘a5 14.♘e5
♖e8 15.♘xf7 ♖g8 16.♙d3 ♙d6 17.c5
♖gf8 18.♘d6+ cxd6 19.cxd6 ♖xf2
20.♙g5 ♙d7 21.♖hf1 ♖ef8 22.♖xf2
♖xf2 Herman,D (1956)-Palczert,M
(2297) chess.com INT 2024 1-0]

8...♙c6 9.♙c2 ♙xf3 10.♚xf3 ♚xf3
11.gxf3 ♘c6 12.d4 0-0-0 13.♖b1 ♘a5
14.c5 b6 15.♙d3 ♙e7 16.♙e2 ♙f6?!
Inaccuracy. Rd5 was best.

[16...♖d5 17.♙e4 ♖h5 18.♖b4 ♙d7
19.♙e3 f5 20.♙d3 g5 21.♙b5+ c6
22.♙d3]

17.♖d1 ♖d5 18.♙f4 ♖h5 19.♙a6+ ♙d7
20.c4?! Inaccuracy. Rb4 was best.

[20.♖b4 ♖a8 21.♖a4 ♙g5 22.♙g3
♙h4 23.♙b5+ c6 24.♙d3 g6 25.♖b1
♙xg3]

20...♙g5 21.♙g3 ♙h4 22.♙e5 f6
23.♙f4 ♙g5 24.♙g3 ♙h4 25.f4 ♙xg3
26.hxg3 ♙e7 27.♙f3 ♖d8 28.♙g2 ♖f5
29.d5 exd5 30.cxb6 axb6 31.c5
♘c4?! Inaccuracy. d4 was best.

[31...d4 32.cxb6 cxb6 33.♖xb6 ♖c5
34.♙d3 h5 35.♙e4 ♙f7 36.♖b4 f5
37.♙b1]

32.♖d3 ♖a8?! Inaccuracy. Na5 was best.

[32...♘a5]

33.♙b5 bxc5 34.♖e1+ ♙f8 35.♙d7
♖h5 36.♙g4 ♖h6 37.♖xd5 ♘d6
38.♖xc5 f5 39.♙f3 ♖a7 40.♙d5?
Mistake. Rce5 was best.

[40.♖ce5]

40...♖f6 41.f3?! Inaccuracy. Rh1 was best.

[41.♖h1 h6 42.♖hc1 ♘e8 43.♙b3 g5
44.fxg5 hxg5 45.a4 g4 46.a5 f4]

41...h6?! Inaccuracy. Nc8 was best.

[41...♘c8 42.♙b3 c6 43.♖e2 g6
44.a4 ♘b6 45.a5 ♘d5 46.♖d2 ♖d6
47.♙h2]

42.♖c2 g5 43.fxg5?! Inaccuracy. Rb2 was best.

[43.♖b2 c6 44.♙xc6 gxf4 45.gxf4
♖c7 46.♙d5 ♘c8 47.♖b8 ♙g7
48.♖b7 ♖xb7]

43...hxg5 44.♖b2 c5?? Blunder. c6 was best.

[44...c6]

45.♖b8+ ♙g7 46.♖g8+ ♙h7 47.♖xg5?
Mistake. Rh1+ was best.

[47.♖h1+ ♖h6 48.♖h8+ ♙xh8

49.♖xh6+ ♙g7 50.♖xd6 ♖a4 51.♙b3
♖a7 52.♖d5 ♖c7]

47...♖h6 48.♖e2?! Inaccuracy. a4 was best.

[48.a4]

48...c4 49.♙e6 ♖f6 50.♙d5?
Mistake. Kf1 was best.

[50.♙f1]

50...♖h6? Mistake. Ra5 was best.

[50...♖a5]

51.♙g8+ ♙h8 52.♙e6 ♖g7? Mistake.
Ra8 was best.

[52...♖a8]

53.♖xg7 ♙xg7 54.♙d5 c3 55.♖c2??
Blunder. Re7+ was best.

[55.♖e7+ ♙h8 56.♙b3 f4 57.gxf4
♘b5 58.♖e8+ ♙g7 59.♖c8 ♖f6
60.♖c4 ♖d6]

55...♘b5 56.♙c4 ♖b6 57.♙f2 ♘a3
58.♖xc3 ♘xc4 59.♖xc4 ♖b2+ 60.♙e3
♖xa2 61.♙f4 ♖a3 62.♖c5 ♙g6

63.♖c6+ ♙f7 64.♖h6 ♖b3 65.♖h5 ♙e6
66.♖h8 ♙f6 67.♖f8+ ♙g6 68.♖d8 ♙f6
69.♖d6+ ♙f7 70.♖h6 ♖a3 71.♖h5 ♙e6

72.♖h8 ♙f6 73.♖f8+ ♙g6 74.♖d8 ♙f6
75.♖d4 ♖b3 76.♖d5 ♖b4+ 77.♙e3
♖b3+ 78.♖d3 ♖b6 79.f4 ♖e6+ 80.♙d4

♖e4+ 81.♙c5 ♖e1 82.♙c6 ♖e2 83.♙d7
♖e1 84.♙c6 ♖e2 85.♙c5 ♖e1 86.♙d4
♖e4+ 87.♙c3 ♖e1 88.♙d2 ♖a1 89.♙e2

♖a2+ 90.♖d2 ♖a3 91.♙f2 ♖a8 92.♙g2
♙g7 93.♖d6 ♖b8 94.♙h3 ♖h8+

95.♙g2 ♖a8 96.♖b6 ♖c8 97.♖b5 ♙g6
98.♙h3 ♖h8+ 99.♙g2 ♖a8 100.♙h3
♖h8+

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□ Fedoseev, Vladimir

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■ Erdogmus, Yagiz Kaan

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1.c4 e5 2.g3 d5 3.cxd5 ♚xd5 4.♘f3
♘c6 5.♘c3 ♚d6N

[RR 5...♚d8 6.d3 h6 7.♙g2 ♘f6

8.0-0 ♔d6 9.a3 0-0 10.b4 ♙e6
 11.♙b2 ♖d7 12.♖c1 ♙h3 13.♗e4
 ♗xe4 14.dxe4 ♙xg2 15.♔xg2 ♖e7
 16.♖b3 a5 17.b5 ♗d8 18.a4 b6
 19.♖fd1 ♗b7 20.♖c4 Melkumyan,H
 (2640)-Kokoszczynski,J (2250) chess.
 com INT 2024 1-0 (32)]
 [RR 5...♖d7 6.♙g2 ♗f6 7.0-0 ♔d6
 8.d4 0-0 9.♙g5 exd4 10.♗xd4 ♗xd4
 11.♖xd4 ♖f5 12.♙xf6 ♖xf6 13.♖xf6
 gxf6 14.♗b5 ♙e5 15.f4 ♙xb2
 16.♖ab1 c6 17.♖xb2 cxb5 18.♖xb5
 ♖d8 19.♔f2 ♖d2 20.a4 Kokarev,D
 (2579)-Belyakov,B (2416) Ufa RUS
 2024 ½-½ (55)]
 [RR 5...♖a5 6.♙g2 ♗f6 7.0-0 ♗d4
 8.d3 ♗xf3+ 9.♙xf3 c6 10.♙d2 ♖b6
 11.♖c2 ♙e7 12.♗a4 ♖d8 13.b4 0-0
 14.♖ab1 ♙g4 15.♙xg4 ♗xg4 16.b5
 ♖c8 17.bxc6 ♖xc6 18.♖b2 b6 19.h3
 ♗f6 20.♙c3 Mnguni,J (2134)-Mnyasta,
 C (2123) Cape Town RSA 2024 0-1
 (37)]
 6.♖c2 ♖g6 7.d3 ♔d6 8.♙g2 ♗ge7
 9.♙g5 0-0 10.♙xe7 ♙xe7 11.0-0 ♙g4
 12.♖a4 ♖fd8 13.h3 ♙d7 14.♖b5 a6
 15.♖b3 ♖ab8 16.♖ac1 ♙e6 17.♖a4
 ♖h6 18.h4 ♗d4?! Inaccuracy. f5 was
 best.
 [18...f5 19.b4]
 19.♖a5 ♗c6 20.♖xc7 ♙c5 21.♗e4
 ♖dc8 22.♖xc8+ ♖xc8 23.♗xc5?!
 Inaccuracy. Rxc5 was best.
 [23.♖xc5 b6 24.♖c2 ♗d4 25.♖xc8+
 ♙xc8 26.♗xd4 exd4 27.♗g5 f6
 28.♗f3 ♙g4]
 23...♗b4 24.d4 exd4 25.♗xd4 ♗xa2
 26.♖c2 b6 27.♗e4 ♖xc2 28.♗xc2 ♖h5
 29.♖d1 h6?! Inaccuracy. Kf8 was best.
 [29...♔f8 30.♖d8+ ♔e7 31.♖a8 ♖e5
 32.♖a7+ ♔e8 33.♖a8+ ♔d7 34.♖xa6
 ♖xb2 35.♖a7+]
 30.♖d8+ ♔h7 31.♗d4 ♖e5 32.♖d6?!
 Inaccuracy. f4 was best.
 [32.f4 ♖c7 33.♗xe6 fxe6 34.♖d6
 ♗c1 35.♖c6 ♖xc6 36.♗f6+ gxf6

37.♙xc6 ♗xe2+]
 32...♙c4?! Inaccuracy. Bc8 was best.
 [32...♙c8 33.e3 b5 34.♖b6 ♖c7
 35.♖c6 ♖b8 36.♗c2 a5 37.♖c5 a4
 38.♗d4]
 33.♗f3 ♖e8 34.♗d4 ♗c1 35.e3 ♗e2+
 36.♗xe2 ♙xe2 37.♗c3 ♙c4?!
 Inaccuracy. Qb8 was best.
 [37...♖b8 38.♖d4 ♙h5 39.g4 ♙g6
 40.h5 ♙c2 41.♙d5 ♖c7 42.♔g2 ♔h8
 43.♖f4]
 38.♖xb6 ♖e5 39.♖c6 ♙d3 40.♙d5 ♖f5
 41.♖xa6 ♖h3 42.♖a1 ♖f5? Mistake.
 Qc8 was best.
 [42...♖c8 43.♖a4]
 43.♖a4? Mistake. Rd1 was best.
 [43.♖d1 g6 44.b4 ♔g7 45.b5 g5
 46.hxg5 hxg5 47.♔g2 g4 48.♖d2
 ♖h7]
 43...♖h3 44.♙g2 ♖e6 45.♖d4 ♙g6
 46.♙f3 ♖b3 47.h5 ♙f5 48.♖d5 g6
 49.♖b5 ♖c2 50.♔g2 ♔g7 51.hxg6
 ♙xg6 52.♖b4 ♖c1 53.♗e2 ♖e1
 54.♖d4 ♖b1 55.b4 ♙d3 56.g4 ♔f8?!
 Inaccuracy. Bxe2 was best.
 [56...♙xe2 57.♙xe2 ♖g6 58.♙d3
 ♖c6+ 59.♔g1 ♖c1+ 60.♙f1 ♖b1
 61.♖f4 h5 62.gxh5]
 57.♗g3 ♙g6 58.♙c6 ♔g8 59.♖f4 ♔g7
 60.♙d5 ♖d1 61.♙c4 ♖d7 62.♔h2 ♖c7
 63.♙e2 ♖c2 64.♔g2 ♖b2 65.b5 ♖e5
 66.b6?! Inaccuracy. Rd4 was best.
 [66.♖d4]
 66...♖b2 67.♙c4 ♖xb6 68.♗f5+ ♙xf5
 69.♖xf5 f6 70.♙e2 ♖e6 71.♙f3 ♖c4
 72.♖f4 ♖c5 73.♖d4 ♖b5 74.♖d5 ♖e8
 75.♖a5 ♖b8 76.♙e4 ♖b6 77.♖d5 ♖e6
 78.♔f3 ♖e7 79.♖b5 ♖d6 80.♖b7+
 ♔g8 81.♔g2 ♖e6 82.♙f3 ♖d6 83.♖a7
 ♖e6 84.♖c7 ♖d6 85.♖c8+ ♔g7
 86.♙e4 h5 87.gxh5 ♖d7 88.h6+ ♔f7
 89.♖c4 ♖g4+
 ½-½

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 Seemann, Jakob **2474**
 Dudin, Gleb **2554**
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1.c4 e5 2.g3 ♘f6 3.♙g2 h6 4.d3 d5N
 [RR 4...♙b4+ 5.♙d2 ♙xd2+ 6.♖xd2 0-0 7.♘f3 ♖e8 8.♘c3 c6 9.0-0 d5 10.cxd5 cxd5 11.d4 e4 12.♘e5 ♙e6 13.f3 exf3 14.exf3 ♘bd7 15.♖fe1 ♖c8 16.♖ad1 a6 17.♖f2 ♘b6 18.♖e2 ♘c4 19.g4 Vidit,S (2722)-Chiu,I (2226) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (39)]
 [RR 4...♙b4+ 5.♙d2 ♙xd2+ 6.♖xd2 0-0 7.♘f3 ♖e8 8.0-0 c6 9.c5 b6 10.♖c1 bxc5 11.♖xc5 e4 12.♘e1 ♖b6 13.d4 ♘a6 14.♖c1 ♖b8 15.b3 ♘b4 16.♘c3 d6 17.♘c2 a5 18.♘e3 ♙a6 19.♘f5 Fedoseev,V (2683)-Ivic,V (2570) Samarkand UZB 2023 1-0]

5.cxd5 ♘xd5 6.♘c3 ♘f6 7.f4 ♙c5?
 Mistake. exf4 was best.
 [7...exf4 8.♙xf4 ♙c5 9.d4 ♖xd4 10.♖xd4 ♙xd4 11.♘b5 ♙b6 12.♙xc7]

8.♘f3? Mistake. fxe5 was best.
 [8.fxe5 ♘g4 9.♖a4+ ♖d7 10.e6 ♖xa4 11.♘xa4 ♙f2+ 12.♙f1 ♙d4]

8...exf4 9.d4 ♙b6 10.♙xf4 ♘c6
11.♖a4 0-0 12.0-0-0 ♙d7 13.♖a3 a5
14.♘e5 a4 15.♘xc6? Mistake. Nxd7 was best.

[15.♘xd7 ♖xd7 16.d5 ♘d4 17.♖b4 ♘f5 18.e4 ♙e3+ 19.♙b1 ♙xf4 20.gxf4 ♘e3]

15...♙xc6 16.e4 ♘g4?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.
 [16...g5]

17.♖d2?! Inaccuracy. Rhe1 was best.
 [17.♖he1]

17...g5 18.h3?! Inaccuracy. Bf3 was best.
 [18.♙f3]

18...gxf4? Mistake. Nf6 was best.
 [18...♘f6 19.♙e3 ♖e8 20.♖e1 ♙xe4 21.♙xg5 ♙xg2 22.♖xe8+ ♖xe8

23.♙xf6 ♖e1+ 24.♘d1]
19.hxg4 ♙xd4 20.♘d5 ♙xd5 21.♖xd4 f3 22.♙xf3 ♖g5+ 23.♙b1 ♙e6 24.♖h5 ♖g7 25.♖d3?! Inaccuracy. Qe3 was best.

[25.♖e3 a3]
25...a3 26.b4? Mistake. Bd1 was best.
 [26.♙d1 ♖ad8]

26...♖ad8 27.e5 ♖g6 28.♙e4 ♖xd4 29.♖xd4?! Inaccuracy. Bxg6 was best.
 [29.♙xg6 ♖xd3 30.♙xd3 ♖d8 31.♙f5 ♙c4 32.♙c2 ♖d2 33.♖xh6 ♖g2 34.♖h1 ♖xg3]

29...♖xg4 30.♖h4 ♖g5 31.♖c3 ♖d8 32.♖h1?! Inaccuracy. Bc2 was best.
 [32.♙c2 ♖d2 33.♖d4 ♖e2 34.♖d1 ♖e3 35.♖xe3 ♖xe3 36.♙b3 ♙xb3 37.axb3 ♖xb3+]

32...♖d2?! Inaccuracy. Bf5 was best.
 [32...♙f5 33.♙c2 ♙xc2+ 34.♙xc2 ♖f5+ 35.♙b3 ♖d3 36.♖c1 ♖xc3+ 37.♖xc3 ♖xe5 38.b5]

33.♖xd2 ♖xd2 34.♙c2 ♙g7 35.♖e1 ♖g2 36.b5 ♖xg3 37.♙e4 b6
0-1

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 Niemann,Hans Moke **2688**
 Idani,Pouya **2605**
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1.c4 e5 2.g3 d6 3.♘c3 ♙e7 4.d4 f5 5.♙h3 a5

[RR 5...♘a6 6.b3 (White should try 6.dxe5± dxe5 7.♖xd8+ ♙xd8 8.♘f3) 6...c6 7.♙b2 e4 8.d5 ♘f6 9.♙g2 0-0 10.♘h3 ♘c5 11.0-0 a5 12.♖d2 ♙d7 (12...a4!=) 13.♖ad1 ♖b6 14.♙a1 a4 15.b4 ♖xb4 16.dxc6 (16.♘xe4!? ♖xc4 17.♘xc5 dxc5 18.♘f4±) 16...♙xc6 (16...bxc6≠ 17.♘xe4 ♖xd2 18.♘xf6+ ♙xf6 19.♖xd2 ♘e4 20.♙xe4 fxe4) 17.♘xe4! ♖xd2 18.♘xd2 ♘fe4 19.♘f4 a3 20.♘f3 Suleymanli,A (2609)-Anton Guijarro,D

(2670) Samarkand UZB 2023 1-0
(73) (White should play 20. ♖xe4 fxe4
21. ♗d5]

6.dxe5N

[RR 6. ♖e3 ♗f6 7. ♗f3 ♗c6 8.dxe5
♗xe5 9. ♗xe5 dxe5 10. ♖xd8+
(10. ♖c2!?) 10... ♗xd8 11.0-0-0 ♖e6
12.b3 c6 13. ♗a4 ♗d7 (13... ♗e7=)
14. ♗c5 (14. ♗d6± ♗e7 15. ♗hd1)
14... ♗xc5 15. ♗xc5 ♖e7 16. ♗b6 a4
17. ♗b2? (17.e4!= and White has
nothing to worry.) 17... ♖a6 18. ♗c7 [#]
e4! 19. ♖e5 ♗f7 20.f3 exf3
Moroni,L (2581)-Idani,P (2605) chess.
com INT 2024 0-1 (35)]

6...dxe5 7. ♖xd8+ ♗xd8 8.e4
The position is equal. **8... ♗c6 9. ♗xf5**
♗xf5 10.exf5 ♗d4 White must now
prevent ...Nc2+. **11. ♗f1 ♗xf5 12. ♗f3**
♗f6 13. ♗e4 0-0-0 14. ♗d2 ♗d4
15. ♗g2 b6 16. ♗c3 ♗xf3 17. ♗xf3 ♗e7
18. ♖ad1 ♖d7?! Inaccuracy. Nc6 was
best.

[18... ♗c6]

19.h4 ♗c6 20. ♖d5 ♗hd8 21. ♖hd1
♗d4+ 22. ♗xd4! Bc3 is the strong threat.
22... ♖xd5 23.cxd5 ♖xd5 Pin 24. ♗xf6
gxf6± Endgame KRB-KR 25. ♗e4! c6!
26.g4 exd4?! Inaccuracy. a4 was best.

[26...a4 27.f4 ♗d7 28.g5 ♗e6!
29.f5+ ♗f7 30. ♖d2 exd4 31. ♖xd4
♖xd4+ 32. ♗xd4]

27. ♖xd4 KR-KR 27... ♖e5+ 28. ♗d3 ♗c7
29. ♖f4 ♖e6 30. ♖e4 ♗d6?? [#] Blunder.
Rd6+ was best.

[30... ♖d6+]

31.f4! b5? Mistake. a4 was best.

[31...a4 31... ♖e7 1.43 32. ♖d4+]

[♠31... ♖xe4 32. ♗xe4 ♗e7]

32. ♖xe6+- ♗xe6 KP-KP 33. ♗d4 ♗d6
34.g5 c5+

[34...fxg5 was called for. 35.hxg5
♗e6]

35. ♗e4 White is clearly winning. **35...a4**
36.f5 b4 Strongly threatening ...fxg5.
37.b3

[Stronger than 37.gxf6 c4=]

37...a3 38. ♗d3 ♗d5 39.gxf6
Accuracy: White = 87%, Black = 50%.
1-0

A21

□ **Vakhidov,Jakhongir 2599**

■ **Gholami Orimi,Mahdi 2470**

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1.c4 e5 2. ♗c3 ♗b4 3. ♗d5 ♗c5 4.e3
c6 5.d4 exd4N

[RR 5... ♗f8 6. ♗c3 d6 7.b3 ♗d7
8. ♗b2 ♗gf6 9. ♖c2 ♖e7 10. ♗ge2
0-0 11. ♖d1 ♖c7 12. ♗g3 a6 13. ♖e2
♖e8 14.0-0 ♗f8 15. ♗a4 ♗g6
16. ♗d3 ♖b8 17.c5 ♗d5 18. ♖e4 ♗f6
19. ♗d3 ♗d5 20. ♖e4 Venkatesan,K
(2285)-Kanyamarala,T (2201) Dublin
IRL 2024 ½-½]

[RR 5...cxd5 6.dxc5 ♖a5+ 7. ♗d2
♖xc5 8. ♖g4 g6 9.cxd5 d6 10. ♖h4
♗d7 11. ♖c1 ♖b6 12. ♗c3 ♗gf6
13. ♗c4 0-0 14. ♗e2 ♗e8 15.0-0 ♗g7
16. ♗g3 f5 17. ♗h1 f4 18.exf4 ♖xf4
19. ♖e7 ♖xc4 20.f4 Bastiao,T (1875)-
Pinsach Gelabert,A (2169) Coimbra
POR 2024 1-0 (32)]

6.exd4 ♖e7 7. ♗xe7 ♗xe7 8. ♗d3 d5
9.c5 ♖f5 10. ♗e2 0-0 11.0-0 ♗d7
12. ♗g3 ♗xd3 13. ♖xd3 b6 14. ♖e3 ♖e8
15.b4 a5 16.a3 ♖c7 17. ♗d2 axb4
18.axb4 ♖b7 19.h4 ♗f8 20.h5 h6
21. ♖xa8 ♖xa8 22. ♖e1?! Inaccuracy. Bf4
was best.

[22. ♖f4 ♗e6 23. ♗d6 ♖d7 24. ♖e1
♖e8 25. ♖e3 ♗h8 26. ♖e5 bxc5
27.bxc5 ♖a8]

22... ♗e6?! Inaccuracy. bxc5 was best.

[22...bxc5 23.dxc5 ♖a7 24. ♖e3 ♖d7
25. ♖e5 ♗e6 26.f4 ♗d8 27. ♖d6 f6
28. ♖xd7]

23.f4 ♗f8?! Inaccuracy. bxc5 was best.

[23...bxc5 24.f5 ♗g5 25. ♗xg5 hxg5
26.dxc5 f6 27.h6 ♖xb4 28. ♖xe7

♖a1+ 29.♗f1]
24.cxb6 ♔h8 25.b5 ♘g8 26.♗f5
♙xb6 27.♚g3 g6 28.♗d6 ♚xd4+?! Inaccuracy.
 cxb5 was best.

[28...cxb5 29.f5]
29.♙e3 ♚f6 30.f5 cxb5?! Inaccuracy.
 gxf5 was best.

[30...gxf5 31.b6 ♗d7 32.b7 ♖d8
 33.♙f4 ♔h7 34.♗e8 ♚d4+ 35.♔h1
 ♖xe8 36.♖xe8]

31.♗xf7+ ♔g7 32.hxg6 ♖a1?
 Mistake. b4 was best.

[32...b4 33.♗e5 ♚xf5 34.♖f1 ♚xf1+
 35.♔xf1 ♖a1+ 36.♔e2 ♖a2+ 37.♙d2
 ♖a6 38.♗g4]

33.♖xa1 ♚xa1+ 34.♔h2 ♚f6??
 Checkmate is now unavoidable. Nf6 was
 best.

[34...♗f6 35.♚f4 ♗e4 36.♗d6 ♗xg6
 37.fxg6 ♗xd6 38.♙d4+ ♚xd4
 39.♚xd4+ ♔xg6 40.♚b6]

35.♗d6 ♔h8 36.♗e8
 1-0

A21

♖ **Radjabov,Teimour** **2723**
 ♜ **Gurel,Ediz** **2578**
 Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.c4 e5 2.♗c3 ♙b4 3.♗d5 ♙e7 4.♗f3
d6 5.d3

[RR 5.g3 ♗f6 6.♗c3 0-0 7.♙g2 ♖e8
 8.d4 ♗c6 9.d5 ♗b8 10.0-0 a5 11.e4
 ♗a6 12.h3 ♗c5 13.♚c2 h6 14.♙e3
 ♗fd7 15.b3 ♙g5 16.♗xg5 hxg5
 17.a3 b6 18.b4 ♗a6 19.♚d2 f6
 Caruana,F (2804)-So,W (2757) Saint
 Louis USA 2024 1-0 (35)]

[RR 5.g3 ♗f6 6.♗xf6+ ♙xf6 7.d3
 0-0 8.♙g2 ♗c6 9.0-0 ♙g4 10.♖b1
 ♚d7 11.b4 ♙h3 12.b5 ♗e7 13.a4
 ♙xg2 14.♔xg2 g6 15.♙a3 ♙g7
 16.♚c2 ♖ad8 17.c5 d5 18.c6 bxc6
 19.bxc6 ♚e6 Kanyamarala,T (2201)-
 Kokoszczyński,J (2250) chess.com

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5...♗f6N

[RR 5...c6 6.♗c3 f5 7.e3 ♗f6 8.♙e2
 0-0 9.0-0 a5 10.b3 ♔h8 11.♙b2
 ♙e6 12.♚c2 ♗a6 13.a3 ♙g8 14.♖fe1
 ♚d7 15.♗a4 ♖ae8 16.♙f1 b5
 17.♗c3 bxc4 18.bxc4 ♖b8 19.♗a4
 c5 20.♗c3 Sadhwani,R (2654)-
 Paravyan,D (2612) Samarkand UZB
 2023 1-0 (51)]

6.♗c3 0-0 7.g3 c6 8.♙d2 h6 9.♙g2
♙e6 10.0-0 ♗bd7 11.e4 d5 12.exd5
cxd5 13.cxd5 ♗xd5 14.d4 ♙f6
15.dxe5
 1/2-1/2

A21

♖ **Erdos,Viktor** **2546**
 ♜ **Gavrilescu,David** **2538**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.c4 e5 2.♗c3 ♙b4 3.♗d5 ♙e7 4.d4
exd4 5.♚xd4 ♗f6 6.♗xe7 ♚xe7
7.♙g5 ♗c6 8.♚c3 d6 9.♗f3 ♗e5
10.g3N

[RR 10.♗xe5 ♚xe5 11.♚xe5+ dxe5
 12.♙xf6 gxf6 13.♔d2 ♙e6 14.♔c3
 0-0 15.e3 ♖ad8 16.♙e2 ♖d7
 17.♖hd1 ♖fd8 18.♖xd7 ♖xd7 19.♖d1
 ♖xd1 20.♙xd1 c5 21.a3 ♔f8 22.h4
 h6 23.♙f3 b6 24.♙d5 ♙d7
 Bryakin,M (2461)-Paravyan,D (2612)
 chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 10.♗xe5 dxe5 11.g3 h6 12.♙xf6
 ♚xf6 13.♙g2 0-0 14.0-0 c6 15.♖fd1
 ♙g4 16.h3 ♙e6 17.♚b4 a5 18.♚xb7
 ♖ab8 19.♚xc6 ♖xb2 20.♚e4 ♖c8
 21.♖dc1 ♚f5 22.♚d3 ♖b4 23.♚xf5
 ♙xf5 24.c5 ♔f8 Bryakin,M (2494)-
 Barrish,D (2347) Paracin SRB 2024
 1-0 (54)]

10...h6 11.♙xf6 ♚xf6 12.♗d4 ♗c6
13.♗b5 ♚xc3+ 14.♗xc3 ♙e6 15.b3
0-0-0 16.♖d1 ♗b4 17.♙g2 c6 18.0-0

a5 19.♖d2 ♜he8 20.♖fd1
1/2-1/2

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 Vakhidov, Jakhongir **2599**
 Madaminov, Mukhiddin **2504**
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.c4 ♘f6 2.♘c3 e5 3.♘f3 ♘c6 4.e4 ♙b4 5.d3 d6 6.a3 ♙c5 7.b4 ♙b6 8.♘a4 ♙d4 9.♖b1 ♙g4 10.♙e2 ♙xf3 11.♙xf3 a6 12.♖d2 0-0 13.0-0 ♙a7 14.♘c3 ♘d4 15.♙d1 b5 16.♙h1 c6N

[RR 16...bxc4 17.dxc4 ♘d7 18.♙b2 ♖h4 19.♘e2 ♘xe2 20.♖xe2 ♘f6 21.f3 ♘h5 22.♖e1 ♖xe1 23.♖xe1 ♘f4 24.♙c2 f6 25.g3 ♘e6 26.♙g2 ♙f7 27.♖ed1 ♙e7 28.♙a4 ♙d4 29.♙c6 ♖ab8 30.♙d5 ♙xb2 31.♖xb2 Chan,P (1557)-Li,Y (1844) Hong Kong HKG 2023 0-1 (66)]

17.a4 h6 18.axb5 axb5 19.cxb5 ♘xb5 20.♘b5 cxb5 21.♙b2 d5 22.♙xe5 dxe4 23.♙xf6 ♖xf6 24.dxe4 ♖ad8 25.♖e2 ♖d4 26.♙b3 ♖e7 27.e5 ♖xb4 28.f4 ♙h8 29.♙c2 ♖d8 30.♖be1 ♖c5?! Inaccuracy. Rc4 was best.

[30...♖c4 31.♖b1 ♖c3 32.♖b3 ♖xb3 33.♙xb3 g6 34.♖xb5 ♙d4 35.♖c6 ♙g7 36.♖d1]

31.e6?! Inaccuracy. Bb1 was best.
[31.♙b1]

31...fxe6 32.f5 exf5?! Inaccuracy. Bb8 was best.
[32...♙b8 33.fxe6 ♖h4 34.g3 ♙xg3 35.e7 ♖e8 36.♖f5 ♖d6 37.♖ef1 ♙f4 38.♙b1]

33.♖xf5 ♖c8?? Blunder. Qc4 was best.
[33...♖c4 34.♖e7 ♖g8 35.♖f8 ♖xc2 36.♖xb4 ♖xf8 37.♖xf8+ ♙h7 38.♖f1 ♙d4 39.♖c1]

34.♖d5 ♖g8 35.♖d3 g6 36.♖d7 ♖c5?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Bc5 was best.
[36...♙c5 37.♖d2 ♖f4 38.♖xf4 ♖xd7

39.♖e5+ ♖g7 40.♖xc5 ♙h7 41.♙b1 ♖c7 42.♖xb5]

37.♖d8?? Lost forced checkmate sequence. Qxg6 was best.

[37.♖xg6 ♖g1+ 38.♖xg1 ♖xg6 39.♖e1 ♙e3 40.♖xe3 ♖e4 41.♖xe4 ♖g8 42.♖h7+ ♙xh7]

37...♖b6?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qf5 was best.

[37...♖f5 38.♖c3+ ♙d4 39.♖xb4 ♖c5 40.♖xd4+ ♖xd4 41.♖xd4 ♖g7 42.♖d6 b4 43.♖b6]

38.♖xg8+ ♙xg8 39.♖e8+ 1-0

A28
 Seemann, Jakob **2474**
 Kuybokarov, Temur **2600**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.42) 14.05.2024

1.c4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/ibfT2sE4> **1...e5 2.♘c3 ♘f6 3.♘f3 ♘c6 4.d3 d5 5.cxd5 ♘xd5 6.e4 ♘xc3**

[RR 6...♘b6 7.♙e2 ♙g4 8.♙e3 ♙xf3 9.♙xf3 ♙e7 10.0-0 0-0 11.♖c1 ♘d4 12.♙g4 c5 13.a4 ♖b8 14.♘b5 ♘c6 15.♖b3 a6 16.♘a3 ♘a5 17.♖c2 ♘a8 18.♘c4 ♘c6 19.a5 ♖e8 20.f4 exf4 21.♙xf4 Seemann,J (2451)-Lu,M (2375) Reykjavik 2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/ibfT2sE4] 1-0 (32)]

7.bxc3 ♙c5N
[RR 7...♙d6 8.♙e2 0-0 9.0-0 f5 10.exf5 ♙xf5 11.♖b3+ ♙h8 12.♖xb7 ♖d7 13.♖b3 e4 14.dxe4 ♙xe4 15.♘g5 ♙g6 16.♖e6 ♖xe6 17.♘xe6 ♖fe8 18.♙g4 ♘e5 19.♙h3 ♙d3 20.♖d1 ♙e2 21.♖xd6 cxd6 22.♘c7 Sadhwani,R (2654)-Pranesh,M (2538) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (35)]

8.♙e2 0-0 9.0-0 ♙g4 10.♘d2 ♙xe2 11.♖xe2 ♖e7 12.♘b3 ♙b6 13.♙b2 ♖ad8 14.♖ad1 a5 15.a4 ♖e6 16.♘d2?! Inaccuracy. Qc2 was best.
[16.♖c2 ♖d7]

16...♙c5?! Inaccuracy. Qa2 was best.

[16...♚a2]

17.♘c4 f5 18.exf5 ♖xf5 19.♙c1 ♖f7
20.♙e3 ♙f8 21.♚c2 b6 22.♞d2 ♘e7
23.♞e2 ♘g6 24.d4 exd4 25.cxd4 ♗d5
26.♘e5 ♘xe5 27.dxe5 ♙b4 28.f4 c5
29.♘h1 ♗d3 30.e6 ♞b7 31.♚a2 c4
32.f5 ♞d5 33.h3 ♞e5 34.♖f3 h5
35.♚c2 b5 36.axb5 ♞bxb5 37.f6 gxf6
38.♞g3+ ♘h7 39.♖f2 ♙e1 40.♞g3
♙xf2 41.♚xf2 ♞xe6
0-1

A29

☐ Maghsoodloo,Parham 2732
■ Royal,Shreyas 2463
Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.c4 e5 2.♘c3 ♘f6 3.♘f3 ♘c6 4.g3
♙b4 5.♙g2 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.♘a4 a5
8.d3 ♗e7 9.♙g5 h6 10.♙xf6 ♗xf6
11.a3 ♙c5 12.♘d2 ♙a7 13.♘c3 ♗d8
14.b4 ♙d4 15.♚b3 ♙xc3 16.♚xc3 ♘d4
17.♞ae1 axb4 18.axb4 ♞a2 19.e3 ♞c2
20.♚a1 ♞xd2 21.exd4 ♞xd3 22.dxe5
♙e6 23.♙xb7 ♙xc4 24.♞c1 ♙e6 25.b5
♙d5 26.♙c6 ♙xc6 27.♞xc6 dxe5
28.♚xe5 ♗d5 29.♞c5 ♗xe5 30.♞xe5
c6 31.bxc6 ♞c3
1/2-1/2

A29

☐ Kuybokarov,Temur 2600
■ Krzyzanowski,Marcin 2526
Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.c4 e5 2.g3 ♘f6 3.♙g2 d5 4.cxd5
♘xd5 5.♘f3 ♘c6 6.0-0 ♘b6 7.b3 ♙e7
8.♙b2 ♙f6 Hoping for ...e4. 9.♘c3
White is slightly better. 9...♙f5 10.d3 0-0
11.♘e4N
[RR 11.♘d2 ♗d7 12.♘c4 ♘xc4
13.bxc4 (13.dxc4± ♗xd1 14.♞axd1)
13...♙h3 14.♘d5 ♙d8 15.♙xh3 ♗xh3

16.f4 ♞e8 17.e4 f6 18.f5 ♘e7
19.♘e3! ♘c6 [#] 20.♘g4! ♙e7 [#]
(20...g6 is a better defense. 21.fxg6
hxc6) 21.♘f2! ♗h6 22.♙c1 g5 23.h4
♗g7 24.hxc5 fxc5 25.♘g2 ♞ad8
Tsolakidou,S (2385)-Cyfka,K (2350)
Germany GER 2024 1-0 (34)]

11...♞e8 12.♘xf6+ ♗xf6 13.b4 ♙g4
14.b5 ♘d4 15.♘xd4 exd4 16.♞e1
♞ad8 17.♙xb7 ♗e5 18.♚c2 ♗h5?!
Inaccuracy. h5 was best.

[18...h5 19.♙g2]

[18...h5 keeps fighting. 19.e3 ♘d5
20.♙xd4 ♗f5 21.♙xd5 ♗xd5]

19.♙e4

[19.♗xc7 ♞d7=]

19...f5 20.♙c6 ♞e6 intending ...f4.
21.♚c5 ♞ed6?! Inaccuracy. Bxe2 was
best.

[21...♙xe2 22.♙xd4 ♗g4 23.♙e5
♘a4? (23...♞xd3 24.♙xc7 ♗d4
25.♗xf5 ♙g4) 24.♗e3 ♘c3 25.f3
♗g6 26.♚c5 ♘a4 27.♚c4]

[♠21...f4 22.♙xd4 ♗xc5 23.♙xc5
♞xe2 24.♞xe2 (24.gxf4 ♞xd3
25.♞xe2 ♙xe2±) 24...♙xe2]

22.f3+- ♙h3 23.a4 ♘h8 24.a5 ♘d7
25.♙xd7 ♞6xd7 26.♞a4

[Don't take 26.♚xa7?! f4+-]

26...♗e8 White must now prevent ...
Qe3+. 27.♙c1 ♞d5 28.♚xa7 h6 29.♞c4
[29.♗xc7 ♞c8#]

29...♞e5 30.♘f2

[30.♗xc7 is a self mate. ♞xe2
31.♗xg7+ ♘xg7 32.♞c7+ ♘g8 33.♖f1
♞e1 34.♞g7+ ♘xg7 35.♙xh6+ ♘xh6
36.♞xe1 ♗xe1#]

30...♗xb5 31.♞xc7 f4

[♠31...♞xe2+ 32.♞xe2 f4 33.♞xg7
♗xd3]

32.♙xf4 White is clearly winning. 32...♞e6
33.♞xg7 Intending Rh7+ and mate.

33...♙f5 34.g4 ♙g6 35.♚c7 ♞de8
36.♙xh6 White threatens Rh7+! and
mate. 36...♙f7 37.♞xf7 Threatening
mate with Rh7+. 37...♞xh6 38.♗f4

Double Attack. Accuracy: White = 96%,
Black = 51%.

1-0

Moroni, Luca Jr **A30**
 Yu, Yangyi **2580**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.11) 15.05.2024 **2728**

1. **f3** **f6** 2. **c4** **e6** 3. **g3** **b6** 4. **g2**
b7 5. **0-0** **c5** 6. **c3** **e7** 7. **d4** **cxd4**
 8. **xd4** 0-0 9. **d1** **c6N**

[RR 9...a6 10. **f4** **c6** 11. **d2** **a5**
 12. **b3** **d5** 13. **e5** **dx4** 14. **xb7**
xd2 15. **xd2** **xb7** 16. **xc4** **b5**
 17. **e5** **ac8** 18. **e3** **a3** 19. **e2**
e4 20. **d4** **b2** 21. **ab1** **xd4**
 22. **exd4** **fd8** 23. **e1** **c2** 24. **a4**
 Rojas Alarcon, J (2357)-Abrahams, D
 (2166) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (45)]

10. **d2** **a6** 11. **b3** **c7** 12. **b2** **d6**
 13. **ac1** **a7**

[13... **e5±**]

14. **d4** **ad8** 15. **e4** White is slightly
 better. 15... **c6** 16. **e3** **e5** 17. **d4**
fe8 18. **h3** **f8** 19. **f4** **g6** 20. **f2**
b8 21. **h1** **a8?! Inaccuracy. h5 was**
best.

[21... **h5**]

[21... **h5**]

22. **e1?! Inaccuracy. a4 was best.**

[22. **a4** **e7** 23. **f5** **exf5** 24. **xf5**
xf5 25. **xf5** **d7** 26. **f1** **e7**
 27. **cd1** **de8**]

22... **c8?! Inaccuracy. b5 was best.**

[22... **b5** 23. **cx5**]

[22... **h5=**]

23. **cd1±** **h5** 24. **a4** **c5** 25. **a3** **c7**

26. **f3?** Mistake. **f5** was best.

[26. **f5**]

[26. **f5±** **e5** 27. **f1**]

26... **b5!** 27. **ax5** **ax5** 28. **f5?! Inaccuracy. Nxb5 was best.**

[28. **xb5** **xe4** 29. **xe4** **xe4**
 30. **xc7** **xc7** 31. **e2** **c6** 32. **h4**

a8 33. **b2** **e7**]

[White should try 28. **xb5** **xe4**
 29. **xe4** **xe4** 30. **e2** (30. **xc7**
xc7 31. **h2** **d5**)]

28... **ex5** 29. **ex5** Hoping for **Rxe8**.
 29... **xf3** 30. **xf3?** Mistake. **Rxe8** was
 best.

[30. **xe8** **xg2+**]

[30. **xe8** **xg2+** 31. **xg2** **xe8**
 32. **fx6**]

30... **xe1+-+** 31. **xe1** [#] 31... **e5!**
 32. **xb5** Threatens to win with **Rd1**.

32... **d3!** Double Attack 33. **f1** **xe1**
 34. **xe1** **e7** 35. **d2** **e4?! Inaccuracy. Re8 was best.**

[35... **Re8** 36. **xd6** **xd6** 37. **xd6**
e1+ 38. **g2** **e8** 39. **d2** **b1**
 40. **d4** **h4** 41. **gxh4**]

36. **g2???** [#] Blunder. **Qf4** was best.
 [36. **f4** **f6**]
 [36. **f4** **c3** 37. **xc3**]

36... **d5!** 37. **xe7**

[37. **cx5** **xg3+**]

37... **xg3+** Double Attack 38. **g1**
Bxf8 is the strong threat. 38... **xe7**

39. **f2** **dx4** 40. **bx4** **e5** And now ...
Bc5 would win. 41. **d5** **xf5** 42. **c3**
h4 43. **d2** **e1** Accuracy: White =
 47%, Black = 69%.

0-1

A33

Deac, Bogdan-Daniel **2692**
 Horvath, Dominik **2553**
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1. **f3** **f6** 2. **c4** **c5** 3. **c3** **c6** 4. **d4**
cx4 5. **xd4** **e6** 6. **f4** **d5** 7. **a3N**

[RR 7. **xc6** **bx6** 8. **e3** **b4** 9. **c1**
 0-0 10. **e2** **e8** 11. 0-0 **e5** 12. **g5**
e6 (12... **d4=** 13. **e4** **e7**) 13. **cx5**
cx5 14. **b5** **f8** 15. **a3** (15. **c6±**)
 15... **a5** (15... **xc3=** keeps the
 balance. 16. **xc3** **b8**) 16. **c6**
 (16. **b4±** **b6** 17. **f3**) 16... **xc3**

(16...Rc8!= 17.xf6 gxf6 18.xd5 Rxc3 19.Rxc3 Rxc3 20.xe6 Wxd1 21.Rxd1 Rxb2) 17.xa8 Rxb2 18.Rb1 Rxa3 19.xf6 gxf6 20.Rc6 Wd6 21.Ra4 Rb4 Przybylski,W (2308)-Dubreuil,J (2103) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (46)]

[RR 7.e3 Re7 8.Re2 0-0 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.0-0 Rd6 11.xd6 Wxd6 12.Wc2 a5 13.Rfd1 Ra6 14.Rac1 We5 15.b3 dxc4 16.bxc4 Rab8 17.h3 g6 18.Rb1 ½-½ (18) Nagy,G (2450)-Durak,C (2349) Budapest HUN 2024]

[RR 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.cxd5 exd5 9.e3 Re7 10.Rd3 0-0 11.0-0 Re6 12.Rc1 c5 13.Wa4 Wb6 14.Re5 Rfd8 15.Wh4 h6 16.Na4 Wa5 17.Rc3 (17.Nxc5!± Rxc5 18.xf6 gxf6 19.Wxh6) 17...Wc7 18.Nxc5 Wxc5 19.xf6! Rxf6 20.Wxf6 Wxc1 21.Wxd8+! Rxd8 Raczek,K (2347)-Nguyen,A (2347) Marianske Lazne CZE 2024 ½-½ (60)]

7...Rc5 8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.e3 The position is equal. 9...0-0 10.Re2 Rd6 11.xd6 Wxd6 12.0-0 a5 13.Wa4 Ra6 14.Rfd1 Nd7 15.Wc2 Nb6 16.cxd5 Hoping for Ne4.

[16.b3 seems wilder. h6 17.h3 Rfc8 18.Wa2 Wc7 19.Rdc1]

16...Re2 17.Wxe2 cxd5 18.Nb5 Wd7 19.a4 Rfc8 20.b3 We7 21.Wd2 Nd7 22.Rac1 Nc5 23.Rc3 Wd8 24.f3 Na6 25.Rdc1 Nb4 26.Nc7 Rab8 27.f4 h6 28.h3 Wd7 29.Rc5 Wd8 30.Nh1 Wd7 31.e4 d4 32.f5 exf5 33.exf5 Rb6 34.R5c4? Mistake. f6 was best.

[34.f6! d3]

[34.f6!=]

34...d3+

[Worse is 34...Wxf5 35.Nd5!± (35.Wxd4 Rcb8=)]

35.f6 Rxf6? [#] Mistake. g5 was best.

[35...g5 36.We3 (36.Rc5 R h7 37.Ne6) 36...Rc6 37.Rc5 Rh8 38.Rxc6 Nxc6 39.Nb5 Re8 40.Wg3

Wd5 41.Nc7]

[35...g5 R Threatens to win with ...Rd8. 36.Rc5 Rh7]

36.Nd5!= Wxd5

[36...Nd5 37.Rxc8+]

37.Rxc8+ Rh7 38.R8c5 Wd4

White must now prevent ...Rf2. 39.R5c4

[But not 39.Rxa5? Rf2-+]

39...Wd6

[39...We5=]

40.Rd1

[40.We3!±]

40...Wg3 aiming for ...Rf2. Black is not holding back 41.Rg4 We5 42.Rxb4

axb4 43.Wxd3+ Endgame KQR-KQR

43...g6 44.Wc4 Rf4 45.Wd3 Rh7

46.Rf1 Rd4 47.Rf3 Rd7 48.Rf4 Wc3

49.Rf3 Wc5 50.Rf6+ Rh8 51.Nh2

Wc7+ 52.Rf4 Rd6?? [#] Blunder. Qc5 was best.

[52...Wc5 53.Rf1 Rh7 54.Rf6+ Rh7

55.Rf2 We7 56.We1 Wc5 57.We2

Rh7 58.Rb2+]

[52...Wc5=]

53.Rd3!+- Rd7 [#]

[53...Rxd3 54.Wxc7]

54.Wxc7!

White is clearly better.

54...Rxc7 55.Rd8+ Rh7 next ...Rc3 is

good for Black. 56.Rb8 Accuracy: White = 87%, Black = 84%.

1-0

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Can,Emre

2549

Sargsyan,Shant

2637

Sharjah Master 2024

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1.d4 e6 2.c4 b6 3.Nc3 Rb4 4.Rd2

Rb7 5.e3 Nf6 6.Nf3 0-0 7.Rd3 d5

8.cxd5 exd5 9.0-0 Rd6 10.Rc1 c5

11.Ne5N

[RR 11.dxc5 bxc5 12.Nb5 Re7

13.b4 a6 14.Na3 cxb4 15.Nc2 a5

16.Ncd4 Nbd7 17.Nf5 Nc5 18.Re2

Nfe4 19.Re1 Rf6 20.N3d4 Rc8

21.f3 ♖d6 22.♙g3 ♙xd4 23.♗xd4
♗c4 24.♗f5 ♚f6 25.e4 ♖b2
Yu Jiangwei (2300)-Lu, M (2372) New
York USA 2024 0-1 (60)]

11...♗c6 12.♗xc6 ♙xc6 13.♗b5 c4?!
Inaccuracy. Bxb5 was best.

[13...♙xb5]

14.♗xd6 ♚xd6 15.♙b1 b5 16.♚e1
♞fe8 17.f3 ♚d8 18.♙a5 ♚e7 19.♗f2
h5?! Inaccuracy. Bd7 was best.

[19...♙d7 20.♚d2]

20.♚d2 g6 21.♞ce1 ♚d6 22.♗g1 ♞e6
23.a3 ♞ae8 24.♙b4 ♚c7 25.♙a5 ♚e7
26.♙b4 ♚d7 27.♚f2 ♚c7 28.♚d2 ♙b7
29.♙a5 ♚e7 30.♙b4 ♚d7 31.♙c3 ♚e7
32.♙b4 ♚d7 33.♙c3

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☐ **Gholami Orimi, Mahdi** **A41** **2470**
♣ **Idani, Pouya** **2605**
Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 d6 2.c4 e5 3.♗f3 e4 4.♗g5 f5
5.♗c3 ♙e7 6.♗h3 ♗f6 7.♙g5 ♙e6N

[RR 7...0-0 8.e3 c6 9.♙e2 h6
10.♙xf6 ♙xf6 11.♗f4 ♚e8 12.♙h5
♚d7 13.0-0 g5 14.♗g6 ♞f7 15.f3
exf3 16.♚xf3 ♞g7 17.♗e4 ♙e7
18.g4 f4 19.exf4 d5 20.fxg5 ♚e8
21.♗xe7+ ♚xe7 22.♗f6+ Astafurov, A
(2263)-Lund, G (2321) chess.com INT
2024 1-0]

[RR 7...0-0 8.e3 c6 9.♗f4 ♖a6
10.♙e2 ♗c7 11.♚b3 ♞b8 12.0-0
♙d7 13.f3 exf3 14.♙xf3 ♗e4
15.♙xe7 ♚xe7 16.♗xe4 fxe4 17.♙e2
♗e6 18.♗h5 ♚g5 19.♗g3 d5
20.♞xf8+ ♞xf8 21.♞f1 ♙c8 22.♞xf8+
Muthaiah, A (2454)-Hristodoulou, P
(2376) San Vicente ESP 2024 1-0
(52)]

[RR 7...0-0 8.e3 h6 9.♙xf6 ♙xf6
10.♚c2 c5 11.dxc5 dxc5 12.♗f4
♗c6 13.♙e2 ♙e5 14.♗g6 ♞e8

15.♗xe5 ♞xe5 16.♞d1 ♚g5 17.0-0
♙e6 18.♗d5 ♞e8 19.a3 ♙f7 20.b4
cxb4 21.axb4 ♗e7 22.♚a4
Fedoseev, V (2683)-Gareev, T (2570)
Samarkand UZB 2023 1-0 (52)]

8.♗f4 ♙f7 9.e3 0-0 10.♙e2 c5
11.dxc5 dxc5 12.♚xd8 ♙xd8 13.♙xf6
♙xf6 14.♗fd5 ♙xc3+ 15.♗xc3 ♞d8
16.f3 exf3 17.♙xf3 ♗c6 18.♙xc6 bxc6
19.0-0 g6 20.b3 ♞d3 21.♗a4 ♞xe3
22.♞fe1 ♞ae8 23.♞xe3 ♞xe3 24.♗f2
♞e5 25.♞d1 g5 26.♞d7 ♙h5 27.♞xa7
♞e2+ 28.♗f1 ♞xa2 29.♞e7 f4 30.♞e5
h6 31.h4 ♞a1+ 32.♞e1 ♞xe1+
33.♗xe1 ♗f7

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☐ **Banusz, Tamas** **A48** **2623**
♣ **Zemlyanskii, Ivan** **2516**
Sharjah Master 2024 (1.31) 14.05.2024

1.♗f3 ♗f6 2.d4 g6 3.♗bd2 d5 4.e3
♙g7 5.c4 0-0 6.b4 a5

[RR 6...b6 7.♙b2 ♙b7 8.♞c1 dxc4
9.♙xc4 ♗bd7 10.0-0 e6 11.♚e2
♗d5 (11...a6±) 12.b5 ♚e7 13.e4
♗5f6 14.♙d3 ♞fc8 15.♗c4 a6 16.a4
axb5 17.axb5 ♗e8 18.♞a1 ♚d8
19.♗fe5 ♗xe5 20.♗xe5 ♗d6
21.♗c6 Gledura, B (2616)-Hansen, E
(2610) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (48)]

7.b5 c5 8.dxc5N

[RR 8.bxc6 8.dxc5 0.43 bxc6 9.♙a3
♗a6 10.♙e2 ♗b4 11.0-0 ♙f5
12.♗e5 c5 13.♗df3 ♗e4 14.♙b2
cxd4 15.♙xd4 dxc4 (15...f6≠ 16.♗d3
e5) 16.♙xc4 ♗d6 17.♙b3! ♗b5
(17...♙e4= remains equal.) 18.a3
♗xd4 19.exd4 ♗a6 20.♞e1 ♚d6?
(20...♙f6±) 21.♗xf7 ♞xf7 22.♙xf7+
♗xf7 Gledura, B (2619)-Nenezic, M
(2496) Budapest 2024 1-0 (37)]

[RR 8.bxc6 8.dxc5 0.33 bxc6 9.♙a3
♗a6 10.♙e2 ♗b4 11.0-0 ♙f5

12.♖e5 c5 13.♗df3 ♘e4 14.♙b2!
 cxd4 15.♙xd4 dxc4 (15...f6≠ 16.♗d3
 e5) 16.♙xc4 ♗d6 17.♙b3 ♗b5
 (17...♙e4=) 18.a3 ♗xd4 19.exd4
 ♗a6 20.♙e1 ♙d6? (20...♙f6±)
 21.♗xf7 ♙xf7 22.♙xf7+ ♖xf7
 Gledura,B (2619)-Nenezic,M (2496)
 Hungary HUN 2024 1-0 (37)]

8...dxc4?! Inaccuracy. Nbd7 was best.
 White is slightly better.

[8...♗bd7]

9.♙b2?! Inaccuracy. Bxc4 was best.

[9.♙xc4]

[Wrong is 9.♗xc4? ♙xd1+ 10.♖xd1
 ♗e4-+]

[Better is 9.♙xc4± ♗e4 10.♙a3
 (10.♗xe4 ♙xd1+ 11.♖xd1 ♙xa1=)
 10...♙xa1 11.♙xa1 ♗xd2 12.♗xd2]

9...♗bd7± 10.♙xc4

[10.♙d4±]

10...♗xc5= 11.0-0 ♙g4 12.h3 ♙xf3

13.♗xf3 ♗fe4 14.♙xg7

[14.♙c2=]

14...♙xd1≠ 15.♙fxd1 ♖xg7 16.♙ac1

♙ac8 17.♙f1 ♗d6 18.♗e5 ♗a4

19.♙xc8? Mistake. Nd7 was best.

[19.♗d7 ♙xc1 20.♙xc1 ♙d8 21.♙c7
 ♙c8 22.♙xc8 ♗xc8 23.♙c4 ♗c3
 24.♖f1 ♗d6]

[19.♗d7 ♗c3 20.♗xf8 ♗xd1
 21.♙xd1 ♖xf8 22.a4]

19...♙xc8≠ 20.♙d4 [#] 20...♗b6! 21.♙d2

♙c1?! Inaccuracy. Rc5 was best.

[21...♙c5 22.♗f3 ♙c1 23.g3 ♗e4
 24.♙d4 ♗c3 25.♙d2 ♙a1 26.♙d3
 ♗e2+ 27.♖g2]

22.♗d3

[22.g4≠]

22...♙b1+ 23.♙b2 ♙d1 24.♙c2 ♗d5

25.g4 b6

[Much less strong is 25...♗xb5
 26.♙c5≠]

26.♖g2 ♗xb5 27.♙b2?! Inaccuracy.

Nb2 was best.

[27.♗b2 ♗a3 28.♗xd1 ♗xc2
 29.♙c4 ♗db4 30.a4 ♗a3 31.♗b2 e6

32.♖f3 ♖f6]

[27.♙e2 ♙a1 28.♙f3]

27...♗bc3 28.♗e5 ♙b1 29.♙d2

[Of course not 29.♙xb1 ♗xb1 30.♙c4
 ♗bc3≠]

29...♙b4?! Inaccuracy. e6 was best.

[29...e6 30.♙c4 g5 31.♙xd5 ♗xd5
 32.♗c4 ♙c1 33.♗d6 h6 34.♖g3 ♖f6
 35.♖f3]

[29...g5+ and Black stays clearly on
 top. 30.♙d3 ♙a1]

30.♙c2?! Inaccuracy. Bc4 was best.

[30.♙c4]

[30.♙c4≠ was necessary.]

30...f6?? Blunder. Ra4 was best.

[30...♙a4 31.♙c4 f6 32.♙xd5 ♗xd5
 33.♗c6 ♖f7 34.♖f3 ♗b4 35.♗xb4
 ♙xb4 36.♙c8]

[Black should try 30...♙a4-+ 31.♙c4 f6
 32.♙xd5 ♗xd5]

31.♗c6= ♙e4 Strongly threatening ...

Rxe3! 32.♗d4 [#] 32...e5

[32...♙xe3!≠ 33.fxe3 ♗xe3+
 Double Attack 34.♖f3 ♗xc2 35.♗xc2
 ♗xa2]

33.♗e6+ The position is equal. 33...♖f7

**[#] 34.♗c7! ♖e7! Threatens to win with
 ...Rxe3.**

[34...♗xc7 35.♙xc3]

35.♗xd5+ ♗xd5 Endgame KRB-KRN

36.♙c6 ♖d7 37.♙b5 And now Rc4+

would win. 37...♗c7 38.♙xb6+ ♗xb5

39.♙xb5 KR-KR 39...♙a4 40.♙b7+ ♖e6

41.♙xh7 g5 42.♙a7 e4 43.♙b7 ♙xa2

44.♙b6+ ♖e5 45.♙b5+ ♖d6 46.♙b6+

♖e5 47.♙b5+ ♖e6 48.♙b6+ ♖e5

**49.♙b5+ Accuracy: White = 71%, Black
 = 77%.**

1/2-1/2

Fedoseev, Vladimir **A49**
 Zemlyanskii, Ivan **2701**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2516**
 20.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.♗f3 g6 3.g3 ♕g7 4.♕g2
d5 5.0-0 0-0 6.a4 c5 7.dxc5 ♘a6
8.♗c3 The position is equal.

[RR 8.♕e3 ♗e4 9.c3 ♘axc5
 10.♗bd2 ♖c7 (10...e5=) 11.♗xe4
 dxe4 12.♗d4 ♕d7 (12...a6±) 13.♗b5
 ♕xb5 14.axb5 ♖fd8 15.♖b1 ♗b3?
 (15...a6± keeps fighting. 16.b6 ♖d6)
 16.♖xe4? (16.♖xa7+- is the precise
 move to win. ♖ab8 17.♖xe4)
 16...♗xa1 17.♖xa1 b6 18.♖c6
 (18.♖a4±) 18...♖ac8 19.♕f4 e5
 20.♕g5 ♖d6 21.♖xc7 ♖xc7 22.♕c6
 f5 Firouzja,A (2759)-Kramnik,V (2753)
 chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (46)]

8...♗xc5 9.♕e3N

[RR 9.a5 e6 10.♕e3 ♖e7 11.♕d4
 (11.♖d4!? ♗ce4 12.♖d3=) 11...♖d8
 12.♖c1 ♕d7 13.h3 ♖ac8 14.♖e3
 ♕e8 15.♖fd1 b5 16.axb6 axb6
 17.♗e5 b5 18.♖a5 ♗ce4 (18...♗b7=
 19.♖a7 b4) 19.♕b6 (19.♖a7± ♖d6
 20.♗xb5) 19...♗xc3 20.bxc3 ♖d6
 21.♖a7 ♗d7 22.♕d4 ♖d8 23.♗g4 f6
 Rapport,R (2731)-Paravyan,D (2612)
 Samarkand UZB 2023 ½-½ (89)]

9...b6 10.a5 ♕b7 11.♖a3?! Inaccuracy.
 Bd4 was best.

[11.♕d4 ♗ce4 12.♖a3 e6 13.axb6
 axb6 14.♖xa8 ♖xa8 15.♗xe4 dxe4
 16.♗d2 ♗g4]
 [11.♕d4= remains equal.]

11...♖c8?! Inaccuracy. Ng4 was best.

[11...♗g4 12.♕xc5]
 [11...♗g4!♣]

12.♖a1?! Inaccuracy. Bd4 was best.

[12.♕d4]
 [12.♕d4=]

12...♗fe4?! Inaccuracy. Ng4 was best.

[12...♗g4! 13.♕xc5 ♖xc5 14.♗e1 e6
 15.♗d3 ♖e7 16.axb6 axb6 17.♖xa8

♖xa8 18.♖c1]
13.♗xe4 ♗xe4 14.c3 ♖c7 15.a6
 Bf4 is the strong threat. **15...♕c6 16.♗d4**
♕d7?! Inaccuracy. Bxd4 was best.

[16...♕xd4]
17.♖a2 ♕xd4 18.♕xd4 ♕e6 19.c4
♖fd8 20.b3 ♖ac8 21.e3? Mistake. Qa1
 was best.

[21.♖a1 h5 22.♕e3 ♔h7 23.♖b2
 (23.♖c1!?) 23...♖d6 24.♖aa1 ♗f6
 25.♕f4 ♖b4 26.♖a4 ♖c5]

[21.♖a1= keeps the balance.]
21...♗f6?! Inaccuracy. Qd7 was best.

[21...♖d7! 22.♖a4 ♕h3 23.f3 ♕xg2
 24.♖xg2 ♗c5 25.♕xc5 ♖xc5 26.♖d1
 ♖c8 27.♖e2]

[Black should play 21...♖d7♣]

22.♖b2 dxc4 23.bxc4 ♖d7 24.♕b7
♖xc4 25.♖aa1 ♕h3 26.♖fd1 [#] With the
 idea Qb3. **26...e5! 27.♖b3**

[27.♕xe5 ♖xd1+]

27...♖e6 28.♕b2

[28.♕xe5? ♖xd1+ 29.♖xd1 ♖d4!-+]

28...♖xd1+ 29.♖xd1 h5 30.♖d3?! Inaccuracy.
 f4 was best.

[30.f4 exf4]

30...♖b4?! Inaccuracy. Kh7 was best.

[30...♔h7! 31.f3 b5 32.♖e1 ♖c5
 33.f4 ♗g4! 34.fxe5 b4 35.♕e4 ♗xe5
 36.♖d4]

[30...♔h7♣ 31.f3 ♖b4]

31.♕c3♣ ♖b3↑ Keeping White busy.

32.♖c1 ♔h7 33.♖d1?! Inaccuracy. e4
 was best.

[33.e4 ♖a3 34.♖d1 ♖a2 35.♕e1
 ♖e8 36.♕c6 ♖e7 37.♖b3! ♖a3
 38.♕b4 (38.♖c4♣ ♗g4 39.♕b7)
 38...♖xb3]

33...♖b5 34.♕a1 ♖c5?! Inaccuracy. Qa2
 was best.

[34...♖a2! 35.♕c3 ♗g4 36.♖d2 ♖b1!
 37.♖xb1 ♖xb1+ 38.♖e1 ♖d3 39.♕g2
 ♕xg2 40.♔xg2]

[34...♖a2!-+ 35.♖e1 ♗g4]

35.♖xc5♣ bxc5 36.♖c1?! Inaccuracy.
 Bf3 was best.

[36.♔f3]
 [♘36.♔f3]
36...♚d6?! Inaccuracy. Qf5 was best.
 [36...♚f5 37.f3 e4 38.♚c4 ♚xf3
 39.♚xf7+ ♔h6 40.♚f8+ ♔g5
 41.♚xc5+ ♘d5! 42.♔f6+!]
 [♘36...♘d5 37.♔b2 ♘b4]
37.f3?! [#] Inaccuracy. Bf3 was best.
 [37.♔f3 ♚d3]
 [37.♔f3♣]
37...♔e6?! Inaccuracy. e4 was best.
 [37...e4! 38.fxe4 ♚e6! 39.♚b1 ♘g4
 40.♚b2 f6 41.♔d5 ♚xa6 42.♚b7+
 ♚xb7 43.♔xb7]
 [Black should try 37...e4!+
 Threatens to win with ...exf3. 38.♔xf6
 (38.♔xe4 ♘xe4) 38...♚xf6]
38.e4
 [38.♔c3♣]
38...c4
 [38...♘d7♣ 39.♔f2 c4]
39.♔f2?? [#] Blunder. Bc3 was best.
 [39.♔c3 ♔h3]
 [39.♔c3♣]
39...♘d7!+ And now ...Nc5 would win.
40.♔g2
 [♘40.♔c3]
40...♘c5 Strongly threatening ...Nb3.
41.♔c3 ♘d3 42.♚d2 [#] 42...h4!
43.gxh4 ♚c5 44.h3 [#] 44...♔xh3+!
45.♔h2
 [Don't go for 45.♔xh3? ♚g1+]
45...♔e6 46.♚e2 ♚e7 47.♔g3 ♚a3
48.♚d2 ♚c5 49.♔h2 ♘f4 50.♚e1 f6
51.♔d2 and the idea Qe3 leaves White
 hopeful. **51...♚a3 52.♔g3? [#] Mistake.**
 Qe3 was best.
 [52.♚e3 ♚a2]
 [52.♚e3 was the crucial defense. ♚a2
 53.♔d5]
52...c3! Black is clearly winning.
53.♔e3?! Inaccuracy. Bxc3 was best.
 [53.♔xc3 ♚xc3 54.♚xc3 ♘e2+
 55.♔f2 ♘xc3 56.♔e3 ♔c4 57.f4
 ♔h6 58.♔c8 ♔h5]
53...♚b2 54.♚f2 c2 Accuracy: White =

45%, Black = 67%.

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♠ **Yuffa,Daniil** **A50**
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 ♣ **Erigaisi Arjun** **2761**
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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 b6 3.♘c3 ♔b7 4.♚c2
♘c6

[RR 4...g6 5.e4 d6 6.♔g5 ♘bd7
 7.♔e2 ♔g7 8.♚d1 0-0 9.♘f3 h6
 10.♔e3 e5 11.0-0 exd4 12.♘xd4 a6
 13.f3 ♚e8 14.♚d2 ♔h7 15.♚fe1 ♘h5
 16.♔f1 ♘e5 17.♘c2 ♚b8 18.♔e2
 ♘d7 19.♘d5 KomodoDragon 3.2
 (3587)-Stockfish dev-20230903-
 b25d68 (3666) tcec-chess.com INT
 2023 ½-½ (75)]

5.♘f3 ♘b4N

[RR 5...e6 6.e4! d6 7.d5 ♘e7
 (Better is 7...♘e5) 8.♔d3 e5 9.♔g5
 ♘g6 (9...♘d7±) 10.♚a4+ ♚d7
 11.♚xd7+ ♔xd7 12.♔xf6 gxf6 13.g3
 a5 14.♔f1 ♔e7 15.♔h3 h5 16.♘b5
 ♔d8 17.♔e2 h4 18.♔f5 ♔c8
 19.♔xg6 fvg6 20.♘xh4 So,W (2757)-
 Pranesh,M (2538) chess.com INT
 2024 1-0 (38)]

6.♚b1 ♔xf3 7.gxf3 g6 8.f4 White is
 better. **8...♔g7 9.♔g2 ♚b8 10.a3 ♘c6**
11.♚d3 0-0 12.e4 e6 13.♔e3?!
 Inaccuracy. Bf3 was best.

[13.♔f3 ♘e7]

[13.♔f3±]

13...♘h5= 14.♔f3 ♚h4! 15.♘e2 a6
16.♚g1 b5 White must now prevent ...
 bxc4. **17.c5 b4! 18.♚g5?!** Inaccuracy.
 e5 was best.

[18.e5 bxa3 19.♚xa3 a5 20.♚g4
 ♚h3 21.♘g1! ♚xh2 22.0-0-0 f5
 23.exf6 ♔xf6]

[18.♚d2= keeps the balance.]

18...bxa3♣ 19.bxa3 ♘xd4?! Inaccuracy.
 Rb5 was best.

[19...♖b5]
 [19...♗xh2 20.0-0-0±]
 [19...♖b5≠ 20.♖d1 ♕h6]
20.♗xd4= Bxh5 is the strong threat.
 [20.♕xd4 ♗xf4 21.♗xf4 ♗xg5≠]
20...♗xf4 21.♕xf4 ♗xf4 22.♖g3! ♗e5
23.♖d1 ♗xc5 24.♔f1
 [24.♕e2=]
24...♖b2
 [24...♖b6≠ 25.♗e2 ♖d6]
25.♕e2 ♖fb8
 [Don't play 25...e5?! 26.♗f3±]
26.♗c4 ♗b6?! Inaccuracy. Qxc4 was best.
 [26...♗xc4 27.♕xc4]
27.♖gd3 c6 28.♗f3 d5! 29.exd5 cxd5
30.♗f4 h6 31.h4 ♖c8 32.♗e5 ♖c7
 With the idea ...Rxe2! **33.♖e3 ♗b7**
34.♗d3?! Inaccuracy. Qf3 was best.
 [34.♗f3 h5 35.♗xg6 fxg6 36.♖xe6 ♖e7 37.♖xe7 ♗xe7 38.♖xd5 ♗xh4 39.♔g2 ♖b6]
 [34.♗f3=]
34...d4!≠ Black has strong compensation.
35.♖e4?? [#] Blunder. Rg3 was best.
 [35.♖g3 e5 36.♗g4 h5 37.♗g5 ♖xe2! 38.♔xe2 ♖c2+ 39.♖d2 ♖c3 40.♗e1 ♗e4+]
 [35.♖h3≠ e5 36.♗g3]
35...♖b5?? Blunder. Rxe2 was best.
 [35...♖xe2!]
 [Black should play 35...♖xe2!+ 36.♔xe2 (36.♖xe2 ♗h1#) 36...g5 37.hxg5 hxg5]
36.♕f3!≠ Hoping for Rxe6! White has counterplay **36...♖f5 37.♗g3 ♖c3**
38.♖f4?? [#] Blunder. h5 was best.
 [38.h5 ♗b3 39.♕e2 g5 40.♔g1 a5 41.a4 ♗xa4 42.♗b8+ ♔h7 43.♗b7 ♗e8]
 [38.h5=]
38...♗b3!+ 39.♖xf5 ♖xd3
 [Inferior is 39...exf5 40.♕e2=]
 [39...gxf5 40.♔e2=]
40.♖xf7? Mistake. Rf4 was best.
 [40.♖f4 ♕e5 41.♔g2 ♖xd1 42.♕xd1

♗d5+ 43.♗f3 ♕xf4 44.♗xd5 exd5
 45.a4 ♕d6]
 [40.♖f4 ♖xd1+ 41.♕xd1 ♗xd1+ 42.♔g2]
40...♖xd1+ Black is clearly winning.
 [Weaker is 40...♔xf7 41.♗f4+ ♔g8 42.♖xd3≠]
41.♔g2 ♔xf7 42.♗c7+ ♔g8
 Accuracy: White = 59%, Black = 79%.
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♕f4 d5
 [RR 3...♕b4+ 4.♗d2 c5 5.e3 d5 6.dxc5 ♕xc5 7.♗gf3 0-0 8.cxd5 ♗xd5 9.♕g3 b6 10.♖c1 ♕b7 11.♕c4 ♗d7 12.0-0 a6 13.♗e2 b5 14.♕d3 ♗5f6 15.♗g5 ♖c8 16.♗ge4 ♗b6 17.♗xc5 ♗xc5 18.♕b1 Erigaisi,A (2762)-Wei Yi (2755) Warsaw POL 2024 1/2-1/2 (47)]
4.cxd5 ♗xd5 5.♕g3 ♗f6N
 [RR 5...♕b4+ 6.♗d2 ♗f6 7.♗gf3 0-0 8.a3 ♕e7 9.e4 c5 10.e5 ♗d5 11.♕d3 cxd4 12.♗e2 ♗c6 13.h4 f5 14.h5 b6 15.♖c1 ♕b7 16.♗b3 ♖c8 17.0-0 ♗d7 18.♖fd1 ♖fd8 19.♕b5 ♗c7 20.♗bxd4 Yeletsky,I (2504)-Gokerkan,C (2523) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (71)]
 [RR 5...c5 6.e4 ♗f6 7.♗d2 cxd4 8.e5 ♗d5 9.♗gf3 ♗c6 10.a3 ♗de7 11.♕d3 ♗f5 12.♕f4 ♕e7 13.h4 ♗xh4 14.♗xh4 ♕xh4 15.♗g4 ♕e7 16.♗xg7 ♖f8 17.♖xh7 ♗a5 18.♔e2 ♕d7 19.♖ah1 0-0-0 20.♖h8 Parpiev,I (2285)-Khrushchiov,A (2347) Odintsovo RUS 2024 1-0 (53)]
 [RR 5...c5 6.e4 ♗f6 7.♗d2 cxd4 8.e5 ♗d5 9.♗gf3 ♗c6 10.a3 ♕e7 11.♕d3 ♕d7 12.♗e2 a6 13.♖c1 b5

14.0-0 ♖c8 15.h4 0-0 16.♘e4 ♘a5
17.♞cd1 b4 18.♘eg5 g6 19.♙xa6
♞a8 20.♞xd4 Vorobiov,E (2412)-
Kuzminykh,N (2028) Sochi RUS 2024
1-0 (33)]
6.♘c3 c5 7.dxc5 ♚xd1+ 8.♞xd1 ♙xc5
9.e4 ♘c6 10.a3 ♙d7 11.h3 ♘d4
12.♙e2 ♙c6 13.b4 ♙d7?? Blunder.
Nc2+ was best.
[13...♘c2+]
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■ Vakhidov,Jakhongir 2599
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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6
5.bxa6 e6 6.♘c3 exd5 7.♘xd5 ♙e7
8.e3 ♘xa6 9.♘xe7 ♚xe7 10.♘f3 0-0
11.♙e2 d5 12.0-0 ♘b4N
[RR 12...♙b7 13.b3 ♘e4 14.♙b2
♞fd8 15.♙d3 ♘b4 16.♙b1 ♙a6
17.♞e1 f6 18.a3 ♘c6 19.♘d2 ♘d6
20.♚c2 ♘f7 21.♚xh7+ ♔f8 22.♘f3
♞ab8 23.♙c2 ♘ce5 24.♘h4 ♚a7
25.♘g6+ ♘xg6 26.♙xg6 ♞xb3
27.♞ab1 Sethuraman,S (2381)-Herrera
Reyes,J (2347) chess.com INT 2024
1-0 (55)]

13.♙d2 ♘xa2 14.♚b1 ♚a7 15.♙d1 c4
16.♙c2 ♙d7 17.♘e5 ♙b5 18.♙c3?!
Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best.
[18.♞d1 ♞fb8 19.♙e1 ♞b6 20.e4
♞a6 21.exd5 ♚b7 22.d6 ♘c3
23.♙xc3 ♞xa1]

18...♞fb8?? Blunder. Nxc3 was best.
[18...♘xc3]
19.♚d1?? Blunder. Bd4 was best.
[19.♙d4 ♚a6 20.f3 g6 21.♞f2 ♘d7
22.♘xd7 ♙xd7 23.f4 f5 24.g4 fxg4]

19...♚b7? Mistake. Nxc3 was best.
[19...♘xc3]
20.♘g4?! Inaccuracy. Rxa2 was best.
[20.♞xa2 ♞xa2 21.♘g4 ♞a6

22.♘xf6+ ♞xf6 23.♙xf6 gxf6 24.♚f3
♔g7 25.♞d1 ♙c6]
20...♘e8?? Blunder. Nxc3 was best.
[20...♘xc3 21.♘xf6+]
21.♞xa2 ♞xa2 22.♘h6+ ♔h8 23.♚h5
f5 24.♙xf5 ♘f6 25.♙xf6 gxf6 26.♘f7+
♔g7 27.♘d6
1-0

□ Royal,Shreyas A77 2463
■ Nihal Sarin 2680
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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.♘c3
exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.♘f3 g6 7.♘d2 ♙g7
8.e4 0-0 9.♙e2 ♞e8 10.0-0 a6 11.a4
♘bd7 12.h3 ♞b8 13.♚c2 ♘e5N

[RR 13...♚c7 14.♞b1 ♘f8 15.b3 ♙d7
16.♙b2 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.♘d1
♞a8 19.♘e3 ♚b6 20.♞a1 h5
21.♞xa8 ♞xa8 22.♞a1 ♞xa1+
23.♙xa1 ♚a5 24.♙c3 ♚a3 25.♚b2
♚xb2 26.♙xb2 ♘8h7 27.f3 ♔f8
28.♔f2 Esmeraldas Huachi,A (2153)-
Baziuk,V (2211) chess.com INT 2024
0-1 (46)]

[RR 13...g5 14.♘c4 ♘e5 15.♘xe5
♞xe5 16.f4 gxf4 17.♙xf4 ♞e8 18.♙g5
♚e7 19.♞f2 ♚e5 20.♙f4 ♚e7 21.e5
dxe5 22.♙g5 ♚d6 23.♙xf6 ♙xf6
24.♘e4 ♚e7 25.♘xf6+ ♔h8
26.♚xh7# 1-0 (26) Vantika,A (2398)-
Kubicka,A (2278) FIDE Online Arena
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14.f4 ♘ed7 15.a5 b5 16.axb6 ♘xb6
17.♘b3 ♘xe4 18.♘xe4 ♘xd5 19.♙f3
♙f5 20.♚d2?? Blunder. Qd1 was best.
[20.♚d1]

20...♞xb3 21.♚xd5 ♞xf3 22.♘f6+ ♙xf6
23.♚xf3 ♚b6 24.♔h2 c4 25.♚g3?!
Inaccuracy. Qd1 was best.
[25.♚d1 ♔g7 26.♞e1 ♙e4 27.♞e2
d5 28.♙e3 d4 29.♙f2 ♚d6 30.♚e1
♚c6]

25...d5 26.♖e1 ♗xe1?! Inaccuracy. Be4 was best.

[26...♙e4 27.♚e3 ♖b5 28.♚a3 ♗e6 29.♚a5 ♖b3 30.♚d2 h5 31.♗e2 ♔h7 32.♗a3]

27.♗xe1 ♙e4 28.♗e2?! Inaccuracy. Ra4 was best.

[28.♗a4]

28...h5 29.♗a2 ♔g7 30.♙e3 ♚d6

31.♙d2 ♚c6 32.g4?! Inaccuracy. Qf2 was best.

[32.♗f2 d4 33.♗a5 ♚d6 34.♗a4 ♙d5 35.♙b4 ♖b6 36.♙c3 ♙e6 37.♗a1 ♙f5]

32...hxg4 33.hxg4 ♔g8?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.

[33...g5 34.♗e3 ♚d6 35.♔g1 ♔g8 36.♔f1 ♙g7 37.f5 ♙f6 38.♔e1 ♙d3 39.♔d1]

34.♗f2 ♗e6?? Blunder. d4 was best.

[34...d4 35.g5 ♙g7 36.♗a5 ♚c8 37.♗a1 ♙c6 38.♗a5 ♙b7 39.♗a1 ♗g4 40.♗g1]

35.g5 ♙g7 36.♙c3 ♙d3 37.♗a1 ♗g4

38.♙xg7 ♔xg7 39.♗xa6 ♙f5 40.♗a3

♗h5+ 41.♔g2 ♚d1 42.♗e3 ♗g4+

43.♔h2 d4 44.♗e8 ♗h5+ 45.♔g1

♚d1+ 46.♔h2 c3 47.bxc3 dxc3

48.♗e3 ♚c2+ 49.♔g3 ♚d3

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■ Fedoseev,Vladimir

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1.e4 d5 2.exd5 ♗xd5 3.♘c3 ♚a5

4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♙f5 6.♙c4 e6 7.♙d2

♙b4 8.a3 ♙xc3 9.♙xc3 ♖b6 10.0-0

♘c6 11.b4

[RR 11.a4 a5 12.h3 0-0 13.♗e2 ♗ad8 14.♗fd1 ♙e4 15.♘d2 ♙xc2 16.♗dc1 ♙g6 17.♘b3 ♘d5 18.♙b5 ♘cb4 19.♙c4 c6 20.♘c5 ♚c7 21.♙b3 ♗fe8 22.♗d1 h6 23.♙e1 ♖b6

24.♗e5 ♘f6 25.♗ac1 ♘bd5 Svane,F (2625)-Mamedyarov,S (2726) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (73)]

11...♙g4N

[RR 11...a6 12.♗e2 0-0 13.h3 ♗ad8 14.♗fd1 ♗d7 15.♘e5 ♘xe5 16.dxe5 ♘d5 17.♙xd5 ♗xd5 18.♗xd5 exd5 19.♗d1 ♗g6 20.g4 ♙xc2 21.♗xd5 ♖c6 22.♗c5 ♗g6 23.♗xc7 ♙e4 24.♗c4 ♙c6 25.♗e2 ♖e6 26.♔h2 Pranav,V (2611)-Quesada Perez,Y (2591) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (40)]

[RR 11...♗d8 12.a4 a5 13.b5 ♘e7 14.♗e1 ♗a8 15.♘e5 ♘ed5 16.♙xd5 ♘xd5 17.♙b2 ♙xc2 18.♗e2 ♙f5 19.♙a3 ♘b4 20.♗ad1 0-0 21.♘d7 ♖d6 22.♘f8 ♗xf8 23.♗e5 ♗d8 24.♗xd6 ♗xd6 25.♗d2 c5 26.♗c1 Turski,B (2334)-Adan Bermudez,S (2293) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (32)]

12.♙b2 0-0-0 13.c3 e5 14.h3 ♙h5?! Inaccuracy. exd4 was best.

[14...exd4 15.cxd4 ♘e5 16.♙e2 ♙xf3 17.♙xf3 ♘xf3+ 18.♗xf3 ♖c6 19.d5 ♗xd5 20.♗e3]

15.♖c2?! Inaccuracy. Re1 was best.

[15.♗e1]

15...♙xf3 16.♗f5+ ♗d7 17.♗xf3 exd4 18.♗g3 ♗hd8 19.cxd4 ♘xd4 20.♗ad1 ♘f5 21.♗b3 ♘d6?! Inaccuracy. Rxd1 was best.

[21...♗xd1 22.♗xd1 ♗xd1+ 23.♗xd1 ♘d6 24.♙d3 a5 25.♙xf6 gxf6 26.♙xh7 axb4 27.♗g4+]

22.♙d3 ♘fe4 23.♖c2 f5 24.♙e5?! Inaccuracy. Bc1 was best.

[24.♙c1]

24...g6 25.♙f4 ♘b5 26.♙xe4 ♘d4 27.♖c4 fxe4 28.♙g5 ♘f3+ 29.gxf3 ♗xd1 30.♙xd8 ♗xd8 31.fxe4 ♖f6 32.♗e2 ♖d4 33.e5 ♗d5 34.♗e1 ♖f4 35.♔g2 h5 36.♗f3 ♗xf3+ 37.♔xf3 ♔d7 38.♔e4 ♔e6 39.f4 ♗d2 40.♗g1 ♔f7 41.♗c1 c6 42.b5 ♗e2+ 43.♔f3 ♗a2 44.bxc6 ♗xa3+ 45.♔e4 bxc6 46.♗xc6 ♗xh3 47.♗c7+ ♔e6 48.♗c6+

♔f7 49.♖f6+ ♔g7 50.♖a6 ♔f7
51.♖xa7+ ♔e6 52.♖a6+ ♔f7 53.♖f6+
♔g7 54.♖b6 ♔f7 55.♖f6+ ♔g7 56.♖d6
♔f7 57.♖f6+
1/2-1/2

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 Nihal Sarin **2680**
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1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/6Xaes2Jz> **1...g6 2.d4 ♖g7 3.♗c3 d6 4.♙e3 a6 5.h4 h6**

[RR 5...♗f6 6.h5 ♗xh5 7.♖xh5 gxh5 8.♖xh5 ♖d7 (8...c5± 9.♙c4 e6 10.dxc5 dxc5) 9.♙e2 c5 10.♗f3 cxd4 11.♗xd4 ♗c6 12.0-0-0 ♗xd4 13.♖xd4 ♖b8 14.♗d5 b5 15.♖d3 ♖b7 16.♖g5 ♖g8 17.♔b1 ♖e6 18.♖c3 ♔f8 19.♖c6 ♖b8 (19...h6± keeps fighting. 20.♖f4 ♙e5 21.♖xh6+ ♙g7 22.♖xe6 ♙xe6) 20.♙g4! Stockfish dev-20230903-b25d68 (3666)-Stoofvlees II b5 (3492) tcechess.com INT 2023 1-0 (66)]

6.♖d2 ♗d7N

[RR 6...b5 7.0-0-0 ♙b7 8.f3 ♗d7 9.♗h3 c5 10.dxc5 ♖c8? (10...dxc5± 11.g4 ♗gf6) 11.♙d4 (White should try 11.cxd6+- exd6 12.♖xd6) 11...e5 12.♙e3! dxc5 13.h5 ♗e7 (13...g5± was worth a try.) 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.♗f2 h5 16.♙g5 ♗f6 17.♖xd8+ ♖xd8 18.♖xd8+ ♔xd8 19.♗d3 (19.a4+-) 19...♗d7 20.♙e2 ♙h6 21.♙xh6 Timmermans, M (2394)-Hungaski, R (2471) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (79)]
 [RR 6...b5 7.a4 b4 8.♗d5 a5 9.f3 e6 10.♗f4 ♗e7 11.♗fe2 (11.0-0-0±) 11...♗d7 12.g4 (12.♗g3= remains equal.) 12...♙a6 13.b3 (13.♗g3±) 13...c5 14.♖d1 c4 15.h5 g5! 16.f4 gxf4 17.♙xf4 ♗f6 18.♖e3 d5 (18...♗xg4± 19.♖g3 f5)

19.♙e5? (19.e5= ♗e4 20.♗g3) 19...cxb3 20.cxb3 dxe4 21.g5 Pietrzak, W (1754)-Choroszej, A (1899) Warsaw POL 2024 0-1 (38)]
 [RR 6...b5 7.0-0-0 ♙b7 8.f3 ♗d7 9.g4 ♗gf6 10.♗h3 ♗b6 11.♖g1 b4 12.♗b1 a5 13.♙b5+ ♗fd7 14.♗f2 (14.h5± keeps the upper hand.) 14...c6 15.♙e2 ♖c7 16.f4 c5 17.♙b5 (White should play 17.d5±) 17...♙c6 18.♖e2 (18.♙f1±) 18...cxd4 19.♙xd4 ♙xb5 20.♖xb5 ♖c8 21.c3 Pirvulescu, E (2044)-Garcia Martin, M (2349) lichess.org 2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/6Xaes2Jz] 0-1 (35)]

7.a4 ♗gf6 8.f3 White is better. **8...c5 9.dxc5 dxc5 10.♗ge2 ♖a5 11.♗c1 ♖c7 12.a5 ♗e5 13.♗b3 ♙e6 14.♗xc5 ♙c4 [#] 15.♗d3! ♗c6 16.♙b6 ♖g3+ 17.♖f2 ♗h5 18.♖h3 ♖d6**

[18...♖xf2± is a better defense. 19.♔xf2 (19.♗xf2 ♙e6±; 19.♙xf2 ♙xd3 20.cxd3 ♗f4±) 19...♖c8]

19.♖c5 ♙xd3 20.♖xd6

[Inferior is 20.♙xd3 ♖xc5 21.♙xc5 ♗f4=]

20...exd6 21.cxd3

[Much worse is 21.♙xd3?! ♗f4±]

21...♖c8 22.♔d2 ♙e5?! [#] Inaccuracy. Nf4 was best.

[22...♗f4 23.g3 ♗e6 24.♖h2 0-0 25.♙h3 f5 26.f4 ♗c5 27.♙xc5 dxc5 28.h5]

[22...♗f4± was called for.]

23.♖a4!+- ♗f4 24.♖h1 ♗e6 25.♙e2 h5 26.♖c4 ♔d7?! Inaccuracy. O-O was best.

[26...0-0 27.♗d5]

[△26...0-0 27.♔e3 ♙f4+ 28.♔f2 ♙e5]

27.♙d1 ♙f4+ 28.♔e2 ♙e5 29.♙a4 ♗f4+?! Inaccuracy. Ke7 was best.

[29...♔e7 30.♔e3 ♔f8 31.d4 ♙f4+ 32.♔d3 ♔g7 33.♗d5 ♗b8 34.♙c7 ♔h6 35.b3]

30.♔d2 ♗xg2 31.♗d5 ♔e6 32.d4 ♙f6

33.♔e2 g5 34.hxg5 ♕xg5 35.♖g1
Accuracy: White = 91%, Black = 54%.
1-0

♖ B10
♘ Klimkowski,Jan 2517
♚ Idani,Pouya 2605
Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.e4 c6 2.♘f3 d5 3.♘c3 dxe4 4.♘xe4
♘f6 5.♖e2 ♘xe4 6.♖xe4 ♘d7 7.d4
♘f6 8.♖d3 g6 9.♕e2 ♕g7 10.0-0 0-0
11.♖e1N

[RR 11.h3 ♕f5 12.♖b3 ♖c7 13.c4
a5 14.a4 ♖d6 15.♕e3 ♘d7 16.♖fd1
♖b4 17.♖xb4 axb4 18.♘e1 c5
19.g4 ♕e4 20.f3 ♕c6 21.b3 cxd4
22.♕xd4 ♕xd4+ 23.♖xd4 ♘c5 24.♖b1
e5 25.♖dd1 e4 Efroimski,M (2449)-
Elmi,S (2323) Kragero NOR 2024 ½-½
(56)]

[RR 11.c4 a5 12.♕f4 a4 13.h3 ♖e8
14.♘e5 ♕f5 15.♖e3 ♘d7 16.♘f3 c5
17.d5 e6 18.d6 e5 19.♕h2 e4
20.♘d2 ♕d4 21.♖a3 e3 22.♘f3
exf2+ 23.♔h1 ♖xe2 24.♘xd4 cxd4
25.♖f3 ♖xb2 Garcia Martin,M (2342)-
Kosteniuk,A (2501) Monaco MNC
2024 0-1 (31)]

11...♖c7 12.a4 ♕f5 13.♖b3 c5 14.c3
♕e4 15.dxc5 ♖xc5 16.♕f4 a6 17.♘e5
♖ac8 18.♖ad1 ♘d5 19.♕g3 ♕xe5
20.♕xe5 ♘e3 21.fxe3 ♖xe5 22.♖d4?!
Inaccuracy. Bf1 was best.

[22.♕f1]

22...♕c2 23.♖xb7? Mistake. Qd5 was
best.

[23.♖d5]

23...♖xe3+ 24.♔f1 ♖c5 25.g4?!
Inaccuracy. Qxa6 was best.

[25.♖xa6 ♖e5 26.a5 ♕e4 27.♖xe4
♖xe4 28.♖b6 ♖f5+ 29.♖f2 ♖xa5
30.b4 ♖a3]

25...e5 26.♖b4?! Inaccuracy. Bf3 was
best.

[26.♕f3 ♕d3+ 27.♖xd3 ♖xd3+
28.♔g1 ♖d2 29.♖e2 ♖d1+ 30.♔g2
♖xa4 31.h4 ♖b5]

26...a5 27.♖b5 ♕e4 28.♖xe4 ♖xe4
29.♖xc5 ♖h1+
0-1

♖ B10
♘ Nguyen,Thai Dai Van 2649
♚ Yuffa,Daniil 2617
Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.e4 c6 2.♘f3 d5 3.d3 dxe4 4.dxe4
♖xd1+ 5.♔xd1 ♘f6 6.♘bd2

[RR 6.♘fd2 g5 7.a4 h5 8.♘c3 h4
9.h3 g4 10.hxg4 ♕xg4+ 11.♔e1
(11.f3±) 11...♕g7 12.♕c4 h3 13.gxh3
♖xh3? (13...♕h6±) 14.♖xh3?
(14.♖g1!+-) 14...♕xh3 15.♘f3 ♕g4
16.♘e5 ♕h5 17.♕f4 ♘bd7 18.♘d3
♘g4 19.a5 ♘ge5 20.♘xe5 ♘xe5
Niemann,H (2676)-Firouzja,A (2760)
chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (53)]

6...g6 7.a4 b6N

[RR 7...♕g4 8.c3 ♕xf3+ 9.gxf3 ♕h6!
10.♘c4 ♕xc1 11.♔xc1 ♘bd7 12.♔d2
♘b6 13.a5 (13.♔e3=) 13...♘xc4+!
14.♕xc4 e5 15.b4 ♔e7 16.♔c2
♖hd8 17.♖hd1 ♘h5 18.b5 cxb5
19.♕xb5 ♘f4 20.♖ab1 ♖xd1 21.♖xd1
♖d8! 22.♖b1 Bartel,M (2651)-Petkidis,
A (2429) Viernheim GER 2024 ½-½]

[RR 7...♕g7 8.♕c4 0-0 9.h3 a5
10.♘e1 (10.c3±) 10...b6 11.♘d3
♕a6 12.f3 (12.♕xa6± ♘xa6 13.♘c4)
12...b5 13.axb5 (13.♕b3±) 13...cxb5
14.♕b3 (14.♕a2± e6 15.♘b3)
14...♘c6? (14...a4!+- 15.♕a2 ♖d8)
15.♘c5? (Better is 15.e5= ♘e8
16.♕d5) 15...♕c8 16.c3 ♖d8 17.♔e2
♘d7 18.♘d3 (18.♕d5± ♘xc5
19.♕xc6) 18...♘de5 (18...♘b6+
is more deadly. 19.♘b1 b4) 19.♘f4
(19.♘xe5± was worth a try. ♘xe5
20.♕d5) 19...♕a6 20.♕d5 e6

21.♔a2? (21.♔xc6 was the only chance. b4+ 22.♙f2 ♖xc6 23.♗b1) 21...g5 22.♗h5 Luke Brezmes,C (2067)-Gruca,M (2198) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (55)]

8.♗e5 White is slightly better. 8...♔g7 9.♗d3 0-0 10.f3 ♗a6 11.c3 ♗e8 12.♔c2 ♗d6 13.♔e2 e5 14.b3 f5 15.♗f2 ♗c7 16.♗c4 ♗xc4 17.♔xc4+ ♔e6 18.♔xe6+ ♗xe6 19.♖e1 ♖ad8 20.♗d3 fxe4 21.♖xe4 ♖xd3 Remove Defender, Decoy 22.♗xd3 ♗c5+ Double Attack 23.♔e2 ♗xe4 24.fxe4± Endgame KRB-KRB 24...♖b8 25.♔e3 ♔f6 26.b4 ♔f7 27.a5 ♔e6 28.axb6 axb6 29.♖a6 ♔d8 30.♖a7 ♔e7 31.♖a6 ♔d8 32.♖a7?! Inaccuracy. Kd3 was best.

[32.♔d3 h5 33.c4 ♔d7 34.♖a7+ ♔c7 35.♔c3 ♔c8 36.♔g5 ♔d7 37.h3 ♖e8]

32...♔e7 33.g3 b5 34.h4 ♖d8 35.♔c5 ♖d7 36.♖a6 ♖c7 37.♖a8 ♔xc5 38.bxc5= KR-KR 38...♖b7 39.♖e8+ ♔d7 40.♖xe5 ♖a7 41.h5 ♖a3 42.hxg6 hxg6 43.♔d2 b4 44.cxb4 aiming for Rg5. 44...♖xg3 45.♔e2 ♖b3 46.♖g5 ♔e6?? Blunder. Rxb4 was best.

[46...♖xb4 47.♔d3 ♖b3+ 48.♔c4 ♖a3 49.♖xg6 ♖a4+ 50.♔d3 ♖a3+ 51.♔d4 ♖a4+]

[46...♖xb4= and Black is okay. 47.♔d3 (47.♖xg6 ♖xe4+ 48.♔d3 ♖e1=) 47...♖b5]

47.♖xg6+- ♔e5 48.♖xc6 ♖xb4 49.♔d3! White is clearly winning.

49...♖d4+ 50.♔c3 Threatens to win with Re6+! 50...♖xe4 [#] intending ...Kd5.

51.♖d6! ♖h4 52.♔b3 ♖g4 53.♖d8 ♔e6 [#]

[♟53...♖g1 54.♔b4 ♖c1]

54.c6! ♖g7 55.♔b4 ♖a7 56.♔c5

[♟56.♔b5 ♖h7 57.♔b6]

56...♔e7 57.♖d1 ♖a2?! Inaccuracy. Ra3 was best.

[57...♖a3 58.♔b6 (♟58.c7 ♖c3+

59.♔b6)]

58.c7 ♖c2+ 59.♔b6 ♖b2+ 60.♔c6 White wants to mate with Rc1. 60...♖c2+ 61.♔b7 ♖b2+ 62.♔c8 Accuracy: White = 83%, Black = 60%.

1-0

♐ Safarli,Eltaj B10 2594
♜ Samant Aditya S 2499
Sharjah Master 2024 15.05.2024

1.e4 c6 2.♗f3 d5 3.d3 dxe4 4.dxe4 ♖xd1+ 5.♗xd1 ♗f6 6.♗bd2 g6 7.♗e5 ♔h6 8.♔c4 0-0 9.f3 b5N

[RR 9...♗bd7 10.♗d3 b5 11.♔b3 a5 12.a4 ♔xd2 13.♔xd2 b4 14.♖e1 e5 15.♔c4 ♔a6 16.♔xa6 ♖xa6 17.♔e3 ♖c8 18.c4 c5 19.♔c2 ♔f8 20.♖ad1 ♖c7 21.♖e2 ♗e8 22.♗c1 ♗d6 23.b3 ♔e7 24.♖ed2 Zhao,C (2421)-Wu,W (1818) Qingdao CHN 2024 1-0 (40)]

10.♔e2 ♖d8 11.a4 b4 12.♔c4 e6 13.a5 ♗fd7 14.♗d3 c5 15.♔b5 ♔xd2 16.♔xd2 ♔a6 17.♔xa6 ♗xa6 18.♔e2 f6 19.g4 ♖ab8 20.g5 f5 21.♔f4 c4 22.♗e5 ♗xe5 23.♔xe5 ♖b7 24.♖hd1 ♖bd7 25.♖xd7 ♖xd7 26.♖d1 ♖xd1 27.♗xd1 ♔f7 28.♔d2 fxe4 29.fxe4 ♗c5 30.♔e3 b3 31.cxb3 ♗xb3 32.a6 ♔e7 33.♔d4 ♔d7 34.♔xa7 ♔c6 35.♔f4 ♔b5 36.♔e3 ♔xa6 37.♔e5 ♔b5 38.♔xe6 ♗a1 39.♔d5 ♗c2 40.♔d2 1-0

♐ Adhiban,B. B12 2520
♜ Idani,Pouya 2605
Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 ♔f5 4.♗c3 e6 5.g4 ♔g6 6.♗ge2 ♔e7 7.♗f4 ♗d7 8.♔e3 ♖b6 9.♖b1 c5?! Inaccuracy. Bg5

was best. White is slightly better.

[9...♙g5]

10.♙b5 0-0-0 11.0-0 ♖h6? [#] Mistake. Nb8 was best.

[11...♗b8 12.b4 cxb4 13.♙e2 ♖a5 14.♗b5 a6 15.♗xg6 hxg6 16.♗a7+ ♗c7 [#] 17.a3!]

[11...♗b8±]

12.dxc5!+- ♖c7 13.♗cxd5 exd5 14.♗xd5 Double Attack 14...♗xe5?! Inaccuracy. Nxc5 was best.

[14...♗xc5 15.♗xc7 ♖xd1 16.♖bxd1 ♗xc7 17.h3 a6 18.♙c4 ♖e8 19.♖fe1 b5 20.♙f1]

[14...♗xc5 was necessary. 15.♗xc7 ♖xd1 16.♖bxd1 (16.♖fxd1 ♗xc7 17.b4 a6±) 16...♗xc7]

15.♗xc7 ♖xd1 16.♖bxd1

[Weaker is 16.♖fxd1 ♗hxg4 17.♗d5 ♙f8±]

16...♙xc2 17.♗d5 ♙h4 18.♖c1 ♙e4 19.♗c3 ♙f3 20.♙xh6 gxh6 21.♙e2 h5 22.♙xf3 ♗xf3+ 23.♗g2 hxg4 24.♗b5 a6 25.♗d6+ White is winning. 25...♗c7 26.h3

[26.♗xf7 ♖f8±]

26...h5 27.hxg4 hxg4 28.♖h1

[Less strong is 28.♗xf7 ♖f8+-]

28...♖f8 29.♖c4 f5 30.♖f4 Accuracy: White = 100%, Black = 47%.

1-0

B12

♘ Esipenko,Andrey 2703

♙ Daneshvar,Bardiya 2581

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1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.♗f3 cxd4 5.♖xd4 ♗c6 6.♖f4 e6 7.♗c3 ♗b4 8.♙d3 White is slightly better. 8...♗xd3+ 9.cxd3 ♗e7 10.h4 ♗g6 11.♖g3 h5 12.♙g5N

[RR 12.0-0 ♙d7 13.♖e1 ♙c6 14.d4 ♖b6 15.♗g5 ♗e7 16.♖f4 ♗f5 17.♗e2! ♙e7 18.♗g3! ♙xg5 19.♖xg5

♗xg3 20.♖xg7 0-0-0 21.♖xg3 ♖xd4 22.♙g5 ♖d7 23.♖a3 (Better is 23.♖e2) 23...♖a4 24.♖xa4 ♙xa4 25.b3 ♙b5 26.♖ad1 d4 Syrov,A (2212)-Miller,E (2353) Baden Baden GER 2024 1-0 (78)]

12...♖b6 13.0-0 ♙d7 14.♖fc1 ♖c8 15.d4 ♙c6?! Inaccuracy. Qa6 was best.

[15...♖a6]

[15...♖xb2= 16.♖ab1 ♖a3 17.♖xb7 ♙b4]

16.♖c2 ♖a6 17.♗d1?! Inaccuracy. Rac1 was best.

[17.♖ac1 ♙a4 (17...♙d7± is a better defense.) 18.♗xa4 ♖xc2 19.♖xc2 ♖xa4 20.♖c7! ♙b4 21.♖xb7 0-0 [#] 22.a3! ♙a5]

[17.♗e1±]

17...♖d3 18.♖ac1 a6 19.a3 ♖e4 20.♗e3 ♙e7! 21.♙xe7 ♗xe7 22.♖g5+ f6 23.♖g3 And now Nd2 would win. 23...♗f7 24.♖c3 ♖f4 25.♖xf4 ♗xf4 26.♖1c2 ♗e7 27.g3 ♗g6 28.exf6+ gxf6 29.♗e1 ♗d6 30.f3 ♗e7 31.♗f2 e5 32.♖d2 ♙a4 33.♖xc8 ♖xc8 34.g4 hxg4 35.fxg4 ♗e6 36.h5 ♖g8 37.♗f3 ♙e8 38.♖d1 ♙f7 39.♖e1 ♗c6 40.♖d1

[White should play 40.h6±]

40...♗xd4 41.♗xd4+ exd4 42.♖xd4= Endgame KRB-KRN 42...♗e5 43.♗f5 ♙e6 44.♖b4 Threatens to win with Ne7. 44...♙xf5 45.gxf5 KR-KR 45...♖h8 46.♖xb7 ♖xh5 47.b4 ♖h2+ 48.♗e1?? [#] Blunder. Kg3 was best.

[48.♗g3]

[48.♗g3= and White is okay. ♖h1 49.♖b6]

48...♖a2!+-

[Less strong is 48...♗xf5 49.♖a7±]

49.♖a7 ♖xa3 50.b5 a5 51.♗d2 a4 52.b6 ♖b3 53.♖xa4 ♖xb6 54.♖a5 ♖b3 55.♗e2 ♗e4 56.♗d2 d4 57.♖a6 ♗xf5 58.♖a8 ♗f4 59.♖d8 [#] 59...d3! Black mates. 60.♖d4+

[60.♖xd3 ♖xd3+]

60...♗f3 61.♖d5 ♗e4 62.♖d8 f5

63.♖e8+ ♔f3 64.♖f8 f4 65.♖f7 ♔g3
66.♖f8 ♖a3 67.♖f7 f3 68.♔e3 ♔g2
69.♔d2?! Inaccuracy. Rg7+ was best.

[69.♖g7+ ♔f1]

69...f2 70.♖g7+ ♔f1 71.♖g8 ♖a2+
72.♔d1?! Inaccuracy. Kxd3 was best.

[72.♔xd3 ♔e1 73.♖e8+ ♔d1 74.♖f8
♖a3+ 75.♔d4 ♔e2 76.♖e8+ ♔f3
77.♖f8+ ♔g2]

72...♖e2 73.♖g7 ♖e3 74.♔d2 ♖h3
75.♖g8?? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Rg5 was best.

[75.♖g5 ♖h4 76.♔xd3 ♖f4 77.♔e3
♖f7 78.♔d2 ♖f8 79.♖g7 ♖d8+
80.♔c2 ♖d5]

75...♖h2 76.♖g3?! Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Kxd3 was best.

[76.♔xd3 ♖g2]

76...♖g2 77.♔c3 Accuracy: White =
71%, Black = 88%.

0-1

♖ Vokhidov,Shamsiddin 2591
♜ Maghsoodloo,Parham 2732
Sharjah Master 2024 (1.2) 14.05.2024

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 ♖f5 4.h4 h5
5.♔d3 ♔xd3 6.♖xd3 ♖a5+ 7.♔d2 e6
8.♔gf3 White is slightly better. 8...♖a6
9.c4 ♔b4 10.0-0 ♔e7 11.b3 c5
12.♔b2N

[RR 12.dxc5 ♔bc6 (12...♔d7=
remains equal.) 13.♖c2 dxc4
(13...♔xd2± 14.♔xd2 dxc4) 14.♔xc4
♔xc5 [#] 15.♔e3! ♔a3 16.b4 b5?
(16...♔xb4 17.♖b3 ♔c2) 17.♔d6+
♔f8 18.♔c5 ♔xb4 19.♔g5 ♔xc5
20.♖xc5 ♖b6 21.♖xb6 axb6
22.♔dxf7 ♖g8 23.♔d6 (♭23.♖ac1)
23...♔g6? (23...♔d5 might work
better. 24.♔xb5 ♔e7) 24.f4 ♔e7
25.♔xb5 ♔xh4 26.♖ac1 ♖gc8
Popov,K (2364)-Hammer,J (2612)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (31)]

12...cxd4 13.♔xd4 ♔bc6 14.♔xc6
♔xc6 15.♖fd1 0-0 16.♖f3 ♖a5
17.cxd5 [#] Black must now prevent Nc4.

17...exd5 18.♔f1 aiming for a3. 18...d4!
19.♖xh5 ♔c3 20.♔xc3 dxc3 21.♔e3
♖ad8 22.♖g5 ♖fe8 23.♔g4 ♖xd1+
24.♖xd1 Nf6+ is the strong threat. The
position is equal. 24...♔f8 25.♔f6↑

White has good play. 25...♖d8 26.♔d7+
♔e8 27.♖xg7 ♖xd7 28.♖h8+ ♔e7
29.♖f6+ ♔e8 30.♖h8+! ♔e7

Accuracy: White = 84%, Black = 92%.

1/2-1/2

♖ Samant Aditya S 2499
♜ Moroni,Luca Jr 2580
Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 ♖f5 4.♔f3 e6
5.♔e2 ♔d7 6.0-0 a5 7.a4 f6 8.♔bd2
♔h6 White is slightly better. 9.♔b3 ♔f7!
10.♖e1 g5 11.h3N

[RR 11.♔d2 ♔g7 12.♔d3 ♔xd3
13.cxd3 0-0 14.exf6 ♖xf6 15.h3 e5
16.♔c3 ♖f4 17.♔xa5 e4 18.♔d2 ♖f5
19.dxe4 dxe4 20.♔h2 ♔d6 21.♔e3
(♭21.♖e2) 21...♔f6 22.♖f1
(White should play 22.a5±) 22...h5
23.♖c1 (23.a5±) 23...♖g6 24.♔c5
♔d5 25.♖b3 (25.g4f) 25...♖f7
Willow,J (2446)-Panda,S (2377)
Fagernes NOR 2024 1/2-1/2 (91)]
[11.c4±]

11...♔g7 12.exf6 ♖xf6 13.♔d2 h5
Threatens to win with ...g4. 14.♔e5?!
Inaccuracy. c4 was best.

[14.c4! g4 15.cxd5 gxf3 16.dxc6
fxe2 17.cxd7+ ♔f8! 18.♖xe2 ♖d8!
19.♔c5 b6!]
[14.c4!±]

14...♔fxe5 15.dxe5 ♖g6 16.♔d4 ♔e4
17.f3 ♔xe5 18.♔xc6?! Inaccuracy. Bc3
was best.

[18.♔c3!]

[18.♔c3!= remains equal.]

18...bxc6

[Of course not 18...♔xb2?! 19.fxe4 bxc6 20.exd5!±]

19.fxe4 g4

[Much worse is 19...♔xb2?! 20.exd5 cxd5 21.♔d3±]

20.h4 ♖f6? Mistake. O-O was best.

[20...0-0]

[Don't play 20...dxe4 21.♖f1

[20...0-0 White must now prevent ... Qf6. 21.exd5 exd5]

21.♔c3! ♗xc3 22.bxc3 0-0

[22...♗xe4! 23.♔d3 0-0

23.exd5 ♗xd5 24.♖d4 ♗f4 25.♔d3

♗xd3 26.cxd3 ♖ad8 27.♖c4 ♖f6??

Blunder. Qf5 was best.

[27...♖f5 28.♖xe6+ ♖xe6 29.♖xe6 ♖xd3 30.♖xc6 g3 31.♖c5 ♖f4

32.♖g5+ ♔h7 33.♖xh5+]

[27...♖f5= keeps the balance.]

28.♖xc6± ♖xd3? Mistake. Qxd3 was best.

[28...♖xd3 28...g3 1.57 29.♖xe6 ♖e3+ 30.♖xe3 ♖xc6 31.♖b1 ♖c5 [#]

32.♔h2! ♔f7 [#] 33.♖f1+! ♔g6 34.♖e6+]

[28...g3±]

29.♖e5+ And now Rg5 would win.

29...♖d5 30.♖xd5 exd5 31.♖xd5+

Endgame Double Attack. KQR-KQR

31...♔h7 32.♖xa5 g3 33.♖e5 ♖f5

34.♖d4 ♖f7 35.a5 aiming for a6.

35...♖f5?! Inaccuracy. Rf6 was best.

[35...♖f6 36.♖e3 ♔g7 37.a6 ♖xa6 38.♖e7+ ♔g8 39.♖d8+ ♔h7

40.♖c7+ ♔h6 41.♖xa6]

[35...♖e7 was worth a try. 36.♔h1

♖e8 37.♖d3+ ♖g6 38.♖xg6+ ♔xg6]

36.a6 White is clearly winning.

36...♖d7?? [#] Checkmate is now

unavoidable. Rf8 was best.

[36...♖f8 37.♖e3 ♖f6 38.♖xg3 ♖b6+ 39.♔h1 ♖f7 40.♖d3+ ♔g7 41.♖d4+ ♖xd4 42.cxd4]

37.♖xd7+! Remove Defender, Promotion

37...♖xd7 38.a7 Accuracy: White = 74%, Black = 49%.

1-0

B12
 Aditya Mittal **2607**
 Erdogmus,Yagiz Kaan **2553**
 Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.♗f3 cxd4 5.♖xd4 ♗c6 6.♖f4 f6N

[RR 6...e6 7.♔d3 ♗b4 8.♗c3 (RR 8.0-0 ♗xd3 9.cxd3 ♗e7 10.♗c3 ♗g6 11.♖g3 ♔e7 12.♗e2 0-0 13.♗f4 ♔d7 14.♗xg6 fxg6 15.h4 ♖c8 16.♔g5 ♔xg5 17.♖xg5 ♖b6 18.♖e3)

A) RR 8...♔d7

A1) RR 9.♔d2 h6 10.h4 ♗xd3+

11.cxd3 ♗e7 12.h5 ♗c6

(12...♖b6= remains equal.)

13.♗b5 (13.a3±) 13...a6

14.♗d6+ (14.♗bd4±) 14...♔xd6!

15.exd6 ♖f6 16.d4 ♖xf4

17.♔xf4 f6 18.♔d2 ♔f7 19.♖ac1

♖hc8 20.♖c3;

A2) 9.h4 h5

A2a) RR 10.♗e2 ♖c8

11.♗ed4 ♗xd3+ 12.cxd3

♖a5+ (12...♗h6=) 13.♔d2

♖a6 14.0-0 ♖xd3 15.♖ac1

♔c5? (15...♗h6±) 16.♖c3

♖a6 17.♖fc1 b6 18.b4 ♔xd4

19.♖xc8+ ♔xc8 20.b5 ♖b7

21.♗xd4 ♗e7 22.♔b4 0-0

23.♔d6;

A2b) 10.0-0±;

A2c) 10.♖g3 ♗e7 11.♗d4

♖b6 12.a3 ♗xd3+ 13.♖xd3

♗g6 14.f4 ♖c8 15.♗ce2 ♔c5

16.b3 ♖a6 17.♖xa6 bxa6

18.♔d2 ♔b5 19.♗xb5 axb5

20.b4 (20.c3) 20...♔b6

21.a4 bxa4 22.♔d1 ♖c4

23.♖xa4;

B) 8...♖xd3+ 9.cxd3 ♔d7 10.♔d2 ♖c8 11.h4 h5 12.0-0 ♗h6 (12...♗e7±) 13.♖ac1 (White should play 13.♗e2±) 13...♗f5 14.♗e2 ♕b5 (♖14...♖xc1 15.♖xc1 ♔e7) 15.♖xc8 ♖xc8 16.♖c1 ♖d7 17.♖c3 (♖17.♕b4) 17...♔e7 18.♗ed4 ♗xd4 19.♗xd4 0-0 20.♖f3 ♕a6 (Black should try 20...a6±) 21.♖xh5 Gokhale,R (2079)-Arias,J (2339) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (38)]

[RR 6...g6 7.♗c3 d4 8.♗b5 ♕h6 9.♖h4 ♕xc1 10.♖xc1 a6 11.♗bxd4 ♗xe5 12.♔e2 ♖a5+ 13.c3 ♗f6 14.0-0 ♗xf3+ 15.♗xf3 ♖xa2 (15...0-0=) 16.♖fe1 (16.♕c4± ♖xb2 17.♖ce1 ♖xc3 18.♖e3) 16...0-0 17.♖b4 ♗d5 (17...a5= 18.♖xe7 ♗g7) 18.♖d4 e6? (18...♗c7± is a better defense.) 19.c4 ♗b4 20.♗g5 h6 21.♗e4! Firouzja,A (2760)-Fedoseev,V (2690) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (51)]

[RR 6...g6 7.♗c3 ♕h6 (7...d4± 8.♕c4 ♕f5) 8.♖g3 (8.♖a4±) 8...♕xc1 9.♖xc1 d4 10.♗e4 ♖a5+ 11.♗ed2 ♗h6 12.♕c4 ♗f5 13.♖f4 g5 14.♖xg5 ♗xe5 15.0-0 ♗xc4 16.♗xc4 ♖d5! 17.♗ce5 h6! 18.♖f4 f6! 19.♗d3 e5 20.♖fe1 0-0! 21.♖d2 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Erdogmus,Y (2554) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (40) (21.♖g4+= ♗h7 22.♗b4)]

[RR 6...e6 7.♕d3 ♗b4 8.♗c3 ♗xd3+ 9.cxd3 ♗e7 10.h4 h5 11.♕d2 ♗f5 12.♗e2 ♖b6 13.♕c3 ♖a6 14.♖d2 ♕e7 ½-½ (14) Liu,E (2332)-Galyas,M (2423) Sunnyvale USA 2024]

[RR 6...e6 7.♕d3 ♗b4 8.♗c3 ♗xd3+ 9.cxd3 ♗e7 10.h4 h5 11.♕d2 ♗f5 12.♗e2 ♕d7 13.♖h3 (13.♗g3±) 13...♖b6 14.♕c3 g6 15.♗f1 ♖c8 16.♗ed4 ♕b5 17.♗g5 ♕c5 18.♗xf5 gxf5 19.a4 d4 20.axb5 dxc3 21.bxc3 Mahdavi,R (2353)-Muthaiah AL (2493) Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024 1-0

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[6...g6=]

7.♖g3

[Better is 7.♕b5±]

7...g5= 8.♕b5 The position is equal.

8...♗h6 9.♗d4 ♖b6 10.c3 ♗f5

11.♕xc6+ ♖xc6 12.♗xf5 ♕xf5 13.0-0 h5 14.exf6 exf6 15.h4? Mistake. Qf3 was best.

[15.♖f3 ♖d7 16.♖e1+ ♗f7 17.♖d1 h4 18.♕e3 ♖e8 19.♗d2 ♕d6 20.♖b3 ♕b8]

[15.♖f3 ♖e6 16.♖e3]

15...gxh4?! Inaccuracy. O-O-O was best.

[15...0-0-0 16.♖f3 ♖d7 17.♗a3 gxh4 18.♕f4 b6 19.♖ac1 ♕c5 20.♖ce1 ♕e4 21.♖xe4]

16.♖xh4 0-0-0 17.♕e3? Mistake. Bf4 was best.

[17.♕f4 ♖g8! 18.f3 ♖e8! 19.♗h1 ♖e2 20.♗d2 ♖exg2 21.♖f2 ♖xf2 22.♖xf2 ♕c5]

[17.♕f4 ♖ was necessary. ♖g8 18.g3 (18.♖xh5? ♕e4 ♖)]

17...♖g8+ Hoping for ...d4. **18.♕d4 ♕d6 19.♗d2 ♖g6 20.f4**

[Don't play 20.♕xf6 ♖xf6! 21.♗f3 (21.♖xf6? loses. ♕h2+ Discovered Attack 22.♗xh2 ♖xf6+) 21...♖g6+]

[20.♖xh5 ♖g5+]

20...♖dg8 21.♖f2 ♖d7?! Inaccuracy. Qe8 was best.

[21...♖e8 22.a4]

22.♕xf6?! [#] Inaccuracy. Re1 was best.

[22.♖e1]

[♖22.♖e1]

22...♖g4! 23.♖xh5 ♕xf4 24.♕d4?! Inaccuracy. Re1 was best.

[24.♖e1 ♕g6 25.♖h3 ♕g3 26.♖ee2 ♕xf2+ 27.♖xf2 ♕f5 28.♖e3 b6 29.♖e7 ♖xe7]

24...♖4g5 25.♖e2 ♕h3 ...Bxg2 is the strong threat. **26.♗f1??** Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rxf4 was best.

[26.♖xf4 ♖xg2+ 27.♖xg2 ♕xg2 28.♖af1 ♕f3+ 29.♗f2 ♖g2+ 30.♗e1

(Δ 30.♔e3 ♕e6+ 31.♘e4 dxe4
32.♟f2) 30...♕e6+ 31.♘e4 dxe4]
[Δ 26.♟e1 ♖xg2 27.♟xg2 ♟xg2+
28.♗xg2 ♟xg2+ 29.♔xg2 ♖xd2
30.♟e2 ♗g4+ 31.♔f1 ♗f3+ 32.♟f2
♗h1+ 33.♔e2]

26...♖xg2 (-> ...Bf3+) 27.♟xg2 ♗h3
Black mates. 28.♟xg5 ♟xg5+ 29.♔f2
♗h4+ 30.♘g3 ♖xg3+ 31.♔e3??
Checkmate is now unavoidable. Kf3 was
best.

[31.♔f3 ♗f4+ 32.♔g2 ♖e1+ 33.♔h1
♗h4+ 34.♗h2 ♗e4+ 35.♗g2 ♗xg2#]

31...♖f4+ 32.♔d3 ♗h7+ Accuracy:
White = 41%, Black = 79%.

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□ Samant Aditya S

■ Seemann,Jakub

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1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 ♖f5 4.♘f3 e6
5.♖e2 ♘d7 6.0-0 a5

[RR 6...♟c8 7.b3 h6 8.c4 ♖b4 9.♖a3
♗a5 10.♖b2 ♗d8 11.♘a3 ♘e7
12.♘c2 ♖xc2 13.♗xc2 0-0 14.♖d3
f6 15.a3 ♖a5 16.♗e2 fxe5 17.dxe5
♖b6 18.♘d4 ♖xd4 19.♖xd4 ♘f5
20.♖c3 a5 21.♟ac1]

7.♘c3

[RR 7.♘e1 c5 8.c3 ♘e7 9.♘a3
♘c6 10.♘b5 ♖e7 11.♖d3 ♖xd3
12.♘d3 a4 13.♗g4 ♔f8 14.♖e3
cxd4 15.cxd4 ♟a5 16.♘c3 h5
17.♗d1 a3 18.b3 g6 19.♘e2 ♔g7
20.♟c1 ♗b6 21.♟c2 ♟aa8

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V (2690) chess.com INT 2024 0-1
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[RR 7.a4 f6 8.c4 fxe5 (RR 8...♘e7
9.exf6 ♘xf6 10.♘c3 ♘g6 11.♖d3
♖b4 12.♖xf5 exf5 13.cxd5 ♖xc3
14.bxc3 ♗xd5 15.♗e2+ ♘e4 16.c4
♗e6 17.d5 cxd5 18.cxd5 ♗a6

19.♗xa6 bxa6 20.♘d4 0-0 21.♖a3
♟f6) 9.dxe5 ♖c5 10.cxd5 exd5
11.♘d4 ♘e7

A) RR 12.g4 ♖xb1 13.♟xb1 ♘xe5
14.♘e6 ♗d6 15.♘xc5 ♗xc5 16.b4
axb4 17.♖d2 (RR 17.♖b2 ♘7g6
18.♟c1 ♗e7 19.f4 ♘d7 20.♗d2
0-0 21.f5 ♘ge5 22.g5 ♗d6
23.♟cd1 ♟xa4 24.f6 g6 25.♗d4
♘f7 26.♟f2 ♘c5) 17...♗d6
18.♟xb4 b5;

B) RR 12.♘c3 ♘xe5 13.♖h5+
♘5g6 14.♖e3 ♖b4 15.♖g5 0-0
16.♖xg6 hxg6 17.♟e1 ♟f7 18.♗d2
♗b6 19.♘f3 ♟e8 20.♖h4 ♟ff8
21.♖g3 ♘c8 22.♘g5 ♖e7 23.h4
♖xg5 24.hxg5 ♗b4 25.♖e5 ♘b6
26.♗d4 ♗xd4;

C) 12.♘xf5 ♘xf5 13.♖d3 (RR
13.♔h1) 13...0-0 14.e6 ♘e5
15.♖xf5 ♟xf5 16.♗c2 ♗f8 17.♘c3
♟e8 18.♖e3 (RR 18.e7 ♖xe7
19.♖e3 ♖d6 20.h3 d4 21.f4 dxe3
22.fxe5 ♟exe5 23.♘e4 ♖b4
24.♗b3+ ♔h8) 18...d4 19.♘e4
dxe3 20.♘xc5 (RR 20.♔h1 ♖b4
21.♗e2 ♟xe6 22.♗xe3 ♘g6
23.♗b3 ♗f7 24.♘g3 ♟e8 25.♗e3
♟fe5 26.♗xe5 ♘xe5) 20...♘f3+
21.gxf3 ♟g5+]

[RR 7.♘bd2 a4 8.♟e1 ♘e7 9.♘f1
h6 10.♖d2 c5 11.c4 ♖e4 12.dxc5
♘c6 13.cxd5 ♖xd5 14.♘e3 ♖xf3
15.♖xf3 ♘dxe5 16.♖xc6+ ♘xc6
17.♖c3 ♗xd1 18.♟axd1 ♖xc5
19.♖xg7 ♟h7 20.♖f6 ♖e7 21.♖xe7
♘xe7]

7...a4 8.♟b1N

[RR 8.♖d2 h6 9.♟c1 ♘e7 10.h3
♖h7 11.♟e1 ♘f5 12.♖d3 ♗b6
13.♘e2 ♖e7 14.♖f4 ♘h4 15.♘h2
♖xd3 16.cxd3 0-0 17.g3 ♘f5 18.♘f3
c5 19.dxc5 ♖xc5 20.d4 ♖b4 21.♖d2
♘b8 22.a3 ♖xd2 Mahdavi,R (2357)-
Ostrovskiy,A (2406) Dubai UAE 2024
1-0 (35)]

[RR 8.♔d2 h6 9.♖c1 ♘e7 10.h3 ♙h7 11.♞e1 ♘f5 12.♔d3 ♚b6 13.♘e2 ♙e7 14.♙f4 ♘h4 15.♘h2 ♙xd3 16.cxd3 0-0 17.g3 ♘f5 18.♘f3 c5 19.dxc5 ♙xc5 20.d4 ♙b4 21.♔d2 ♘b8 22.a3 ♙xd2 Mahdavi,R (2353)-Ostrovskiy,A (2406) Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024 1-0 (35)]

[RR 8.♔d2 a3 9.b3 h6 10.h3 ♙h7 11.♞e1 ♘e7 12.♖c1 ♘f5 13.♔d3 ♙e7 14.♘e2 ♘h4 15.♘f4 ♙xd3 16.♘xd3 ♘xf3+ 17.♚xf3 ♙g5 18.♙e3 0-0 19.♚g4 ♙xe3 20.♞xe3 ♚g5 21.♚e2 ♘h8 22.f4 ♚h4 Niemann,H (2676)-Rosner,J (2431) Karlsruhe GER 2024 1-0 (33)]

8...h6 9.♔d3 ♘e7 10.♘e2 ♚a5?! Inaccuracy. Bxd3 was best.

[10...♙xd3 11.♚xd3 c5 12.c4 dxc4 13.♚xc4 ♘c6 14.♞d1 ♚a5 15.♙e3 ♘b6 16.♚d3]

11.♘g3 ♙xd3 12.♚xd3 c5 13.c3 ♚a6 14.♚d1 g6 15.h4 ♘c6 16.h5 g5 17.♙e3 a3 18.bxa3 b6 19.♖c1 ♚c4 20.♚b3 ♚xb3 21.axb3 ♞xa3 22.b4 ♙e7 23.bxc5 bxc5 24.♘h2 ♘b6 25.♘g4 ♘c4 26.♘e2 ♞a2 27.♞fe1 ♘f8 28.♞a1 ♞xa1 29.♞xa1 ♘g7 30.♞a6 ♞c8 31.g3 cxd4 32.cxd4 ♔d8 33.f4 ♘b4 34.♞a4 ♘c2 35.♙f2 ♞b8 36.♘g2 ♞b2 37.♞a8 ♙e7 38.♞a7 ♙b4 39.fxg5 hxg5 40.♞a8 ♘e1+ 41.♙xe1 ♙xe1 42.♘f6 ♞xe2+ 43.♘f1 ♞e3 44.♞g8+ ♘h6 45.♞h8+ ♘g7 46.♞g8+ ♘h6 47.♞h8+ ♘g7 48.♞h7+ ♘f8 49.♞h8+ 1/2-1/2

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♜ Salem, A.R. Saleh 2629
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1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 ♙f5 4.h4 h5 5.♔d3 ♙xd3 6.♚xd3 ♚a5+ 7.c3 e6 8.♘f3 ♚a6 9.♚d1 ♘e7 10.a4 ♘f5

11.b4 ♘d7 12.♘bd2N

[RR 12.♘a3 ♙e7 13.♙g5 f6 14.♙f4 fxe5 15.dxe5 ♘b6 16.a5 ♘c4 17.♚e2 ♘xa3 18.♞xa3 d4 19.♙g5 ♚xe2+ 20.♘xe2 dxc3 21.a6 bxa6 22.♞xc3 ♙xg5 23.hxg5 0-0 24.♞xc6 ♞ab8 25.♞xe6 ♞xb4 26.♞d1 ♞b2+ Vokhidov,S (2596)-Xue,H (2455) Samarkand UZB 2023 1/2-1/2 (54)]

12...♙e7 13.♘b3 ♚c4 14.♙b2 f6 15.♘a5 ♚a6 16.♚e2 ♚xe2+ 17.♘xe2 fxe5 18.dxe5 0-0-0 19.♘b3 ♞de8 20.a5 ♞hf8 21.♔c1 ♔d8 22.a6 bxa6 23.♞xa6 ♘b7 24.♞a2 ♙b6 25.♙a3?! Inaccuracy. Na5+ was best.

[25.♘a5+ ♙xa5]

25...♘h6 26.c4 ♞f4 27.c5 ♔c7 28.♞ha1 ♘f5 29.♔c1 ♞xb4 30.♞xa7+ ♘c8 31.♞a8+ ♘b8?! Inaccuracy. Rb8 was best.

[31...♞b8 32.♙f4 ♞xa8 33.♞xa8+ ♙b8 34.♞a1 ♘b7 35.g3 ♙a7 36.♞a5 ♙b8 37.♞a1]

32.♘a5 ♙xa5 33.♞1xa5 ♞e7 34.♞5a6 ♞b5 35.♙a3 ♞eb7 36.♞xc6+ ♘d7 37.♞b6 ♞5xb6 38.cxb6 ♞xb6 39.♞a7+ ♘e8 40.♔c5 ♞b5 41.♞a8 ♘d7 42.♞a7+ ♘e8 43.♞a8 ♘d7 44.♞a7+ 1/2-1/2

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♜ Sjugirov, Sanan 2691
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1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 ♙f5 4.h4 h5 5.c4 e6 6.♘c3 ♘d7 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.♔d3 ♙xd3 9.♚xd3 ♘e7 10.♘f3 g6N Inaccuracy. Nf5 was best.

[10...♘f5 11.♙g5]

[RR 10...♘c6 11.0-0 ♙e7 12.g3 ♘b6 13.♙g5 ♞c8 14.a3 a6 15.♞ac1 ♘c4 16.♚e2 ♚b6 17.♙xe7 ♘xe7 18.♞fd1 ♚xb2 19.♞b1 ♚xc3 20.♞xb7+ ♘e8 21.♞d3 ♚c1+ 22.♘g2 g6 23.♘g5

♖e7 24.♗xf7 ♔xf7 25.♞f3+
Bochnicka,V (2398)-Glashausser,S
(1973) chess.com INT 2024 1-0]
1/2-1/2

□ **Can,Emre** **B12**
■ **Avila Pavas,Santiago** **2549**
Sharjah Master 2024 **2514**
17.05.2024

1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/qsQgiYY7> **1...c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 ♕f5**
4.h4 h5 5.♙d3 ♙xd3 6.♞xd3 ♞a5+
7.♗d2 e6 8.♗gf3 ♞a6

[RR 8...♗h6 9.0-0 ♗f5 10.♗b3 ♞b5
11.♞c3 ♙b4 12.♞d3 ♞xd3 13.cxd3
a5 14.a4 b6 15.♙g5 ♗a6 16.♞ac1
♗d7 17.g3 ♞hc8 18.♙d2 ♙xd2
19.♗fxd2 ♗b4 20.♞c3 f6 21.♞e1 g5
22.exf6 g4 23.♗c1 Esipenko,A
(2704)-Duda,J (2732) chess.com INT
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9.c4 ♙b4 10.b3 ♗d7N

[RR 10...♗e7 11.a4 c5 12.dxc5 ♗d7
13.0-0 ♗xc5 14.♞c2 ♞c8 15.♙a3
♙xa3 16.♞xa3 ♞a5 17.cxd5 exd5
18.♞a2 ♗e6 19.♞b1 ♞b4 20.♞c1
0-0 21.♞xc8 ♞xc8 22.♞c2 ♞c3 23.g3
d4 24.♞c1 ♞xc1+ 25.♞xc1
Zhu,J (2467)-Cieslak,P (2325)
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[RR 10...♗e7 11.a4 c5 12.dxc5 ♗d7
13.0-0 ♗xc5 14.♞c2 ♞c8 15.♙a3
♙xa3 16.♞xa3 ♞a5 17.cxd5 exd5
18.♞a2 ♗e6 19.♞b1 ♞b4 20.♞c1
0-0 21.♞xc8 ♞xc8 22.♞c2 ♞c3 23.g3
d4 24.♞c1 ♞xc1+ 25.♞xc1
Zhu,J (2467)-Cieslak,P (2325)
Reykjavik 2024 [https://lichess.org/
broadcast/-/-/qsQgiYY7] 1/2-1/2 (45)]

11.0-0 ♗e7 12.♞d1 ♗f5 13.a4 ♞d8

14.♗f1 ♙e7?! Inaccuracy. c5 was best.

[14...c5 15.♙g5 ♞c8 16.♞ac1 0-0
17.♞e2 cxd4 18.♗xd4 ♗xd4
19.♞xd4 f6 20.exf6]

**15.♙g5 ♙xg5 16.hxg5 dxc4?!
Inaccuracy. Nf8 was best.**

[16...♗f8]

**17.bxc4 ♗f8 18.♞ab1 ♗g6 19.♞b3?!
Inaccuracy. Ne3 was best.**

[19.♗e3 ♗xe3 20.fxe3 b6 21.♞c2
0-0 22.♗d2 c5 23.♗e4 cxd4
24.exd4 ♗e7]

19...0-0 20.♗e3 ♗xe3 21.fxe3 b6
**22.♗f2 c5 23.♞b5? Mistake. Rh1 was
best.**

[23.♞h1 h4 24.♞bd1 ♞b7 25.♞c2
cxd4 26.exd4 ♞c8 27.♗xh4 ♞e7
28.♞h3 ♗f4]

23...♞c8?! Inaccuracy. Qb7 was best.

[23...♞b7]

**24.a5 ♞d7 25.dxc5 ♞xd1 26.♞xd1
bxc5?! Inaccuracy. Qxc5 was best.**

[26...♞xc5 27.♞xc5 bxc5 28.a6 ♞b8
29.♞d7 ♞b2+ 30.♗g1 ♞b1+ 31.♗h2
♞c1 32.♞xa7]

27.♞d7?! Inaccuracy. a6 was best.

[27.a6 ♞a8 28.♞b7 ♞b8 29.♞xa8
♞xa8 30.♞d7 ♞c8 31.♞xa7 ♞c6
32.♗g3 ♗h7]

**27...a6 28.♞b7 ♞e8?! Inaccuracy. Qxb7
was best.**

[28...♞xb7]

**29.♞d2 ♞b8 30.♞b2 ♞d8 31.♞xa6
♞d3 32.♞d6?! Inaccuracy. Qb6 was
best.**

[32.♞b6 ♞a3 33.♞d2 ♞a8 34.♞d8+
♞xd8 35.♞xd8+ ♗h7 36.♞c7 ♞a2+
37.♗g3 ♞xc4]

32...♞a3 33.♞d2 ♞a4 34.♞c3 ♞a8
**35.♞b5 ♞a2+ 36.♗g3 h4+ 37.♗h2
♞d8?! Inaccuracy. Kh7 was best.**

[37...♗h7]

**38.♞b2 ♞xc4?? Blunder. Qxb2 was
best.**

[38...♞xb2 39.♞xb2 ♞d3 40.♞b5
♞xe3 41.♞xc5 ♗h7 42.♞b5 ♞c3
43.c5 ♞c4 44.♗d2]

**39.♞b8 ♞xb8 40.♞xb8+ ♗h7 41.♞b7
♞g4 42.a6 ♞g3+ 43.♗h1 h3 44.♗g1
♗xe5 45.♞e4+ g6 46.gxh3 c4 47.♞f4**

♔xf4 48.exf4 ♘c6 49.♗e2 ♔g7
50.♔g2 ♗f8 51.♗f3 ♗e7 52.♗e3 ♗d6
53.♗d4 ♗a7 54.♗f3 ♗c5 55.♗e5
♗b4 56.♗xf7 c3 57.♗e5 ♗b3 58.♗d3
♗c2 59.h4 ♗b1 60.h5 c2 61.hxg6
♗c6 62.g7
1-0

B13

☐ Petrosyan,Manuel 2616
■ Avila Pavas,Santiago 2514
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1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.♗d3
♗c6 5.c3 ♗f6 6.♗f4 ♗g4 7.♔b3 e5
8.h3 exf4 9.hxg4 ♔e7+ 10.♗f1 0-0-0

[10...♔d8?? Blunder. Nxc4 was best.
11.g5]

[10...♗xg4 11.♗d2 ♔d7 12.♔e1+
♗e7 13.♗e2 0-0-0 14.♗f3 ♗f6
15.♗xf4 g6 16.g3]

11.♗d2 g5

[RR 11...g6 12.g5 ♗e4 13.♗xe4
dxg4 14.♔e1 e3 15.♗f3 h6 16.fxe3
fxe3 17.♔h4 hxg5 18.♔xh8 g4
19.♔a3 ♔d6 20.♔xe3 ♔xe3 21.♔xd6
♔xd3+ 22.♗f2 1-0 (22) Kobalia,M
(2542)-Sierra Vallina,L (2275) chess.
com INT 2024]

12.♗gf3N

[RR 12.♔e1 ♔c7 13.♗gf3 h5
14.gxh5 g4 15.♗e5 ♗xe5 16.♔xe5
g3 17.f3 ♗d6 18.♔xd5 ♗xd5
19.♔xd5 ♔h6 20.♗c4 ♔f8 21.♗e2 f5
22.♗d3 ♔f7 23.♔xf7 ♔xf7 24.c4 b6
25.♗b1 ♗d8 26.♗c3 ♔e7+
Padhye,R (2256)-Fecker,N (2396)
Villablanca (Huelva) ESP 2023 0-1
(57)]

12...h5 13.♔c2 ♗g7 14.♔e1 ♔c7
15.gxh5 g4 16.♗e5 ♗b8 17.♗xc6+
♔xc6 18.♗e2 ♔xh5 19.♔xh5 ♗xh5
20.♗d1 ♔e8 21.♔xe8+ ♔xe8 22.♗f1
♗h6 23.♔e2 ♔xe2+ 24.♗xe2 f5
25.♗d3 ♗g7 26.f3 g3 27.♗d2 ♗g5

28.♗b3 ♗e7 29.a4 ♗c7 30.♗e2 ♗d6
31.♗a5 ♗e7 32.b4 b6 33.♗b3 ♗d6
34.♗b5 ♗b7 35.♗c1 a6 36.♗d3 a5
37.bxa5 bxa5 38.♗b5 ♗c7 39.♗d3
♗a3 40.♗b3 ♗b6 41.♗d2 ♗e6
42.♗c2 ♗g5 43.♗d2 ♗c7 44.♗d3 ♗d6
45.♗xf5 ♗c6 46.♗g4 ♗c7 47.♗d3 ♗f7
48.c4 dxc4+ 49.♗xc4 ♗d5 50.♗a3
♗d6 51.♗b1 ♗c6 52.♗c3 ♗d8 53.♗e6
♗g5 54.♗e2 ♗h6 55.♗c1 ♗g5 56.♗b3
♗d8 57.♗c3 ♗b6 58.♗c1 ♗d8 59.♗d3
♗g5 60.♗e5+ ♗c7 61.♗g4 ♗b6
62.♗d7+ ♗c6 63.♗c5 ♗h6 64.♗d3
♗b6 65.♗d7 ♗c7 66.♗e6 ♗c6 67.♗d7
♗c7 68.♗e5 ♗g5 69.♗h3 ♗h6 70.♗c3
♗b6 71.♗d3 ♗c6 72.♗c5 ♗b6
73.♗e6 ♗c6 74.♗d3 ♗d5 75.♗d8
♗e8 76.♗b7 ♗g7 77.♗d7 ♗d6
78.♗xa5 ♗xd4 79.♗c6 ♗c5 80.♗e7+
♗e5 81.♗g6+ ♗f6 82.♗xf4 ♗f2
83.♗h3 ♗b7 84.♗c4 ♗c5 85.a5 ♗e5
86.♗e2 ♗d6 87.♗c3 ♗e5 88.♗c8
1-0

B13

☐ Sethuraman,S.P. 2588
■ Erdogmus,Yagiz Kaan 2553
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1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.♗d3
♗c6 5.c3 ♔c7 6.h3 e6 7.♗f3 ♗d6
8.0-0 ♗ge7 White has an edge.

[RR 8...♗f6 9.♔e1 0-0 10.♗bd2 b6
11.♔e2 ♗e7 12.♗e5 ♗b7 13.♗g4
♗d7 14.♗f3 ♗g6 15.♗fe5 ♗dxg5
16.♗xe5 ♔fe8 17.♗xg6 hxg6 18.♔d3
a5 19.h4 ♗a6 20.♔h3 ♗xe5 21.♔xe5
♔c4 22.♗f4 ♔d3 23.♔g4
Giri,A (2754)-Anton Guijarro,D (2670)
Samarkand UZB 2023 ½-½ (52)
(23.♔e3!? ♔c2 24.♔ae1=)]

9.♔e1 0-0 10.b3 ♗g6N

[RR 10...♔d8 11.♗b2 ♗g6 12.c4
♗e7 13.♗c3 ♗f6 14.cxd5 (14.♔c1±)
14...exd5 15.♔c1 ♗f4 16.♗b1 ♗e6

[#] (16...♔d7±) 17.♘a4 (17.♘e5!±)
 17...♙f4 18.g3 ♖d6 19.h4 g6 20.a3
 (20.♘c5±) 20...b6 21.b4 ♕d7 22.♕c2
 ♖e8 23.♕b3 ♕g7 24.♙d2 ♘c7
 25.♘e5 Vykouk,J (2497)-Svane,R
 (2632) Apolda GER 2024 ½-½ (31)]
 [RR 10...♕d7 11.c4 f6 12.♘c3 a6
 13.a3 ♖ad8 14.♙c2 ♔h8 15.♕d2
 ♕c8 (Black should try 15...♙b8±)
 16.cxd5 exd5 17.♘a4 g6 18.b4 ♕f5
 19.♘c5 ♕xc5 20.bxc5 ♖f7 21.♖e2
 ♔g8 22.♖ae1 ♕xd3 23.♙xd3 ♘f5
 24.g4 ♘g7 25.♔g2 Chandra,A (2489)-
 Van Foreest,L (2512) Saint Louis USA
 2024 ½-½ (25.♕h6±)]
11.♕a3 ♕d7 12.♕xd6 ♙xd6 13.♘bd2
♖ac8 14.♘f1 ♘f4 15.♕c2 f6 16.♘e3
♕e8 17.h4? Mistake. g3 was best.
 [17.g3]
 [17.g3= remains equal. ♘xh3+
 18.♔g2]
17...♕h5± 18.g4 ♕g6 19.♕xg6 hxg6
 [Much less strong is 19...♘xg6
 20.♙d2±]
20.♘g2 ♘h3+ 21.♔f1 e5 22.♘g1
♘xg1 23.♔xg1 e4 24.f4 b5 25.b4
♘d8 26.♙b3
 [26.♖e3±]
26...f5 27.a4? Mistake. gxf5 was best.
 [27.gxf5 gxf5]
 [27.gxf5 was worth a try. gxf5 28.a4]
27...♘e6+ 28.axb5 ♘xf4 Threatens to
win with ...Nh3+. 29.♖a6 ♘h3+ 30.♔h1
♙g3 31.♖e3 ♙xg4?!→ Inaccuracy.
Nf2+ was best. Black wants a kill.
 [31...♘f2+ 32.♔g1 ♙xg4 33.♙xd5+
 ♔h8 34.♙e6 ♖ce8 35.♙xg6 f4
 36.♙xg4 ♘xg4 37.♘xf4]
 [♠31...♘f2+ 32.♔g1 ♙xg4 33.♙xd5+
 ♔h8]
32.♙xd5+? Mistake. Kh2 was best.
 [32.♔h2 ♘f4]
 [♠32.♔h2 ♘f4 33.♖g3 ♙xg3+
 34.♔xg3 ♖xc3+ Decoy 35.♙xc3
 ♘e2+ Double Attack 36.♔f2 ♘xc3
 37.♔e3]

32...♔h7 33.♖a2 If White can now play
 Kh2 this consolidates a bit. **33...f4**
34.♙xe4 ♖ce8 [#] Deflection **35.♙xe8**
♖xe8 36.♖xe8 intending b6. **36...f3**
37.♖f8 ♙g3 ...Nf2+ is the strong threat.
38.d5?! Inaccuracy. b6 was best.
 [38.b6 axb6 39.♖xf3 ♙xf3 40.c4
 ♘f2+ 41.♖xf2 ♙xf2 42.c5 ♙xd4
 43.cxb6 ♙xb6]
38...♘f2+ 39.♖xf2 ♙xf2 Endgame KQ-
 KRN **40.♘f4??** Checkmate is now
 unavoidable. Rxf3 was best.
 [40.♖xf3 ♙xf3 41.♔h2 ♙xd5 42.♔g3
 ♙d2 43.c4 ♙c3+ 44.♔f2 ♙xc4 45.b6
 axb6]
40...♙e1+?? Lost forced checkmate
 sequence. Qg3 was best.
 [40...♙g3 41.♖h8+ ♔xh8 42.d6 f2
 43.♘xg6+ ♙xg6 44.♔h2 f1♙ 45.d7
 ♙gg2#]
 [♠40...♙g3 41.h5 g5 42.♖h8+
 Decoy ♔xh8 43.♘g6+ ♔h7 44.♘f4
 gxf4 45.d6 ♙g2#]
41.♔h2 Black is clearly winning. **41...f2**
42.♘h3 Intending Ng5+ and mate.
42...f1♘+ Discovered Attack **43.♔g2**
♙g3+ 44.♔xf1 Threatening mate with
 Ng5+. **44...♙xh3+ KQ-KR 45.♔e2 ♙xc3**
46.♖f4 ♙e5+ 47.♔f3 ♙xd5+ 48.♔g3
♙xb5 49.♖g4 ♔h6 Accuracy: White =
 56%, Black = 89%.

0-1

B23

♠ Safarli,Eltaj

2594

♣ Esipenko,Andrey

2703

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18.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♘c3 ♘c6 3.♕b5 ♘d4 4.a4
a6 5.♕c4 e6 6.♘f3 ♘f6N

[RR 6...♘c6 7.d4 cxd4 8.♘xd4 ♙c7
 9.♘xc6 bxc6 10.♙g4 ♘f6 11.♙g3
 ♙xg3 12.hxg3 d5 13.♕d3 h6 14.f3
 ♕b4 15.♕d2 ♖b8 16.exd5 cxd5
 17.a5 ♔e7 18.♘a4 ♕xd2+ 19.♔xd2

♖d7 20.♞he1 ♔d6 21.f4 Demchenko, A (2609)-Teimouri Yadkuri, S (2151) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (83)]

7.d3 d5 8.♙a2 ♘c6 9.0-0 ♙e7 10.♞e1 ♘b4 11.♙b3 b6 12.♙g5 ♙b7 13.exd5 ♘bxd5 14.♘xd5 ♘xd5 15.♙xe7 ♞xe7 16.♘e5 0-0 17.♞g4 ♞ad8 18.♞g3 ♔h8 19.♙xd5 ♙xd5 20.b3 f6 21.♘c4 ♞b7 22.♞e2 b5 23.axb5 axb5 24.♘e3 ♙c6 25.♞ae1 ♞d4 26.f4 ♞b8 27.♘f1 ♙d7 1/2-1/2

B27

□ Gavrilesco, David

2538

■ Vakhidov, Jakhongir

2599

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19.05.2024

1.e4 Stockfish 16.1 1...c5 2.♘f3 g6 3.c3 d5 4.e5 ♙g4 5.♙b5+

[RR 5.d4 ♘c6 6.♘bd2 e6 7.h3 ♙xf3 8.♘xf3 cxd4 9.cxd4 ♙b4+ 10.♙d2 ♞b6 11.a3 ♙xd2+ 12.♞xd2 ♘ge7 13.b4 ♘f5 14.♞d1 ♞c8 15.g4 ♘fe7 16.♙e2 h6 17.♙f1 g5 18.h4 ♔d7 19.hxg5 hxg5]

5...♘c6 6.♙xc6+ bxc6 7.0-0

[RR 7.d3 ♙g7 8.♘bd2 ♞b6 (8...♙xe5= remains equal. 9.♞a4 ♙xf3 10.♞xc6+ ♙f8 11.♘xf3 ♞c8) 9.h3 ♙f5 10.♞e2 ♞a6 11.c4 ♘h6 12.0-0 0-0 13.♘b3 dxc4 14.dxc4 ♞ad8? (14...♙e6±) 15.♘xc5 ♞b6 16.♙e3 ♞c7 17.♞fd1 ♙c8 18.g4 f5 19.g5 ♘f7 20.♙f4 e6 (♠20...♞b6) 21.b4 ♞xd1+]

7...c4

[RR 7...♙g7 8.♞e1 ♘h6 9.d3

A) RR 9...♘f5 10.♘bd2! ♘h4 11.♞a4 ♘xf3+ 12.♘xf3 ♞d7 13.♘g5 (13.♘d2!±) 13...♙f5 14.d4 cxd4 15.cxd4 0-0 16.b3 f6 17.♘f3 ♙e4 18.♘d2 fxe5 19.♘xe4 dxe4 20.dxe5 ♙xe5 21.♞b1 ♙d4 22.♙e3;

B) 9...0-0 10.♘bd2 f6 11.h3 ♙h5

12.♞a4 (Better is 12.g4±) 12...♞c7 (12...g5±) 13.g4 ♙xg4 14.hxg4 fxe5 15.♘h2 e4 16.♘df1! exd3 17.♞e6 ♞ac8 18.♙d2 ♘f7 19.♞ae1 ♞fe8? (19...♙f6±) 20.c4 d4 (♠20...♘d8) 21.♞a3 ♘d8 22.♞6e4]

8.♞e1N White is slightly better.

[RR 8.d3 cxd3 9.♞xd3 (RR 9.♘bd2) 9...♙xf3 10.♞xf3 ♙g7 11.♞e2 ♞c7 12.♞e1 e6 13.b4 ♘e7 14.♘d2 ♘c8 15.c4 (RR 15.a4; 15.h4±) 15...0-0 16.♙b2 a5 17.a3 axb4 18.axb4 ♞xa1 19.♞xa1 dxc4 20.♘xc4 ♘b6 21.♘xb6 ♞xb6 22.♙c3 ♞b5 Gukesh D (2743)-Nakamura, H (2789) Toronto, Canada 2024 [Stockfish 16.1] 1/2-1/2 (40)]

[RR 8.d3 cxd3 9.♞xd3 ♙xf3 10.♞xf3 ♙g7 11.♞e2 ♞c7 12.♞e1 e6 13.b4 ♘e7 14.♘d2 ♘c8 15.c4 0-0 16.♙b2 a5 17.a3 axb4 18.axb4 ♞xa1 19.♞xa1 dxc4 20.♘xc4 ♘b6 21.♘xb6 ♞xb6 22.♙c3 ♞b5 Gukesh, D (2743)-Nakamura, H (2789) Toronto CAN 2024 1/2-1/2 (40)]

8...♙g7 9.b3 cxb3?! Inaccuracy. f6 was best.

[9...f6]

[9...f6±]

10.axb3± ♘h6 11.d4 0-0 12.♘bd2 f6 13.h3 ♙xf3 14.♘xf3 ♘f7 15.exf6 exf6 16.♙a3 ♞e8 17.♙c5 ♞xe1+ 18.♞xe1 ♞d7 19.♞a6 ♞b7?? [#] Blunder. Bf8 was best.

[19...♙f8 20.♞a1 ♘d6 21.♙xd6 ♙xd6 22.h4 ♞e6 23.♘d2 g5 24.h5 ♞e8 25.♞xa7]

[19...♙f8± is a better defense. 20.♞a1 ♙h6]

20.♞a1?? Blunder. Rxa7 was best.

[20.♞xa7! ♞xa7 21.♙xa7 ♞xa7 22.g3 ♞a3 23.♞e8+ ♙f8 24.♞xc6 ♞xb3 25.♞xf6 ♞xc3]

[20.♞xa7!+- and the rest is easy. ♞c8 (20...♞xa7 21.♞e8+) 21.♞xa8 ♞xa8

22.♖e6]
20...♗xb3 21.♞xa7 ♞xa7 22.♗xa7
 White threatens Qa8+ and mate. **22...h5**
23.♗a8+ ♔h7 24.♗xc6 ♗b1+ 25.♔h2
♗f5 26.♗c7 ♔g8 27.♙a3 g5?!
 Inaccuracy. Bh6 was best.
 [27...♙h6 28.♗b8+ ♔h7 29.♗b7
 ♔g8 30.♔g1 ♙f4 31.♗h4 ♗e4 32.g3
 ♗e1+ 33.♔g2]
28.♗e7 Black must now prevent Qe8+.
28...♗c8 29.♗e2?! Inaccuracy. Bb4 was
 best.
 [29.♙b4 ♗h8 30.♗e2 ♗g6 31.♗e1
 h4 32.♗f3 ♗c6 33.♗c2! ♙f8 34.♗e3
 ♙d6+]
 [29.♙b4±]
29...♗h6?! Inaccuracy. Bf8 was best.
 [29...♙f8! 30.♙xf8]
 [29...♙f8!± 30.♙xf8 ♔xf8]
30.♗d3 ♗f5 31.g3 ♗e6 32.♗d2 g4?!
 Inaccuracy. Bf8 was best.
 [32...♙f8 33.♙c5 ♙d6 34.♔g1 ♔g7
 35.♔g2 ♙c7 36.♗f3 ♔g6 37.♗f1
 ♙a5 38.♗d3]
33.hxg4 hxg4 34.c4?! Inaccuracy. Nb3
 was best.
 [34.♗b3 ♙f8 35.♙xf8 ♔xf8 36.♗c5
 ♗c8 37.♔g1 ♗e7 38.♔f1 ♔g7
 39.♔e1 ♗g6]
34...♙h6 35.cxd5 ♗xd5 With the idea ...
 Bxd2. **36.♗e4! ♔g7?!** Inaccuracy. Bg7
 was best.
 [36...♙g7]
37.♙c5 ♔f7?! Inaccuracy. Bg5 was best.
 [37...♙g5 [#] 38.♗c3!]
 [37...♙g5± 38.♗c3 ♗d7]
38.♗c3?! Inaccuracy. Qe2 was best.
 [38.♗e2 ♗g7 39.♗d6+ ♔g6
 40.♗xg4+ ♔h7 41.♗e4 ♗e8 42.♗c3
 f5 43.♗h5 ♗e6]
38...♗e6?! Inaccuracy. Qf3 was best.
 [38...♗f3 39.♗xf3 gxf3 40.♔h3 ♔e6
 41.♔g4 ♙e3 [#] 42.♗b5! ♙xf2
 43.d5+! ♔xd5 44.♙xf2]
39.d5 ♗e5 40.♗c4 ♗h4? Mistake. Bd2
 was best.

[40...♙d2 41.♗b5]
 [40...♙f8 41.♙xf8 ♔xf8 42.♗xg4
 ♗d6]
41.d6++- White is clearly winning.
41...♔g7 And now ...Nf3+ would win.
42.♗xg4+ Double Attack **42...♙g5?!**
 Inaccuracy. Qg5 was best.
 [42...♗g5 43.♗xh4 ♗xc5 44.♗g4+
 ♔f7 45.♗d7+ ♔g8 46.♗e8+ ♙f8
 47.♗e4 ♗d4 48.d7]
43.♗e4 d7 is the strong threat.
43...♗g6?! Inaccuracy. Kg6 was best.
 [43...♔g6 44.d7 ♗f3+ 45.♗xf3 ♗d5
 46.♗xg5 ♗xd7 47.♗h3 ♗h7 48.♙d4
 ♗h8 49.♔g2]
44.♗xg5 Accuracy: White = 81%, Black
 = 52%.
1-0

B28

Mendonca, Leon Luke **2640**
 Gholami Orimi, Mahdi **2470**
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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 a6 3.c4 ♗c6 4.d4
cx d4 5.♗xd4 ♗f6 6.♗c3 e5 7.♗c2
♙c5 8.♙e3 ♙xe3 9.♗xe3 d6 10.♙d3N
 [RR 10.♙e2 0-0 11.0-0 ♗d4 12.♙g4
 ♗xg4 13.♗xg4 f5 14.exf5 ♞xf5
 15.♗e3 ♞g5 16.f4 ♞g6 17.♗cd5 b5
 18.f5 ♞h6 19.♗g4 ♞h4 20.g3 ♞xg4
 21.♗xg4 bxc4 22.♞ac1 ♙b7 23.f6 g6
 24.f7+ ♔f8 Peng,Z (1081)-Yao,W
 Shanghai CHN 2024 1-0 (45)]
10...0-0 11.0-0 ♙e6 12.♞c1 ♞c8 13.b3
♔h8 14.♔h1 ♗d4 15.f4 exf4 16.♞xf4
♗d7 17.♗h5 ♗e5 18.♙b1 g6 19.♗h6
f6 20.♗f5 ♗d7 21.♗xd4 ♗f7 22.♗h4
g5 23.♗h5 gxf4 24.e5 ♗g5??
 Blunder. Nd8 was best.
 [24...♗d8 25.exd6 f5 26.♗h6 ♗g7
 27.♗xg7+ ♔xg7 28.♗a4 ♔f6 29.♞e1
 ♞f7 30.♙d3]
25.exf6 ♞c5 26.♗h6 ♞g8 27.h4 f3?!
 Inaccuracy. Re5 was best.

[27...♖e5 28.hxg5 ♖g5 29.♙f5
 ♖exf5 30.♗xf5 ♖g6 31.♞f8+ ♖g8
 32.♞xd6 ♞f7 33.♞xf4]
28.hxg5 ♖g5 29.♗d5 ♖gxd5?!
 Inaccuracy. Bxd5 was best.
 [29...♙xd5 30.♞xg5 ♞f7 31.♔g1
 ♙xc4 32.♙f5 ♞g6 33.♞xg6 hxg6
 34.♖xc4 gxf5 35.♖xc5]
**30.cxd5 ♖xc1+ 31.♞xc1 ♙xd5 32.gxf3
 ♞h3+ 33.♔g1 ♞g3+ 34.♔f1 ♞h3+
 35.♔e2 ♞g2+ 36.♔d3 ♞g6+ 37.♔c3
 ♞xf6 38.♞h1 ♙g8 39.♞h5 b5 40.♙e4
 ♞e7 41.♔d3 ♞f6 42.♞e8 ♞g5 43.♞f8
 d5?!** Inaccuracy. Qe5 was best.
 [43...♞e5 44.f4 ♞g7 45.♞xd6 ♞g3+
 46.♙f3 ♞g6+ 47.♞xg6 hxg6 48.♔e4
 ♔g7 49.♔e5]
44.♙xd5
 1-0

B30

□ **Bharath Subramaniyam H 2544**
 ■ **Narayanan S L 2695**
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**1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♗c3 g6 4.♙b5
 ♙g7 5.0-0 d6 6.e5 dxe5 7.♙xc6+
 bxc6 8.d3 c4 The position is equal.
 9.♖e1 ♞c7 10.dxc4N Inaccuracy. h3
 was best.**
 [10.h3]
 [RR 10.h3 cxd3 11.cxd3 ♙e6
 12.♞e2 ♗f6 13.♗xe5 ♗d5 14.♗xd5
 ♞xe5 15.♞xe5 ♙xe5 16.♗xe7 ♔xe7
 17.♖xe5 ♖hd8 18.♖e3 ♖d5 19.♔f1
 ♖ad8 20.♔e2 ♔f8 21.g4 ♖a5 22.a4
 ♙b3 23.♖a3 ♖b8 24.♖e4 ♙d5
 Safarli, E (2614)-Nesse, D (2002)
 Prague CZE 2024 1-0 (33)]
 [10.h3=]
**10...f5+ 11.♙e3 ♗f6 12.♙c5 e4
 13.♗d2 0-0 14.f3 ♖b8 15.♖b1 ♙e6
 16.♞e2 ♔h8? Mistake. Nd7 was best.**
 [16...♗d7 17.♙xe7 ♖fe8 18.♙h4
 ♗e5 19.fxe4 f4! 20.♗f3 ♙g4 21.♗a4

[#] (21.♔h1+) 21...h6 (21...g5!-+
 22.♙xg5 ♗g6) 22.♙f2]
 [16...♗d7+ 17.♙xe7 ♖fe8]
17.♔h1 ♖bd8 18.♙g1?! Inaccuracy.
 Rbd1 was best.
 [18.♖bd1 ♙c8 19.fxe4 ♗g4! 20.♙g1
 ♗e5 21.exf5 ♙xf5 22.♖c1 ♙h6
 23.♞xe5+ ♞xe5]
 [White should play 18.♖bd1=]
18...♗h5 19.fxe4 ♗f4 20.♞e3 c5??
 Blunder. Bd4 was best.
 [20...♙d4 21.♞xd4+ ♖xd4 22.♙xd4+
 ♔g8 23.exf5 ♖xf5 24.♖e4 c5 25.♙e3
 ♙f7! 26.♖e1]
 [20...♙d4= 21.♞xd4+ ♖xd4 22.♙xd4+
 ♔g8]
**21.♗d5!+- ♙xd5 22.exd5 e5 23.♞xc5
 ♞f7 24.♞xa7 ♖d7 25.♞e3 g5 26.♗f3
 ♞h5 27.♗xe5 ♖e7 28.♞a3 ♖fe8?!**
 Inaccuracy. Rxe5 was best.
 [28...♖xe5 29.♖xe5 ♗xg2 30.♖f1
 ♗h4 31.♖e7 h6 32.♞d3 ♗g6
 33.♖xg7 ♔xg7 34.♙d4+]
29.♗d3?! Inaccuracy. d6 was best.
 [29.d6 ♖xe5 30.♖xe5 ♙xe5 31.d7
 ♔g8 32.dxe8+ ♞xe8 33.♞g3 h6
 34.♖e1 ♔f7]
**29...♗e2 30.♙f2 f4 [#] If only Black now
 had time for ...f3.... 31.d6! ♖f7
 intending ...f3. 32.♖xe2 ♖xe2 33.♞a8+
 ♖f8 34.♞f3 ♞xf3 35.gxf3 ♖xc2
 With the idea ...Rd2. 36.♖d1 ♙xb2?!**
 Inaccuracy. Rxc4 was best.
 [36...♖xc4 37.d7 ♙f6 38.a4 ♖c2
 39.♙b6 h5 40.a5 ♔h7 41.♗b4 ♖xb2
 42.♗d5]
**37.♗xb2 ♖xf2 38.♗d3 ♖xa2 39.d7
 ♖a5** And now ...Rd8 would win. **40.♗b4**
 Accuracy: White = 79%, Black = 57%.
1-0

B30
 Pranav Anand **2530**
 Sargsyan,Shant **2637**
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 e6 4.♙xc6 bxc6 5.b3 f6 6.d3 e5N
 [RR 6...♘e7 7.♘h4 g6 8.f4 ♙g7 9.0-0 0-0 10.♚e2 g5 11.♘f3 d6 12.c3 h6 13.♙e3 gxf4 14.♙xf4 ♘g6 15.g3 e5 16.♙e3 f5 17.exf5 ♙xf5 18.♘bd2 ♚d7 19.♘e1 ♙g4 20.♚g2 ♘e7 21.♘e4 Mills,M (2018)-Ouellet,M (2267) Toronto CAN 2024 0-1]
7.♘h4 ♘e7 8.f4 exf4 9.♙xf4 d5 10.0-0
 [10.g3?? Blunder. O-O was best. g5? Mistake. h5 was best. (10...h5 11.♙c1 g5 12.♘g2 dxe4 13.dxe4 ♚xd1+ 14.♙xd1 ♙g4+ 15.♙e1 ♙f3 16.♙f2) 11.0-0?? Blunder. Qh5+ was best. (11.♚h5+ ♙d7 12.♚g4+ ♙e8 13.♚h5+) 11...♙d7?? Blunder. gxh4 was best. (11...gxh4 12.exd5 ♚xd5 13.♙f2 ♘g6 14.♚f1 ♙e7 15.♘c3 ♚d4 16.♘e2 ♚d7 17.♙e1) 12.♚g4+ (12.♚h5) 12...♙e8 13.♚h5+ ♙d7 14.♙d2]
10...g5 11.♚h5+ ♙d7 12.♙d2 gxh4 13.♙xf6 ♚e8 14.♙f7
 [14.♙d6+ ♙xd6 15.♚xe8 ♙g7]
14...♙c7 15.exd5 ♙g7 16.♘c3 ♙d4+
 [16...♙f8 17.♘b1 ♙g7]
17.♙h1 ♙g4 18.d6+ ♙b6
 [18...♙xd6 19.♚xg4 ♚xf7 (19...♙c7)]
19.♚xg4 ♚xf7 20.dxe7 ♚xe7 21.♘a4+ ♙b7 22.c3 ♙ag8 23.♚h3
 [23.♚hx4 ♙f2]
23...♙f2
 [23...♙a8]
24.b4 cxb4 25.d4 ♙f8 26.♘c5+ ♙a8 27.♘d7 ♙e1
 [27...♙hg8]
28.♘xf8 ♙xf8
 [28...♙g8]

29.♙xe1
 1/2-1/2

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 Avila Pavas,Santiago **2514**
 Moroni,Luca Jr **2580**
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♚c7 4.0-0 a6 5.♙xc6 dxc6 6.h3?! Inaccuracy. a4 was best.
 [6.a4 e5 7.a5 ♙g4 8.d3 ♘f6 9.♙e3 ♘d7 10.h3 ♙h5]
6...e5 7.a4N
 [RR 7.d3 ♘e7 8.♙e3 ♘g6 9.♘bd2 ♙e7 10.a4 a5 11.♘c4 f6 12.♚e1 0-0 13.♙d2 b6 14.♙a3 ♙e6 15.♚e2 ♙d8 16.♙b1 ♚e7 17.♚e1 ♙c7 18.♘e3 ♘f4 19.♘f5 ♚d7 20.♘g3 g5 21.♘h2 g4 Gara,A (2340)-Molnar,L (1770) Budapest 2024 1-0 (65)]
 [RR 7.d3 ♘e7 8.♙e3 ♘g6 9.♘bd2 ♙e7 10.a4 a5 11.♘c4 f6 12.♚e1 0-0 13.♙d2 b6 14.♙a3 ♙e6 15.♚e2 ♙d8 16.♙b1 ♚e7 17.♚e1 ♙c7 18.♘e3 ♘f4 19.♘f5 ♚d7 20.♘g3 g5 21.♘h2 g4 Gara,A (2340)-Molnar,L (1770) Hungary HUN 2024 1-0 (65)]
7...a5 8.♘a3 ♘e7 9.c3 ♘g6 10.d4 cxd4 11.cxd4 exd4 12.♚xd4 ♙e6 13.♘g5 ♙d7?! Inaccuracy. Bc8 was best.
 [13...♙c8 14.♘c4 f6 15.♚b6 ♚xb6 16.♘xb6 ♙b8 17.♘xc8 ♙xc8 18.♘e6 ♙d7 19.♘xf8+]
14.♙d1 ♙d8?! Inaccuracy. Bc8 was best.
 [14...♙c8]
15.♚c4 ♘e5 16.♙f4?? Blunder. Qc3 was best.
 [16.♚c3 h6]
16...♘f3+ 17.♘xf3 ♚xf4 18.♚c3 ♙e7 19.♘c4 0-0 20.♘xa5 ♙c8 21.♚e5 ♚xe5 22.♘xe5 f6 23.♘f3 ♙b4 24.♘c4 ♙e6 25.♘e3 ♙b3 26.♙xd8 ♙xd8 27.a5 ♙c5 28.a6 ♙a8 29.♙c1 b6 30.♙a1 ♙a7

31.♖f5 ♘c2 32.♗g3 ♘d3 33.♗h4?! Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best.

[33.♖d1 ♘xa6 34.e5 ♘c4 35.exf6 gxf6 36.♗e4 ♘e7 37.♗d4 ♖d7 38.♖d2 ♘d5]

33...♗f7 34.♗hf5? Mistake. Nf3 was best.

[34.♗f3 g6]

34...g6 35.♖d1 ♘xa6 36.♗h6+ ♔g7

37.♗g4 h5 38.♗e3 ♘b5 39.h4 ♗f7

40.♖d8 ♖a1+ 41.♗h2 ♖b1 42.♖d7+

♗e6 43.♖g7 ♘f8 44.♖b7 ♘c5 45.♖g7

♘xe3?? Blunder. Rxb2 was best.

[45...♖xb2 46.♖xg6 ♖xf2 47.♗ef5 ♘e2 48.♖h6 ♘f3 49.♗g7+ ♔e5 50.♖h8 b5 51.♖e8+]

46.fxe3 ♖xb2 47.♖xg6 ♘e2 48.♗f5??

Blunder. Rh6 was best.

[48.♖h6]

48...♗e5 49.♗e7?! Inaccuracy. Rg7 was best.

[49.♖g7 ♔xe4 50.♗g3+ ♔d3 51.♖d7+ ♔c4 52.♖d4+ ♔c3 53.♗e4+ ♔b3 54.♖d6 b5]

49...♖c2 50.♖g8 ♔xe4 51.♖c8 c5

52.♗g3?! Inaccuracy. Re8 was best.

[52.♖e8 b5 53.♗g8+ ♔d3 54.♗xf6 b4 55.e4 b3 56.♖d8+ ♔c3 57.e5 ♘f3]

52...♘f1

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☐ Zemlyanskii,Ivan

2516

■ Nguyen,Thai Dai Van

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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♘b5 e6 4.♘xc6

bxc6 5.d3 ♖c7 6.0-0 ♗e7 7.h4

[RR 7.♗h4 ♗g6 8.♖h5 ♗xh4 9.♖xh4 ♘e7 10.♖h5 0-0 11.c4 d6 12.♗c3 ♘f6 13.♖d1 ♖b8 14.♖c2

♘e5 15.♘e3 f5 16.exf5 exf5 17.f4 ♘f6 18.♖ae1 ♖e8 19.♘f2 ♘e6 20.b3 ♘f7 21.♖d2 ♖a5 Kraemer,M (2579)-

Anton Guijarro,D (2653) Neuwied GER 2024 1/2-1/2 (89)]

7...d6N

[RR 7...h5 8.e5 ♗g6 9.♖e1 f6 10.exf6 1/2-1/2 (10) Agmanov,Z (2458)- Perea Fruet,L (2310) San Vicente ESP 2024]

8.h5 h6 9.e5 dxe5 10.♖e1 g5

11.♗xe5 ♘g7 12.♗c4 ♘a6 13.♗bd2

♖d8 14.♖f3 0-0 15.♗b3 ♗f5 16.c3

♖d5 17.♗e3 ♖e5 18.♖d1 ♖d8?!

Inaccuracy. Nh4 was best.

[18...♗h4 19.♖g3]

19.c4 ♗h4 20.♖h3 f5?! Inaccuracy. Nf5 was best.

[20...♗f5 21.♗xf5 exf5 22.♘d2 ♖de8 23.♘c3 ♖e2 24.♘g7 ♗xg7 25.♖xf5 ♖8e5 26.♖h3]

21.f4 gxf4 22.♗f1 ♖e7 23.♘xf4 ♖e2

24.♖d2 ♗xg2 25.♘g3 ♖xd2 26.♗bxd2

f4 27.♘f2 ♗e3 28.♘h4 ♘f6 29.♘xf6

♖xf6 30.♗xe3 fxe3 31.♖xe3 ♖f5?!

Inaccuracy. Kh8 was best.

[31...♗h8 32.♖f1 ♖g8+ 33.♗h2 ♖h4+ 34.♖h3 ♖g5 35.♗e4 ♖e5+ 36.♗g3 ♖g5 37.♖g2]

32.♖f1?! Inaccuracy. Qg3+ was best.

[32.♖g3+ ♗h8 33.♖f1 ♖xh5 34.♗f2 ♖f8+ 35.♗f3 ♖f7 36.♖g1 ♗h7 37.♗e2 ♖g8]

32...♖xd3 33.♖xf5 ♖xe3 34.♖xc5 ♖e2

35.♗b3 ♖xb2 36.♖xc6 ♖xa2 37.♗d4

♖a4 38.♖xe6 ♘xc4 39.♖g6+ ♗h7

40.♗f5 ♖a6 41.♗xh6 ♖xg6+ 42.hxg6+

♗xh6 43.♗f2 a5 44.♗e3 a4 45.♗d2

a3 46.♗c2 ♘a2 47.♗c3

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B30

☐ Krzyzanowski,Marcin

2526

■ Petrosyan,Manuel

2616

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18.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♘b5 e6 4.♘xc6

bxc6 5.d3 ♖c7 6.h4

[RR 6.♖c3 e5 7.0-0 ♘e7 8.♘h4 ♗g6 9.♙h5 d6 10.♘e2 ♙e7 11.♘f5 ♙f6 12.♘eg3 ♗f4 13.♙f3 g6 14.♘e3 h5 15.♘e2 ♙g5 16.h3 ♘e6 17.♘c4 ♙xc1 18.♙axc1 ♙e7 19.♙e3 g5 20.f3 ♗f4 Caruana,F (2805)-Ivic,V (2596) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (84)]

6...e5 7.h5 d5N Inaccuracy. h6 was best.

[7...h6 8.b3 ♗f6 9.♙b2 d6 10.♘bd2 ♙e7 11.♘h4 0-0 12.♙e2]

[RR 7...d6 8.♘bd2 ♗f6 9.♘f1 c4 10.h6 g6 11.♙g5 ♙e7 12.♙xf6 ♙xf6 13.dxc4 ♙e6 14.♘e3 0-0 15.0-0 ♙fd8 16.♙d3 ♙e7 17.♙ad1 f6 18.♘h2 ♙f8 19.♘f5 ♙ad8 20.♘xe7+ ♙xe7 21.f4 exf4 22.♙xf4 Falkevall,A (2290)-Seo,J (2466) Stockholm SWE 2024 1/2-1/2 (51)]

[RR 7...h6 8.♘bd2 d6 9.♘c4 ♙e6 10.♘e3 ♗f6 11.b3 d5 12.♙b2 ♙d6 13.♘d2 c4 14.bxc4 d4 15.♘f5 ♙xf5 16.exf5 c5 17.♙f3 ♙b8 18.♙c1 0-0 19.♘e4 ♘xe4 20.♙xe4 ♙b7 21.f3 ♙xe4+ 22.fxe4 Grinev,V (2422)-Antunes,L (2045) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (43)]

8.♙e2 f6 9.c4 d4 10.♘h4 g6 11.g3 ♙d6 12.♘d2 ♘e7 13.♙f3 ♙f8 14.♘b3 ♙e6 15.♙h6 ♙f7 16.♙d2 ♙d7 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.♙e2 ♙h7 19.0-0-0 0-0-0 20.♙f3?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best.

[20.f4]

20...♙dh8 21.♙xf6 ♗g8 22.♙f3 ♙g4 23.♙g2 ♙xd1 24.♙xd1 ♙g4 25.f3 ♙e6 26.♙g5?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best.

[26.f4]

26...♘h6?! Inaccuracy. Rh5 was best.

[26...♙h5 27.♙d2 ♗f6 28.♙xf6 ♙xf6 29.♙b1 ♙b7 30.♙a5 ♙e7 31.a3 ♙d6 32.♙a2]

27.f4 exf4 28.e5 ♙f8 29.♘a5? Mistake. gxf4 was best.

[29.gxf4 ♗f5 30.♘xf5 gxf5 31.♙d2 ♙h1 32.♙xh1 ♙xh1+ 33.♙c2 ♙f7 34.♙g2 ♙h5]

29...♙d7?? Blunder. Ng4 was best.

[29...♘g4 30.♘xc6]

30.♘xg6 ♙xg6 31.♙f6 ♙e8 32.♙xc6+ ♙f7 33.♙d5+ ♙e8 34.♙d8+ ♙f7 35.♙d5+ ♙e8 36.♙c6+?? Blunder. Bxh8 was best.

[36.♙xh8]

36...♙f7 37.gxf4 ♙g8 38.♙d5+ ♙f7 39.♘c6 ♙hh7 40.♘d8 ♗f5 41.♘xf7 ♙xf7 42.♙h1 ♙h6?? Blunder. Bg7 was best.

[42...♙g7 43.a3 ♙xf6 44.exf6 ♙xf6 45.♙b1 ♘g7 46.♙a8+ ♙f8 47.♙xa7 ♙g6 48.♙a1]

43.♙d8+ ♙f8 44.♙d5+ ♙f7 45.♙d8+? Mistake. Qc6 was best.

[45.♙c6]

45...♙f8 46.♙d7 ♙xf4+? Mistake. Qg2 was best.

[46...♙g2 47.♙e6+ ♙f7 48.♙c8+ ♙f8 49.♙e6+]

47.♙b1 ♙h6 48.♙d5+?! Inaccuracy. a3 was best.

[48.a3 ♙b8 49.♙d5+ ♙h7 50.♙a2 ♘g7 51.♙xg7 ♙xg7 52.e6 ♙e8 53.♙f5+ ♙g6]

48...♙h7 49.♙xc5?! Inaccuracy. a3 was best.

[49.a3 ♘g7]

49...♙f7 50.♙c8 ♘g7 51.♙d1?! Inaccuracy. Ka1 was best.

[51.♙a1 ♙g2]

51...♙h5 52.♙f1 ♙e2 53.♙h3 ♙e3 54.♙h1 ♙xh3 55.♙xh3 ♘e6 56.b4 ♙g6 57.♙c2 ♙f8 58.♙g3+? Mistake. b5 was best.

[58.b5]

58...♙f5 59.a3 a5 60.♙b3 axb4 61.axb4 ♙b7 62.b5 ♙a7 63.♙h3 ♙g4?? Blunder. Nf4 was best.

[63...♘f4 64.♙g3 ♙a3+ 65.♙c2 ♙c3+ 66.♙b1 ♙c5 67.♙g7 ♘xd3 68.e6 ♙xe6 69.♙f3]

64.♙h4+ ♙f3 65.c5 ♘xc5+ 66.♙c4 ♙a4+ 67.♙d5 ♘xd3 68.♙g5 ♙b4 69.b6 ♙xb6 70.♙xd4 ♘c5 71.♙f4+ ♙e2

72.♔d5 ♖e6 73.♟f6 ♗c7+ 74.♔e4
♟b4+ 75.♔f5 ♟b8 76.♟c6 ♗b5 77.♔g6
♟a3 78.♟f6 ♗d4 79.♟a6 ♟b3 80.e6
♟g3+ 81.♔f7 ♗f5 82.e7 ♟xe7 83.♟xe7
♗xe7 84.♔xe7 ♟e3+ 85.♟e6 ♟xe6+
86.♔xe6

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B30

☐ Vokhidov,Shamsiddin **2591**
 ■ Niemann,Hans Moke **2688**
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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♟b5 ♗f6 4.♟xc6
dxc6 5.d3 ♟c7 6.e5

[RR 6.♗bd2 e5 7.a4 ♟e6 8.b3 ♟e7
9.♗c4 ♗d7 10.♗g5 ♟xc4 11.bxc4
♗f8 12.♟g4 h5 13.♟f5 ♟d6 14.0-0
♟e7 15.♟h3 (15.f4±) 15...f6 16.♗f3
g5! 17.♗d2 ♗e6 18.♟e1 g4 19.♟e3
0-0-0 20.♟e2 ♟dg8 Pragganandhaa,
R (2747)-Caruana,F (2803) Toronto
CAN 2024 0-1 (89)]

6...♗d5 7.c4N

[7.c4!?]

[7.c4!]

[RR 7.h3 g6 8.♟e2 ♟g7 9.0-0 0-0
10.c4 ♗b6 11.♟f4 h6 12.♗c3 ♟e6
13.♟ad1 ♟fd8 14.♟e3 ♗d7 15.♗e4
b6 (15...g5±) 16.♗f6+ ♗h8 17.♗xd7
g5 18.♗xc5! bxc5 19.♟g3 ♟a5
20.♟d2 ♟f5 21.b3 e6 Dhananjay,S
(2151)-Liyanage,R (2366) Bangalore
IND 2024 1/2-1/2 (48)]

7...♗b4 8.a3 White is slightly better.

8...♗a6 9.♟e2 ♟g4 10.♗bd2 ♟d8

11.h3 ♟f5 12.♗e4 ♟d7 13.g4 ♟g6

14.♗h4 ♟xe4 15.dxe4 ♗c7! 16.♟e3

♗e6! 17.f4 g5 18.fxc5 ♟g7 19.0-0

♟d3 20.♟f2 ♟f8 21.♗f3 ♟xe4

22.♟xc5 ♟d3

[22...♗f4!? 23.♟h2 b6̄]

23.♟xa7 ♗f4 24.♗h2 ♟xc4

[Weaker is 24...♟xe5 25.♟ae1±]

25.♟ad1 ♟d5 26.♟d4! ♟e4?!

Inaccuracy. c5 was best.

[26...c5!]

[26...c5!± 27.♟xd3 ♗xd3]

27.♟c2± ♟xd4 28.♗xd4 ♟xc2+

29.♗xc2 ♟xe5 30.b4?! Inaccuracy. Rf3
was best.

[30.♟f3 ♟g8 31.♟df1 ♗d5+ 32.♔g2
♟xg5 33.♟f5 h6 34.♟xg5 hxg5
35.♔f3 ♗f4]

[White should try 30.♟f3±]

30...♟g8 31.♔g3 ♗e6+ 32.♔g2 ♗f4+

33.♔g3 ♗d5+?! [#] Inaccuracy. Ne6+
was best.

[33...♗e6+]

[33...♗e6+± 34.♔f2 ♟xg5]

34.♔f3! ♟xg5

[34...♟g7? 34...♟xg5 1.51 Mistake.
Rxc5 was best. 35.g6?? Blunder. h4
was best. (35.h4 ♟g6 36.♗e3 ♗xe3
37.♔xe3 ♟g3 38.♟h1 f6 39.♔f3 ♟c7
40.gxf6 ♟xf6+; Better is 35.h4+-)
35...♟xg6 [#] (35...hxg6± 36.♗e3 e6)
36.♗e3! ♟g5?? Blunder. Nc3 was
best. (36...♗c3; 36...♗c3±) 37.h4?!
Inaccuracy. Nxd5 was best. (37.♗xd5
cxd5 38.♟xd5 f6 39.♟b5 h5 40.a4
hxg4+ 41.hxc4 f5 42.♟xe5 ♟xg4;
Δ37.♗xd5 cxd5 38.♟xd5)

A) 37...♗xe3 38.hxc5 ♗xd1
39.♟xd1 e6 (Δ39...b5 40.♟d2
♟c7) 40.a4 ♟c7 41.♟h1 ♟d8
42.♟h5 ♟e7 43.b5;

B) 37...♗xe3 was worth a try.
38.hxc5 ♗xd1;

C) 37...e6? Mistake. Nxe3 was
best.]

35.♗e3 e6

[35...♗b6 36.♔e2 f6 37.♟f5 ♟g7
38.♟h5 e6 39.♔f3 ♟f7 40.♟d3]

36.h4↑ White is really pushing. 36...♟g8

Black wants to play ...Nxe3. 37.g5 ♟f8

38.♗g4 ♟b2 39.♟d3

[39.♟f2+- ♟h8 40.♟df1]

39...f5= 40.♗e3 e5! White must now
prevent ...e4+. 41.♔e2 ♟d4?

[41...♗xe3!= 42.♔xe3 (42.♟xe3

♔e7=) 42...♔e7]
42.♖xf5 Accuracy: White = 75%, Black = 66%.
1-0

B31
 □ **Sivuk,Vitaly** **2541**
 ■ **Radjabov,Teimour** **2723**
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1.e4 c5 2.♖f3 ♗c6 3.♘b5 g6 4.0-0 ♘g7 5.♖e1 ♗f6 6.c3 0-0 7.d4 cxd4 8.cxd4 d5 9.e5 ♗e4 10.♙xc6 bxc6 11.♙e3 ♖b6 12.♖c1 a5N

[RR 12...♙f5 13.♗bd2 ♖fb8 14.♗b3 a5 15.♖e2 a4 16.♗c5 ♗xc5 17.dxc5 ♖a6 18.♖d2 ♙e4 19.♙d4 ♙xf3 20.gxf3 ♙h6 21.e6 f6 22.♔h1 ♖b4 23.♙e3 ♙xe3 24.fxe3 ♖c4 25.♖f1 ♖c8 26.♖h3 ♖xc5 27.♖g1 Dyachuk,A (2240)-Fernandez Diaz,C (2223) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (40)]

13.♗c3 ♗xc3 14.♖xc3
 1/2-1/2

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 □ **Bharath Subramaniam H** **2544**
 ■ **Theodorou,Nikolas** **2616**
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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4 e5 5.♗e2 ♗f6 6.♗bc3 ♙c5 7.♗g3 0-0N

[RR 7...d6 8.♙b5? (8.♗a4=) 8...♗g4! 9.0-0? (9.♙e3 ♗xe3 10.fxe3) 9...h5? (Black should play 9...♖h4+ 10.h3 ♗xf2 Remove Defender 11.♖xf2 ♖xg3 Pin) 10.h3 h4 11.♗f5 ♙xf5 12.exf5 ♗f6 13.♙e3? (13.♙g5+-) 13...♙b6? (13...♙xe3 ♖ keeps the upper hand. 14.fxe3 d5) 14.♙xb6 (♠14.♙g5!) 14...axb6 15.a4 0-0 16.♖d2 ♗d4 17.♙d3 d5 18.♗e2 ♗c6 19.c3 e4

(19...♗e4= 20.♙xe4 dxe4) 20.♙c2 (20.♙b5±) 20...♗e5 21.♙b3 ♖d7 22.♗d4 Wang,A (1851)-De Sousa,D (2021) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (38)] [RR 7...h5 8.♙g5 ♖b6 9.♖d2! ♗g4 (9...d6±) 10.♗d1? (10.0-0-0±) 10...f6 11.♙e3 ♗xe3 12.♗xe3? (12.fxe3 ♖h4 13.♗e2) 12...♖xb2 13.♖c1 ♙a3 14.♗e2 ♗d4 (14...♙b4+ 15.c3 ♖xd2+ 16.♔xd2 ♙c5) 15.♗c4 ♖xa2 16.♗xa3 ♗xe2 (16...♖xa3 ♖ 17.♗xd4 exd4) 17.♙xe2 ♖xa3 18.0-0! h4 19.h3 ♖h6 (19...♖e7=) 20.♖d5 ♔e7? (20...♖e7± is more resistant.) 21.♖fd1? (21.♖g8) 21...d6? (21...♔e8 22.♙a6 ♖e7) 22.♙c4 Montiel Caceres,H (1682)-Fernandez Siles,L (2218) chess.com INT 2024 1-0]

8.♙c4 d6 9.0-0 a6 The position is equal. **10.♗f5?!** Inaccuracy. Bg5 was best.

[10.♙g5 h6 11.♙xf6 ♖xf6 12.♗d5 ♖g5 13.c3 ♙e6 14.♔h1 ♖ac8 15.♙b3 ♔h8]

[10.♙g5=]

10...♙e6 11.♗d5 ♗xe4 12.♖g4! g6!
 [12...♙xf5?! 13.♖xf5 ♖h4 14.♙d3±]
13.♗h6+ ♔g7! 14.♖xe4 f5 15.♖e2 b5
 Threatens to win with ...Nd4. Black has compensation. **16.♙b3 ♗d4 17.♖d1?**
 Mistake. Qd3 was best.

[17.♖d3 f4 18.♗xf4! ♙xb3 19.♗h5+! gxh5 20.axb3 ♖f6! 21.b4 ♙xb4 22.c3 ♗b3]

[17.♖d3 ♖ f4 18.♗xf4 exf4 19.♙xe6 ♗xe6 20.♗g4]

17...f4 ♖ 18.♗g4 ♖h4!
 [18...h5?! 19.♗gf6=]

19.♗ge3

[19.h3 h5]

19...fxe3 20.♙xe3 ♖f5?! Inaccuracy. Nf3+ was best.

[20...♗f3+]

[Black should try 20...♖ac8 ♖]

21.♗c7

[21.g3= remains equal. ♖e4 22.♙xd4
♙xd5 23.♙xd5 ♖xd5 24.♙xc5 ♖xc5
25.♖d2]

21...♙d7 And now ...Raf8 would win.

22.g3?? Blunder. Bxd4 was best.

[22.♙xd4!]

[22.♘xa8?! ♘xb3 23.axb3 ♖h5±]

[22.♙xd4! ♖ ♙xd4 23.g3 (23.♘xa8?
♙xf2+ 24.♖xf2 ♖xf2+ 25.♙h1 ♙c6-+
Double Attack)]

22...♖h3!-+ 23.♙xd4 [#] 23...exd4??

Blunder. Rh5 was best.

[23...♖h5! 24.♖xh5 ♖xh5 25.♙xc5
dxc5 26.♘e6+ ♙xe6 27.♙xe6 e4
28.c4 ♖e5 29.♙d5]

[23...♖h5!-+ 24.♖xh5 gxh5 25.♙xc5
dxc5 26.♘xa8 ♙c6]

24.♘e6+??= Blunder. Bd5 was best.

[24.♙d5]

[But not 24.♘xa8 ♖h5±]

24...♙h8 [#]

[24...♙f6!? 25.♖d3 (25.♘xd4 ♖h5±)
25...♖h5 26.♖f3+ ♙e7=]

25.♘xc5?

[25.♘g5!± was forced to keep a grip.
♖h6 (25...♖xg5 26.♖f3) 26.♘f7+
♖xf7 27.♙xf7]

25...dxc5→ Black goes for the king. **26.f3**

♖h6 27.c3?! Inaccuracy. Re1 was best.

[27.♖e1 27.g4 -1.61 c4 28.♖xd4+
♖g7 29.♖ad1 ♖xd4+ 30.♖xd4 ♖f7
31.♙xc4 bxc4 32.♙f2 ♖c8]

[27.g4 was worth a try. ♖e5 28.c3]

27...♖e3+ 28.♙g2 ♙c6 29.cxd4 ♖d8

30.d5?! Inaccuracy. g4 was best.

[30.g4 ♖xd4 31.gxf5 ♖xd1 32.♖axd1
♖g5+ 33.♙h1 ♖xf5 34.♖d8+ ♙g7
35.♙d1 ♙d5]

30...c4? Mistake. Rfxd5 was best.

[30...♖fxd5 31.♙xd5 ♖xd5 32.♖e1
♖d2+ 33.♖xd2 ♖xd2+ 34.♖f2 ♖e3
35.h3 c4 36.a3]

[♣30...♖fxd5 ...Rd2+ is the strong
threat. 31.♙xd5 ♖xd5]

31.♖e1

[31.♖e1 was necessary. ♖xe1

32.♖axe1 ♖fxd5 33.♙c2]

31...♖c5 32.♖c1?? Blunder. dxc6 was best.

[32.dxc6 ♖xd1 33.♙xd1 ♖xc6 34.♖f1
♖d5 35.♖f2 ♖b6 36.♙c2 ♖a5
37.♖af1 ♖xa2]

[♣32.dxc6 ♖xd1 33.♙xd1]

32...♖fxd5?? Blunder. Rxf3 was best. (-
> ...Rd2+)

[32...♖xf3 33.♙xc4 bxc4 34.♖xc4
♖f2+ 35.♙g1 ♖f1+ 36.♙g2 ♖xc4
37.dxc6 ♖d2+ 38.♙h3]

33.♖c3+ ♖d4 34.♙d1 ♖xc3 35.bxc3

♖d3 36.a4?! Inaccuracy. Re6 was best.

[36.♖e6 ♙d7 37.♖e7 ♖xc3 38.g4
♙c6 39.♙g3 ♖e8 40.♖c7 ♙d5
41.♙h4 ♖e1]

36...♖xc3 37.axb5 axb5 38.♙h3 ♖cd3

[Not 38...♙xf3 39.♙xf3 ♖xf3
40.♖a7-+]

39.f4 ♖3d7 40.♙g4 ♖c7 41.♖ac1 ♙g7

42.♙h4 ♖d2 43.h3 ♙d5 44.♖b1 c3

45.♖ec1?! Inaccuracy. Rxb5 was best.

[45.♖xb5 c2 46.♖b2 h5 47.♙e6
♙xe6 48.♖xc2 ♖dxc2 49.♖xe6 ♖2c5
50.♖d6 ♖c4]

45...h5 46.♙d1 [#] 46...♖xd1!

Remove Defender, Deflection, Decoy,
Promotion. Black is clearly winning.

47.♖xd1 Endgame KRR-KRB **47...c2**

Double Attack **48.♖dc1 cxb1♖ 49.♖xb1**

KRB-KR **49...♖b7 50.♖b4 ♙f6 51.♖d4**

♙f7 aiming for ...b4. **52.♖b4 ♙c4 53.g4**

♖h7 54.g5+?! Inaccuracy. Rb2 was best.

[54.♖b2 hxg4+ 55.♙xg4 ♖d7 56.f5
♖d4+ 57.♙g3 gxf5 58.h4 ♖g4+
59.♙f3 ♖xh4]

54...♙e6 55.♖b1 ♖f7 Accuracy: White =
45%, Black = 73%.

0-1

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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
 ♘f6 5.♘c3 e5 6.♘db5 d6 7.♙g5 a6
 8.♘a3 b5 9.♘d5 ♙e7 10.♙xf6 ♙xf6
 11.c3 0-0 12.♘c2 ♖b8 13.h4N g6 RR
 14.g3 ♙g7 15.h5 ♘e7 16.♘cb4 ♙b7
 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.♙e2 ♖c8 19.a4 a5
 20.♘xe7+ ♚xe7 21.♘d5 ♙xd5 22.♚xd5
 ♖c5 23.♚d3 bxa4 24.♖xa4 ♖b8 25.b4
 axb4 26.♖xb4 ♖bc8 27.♖b3 d5 28.0-0
 d4 Perez Ponsa,F (2538)-Lupulescu,C
 (2589) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (39)
 1/2-1/2

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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
 ♘f6 5.♘c3 e5 6.♘db5 d6 7.♘d5
 ♘xd5 8.exd5 ♘e7 9.c4 ♘f5 10.♙d3
 g6 11.0-0 a6 12.♘c3 ♙g7 13.a4 0-0
 14.a5 b5N
 [RR 14...♖e8 15.♙d2 ♘d4 16.b4
 ♙d7 17.♘h1 ♖c8 18.♖c1 f5 19.f3
 ♚h4 20.♙e1 ♚g5 21.♙f2 ♙h6
 22.♖b1 ♚d2 23.♚xd2 ♙xd2 24.♘e2
 e4 25.fxe4 fxe4 26.♘xd4 exd3
 27.♘f3 ♙h6 28.c5 d2 29.cxd6
 Ribera Veganzones,S (2361)-Alfaro
 Rojas,A (2317) Barcelona ESP 2024
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 15.axb6 ♚xb6 16.♘e4 ♘d4 17.b4 f5
 18.c5 dxc5 19.bxc5 ♚a7 20.♘d6
 ♚xc5 21.♙a3 ♚c3 22.♘xc8 ♖fxc8
 23.♙e7 a5 24.d6 ♙f8 25.♙b5 ♘g7
 26.♙a4 ♚c5 27.♖e1 ♖ab8 28.♙d7 ♖d8
 29.♖c1 ♚d5 30.♙c6 ♚b3 31.♚xb3
 ♘xb3 32.♙xd8 ♖xd8 33.♖c3 ♘d4
 34.♖xe5 ♙xd6 35.♖ee3 ♙b4 36.♖cd3

♘xc6
 0-1

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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
 ♘f6 5.♘c3 e5 6.♘db5 d6 7.♘d5
 ♘xd5 8.exd5 ♘b8 9.c4 a6 10.♚a4
 ♙d7 11.♚a3 ♙xb5 12.cxb5 a5N

[RR 12...♙e7 13.bxa6 bxa6 14.♙b5+
 ♚f8 15.0-0 f5 16.♙d2 ♚f7 17.♙d3
 e4 18.♙e2 ♖f8 19.f3 exf3 20.♖xf3
 ♚g8 21.♙a5 ♚e8 22.♖e1 ♘d7
 23.♙d3 f4 24.♙b4 a5 25.♙c3 ♚f7
 26.♚b3 ♙f6 27.♚c2 Zhou,Y (1559)-Lu,
 Y (1594) Shanghai CHN 2024 1-0
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[RR 12...♘d7 13.bxa6 bxa6 14.♙d2
 ♙e7 15.♖c1 a5 16.♙b5 0-0 17.♙c6
 ♖a6 18.b4 ♙g5 19.♙xg5 ♚xg5
 20.0-0 ♚e7 21.b5 ♖a7 22.♙xd7
 ♚xd7 23.♖c6 ♖d8 24.♖b1 ♖aa8
 25.b6 ♚f5 26.♖bc1 e4 27.b7
 Soumya,S (2259)-Rajasurya,J
 (1710) Dharamshala IND 2024 1-0
 (32)]

13.b6 ♚xb6 14.♙e3 ♚b4+ 15.♚xb4
 axb4 16.♖c1 ♘a6 17.♙b5+ ♘d8
 18.♙b6+ ♘e7 19.0-0?! Inaccuracy. f4
 was best.

[19.f4 g6 20.fxe5 ♙h6 21.♖d1 ♙g7
 22.exd6+ ♘xd6 23.0-0 ♖hf8 24.♙e3
 ♙xb2]

19...g5 20.♖c4 f5 21.♖fc1 ♘f6
 22.♙xa6 ♖xa6 23.♖xb4 ♖xa2 24.♙d8+
 ♘g6 25.♖xb7 f4 26.f3 h5 27.b4?!
 Inaccuracy. Rc8 was best.

[27.♖c8 e4 28.fxe4 ♙g7 29.♖xg7+
 ♘xg7 30.♙f6+ ♘xf6 31.♖xh8 h4
 32.h3 ♖xb2]

27...g4 28.b5?? Blunder. Bh4 was best.
 [28.♙h4]

28..h4 29.h3 g3?! Inaccuracy. gxf3
was best.

[29...gxf3]

30.♖b1?? Blunder. Bb6 was best.

[30.♘b6]

30...♙g7 31.♖d7?! Inaccuracy. Rxc7+
was best.

[31.♖xc7+ ♔xc7 32.♙c7 ♖c8
33.♙xd6 ♔f6 34.b6 ♖b2 35.♖e1
♖xb6 36.♙xe5+ ♔f5]

31...e4 32.♖xd6+ ♔h5 33.♙f6?! Inaccuracy. Bb6 was best.

[33.♙b6 ♖ha8 34.♖c6 ♖d2 35.♔h1
♖aa2 36.d6 e3 37.♖c5+ ♔g6 38.♖c6
♔h7]

33...♖c8 34.♙xg7?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Kh1 was best.

[34.♔h1 ♖cc2 35.♖e6 ♖xg2 36.♖e5+
♔g6 37.♖xe4 ♖h2+ 38.♔g1 ♖ag2+
39.♔f1 ♙xf6]

34...♖cc2 35.♖e1?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rh6+ was best.

[35.♖h6+ ♔g5 36.♔h1 ♖xg2 37.♖e1
♖h2+ 38.♔g1 ♖ag2+ 39.♔f1 ♖d2
40.♔g1 ♖xh3]

35...♖xg2+ 36.♔h1 ♖h2+ 37.♔g1 ♖hg2+ 38.♔h1 ♖ge2 39.♙c3?

Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rh6+ was best.

[39.♖h6+ ♔g5 40.♖xe2 ♖xe2 41.♖e6
exf3 42.♔g1 ♖g2+ 43.♔f1 ♖h2
44.♔e1 f2+]

39...exf3 40.♖xe2?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rh6+ was best.

[40.♖h6+ ♔xh6 41.♖xe2 ♖xe2 42.d6
f2 43.♙g7+ ♔h5 44.♔g2 f3+
45.♔xf3 f1♚#]

40...♖xe2 41.♖e6 ♖h2+ 0-1

□ **Pranav,V B35**

■ **Suleymenov,Alisher 2587**

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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♘c3 g6 4.d4 cxd4 5.♘xd4 ♙g7 6.♙e3 ♘f6 7.♙c4 0-0 8.♙b3 a5 9.f3 ♘xd4 10.♙xd4 d6 11.♚d2 ♙d7?! Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[11...b5 12.♘xb5]

12.a4 ♙c6 13.h4 ♚e8N

[RR 13...e6 14.h5 ♘xh5 15.♙xg7 ♔xg7 16.g4 ♘f6 17.♚h6+ ♔g8 18.0-0-0 ♚e7 19.♘e2 ♖fd8 20.g5 ♘h5 21.♘f4 ♚f8 22.♘xh5 gxh5 23.♚f6 ♚g7 24.♖xh5 ♚xf6 25.gxf6 ♔f8 26.♖xh7 ♔e8 27.♙xe6 1-0 (27) Vachier Lagrave,M (2734)-Ehlvest,J (2528) chess.com INT 2024]

14.g4 e5? Mistake. h6 was best.

[14...h6 15.0-0-0 b5 16.axb5 ♙xb5 17.g5 ♘h5 18.♙xg7 ♔xg7 19.f4 a4 20.♙d5]

15.♙e3 d5 16.exd5 ♙d7 17.h5 e4 18.h6 ♙h8 19.g5 ♘h5 20.0-0-0 b5

21.♘xe4 bxa4 22.♙a2 ♙f5 23.♙d4 ♙xe4 24.fxe4 ♙e5 25.♔b1 ♖b8

26.♙xe5 ♚xe5 27.♚d4 ♖fe8 28.d6 ♘g3?! Inaccuracy. Qxd4 was best.

[28...♚xd4 29.♖xd4 ♘g3 30.♖e1 a3 31.d7 ♖ed8 32.♖d3 ♖xb2+ 33.♔a1 ♖xc2 34.♖xg3]

29.♖he1?! Inaccuracy. Rhf1 was best.

[29.♖hf1 ♚xd4 30.♙xf7+ ♔h8 31.♖xd4 ♖f8 32.♖f3 a3 33.♖xa3 ♖xf7 34.♖xg3 ♔g8]

29...♖bd8?! Inaccuracy. Qxd4 was best.

[29...♚xd4 30.♖xd4 ♖e5 31.♖c4 ♖d8 32.♖c7 ♖xe4 33.♖xe4 ♘xe4 34.♖xf7 ♔h8 35.d7]

30.♚a7 ♖f8 31.♚e7 ♚f4 32.d7 a3

33.♚xa3 ♖b8?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qe5 was best.

[33...♚e5 34.♖d5 ♚f4 35.♚c3 ♘h5 36.♚d4 a4 37.♙c4 ♚g3 38.♖d1 ♚f4 39.♔a2]

34. ♖c3 ♜h5 35.e5
1-0

□ Niemann,Hans Moke **B40** **2688**
 ■ Shankland,Sam **2671**
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1.e4 c5 2.♟f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♟xd4
 ♟f6 5.♟d3 ♟c6 6.♟xc6 dxc6 7.♟e3
 e5 8.h3 ♟e6 9.0-0N

[RR 9.♟d2 ♟e7 10.a4 0-0 11.0-0
 ♖c7 12.♖e2

A) RR 12...a5 13.♔h1 ♟d6 14.♟g5
 ♟e7 (14...♟d7= keeps the
 balance.) 15.♟e3 (15.f4±) 15...♟d6
 16.♖f3 ♖fd8 17.♟c4 ♟xc4
 18.♟xc4 ♖ab8 19.♟a7 ♖a8 20.♟e3
 ♖ab8 21.♟b3 b5 (21...♖e7±)
 22.♖fd1 ♟e7 23.g4 ♖xd1+ 24.♖xd1
 bxa4 25.♟xa4 ♖b4 26.b3 ♟xe4
 27.♖f5;

B) RR 12...♟e8 12...♖fd8 0.26
 13.♟c4 ♟d7 14.♖h5 (14.f4±)
 14...♔h8 15.♟b3 f6 16.♔h1 ♟d6
 17.f4 ♟e8 18.♖g4 f5 19.♖f3
 (White should try 19.♖e2±)
 19...♟g6 (19...fxe4± stays ahead.
 20.♟xe4 ♟f7) 20.fxe5 ♟xe4
 21.♟xe4 fxe4 22.♖g3 ♖ad8
 23.♖ad1 ♖xd1;

C) 12...♖fd8 13.♖fb1 ♟d7 14.b4
 ♟f8 15.c3 ♟g6 16.♟c4 ♟f4
 17.♟xf4 ♟xc4 18.♖xc4 exf4
 19.♟f3 ♟f6 20.b5 ♖e8 21.a5 ♖d7
 22.e5 ♟xe5 23.a6 ♟f6?
 Sargsyan,S (2637)-Ghosh,D (2564)
 Dubai UAE 2024 1-0 (33)
 (23...cxb5± 24.♖xb5 ♟xc3
 25.♖xb7 ♖ac8 26.♖xf4 ♖e6)]

[RR 9.♟d2 ♟e7 10.a4 0-0 11.0-0
 ♖c7 12.♖e2 ♖fd8 13.♖fb1 ♟d7
 14.b4 ♟f8 15.c3 ♟g6 16.♟c4 ♟f4
 17.♟xf4 ♟xc4 18.♖xc4 exf4 19.♟f3
 ♟f6 20.b5 ♖e8 21.a5 ♖d7 22.e5

♟xe5 23.a6 ♟f6? Sargsyan,S (2637)-
 Ghosh,D (2560) Dubai Police Officers
 Club, A 2024 1-0 (33) (23...cxb5±
 24.♖xb5 ♟xc3 25.♖xb7 ♖ac8
 26.♖xf4 ♖e6)]

9...♟d7 10.♖h5 The position is equal.

10...♖f6 11.♟d2 ♟c5 12.♟c4 ♟xe3
 13.fxe3?! Inaccuracy. Nd6+ was best.

[13.♟d6+ ♔e7 14.fxe3 ♖g6
 15.♟f5+! ♟xf5 16.♖h4+ ♖f6 17.♖e1
 ♖d6 18.♖xf5 f6]

[13.♟d6+± ♔e7 14.fxe3]

13...♖e7!± 14.a3 0-0 15.b4

[But not 15.♟xe5? ♖c5-+]

15...f6

[15...a6±]

16.♖e2 ♖ac8 17.♖fb1 ♖fd8 18.a4 ♟b6
 19.a5 ♟xc4 20.♟xc4 ♟xc4 21.♖xc4+
 ♖f7 22.♖xf7+ ♔xf7= Endgame KRR-
 KRR 23.♖d1 ♔e7 24.c4 ♖xd1+
 25.♖xd1 ♖d8 26.♖xd8 ♔xd8 KP-KP
 27.♔f2 ♔e7 28.g4 ♔f7 29.♔g3 b6
 30.a6 b5 31.c5! ♔g6 32.h4??

Blunder. Kh4 was best.

[32.♔h4]

[32.♔h4=]

32...h5+ 33.♔h3 [#] 33...♔h6! 34.♔g3
 hxg4 35.♔xg4 [#] 35...g6! 36.h5
 gxh5+ 37.♔f5 ♔g7 38.♔e6 h4
 39.♔d6 h3 Threatens to win with ...h2.
 40.♔xc6 h2 Black mates. 41.♔b7 h1♖
 42.♔xa7 ♖xe4 Double Attack 43.♔b8?
 Checkmate is now unavoidable. Kb6 was
 best.

[43.♔b6 ♖a8 44.♔xb5 f5 45.♔c4 f4
 46.c6 ♖xc6+ 47.♔d3 ♖xa6+ 48.♔e4
 ♖e2]

43...♖xb4 44.c6 ♖c5 45.♔b7??
 Checkmate is now unavoidable. c7 was
 best.

[45.c7 ♖b6+ 46.♔c8 ♖xa6+ 47.♔d8
 ♖b6 48.♔d7 ♖b7 49.♔e6 ♖xc7
 50.♔d5 ♖c4+]

45...b4 46.a7 ♖b5+ Accuracy: White =
 61%, Black = 83%.

0-1

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 Krzyzanowski, Marcin **2526**
 Jumabayev, Rinat **2595**
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1.e4 c5 2.c3 e6 3.♘f3 d5 4.exd5 exd5 5.♙b5+ ♗c6 6.♚e2+N

[RR 6.0-0 ♙d6 7.♞e1+ ♘ge7 8.d4 0-0 9.dxc5 ♙xc5 10.♙d3 ♙f5 11.♙xf5 ♗xf5 12.♚d3 ♚d7 13.♗bd2 ♞fe8 14.♗b3 ♞xe1+ 15.♗xe1 ♙b6 16.♗f3 d4 17.cxd4 ♗fxd4 18.♗bxd4 ♗xd4 19.♗xd4 ♚xd4 20.♚xd4 ♙xd4 Zheenbekov, N (2137)-Souleidis, G (2414) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (57)]

[RR 6.0-0 ♙d6 7.♞e1+ ♘ge7 8.d4 0-0 9.dxc5 ♙xc5 10.♙e3 ♙d6 11.h3 h6 12.♗bd2 ♗f5 13.♗b3 a6 14.♙d3 ♚f6 15.♗bd4 ♗xe3 16.♞xe3 ♙d7 17.♙c2 ♞fe8 18.♞xe8+ ♞xe8 19.♚d3 g6 20.♗xc6 (20.♙b3=) 20...bxc6 Ismayil, M (2200)-Maltsevskaya, A (2374) FIDE Online Arena INT 2024 0-1 (39)]

[RR 6.0-0 ♙d6 7.♞e1+ ♘ge7 8.d4 0-0 9.h3 a6 10.♙d3 cxd4 11.cxd4 ♙f5 12.♗c3 ♙c7 13.♙g5 ♚d6? (13...f6= and Black is okay. 14.♙h4 ♙xd3 15.♚xd3 ♚d7) 14.♙xe7 ♗xe7 15.♞xe7 ♙xd3 16.♞xc7! ♚xc7 17.♚xd3 ♞ad8 18.♗g5 g6 19.h4 ♚d6 20.h5 ♚f6 Ismayil, M (2200)-Gorli Nyna (1615) FIDE Online Arena INT 2024 1-0 (45)]

6...♚e7 7.d4 ♚xe2+ 8.♗xe2 0-0-0

The position is equal. **8...♙d7 9.♞e1**
 [9...♗xd4+ looks sharper. 10.♗xd4 cxd4 11.♗d3+ ♗d8 12.♙xd7 ♗xd7 13.cxd4 ♙d6]

10.♗f1 cxd4 11.♗xd4 ♗xd4 12.♙xd7+ ♗xd7 13.cxd4 ♙d6 14.♗c3 ♗e7 15.a3 ♞c8 16.♞e3 f6

[Much weaker is 16...♙xh2 17.g3±]

17.♞f3 ♙c7

[17...♙xh2?! 18.g3±]

18.♗a4 ♙d6

[Much worse is 18...♙xh2?! 19.♗c5+ ♗e8 20.g3±]

19.♗c3 ♗e6

[Of course not 19...♙xh2?! 20.g3±]

20.♙f4

[20.♙d2 with more complications. a6 21.♗e2 b5 22.h3 ♞c4 23.♗d3]

20...♙xf4 21.♞xf4 ♞hd8 22.♞f3 ♗f7

23.♗e2 ♞c2 24.♞b3 ♞d7 25.♞c1

♞xc1+ 26.♗xc1= Endgame KRN-KRN

26...♗f5 27.♗e2 ♗d6 28.♞c3 ♗c4

29.♞c2 ♗e6 30.♗e1 ♗d6 31.♗d1 a6

32.a4 ♞e7 33.b3 ♗a5 34.♞c3 ♗c6

35.♗d2 ♞e4 36.♞e3

[36.♞d3 keeps more tension. g5 37.f3 ♞e8 38.♞e3 ♞g8 39.♗c3]

36...♞h4 37.♞h3 ♞xh3 38.gxh3

KN-KN 38...♗e6 39.♗e3 ♗f5

40.♗c3?? Blunder. Ng3+ was best.

[40.♗g3+]

[40.♗g3+ ♗g5 41.f4+ ♗g6 42.h4]

40...♗b4!+ 41.♗f3?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best.

[41.f4 ♗c2+]

41...♗c2 42.♗e2 a5 43.h4 [#]

43...♗e1+! 44.♗g3?! [#] Inaccuracy. Ke3 was best.

[44.♗e3 ♗g2+ 45.♗d2 ♗e4 46.h5 g5 47.hxg6 hxg6 48.♗c3+ ♗xd4 49.♗e2+ ♗e5]

44...♗e4! 45.h5 ♗c2 46.f3+ ♗f5??

Blunder. Kd3 was best.

[46...♗d3 47.♗f2 ♗b4 48.♗g3 ♗xd4 49.f4 ♗c3 50.h6 gxh6 51.♗h5 f5 52.♗g7]

[46...♗e3+ 47.♗f4 ♗xd4]

47.h4= b6 48.♗f2 ♗e6 49.♗g3 ♗e3

50.♗f4 ♗f1

[50...♗f5 feels hotter. 51.♗g4 ♗e3+ 52.♗f4 ♗c2 53.♗g4 ♗a1]

51.♗c1 ♗d6 52.♗d3 ♗d2 53.b4 axb4

54.♗xb4 ♗c4 55.♗f5 ♗d2 56.♗f4

♗e6 57.♗a6 ♗d7 58.♗b4 ♗d6

59.♗d3 ♗e6 60.♗g4 ♗b3 61.♗f4+

♗d6 62.h6 gxh6 63.♗e2 ♗d2 64.f4

♔e6 65.f5+ ♔d6 66.♔h5 ♖f3 67.♔g4 ♖e1 68.♖c3 ♖g2 69.♖d1 ♔c6 70.♖c3 [#] 70...h5+! 71.♔xh5 ♖e3 72.♖e2 ♖xf5 next ...b5 is good for Black. 73.♔g4 ♖g7 74.h5 ♔d6 75.h6 ♖e6 76.♔f5 ♔e7 77.♔g4 ♔f7 78.♖c3 ♖c7 Black wants to play ...Kg6. 79.♔f5 ♔e7 80.♔g4 ♔e6 81.♖e2 ♔f7 82.♖f4 b5 83.axb5

[83.a5 seems wilder. b4 84.♖d3 ♖a6 85.♔f5 b3 86.♖b2]

83...♖xb5 84.♖xd5? Mistake. Ne2 was best.

[84.♖e2 ♖a3 85.♖g3 ♖c2 86.♖e2 ♔e6 87.♔f4 ♖b4 88.♔g4 ♖c6 89.♖f4+ ♔f7]

[84.♖e2̄]

84...♖xd4+ 85.♖f4 ♖e6 Hoping for ... Nxf4. 86.♖d5 ♔g6 87.♖e7+ ♔f7 88.♖c6 ♖c7 89.♔f5 intending Nd8+. 89...♖d5 ...Ne7+ is the strong threat.

90.♖d8+ ♔e8 91.♖c6?? Blunder. Nb7 was best.

[91.♖b7 ♔e7 92.♔e4 ♖b6 93.♔f4 ♖c8 94.♔f5 ♔f7 95.♖d8+ ♔e8 96.♖e6 ♔e7]

[♭91.♖b7]

91...♔d7?? Blunder. Ne7+ was best.

[91...♖e7+ 92.♔f4 ♖xc6 93.♔f5 ♔d7 94.♔f4 ♔e6 95.♔e4 f5+ 96.♔f4 ♔f6 97.♔e3]

[♭91...♖e7+ 92.♔e6 ♖xc6 93.♔xf6 ♖e7]

92.♖d4 ♔d6 93.♖b5+ ♔e7 94.♔e4 ♖b6 95.♔f4 ♔f7 96.♔f5 ♖c8

97.♖d4?! Inaccuracy. Kf4 was best.

[97.♔f4]

[97.♖c7̄]

97...♖e7+ 98.♔g4 ♔g6 99.♖e6?

[99.♖f3]

99...♔xh6 100.♖f4? Mistake. Nc5 was best.

[100.♖c5 ♔g6 101.♖e6 f5+ 102.♔h4 ♖d5 103.♖f8+ ♔g7 104.♖e6+ ♔f7 105.♖g5+ ♔g6]

[♭100.♔g3 ♔g6 101.♔h4]

100...f5+ 101.♔g3 ♔g5 102.♖h3+?! Inaccuracy. Ne6+ was best.

[102.♖e6+ ♔f6 103.♖f8 h6 104.♖d7+ ♔e6 105.♖c5+ ♔d6 106.♖b7+ ♔e5 107.♖c5 ♖g6]

102...♔g6 103.♔h4 ♔h6 104.♖g1 ♖g6+ 105.♔g3 ♔g5 106.♖f3+ ♔f6 107.♖d4 h6 108.♖f3 ♔e6 109.♖d4+ ♔e5 110.♖b3 Black is clearly winning.

110...♔e4 111.♖c5+ ♔e3 112.♖e6 f4+

113.♔g2 f3+ 114.♔f1 ♖e5 115.♖g7 ♖g4 116.♖f5+ ♔f4 117.♖g7 ♔e4

118.♖h5 ♔e3 (-> ...Nh2+) 119.♖g3 [#]

119...h5! And now ...Nh6 would win.

120.♖f5+

[120.♖xh5 ♖h2+]

120...♔f4 121.♖h4 ♖e5 Accuracy:

White = 73%, Black = 90%.

0-1

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□ Esipenko,Andrey 2703

■ Vokhidov,Shamsiddin 2591

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1.e4 c5 2.♖f3 e6 3.c3 ♖f6 4.♔d3 d5

5.e5 ♖fd7 6.♔c2 c4 7.0-0

[7.♔f1? 7.d4 0.12]

[RR 7.♔e2 ♖c6 8.d4 cxd3! 9.♔xd3 ♔c7 10.♔f4 ♔e7 (10...f6=) 11.0-0 g5 (11...♔d8± was called for.)

12.♔xg5 (12.♖xg5+- ♖dxe5 13.♔e1 ♔xg5 14.♔xg5) 12...♔xg5 13.♖xg5 ♔xe5 14.♔h5 ♔f6 (14...♖d8!±) 15.f4 ♖c5 (15...♔e7±) 16.♔c2! ♔d7

17.♖d2 (17.b4+- has better winning chances.) 17...0-0-0 18.♖df3 (18.f5± e5 19.b4) 18...♔e8 19.♔ae1

(19.♔g4=) 19...♔b8 (19...h6̄ 20.♖h3 ♔g7) 20.♔h1 (20.♔g4±) 20...h6 21.♖h3 ♔g8 Esipenko,A

(2704)-Kramnik,V (2753) Rostov-on-Don RUS 2024 1-0 (43)]

7...♖c6 8.♔e1 The position is equal.

[RR 8.♔a4 8.♔e1 0.09 ♔c7 9.♔e1

♖c5 10.d4 cxd3 11.♙b5 ♕e7
12.♙xd3 ♖xd3 13.♗xd3 h6 14.♗bd2
0-0 15.♗b3 b6 (15...f6=) 16.♙f4
♙d7 17.♗fd4 (17.♗d2±) 17...♗xd4
18.♗xd4 ♖ab8? (18...f5!=) 19.♖e3 f5
20.exf6 (White has to play 20.♖h3!+-)
20...♗xf4 21.♖f3! ♗d6 22.fxe7 ♗xe7
Nakamura,H (2789)-Vokhidov,S (2596)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (86)]

8...g5N

[RR 8...g6 8...♗c7 -0.05 9.d4 cxd3!
10.♗xd3 ♙g7 11.♙f4 0-0 12.♗bd2
♗c7 13.♗e2 b5 14.♖ac1 ♗b6
15.♙d3 b4 16.♗b3 bxc3 17.♖xc3
♗b4 (Black should play 17...♙b7±)
18.♙b5 (18.♗bd4±) 18...♗xa2
19.♖c6 ♗b8! 20.♗bd4 a6! 21.♙a4
♗b4 22.♗d2 a5 (22...♗xc6=
23.♗xc6 ♗c7 24.♗e7+ ♗h8) 23.♖c3
Vlachos,A (2471)-Fedorchuk,S (2546)
Lyon FRA 2024 1/2-1/2 (38)]

[RR 8...♗c7 9.d4 (9.♗e2=) 9...cxd3!
10.♙a4 ♗c5 (10...a6≠ 11.♙xc6
bxc6) 11.♙b5 ♗b6 12.a4 a6
13.♙xc6+ bxc6 14.a5 ♗b3 15.♗d4
♗xd1 16.♖xd1 ♙d7 17.b4 ♗a4
18.♖xd3 c5 19.♗c2 (19.bxc5≠
might work better. ♙xc5 20.♗d2)
19...cxb4 20.cxb4 ♖c8 21.♗ba3 ♙e7
(Black should try 21...f6+ 22.exf6
gxf6) 22.♙d2 ♗b2 (22...f6≠ 23.f4
0-0) 23.♖g3 Ponkratov,P (2614)-
Guseinov,G (2636) chess.com INT
2024 0-1 (64)]

[RR 8...♗c7 9.♗e2 h6 (9...g5!=)
10.d4 cxd3 11.♙xd3 g5 12.♗a3 a6
13.c4 g4 14.♗d2 (14.♗h4!±
was forced to keep a grip.) 14...♗dx5
15.cxd5 ♗xd3?? (15...exd5≠
and life is bright. 16.f4 Pin gxf3
17.♗xf3 ♙g4) 16.♗xd3 ♗b4
17.♗b3? (17.♗d4+- is the precise
move to win. ♖g8 18.♗e4) 17...♙e7
18.dxe6? (18.d6!± ♙xd6 19.♗e4)
18...♙xe6 19.♗e3 0-0-0 20.♗dc4
(20.♗e4 was worth a try.) 20...♗b8

(Better is 20...♗d3+ 21.♗e4 ♙c5)
21.b3 (21.♗e4≠ was necessary. ♗d3
22.♙e3) 21...♙f6? (21...♗d3+
22.♙d2 ♙xa3) 22.♙b2 ♙xc4??
(22...♙xb2≠ 23.♗xb2 ♙d5) 23.♙xf6
Gonzalez Vega,A (2092)-Morales
Garcia,S (2249) chess.com INT 2024
0-1 (53)]

**9.b3 g4 10.♗d4 ♗cxe5 11.bxc4 dxc4
12.d3 cxd3**

[12...♗xd3 13.♙xd3 cxd3 14.♗xd3=]
**13.♙xd3 a6 14.♙f1?! Inaccuracy. Bc2
was best.**

[14.♙c2 b6 15.♗d2 ♙b7 16.♗c4
♗f6 17.♗xe5 ♗xe5 18.♙a4+ b5
19.♗xb5! axb5]

[14.♙c2±]

14...♙e7?! Inaccuracy. b6 was best.

[14...b6 15.♗d2 ♗c7 16.♗e4 ♙e7
17.♙f4 ♙b7 18.a4 (18.♗xg4!/? ♗xg4
19.♙xc7=) 18...♖c8 19.a5 ♗f3+
20.♗xf3]

[14...b6= remains equal.]

15.♗d2?! Inaccuracy. Bh6 was best.

[15.♙h6 ♖g8 16.♗d2 ♙g5 17.♙xg5
♖xg5 18.♗e4 ♖g6 19.♗a4
(19.♗d6+± ♗f8 20.♗c4) 19...♗f8
20.♖ad1 ♖b8]

[15.♙h6!±]

15...♗c7= 16.♗e4 b6 17.♙f4 h5

[17...♙b7=]

18.♗d2 ♙d6? Mistake. Ra7 was best.

[18...♖a7 19.♖e3]

[18...♖a7=]

19.♗e4?? [#] Blunder. Nc4 was best.

[19.♗c4! ♗f3+]

[19.♗c4!± is necessary to keep the
advantage. ♗f3+ Discovered Attack
20.♗xf3 gxf3 21.♖xe6+! fxe6
22.♗xd6+ ♗xd6 23.♙xd6]

19...♗f3+!≠ 20.♗xf3

[20.♗xf3 ♙xf4]

**20...♙xf4 21.♗d6+?! Inaccuracy. Nf6+
was best.**

[21.♗f6+ ♗xf6 22.♗xa8 ♙xh2+
23.♗h1 ♗b8 24.♗c6+ ♙d7 25.♗c4

♔f8 26.♘c6 ♕xc6]
21...♕xd6
 [21...♖xd6 22.♗xa8 ♕xh2+
 23.♔h1±]
22.♗xa8 0-0↑ Strongly threatening ...Bb7.
 Black is on the roll.
 [22...♕xh2+ 23.♔h1±]
23.♕xa6 [#] 23...♘c5! 24.♘b5 ♕xh2+
25.♔h1 [#] 25...♗e7! 26.♔xh2
 [26.♕xc8? ♗h4-+]
26...♕xa6 27.♗c6 ♘d3 aiming for ...
 Qh4+.
 [Resist 27...♗h4+ 28.♔g1±]
28.♗xb6? Mistake. Kg1 was best.
 [28.♔g1 ♕b7]
 [28.♔g1±]
28...♕xb5-+
 [Weaker is 28...♘xe1 29.♖xe1 ♕b7
 30.♔g1=]
 [Don't do 28...♗h4+ 29.♔g1-+]
29.♖e4 ♗g5?! Inaccuracy. Qh4+ was
 best.
 [29...♗h4+ 30.♔g1 ♕c6 31.♗xc6
 ♗xf2+ 32.♔h2 ♘f4 33.♖xf4 ♗xf4+
 34.g3 ♗d2+ 35.♗g2]
30.♔g1?! Inaccuracy. a4 was best.
 [30.a4 ♕a6 31.a5 ♗f5 32.♗e3 e5
 33.f3 ♗f6 34.fxg4 ♘f2 35.gxh5
 ♘xe4]
30...♖c8 31.a4 ♕c6 32.♗a6?
 Mistake. Qe3 was best.
 [32.♗e3 ♗xe3 33.♖xe3 ♘f4 34.g3
 ♘h3+ 35.♔f1 ♕b7 36.a5 ♕a6+
 37.♔e1 ♔g7]
 [♔32.♗e3 ♗d5 33.f3 gxf3 34.gxf3]
32...♕xe4 33.♗xc8+ ♔g7 34.♗c4 ♗f5
35.♗d4+ ♔h7 36.♗e3 ♘f4 37.♖e1
♕xg2 38.♗e5 ♗xe5 39.♖xe5 h4
40.♔h2 ♕f3 41.a5 ♔g6 And now ...Nd3
 would win. **42.♖e3 ♕a8 43.a6 ♘h3**
44.f3 gxf3 (-> ...f2) 45.♖e1 ♘f2
46.♖g1+ ♔f5 47.♖g8? Checkmate is
 now unavoidable. Rg7 was best.
 [47.♖g7 ♘g4+ 48.♔g1 f6 49.♔f1
 ♕e4 50.c4 h3 51.a7 h2 52.♖h7 f2]
47...♘g4+ Black mates. **48.♔g1 f2+**

49.♔f1 ♕e4 Accuracy: White = 50%,
 Black = 82%.
0-1

B40
 □ **Krzyzanowski, Marcin 2526**
 ■ **Sindarov, Javokhir 2684**
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
♘f6 5.♘c3 ♘c6 6.a3 ♕e7 7.♕e3 0-0
8.♕e2 d6 9.♗d3 a6N The position is
 equal.

[RR 9...♕d7 10.f4 e5 11.♘xc6 ♕xc6
 12.0-0-0 ♗c8 13.g4 (Better is
 13.♖hf1±) 13...♘xg4 (13...exf4!=
 14.♕xf4 ♗e6) 14.♕xg4 ♗xg4
 15.♖hg1 ♗h4 16.f5! ♖ad8
 (16...♔h8± is a better defense.)
 17.♗e2 g6 18.♖g4 ♗h5 19.♗f3
 (19.♕xa7+- d5 20.fxg6 fxg6
 21.exd5) 19...♔h8? (19...d5±) 20.f6
 ♗xg4 21.♗xg4 ♕xf6 22.♕g5 ♕xg5+
 23.♗xg5 f6 24.♗e3 Eljanov,P (2704)-
 Oparin,G (2664) chess.com INT 2024
 1-0 (35)]

[RR 9...e5 10.♘b3 ♕e6 11.♘d5
 ♕xd5 12.exd5 e4 13.♗b5 ♘e5
 14.♗xb7 a5 15.♖d1 (15.0-0-0±)
 15...a4 16.♘d4 ♖b8 17.♗a7 ♖a8
 18.♗b7 ♖b8 19.♗a6 ♘xd5 20.♘c6
 ♘xc6 21.♖xd5 ♗c8 22.♗xa4 ♖xb2
 23.0-0 ♘e5 24.♗xe4 Haubro,M
 (2421)-Willow,J (2445) Cambridge
 ENG 2024 0-1 (36)]

[RR 9...e5 10.♘b3 ♕e6 11.♖d1 ♘e8
 12.0-0 ♕g5 13.♘d5 ♕xd5 14.exd5
 ♘b8! 15.♕xg5 ♗xg5 16.♗b5 b6
 17.a4 ♗d8 18.a5 ♘c7 19.♗b4 ♘ba6
 20.♗a4 ♘c5 21.♘xc5 bxc5 22.c3
 ♗e8 23.♗c4 ♖c8 24.b4 Agmanov,Z
 (2460)-Dukic,Z (2266) Sant Boi ESP
 2023 1-0 (77)]

10.f4 ♗c7 11.0-0-0 e5 12.♘f3 ♖d8
13.♘d5 ♘xd5 14.exd5 exf4 15.♕xf4

♗e5 16.♚b3?! Inaccuracy. Nxe5 was best.

[16.♗xe5]
[16.♗xe5= dxe5 17.d6 ♚xd6
18.♚e4]

16...♙f5↑ Black is pushing. **17.♗d4 ♙e4**
18.♚he1 ♙g6

[Don't play 18...♙xg2 19.♙h5±]

19.♗b1 ♚ac8 20.♚d2?! Inaccuracy. g4 was best.

[20.g4]
[20.g4= remains equal.]

20...♙f6± 21.♗a2 ♚e8 22.♚c1?! Inaccuracy. Bf1 was best.

[22.♙f1 h5 23.g3 ♗d7 24.♚xe8+ ♚xe8 25.♚b4 [#] ♗c5! 26.♗b3 [#] ♗e4! 27.♚e2 b5]
[♖22.♙f1]

22...b5?! Inaccuracy. Nd7 was best.

[22...♗d7 23.♙f3 h6 24.♚b4 ♗e5 25.♚e1 ♚d7 26.♙xe5 ♚xe5 27.♚ed1 ♙g5 28.♚e2]

[Black should try 22...♗d7 ...Bxd4 is the strong threat. 23.♙f3 ♗e5]

23.♗c6 ♗xc6 24.dxc6 ♚xc6 25.♙f3 ♚c4 26.g3 ♙e5 27.♙d5? Mistake. Qxc4 was best.

[27.♚xc4 ♚xc4]
[27.♚xc4± bxc4 28.♚d5]

27...♙xf4+ 28.gxf4 ♚xf4 29.♚cd1?! Inaccuracy. Qb4 was best.

[29.♚b4 ♚xb4 30.axb4 ♙f5 31.b3 ♗f8 32.♗b2 ♚c7 33.♚a1 ♚e5 34.c4 ♙c8]

29...♚c7 30.♚g2 ♗h8?! Inaccuracy. Re3 was best.

[30...♚e3 31.♚f1 ♚e5 32.c3 ♚e1 33.♚gg1 ♚xf1 34.♚xf1 ♚xh2 35.♚b4 h5 36.♚a5]

31.c3 ♚e5 32.♚b4 ♚xb4 33.axb4 f5 34.♙b3 ♚d7 35.♚d4 Black must now prevent Rxc6!
35...d5 36.♚gd2 ♙f7 37.c4 bxc4 38.♙xc4 ♚d6 39.♙d3 g5

40.♚c2?! [#] Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[40.b5 axb5 41.♙xb5 ♗g7 42.b4 ♚e4 43.♙f1 ♗f6 44.b5 ♗e5 45.♚d3

d4+]

[♖40.h4 g4 41.♗b3]

40...♚e4! Accuracy: White = 44%, Black = 80%.

0-1

B40

□ **Mishra,Abhimanyu 2634**

■ **Raja Rithvik R 2523**

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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4 ♗f6 5.♗c3 ♗c6 6.♙f4 ♙b4 7.♗db5 ♗xe4 8.♚f3 d5 9.♗c7+ ♗f8! 10.♗xa8

Strongly threatening 0-0-0. **10...e5 11.♙d2 ♗d4! 12.♚d3** The position is equal. **12...♗c5N**

[RR 12...♚h4? 12...♗c5 -0.33

13.♗xe4 ♙xd2+ 14.♗xd2 ♙f5

15.♚a3+ ♗g8 16.♙d3 e4 17.♚a4

1-0 (17) Macias Pino,D (2456)-Garrido

Diaz,J (2291) Roquetas de Mar ESP

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13.♚g3 ♗xc2+ Double Attack 14.♗d1 ♗xa1 15.♚xe5 [#] 15...♗e4! White must now prevent ...f6. **16.♙e1**

[16.♗xe4 dxe4]

16...♙d6

[Better is 16...♙xc3± 17.bxc3 ♚a5]

17.♚xd5= ♗xc3+ 18.♙xc3 ♙e6

19.♚d4→ [#] Double Attack. White mounts an attack. **19...♗e7** Threatens to win with ...Be5. **20.♗c1**

[20.♙d3±]

20...♙xa2 aiming for ...Nb3+. **21.♙c4** White wants to mate with Re1+.

21...♗b3+!

[But not 21...♙xc4? 22.♚xc4 ♚e8

23.♗b1+-]

22.♙xb3! ♙xb3 23.♚e1+ ♗d7?

[23...♙e6!= and Black has nothing to worry.]

24.♚g4+- ♙e6 25.♚xe6! fxe6

26.♚xg7+ Double Attack 26...♗c6

[26...♗c8 might work better. 27.♚xh8

♔xh8 28.♙xh8 ♘xh2]
27.♔xh8 ♔xh8 28.♙xh8 b5 Accuracy:
 White = 77%, Black = 63%.
1-0

B40
 ♐ **Sadhwani,Raunak** **2654**
 ♜ **Gavrilescu,David** **2538**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.21) 14.05.2024

1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/VfkUrXGu> **1...c5 2.♗f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4 ♗f6 5.♙d3 ♗c6 6.♗xc6 bxc6 7.♙f4 d5 8.♗d2 g6N**

[RR 8...♙e7 9.0-0 0-0 10.e5 ♗d7 11.♞e1 c5 12.c3 f5 13.exf6! ♗xf6 14.c4 ♗e4 (14...a5±) 15.♙xe4 ♞xf4 16.cxd5 exd5 17.♙xd5+ ♔xd5 18.♞xe7 ♙h3 (18...♙b7± 19.♔b3 ♞f7 20.♔xd5 ♙xd5) 19.♗e4! ♔c6? (19...♙e6 might work better.) 20.f3 ♙e6 21.♔d2 (21.♔d6+- ♔xd6 22.♗xd6) 21...♞f7 [#] 22.♞xf7! ♙xf7 23.♞d1 Bulmaga,I (2429)-Weigand,A (2036) Reykjavik 2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/VfkUrXGu] ½-½ (43)]

[RR 8...♙e7 9.0-0 0-0 10.c4 ♔b6 11.b3 a5 12.e5 ♗d7 13.♔c2 h6 14.♗f3 a4 15.♞ab1 axb3 16.axb3 ♙b7 17.♔c1 ♙a3 18.♔d2 ♙b4 19.♔c1 ♙a3! 20.♔d2 ♙b4 ½-½ (20) Carlsen,M (2830)-Erigaisi,A (2727) Samarkand UZB 2023]

[RR 8...dxe4 9.♗xe4 ♗xe4 (9...♗d5± 10.♙e5 f6) 10.♙xe4 ♔xd1+ 11.♞xd1 ♙b7 12.0-0 ♙e7 13.♞d3 g5 14.♞fd1? (14.♙d2± and life is bright.) 14...gxf4 15.♞b3 f5 16.♙f3 ♙a6 17.♙xc6+ ♗f7 18.♙xa8 ♞xa8 19.♞h3 ♗g6 ½-½ (19) Laohawirapap,P (2344)-Popov,T (2138) Ershovo RUS 2024]

[RR 8...♙e7 9.0-0 0-0 10.e5 ♗d7 11.♞e1 c5 12.c3 f5 13.exf6! ♗xf6 14.c4 ♗e4 (14...♙d6± 15.♙g3 g6)

15.♙xe4 ♞xf4 16.cxd5 exd5 17.♙xd5+ ♔xd5 18.♞xe7 ♙h3 (18...♞d4±) 19.♗e4! ♔c6 (19...♙e6) 20.f3 ♙e6 21.♔d2 (21.♔d6+- has better winning chances. ♔xd6 22.♗xd6) 21...♞f7 [#] 22.♞xf7! ♙xf7 23.♞d1 Bulmaga,I (2429)-Weigand,A (2036) Reykjavik ISL 2024 ½-½ (43)]

9.c3 White has an edge. **9...♙g7 10.♔a4 ♔b6 11.exd5 exd5 12.♙d6 ♙f8 13.♔f4 ♔d8 14.♙xf8 ♗xf8 15.♔h6+ ♗g8 16.0-0 ♗g4 17.♔f4 ♔f6 18.♔xf6 ♗xf6 19.b4 a5 20.a4 ♗g7 21.♞fb1 [21.♞fc1]**

21...♙d7 22.♗b3 ♞hb8 23.♗xa5 aiming for Nb3. **23...c5! 24.f3**
 Accuracy: White = 84%, Black = 89%.
 ½-½

B42
 ♐ **Murzin,Volodar** **2631**
 ♜ **Aravindh,Chithambaram VR.** **2670**
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.e4 [1.d4]
1...c5 2.♗f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4 a6 5.♙d3 ♙c5 6.♗b3 ♙e7 7.♙e3 ♗f6N

[RR 7...d6 8.0-0 ♗f6 9.f4 ♗c6 10.♗1d2 0-0 11.♔f3 ♔c7 (11...e5= remains equal.) 12.c3 b6 13.♞ae1 ♙b7 14.♗d4 ♞fe8 15.♔g3 ♙f8 16.♗xc6 ♙xc6 17.e5 ♗d7 18.♙d4 g6 19.h4 b5 20.h5 ♙g7 21.hxg6 hxg6 (21...fxg6± 22.♗e4 ♙xe4 23.♙xe4 dxe5) 22.♙e4 Hnatyshyn,A (2152)-Cramling,P (2437) Monaco MNC 2024 ½-½ (80)]

8.♗1d2 And now Nc4 would win. **8...d6 9.a4** White is slightly better. **9...♗c6 10.♗c4 d5 11.♙b6 ♔d7 12.exd5 exd5 13.♗e3 ♔d6 [#]** White must now prevent ...Qb4+. **14.0-0 0-0 15.♞e1 ♙e6 16.c3 g6 17.♙c5 ♔c7 18.♙xe7 ♗xe7**

19.♖d4 ♖ae8 20.♙e2 ♗c8 21.♙f3 ♗d6
22.♜b3 ♗de4 23.♖ad1 ♗c5 24.♜a2
♖d8?! Inaccuracy. Nce4 was best.

[24...♗ce4 25.g3 ♜c5 26.♙g2 ♖e7
27.♖e2 ♗g7 28.♖c2 ♙d7 29.b4 ♜d6
30.♗e2]

25.a5?! Inaccuracy. b4 was best.

[25.b4]
[25.b4± ♗ce4 26.♗xe6 fxe6
27.♙xe4 ♗xe4 28.♗xd5 ♖xd5
29.♖xd5 ♖xf2 30.♖d2 ♖xd2
31.♜xe6+ Double Attack ♗g7
32.♜xe4]

25...♖fe8± 26.♜a3 ♗cd7 27.g3 ♗e5
28.♙g2 ♙c8 29.♖e2 h5 30.♖de1 ♗g7
31.♜a4 ♗d3 32.♖d1 ♗c5 33.♜a3
♗ce4 34.♖de1 h4 35.♜b4 ♗c5
36.♖d1 ♗ce4 37.♗f3 hxg3 38.hxg3
♗d6 39.♖de1 ♖h8 40.♜b6 ♜xb6
41.axb6 ♗b5 42.c4 dxc4 43.♗xc4
♙g4?! Inaccuracy. Nd4 was best.

[43...♗d4 44.♖e7 ♗xf3+ 45.♙xf3
♗d5 46.♖7e4 ♙e6 47.b3 ♖d7
48.♖d1 ♖c8 49.♖ed4]
[43...♗d4= 44.♗xd4 ♖xd4]

44.♖e7↑ Strongly threatening Ng5. White
is pushing. 44...♖d7? Mistake. Bxf3 was
best.

[44...♙xf3 45.♙xf3 ♗d6! 46.b3 ♖he8
47.♖xe8 ♗fxe8 48.♗a5 ♖b8 49.♖d1
♗f6 50.b4]
[Black should try 44...♙xf3!± 45.♙xf3
♗d6]

45.♗g5!+- [#] Discovered Attack

45...♖hd8? Mistake. Rc8 was best.

[45...♖c8 46.b3 ♗f8 47.♖xd7 ♗xd7
48.♙xb7 ♖b8 49.♙d5 ♗xb6 50.♙xf7
♗xc4 51.bxc4]
[♠45...♖c8]

46.♙xb7 ♗d4 47.♖xd7? Mistake. Nxf7
was best.

[47.♗xf7 ♖b8 48.♗fd6+ ♗f8
49.♖xd7 ♙xd7 50.♙h1 ♙g4 51.♖e3
♗c2 52.♖d3 ♗b4]

47...♖xd7? Mistake. Nxd7 was best.

[47...♗xd7 48.f3 ♙f5 49.♙d5 ♖b8

50.♖d1 ♗c2 51.g4 ♙xg4 52.fxg4
♗xb6 53.♙xf7]

[47...♗xd7 might work better. 48.♙d5
(48.♙xa6 ♙e2±) 48...♙e2]

48.♙c8 White is winning. 48...♖d5 49.b7
♖b5 50.♙xg4 ♗xg4 51.♖e4

Double Attack. Accuracy: White = 63%,
Black = 59%.

1-0

□ Pranav Anand B43 2530
■ Jumabayev,Rinat 2595
Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
a6 5.♗c3 b5 6.♙d3 ♙b7 7.0-0 ♗c6
8.♗xc6 ♙xc6 9.♖e1 ♗e7 10.♙f1 ♗g6
11.♙e3 White is slightly better. 11...♖b8N

[RR 11...f6 12.a4 ♙b4 13.axb5 ♙xc3
14.bxc3 axb5 15.♙c5 ♗f7 16.c4
bxc4 17.♙xc4 ♖xa1 18.♜xa1 ♜c7
19.♜d4 ♜e5 20.♜xe5 ♗xe5 21.♙b3
g5 22.♙d6 ♗g6 23.f3 h5 24.♖a1 h4
25.♖a7 ♗e7 26.♙xe7 Yan,N (2185)-
Griffith,K (2352) Santa Clara, CA USA
2024 0-1 (57)]

12.♜d4 f6 13.♖ad1 ♙e7?! Inaccuracy.
Kf7 was best.

[13...♗f7 14.f4 ♜c7 15.g3 ♙e7
16.♙g2 ♖hc8 17.♗d5 exd5 18.exd5
♙b7 19.d6]
[13...♗f7=]

14.♗d5± 0-0 15.c4 ♖f7 16.cxb5 axb5
17.♗xe7+ ♗xe7 18.f3 f5 19.♙g5 fxe4
20.fxe4 ♜c7 21.♙d2 ♖a8 22.a3 ♗g6
23.♙b4 ♜b7 24.g3 ♜a7 25.♙c5 ♜b8
26.♙d6 ♜d8 27.♙g2 ♜g5 28.♖f1?!
Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[28.h4]
[28.h4± ♜h5 29.b3]

28...♖a4 29.♜d3 Black must now
prevent Rxf7. 29...♖f6? Mistake. Ne5
was best.

[29...♗e5 30.♜c3 ♖xf1+! 31.♖xf1

♖f7! 32.♙b4 ♖a8 33.♚c1 ♗g6
 34.♚f4 ♖e8 35.h3]
 [29...♗e5= 30.♚c3 ♖xf1+ 31.♖xf1
 ♗f7]
30.b3± ♖a8 31.h4!↑ White is in control.
31...♚g4 32.♗h2?! Inaccuracy. Rxf6
 was best.
 [32.♖xf6 gxf6]
 [32.♖xf6± gxf6 33.♙f3]
32...♗h8?! Inaccuracy. Rxf1 was best.
 [32...♖xf1 33.♖xf1]
 [Better is 32...♖xf1!± 33.♖xf1 ♗h5]
33.♖xf6 gxf6 [#] 34.♖f1! ♚g7 35.♚c3
♗f7 36.♙e7 ♗e5?! Inaccuracy. Nh6
 was best.
 [36...♗h6 37.♙xf6]
 [36...♗h6± keeps fighting. 37.♙xf6
 ♗g4+ 38.♗h3 ♗xf6 39.♖xf6 ♖xa3]
37.♙xf6+- ♗g4+ [#] 38.♗h3! ♗xf6?!
 Inaccuracy. Qg6 was best.
 [38...♚g6]
39.♖xf6 ♖xa3
 [39...♖f8 is a better defense. 40.e5
 ♙xg2+ 41.♗xg2 ♚e7]
40.e5 ♙xg2+ 41.♗xg2 Endgame Qc8+
 would kill now. KQR-KQR **41...♖a8**
42.♚f3 ♖c8?! Inaccuracy. Re8 was best.
 [42...♖e8 43.♚f4 h5 44.♚f3 ♚h7
 45.♗h3 ♖c8 46.♚e3 ♚g7 47.♚d3
 ♚h7 48.♚f3]
43.♗h3 b4
 [♔43...♖d8 44.♚c3 ♖f8]
44.♚f4 ♖b8?! Inaccuracy. h5 was best.
 [44...h5? 44...♖c3 1.41 45.♚xb4 ♖d8
 46.♚f4 d6 (♔46...♖b8 47.b4 ♚g4+
 Decoy 48.♚xg4+ hxg4+ 49.♗xg4
 ♖xb4+ 50.♖f4 ♖b5) 47.♖xe6 ♖f8
 48.♖f6 ♖xf6 49.exf6 ♚d7+ 50.♗h2]
 [Don't go for 44...♖c3? 45.h5+-]
45.h5 ♚e7 46.h6 ♖c8 47.♚f3 ♖b8
48.♖f4 ♗h8?? Checkmate is now
 unavoidable. Rf8 was best.
 [48...♖f8 49.♚g4+ ♗h8 50.♖xb4 ♖e8
 51.♖f4 ♖d8 52.b4 ♖a8 53.♚h4 ♚d8
 54.♖f7]
49.♖f7 ♚g5 50.♖f8+ Accuracy: White =

80%, Black = 55%.

1-0

♠ **Radjabov, Teimour** **B47**
2723
 ♜ **Vokhidov, Shamsiddin** **2591**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.12) 15.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗c6 5.♗c3 ♚c7 6.♙e2 ♗f6 7.♗db5
♚b8 8.f4 d6 9.g4

[RR 9.♙e3 ♙e7 10.♚d2 a6 11.♗d4
 ♗xd4 12.♙xd4 e5 13.♙b6 exf4
 14.♚xf4 ♙e6 15.0-0 0-0 16.♖ad1
 ♚c8 17.♗h1 ♗d7 18.♙d4 ♗e5
 19.♙xe5 dxe5 20.♚xe5 ♖d8 21.♗d5
 ♙d6 22.♚xd6 ♖xd6 23.♗e7+ ♗f8
 Paravyan, D (2612)-Vokhidov, S (2596)
 chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (35)]

9...a6N

[RR 9...♙e7 10.g5 ♗d7 11.h4 ♗c5
 12.♙e3 a6 13.♗d4 ♙d7 14.♚d2 b5
 15.a3 0-0 16.h5 ♖c8 17.g6 b4
 18.axb4 ♚xb4 19.h6 ffg6 20.hxg7
 ♙f6 21.♗xc6 ♙xc6 22.♙xc5 ♚xc5
 23.♙g4 ♖e8 24.0-0-0 Alsina Leal, D
 (2497)-Moussard, J (2610) Sant Ferran
 de ses Roques ESP 2024 0-1 (39)]

10.♗d4 d5 11.exd5 exd5 12.g5 ♗e4
13.♗xe4 dxe4 14.♙e3 ♙d7 15.♚d2
♚c7 16.♗xc6 ♚xc6 17.0-0-0 ♙e6
18.♚a5 ♖c8 19.♖d2 ♙e7?! Inaccuracy.
 Bd6 was best.

[19...♙d6 20.f5]

20.f5 ♙c4 21.♚e5 f6 22.gxf6 gxf6
23.♚f4 ♙xa2? Mistake. Bf7 was best.

[23...♙f7 24.♖g1 ♖d8 25.♖xd8+
 ♙xd8 26.♖g4 ♙c7 27.♚xe4+ ♚xe4
 28.♖xe4+ ♗d7 29.♖d4+]

24.♙h5+ ♙f7 25.♚g4

½-½

B50
 Sanal,Vahap **2566**
 Mendonca,Leon Luke **2640**
 Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.e4 Stockfish 16.1 1...c5 2.♘f3 d6
 3.♗c3 ♗f6 4.d4 cxd4 5.♞xd4 ♗c6
 6.♞e3 g6 7.♙c4 ♙g7 8.h3 The position
 is equal. 8...0-0 9.0-0 b6

[RR 9...a6 10.a4 ♙d7 11.♞e2 ♞c8
 12.♙f4 ♗h5 13.♙e3 ♗e5 14.♗xe5
 ♙xe5 15.♗d5 e6 16.♗b6 ♞c6 17.a5
 ♙xb2 18.♞a2 ♙g7 19.♙b3 ♞c3
 20.♞d1 ♙b5 21.♞d2 ♞h4 (21...♞c7≠
 22.♙a4 ♞c6 23.♙xb5 axb5 24.♞xd6
 ♞xe4) 22.f3? (RR 22.♗a4! ♞c6
 23.c4 ♙xc4 24.♙xc4 ♞xc4 25.♞xd6;
 22.♗a4!≠ ♞cc8 23.c4 ♙xc4 24.♙xc4
 ♞xc4 25.♞xd6) 22...♙e5 23.♙f2 ♞f6
 24.♙a4 Nepomniachtchi,I (2815)-Duda,
 J (2774) Chess.com 2024 [Stockfish
 16.1] 0-1 (32)]

10.♞d1 ♙b7 11.♙b3 ♗d7 12.♞f4N
 [RR 12.♗d5 12.♞g5 0.18 ♗a5
 13.♞g5 e6 14.♗e7+ ♗h8 15.♞h4
 ♗xb3 16.axb3 ♗f6? (16...♙f6!≠
 keeps the pressure on. 17.♗g5 h5
 18.♗xf7+ Remove Defender ♞xf7
 19.♗xg6+ ♗g8 20.♞xh5 ♞e8) 17.e5
 (17.♙g5!± ♞xe7 18.e5 dxe5
 19.♗xe5) 17...♞xe7 18.exf6
 (18.♙g5!= dxe5 19.♗xe5) 18...♙xf6
 19.♗g5 ♙xg5 (19...h5≠ 20.♞g3 e5)
 20.♙xg5 f6 21.♙h6 ♞g8 (21...♞fd8≠)
A) 22.♞xd6!± ♞gd8 (22...♞xd6
23.♞xf6+) 23.♞xd8+ ♞xd8
24.♞g4;
B) 22.♞b4 g5 23.♞xd6 (23.♞xd6=
♞xd6 24.♞xd6) 23...♞g6 (Better is
23...♞f7!≠ 24.f3 ♞g6) 24.♞ad1?
(24.♞xb6= ♞xb4 25.♞xb4)
24...♞ag8! 25.♞a3 ♙c8?
(25...♞xh6++ 26.♞d7 ♞xa3
27.bxa3 ♙e4) 26.♞d8! ♞xa3
 Demchenko,A (2609)-Sarana,A
 (2703) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½

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 12...♗c5 13.♞h4 e6 14.♙g5 f6 15.♙h6
 ♞e7 16.♙xg7 ♗xg7 17.♞g3

[17.♞d2 seems wilder. ♗e5 18.♗d4
 g5 19.♞g3 ♗h8 20.♞ad1]
 17...♞ad8 18.♞d2 ♗a5 19.♗d4 ♗h8
 20.♞e1

[White should play 20.♞ad1=]
 20...e5≠ 21.♗f3 ♗axb3 22.axb3 f5
 23.♞g5 ♞f6 24.♞h4 ♗xe4 25.♗xe4
 fxe4 26.♗h2! [#] 26...g5! 27.♞xg5?
 Mistake. Qg3 was best.

[27.♞g3]
 [27.♞g3=]
 27...♞g8↑ Black is really pushing. 28.♞e3
 ♞fg6 29.g4 ♞f8 30.c4 h5! 31.♞g3 ♞f4
 32.f3 h4 33.♞f2 exf3 34.♞ed1 ♗g8
 35.♗h1

[♗35.b4]
 35...♞e4 ...Re2 is the strong threat.
 36.♗g1 ♞g5 37.♞e1 ♞xe1+ 38.♞xe1
 e4 39.♗f1 ♞e6 White must now prevent
 ...e3. 40.♞e3 ♞e5 41.♗f2 ♗g7 42.♞c3
 ♗f6 43.♗e3 ♞xc3 44.bxc3+
 E n d g a m e K R B - K R N 44...♗e5?!
 Inaccuracy. Kg5 was best.

[44...♗g5 45.♗f5 ♗f4 46.♗e3 a6
 47.♞d4 b5 48.♞d2 ♞g6 49.♞d4 ♙c6
 50.♗f5]
 [44...♗g5+ has better winning
 chances. 45.♞a2 a6]

45.♗f5?! Inaccuracy. Nd5 was best.
 [45.♗d5]
 [45.♗d5≠]
 45...a6 46.♗e3 ♞f6?! Inaccuracy. b5
 was best.

[46...b5! 47.♞c2 [#] (47.cxb5
 is a better defense. d5 48.♗d4)
 47...♞f6! 48.cxb5 d5 (48...axb5++
 49.c4 bxc4 50.bxc4 d5 51.cxd5
 ♞a6) 49.bxa6 ♞xa6 50.♗e7?
 (50.♗xh4≠ ♞h6 51.♗f5 ♞xh3
 52.♗d4) 50...♗f6 51.♗f5 [#] ♗g5!
 52.♞c1]

[46...b5!-+ 47.♞d4 ♞f6]
 47.♗e7 b5 48.♗f5? Mistake. Rd1 was

best.

[48.♖d1]

[48.♖d1♣]

48...d5 49.c5? Mistake. b4 was best.

[49.b4 bxc4 50.♗d4 ♕c8 51.♖d1 ♖f8 52.♗c6+ ♔e6 53.♖d2 ♖f6 54.♗d4+ ♔f7]

49...a5 50.♖d1

[♠50.♗d6 ♕a6 51.♗f5]

50...b4 51.cxb4 axb4 52.♗d4 ♖a6

53.♖c1 ♖a2 54.c6 ♕c8 55.c7 ♖h2

56.g5?

[56.♗c6+ was the only defense. ♔d6 57.♗xb4]

56...♖xh3 Threatens to win with ...f2+!

57.♗c6+ ♔d6 58.♗a7 ♔d7 Black is clearly winning. **59.♖c5 ♖g3**

[59...f2+? 60.♔xf2 ♖f3+ 61.♔e1-+]

60.♖xd5+ ♔xc7 Hoping for ...f2+!

61.♗xc8 ♔xc8 KR-KR 62.♖d1?!

Inaccuracy. Rd4 was best.

[62.♖d4 ♖g4 63.g6 f2 64.♔xf2 h3 65.g7 ♖g2+ 66.♔e3 h2 67.♖d1 ♖xg7]

62...h3 63.♖h1 ♔d7 64.g6 ♔e6

And now ...Ke5 would win. **65.g7 ♖xg7**

Strongly threatening ...Rf7. **66.♖xh3 ♖f7**

67.♔d4 Accuracy: White = 62%, Black = 84%.

0-1

B50

♠ **Bharath Subramaniyam H 2544**

♣ **Suleymenov,Alisher 2499**

Sharjah Master 2024 (3.44) 16.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.♗c3 ♗f6 4.d4

cx d4 5.♖xd4 ♗c6 6.♖d3 g6 7.♗d5

♕g7 8.c3 ♗d7 9.♕g5 h6 10.♕h4 g5N

[RR 10...♗c5 11.♖c2 f5 12.exf5 ♕xf5 13.♖d1 0-0 14.♕c4 ♔h8 15.0-0 g5 16.♕g3 e6 17.♗e3 d5 18.♕b5 ♕e4 19.♗d4 ♖b6 20.♕xc6 bxc6 21.b4 ♗d3 22.♗xe6 ♕xc3 23.♗xf8 ♖xf8 24.♖h5 ♕g7 25.♖ad1

Nasuta,G (2563)-Lagarde,M (2642) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (109)]

[RR 10...0-0 11.♖d1 g5 12.♕g3 ♗c5

13.♖c2 f5 14.exf5 ♕xf5 15.♖c1 ♔h8

16.♗e3 ♕e6 17.♕c4 ♖d7 18.0-0

♕xc4 19.♗xc4 ♖f5 20.♖e3 ♗e4

21.♖fe1 d5 22.♗a3 ♖ad8 23.♗d4

♗xd4 24.cxd4 ♕f6 25.♗b5

Skvortsov,A (2309)-Vukcevic,N

(2275) Podgorica MNE 2024 ½-½

(54)]

[RR 10...0-0 11.♖d1 g5 12.♕g3 ♗c5

13.♖e3 f5 14.exf5 ♕xf5 15.♕c4 ♔h8

16.h4 g4 17.♗d4 ♗xd4 18.cxd4

♗e4 19.♕f4 ♖c8 20.♕b3 ♖a5+

21.♔f1 ♕h7 22.♔g1 ♗xf2 23.♖xf2

e6 24.♕d2 ♖a6 25.♗f4

Xiong,J (2659)-Korobov,A (2666)

chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (32)]

11.♕g3 e6 12.♗e3 ♗de5 13.♗xe5

dxe5 14.♖c2 ♖e7 15.0-0-0 ♕d7

16.♔b1 0-0-0 17.f3 ♔b8 18.♕f2 f5

19.exf5 exf5 20.♕d3 f4 21.♗d5 ♖f7

22.♕g6 ♖g8 23.♖a4 ♕f8 24.♕e4 ♖f7

25.♗b4 ♕xb4 26.♕xc6 ♖h7+ 27.♔a1

♕xc6 28.♖xa7+ ♔c8 29.cxb4 ♖xd1+

30.♖xd1 b5 31.♖c5 ♖c7 32.♖c1 ♔b7

33.♖a7+ ♔c8 34.♖a6+ ♔d7 35.♕b6

♖b7 36.♖xb7+ ♕xb7 37.♖c7+ ♔d6

38.♖xb7 ♔c6 39.♖e7 ♔xb6 40.♖xe5

♖d8 41.♖e6+ ♔c7 42.a3 ♖d2 43.♖xh6

♖xg2 44.♖g6 g4 45.fxg4 f3 46.♔a2

♖xh2 47.♖f6 f2 48.♔b3 ♖g2 49.g5

♖xg5 50.♖xf2 ♖g3+ 51.♔c2 ♔c6

52.♖d2 ♖h3 53.♖d3 ♖h2+ 54.♔c3 ♖g2

55.♖f3 ♖h2 56.♖f6+ ♔b7 57.♖d6 ♔c7

58.♖d2 ♖h3+ 59.♔c2 ♔c6 60.b3 ♖g3

61.♔b2 ♖g4 62.♔c3 ♖g3+ 63.♖d3 ♖g2

64.a4 ♖g5 65.♖e3 ♖h5 66.♖g3 ♔d6

67.♔b2 ♖h2+ 68.♔a3 ♖h5 69.♖c3 ♖h1

70.a5 ♖h8 71.♖c5 ♖b8 72.♔b2 ♖b7

73.♔c3 ♖b8 74.♔d4 ♔e7 75.♖c6 ♖h8

76.♔c5

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Martirosyan,Haik M. **B51**

Can,Emre **2678**
2549
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.17) 14.05.2024

1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/kEy29TXZ> **1...c5** **2.♟f3** **d6** **3.♙b5+**
♜d7 **4.♙a4** **♜gf6** **5.0-0** **e6** **6.d3** **♙e7**
7.c4 **0-0** **8.♜c3** **♜e5N**

[RR 8...a6 9.♞e2 ♞c7 10.h3 ♞d8
 11.♜h2 ♜e5 12.f4 ♜c6 13.♙xc6!
 ♞xc6 14.b3 b5 15.♙b2 ♞a7 16.♞ae1
 ♜e8 17.♜g4 b4 18.♜a4 ♙h4
 19.♞d1 f5 20.♜h2! ♞f7 21.♜f3 ♙e7
 [#] 22.e5 (22.exf5!± ♞xf5 23.♞e3)
 22...d5! 23.d4 Anton Guijarro,D (2673)-
 Saric,I (2670) Karlsruhe, Germany
 2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/kEy29TXZ] 1/2-1/2 (55)]

[RR 8...a6 9.♞e2 ♞c7 10.♜d2 ♜e5
 11.f4 ♜c6 12.♙xc6 ♞xc6 13.b3 b5
 14.♙b2 b4 15.♜a4 ♙b7 16.♞f3 ♞fe8
 17.♞af1 d5 18.♞g3 d4 19.e5 ♜d7
 20.♞g4 g6 21.h4 (White should play
 21.♙c1=) 21...♔h8 22.♜f3 ♞g8
 23.♜g5 Vagman,R (2288)-Shohat,Y
 (2369) Israel ISR 2024 1-0 (69)]

[RR 8...a6 9.♞e2 ♞c7 10.h3 ♞d8
 11.♜h2 ♜e5 12.f4 ♜c6 (12...♜g6±)
 13.♙xc6! ♞xc6 14.b3 b5 15.♙b2
 ♞a7 16.♞ae1 ♜e8 17.♜g4 b4
 18.♜a4 ♙h4 19.♞d1 f5 20.♜h2! ♞f7
 21.♜f3 ♙e7 [#] 22.e5 (22.exf5!±
 exf5 23.d4) 22...d5! 23.d4
 Anton Guijarro,D (2671)-Saric,I
 (2670) Karlsruhe GER 2024 1/2-1/2 (55)]

9.♜e1 **♙d7**
 [9...a6 seems wilder. 10.f4 ♜g6
 11.♜f3 ♞b8 12.♔h1 b5]

10.♙xd7 **♜fxd7** **11.f4** And now Qb3
 would win. **11...♜c6** **12.♙d2** **a6** **13.a4**
♜b4 **14.♔h1** **♜b8** **15.♜e2** **♜8c6**
16.♜g3 **f5** **17.♙c3** **♙h4** **18.♜f3** **♙xg3**
19.hxg3 **♞e8** **20.exf5** **♞h5+** **21.♜h4**
 [21.♔g1 looks sharper. ♞xf5 22.♜h4
 ♞f7 23.a5 e5 24.♞g4]

21...♞xd1 **22.♞axd1** **exf5** **23.d4** **g6**
24.♜f3 **♞ae8** **25.dxc5** **dxc5** **26.♞d7**
 Hoping for Rg7+. **26...♞f7** **27.♞d6** **♞fe7**
 The position is equal. **28.♞f2** **♞e6**
29.♞d1 **♜a2** **30.♙e5** **♜xe5** **31.♜xe5**
♜b4 **32.♞fd2** **♜c6** **33.♜f3** **♜a5** **34.♞d7**
♞6e7 **35.♜e5** **♜c6** **36.♞xe7** **♞xe7**
37.♞d5 **♜xe5** **38.fxe5=** Endgame KR-
 KR **38...♞c7** **39.a5** **♔f7** **40.♞d6** **♞e7**
41.♞b6 **♞xe5** **42.♞xb7+** **♔f6** **43.♞xh7**
♞e1+ **44.♔h2** **♞a1** **45.♞d7** **♞xa5**
46.♞d5 **♞a2** **47.♞xc5** **♞xb2** **48.♞c6+**
♔g5 **49.♞xa6** **♞c2** **50.♞c6** **♞c1** **51.c5**
♔h5 **52.♞c8** **♔g4** **53.c6** **g5** **54.♞a8**
 Accuracy: White = 87%, Black = 89%.
 1/2-1/2

Sanal,Vahap **B51**

Sjugirov,Sanan **2566**
2691
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.18) 15.05.2024

1.e4 **c5** **2.♜f3** **d6** **3.♙b5+** **♜d7** **4.c3**
♜gf6 **5.♞e2** **a6** **6.♙a4** **e6** **7.♙c2** **b5**
8.d4 **♙b7** **9.0-0** **♙e7** **10.♞e1** **0-0**
11.♜bd2 **♞c7N**

[RR 11...cxd4 12.cxd4 ♞c8 13.♙d3
 ♞e8 14.a4 bxa4 15.♞xa4 ♜b8
 16.♜b3 ♙c6 17.♞a1 ♞b6 18.♜fd2
 ♙b5 19.♙xb5 ♞xb5 20.♞xb5 axb5
 21.♞a5 b4 22.d5 ♙d8 23.♞a4 exd5
 24.♞xb4 dxe4 25.♜xe4 ♜xe4
 26.♞bxe4 Serpa,R (2101)-Silverio,V
 (1773) Florianopolis BRA 2024 1-0
 (36)]

12.♜f1 **♞fc8** **13.♙d3** **e5** **14.d5** **c4**
15.♙c2 **a5** **16.♜g3** **g6** **17.h3** **♜c5**
18.♜h2?! Inaccuracy. Be3 was best.

[18.♙e3]

18...b4 **19.♙e3** **♜d3?!** Inaccuracy. h5
 was best.

[19...h5 20.♜f3]

20.♙xd3 **cxd3** **21.♞xd3** **♙a6** **22.♞d1**
bxc3 **23.bxc3** **♞xc3?!** Inaccuracy. h5
 was best.

[23...h5 24.♖f3 ♖ab8 25.♖c1 ♔c4
26.♗d2 ♗xa2 27.♖a1 ♗b2 28.♖xa5
♙d3 29.♖a7]

24.♗g4 ♗xg4 25.♗xg4 ♔c7 26.♖ac1
♗d8 27.♗f5 ♙f8 28.♗h6+ ♖g7 29.♗f3
f6 30.h4 ♖xc1 31.♖xc1 ♖c8 32.♖b1
♖b8 33.♖c1 ♖c8 34.♖b1 ♖b8
35.♖xb8? Mistake. Rd1 was best.

[35.♖d1 ♙b5 36.g4 ♙e7 37.♖h2
♙d7 38.h5 ♗c7 39.♖c1 ♗b7 40.g5
♖f8]

35...♗xb8 36.♖h2 ♙e7 37.g4 ♗b4
38.a3 ♗a4 39.♙d2 ♗c2 40.♗e3 ♗c5
41.g5 ♗xe3 42.♙xe3 ♙d3 43.f3 f5
44.exf5 gxf5 45.f4 ♖g6 46.♙b6 exf4
47.♙xa5 ♙c4 48.♗g8 ♙f8 49.♗f6 ♙g7
50.♙d2 ♙xf6 51.gxf6 ♖xf6 52.♙xf4
♖e7 53.♖g3 ♙xd5 54.h5 ♖e6 55.a4
♙c4 56.♖f2 ♖d5 57.♖e3 ♙a6 58.♙g5
♖c4 59.a5 d5 60.♙f6 ♙b7 61.♖f4 d4
62.♖xf5 d3

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□ Esipenko,Andrey

B51

2703

■ Seemann,Jakub

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17.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.♙b5+ ♗d7 4.0-0
a6 5.♙e2 ♗gf6 6.d3 e6 7.a4 b6
8.♗fd2 The position is equal. 8...♙b7
9.f4 ♙e7 10.♗c3 0-0 11.♙f3 ♗c7
12.g4 ♗b8 13.g5 ♗fd7 14.♙g2 ♗c6
15.♗c4 ♗d4 16.♗e3N

[RR 16.f5 16.♗ e2 0.50 exf5
(16...b5!? 17.f6 gxf6 18.gxf6 ♗xf6)
17.exf5 (17.h4=) 17...♙xg2 18.♖xg2
♗b7+ 19.♖h3 (19.♖g1) 19...d5
20.♗e3 ♙xg5 21.♗exd5 ♗f6?
(Better is 21...♙xc1!-+ 22.♗xc1
♖fe8) 22.♗xf6+ ♙xf6 23.♗e4 ♙e5
24.c3 ♗c6 25.f6 ♗d7+ 26.♗g4 ♖fd8
27.♖f3 (27.fxg7 ♗xg4+ 28.♖xg4)
27...♗xg4+! 28.♖xg4 g6 29.a5 ♙c7
(29...♗xa5 30.♗xc5 ♙xh2) 30.♙f4

♙xf4 Perez Ponsa,F (2538)-Volkov,M
(2302) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (46)]

16...b5?! Inaccuracy. f6 was best.

[16...f6]

[16...f6=]

17.♗e2 ♗xe2+?! Inaccuracy. bxa4 was
best.

[17...bxa4]

[17...bxa4± 18.♖xa4 d5]

18.♗xe2± ♖fe8 19.♙d2 ♙f8 20.♗f2
♙c6 21.b3

[21.♗h4+-]

21...♗b7 22.c4 bxa4 23.bxa4 ♖ab8

[23...♗b3±]

24.♙c3 ♗c7 25.h4 ♖b3 26.♗c2

[26.♖ac1±]

26...♗b8

[26...♖eb8±]

27.♗g4 ♗b7 28.h5 d5 29.cxd5?!
Inaccuracy. Rab1 was best.

[29.♖ab1]

[White should play 29.♖ab1± dxc4

30.dxc4]

29...exd5= 30.e5 ♖b8! 31.♖f2?
Mistake. Rae1 was best.

[31.♖ae1 31.e6 0.61 d4]

[31.e6± keeps the upper hand. fxe6

32.♗e5]

31...d4 32.♙xc6?! Inaccuracy. Ba5 was
best.

[32.♙a5 ♙xg2]

32...♗xc6 [#] 33.♙xd4! ♗d5?

Mistake. Qe6 was best.

[33...♗e6! 34.f5 ♗d5 35.♙c3 c4

36.g6 fxg6 37.d4 ♗c5! 38.hxg6 ♗e4

39.♗xe4]

[33...♗e6!-+ 34.f5 ♗d5]

[33...cxd4 34.♗xc6]

34.♙c3?! Inaccuracy. Be3 was best.

[34.♙e3! ♖xd3 35.♖d2 c4 36.♖xd3

cxd3 37.♗a2 ♗xa2 38.♖xa2 ♙c5

39.♖f2 ♖b4]

[34.♙e3!=]

34...c4! 35.d4 ♖xc3?! Inaccuracy. Nc5
was best.

[35...♗c5 36.dxc5 ♙xc5 37.♖h2

♙xf2 38.♘xf2 ♔f3 39.♘e4 ♔xf4+
40.♔g1 ♚xc3 41.♘xc3]
[35...♘c5!♣ 36.♘e3 (36.dxc5 ♙xc5
37.♔h2 ♙xf2♣) 36...♔e4]

36.♔xc3♣ Ne3 is the strong threat.

36...♚b3 37.♔e1

[37.♘e3? ♔e4-+]

37...♚g3+

[37...♚h3!♣ 38.♚g2 ♙b4]

38.♔h2= ♚xg4 39.♔e2 f5?! Inaccuracy.

Qe6 was best.

[39...♔e6! 40.f5 ♚h4+ 41.♔g3 ♔d5
42.♔xh4 ♔xd4+ 43.♔h3 ♔xa1
44.e6! ♘e5 45.♔e4!]

[But not 39...♔xd4?! 40.♚d1±]

[39...♔e6!= 40.♔f3 ♚h4+ 41.♔g2
♔f5]

40.e6!↑ White is in control. 40...♔xd4??

[#] Blunder. h6 was best.

[40...h6 41.exd7]

[40...h6±]

41.♚d1!+- White is clearly winning.

[41.exd7 ♔xd7 42.♚e1 (42.♔xc4+
♔h8±) 42...♚h4+ 43.♔g3 ♚g4+
44.♔h3 ♔f7+-]

41...♔c3?! [#] Inaccuracy. Rh4+ was

best.

[41...♚h4+ 42.♔g2 ♚g4+ 43.♔xg4
♔e4+ 44.♔f3 ♔xe6 45.♚e2 ♔f7
46.♔d5 ♘c5 47.♔xf7+]

42.♚f3! ♚h4+ 43.♔g3 ♚g4+ 44.♔h3

Accuracy: White = 67%, Black = 57%.

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B51

♻️ Yu, Yangyi

2728

♜ Zemlyanskii, Ivan

2516

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18.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.♙b5+ ♘d7 4.0-0
a6 5.♙e2 ♘gf6 6.d3 e6

[RR 6...b6 7.c4 ♙b7 8.♘c3 g6
9.♚b1 ♙g7 10.b4 ♙c6 11.h3 0-0
12.♙e3 e6 13.♔b3 ♔e7 14.a4 ♚fb8
15.♚fd1 h6 16.♘e1 g5 17.♘c2 a5

18.bxc5 bxc5 19.♘b5 ♘e5 20.♔a3
♙b7 21.f4 Moussard, J (2630)-
Niemann, H (2675) Djerba TUN 2024
½-½ (51)]

7.a4 b6 8.♘fd2 The position is equal.

8...d5N

[RR 8...♙b7 9.f4 ♙e7 10.♙f3 ♔c7
11.g4 h6 12.♘c3 g5 13.♘c4 d5?

(13...0-0-0♣ stays ahead.) 14.exd5!
exd5 15.♘e3 d4 16.♘cd5 ♘xd5
17.♘xd5 ♙xd5 18.♙xd5 0-0-0 19.♔f3

(♠ 19.♙g2) 19...♙d6 20.♙c4
(Better is 20.h3±) 20...♘b8?

(20...♔b8!= and Black has nothing to
worry.) 21.h3 ♘c6 22.♙xa6+ ♔b8

23.♙b5 Sadhwani, R (2654)-Drygalov, S
(2547) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (34)]

[RR 8...♙b7 9.f4 g6 10.♙f3 ♔c7
11.♘c3 (11.e5!? ♘d5 12.♙xd5 exd5
13.♔e1 dxe5 14.fxe5♣) 11...♙g7

12.♘e2 h5 13.♔e1 ♘g4 14.♘c4
♚b8 (14...d5♣ 15.exd5 exd5
16.♘c3+ ♔f8 17.♙xd5 ♚e8) 15.h3

♘h6 (15...d5±) 16.♙d2 (16.f5!+-)
16...♔f8 17.♙c3 d5 18.♙xg7+ ♔xg7
19.♘e3 d4 20.♘c4 b5 (20...a5±)

21.axb5 axb5 22.♘a5 e5 23.♘xb7
Ragger, M (2605)-Bogner, S (2551)
Switzerland SUI 2024 1-0 (41)
(23.b4±)]

[RR 8...♙b7 9.f4 ♙e7 10.♘c3 d5
11.e5 ♘g8 12.♙g4 g6 13.♘f3 ♘b8
(13...h5!? 14.♙h3♠ ♘h6=) 14.d4

♘h6 (14...h5♣ 15.♙h3 ♘c6) 15.♙h3
♘f5 16.♘e2 ♘c6 17.c3 h5 18.♙xf5
gxf5 19.♘g5 a5 20.♙e3 ♙a6 21.♚f3
h4 22.♚h3 ♚c8 23.♚c1 Radeva, V
(2315)-Osmak, Y (2459) Rhodes GRE
2024 0-1 (39) (23.♘f3=)]

9.f4 ♙b7 10.♙f3 ♔c7 11.e5 ♘g8

12.c4 ♘e7 13.♘c3 g6 14.a5 ♙h6?!

Inaccuracy. Rb8 was best.

[14...♚b8 15.cxd5 exd5 16.♘b3 b5
17.♙d2 ♙g7 18.♚c1 ♔d8 19.♙e1
(19.♙e3±) 19...c4! 20.dxc4]

[14...♚d8± was worth a try.]

15. ♖b3? Mistake. cxd5 was best.
 [15.cxd5 ♗xd5 16. ♗xd5 ♕xd5
 17. ♕xd5 exd5 18. ♖f3 0-0 19. ♖xd5
 bxa5 20. ♗e4 ♗b6]
 [15.cxd5+- exd5 16. ♖b3]
15...0-0± 16.axb6 ♗xb6 17. ♗a5 ♖ad8
18. ♗xb7 ♖xb7 19. ♖b3 ♖b8 20. ♖a2?!
 Inaccuracy. cxd5 was best.
 [20.cxd5 exd5]
 [White should try 20.cxd5± ♗exd5
 21.g3]
20...♖fd8= 21.g3 ♖c7 22. ♕g2 ♗c6
23.b3 ♕g7 24. ♕a3 ♗d4 25. ♖ac1 dxc4
26.bxc4 ♗d7 27. ♕b2 f6! 28.exf6 ♗xf6
29. ♖ce1 ♖d7 30. ♗d1 ♖b6
 [30... ♗g4!]
31. ♕c3 Hoping for Ba5. **31... ♖db8**
32. ♗h1 h5 33. ♗f2 h4?! Inaccuracy.
 Ng4 was best.
 [33... ♗g4]
 [33... ♗g4= keeps the balance.]
34.gxh4± ♗f5?! Inaccuracy. Nh5 was
 best.
 [34... ♗h5]
35. ♕e5↑ Keeping Black busy. **35... ♖c8**
36. ♖b1 ♖b4 37. ♖xa6 ♗h5 38. ♗e4
♖xb1? Mistake. Bxe5 was best.
 [38... ♕xe5 39.fxe5]
 [38... ♕xe5± 39.fxe5 ♖e8 40. ♗xc5
 ♖d4]
39. ♖xb1+- ♕xe5 40.fxe5 Threatens to
 win with Rb7. **40... ♖f8 41. ♖f1??**
 Blunder. Nxc5 was best.
 [41. ♗xc5 ♖d8 42. ♖xe6+ ♔h8
 43. ♖xg6 ♖xh4 44. ♗e4! ♗f4 45. ♖g5
 ♗xd3 46. ♖d2 ♗xe5]
 [41. ♗xc5+- is more deadly. ♖d4
 42. ♖xe6+ Double Attack (42. ♗xe6
 leads to mate. ♗hg3+ 43.hxg3
 ♗xg3+ 44. ♗h2 ♖xh4+ 45. ♕h3 ♖f2+
 46. ♗g1 ♗e2+ 47. ♗h1 ♖xh3#)
 42... ♗h8 43. ♖xg6 ♖xh4 44. ♗e4]
41... ♖xd3 42. ♖xe6+ ♗g7 [#] 43. ♖d5!
♖e2? Mistake. Qd4 was best.
 [43... ♖d4 44. ♖xd4 cxd4 [#] 45.c5!
 ♗e7 46. ♖xf8 ♗xf8 47. ♗d2 ♗f7

48. ♕e4 ♔e6 49. ♗c4]
 [43... ♖d4 is a better defense. 44. ♖b1
 ♗h6 45. ♖xc5 (45. ♗xc5? ♗hg3+
 46.hxg3 ♗xg3+ 47. ♗h2 ♖xh4+
 48. ♕h3 ♖f2+ 49. ♖g2 ♗e2+-)
 45... ♖xc5 46. ♗xc5 ♖c8]
44. ♖xc5 ♖e8?! Inaccuracy. Qg4 was
 best.
 [44... ♖g4 45.e6]
45. ♗d6 ♖xe5 46. ♖a7+
 [Not 46. ♗xf5+ ♖xf5 47. ♖xf5 gx5+-]
46... ♗e7 47. ♖d4 ♖e3?! Inaccuracy.
 Nf6 was best.
 [47... ♗f6 48. ♗e4 ♖xf1+ 49. ♕xf1
 ♖xe4 50. ♖a7 ♖e1 51. ♗g2 ♗f7
 52. ♕d3 ♖d1 53. ♖e3]
48. ♖a1 ♗f6 49.c5?! Inaccuracy. Ne4
 was best.
 [49. ♗e4 ♗c6 50. ♗xf6 ♖d4 51. ♖a8
 ♗d8 52. ♗e4 ♖f5 53. ♖e1 ♖e5 54.h5
 ♗f7]
49... ♖xc5?! [#] Inaccuracy. Nc6 was
 best.
 [49... ♗c6 50. ♗c4 ♖xc5 51. ♗xe5
 ♗xe5 52. ♖f4 ♖e7 53. ♖d4 ♖c7
 54. ♖b2 ♖c5 55. ♖b7+]
50. ♖xf6! aiming for Rf7+. White is clearly
 winning. **50... ♖e3?? Blunder. Qa5 was**
 best.
 [50... ♖a5 51. ♖f7+ ♔g8 52. ♖xa5
 ♖xa5 53. ♖xe7 ♖a1+ 54. ♕f1! ♖xf1+
 55. ♗g2 ♖d1 56. ♗e4]
 [50... ♗xf6 51. ♗e4+]
51. ♖f7+ ♗h6 52. ♖f1 Accuracy: White =
 72%, Black = 50%.
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Avila Pavas, Santiago **B56**

Samant Aditya S **2514**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (8.42) 21.05.2024 **2499**

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗c3 ♗c6 6.f3 e5 7.♗b3 ♕e7
8.♕e3 ♕e6 9.♖e2 0-0 10.0-0-0 ♖c8
11.g4

[RR 11.♔b1 a5 12.♗a4 ♗d7 13.c4
 ♗b4 14.a3 ♖c6 15.♗c3 a4 16.♗d2
 ♗a6 17.♗d5 ♕xd5 18.cxd5 ♖c7
 19.♖b5 ♗ac5 20.♖c1 ♖fc8 21.g3
 ♖d8 22.♕h3 ♖a5 23.♖b4 b6 24.♖c3
 ♖aa8 25.♖hc1 ♖cb8 Caspi,I (2468)-
 Narayanan,S (2552) chess.com INT
 2024 0-1 (52)]

11...a5 12.♖b5N

[RR 12.g5 ♗e8 13.♔b1 a4 14.♗d2
 a3 15.♗c4 ♗d4 16.♕xd4 exd4
 17.♗d5 ♕xd5 18.exd5 ♖d8 19.♗xa3
 ♕xg5 20.♗b5 ♗c7 21.♖e4 ♗xb5
 22.♕xb5 ♕f6 23.a4 ♖a5 24.♖d3 ♖c7
 25.h4 ♖c8 26.♖b3 h5 Sattarov,B
 (2353)-Boruchovsky,A (2536) Sitges
 ESP 2023 0-1 (40)]

12...♗e8 13.♖a4 ♗c7 14.♕b6 ♗b4

15.♗xa5?? Blunder. Bxc7 was best.

[15.♕xc7]

15...♗c6 16.b4 ♗d4?! Inaccuracy. d5 was best.

[16...d5 17.exd5 ♕xb4 18.dxe6 ♕xc3
 19.exf7+ ♔h8 20.♕d3 ♕xa5 21.♖e4
 g6 22.♕e3]

17.♖a3 d5 18.♖b2 dxe4 19.♕xd4?

Mistake. fxe4 was best.

[19.fxe4 ♕xg4]

19...exd4 20.♗xe4 ♗d5 21.a3 ♗e3

22.♖d2 b6?! Inaccuracy. Qc7 was best.

[22...♖c7 23.♕b5 ♖fc8 24.♔b1 ♖b6
 25.a4 ♗d5 26.♖xd4 ♗c3+ 27.♗xc3
 ♖xd4 28.♗e4]

23.♗b3 ♕c4? Mistake. Bd5 was best.

[23...♕d5]

24.♕d3?? Blunder. Nxd4 was best.

[24.♗xd4 ♕xf1 25.♗f5 ♗xf5 26.gxf5

♖xf5 27.♖xf1 ♖fd8 28.♖xd8+ ♖xd8
 29.♖c3 ♖c8]

24...♕xd3 25.♖xd3 ♗c4 26.♖xd4
♗xa3 27.c3?! Inaccuracy. Qb2 was
 best.

[27.♖b2 ♗c4 28.♖c3 ♖a4 29.♖d5
 ♖c6 30.♖d4 ♖xb4 31.♖d1 ♖c8
 32.♖d8+ ♕xd8]

27...♖a6 28.♖hd1 ♗c4

1-0

Gavrilescu, David **B56**

Sjugirov, Sanan **2538**
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 17.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗c3 ♗c6 6.f3 e5 7.♗b3 ♕e6
8.♕e3 ♕e7 9.♖d2 0-0 10.♗d5 ♕xd5N
 Inaccuracy. a5 was best.

[10...a5 11.♕b6 ♖b8 12.♕c7 ♖a7
 13.♕b6]

[RR 10...a5 11.♕b6 ♖d7 12.♕b5 a4
 13.♗a5 ♕d8 14.♕xd8 ♖axd8
 15.♕xa4 ♔h8 16.0-0 ♖c8 17.♗xc6
 bxc6 18.♗xf6 gxf6 19.♖h6 ♖g8
 20.♖xf6+ ♖g7 21.♕b3 ♖e8 22.♖f2
 ♔g8 23.♖h6 d5 24.♖e3 d4 25.♖d2
 Malek,J (2435)-Anton Guijarro,D
 (2670) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (39)]

11.exd5 ♗b8 12.c4 a5 13.♕d3?! Inaccuracy. O-O-O was best.

[13.0-0-0 ♗fd7 14.♔b1 f5 15.♕d3
 a4 16.♗c1 ♗a6 17.♗e2 ♗dc5
 18.♕c2 ♖d7]

13...♗bd7 14.0-0 g6 15.♗c1 ♗c5

16.♕c2 ♖b8 17.a3 ♖c7?! Inaccuracy. Rc8 was best.

[17...♖c8]

18.♗b3? Mistake. Ne2 was best.

[18.♗e2]

18...♗xb3 19.♕xb3 a4 20.♕a2 ♗d7

21.♖b4 ♖a8 22.b3 ♗c5 23.♕xc5 dxc5

24.♖d2 axb3?! Inaccuracy. e4 was best.

[24...e4 25.bxa4]

25.♟xb3 ♟d6 26.g3 h5?! Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[26...b5]

27.♟c2 ♞g7 28.♞c3 f6 29.♞ae1 ♞f7

30.♞e2 ♞h8 31.♞g2 ♞h6 32.♟d3 ♞g8

33.♞d2 ♞g7 34.♞c3 ♞e7 35.♞b1 ♞h8

36.♞e1 ♞f7 37.♟b1 ♞h7 38.♞f1 ♞g7?! Inaccuracy. e4 was best.

[38...e4 39.♟xe4]

39.♟c2?! Inaccuracy. g4 was best.

[39.g4 hxg4 40.fxc4 ♞e8 41.♞gf2 ♞f8 42.♟e4 b5 43.♞g3 bxc4 44.h4 c3]

39...♞f7 40.♟d3 ♞h6 41.♟c2 ♞h8

42.♟b1 ♞e7 43.♞e1 ♞d8 44.♞f1 ♞c7

45.♟c2 ♞e8 46.♟a4 ♞ee7 47.♟c2 ♞d7

48.♞e1 ♞e8 49.♞ge2 ♞h8 50.f4 h4?! Inaccuracy. exf4 was best.

[50...exf4 51.♞e6]

51.♞d3 ♞h6 52.f5 g5 53.g4 ♞h8

54.♟a4 ♞a8 55.♟b5 b6?! Inaccuracy. e4 was best.

[55...e4 56.♞xe4 ♞xe4 57.♞xe4 ♞b8 58.h3 ♟e5 59.♞f1 ♞e7 60.♞e2 ♞f7 61.♞d1]

56.♞e4 ♞a7 57.♞a1 ♞a5 58.a4 ♞fa7

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♞ Martirosyan,Haik M. **2678**

♟ Royal,Shreyas **2463**

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20.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♞f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♞xd4

♞f6 5.♞c3 ♞c6 6.♟c4 ♞b6 7.♞b3 e6

8.0-0 ♟e7 9.♟e3 ♞c7 10.f4 a6 11.a4

b6 12.♟d3 ♟b7 13.♞e1 0-0 14.♞g3

♞b4 White has an edge. 15.f5 ♞h8

16.fxe6 fxe6 17.♞d4 ♞d7 18.♞h3

♞xd3 19.cxd3 ♟c8 20.♞ac1↑

White is pushing. 20...♞e8

[20...e5± 21.♞xd7 ♟xd7]

21.♞xe6± ♟d8?! Inaccuracy. Qf7 was best.

[21...♞f7 22.♞g5]

[21...♞f7±]

22.♞xg7!+- ♞xg7 [#] 23.♞g3+! ♞g6

24.♞xd6 ♞e8?? Blunder. Ra7 was best.

[24...♞a7 25.e5]

[♣24...♞a7]

25.♞d5

White is clearly winning.

25...♞h5 26.♟d4+ ♞h6 27.♞c6

[#] Hoping for Nc7. 27...♟e6 28.♟e3+

♞g7 29.♞e5+ ♞g8 30.♟d4 ♞g7

If only Black now had time for ...Qg5....

31.♞f6+ ♟xf6 32.♞xf6 ♞g4 With the

idea ...Bc4! 33.h3 Accuracy: White =

91%, Black = 50%.

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♞ Kacharava,Nikoloz

2527

♟ Ivanchuk,Vasyl

2609

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18.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♞f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♞xd4

♞f6 5.♞c3 ♞c6 6.♟g5 e6 7.♞d3 ♟d7

8.0-0-0 a6 9.f4 h6 10.♟h4 g5 11.fxc4

♞g4 White is slightly better. 12.♞xc6N

[RR 12.♞b1 hxg5 13.♟g3 ♞ce5

14.♞d2 b5 15.♞f3 f6 (15...b4=

keeps the balance. 16.♞e2 ♞xf3

17.gxf3 ♞e5) 16.♟d3 (16.a3±)

16...♟e7 (16...b4± 17.♞e2 ♞xf3

18.gxf3 ♞e5) 17.♞e2 (17.h3± ♞xf3

18.gxf3) 17...♞c8 (17...♞b6±)

18.♞ed4 (18.♞xe5± ♞xe5 19.h4)

18...♞b6 19.♟e2 (19.h3± ♞xf3

20.♞xf3) 19...♞c4! 20.♟xc4 bxc4

21.♞c3? (21.♞e2⚡) 21...♞e5?

(21...e5+ 22.♞e2 ♞f2 23.♟xf2 ♞xf2

Double Attack) 22.♞e2 ♞b8 23.♞hf1

(23.h4= gxh4 24.♞xh4 ♞xh4

25.♟xh4) 23...♞b4 (Better is

23...♞xf3!⚡ 24.♞xf3 e5) 24.♞xb4

♞xb4 25.h3 [#] (25.♞c3⚡) 25...♟c8

(Black should play 25...c3!⚡ 26.♞xc3

♞c4) 26.♞c3 0-0 Hristodoulou,P

(2376)-Hartikainen,J (2092) chess.com

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12...♙xc6 13.♚f3 ♘e5! 14.♚f6 ♘g6
 15.♙g3 hxg5 16.♚d4 ♚a5 17.♙e2
 [17.♙xd6 ♚d8?]
 [White should try 17.♙b1±]
 17...♚h7 18.♙b1 0-0-0 19.♚hf1 ♘f4
 20.♙xf4 gxf4 21.♚f6
 [21.♚xf4? e5-+]
 21...♚d7 22.♚xf4 ♙g7 23.♚d3?!
 Inaccuracy. Qg3 was best.
 [23.♚g3 ♚b6 24.h3 ♙c7 25.♚e1
 ♙xe4 26.♙d3 ♙xd3 27.♚xd3 ♙b8
 28.g4 ♚c7]
 [Reject 23.♚xd6 ♙e5?]
 [23.♚g3= remains equal.]
 23...♙e5? Black has strong
 compensation. 24.♚g4 ♚g7 25.♚h3
 ♙b8 26.a3 ♚c7?! Inaccuracy. Qb6 was
 best.
 [26...♚b6 27.♙f3 ♙b5! 28.♘xb5
 ♚xb5 29.b3 ♚c7 30.♙d1 ♚g8 31.♚f3
 ♚gc8 32.♚e3]
 [26...♚b6? Threatens to win with ...
 Bxe4! 27.♙f3 ♙b5 28.♘xb5 ♚xb5]
 27.♚e3?? Blunder. Rxd6 was best.
 [27.♚xd6]
 [27.♚xd6= ♙xc3 28.♚d8+ ♙a7
 29.♚e3+ (29.bxc3 ♙xe4 30.♚e3+
 Double Attack ♚c5=) 29...b6 30.♚xc3
 (30.bxc3 ♚xa3 31.g4 ♙b7=)
 30...♚xc3 31.bxc3]
 27...♚c5+ 28.♚c1 [#] 28...♚xg2!
 Deflection 29.♚xg2 aiming for Rd3.
 29...♚xe3 30.♚g1 ♚xg1 31.♚xg1 ♙xh2
 32.♚g8+ ♙a7?! Inaccuracy. Rc8 was
 best.
 [32...♚c8 33.♚xc8+ ♙xc8 34.♙h5 f6
 35.♙g6 ♙d7 36.♘a2 a5 37.c4 ♙e7
 38.b4]
 33.♙d3 ♙e5 34.♘d1 ♚e7 35.♘e3 ♚e8
 36.♚g4
 [♠36.♚xe8 ♙xe8 37.c3]
 36...b5 37.c3?! Inaccuracy. Rh4 was
 best.
 [37.♚h4]
 37...♚h8 38.♚g1?! Inaccuracy. Nf1 was
 best.

[38.♘f1 d5 39.exd5 ♙xd5 40.♙c2 f5
 41.♚g1 ♚h4 42.♘e3 ♚h2+ 43.♙b1
 ♙b7]
 [♠38.♙c1]
 38...♚h3 39.♚e1 ♙f4 40.♘c2 ♚xd3
 41.♘b4 [#] 41...♙xe4! 42.♚xe4
 Endgame KRB-KRN 42...♚f3 43.a4 d5
 44.♚d4 ♙d6 45.♘c2
 [♠45.axb5 axb5 46.♘xd5]
 45...bxa4 46.♚xa4 ♚f4 47.b4 ♙e5
 48.♚a3 ♙b6 49.♘e3 ♚e4 50.♘d1 ♚e2
 51.♘b2 ♙d6 52.♚a5 f5 Black is clearly
 winning. 53.♘a4+ ♙b7 54.b5 axb5
 55.♚xb5+ ♙c7 Strongly threatening ...f4.
 56.♚b2?! Inaccuracy. Rb3 was best.
 [56.♚b3 ♚e4 57.c4 ♚xc4 58.♘b2
 ♚h4 59.♘d3 ♚h1+ 60.♙c2 ♚h2+
 61.♙d1 ♙c6]
 [♠56.♚a5]
 56...♚xb2+ 57.♘xb2 e5 58.♙c2 e4
 59.♘d1 ♙c5 And now ...f4 would win.
 60.♙d2 ♙d6 Accuracy: White = 40%,
 Black = 80%.
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♠ Horvath,Dominik	2553
♜ Sevian,Samuel	2698
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
 ♘f6 5.♘c3 ♘c6 6.♙g5 a6 7.♚d2 e6
 8.0-0-0 ♙d7 9.♙b1 ♙e7 10.f3 ♘xd4
 11.♚xd4 b5 12.h4 ♚c7 13.g4 ♚b8N
 [RR 13...0-0 14.♙d3 b4 15.♘e2 ♚fc8
 16.h5 h6 17.♙c1 ♙b5 18.g5 e5
 19.♚e3 hxg5 20.♘g3 ♘h7 21.♘f5
 ♙f6 22.♚e2 ♘f8 23.h6 g6 24.♘e3
 ♙c6 25.♙c4 ♙h7 26.♘d5 ♙xd5
 27.♙xd5 ♚ab8 28.♚dg1 Kramnik,V
 (2753)-Korchmar,V (2438) chess.com
 INT 2024 1-0 (40)]
 14.♙e3 b4 15.♘e2 ♙b5 16.g5 ♘h5
 17.♘f4?! Inaccuracy. c4 was best.
 [17.c4 ♚xc4]

17...xf4 18.♖xg7 ♘g6 19.h5 ♕f8
20.♗f6 ♕e7 21.♗g7 ♕f8 22.♗f6 ♕e7
1/2-1/2

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 □ Nihal Sarin 2680
 ■ Can,Emre 2549
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
♘f6 5.♘c3 ♘c6 6.♕g5 a6 7.♗d2 e6
8.0-0-0 ♕d7 9.♖b1 ♕e7 10.f3 ♘xd4
11.♗xd4 b5 12.h4 ♗c7 13.g4 ♖b8N
[RR 13...0-0 14.♕d3 b4 15.♘e2 ♖fc8
16.h5 h6 17.♕c1 ♕b5 18.g5 e5
19.♗e3 hxg5 20.♘g3 ♘h7 21.♘f5
♕f6 22.♗e2 ♘f8 23.h6 g6 24.♘e3
♕c6 25.♕c4 ♖h7 26.♘d5 ♕xd5
27.♕xd5 ♖ab8 28.♖dg1 Kramnik,V
(2753)-Korchmar,V (2438) chess.com
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14.♕e3 b4 15.♘e2 ♕b5 16.g5 ♘h5
17.♘f4 ♘xf4 18.♗xg7 ♘g6 19.h5 ♕f8
20.♗f6 ♕e7 21.♗g7 ♕f8 22.♗f6 ♕e7
1/2-1/2

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 □ Kadric,Denis 2558
 ■ Cardoso Cardoso,Jose Gabriel 2496
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
♘f6 5.♘c3 ♘c6 6.♕c4 e6 7.♕e3 ♕d7
8.♕b3 ♘xd4 9.♕xd4N
[RR 9.♗xd4 ♕e7 10.0-0-0 0-0 11.f4
b5 12.a3 (12.e5= ♘g4 13.exd6)
12...a5 (12...♘g4?) 13.e5 ♘g4
14.exd6 ♕f6 15.♗b6 (15.♗d2±)
15...b4 16.♘e4 a4! 17.♕a2?
(17.♕c4= and White is okay.) 17...b3!
18.♕b1 bxc2! 19.♕xc2 ♕xb2+!
20.♗xb2 ♘xe3 21.♖d3 ♘xc2
22.♗xc2 ♖c8 23.♖c3 ♖xc3
Kadric,D (2579)-Shevchenko,K (2671)

Viernheim GER 2024 0-1]
[9.♗xd4 is more complex. ♕e7 10.g4
0-0 11.♖g1 b5 12.g5]

9...b5 10.a3 The position is equal.
10...♕c6 11.♗d3?! Inaccuracy. Qe2 was
best.

[11.♗e2 ♕e7 12.♘xb5 ♘xe4
13.0-0-0 0-0 14.♘xa7 ♕b7 15.♘b5
♗b8 16.♖he1 ♘c5]

[11.♗e2±]
11...♕e7= 12.0-0-0 0-0 13.♖he1 ♗b8
14.♘d5 ♕xd5

[14...exd5? 15.exd5 ♕xd5
16.♖xe7+-]

15.exd5 e5 [#] 16.f4! ♘d7?!
Inaccuracy. exd4 was best.

[16...exd4 17.♖xe7]
[16...exd4± 17.♖xe7 ♖e8 18.♖xe8+
♗xe8]

[16...exf4 17.♖xe7]
17.♖b1?! Inaccuracy. fxe5 was best.

[17.fxe5 dxe5]
[17.fxe5± dxe5 18.♗f5 exd4
19.♗xd7 (19.♖xe7 ♘c5±)]

17...♕f6?! Inaccuracy. Bh4 was best.
[17...♕h4]

[Black should play 17...♕h4± 18.g3
♕xg3 19.♗xg3 (19.hxg3 exd4
20.♗xd4 ♘c5=) 19...exd4]

18.fxe5± ♕xe5 19.c3?! Inaccuracy.
Bxe5 was best.

[19.♕xe5 ♘xe5 20.♖xe5 dxe5 21.d6
♗b6 22.♗d5 a5 23.a4 bxa4 24.♕xa4
♗b4]

[19.♕xe5± ♘xe5 20.♖xe5 dxe5
21.d6]

19...a5 20.♗h3
[20.♕xe5± ♘xe5 21.♗f5]

20...♗b7 21.♖e4 ♖fe8 22.♕c2 g6
23.♖f1 Hoping for Rxf7! 23...f5 24.♖h4
♘f6 25.♕xf5 gxf5 26.♖xf5 ♕xd4

[26...♘xd5? 27.♖xe5! ♖xe5
28.♕xe5±]

27.cxd4?? Blunder. Rxd4 was best.
[27.♖xd4 ♗e7! 28.♗g3+ ♖h8

29.♗f3! ♘g8 30.♖f7! ♖f8 31.♖xe7

♠xf3 32.♠xh7+ ♔xh7]
 [27.♠xd4= and White has nothing to worry. ♚e7 28.♠df4 ♚e1+ 29.♔a2]
27...♠e1+-+
 [Worse is 27...♞xd5 28.♚b3±]
28.♔a2 [#] 28...♚c8!
 [Avoid the trap 28...♚g7? 29.♠hf4+- (29.♠xf6 ♚xf6 30.♚g3+ Double Attack ♔h8±)]
29.♚g3+ ♔h8 And now ...Qc4+ would win. **30.♚d3??** Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qxe1 was best.
 [30.♚xe1 ♚xf5 31.♚e6 ♚xd5+ 32.♚xd5 ♞xd5 33.♠h5 ♞c7 34.a4 b4 35.h4 d5]
 [30.♚xe1+- ♚xf5 31.♚e6 ♚xd5+ 32.♚xd5 ♞xd5 33.♠h5]
30...♚c1 Accuracy: White = 63%, Black = 66%.
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 Cardoso Cardoso,Jose Gabriel **2496**
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1.e4 c5 2.♞f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♞xd4 ♞f6 5.♞c3 ♞c6 6.♙c4 e6 7.♙e3 a6 8.♚e2 ♙d7 9.0-0-0 b5 10.♙b3 ♞a5 11.f3N
 [RR 11.♙g5 11.♔b1 0.24 ♙e7 12.e5 dxe5 13.♞f3 (13.♚xe5± 0-0 14.♔b1) 13...♞c6 (13...♞xb3+± 14.axb3 h6) 14.♞xe5 ♞xe5 15.♚xe5 ♚b8 16.♚e2 (16.♚e3=) 16...♠a7 (Better is 16...b4± 17.♙xf6 gxf6) 17.♠he1 a5 18.♙e3 (18.♚e3= remains equal.) 18...♠b7 19.♙d4 0-0! 20.♙e5 (20.a3±) 20...♚c8 21.a3 a4 22.♙a2 b4 23.axb4 ♠xb4 24.♠d4 ♠xd4 25.♙xd4 a3 Escalante Ramirez, B (2490)-Dudin,G (2546) Richardson USA 2024 0-1 (44)]
11...♚c7 The position is equal. **12.g4 b4 13.♞a4 ♙e7 14.♔b1↑** White is more

active. **14...♞xb3**
 [14...0-0=]
15.cxb3± 0-0 16.h4 d5 17.♠c1 ♚b8 18.e5! ♚xe5 19.♞b6 ♚d6 20.♞xa8 ♠xa8 21.♚c2 a5 22.♞c6
 [22.h5 feels hotter. ♙f8 23.g5 e5 24.♞f5 ♚e6 25.♞h6+]
22...♙f8! ...Rc8 is the strong threat.
23.♚h2 ♚xh2 24.♠xh2 ♙d6 25.♠hc2 h5 26.g5 ♞h7? [#] Mistake. Ne8 was best.
 [26...♞e8]
 [26...♞e8±]
27.f4?! Inaccuracy. Bc5 was best.
 [27.♙c5! ♙f4 28.♞e7+ ♔h8 [#] 29.g6! ♙xc1 30.gxf7 ♞f8 31.♔xc1 e5 32.♞xd5 ♙f5]
 [27.♙c5± ♙f4 28.♞e7+ ♔h8 29.g6 ♙xc1 30.gxf7 (30.♠xc1 fxf6 31.♞xg6+ ♔g8=)]
27...♞f8± 28.♞e5 ♙xe5! 29.fxe5 ♞g6 30.♠c7 ♞xe5? Mistake. Bb5 was best.
 [30...♙b5! 31.♠c8+]
 [30...♙b5!±]
31.♙d4 ♞f3 32.♠xd7 aiming for Bf2.
32...♞xd4± Endgame KRR-KRN
33.♠cc7 ♞f5 34.♠xf7 ♔h7 35.♔c2?
 Mistake. Rf6 was best.
 [35.♠f6]
 [35.♠f6±]
35...♠g8? Mistake. Kg6 was best.
 [35...♔g6 36.a4 ♠g8 37.♔d3 e5 (37...♞xh4!/? 38.♠fe7 ♔f5±) 38.♠fd7 e4+ 39.♔e2! ♞xh4 40.♠xd5 ♞f5 41.♠xa5]
 [35...♔g6=]
36.♠f6! ♠e8 37.♔d3 ♞xh4?
 Mistake. Kg8 was best.
 [37...♔g8]
 [37...♔h8± keeps fighting. 38.♠ff7 ♔h7]
38.♠h6+!+- Double Attack **38...♔g8 39.♠xh5 ♞g6** And now ...Nf4+ would win. **40.♠h2 e5 41.♔e3 ♞f4?! Inaccuracy.** Rf8 was best.
 [41...♠f8 42.♠d2 ♞f4 43.♠a7 ♠f5

44.g6! ♖f6 45.♞a8+ ♖f8 46.♞xa5 d4+ 47.♔e4]

42.♞a7 ♘e6?! Inaccuracy. Rc8 was best.

[42...♞c8 43.♞f2 ♖f8 44.♞xa5 ♖f5 45.g6 ♔f8 46.♞a7 ♞g5 47.♞d7 ♞g3+ 48.♔d2]

[♠42...♞e6 43.♔f3 (43.♞xa5 ♞g6+-) 43...♞c6 44.♞xa5 ♔f7]

43.g6

[Less strong is 43.♞xa5 d4+ 44.♔d3 ♘g5+-]

43...♘g5?! Inaccuracy. Nf4 was best.

[43...♘f4 44.♞h7 ♘e6 45.♞h1 ♘f4 46.♞g1 ♘h5 47.♞xa5 ♘f6 48.♔d3 ♔f8 49.♞a7]

[43...♘f8 was worth a try. 44.♞xa5 d4+ 45.♔e4 ♘g6]

44.♞h5 White is clearly winning. 44...d4+

45.♔e2 ♘e6 Hoping for ...Nf4+. 46.♞xe5 Accuracy: White = 83%, Black = 58%.

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□ Pranav,V 2587

■ Nihal Sarin 2680

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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♙e3 e5 7.♘b3 ♙e7 8.♞d2 ♘g4 9.g3 ♘d7N

[RR 9...♙e6 10.0-0-0 ♘d7 11.f4 ♘xe3 12.♞xe3 ♞b6 13.♞d2 ♘f6 14.f5 ♙d7 15.♔b1 ♙c6 16.♞g2 ♞d8 17.g4 h6 18.h4 a5 19.g5 ♘h5 20.gxh6 ♞xh6 21.♘d5 ♙xd5 22.♞xd5 ♔f8 23.♞xa5 ♘f4 24.♞g4 Osinovsky, S (2232)-Xu,X (2637) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (38)]

[RR 9...♙e6 10.0-0-0 ♘xe3 11.♞xe3 ♘d7 12.f4 b5 13.♔b1 ♞b6 14.♞f3 ♘f6 15.f5 ♙c4 16.g4 h6 17.h4 b4 18.♙xc4 bxc3 19.g5 ♘d7 20.g6 fxg6 21.fxg6 ♖f8 22.♙f7+ ♔d8 23.♞xc3 ♖c8 24.♞d3 Lacasa Diaz,J (2343)-

Swicarz,M (2251) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (33)]

10.♙h3 ♘xe3 11.♞xe3 ♙g5 12.f4?! Inaccuracy. Qe2 was best.

[12.♞e2 ♘b6]

12...exf4 13.gxf4 ♙h4+ 14.♔e2?! Inaccuracy. Kd2 was best.

[14.♔d2 ♘b6 15.♙f1 0-0 16.♞g1 d5 17.♞d1 dxe4+ 18.♔c1 ♞c7 19.♞xe4 f5]

14...0-0 15.♞ad1 ♘b6 16.♘a5?! Inaccuracy. Nd5 was best.

[16.♘d5 ♘c4]

16...♞c7 17.♞hg1 ♙f6 18.e5 dxe5 19.♘e4 exf4? Mistake. Bd8 was best.

[19...♙d8 20.f5]

20.♘xf6+ ♔h8 21.♞d4 ♞e7+ 22.♔f3 ♞xf6 23.♞xf6 gxf6 24.♙xc8 ♞axc8

25.♞d6 ♘a4 26.♞xf6 ♘xb2 27.♘xb7 ♞xc2 28.♘d6 ♖c7 29.♔xf4 ♘d3+

30.♔e4 ♘b4 31.a4 ♞e7+ 32.♔d4 ♘c6+ 33.♔d5 ♘d8 34.♞gf1 ♔g7

35.h4 h6 36.♞xh6 ♔xh6

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□ Seemann,Jakub 2474

■ Can,Emre 2549

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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.h3 e6 7.g4 d5 8.exd5 ♘xd5 9.♘de2 h5 10.♘xd5N

[RR 10.g5 ♘c6 11.♙g2 ♘xc3 12.♞xd8+ ♘xd8 13.♘xc3 ♙d7 14.♙e3 ♙c6 15.♘e4 ♙b4+ 16.c3 ♙e7 17.0-0 f5 18.♘d2 ♙xg2 19.♔xg2 ♘c6 20.f4 ♞d8 21.♘f3 ♔f7 22.♙b6 ♞d6 23.♞ad1 ♖c8 24.♔g3 ♔e8 Utsab,C (2289)-Shohat,Y (2332) Stockholm SWE 2024 1-0 (45)]

[RR 10.g5 ♘c6 11.♙g2 ♘xc3 12.♞xd8+ ♘xd8 13.♘xc3 ♙d7 14.♙e3 ♙c6 15.♘e4 ♖c8 16.0-0 ♙d5 17.c3 ♙e7 18.f4 ♙xe4 19.♙xe4 ♙c5

20.♔f2 g6 21.♖ad1 ♗xe3+ 22.♔xe3
♕e7 23.♞d2 ♘c6 24.♞fd1 ♞hd8
Savchenko,B (2489)-Goutham Krishna
H (2288) Bhubaneswar IND 2024 1-0
(56)]

10...exd5 11.♞d3 hxg4 12.♙d2 ♘d7
13.♞xd5 ♞b6 14.0-0-0 ♘f6 15.♞e5+
♞e6 16.♞xe6+ ♗xe6 17.♘f4 ♙c5
18.♙g2 0-0-0 19.♘xe6 fxe6 20.♞df1
♔c7 21.♙f4+ ♔b6 22.♞e1 ♞de8
23.hxg4 ♞xh1 24.♞xh1 ♘xg4 25.♞h3
♔a7 26.♞c3 ♙b6 27.♙c7?! Inaccuracy.
Rg3 was best.

[27.♞g3]

27...♞e7 28.♙xb6+ ♔xb6 29.♞c4 ♘f6
30.♞b4+ ♔a7 31.♔d2 ♘d5 32.♞d4 ♞f7
33.♙xd5 exd5 34.♔e3 ♞e7+ 35.♔f3
♞e5 36.♞d2 ♔b6 37.♔f4 ♞h5 38.♞e2
♞h4+ 39.♔e5 ♔c5 40.f4 ♞h5+ 41.♔e6
♞h6+ 42.♔f5 ♔d6 43.c3 a5 44.a4
♞h5+ 45.♔g6 ♞h4 46.f5 ♞g4+ 47.♔h5
♞e4 48.♞g2 ♔e7 49.♔g6 ♔f8 50.♞d2
♞g4+ 51.♔h5 ♞xa4 52.♞xd5 ♞a1
53.♞b5 ♔f7 54.♔g5 a4?? Blunder.
Rg1+ was best.

[54...♞g1+ 55.♔f4 g5+ 56.fxg6+
♞xg6 57.♞xb7+ ♔e8 58.♔e5 ♞a6
59.♞b3 ♔d7 60.♔d4]

55.♞xb7+ ♔f8 56.♞b8+ ♔f7 57.♞b7+
♔f8 58.♔f4? Mistake. c4 was best.

[58.c4]

58...a3?? Blunder. Rc1 was best.

[58...♞c1 59.♔e5]

59.bxa3 ♞xa3 60.c4 ♞a6 61.♔e5 ♞a5+
62.♔e6 ♞a6+ 63.♔d7 ♞a5 64.♞b5
♞a7+ 65.♔c6 ♞a6+ 66.♞b6 ♞a5 67.c5
♔e7 68.♞b5 ♞a1 69.♔b7 ♞c1 70.c6
♔d6 71.♞b2 ♔e5 72.♞g2 ♔d5
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■ Yuffa,Daniil 2617
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♙c4 e6 7.♙e3 ♘c6
8.a4 ♙d7 9.0-0 ♙e7 10.♞e2 0-0
11.♘xc6 ♙xc6 12.a5 ♞e8 13.f3 d5
14.exd5 exd5 15.♙b3 ♙b4 16.♞f2
♞e7 17.♙d4 ♞fe8 18.♞h4 ♙c5 19.♞f2
♙xd4 20.♞xd4 ♞c7 21.♞b6 ♞xb6+
22.axb6 d4 23.♘a4 ♞ad8 24.♞fd1 ♞e5
25.♙c4 ♞a5 26.b3 ♞d6 27.c3 ♙xa4
28.♞xd4 ♞xd4 29.cxd4 ♘d7?

Mistake. Rb5 was best.

[29...♞b5 30.bxa4 ♞xb6 31.♙d3 ♞b3
32.♙f5 ♔f8 33.♞b1 ♞xb1+ 34.♙xb1
♘e8 35.♔f2]

30.bxa4 ♘xb6 31.♙b3 ♔f8 32.♞c1
♘xa4 33.♞c7 f5 34.♞f7+ ♔e8
35.♞xb7?! Inaccuracy. Rxg7 was best.

[35.♞xg7]

35...g5 36.♙xa4+ ♞xa4 37.♞xh7 ♞xd4
38.♞h5 ♞d1+ 39.♔f2 ♞d2+ 40.♔g3
♞d5 41.h4 gxh4+ 42.♔xh4 a5 43.♞h7
♞d7 44.♞h8+ ♔e7 45.♞a8 ♞d5 46.♔g5
♔d7 47.♔f4 ♔c6 48.g4 fxg4 49.fxg4
♔b5 50.g5 ♞d1 51.g6 ♞g1 52.♔f5 a4
53.♔f6 ♔b4 54.g7 a3 55.g8♞ ♞xg8
56.♞xg8 a2 57.♞a8 ♔b3 58.♔e5 ♔b2
59.♔e4 a1♞ 60.♞xa1 ♔xa1
1/2-1/2

□ Kacharava,Nikoloji B90 2527
■ Sethuraman,S.P. 2588
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.h3 e5 7.♘f3 ♙e7
8.g4 ♙e6 9.g5 White has an edge.
9...♘fd7 10.♙e3 ♘b6 11.h4 ♘d7
12.♞d2N

[RR 12.♞g1 ♞c8 13.♞d2 ♘c5 14.h5

♔d7 15.♖g3 (15.0-0-0=) 15...♗ba4!
 16.♗xa4 (16.♙xc5≠ ♗xc3 17.♗xe5
 ♗xe4 18.♗xd7 ♗xd2 19.♗xd2 dxc5
 20.♗e5) 16...♗xa4 (16...♗xe4+
 17.♗a5 ♗xg3 18.fxg3 ♖xc2) 17.♙xc5
 ♖xc5 18.♙d3 0-0 19.b3 ♗a3 20.c4
 ♖fc8 (Black should try 20...b5≠
 21.♗h4 ♖c7) 21.♙e2 ♖5c7 22.♗h4?
 (22.♗f1=) 22...d5! 23.♗f1 dxe4
 24.♗c2 b5 (24...♖d7+ 25.h6 g6
 26.♗xe4 ♗b2) 25.♗xe4 ♗b2 26.♖b1
 (26.♖d1=) 26...♗d4! Pranav,V (2604)-
 Duda,J (2731) chess.com INT 2024
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12...♖c8 13.h5 ♗c5 14.h6 g6! 15.b3
 ♗c7 16.♗g1 ♗cd7 17.♗ge2 f6 18.a4
 fxg5 19.♙xg5 ♙xg5 20.♗xg5 ♗c5
 21.a5?! Inaccuracy. Bh3 was best.

[21.♙h3]

[21.♙h3± ♙xh3 22.♖xh3]

21...♗a8?! Inaccuracy. Rf8 was best.

[21...♖f8]

[21...♖f8!? 22.♗g3 ♗a8=]

22.♙h3 ♗c7! 23.♖d1

[23.f4= remains equal.]

23...♖f8!≠ aiming for ...Rf3. 24.♗h4 ♗f6

25.♖d3 ♙xh3

[25...♗xa5≠ 26.0-0 g5!]

26.♖hxh3= ♗e6

[26...♗xa5?! 27.♖xd6 ♖d8 28.♖xd8+
 ♗xd8 29.♖f3±]

27.♖hf3 g5 28.♗g3! ♖c7 29.♖f5 ♖cf7

30.♗h3 ♖g8?? Blunder. g4 was best.

[30...g4 31.♗e3 ♗xe3 32.fxe3 ♖d7
 33.♗g3 ♗f7 34.♗d5 ♗g6 35.♗xf6
 ♖xf6 36.♖xe5]

[30...♖d7=]

31.♗d1?? Blunder. b4 was best.

[31.b4! ♗c6 32.♗d5 g4 33.♗h4
 ♗xd5 34.exd5 ♗xc2 35.♖xf7 ♗b1+
 36.♖d1 ♗xb4+]

[31.b4!+- ♗c6 32.♗d5]

31...♗f4 32.♖xf4? Mistake. Nxf4 was
 best.

[32.♗xf4 gxf4]

[Better is 32.♗xf4= gxf4 33.♗c1

♖g1+ 34.♗b2 ♗xa5 35.♖d1 ♖xd1
 36.♗xd1]

32...gxf4? Mistake. g4 was best.

[32...g4 33.♗g3 exf4 34.♗xf4 ♗e5
 35.♗e3 ♖gf8 36.♗fe2 ♗d7 37.♖d5
 ♗h2 38.♗c1]

[32...g4≠ 33.♗g3 exf4 34.♗xf4
 ♗d7]

33.♗a4?? Blunder. Qe6+ was best.

[33.♗e6+ ♗f8]

[33.♗e6+= and White is okay. ♗f8
 34.♖xd6]

33...♗g4+ 34.♗c1 ♗xf2 35.♖c3

Hoping for Rc8+. 35...♖g5?! Inaccuracy.
 Qxe2 was best.

[35...♗xe2 36.♖c8+ ♗e7 37.♖xg8
 ♗e3+! 38.♗xe3 ♗xe3 39.♗c3 f3
 40.♗b1 f2 41.♗d2]

[Don't play 35...♗e1+ 36.♗b2]

[⊔35...♗xe2 36.♖c8+ ♗e7 37.♗h4+
 ♗f6 38.♖xg8 ♗xe4]

36.♖c8+?! Inaccuracy. Nb6 was best.

[36.♗b6 ♗e7 37.♗d5+ ♗d8!
 38.♗b2 (38.♗b6 was worth a try.)
 38...♖g6! 39.♖c4 ♗xe2 40.♗c3 [#]
 ♗xc4! 41.bxc4 [#] ♗f6!]

[⊔36.♗b6 ♖e7 37.♗d5]

36...♗e7 37.♗ec3?! Inaccuracy. Kb2
 was best.

[37.♗b2 ♗xe2 38.♗c3 ♗f2 39.♗d5+
 ♗e6 40.♖e8+ ♗d7 41.♖b8 f3
 42.♗b6+ ♗e6]

37...♗e3+ Black is clearly winning.

38.♗b2?! Inaccuracy. Qxe3 was best.

[38.♗xe3 ♗xe3 39.♗b2 ♗f6 40.♖d8
 ♖g6 41.♖xd6+ ♗g5 42.♖xg6+ ♗xg6
 43.♗d3 ♗g4]

[⊔38.♗xe3 ♗xe3 39.♗d2]

38...♗xh3 39.♗d5+ ♗e6 40.♖e8+ ♗d7

41.♖b8 White wants to mate with Nab6+.

41...♗f6 42.♗ab6+ ♗e6 Accuracy:
 White = 59%, Black = 64%.

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 Iniyana,Pa **2629**
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1.e4 c5 2.d4 f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.dxd4
d4 f6 5.dxc3 a6 6.h3 e6 7.g4 b5 8.g5
 [RR 8.g2 g7 9.e2 e7 10.g5
 fd7 11.h4 c7 (11...b4 12.d1
 c6 13.dxc6 e6xc6) 12.e3
 (12.a3) 12...c6 (12...b4!?)
 13.d1 c6=) 13.dxc6 e6xc6
 14.d3 e5 15.d4 0-0 16.h5 fe8
 17.f4 c4 18.h6 (White should try
 18.0-0-0) 18...f8 (18...e5+
 and Black stays clearly on top. 19.d3
 xb2) 19.0-0-0 xe3 20.xe3 g6
 21.d3? (21.d2= and White stays
 safe.) 21...ac8 (21...b4!+ 22.e2
 b5) 22.he1 b4 Al Tarbosh,W
 (2278)-Offermann,F (2075) chess.com
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8...fd7 9.a3 b7 10.e3 White is
 better. **10...b6N**

[RR 10...e7 11.h4 c6 12.g1 c8
 13.dxc6 e6xc6 14.d4 0-0 15.0-0-0
 a8 16.h5 fc8 17.d2 e5 18.h6
 f8 19.g3! c4 20.f4 e5
 (20...xd2± is a better defense.
 21.xd2 c5) 21.f2! xd2 22.xd2
 exf4 23.xf4 c5 (23...e6c7±
 was called for. 24.gd3 e8) 24.f3?
 (24.h3!+- and the rest is easy. e8c7
 25.gd3) 24...e8c7 25.d5
 Pingin,A (2419)-Korobov,A (2672)
 Samarkand UZB 2023 ½-½]

11.f4 d8d7! 12.f5?! [#] Inaccuracy.
 Qd2 was best.

[12.d2 c8 13.0-0-0 d5 14.f5 e5
 15.dxb5 c4 16.dxc4! e6xc4
 17.dxd5 axb5]
 [12.d2= remains equal.]

12...exf5?! Inaccuracy. e5 was best.

[12...e5! 13.dxb5 axb5 14.dxb5
 c7 15.d3 c8 16.0-0-0 c4
 17.d2 xd2 18.xd2]

[12...e5! 13.d3 c8]
13.dxf5= And now Qd4 would win.
13...d5! 14.dxb6 e6xb6 15.d5
 White is fighting back **15...d8?!
 Inaccuracy.** Bxd5 was best.

[15...xd5 16.xd5]
 [15...xd5!? 16.xd5 d8=]
16.h4 h6 17.gxh6?! Inaccuracy. a4 was
 best.

[17.a4 xd5 (17...b4) 18.xd5 g6
 19.d4 g7 20.h5 0-0 21.gxh6 f6!
 22.e2 c8]
17...g6! 18.dg7+ d7 19.h3+ c6??
 [#] Blunder. f5 was best.

[19...f5! 20.dxf5! xd5 21.dg7+
 c7 22.xd5 xh4+ 23.d1 xg7!
 24.hxg7 h5+ 25.c1]
 [19...f5!= and Black is okay.]

20.c4!+- Black must now prevent cxb5+.
20...xh4+

[20...c8 might work better.]
21.f1 xe4 22.cxb5+ axb5 23.c1+
d4 24.g2 e5 25.b3 Intending
 Rxc4+ and mate. **25...a4?** Mistake.
 Qd4 was best.

[25...d4 26.d3+ c7 27.dxb5+
 d8 28.dxd4 d2+ 29.f2 dxb3
 30.dxb7 b8 31.d6+]

[125...d4 26.d3+ Discovered
 Attack c7 27.dxb5+ Double Attack
 d8 28.xc4 (28.dxb7 f4+
 Double Attack 29.e2 d2+
 Double Attack 30.f3 xc1±;
 28.d6+ fxe6 29.dxd4 d2+ 30.f2
 dxb3±) 28...xc4+ 29.e6xc4 d5]

26.e4

[Less strong is 26.f3 d7±]

26...xg7?! Inaccuracy. Kd7 was best.

[26...d7 27.hxc4 xd5 28.dxd5
 e6xc4 29.xb5+ e7 30.xc4 xg7
 31.e1 xe1+ 32.e1]

27.hxc4+ Remove Defender **27...xc4**
28.xc4+ bxc4? Checkmate is now
 unavoidable. Kd7 was best.

[28...d7 29.xb5+ e6 30.hxg7
 g8 31.xb7 f5+ 32.f4 xf4+

33. ♖xf4+ ♔f6 34. ♔g1]
29. ♖b6+?? Lost forced checkmate sequence. Qa4+ was best.

[29. ♖a4+ ♔c5 30. ♖a5+ ♔d4
 31. ♖b6+ ♔d3 32. ♖b4+ ♔d2
 33. ♖f2+ ♖e2+ 34. ♖xe2+ ♔c1]
 [♟29. ♖a4+ ♔c5 30. ♖a5+ ♔d4
 31. ♖b6+ Double Attack ♔d3 32. ♖b4+ ♔d2
 33. ♖f2+ Double Attack ♖e2+ 34. ♖xe2+ ♔c1 35. ♖c2#]

29... ♔d7 White is clearly winning.
30. ♖xb7+ ♔e6 31. ♖e7+ ♔f5 32. hxg7 ♖g8?! Inaccuracy. Rb8 was best.

[32... ♖b8 33. ♖xf7+ ♔g5 34. ♖e7 ♖f6+
 35. ♖xf6+ ♔xf6 36. g8♖ ♖xg8 37. ♖xg8+ ♔e5
 38. ♖f6]

33. ♖h3+ ♔e4 34. ♖f6+ Accuracy: White = 80%, Black = 46%.
1-0

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☐ **Fedoseev, Vladimir** **2701**
 ■ **Yuffa, Daniil** **2617**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2. ♖f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 ♖f6
 5. ♖c3 a6 6. ♖c4 e6 7.0-0 b5 8. ♖b3
 ♖e7 9. ♖f3 ♖b6 10. ♖e3 ♖b7 11. ♖g3
 b4 12. ♖a4 ♖bd7 13.c3 0-0 14. ♖h6
 ♖h5 15. ♖f3 ♖hf6 16. ♖g3 ♖h5 17. ♖f3
 ♖hf6
 1/2-1/2

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☐ **Suleymanli, Aydin** **2621**
 ■ **Sarana, Alexey** **2706**
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

**1.e4 c5 2. ♖f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 ♖f6
 5. ♖c3 a6 6. ♖d3 g6 7.0-0 ♖g7 8. ♖e1**

[RR 8. ♖e2 0-0 9. ♖d2 ♖c6 10. ♖b3 ♖e6
 11.f4 b5 12.f5 ♖xb3 13.axb3 ♖e5
 14. ♖h1 ♖c7 15.fxg6 hxg6

16. ♖f4 e6 17. ♖xe5 dxe5 18. ♖d1 ♖h5
 19.g3 f5 20. ♖f3 f4 (20... ♖h6?)
 21.g4 ♖f6 22.h3? (22.g5±) 22... ♖d7
 Khazhatuly, A (1958)-Schut, H (2091)
 chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (84)
 (Better is 22... ♖d8? 23.c4 ♖b6)]

8...0-0 9.a4N

[RR 9. ♖f3 ♖c6 10.h3 h6 11. ♖d5 ♖d7
 12.c4 e6 13. ♖c3 ♖de5 14. ♖e3 ♖c7
 15. ♖c1 ♖d7 16. ♖f1 ♖xf3+ 17. ♖xf3
 ♖e5 18. ♖e2 ♖ac8 19.b3 g5 20. ♖ed1
 ♖g6 21. ♖d2 ♖fd8 22. ♖xd6 ♖xd6
 23. ♖xd6 ♖c6 Poliakova, V (1959)-
 Mammadzada, G (2449) Samarkand UZB
 2023 1/2-1/2 (78)]

**9...b6 10. ♖f1 ♖b7 11. ♖g5 h6 12. ♖e3
 ♖bd7 13.f3 ♖c7 14. ♖d2 ♖h7 15. ♖ad1
 ♖fd8 16. ♖f2 e6 17. ♖b3 ♖c6 18. ♖d4
 ♖b7** The position is equal.
19. ♖b3 ♖c6 20. ♖d4 ♖b7 Accuracy: White = 93%, Black = 100%.
 1/2-1/2

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☐ **Ter-Sahakyan, Samvel** **2650**
 ■ **Muradli, Mahammad** **2560**
 Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

**1.e4 c5 2. ♖f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 ♖f6
 5. ♖c3 a6 6. ♖e3 e5 7. ♖b3 ♖e6 8.h3
 ♖e7 9. ♖f3 0-0 10.0-0-0**
 White is slightly better. **10...b5 11.g4 b4!
 12. ♖d5 ♖xd5 13.exd5 ♖c8 14. ♖b1 a5N**

[RR 14... ♖d7 15. ♖d2 a5 16. ♖e4 a4
 17. ♖b5 ♖a5 18.c4 (18. ♖e2!= remains
 equal.) 18...bxc3! 19. ♖xc3 ♖b6
 (19...a3?) 20. ♖e4 f5 21. ♖b4 ♖a8!
 22. ♖xa4 ♖xa4 23. ♖xa4 ♖d7 (23...h5±)
 24. ♖c6 ♖b8 25. ♖a4! ♖e8 26.gxf5!
 ♖h5 27. ♖c1 ♖f3 (27... ♖xf5± 28. ♖d7
 ♖f8) 28. ♖hg1 ♖f6 29. ♖a7 Kong, X
 (2401)-Wang, S (2429) Qingdao CHN
 2024 1-0 (79)]

15. ♖d2 a4 16. ♖e4 ♖c7 17.g5 b3?!]

Inaccuracy. Nd7 was best.
 [17...♘d7 18.♙d3 a3 19.b3 g6
 20.h4 f5! 21.gxf6! ♘xf6 22.♚e2 ♙f5
 23.♘xf6+]
 [17...♘d7#]
18.cxb3= axb3 19.♖c1!
 [19.axb3 g6#]
19...♚a5 20.a3 ♘d7! 21.♖g1 ♔h8
22.♘f6
 [Better is 22.♘d2±]
22...g6?! Inaccuracy. Nxf6 was best.
 [22...♘xf6 23.gxf6]
 [22...♘xf6= 23.gxf6 ♙xf6]
23.♙d3± aiming for Rxc8! **23...♙xf6**
24.gxf6 ♙a6 25.♙e4?! Inaccuracy. Bxa6
 was best.
 [25.♙xa6 ♚xa6]
 [25.♙xa6± ♚xa6 26.♖gd1]
25...♖fc8? Mistake. Qa4 was best.
 [25...♚a4! 26.♖g4 ♚b5! 27.♖e1
 ♚a5! 28.♖eg1 ♚b5 29.♖e1]
 [25...♚a4!= keeps the balance.]
26.♖c6 ♙b5 27.♖xc8+?? Blunder. Rgc1
 was best.
 [27.♖gc1]
 [And not 27.♖xd6 ♖c4=]
 [27.♖gc1+- ♚d8 28.♖1c3]
27...♖xc8# 28.h4?! Inaccuracy. Ka1 was
 best.
 [28.♔a1]
28...♚a6! And now ...Be2 would win.
29.♔a1
 [29.♙h6# might work better. ♖c4
 30.♙f5]
29...♙d3?! Inaccuracy. Be2 was best.
 [29...♙e2! 30.♚g3 ♘xf6 31.♙b1 ♚b5
 32.♖e1 ♘xd5 33.♙h6 ♘f6 34.♙g5
 (34.♚e3 ♘g4 35.♚xe2 ♚xe2
 36.♖xe2 ♘xh6 37.h5) 34...♘h5
 35.♚h3]
 [29...♙e2!+- and Black stays clearly on
 top. 30.♚g2 ♘xf6]
30.♙xd3 ♚xd3 31.h5 ♖c2 32.♖d1 [#]
 [32.hxg6 is a self mate. ♖xb2! 33.♚e2
 ♖xe2 34.g7+ ♔g8 35.♙d2 ♚xd2
 36.♖h1 ♚b2#]

[32.♖b1#]
32...♚c4??→ Blunder. Rxf2 was best.
 Black attacks.
 [32...♖xf2 33.♖xd3 ♖xf3 34.♖xb3
 gxh5 35.a4 h4! 36.♔a2 ♘xf6 37.a5
 h3! 38.♙g1]
 [32...♖xf2!+- 33.♖xd3 (33.♙xf2
 ♚xf3) 33...♖xf3 34.♖xb3 gxh5]
33.♖b1!= Black must now prevent hxg6.
 [Don't go for 33.hxg6? ♖xb2! 34.♚f5
 ♖a2+ 35.♔b1 ffg6+-]
33...♔g8? Mistake. Qc3 was best.
 [33...♚c3 34.hxg6 ♖xb2! 35.♖xb2
 ♚e1+ 36.♖b1 ♚c3+]
 [33...♚c3= and Black stays safe.]
34.h6?? Blunder. hxg6 was best.
 [34.hxg6! hxg6 [#] 35.♙g5! ♚e2
 36.♚xb3 ♚xf2 37.♚a4 ♘f8 38.♙h6
 ♖c8 [#] 39.♙g7! ♖d8]
 [34.hxg6!+- hxg6 35.♙g5]
34...♔f8+ 35.♙g5 ♔e8 36.♚e3 ♘c5
37.♚e1?! Inaccuracy. f3 was best.
 [37.f3 ♚xd5 38.f4 e4 39.♚g1 ♔d7
 40.f5 ♚xf5 41.♙e3 ♘d3 42.♙a7
 ♚d5]
37...♚a4 38.♖d1 ♘e4 (-> ...Nc3!)
39.♙c1 ♚c4 40.f4?? Checkmate is now
 unavoidable. Qf1 was best.
 [40.♚f1 ♘xf2 41.♚xc4 ♖xc4 42.♖g1
 ♘d3 43.♙g5 ♔d7 44.♙e3 ♖c2
 45.♖d1 ♖e2]
40...♘f2 Accuracy: White = 39%, Black
 = 65%.
0-1

♖ **Zemlyanskii,Ivan** **B90**
2516
 ♜ **Aditya Mittal** **2607**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/UOVVqc6a>
1...c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4
4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.h3 e5 7.♘b3
♙e6
 [RR 7...♙e7 8.♙e3 ♙e6 9.♚f3 ♘bd7

10.g4 h6 11.0-0-0 ♖c8 12.♗d5 ♗f8
13.♙d3 ♗g6 14.♖he1 ♗d7 15.♙b1
♙g5 16.c4 0-0 17.♙f1 ♗h4 18.♙xg5
hxg5 19.♖d3 ♗g6 20.♗e3 ♖c6
21.♖d2 b6 22.♗d5 Abdusattorov,N
(2744)-Maghsoodloo,P (2715) Prague
CZE 2024 1-0 (68)]

8.f4 ♗c6N

[RR 8...b5 9.♖f3 ♗bd7 10.g4 exf4
11.♙xf4 ♗e5 12.♖g2 ♙e7 13.0-0-0
♗fd7 14.♙b1 (14.g5!+-) 14...0-0
15.♗d4 (Better is 15.g5!) 15...♖c8
16.♗d5 ♙xd5 17.exd5 ♙g5 18.♙g3
♙f6 (18...♙h4± keeps fighting.)
19.♗c6 ♖c7 20.g5! ♙d8 21.♙xe5
♗xe5 22.♗xe5 dxe5 23.♙d3
Gueci,T (2193)-Mayrhuber,N (1980)
Apolda GER 2024 1-0 (35)]

[RR 8...b5 9.♙e3 exf4 10.♙xf4 ♗c6
11.♖f3 (11.♖e2±) 11...♗e5 12.♖e2
♖c8 13.♗d5 (13.0-0-0= ♖c7 14.♗d5
♗xd5 15.exd5) 13...♙e7 14.0-0-0
0-0? (14...♙xd5= and Black is okay.
15.exd5 0-0) 15.♙xe5! ♙xd5 16.♙xf6!
♙c4 17.♙xe7 ♙xe2 18.♙xd8 ♙xd1
19.♙xd1 ♖fxd8 20.♙e2 d5 21.exd5
♖xd5+ 22.♙c1 f5 23.♙f3 Hapala,E
(2044)-Nilssen,E (2195) lichess.org
2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/
UOVVqc6a] 1-0 (56)]

[RR 8...♙e7 9.f5 ♙d7 10.g4
(White should play 10.♖f3±) 10...♙c6
11.♙g2 h6 12.♙e3 ♗bd7 13.h4 ♗b6
14.♖e2 ♗a4 15.♗xa4 ♙xa4 16.♙f3
♙c6 (♠16...d5) 17.♖g2 (♠17.0-0-0)
17...♗d7 18.0-0-0 ♖c7 (♠18...♙xh4
19.g5 hxg5) 19.g5 0-0-0 20.♖f2 b6
(♠20...♙b8) 21.f6 gxf6 22.gxf6 ♙f8
23.♙e2 Zienkiewicz,J (2218)-Seo,J
(2450) Karlsruhe GER 2024 ½-½ (57)
(23.♖d3±)]

9.f5 ♙xb3! White is slightly better.

10.axb3 d5 11.exd5 ♗d4 12.♖d3?
Mistake. Bd3 was best.

[12.♙d3 ♖b6 13.♙g5 ♙b4 14.♙f1
h6 15.♙xf6 gxf6 16.♖a4 0-0-0

17.♙e4 ♙b8]

[12.♙d3±]

12...♖c8 Black has compensation.

[12...♗xd5? 13.♗xd5 ♖xd5 14.c3+-]

13.♙e3 ♙c5?! [#] Inaccuracy. Nxd5 was best.

[13...♗xd5 14.♗xd5 ♗xc2+ 15.♙f2
♗xa1 16.♖e4 ♙c5 17.♙xc5 ♖xc5
18.♖xe5+ ♙f8 19.♙c4!]

[13...♗xd5= 14.♗xd5 (14.♙xd4
♗b4±) 14...♗xc2+ Double Attack
15.♙f2 ♗xa1]

14.0-0-0!± 0-0 15.♙b1 b5

[Not 15...♗xd5? 16.♗xd5 ♖xd5
17.c3+-]

16.♙e2 ♖c7 17.♙f3 h6 18.♙xd4 exd4

19.♗e4?! Inaccuracy. Ne2 was best.

[19.♗e2 ♖fd8 20.♗xd4 ♙xd4
21.♖xd4 ♖xc2+ 22.♙a2 a5 23.♖d3
♗e8 24.♖xc2 ♖xc2]

19...♗xd5 Hoping for ...Nb4. **20.♗xc5**

Discovered Attack **20...♖xc5 21.♙xd5!**

♖xd5 22.g4 ♖c6 23.♖h2 ♖cd8 24.♖e2

a5 25.♖e4 a4? [#] Mistake. b4 was best.

[25...b4 26.♖xd4 ♖xd4 27.♖xd4 ♖c8
28.♖c1 ♖f3 29.h4 ♖e8 30.♖g1
(30.♖d7± ♖e5 31.♖g1) 30...♖e3
31.♖xe3]

[25...b4±]

26.b4! ♖fe8 27.♖xd4 ♖xd4 28.♖xd4

Endgame KQR-KQR **28...♖f3**

[28...♖c8± 29.♖d3 ♙h8]

29.♖d7 ♙h7 30.♖c1

[Worse is 30.♖xe8 ♖xd1+ 31.♙a2
♖d5+ 32.♙b1 ♖d1+ 33.♙a2 ♖d5+
34.b3 axb3+ 35.cxb3 ♖g2+ 36.♙a3
♖h1=]

30...♖a8?! Inaccuracy. Rf8 was best.

[30...♖f8 31.♖xb5 ♖xh3 32.f6 gxf6
33.♖a6 f5 34.gxf5 ♖xf5 35.♖xa4
♖b8 36.♖b3]

31.♖xf7 ♖a6 32.♖d7 ♖xh3 33.♖xb5

♖f6 34.♖c4 a3 35.b3 ♖e3 36.♖d1

♖e5 37.♖d4 ♖e2 38.♖c1? Mistake.

Rd2 was best.

[38.♖d2 a2+ 39.♙xa2 ♖a6+ 40.♙b2

♔e7 41.♖d1 ♕f8 42.♙b1 ♔e8
43.♗d3 ♜f6]
38...♞c6 39.♚a2 ♞a6?! Inaccuracy.
Rxc2+ was best.
[39...♞xc2+ 40.♞xc2 ♗xc2+ 41.♙xa3
♗c6 42.♗d3 ♗a8+ 43.♙b2 ♗g2+
44.♙c3 ♗c6+ 45.♙d2]
40.♗c3 ♗xg4 41.b5 ♞f6 42.♗d3 h5
43.c4 h4 44.♞c3 ♞xf5 45.b6
And now b7 would win. **45...g6**
intending ...Qg2+. **46.♗d7+ ♙h6**
...Rf2+ is the strong threat. **47.♗d2+**
♙h5 48.b7 ♞f8 49.c5 aiming for c6.
49...h3 50.c6 Threatens to win with c7.
50...♗h4 51.♞c2 ♗e4?! Checkmate is
now unavoidable. Qg3 was best.
[51...♗g3 52.c7 ♗xb3+ 53.♙xb3
♞f3+ 54.♙c4 a2 55.♗d1 a1♗
56.♗xa1 ♞f5 57.c8♗]
52.♗e2+ Accuracy: White = 84%, Black
= 41%.
1-0

♘ Samant Aditya S

♚ Dudin, Gleb

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16.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.h3 e5 7.♗b3 ♙e7
8.g4

[RR 8.♙e3 ♙e6 9.♗f3 ♗bd7 10.g4
h6 11.0-0-0 ♞c8 12.♗d5 ♗f8
13.♙d3 ♗g6 14.♞he1 ♗d7 15.♙b1
♙g5 16.c4 0-0 17.♙f1 ♗h4 18.♙xg5
hxg5 19.♗d3 ♗g6 20.♗e3 ♞c6
21.♗d2 b6 22.♗d5 a5 Abdusattorov,
N (2744)-Maghsoodloo, P (2715)
Prague CZE 2024 1-0 (68)]

8...h6 9.♙e3 ♗bd7 10.♗f3N

[RR 10.♗d2 b5 11.f3 ♙b7 12.0-0-0
b4 13.♗e2 d5 14.♗g3 d4 15.♙f2
♗xg4 16.f4 ♗xf2 17.♗xf2 0-0
18.♞g1 ♙h4 19.♗f3 exf4 20.♗f5
♙h8 21.♞xd4 ♗e5 22.♗h5 ♗f6

23.♗xh4 ♞ad8 24.♗f5 ♞xd4
Tarhan,A (2432)-Bok,B (2620) chess.
com INT 2024 1-0]
[RR 10.♙g2 ♗c7 11.♗e2 b5
12.0-0-0 ♙b7 13.f4 ♞c8 14.g5 hxg5
15.fxg5 ♗h5 16.♗f2 ♗f4 17.h4 b4
18.♗d5 ♙xd5 19.exd5 ♗xg2
20.♗xg2 a5 21.♙b1 a4 22.♗c1 ♗b6
23.♙xb6 ♗xb6 24.h5 ♗e3
Kowalski,I (2375)-Abhyuday,S (1951)
Lorca ESP 2023 1-0 (47)]
[RR 10.♙g2 ♗f8 11.f4 exf4 12.♙xf4
♗g6 13.♙g3 0-0 14.0-0 ♙e6 15.♙h1
♞c8 16.♗d4 ♗b6 17.♞b1 ♗e5
18.♗f5 ♙xf5 19.exf5 ♞c4 20.♗e2
♞fc8 21.♙f2 ♗c7 22.♞fd1 b5 23.a3
b4 24.axb4 ♞xb4 Nemsadze,D (2253)-
Lewicki,M (2321) Krakow POL 2023
0-1 (42)]

10...b5 11.0-0-0 b4 12.♗d5 ♗xd5
13.exd5 a5 14.♗d2 a4 15.♙b1 0-0
16.♗e4?! Inaccuracy. Rg1 was best.

[16.♞g1 a3]

16...♗c7 17.♞g1 b3 18.cxb3 axb3
19.♞c1 ♗a5 20.a3 ♙b7 21.♙c4 ♙xd5
22.♙xd5 ♗xd5 23.♞gd1 ♗e6 24.♞c6
♗b8 25.♞c3 ♞a4 26.♗g3 ♗d7 27.♗c6
♞fa8 28.♗f5 ♙f8 29.♞cd3 ♗f6
30.♗xd6 ♗e4 31.♗xe4 ♞xe4 32.♗xe4
♗c4 33.♗c3 ♙h7 34.f3 ♙e7 35.♙c1
♙f6 36.♙b1 e4 37.fxe4 ♞xa3 38.bxa3
♙xc3 39.♙c1 ♙b4 40.♞3d2 ♙xd2
41.♞xd2 ♗xe4+ 42.♙b2 ♗c4 43.♙b1
h5 44.gxh5 f5 45.♞b2 ♗d3+ 46.♙a1
♗xh3 47.a4 ♗f1 48.♙b1 ♗d3+
49.♙a1 ♗c4 50.♙b1 ♗e4+ 51.♙a1
♗xa4+ 52.♙b1 f4 53.♞f2 ♗e4+
54.♙a1 ♗d4+ 55.♞b2 f3
0-1

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 Mendonca, Leon Luke **2640**
 Zemlyanskii, Ivan **2516**
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1.e4 c5 2.d3 f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.dxd4
 5.f6 6.c3 a6 7.d3 g6 8.f3 g7
 9.e3 10.bd7 11.d2 b5 12.0-0-0 b7
 White has an edge. 13.c1N

[RR 11.h6 h6 12.xh6 b4
 (12...b6!? 13.b3 c8=) 13.d5
 xd5 14.exd5 xd5 15.g7 f8
 16.he1 a5 (Better is 16...e6=)
 17.e4 (17.c4!? b7 18.xh7=)
 17...0-0-0 (17...c8= 18.xd5
 xd5) 18.xd5 xd5 19.e6 xa2
 20.xf8 xf8? (20...e5±
 is a better defense.) 21.xe7 d8
 22.xd6 a1+ 23.d2 a5 24.h4?
 (24.xf7+- and White stays clearly on
 top. g5+ 25.e1 c1+ 26.f2
 xc2+ 27.g3) 24...c5?
 (24...c5± is a better chance. 25.d4
 xd4+ 26.xd4 a5 27.xf7 h6)
 25.d4 b3+ Pichot,A (2644)-
 Shuvalova,P (2455) chess.com INT
 2024 1-0]

11...0-0 12.h4 h5 13.h6 e5 14.b3
 c8 15.g4 b4 16.e2 hxg4 17.g3
 gxf3 And now ...Bxh6 would win.
 18.xg7 xg7 19.g5?? Blunder. h5
 was best.

[19.h5 h8 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.xh8
 xh8 22.a5 a8 23.g5 f7
 24.c4 e7]

[19.h5± stays ahead.]

19...h7 20.g4 df6 21.xf3 d5
 22.h5 dx4

[Not 22...g5 23.e3+-]

23.xe4 e7 24.hg1?? Blunder. hxg6
 was best.

[24.hxg6 xe4 25.xe4 xe4
 26.xh7+ f6 27.xe4 cd8 28.f1+
 e6 29.a4 bxa3]

[24.hxg6= xe4 25.xe4! xe4
 26.xh7+ xg6 27.xe4+ f6

28.f1+ e6 29.h6+ d7 30.f5+
 c7 31.xc8]

24...xe4!+ 25.xe4 g5! 26.xg5
 xe4 27.xe4 xg5 28.hxg6 cd8

[Resist 28...xg6 29.xe5+ g8
 30.h2 2]

29.h1 fxg6 30.xb4 de8 31.a3
 g2 32.e1 d5?! Inaccuracy. Rf2
 was best.

[32...f2 33.g1 f3 34.a4 e4
 35.d4 f6 36.e3 f1+ 37.xf1
 xf1+ 38.a2]

33.g1 e4 34.g3 e6 35.e3 ef6
 36.g5? Mistake. Nd2 was best.

[36.d2 f5 37.h1 h5 38.e1
 e8 39.xe4 h4 40.c3+ [#] h6!
 41.f2 xe1+]

[36.d2 was worth a try.]

36...f5 37.g2 f3 38.a7+ f7
 39.xa6 f6 40.c8 e5 41.h3?!
 Inaccuracy. Qg4 was best. intending
 Rh2.

[41.g4 e3 42.c1 d6 43.c4
 f4 44.c3+ [#] d4! 45.xd4+
 xd4 46.g1 d2]

41...f3?! Inaccuracy. Rf1+ was best.

[41...f1+ 42.a2 f2 43.xf2 xf2
 44.d7+ f7 45.g4 b7 46.g2
 d7 47.h3]

42.h4 f4?! Inaccuracy. R3f4 was
 best.

[42...f4 43.g3 f1+ 44.a2
 xg3 45.xg3 f2 46.e3 xc2
 47.d4 d2 48.e6+]

43.d8?? [#] Blunder. Rg4 was best.

[43.g4 f5 44.xe4 g5 45.g4
 xg4 46.xg4 h6 47.d2 f4
 48.g3 h5]

[43.g4 f6 44.xf6+ xf6
 45.xe4]

43...xb3! Black is clearly winning.

44.d4+

[44.cxb3 f1+]

44...h7 Threatens to win with ...Qf1+.

45.a2 f3 46.g1 aiming for Rh1+.

46...h3 Accuracy: White = 50%, Black

= 71%.
0-1

B90
 Kacharava,Nikolozi **2527**
 Yilmaz,Mustafa **2641**
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
 ♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♞g1 b5 7.a4 b4
 8.♗d5 e6 9.♗xf6+ The position is equal.
 The position is equal. 9...♞xf6 10.♙e3
 ♙b7 11.♞d2 ♙xe4 12.0-0-0N

[RR 12.f3 ♙b7 13.♞xb4 ♙e7
 14.♗b3 ♗c6 15.♞b6 ♞d7 16.0-0-0!
 ♞c8! 17.♙d4 ♗xd4 18.♞xd4 ♙d5
 19.♙b1 ♙xb3 20.cxb3 ♞c5 21.♞xc5
 dxc5 22.f4 g6 23.g4 ♙g7 24.♙g2
 ♞a7 25.f5 0-0 26.♞ge1 ♙d4
 Klimkowski,J (2531)-Nasuta,G (2563)
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12...♞d8 13.♙g5 ♙e7 14.♙xe7 ♞xe7
 15.f3↑ White is pushing. Black is under
 pressure. 15...♙g6! 16.h4 ♞xh4 17.f4
 ♙e4! 18.g4 ♗d7 19.♙g2 ♙xg2
 20.♞xg2 And now Nc6 would win. Nc6 is
 the strong threat. 20...♞c8?? [#] Blunder.
 d5 was best.

[20...d5]
 [20...d5±]
 [20...d5±]

21.♗f5!+- exf5 22.♞xd6 Threatening
 mate with Re2+. Double Attack. Re2+
 would kill now. 22...♞e7 [#] Strongly
 threatening ...Qxd6. aiming for ...Qxd6.
 23.♞e2! ♞xc2+
 [23...♞xe2 23...♞xc2+ 4.06
 24.♞xd7+]

24.♞xc2 Rc8+ would kill now. White
 threatens Rc8+ and mate. 24...♞xd6
 25.♞xd6 Endgame KRR-KRN 25...♙e7
 26.♞xa6 Re2+ is the strong threat. And
 now Re2+ would win. 26...♞b8 27.gxf5
 White is clearly winning. White is clearly
 winning. 27...♞b7 28.a5 b3 29.♞e2+

♙d8 30.♞a8+ ♙c7 31.♞e7 Accuracy:
 White = 89%, Black = 64%.
 . Accuracy: White = 95%, Black = 63%.
 1-0

B90
 Nihal Sarin **2680**
 Muradli,Mahammad **2560**
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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
 ♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♙e3 e5 7.♗b3 ♙e6
 8.f3 h5 9.♗d5 ♙xd5 10.exd5 ♗bd7
 11.♞d2 g6 12.0-0-0 ♗b6

[RR 12...♞c8 13.♙b1 ♙g7 14.c4 0-0
 15.♙e2 ♞e8 16.♞c1 b6 17.♞hf1 ♗c5
 18.♗xc5 bxc5 19.♙g5 ♞b8 20.♞c2
 e4 21.♞f4 e3 22.g4 a5 23.♞g1 a4
 24.♙xf6 ♙xf6 25.gxh5 ♙e5 26.♞g5
 ♞b6]

[RR 12...♙g7 13.♞b4 ♞c7 14.♗a5
 0-0 15.♗c4 ♗e8 16.♗b6 ♗xb6
 17.♙xb6 ♞e7 18.♙b1 ♗f6 19.c4
 ♞fc8 20.♙d3 ♗d7 21.♙e3]

[RR 12...♞c8 13.♙b1 ♙g7 14.c4 0-0
 15.♙e2 ♞e8 16.♞c1 b6 17.♞hf1 ♗c5
 18.♗xc5 bxc5 19.♙g5 ♞b8 20.♞c2
 e4 21.♞f4 e3 22.g4 a5 23.♞g1 a4
 24.♙xf6 ♙xf6 25.gxh5 ♙e5 26.♞g5
 ♞b6]

[RR 12...♙g7 13.♞b4 ♞c7 14.♗a5
 0-0 15.♗c4 ♗e8 16.♗b6 ♗xb6
 17.♙xb6 ♞e7 18.♙b1 ♗f6 19.c4
 ♞fc8 20.♙d3 ♗d7 21.♙e3]

13.♙b1

[RR 13.♞a5 ♙h6 (RR 13...♗fd7
 14.♙b1 ♙h6 15.♙f2; RR 13...♗fd7
 14.♙b1 ♙h6 15.♙f2) 14.♙xh6 ♞xh6
 15.♙b1 ♞c8 16.♞b4

A) RR 16...♗fxd5 17.♞xd5 ♗xd5
 18.♞d2 ♞c7 (RR 18...♗f4 19.g3
 ♞f6 20.gxf4 ♞xf4 21.♞d5 ♞c7
 22.♗d2; RR 18...♗f4 19.g3 ♞f6
 20.gxf4 ♞xf4 21.♞d5 ♞c7
 22.♗d2) 19.c4 ♗f4 20.g3 b5

21.cxb5 ♖e6 22.♙e2 ♖h8 23.♖c1;
B) RR 16...♗fxd5 17.♖xd5 ♗xd5
 18.♙d2 ♙c7 19.c4 ♗f4 20.g3 b5
 21.cxb5 ♖e6 22.♙e2 ♖h8 23.♖c1;
C) 16...♙f8 17.c4 ♙g7 18.g3 ♖h8
 (RR 18...g5 19.♙d3 g4 20.f4; RR
 18...g5 19.♙d3 g4 20.f4) 19.♖c1
 ♙c7 20.♙h3 ♖ce8 21.♖hd1 (RR
 21.♖he1 ♗bd7 22.♖e3 ♖a8; RR
 21.♖he1 ♗bd7 22.♖e3 ♖a8)

C1) RR 21...e4 22.c5

C1a) RR 22...dxc5 23.♗xc5
 ♙d6 24.fxe4 ♖xe4 (RR
 24...♗xe4 25.♙d4+ ♗f6
 26.♗xb7; RR 24...♗xe4
 25.♙d4+ ♗f6 26.♗xb7)
 25.♙a3 ♙e5 26.♗xe4 ♙xe4+
 27.♙d3;

C1b) RR 22...dxc5 23.♗xc5
 ♙d6 24.fxe4 ♖xe4 25.♙a3
 ♙e5 26.♗xe4 ♙xe4+
 27.♙d3;

C1c) 22...♗bxd5 23.♖xd5
 ♗xd5 24.♙d4+ ♗f6 25.cxd6
 ♙b8 26.♗d2 exf3 27.d7 ♖e7
 28.♖c8 ♖xd7 29.♙xd7 ♖xc8
 30.♗e4;

C2) RR 21...e4 22.c5 ♗bxd5
 23.♖xd5 ♗xd5 24.♙d4+ ♗f6
 25.cxd6 ♙b8 26.♗d2 exf3
 27.d7 ♖e7 28.♖c8 ♖xd7
 29.♙xd7 ♖xc8 30.♗e4;

C3) 21...♖e7

C3a) RR 22.c5 ♗bxd5
 23.♖xd5 ♗xd5 24.♙d2 ♙c6
 25.♗a5 ♙c7 (RR 25...♙b5
 26.cxd6 ♖ee8 27.♙f1; RR
 25...♙b5 26.cxd6 ♖ee8
 27.♙f1) 26.♗b3;

C3b) RR 22.c5 ♗bxd5
 23.♖xd5 ♗xd5 24.♙d2 ♙c6
 25.♗a5 ♙c7 26.♗b3;

C3c) 22.a3

C3c1) RR 22...e4 23.c5
 dxc5 (RR 23...♗bxd5
 24.♖xd5 ♗xd5 25.♙d4+;

RR 23...♗bxd5 24.♖xd5
 ♗xd5 25.♙d4+) 24.♗xc5
 ♗bxd5 25.♗e6+ fxe6
 26.♖xc7 ♖xc7 27.♙b3;
C3c2) RR 22...e4 23.c5
 dxc5 24.♗xc5 ♗bxd5
 25.♗e6+ fxe6 26.♖xc7
 ♖xc7 27.♙b3;

C3c3) 22...♖d8 23.♗d2

C3c31) RR 23...e4
 24.♙c3 (RR 24.♗xe4
 ♗xe4 25.fxe4 ♖xe4
 26.♙g2; RR 24.f4 e3
 25.♗f3 e2 26.♖e1 ♖de8;
 RR 24.♗xe4 ♗xe4
 25.fxe4 ♖xe4 26.♙g2; RR
 24.f4 e3 25.♗f3 e2
 26.♖e1 ♖de8) 24...♗a4
 25.♙c2 (RR 25.♙d4 exf3
 26.♖f1 ♙c5; RR 25.♙d4
 exf3 26.♖f1 ♙c5)
 25...♗c5 26.fxe4 ♗fxe4
 27.♗xe4 ♗xe4;

C3c32) RR 23...e4
 24.♙c3 ♗a4 25.♙c2
 ♗c5 26.fxe4 ♗fxe4
 27.♗xe4 ♗xe4;

C3c33) 23...♗bd7
 24.♙c3 a5 (RR 24...♗c5
 25.b4 ♗cd7 26.g4; RR
 24...♗c5 25.b4 ♗cd7
 26.g4) 25.♙xd7 (RR
 25.g4; RR 25.g4)
 25...♗xd7 (RR
 25...♖dxd7 26.♖f1 ♙b6
 27.♗e4 ♗xe4 28.fxe4
 ♖c7 29.♙f3; RR
 25...♖dxd7 26.♖f1 ♙b6
 27.♗e4 ♗xe4 28.fxe4
 ♖c7 29.♙f3) 26.f4 ♗f6
 (RR 26...♗c5 27.♖e1
 f6; RR 26...♗c5 27.♖e1
 f6) 27.♖f1

C3c331) RR 27...b5
 28.fxe5 ♖xe5 (RR
 28...dxe5 29.♙f3; RR

28...dxe5 29.♖f3)

29.♗f3 ♜f5

C3c3311) RR

30.♗d4 ♜xf1 31.♜xf1

♞xc4 32.♗e6+ fxe6

33.♞xf6+ ♔h6 (RR

33...♗h7 34.♜c1; RR

33...♗h7 34.♜c1);

C3c3312) RR

30.♗d4 ♜xf1 31.♜xf1

♞xc4 32.♗e6+ fxe6

33.♞xf6+ ♔h6;

C3c3313) 30.♗h4

♜e5 31.cxb5;

C3c332) RR 27...b5

28.fxe5 ♜xe5 29.♗f3

♜f5 30.♗h4 ♜e5

31.cxb5;

C3c333) 27...b6]

[RR 13.c4 ♜c8 14.♗a5 ♗fxd5

15.♙g5 ♞xg5 16.♞xg5 ♙h6 17.♞xh6

♜xh6 18.♗xb7 ♔d7]

[RR 13.♞a5 ♙h6 14.♙xh6 ♜xh6

15.♔b1 ♜c8 16.♞b4 ♔f8 17.c4 ♔g7

18.g3 ♜h8 19.♜c1 ♞c7 20.♙h3 ♜ce8

21.♜hd1 ♜e7 22.a3 ♜d8 23.♗d2

♗bd7 24.♞c3 a5 25.♙xd7 ♗xd7

26.f4 ♗f6 27.♜f1 b6]

[RR 13.c4 ♜c8 14.♗a5 ♗fxd5

15.♙g5 ♞xg5 16.♞xg5 ♙h6 17.♞xh6

♜xh6 18.♗xb7 ♔d7]

13...♗fxd5

[RR 13...♗bxd5 14.♙g5 ♙e7 15.g3

(RR 15.h4 ♗b6 16.♙d3 d5 17.♜he1

♗fd7 18.♗a5 ♙xg5 19.hxg5 ♞c7

20.c4 dxc4 21.♗xc4 0-0 22.♗xb6

♞xb6 23.g4 ♗c5 24.♙c2 ♜fd8

25.♞e3 ♜xd1+ 26.♜xd1 h4 27.♜h1

♜d8 28.♞e1) 15...♗b6 16.♙xf6 ♙xf6

17.♞xd6 ♞xd6 18.♜xd6 ♙d8 19.♗c5

♜b8 20.♜d1 ♙e7 21.♗d3 f6 22.♙g2

♔f7 23.f4 exf4 24.♗xf4 g5 25.♗d5

♗xd5 26.♙xd5+ ♔g7 27.♜he1 ♙c5

28.h3]

[RR 13...♗bxd5 14.♙g5 ♙e7 15.g3

♗b6 16.♙xf6 ♙xf6 17.♞xd6 ♞xd6

18.♜xd6 ♙d8 19.♗c5 ♜b8 20.♜d1

♙e7 21.♗d3 f6 22.♙g2 ♔f7 23.f4

exf4 24.♗xf4 g5 25.♗d5 ♗xd5

26.♙xd5+ ♔g7 27.♜he1 ♙c5 28.h3]

14.♙g5N

[RR 14.♙f2 ♗f6 15.♙d3 (RR 15.♞e1

♙e7 16.g3 ♞c7 17.♙d3 ♜c8 18.f4

♗c4 19.♗d2 b5 20.h3 0-0 21.f5 d5

22.♙xc4 bxc4 23.♗f3 ♙d6 24.g4

♜b8 25.gxh5 ♗e4 26.♞e3 ♙c5

27.♞h6 ♜xb2+ 28.♔xb2 ♜b8+

29.♔a1 ♞a5; RR 15.♞e1 ♙e7 16.g3

♞c7 17.♙d3 ♜c8 18.f4 ♗c4 19.♗d2

b5 20.h3 0-0 21.f5 d5 22.♙xc4 bxc4

23.♗f3 ♙d6 24.g4 ♜b8 25.gxh5 ♗e4

26.♞e3 ♙c5 27.♞h6 ♜xb2+ 28.♔xb2

♜b8+ 29.♔a1 ♞a5) 15...♙e7

16.♜he1 ♗bd7 17.f4 ♞c7 18.a3

♗g4 19.♙g1 exf4 20.♞xf4 ♗ge5

21.♙d4 0-0 22.g4 hxg4 23.h3 gxh3

24.♜h1 ♙f6 25.♜xh3 ♙g7 26.♞h4 f5

27.♜g1 ♜f6 28.♙xf5 ♗f8

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[RR 14.♙f2 ♗f6 15.♙d3 ♗bd7

16.♜he1 ♙h6 17.♞b4 ♞c7 18.c3 ♙f8

19.f4 ♙e7 20.♞a4 0-0 21.f5 g5

22.♗d2 d5 23.♙e3 ♗g4 24.f6 ♙xf6

25.♙g1 ♗c5 26.♞c2 e4 27.♙e2 ♙e5

28.♗b3 ♗e6 Pranav Anand (2530)-

Hayrapetyan,H (2432) Dubai Police

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[RR 14.♙f2 ♗f6 15.♙d3 ♙e7

16.♜he1 ♗bd7 17.f4 ♞c7 18.a3

♗g4 19.♙g1 exf4 20.♞xf4 ♗ge5

21.♙d4 0-0 22.g4 hxg4 23.h3 gxh3

24.♜h1 ♙f6 25.♜xh3 ♙g7 26.♞h4 f5

27.♜g1 ♜f6 28.♙xf5 ♗f8

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14...♙e7 15.♙xe7 ♞xe7 16.♞a5 ♗e3

17.♞xb6 ♗xd1 18.♙c4 ♜c8 19.♙d5

♗xb2 20.♔xb2 ♞c7 21.♞f2 a5 22.c4

a4 23.♗d2 b5 24.♔c2 bxc4 25.♜b1

0-0 26.♜b7 ♞a5 27.♗e4 ♔g7 28.♙xf7

♖c7 29.♚h4 ♜xf7 30.♚d8 ♔d5
31.♞xc7 ♚d3+ 32.♙c1 ♞f1+ 33.♙c2
♚d3+
1/2-1/2

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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♙c4 e6 7.a4 ♙e7
8.0-0 0-0 9.♙e3 ♘c6 10.♞e2 ♘xd4N
[RR 10...♙d7 11.♘xc6 ♙xc6 12.a5
♞c8 13.f3 d5 14.exd5 ♘xd5
15.♘xd5 ♙xd5 16.♙d3 ♞c7 17.c4
♙c6 18.♙b6 ♞f4 19.♞ad1 ♞ac8
20.b3 h5 21.♙b1 g6 22.♞d2 ♞xd2
23.♞xd2 ♙d8 24.♙xd8 ♞fxd8 25.♞fd1
Haldorsen,B (2427)-Do Valle Cardoso,
L (2392) Florianopolis BRA 2024 1/2-1/2
(40)]

[RR 10...♞c7 11.f4 ♘xd4 12.♙xd4
e5 13.♙e3 ♙e6 14.♙b3 ♞ac8 15.♞f3
exf4 16.♞xf4 ♞a5 17.♞ad1 ♙xb3
18.cxb3 ♞b4 19.♞g3 ♙h8 20.♙d4
♞xb3 21.♞d3 ♞e6 22.♘d5 ♘e8
23.♞f4 ♙d8 24.b3 ♞c2 25.♘e3
Dvoiryys,S (2476)-Grinberg,E (2462)
Israel ISR 2024 1-0 (34)]
[RR 10...♞c7 11.♘xc6 ♞xc6 12.♙d4
b6 13.♙xf6 ♙xf6 14.♘d5 ♙d8
15.♘b4 ♞b7 16.♞fd1 ♙e7 17.c3 ♞a7
18.h3 ♞a8 19.♞e3 ♙b7 20.♞e1 ♙d8
21.♙f1 ♞b8 22.♞ad1 ♞a8 23.g3 ♞c7
24.♙g2 ♙e7 25.♞d2 Levitan,C (2235)-
Karsten,J (2323) Cape Town RSA
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11.♙xd4 ♙d7 12.a5 ♙c6 13.♞fd1 ♞c8
14.♙b6 ♞e8 15.♙b3 ♘d7 16.♙d4 ♞d8
17.♞e3 ♞e8 18.♘e2 ♙f8 19.c4 ♞h4
20.♘c3 ♘e5 21.♞g3 ♞xg3 22.hxg3 f6
23.♞ac1 ♙f7 24.♙a2 ♙d7 25.♘e2
♘c6?! Inaccuracy. g6 was best.
[25...g6 26.♙b6 ♙a4 27.b3 ♙c6

28.f3 f5 29.exf5 gxf5 30.♘f4 ♙e7
31.♞c3]

26.♙c3?! Inaccuracy. Bb6 was best.
[26.♙b6 ♘b8 27.♘c3 g6 28.b4 f5
29.♙b3 h5 30.♙e3 ♙e7 31.b5 axb5]
26...♞c7 27.b3 ♞b8 28.♙d2 b6
29.axb6 ♞xb6 30.♘c3 ♘b4 31.♙b1 g5
32.♙e3 ♞bb7 33.f4 h6 34.♞f1 ♙g7
35.♞f2 ♙e7 36.♞cf1 ♘c6 37.♙c2 ♘b4
38.♙b1 gxf4 39.gxf4 d5 40.exd5 exd5
41.♘xd5 ♘xd5 42.cxd5 ♞xb3 43.♞f3
♙g4 44.♞g3 h5 45.♙f2 ♞xg3 46.♙xg3
♙d6 47.♙f2 ♙xf4 48.♙d3 ♞d7 49.♙c4
♙e5 50.♙xa6 ♞xd5 51.♙b7 ♞d2
52.♙e3 ♞e2 53.♙f4 ♙g6 54.♙a6 ♞b2
55.♙d3+ ♙g7 56.♙xe5 fxe5 57.♙f5
♞b4 58.♙h2 ♙h6 59.♙xg4 ♞xg4
60.♞f5 ♞e4 61.♙g3 ♙g6 62.♞f8 ♞g4+
63.♙f3 e4+ 64.♙f2 ♞g5 65.♞f4 ♞g4
66.♙e3 ♙g5 67.♞xe4 ♞xe4+ 68.♙xe4
♙g4 69.♙e5 h4 70.♙f6 ♙g3 71.♙g5
♙xg2 72.♙xh4
1/2-1/2

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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♙e3 e5 7.♘f3 ♙e7
8.♙c4 ♙e6 9.♙xe6 fxe6 10.♘g5 ♞d7
11.♞f3 d5 12.0-0-0 d4 13.♙xd4 exd4
14.e5 ♘c6N
[RR 14...0-0 15.♞h3 h6 16.♘xe6
♘c6 17.exf6 ♞xf6 18.♘xd4 ♞xh3
19.gxh3 ♘xd4 20.♞xd4 ♞xf2 21.♘e4
♞e2 22.♙d1 ♞g2 23.♞d2 ♞d8
24.♞e1 ♞xh2 25.♞xd8+ ♙xd8 26.♞e3
♙e7 27.a3 ♙f7 28.b4 b5 29.♘c5
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(2652) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (44)]
15.exf6 ♙xf6 16.♞h5+ g6 17.♘ce4
0-0 18.♞g4 ♙xg5+ 19.♘xg5 ♞xf2
20.♞xe6+ ♞xe6 21.♘xe6 ♞xg2

22.♖xd4 ♖xd4 23.♗xd4 ♗f8 24.h4
♔g7 25.a4 ♗f7 26.b3 h5 27.♗hd1
♔h6 28.♔b2 ♗g4 29.♔c3 ♗f3+
30.♔c4? Mistake. Kb2 was best.

[30.♔b2 a5 31.♗d7 ♗xh4 32.♗xb7
♗hf4 33.♗b5 ♗f5 34.c4 ♗f1 35.♗xf5
♗xf5]

30...♗ff4 31.c3 ♗xh4 32.♔c5 ♗f5+
33.♔b6 ♗h3? Mistake. Rxd4 was best.

[33...♗xd4 34.cxd4 ♗d5 35.♔xb7 g5
36.♔c6 ♗d8 37.d5 g4 38.d6 g3
39.♔c7]

34.♔xb7 ♗xc3 35.b4 ♗f6 36.b5??
Blunder. Rd6 was best.

[36.♗d6]

36...axb5 37.axb5 ♗b3 38.♗d5 h4
39.♔c7?! Inaccuracy. R1d3 was best.

[39.♗1d3 ♗b4]

39...g5 40.♗g1 ♗g6 41.♔d7 h3
42.♔e7 g4 43.♗h1 ♗g5 44.♗d6+ ♔h5

45.b6 ♗g6 46.♗d5+ ♔h4
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1.e4 c5 2.♖f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♖xd4
♖f6 5.♖c3 a6 6.♗e3 e5 7.♖b3 ♗e6
8.f3 h5 9.♗e2

[RR 9.♖d5 ♖xd5 10.exd5 ♗f5
11.♗d3 ♗xd3 12.♗xd3 ♖d7 13.0-0-0
♗e7 14.♔b1 ♗g5 15.♗f2 ♗c8 16.h4
♗h6 17.♖d2 ♗c7 18.♖e4 ♔e7
19.g4 ♗f4 20.b3 b5 21.g5 ♖f8?
(21...♗he8±) 22.♗c5! ♗d8 23.c4 ♗b8
Ter Sahakyan, S (2649)-Firouzja, A
(2759) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (33)]

9...♖bd7 10.f4 ♗c8N

[RR 10...♗c7 11.f5 ♗c4 12.a4 ♗c8
(12...d5≠ 13.♖xd5 ♗xd5 14.exd5
♖b6) 13.♗xc4 ♗xc4 14.a5 ♗e7
15.♗a4 ♗c7 16.0-0 b5 17.axb6!
♖xb6 18.♗xb6 ♗xb6+ 19.♔h1 h4

20.h3 ♗xc3 21.bxc3 ♗c6 22.♗a1
♖xe4 23.♗xa6 ♖g3+ 24.♔g1 ♗c4
25.f6 Zeng, C (2597)-Kacprzak, K
(2322) Cannes FRA 2024 1-0 (36)]

[RR 10...♗c7 11.h3 h4 12.f5 ♗c4
13.♗xc4 ♗xc4 14.♗e2 (14.♗f3±)
14...♗c8 15.♗xc4 ♗xc4 16.♖d2 ♗c8
17.0-0-0 b5 18.♗he1 ♗e7 (18...b4!?
19.♖e2 ♗e7=) 19.♔b1 ♗d8 20.♖b3
b4 21.♖d5 ♖xe4 22.♖xb4 a5!
23.♖d5 ♖g3! 24.♖d2 ♖xf5 25.♖e4
Aquino, J (2166)-Sethuraman, S (2594)
Bangalore IND 2024 0-1 (48)]

11.f5 White is slightly better. 11...♗c4
12.♗xc4! ♗xc4 13.♗d3 ♗c8 14.0-0?!
Inaccuracy. Nd2 was best.

[14.♖d2 ♗c7]

[White should try 14.♖d2± ♗c7
15.0-0]

14...♗e7 15.h3 b5 16.a3 0-0 17.♗f2
♗c7 18.♗f3

[White should play 18.♖d2=]

18...♗c8

[18...d5! 19.exd5 ♗c8=]

19.♗fe1 ♗b8 20.♔h1 ♗d8 21.♗d3 ♗b6
22.♗xb6 ♖xb6 23.♖d2 ♗4c6 24.♗ab1
♖c4 ...Nxb2! is the strong threat.

25.♖xc4 ♗xc4 26.♗bd1 ♗4c6?!
Inaccuracy. b4 was best.

[26...b4]

[26...b4≠ 27.axb4 ♗xb4]

27.♗e2?! Inaccuracy. Qe3 was best.

[27.♗e3 b4 28.♖d5 ♖xd5 29.♗xd5
♗b6 30.♗g5 ♗f2 31.♗ed1 ♗f4
32.♗xh5 bxa3]

[27.♗e3=]

27...b4≠ 28.axb4 ♗xb4 29.♖d5 ♖xd5
30.exd5 ♗c4 aiming for ...Rd4. 31.c3
♗b5 32.♗f2 f6 33.♗e2 h4 34.♗h5 a5
35.♔h2 a4 36.♗dd2?! Inaccuracy. Qe2
was best.

[36.♗e2 ♗a8]

[36.♗e2≠]

36...♗e8!-+

[36...♗c6?? 36...♗e8 -1.68]

37.♗e2 [#] 37...a3! 38.bxa3 ♗xc3

39. ♖a2?! Inaccuracy. Rb2 was best.

[39. ♖b2]

39...e4 40. ♖f1

[⚪40. ♖f4 e3 41. ♕f3]

40...♕e5+ 41. ♖h1 ♖c1 42.a4 ♕xd5

43. ♖a1 ♖xf1+?! Inaccuracy. R8c2 was best.

[43...♖8c2 44. ♕e3 ♖xf1+ 45. ♖xf1

♖a2 46.a5 ♖xa5 47. ♖f4 ♖a1+

48. ♖h2 ♖a4 49. ♖xh4]

[⚪43...♖8c2 44. ♕h5 ♕c6 45. ♕xh4 d5]

44. ♕xf1? Endgame Mistake. Rxf1 was best. KQR-KQR

[44. ♖xf1 ♖a8]

[⚪44. ♖xf1 ♖e8 45. ♕h5]

44...♖a8? Mistake. e3 was best.

[44...e3]

[⚪44...e3 And now ...Rc2 would win.

45.a5 ♖c2]

45. ♕e1

[⚪45. ♖d1 ♕e5 46. ♕b5]

45...♕xf5 46.a5 d5 47.a6 d4??

Blunder. Qe5 was best.

[47...♕e5 48. ♖a2 e3 49.a7 d4

50. ♕e2 ♕e4 51. ♖b2 g6! 52. ♕b5

♖g7 53. ♕b8]

[47...♕e5+ and Black stays clearly on

top. Hoping for ...e3. 48.a7 ♕d4]

48.a7?? [#] Blunder. Qb4 was best.

[48. ♕b4 ♖xa6 (48...♕d7! 49.a7

♖h7) 49. ♕c4+ ♖e6 50. ♖a6! ♖f7

51. ♖a7+ ♖g6 52. ♕c7 ♖h5 53. ♕xg7

♖e8]

[48. ♕b4 4]

48...e3! 49. ♕xh4 ♕e5?! Inaccuracy.

Qd5 was best. Strongly threatening ...e2.

[49...♕d5]

50. ♕e1?? Blunder. Qg4 was best.

[50. ♕g4 e2 51. ♖e1 ♖xa7 52. ♕xe2

[#] d3! 53. ♕f1 ♕d5 54. ♖d1 ♖d7

55. ♖d2 ♕e4]

50...d3 White must now prevent ...d2.

51. ♖a3 d2 52. ♕e2 ♕d4 53. ♖d3 ♕xa7

(-> ...Qc7) **54. ♕g4??** Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rxd2 was best.

[54. ♖xd2 exd2 55. ♕xd2 ♕a5

56. ♕xa5 ♖xa5 57. ♖h2 ♖a2 58. ♖g1

♖h7 59.g3 ♖g8]

54...♕a1+? Lost forced checkmate

sequence. Qc7 was best.

[54...♕c7 55. ♕e6+ ♖h8 56. ♕xe3

♖a1+ 57. ♕g1 ♕c1 58. ♕d1 ♕xd1+

59. ♖h2 ♕g1+ 60. ♖g3]

55. ♖h2 ♕e5+ 56.g3 f5?! Inaccuracy.

e2 was best.

[56...e2]

[⚪56...e2 57. ♖d7 f5 58. ♕f3 ♖b8

59. ♖xd2 e1 ♕ 60. ♖c2 ♕5e4 61. ♕xe4

♕xe4 62. ♖f2 ♖b1 63.g4 f4 64. ♖xf4

♕xf4+ 65. ♖g2 ♖b2+ 66. ♖h1 ♕h2#]

57. ♕c4+ ♖h7 Black mates. **58. ♖d4?!**

Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qh4+

was best.

[58. ♕h4+ ♖g6 59. ♕b4 d1 ♖ 60. ♖xd1

♖a2+ 61. ♖h1 ♕xg3 62. ♕d6+ ♕xd6

63. ♖xd6+ ♖g5]

58...♖a6?! Lost forced checkmate

sequence. e2 was best.

[58...e2 59. ♖h4+ ♖g6 60. ♖g4+ fxg4

61. ♕xg4+ ♖f7 62. ♕c4+ ♖f8

63. ♕b4+ ♖e8 64. ♕b7]

59. ♖d8?! Checkmate is now unavoidable.

Rd5 was best.

[59. ♖d5 ♕e4]

59...♖e6?! Lost forced checkmate

sequence. e2 was best.

[59...e2 60. ♕h4+ ♖h6 61. ♖h8+

♖xh8 62. ♕d8+ ♖h7 63. ♕xd2 e1 ♕

64. ♕xe1 ♕xe1 65.h4]

60. ♕e2 f4 61. ♕d3+ ♕e4 Accuracy:

White = 42%, Black = 69%.

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□ **Pranav Anand** **2530**

■ **Mishra,Abhimanyu** **2634**

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1.e4 c5 2. ♖f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4

♖f6 5. ♖c3 a6 6. ♖e3 e5 7. ♖b3 ♖e7

8.f3 ♖e6 9.♚d2 h6N

[RR 9...♗c6 9...h5 0.41 10.♗d5 b5 (10...♙xd5± 11.exd5 ♗b8) 11.♙b6 ♚c8 12.♗c7+ ♔d7? (12...♕f8 13.♗xa8 ♚xa8) 13.♗xa8 ♚xa8 14.♗c5+ ♔c8 15.♗xe6 ♔b7 16.♙e3 fxe6 17.♙d3 ♖e8 18.0-0 d5 19.c3 d4 20.♙f2 ♖d8 21.a4 ♚c8 (21...b4 is a better defense. 22.cxd4 ♗xd4) 22.axb5 axb5 1-0 (22) Martins, J (1426)-De Oliveira Fernandes, L Florianopolis BRA 2024]

[RR 9...b5 10.g4 (10.a4±) 10...d5! 11.exd5 ♗xd5 12.♗xd5 ♚xd5 13.0-0-0 ♚xd2+ 14.♖xd2 0-0 15.h3 (15.♗c5±) 15...♗d7 16.♙d3 ♗f6 (16...♖ac8= keeps the balance.) 17.♔d1 (17.♙c5!± ♖ae8 18.♙xe7 ♖xe7 19.♖e1) 17...♗d5 (17...♖ac8± 18.♙g5 ♙d8) 18.♙c5 ♖fe8 19.♙xe7 ♗xe7 20.♔e2 ♗d5 21.♕f2 ♗f4 22.h4 ½-½ (22) Wang, Z-Rong, Y (1143) Shanghai CHN 2024]

[RR 9...♗c6 9...0-0 0.42 10.0-0-0 b6 (10...♗a5±) 11.g4 b5 12.h4 ♗a5 13.♗xa5 (13.g5+- ♗h5 14.♗d5 ♗xb3+ 15.axb3) 13...♚xa5 14.a3 b4 15.♗b1 (15.♗d5± ♙xd5 16.exd5) 15...♖b8 16.h5 (White should play 16.axb4± ♖xb4 17.♚e1) 16...♚a4? (16...0-0+ 17.g5 ♗d7) 17.♚e2? (17.b3= and White is okay. ♙xb3 18.cxb3 ♚xb3 19.♚d3 bxa3 20.♚xb3 ♖xb3 21.♖d3 ♖xd3 22.♙xd3) 17...♖c8? (17...bxa3+ 18.♗xa3 0-0 19.♚xa6 ♚b4) 18.♖d2 (18.axb4± h6 19.c3) 18...♙c4 19.♚d1 (19.♚h2± keeps fighting.) 19...♙a2? (19...♙xf1+ 20.♖xf1 bxa3 21.♗xa3 d5) 20.c3? (20.axb4± 0-0 21.h6) 20...♙xb1?? (20...♙b3+ 21.♚e2 ♙c4) 21.♚xa4+ 1-0 (21) Terzi, A (2254)-Tsukerman, J (1802) chess.com INT 2024]

10.0-0-0 h5 11.♔b1 ♗bd7 White is slightly better. **12.♙d3 ♚c7 13.h3 h4**

14.f4 b5 15.fxe5

[15.♖hf1 keeps more tension. b4 16.♗d5 ♗xd5 17.exd5 ♙xd5 18.fxe5 dxe5 19.♙g6]

15...dxe5 16.♗d5 ♙xd5

[16...♗xd5= 17.exd5 ♙xd5]

17.exd5± ♗b6 18.♙xb6 ♚xb6 19.♖he1 ♙d6 20.♗a5

[20.♚e2±]

20...♕f8= 21.♗c6 ♖e8 22.♙e4 ♗h5?! Inaccuracy. g6 was best.

[22...g6 23.a3 ♔g7 24.♖c1 ♚c5 25.♗a5 ♙c7 26.♗c6 ♗h5 27.♗b4 ♙a5 28.c3!]

23.c4?! Inaccuracy. Qg5 was best.

[23.♚g5 ♗f6]

[Better is 23.♖f1=]

23...♗g3 24.♚c3

[24.cxb5= axb5 25.♚d3]

24...b4? [#] Mistake. Rh6 was best.

[24...♖h6]

[24...♖h6± keeps the pressure on.]

25.♚f3?! Inaccuracy. Qc2 was best.

[25.♚c2! ♖h6 (♘25...♚c5)]

[White should try 25.♚c2!±]

25...♖h6 26.♚g4 ♚c7 27.♚g5 ♙c5**28.d6?? Blunder. Qg4 was best.**

[28.♚g4!]

[28.♚g4= and White has nothing to worry.]

28...♙xd6+

[Avoid the trap 28...♗xe4? 29.♚xh6 gxh6 30.dxc7+-]

29.♙d5 [#] 29...e4! And now ...Bf4 would win. 30.♚e3?! Inaccuracy. Nd4 was best.

[30.♗d4 ♙f4 31.♚g4 g5 32.♗f5 ♗xf5 33.♚xf5 ♖e5 34.♚g4 f5 35.♚e2 ♔g7]

[♘30.♚g4 ♙c5 31.♗d4]

30...♕g8?! Inaccuracy. Bf4 was best.

[30...♙f4 31.♚c5+ ♔g8 32.♖d4 ♖f6 33.♖xe4 ♗xe4 34.♖xe4 ♖xe4 35.♙xe4 ♙d6 36.♚h5]

31.♖f1 ♗xf1 32.♖xf1 ♖f6 33.♖xf6 gxf6 34.♚h6 Hoping for Qg6+. **34...♙f8**

35.♔g6+ ♕g7 White must now prevent ... e3. 36.♖d4 Intending Nf5 and mate. 36...♗f8 37.♔h5 intending Nf5. 37...e3 38.♗e2 [#] 38...f5! 39.♔xf5 ♖e7 40.♗c2 ♔e5 41.♔xe5 ♕xe5 Endgame KRB-KBN 42.b3 ♕d6 43.♗d3 ♕c5 44.♗g1 a5 45.♗e2?! Inaccuracy. Ne2 was best.

[45.♗e2 a4 46.♗c2 ♖a7 47.♗c1 axb3+ 48.axb3 ♖a1 49.♕c6 ♕e7 50.♕f3 ♕g5]

45...♖a7 46.♕c6 ♖a6 47.♕b7 ♖a7 48.♕c6 ♖a6 49.♕b7 ♖g6 50.♗e1 ♗e7 51.♗e2 ♖d6 52.♕d5 [#] 52...a4! 53.♗c1

[53.bxa4 ♖a6]

53...♖a6 Strongly threatening ...axb3. 54.bxa4 ♖xa4 55.♕e4 ♖a3 56.♗b3 ♗d6 57.♕b1 ♖a8 58.♗e2 f6 59.♗xc5?! Inaccuracy. Nc1 was best.

[59.♗c1 ♖g8 60.♕e4 ♖g7 61.♕f3 ♖a7 62.♗d1 ♗e5 63.♗c2 ♖a3 64.♕e2 ♖c3+]

59...♗xc5 Black is clearly winning. 60.♗xe3 ♗xc4 61.♕g6 ♖a7 62.♗f3 ♗c3 63.g3 ♖g7 Accuracy: White = 60%, Black = 81%.

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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4 ♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♕e3 e5 7.♗b3 ♕e7 8.f3 ♕e6 9.♔d2 h5 10.♗d5 ♗xd5 11.exd5 ♕f5 12.♕e2 a5 13.a4 ♗d7 White is slightly better. 14.0-0 0-0 15.f4 exf4 16.♕xf4 ♕g6 17.♕b5 ♗f6N

[RR 17...♖c8 17...♕f6 0.35 18.c4 b6 19.♗d4 ♕f6 (19...♔c7±) 20.♕xd6 ♗c5 21.♕xf8 ♔xf8 22.♖xf6 gxf6 23.♖e1 ♔d6 24.♔e3 ♗g7 25.♕c6 ♗d3 26.♖e2 ♗e5 27.b3! ♔a3 28.h3

♔a1+ 29.♖e1 ♔b2 30.♖e2 ♔a1+ 31.♗h2 ♔b1 (31...♖h8 might work better. 32.♗b5 ♕d3) 32.♔g3 Dominguez Perez,L (2748)-Spitzl,V (2365) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (50)] 18.♖ae1 ♗e4 19.♔e2 ♕h4 20.g3 ♕f6 21.♔g2 ♔b6+ 22.♗h1 ♖ae8 23.♕e3?! Inaccuracy. Bxe8 was best.

[23.♕xe8 ♖xe8]
 [Better is 23.♕xe8± ♖xe8 24.♗d2]

23...♔c7= 24.♕xe8 ♖xe8 25.♕d4 ♕xd4 26.♗xd4 ♔c4 27.c3 ♖e5 28.♗g1 ♔xa4 29.♖a1 ♔d7 30.♖xa5 Rfa1 is the strong threat. 30...♗g5 31.h4 ♕e4! 32.♖a8+ ♗h7! 33.♔e2 ♕g6 34.♔d2

[34.hxg5? ♖xe2 35.♗xe2 ♔b5-+]

34...♗e4 35.♔g2 ♔c7 36.♖f4 ♔c5 37.♗h2?! Inaccuracy. Qh3 was best. [37.♔h3!]

[37.♔h3!±]

37...♗f6 38.♗f3 ♗xd5 39.♗xe5 dxe5 40.♖fa4 b5 41.♖d8 ♗f6? Mistake. bxa4 was best.

[41...bxa4 42.♖xd5 ♔c7 43.♔d2 f6 44.♔e3 ♔c4 45.♖d2 ♔a6 46.♖g2 ♔c6 47.♔e2]

[41...bxa4= remains equal. 42.♖xd5 ♔e3]

42.♖b4!± ♔e3

[42...♕f5± was necessary. 43.♔f1 ♕e6]

43.♖d2!+- e4 44.♔e2

[Don't take 44.♖xb5?! ♗g4+ 45.♗h3 f6±]

44...♔a7 45.♖dd4

[Not 45.♔xb5 ♗g4+ 46.♗h1 ♔a1+ 47.♗g2 ♗e3+ 48.♗f2 ♗g4+ 49.♗g2 ♗e3+ 50.♗f2 ♗g4+ 51.♗g2=]

45...♗g4+ 46.♗g2 f5 47.♖xb5 ♔a6 48.♖d8 Strongly threatening Rh8+!

48...♕f7 aiming for ...Bc4! 49.♖h8+ ♗g6 [#] White must now prevent ...Bc4!

50.♔d2?? Blunder. Rhb8 was best.

[50.♖hb8!]

[50.♖hb8!+- ♗h7 51.♖8b6]

50...e3= 51.♔d3 ♔c6+

[51...♙e6!? 52.c4□ ♖c6+ 53.♞d5 e2
54.♞xe2 ♙xd5+ 55.cxd5 ♞xd5+
56.♙g1 ♞c5+ 57.♙h1 (57.♙f1
♞c1+ 58.♙g2 ♞c6+ 59.♙g1 ♞c5+
60.♙h1 ♞c1+ 61.♙g2 ♞c6+ 62.♙g1
♞c5+=) 57...♞c1+ 58.♙g2 ♞c6+
59.♙g1 ♞c5+ 60.♙h1 (60.♙f1
♞c1+ 61.♙g2 ♞c6+ 62.♙g1
♞c5+=) 60...♞c1+ 61.♙g2 ♞c6+
62.♙g1 ♞c5+=]

52.♙g1 ♞f3?? Blunder. Be6 was best.

[52...♙e6! 53.♞xh5 ♞f3 54.♞bxf5
♙xf5 55.♞g5+ ♙f6 56.♞d8+ ♙f7
57.♞c7+ ♙e8 58.♞b8+]
[52...♙e6!= 53.♞xh5 ♞f3 54.♞g5+
♙h6 55.♞bxf5 ♞xg3+ 56.♙f1 ♞h3+
57.♙e2 ♞g2+ 58.♙e1 ♞g3+ 59.♙f1
(59.♙d1 ♙b3+ 60.♙e2 ♞g2+
61.♙e1 ♞h1+ 62.♙e2 ♞g2+
63.♙e1 ♞h1+ 64.♙e2 ♞g2+=)
59...♞h3+ 60.♙e2 ♞g2+ 61.♙e1
♞g3+ 62.♙f1 (62.♙d1 ♙b3+
63.♙e2 ♞g2+ 64.♙e1 ♞h1+
65.♙e2 ♞g2+ 66.♙e1 ♞h1+
67.♙e2 ♞g2+=)]

53.♞b6+- ♙f6 (-> ...Qf2+) 54.♞f1 ♞e4?? Blunder. Qxg3+ was best.

[54...♞xg3+ 55.♞g2 ♞g4 [#] 56.♞b4!
♙e4 57.♞xe4 fxe4 58.♞a8 ♙f5
59.♞f8 ♙g6 60.♞xg4+]
[♠54...♞xg3+ 55.♞g2 ♞g4]

55.♞f4 ♞b1+?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qxf4 was best.

[55...♞xf4 56.gxf4 ♙c4 57.♞e8 e2
58.♞xf6+ ♙xf6 59.♙f2 ♙f7 60.♞e3
♙f6 61.♙e1]

56.♙h2 White mates. **56...♙d5 57.♞g5+ ♙f7 [#] 58.♞xf6+!** Remove Defender

58...gxf6 59.♞g8+ ♙e7 60.♞xd5

Accuracy: White = 89%, Black = 68%.
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2525
■ **Yilmaz, Mustafa** **2641**
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1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♙e3 e5 7.♘b3 ♙e6 8.♞d2 ♘bd7 9.f4 b5 10.0-0-0N

[RR 10.f5 ♙c4 11.0-0-0 ♙e7 12.♙b1 ♞c7 13.g4 h6 14.♞g1 (14.a3=)
14...b4 15.♘d5 ♘xd5 16.exd5 a5
17.♘c1 (17.♙xc4= keeps the
balance. ♞xc4 18.♞d3 ♞xd3
19.♞xd3) 17...♘f6 18.♙xc4 ♞xc4
19.♞d3 ♞c8 20.h3 ♘e4 21.♞xc4
♞xc4 22.♘b3 ♙d8! 23.♘d2 ♘xd2+
24.♞xd2 (24.♙xd2♯ keeps fighting.
♙b6 25.♞g3) 24...♙g5 Baules,J
(2291)-Dominguez Perez,L (2752)
chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (33)]

10...♙e7 11.h3 h5

[11...0-0=]

12.♞g1 h4 13.♙b1 ♞c8 14.a3 ♞c7 15.f5 ♙c4 16.g4?! Inaccuracy. Bd3 was best.

[16.♙d3 ♙xd3 17.♞xd3 ♞c4 18.♘d2 ♞xd3 19.cxd3 d5 20.♘xd5 ♘xd5
21.exd5 ♘f6]

[White should play 16.♙d3=]

16...hxg3!♯ 17.♞xg3 [#] 17...d5! 18.♞xg7? Mistake. exd5 was best.

[18.exd5]

[18.exd5♯ ♙xf1 19.♞xf1]

[18.♘xd5 ♙xd5]

18...♙xb3!-+ 19.cxb3 d4 20.♙xd4 exd4 21.♞xd4 ♙xa3?? Blunder. Qe5 was best.

[21...♞e5 22.♞g2 ♞xd4 23.♞xd4 ♙f8
24.a4 ♞xh3 25.axb5 ♞h1 26.♞d1
axb5 27.♙xb5]

[21...♞e5+- ...Qxd4 is the strong
threat. 22.♞g2 ♞xd4 23.♞xd4 ♘e5]

22.b4= ♞h4 23.♞g2 [#] 23...♞xh3?? Blunder. Bxb2 was best.

[23...♙xb2 24.♙xb2 ♙f8 25.♞e2
♘e5 26.♞e3 ♘xe4 27.♞xe4 ♞xe4

28.♗xe4 ♔c2+ 29.♕a1!]
 [23...♙xb2!= and Black is okay.
 24.♕xb2 ♕f8]
24.♗d5 ♗xd5 25.exd5 ♙xb2 26.♖xb2
 [Not 26.♖xb2 ♖h2=]
26...♞e3?? Blunder. Qc3 was best.
 [26...♖c3 27.♞g8+ ♗f8 28.♙xh3
 ♖xh3 29.♞e5+ ♕d7 [#] 30.♞g3! ♖h4
 31.♖b3 ♖c4 32.♖b2]
 [⊔26...♖c3 27.♞g8+ Discovered
 Attack ♗f8 28.♙xh3 ♖xh3]
27.d6 Accuracy: White = 62%, Black =
 58%.
1-0

♖ **Avila Pavas,Santiago** **B90** **2514**
 ♜ **Suleymenov,Alisher** **2499**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (5.43) 18.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♙e3 e5 7.♗b3 ♙e7
8.f3 ♙e6 9.♖d2 h5 10.♙e2 ♗bd7
11.a4 ♖c7 12.0-0 0-0 13.♞fc1N
 [RR 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 ♗xb6
 15.♖xa6 ♖xa6 16.♙xa6 ♖a8 17.♙d3
 d5 18.exd5 ♗fxd5 19.♗b5 ♖c6
 20.♙f2 ♗c4 21.♙xc4 ♖xc4 22.♗a3
 ♙xa3 23.bxa3 ♖xa3 24.♗c5 ♗f4
 25.♖e1 ♖c3 26.♖e4 ♖xc2 27.♖d8+
 ♕h7 Lindh,F (2256)-Okuno Okuno,R
 (1981) Fagernes NOR 2024 1-0 (36)]
13...♗c5 14.♗xc5 dxc5 15.a5 h4
16.♗a4 ♖ad8 17.♖c3 ♖d4 18.♖e1
♗h5 19.♗b6 ♗f4 20.♙xf4 exf4 21.c3
♖d6 22.♙c4 ♙xc4 23.♗xc4 ♖g6?
 Mistake. Re6 was best.
 [23...♖e6]
24.h3 ♖c8 25.♕h2 ♖e6 26.♖e2 ♞g3
27.♖d1 g5 28.♖d5 ♖h6 29.♗e5 ♖e6
30.♖c4 b5 31.axb6 ♖xb6 32.♖d2
♖b5?! Inaccuracy. a5 was best.
 [32...a5 33.♖ad1 a4 34.♖xa4 ♖e6
 35.♗g4 ♕g7 36.♖d5 ♖b8 37.♖1d2
 ♖b6 38.♖e8]

33.♖xb5 axb5 34.♖a7
 [34.♖a6]
34...♖e8 35.♖dd7 ♙f8 36.♗g4 ♖xg4
37.hxg4 f6 38.♕g1 b4 39.c4 ♕h8
40.♕f2 ♖b8 41.♕e2 ♖e8 42.♖f7 ♖d8
43.b3 ♙d6 44.♖xf6 ♙e5 45.♖f5 ♙c3
46.♖d5
1-0

♖ **Seemann,Jakub** **B90** **2474**
 ♜ **Gupta,Abhijeet** **2601**
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.h3 e5 7.♗de2 h5
8.♙g5 ♙e6 9.♙xf6 ♖xf6 10.♗d5 ♖d8
11.♖d3 ♗d7 12.♗ec3 ♖c8?!
 Inaccuracy. g6 was best.
 [12...g6 13.0-0-0]
13.0-0-0 g6 14.h4N
 [RR 14.♕b1 ♙h6 15.h4 ♗c5 16.♖e2
 b5 17.f3 ♙d7 18.g4 hxg4 19.fxg4
 ♗e6 20.g5 ♙xg5 21.hxg5 ♖xh1
 22.♗f6+ ♕e7 23.♖f3 ♖h4 24.♗cd5+
 ♕f8 25.♗b6 ♙c6 26.♗xc8 ♖xc8
 27.♖xd6 ♖f4 28.♖d1 ♗xg5
 Goryachkina,A (2553)-Hong,A (2539)
 chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (35)]
14...♗f6 15.♕b1 ♖c5 16.f4?
 Mistake. Nxf6+ was best.
 [16.♗xf6+ ♖xf6 17.f3 ♖f4 18.♗e2
 ♖f6 19.g3 ♙c4 20.♖e3 d5 21.exd5
 ♖xd5]
16...♗xd5 17.♗xd5 ♙g7 18.f5 ♖xd5
19.exd5 ♙xf5 20.♖e3 0-0 21.♙d3 ♙d7
22.c3 b5 23.♖a7 ♙c8 24.♖d2 f5
25.♙c2 e4 26.♖f2 ♖e8 27.♖e3 ♕h7
28.g4?! Inaccuracy. a3 was best.
 [28.a3 ♖e7 29.g3 ♖f7 30.♖e1 ♙e5
 31.♞g2 ♖d8 32.♖f1 ♕g7 33.♞gf2
 ♖e7]
28...hxg4 29.h5 g5 30.h6 ♙f6 31.♖hf1
f4 32.♙xe4+ ♕h8 33.♖d3 g3 34.♖c2
♙d7 35.♙f5 ♙e5 36.♙xd7 ♖xd7

37.♖g2 ♜f6 38.c4 ♔h7
0-1

□ Siddharth,Jagadeesh **B91**
■ Gupta,Abhijeet **2508**
Sharjah Master 2024 **2601**
19.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.g3 e5 7.♘b3 ♙e7
8.♙g2 0-0 9.0-0 b6N

[RR 9...♖c7 10.a4 ♙g4 11.♙f3 ♙e6
12.♞e1 ♘bd7 13.♘d2 ♞fc8 14.♘f1
♞ab8 15.a5 ♙d8 16.♙e3 h6 17.h4
b6 18.axb6 ♘xb6 19.♙c1 a5 20.♘e3
♘c4 21.b3 ♘xe3 22.♞xe3 ♖c6
23.♞d3 ♙b6 24.♙e3 Yu Yangyi (2720)-
Xu,X (2623) Chengdu CHN 2024 ½-½
(61)]

10.a4 ♙b7 11.♖e2 ♘bd7 12.♞d1 ♞c8
13.♘d2 White is slightly better. 13...♖c7
14.♘f1 ♞fe8 15.♘e3 ♙f8 16.♙d2 ♘c5
17.♘ed5 ♘xd5 18.♘xd5 ♙xd5
19.exd5 a5! 20.♙h3 ♞b8 21.♖b5 g6
22.c3 f5 23.♙e3 ♙g7 24.♞ac1 ♞ec8
25.f3 ♖d8 26.♞c2 ♙f6 27.b4 ♘d7
28.g4 f4 29.g5 ♙xg5 30.♙xd7 fxe3
31.♙xc8 ♞xc8 32.♖d3 ♙f4 33.bxa5
bxa5 34.♞b1 ♖g5+ Black has
compensation. 35.♞g2 ♖h5 36.♞b7
♔h8 37.c4 ♖h4 38.♖e2 ♖f6 39.♖d3
♞f8 40.♞g4 ♙g5?? Blunder. Rf7 was
best.

[40...♞f7 41.♞xf7 ♖xf7 42.c5 dxc5
43.♞g2 ♔g7 44.♞c2 ♖f6 45.d6 e4!
46.♖xe4]

[40...♞f7= keeps the balance. 41.♞b8+
♔g7]

41.♖e4± ♙f4 42.♔f1? Mistake. h4 was
best.

[42.h4]
[♟42.h4]

42...♞f7 43.♞b5 ♖d8 44.♔e2 ♔g7

45.h3?! Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[45.h4]

45...♔h6 46.c5 dxc5 47.♞xc5 ♜f6?!
Inaccuracy. Qb8 was best.

[47...♖b8 48.♞c6 ♖b2+! 49.♖c2
♞b7! 50.♞c7 ♖b1 51.♖xb1 ♞xb1
52.♞c2 ♔g7 53.h4]
[47...♖b6= remains equal. 48.♞c6
♖b2+ 49.♖c2 ♞b7]

48.♖c2

[White should try 48.♖c4± Black must
now prevent Rh4+. ♞f7 49.♞c6]

48...♞f5

[48...♞b6!=]

49.♖d3

[49.♞c7±]

49...♖d6

[49...♞f6±]

50.♖b5

[50.♞xa5?! ♖b4=]

[Better is 50.♞c6± ♖d7 51.♖b5]

50...e4!= 51.fxe4 ♞f7

[51...♙g5! 52.exf5 ♖h2+ 53.♔d3
♖d2+ 54.♔c4 e2 55.♖xa5 (55.♞g1?
♙e3+ Double Attack) 55...♖xa5
56.♞xa5 e1♖]

52.♞c2?

[52.♞c6!± keeps the upper hand. ♖e5
53.d6]

52...♖e5?

[52...♖f6+ 53.♔d3 (53.♖xa5?
♙g5+) 53...♙e5]

53.d6

[53.♖b6!? ♙g5 54.♞xg5 (54.♖xa5?
♞f2+ 55.♔d3 ♖a1+) 54...♔xg5
55.♖xe3+ ♔h5 56.♔d2±]

53...♖xe4?

[53...♖xd6= 54.♖c5 (54.♖xa5
♞f6) 54...♖e6]

54.♞c4 ♖h1 [#] ...Qh2+ is the strong
threat.

[54...♖e5]

55.♞cxf4 Accuracy: White = 59%, Black
= 59%.

[♟55.♞h4+ ♔g7 56.♖b2+ ♔g8
57.♞c8+ ♞f8 58.♞xf8+ Back Rank
♔xf8 59.♞xf4+ ♔e8 60.♖b5+
Double Attack ♖c6 61.♖xc6+ ♔d8

62.♠f8#]
1-0

B92
 Aditya Mittal **2607**
 Cardoso Cardoso, Jose Gabriel **2496**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.39) 14.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4
 ♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♙e2 e5 7.♘b3 ♙e7
 8.h4 ♙e6 9.f4 exf4 10.♙xf4 d5N

Inaccuracy. Nc6 was best.

[10...♘c6 11.♚d3 ♘b4 12.♚d2 d5
 13.a3 d4 14.axb4 dxc3 15.bxc3
 ♘xe4 16.♚e3]

[RR 10...♘c6 11.♚d2 d5 12.0-0-0
 dxe4 13.♚e3 ♚c8 14.♚g3 0-0
 15.♙h6 ♘e8 16.♘xe4 ♘h8 17.♙g5
 ♘b4 18.♘c3 f6 19.♙f4 ♙f5 20.♘d4
 ♙c5 21.♘xf5 ♚xf5 22.♙d3 ♘xd3+

23.♙xd3 ♚e6 24.♙e1 ♚f7 25.♙b1
 Gryshko, V (2283)-Kocharin, T (2216)
 Meurthe et Moselle FRA 2024 1-0
 (50)]

11.e5 ♘fd7 12.♘xd5 ♙xh4+?!
 Inaccuracy. Nc6 was best.

[12...♘c6 13.♘xe7 ♚xe7 14.♚d6
 ♙xb3 15.axb3 ♘dxe5 16.♚xe7+
 ♙xe7 17.0-0-0 ♙hd8 18.c3]

13.g3 ♙e7 14.♙g4 ♘c6 15.♙xe6 fxe6
 16.♚g4 exd5 17.♚xg7 ♙f8 18.♙xh7
 ♚b6 19.♚g6+ ♘d8 20.0-0-0 ♘b4
 21.♚xb6+?? Blunder. Qg7 was best.

[21.♚g7 ♙e8 22.a3 ♘xc2 23.♙g5
 ♙xg5+ 24.♚xg5+ ♙c8 25.♙xc2 ♙b8
 26.♙xd7 ♙c8+]

21...♘xb6 22.♘a5?! Inaccuracy. Nd4
 was best.

[22.♘d4]

22...♙c8 23.c3 ♘xa2+ 24.♙b1 ♘xc3+
 25.bxc3 ♙e8 26.♙d3 ♘a4 27.♙c2 b5
 28.♙h6 b4 29.♘c6 ♘xc3 30.♙b3 a5
 31.♘xa5 ♙a8 32.♘c6 ♙a3+ 33.♙b2
 ♙a2+ 34.♙b3 ♙a3+ 35.♙b2 ♙a2+

36.♙b3
 1/2-1/2

B92
 Mendonca, Leon Luke **2640**
 Krzyzanowski, Marcin **2526**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.25) 14.05.2024

1.e4 Stockfish 16.1 1...c5 2.♘f3 d6

[RR 2...♘c6 3.♘c3 d6 4.d4 cxd4
 5.♘xd4 e5 6.♘de2 ♘f6 7.g3 ♙e7
 8.♙g2 0-0 9.0-0 ♙g4 10.h3 ♙h5
 11.g4 ♙g6 12.♘g3 ♘e8 13.♘d5
 ♙h4 14.♙e3 ♘e7 15.♘c3 ♘c7
 16.♚d2 b5 17.♙ad1]

3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5.♘c3 a6
 6.♙e2 e5 7.♘b3 ♙e7 8.0-0 0-0 9.♙e1
 ♙e6 10.♙f3 ♚c7

[RR 10...♘bd7 11.a4 ♙c8 12.♘d2
 ♘b6 13.a5 ♘c4 14.♘xc4 ♙xc4
 15.♙e3 ♚b8 (RR 15...♚d7;
 15...♚d7=) 16.♘a4 ♙d8 17.b3 ♙c6
 18.♘b6 ♙xb6 19.♙xb6 ♙c3 20.♙e3
 ♙fc8 21.♙xc3 ♙xc3 22.♙e3 ♚c7
 23.♙a2 ♚d7 24.♙d2 ♙c6 25.c4
 Carlsen, M (2896)-Ivic, V (2654) Chess.
 com 2024 [Stockfish 16.1] 1-0 (51)]

11.a4 ♙c8 The position is equal.

12.♙e3N

[RR 12.♙g5 ♘bd7 13.♘d2 ♚c6
 14.♘f1 ♙d8 15.♘e3 h6 16.♙xf6
 ♘xf6 17.♘cd5 ♙xd5 18.exd5 ♚d7
 19.♚d3 ♙b6 20.♘c4 ♚c7 21.b3 ♙d4
 22.c3 ♙xc3 (22...♙a7?) 23.♚xc3 b5
 24.♙xe5 (24.♙ec1? bxc4 25.a5)
 24...dxe5 25.d6 ♚b8! 26.♙xa8 bxc4
 Haba, P (2444)-Kvetny, M (2412)
 Austria AUT 2024 1/2-1/2 (97)]

12...♘bd7 13.a5 h6 14.h3 ♙f8 15.♘d2
 ♚c6 16.♘db1 ♙e7 17.b3 ♙d8 18.♙a2
 b6 19.axb6 ♘xb6 20.♙e2 a5 21.♙d2
 ♙e7

[Black should try 21...♙c7±]

22.♚e2

[22.♘d5!± ♙xd5 23.exd5]

22...♖bd7= 23.♚b5 ♚c7 24.♗a4 ♜ab8
 25.♚a6 [#] 25...♙c4!↑ White is under
 pressure. 26.♚xc4 ♚xc4 27.bxc4
 Strongly threatening Na3. 27...♜xb1+
 28.♗h2 ♜xc4 29.♗b2 ♜c8 30.c3
 [30.♗a4?]
 30...♗c5? [30...♜xc3 31.♜d1?]
 31.♙xc5 ♜xc5
 [Don't play 31...dxc5?! 32.♜xa5 ♜c1
 33.♗a4=]
 32.♗d3? Mistake. c4 was best.
 [32.c4 g6 33.g3 ♖g7 34.h4 h5
 35.♗h3 ♜c8 36.♖g2 ♖g8 37.♜c2
 ♙d8!]
 [32.c4? might work better.]
 32...♜xc3+ 33.♜xa5 [#] 33...d5! 34.♜a4
 [34.exd5 e4]
 34...♙d6 35.♗b2 ♜a3 Threatens to win
 with ...Rxb2!
 [Don't take 35...dxe4 36.♙xe4 ♗xe4
 37.♜xe4]
 36.♜xa3 ♙xa3 37.♗d1 ♙b4
 [Weaker is 37...♗xe4 38.♜xd5 ♗f6
 39.♜d8+ ♗h7 40.♗c3?]
 38.♜c2 dxe4 39.♙e2 ♙d6?! Inaccuracy.
 g6 was best.
 [39...g6 40.♗e3 ♙a5 41.♗g4 ♗xg4+
 42.hxg4 ♙b6 43.♙c4 ♜b4 44.♙a2
 ♖g7 45.♗h3]
 [39...g6+ 40.♗e3 ♖g7]
 40.♗e3? ♜b8
 [40...♙f8 with more complications.
 41.g4 g6 42.h4 ♖g7 43.h5 ♙b4]
 41.g4 ♜d8 42.♖g2 g6 43.♜c6?!
 Inaccuracy. Rd2 was best.
 [43.♜d2]
 43...♖g7 44.h4 ♙b8 45.♜a6 ♗d5
 46.♙c4 ♗f4+ 47.♖g3 ♜d7 48.g5?
 Mistake. h5 was best.
 [48.h5! ♜c7 49.hxg6 fxg6 50.♜a5
 ♜a7 51.♜b5 ♙d6 52.♙d5 ♗e2+
 53.♖g2 ♜a4]
 [48.h5!]
 48...h5?! Inaccuracy. Rc7 was best.
 [48...♜c7 49.gxh6+ ♖xh6 50.♙d5

♗h5+ 51.♖g2 ♙a7 52.♙xe4 ♙xe3
 53.fxe3 ♖g7 54.♜c6 (54.♙f3
 was called for.)
 [48...♜c7+ and Black stays clearly on
 top. 49.♙a2 h5]
 49.♜a5 ♙d6 50.♙d5?? Blunder. Bb5
 was best.
 [50.♙b5 ♜c7]
 [50.♙b5? ♜c7 51.♜a6]
 50...♙b4+ 51.♜b5 [#] 51...♙e1!
 52.♙xe4 ♜d2 Black is clearly winning.
 53.♜xe5 ♜xf2 Hoping for ...Ne2+. 54.♜e8
 White hopes to continue with Bf3.
 54...♗e2+ 55.♗h3 ♗g1+ 56.♖g3 ♜e2+
 57.♖f4 ♙xh4 aiming for ...Nh3+. 58.♗d5
 ♗h3+ 59.♖f3 ♜f2+ 60.♖e3 ♙xg5+
 61.♗d4 h4 62.♜b8 ♜d2+ 63.♖c3 ♗f2
 Accuracy: White = 60%, Black = 76%.
 0-1

□ Erigaisi, Arjun Kumar B92 2761
 ■ Safarli, Eltaj 2594
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.1) 14.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
 ♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♙e2 e5 7.♗b3 ♙e7
 8.♙e3 ♙e6 9.♗d5 ♗xd5 10.exd5 ♙f5
 11.♚d2 ♗d7 12.♗a5 ♚c7 13.c4 0-0
 White is slightly better. 14.0-0 ♙g6
 15.b4 f5 ...f4 is the strong threat. 16.f4
 ♗f6N
 [RR 16...♙f6 16...♜ae8 1.07 17.♜ac1
 b6 18.♗c6 h6 19.a4 a5 20.bxa5
 bxa5 21.♜b1? (White should try
 21.c5+-) 21...♙h7 (21...exf4!=
 and Black is okay. 22.♙xf4 ♜fe8)
 22.♜b5 exf4 23.♙xf4 g5 24.♙e3 ♗c5
 25.♜xc5 dxc5 26.♙xc5 ♜f7
 (26...♜fd8± is a better defense.
 27.♚c1 ♜dc8) 27.♙f3 ♜c8 28.♜b1?
 (28.♙h5+-) 28...g4 29.d6 ♚d7
 30.♜b7 ♚xb7 31.♗e7+! Defromont,B
 (2396)-Brahmi,L (2195) Djerba TUN
 2024 1-0 (60)]

[RR 16...exf4 17.♙xf4 ♕f6 (17...♖ae8±) 18.♖ac1 ♙e5 19.c5 ♖ae8 20.c6 bxc6 21.♗xc6 ♖b6+ 22.♔h1 ♙xf4 23.♖xf4 ♗f6 24.♙c4 ♖e4 (♠24...♗h5) 25.a4 ♖fe8 26.h3 ♗h5 27.♖f3 f4 28.♙d3? (28.♔h2±) 28...♗g3+? (28...♖e3± keeps the upper hand. 29.♙xg6 hxg6) 29.♔h2 ♖e3 30.♙xg6 ♖xf3 (30...hxg6± 31.♖xf4 ♗e2 Double Attack) 31.♙xe8?? Kashtanov,R (2357)-Krzyzanowski,M (2520) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (32) (31.a5!+- is the narrow road to win. ♖e3 32.♖xe3 ♖exe3 33.gxf3 ♖e2+ 34.♔g1 hxg6 35.b5 axb5 36.♖a1)]

[RR 16...♙f6 16...♖ae8 0.85 17.♖ac1 exf4 18.♙xf4 ♗e5 19.♗b3 (19.c5+-) 19...b6 (19...♖d7±) 20.♔h1 h6 21.c5 ♙h7 (21...bxc5 keeps fighting. 22.bxc5 ♙f7) 22.♗d4 ♖f7 23.♗e6 ♖d7 24.cxd6 g5 25.♖c7 ♖xd6 26.♖c6 ♖d7 27.♙xe5 ♙xe5 28.♙c4 b5 29.♙b3 ♔h8 (29...♙d6 was necessary. 30.♗c5 ♖e7) 30.♗c5 ♖e8 31.♖xh6 Lopez del Alamo,A (2237)-Aditya,V (2325) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (66)]

[RR 16...♙f6 16...♖ae8 0.80 17.♖ac1 b6 18.♗c6 h6 19.a4 a5 20.bxa5 bxa5 21.♖b1 (21.c5+-) 21...♙h7 (21...exf4± 22.♙xf4 ♖fe8) 22.♖b5 exf4 23.♙xf4 g5 24.♙e3 ♗c5 25.♖xc5 dxc5 26.♙xc5 ♖f7 (26...♖fd8± was worth a try. 27.♖c1 ♖dc8) 27.♙f3 ♖c8 28.♖b1? (28.♙h5+-) 28...g4 29.d6 ♖d7 30.♖b7 ♖xb7 31.♗e7+! Defromont,B (2396)-Brahami,L (2195) Djerba TUN 2024 1-0 (60)]

[RR 16...exf4 17.♙xf4 ♕f6 (17...♖ae8±) 18.♖ac1 ♙e5 19.c5 ♖ae8 20.c6 bxc6 21.♗xc6 ♖b6+ 22.♔h1 ♙xf4 23.♖xf4 ♗f6 24.♙c4 ♖e4 25.a4 ♖fe8 26.h3 ♗h5 27.♖f3 f4 28.♙d3? (28.a5+- ♖b7 29.♔h2)

28...♗g3+? (28...♖e3± 29.♙xg6 hxg6) 29.♔h2 ♖e3 30.♙xg6! ♖xf3 (30...hxg6± 31.♖xf4 ♗e2 Double Attack) 31.♙xe8?? Kashtanov, R (2357)-Krzyzanowski,M (2520) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (32) (31.a5!+- ♖e3 32.♖xe3 ♖exe3 33.gxf3 hxg6 34.b5 axb5 35.♖a1)]

[RR 16...♙f6 16...♖ae8 0.94 17.♖ac1 exf4 18.♙xf4 ♗e5 (18...♙e5±) 19.♗b3 (19.c5+-) 19...b6 (19...♖d7±) 20.♔h1 h6 (20...♖fe8±) 21.c5 ♙h7 (♠21...♙f7 22.♙e3 bxc5) 22.♗d4 ♖f7 23.♗e6 ♖d7 24.cxd6 g5 25.♖c7 ♖xd6 26.♖c6 ♖d7 27.♙xe5 ♙xe5 28.♙c4 b5 (♠28...f4 29.♖xb6 ♙d6 30.♙xa6 ♙f5) 29.♙b3 ♔h8 30.♗c5 ♖e8 31.♖xh6 Lopez del Alamo,A (2237)-Aditya,V (2325) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (66)]

17.fxe5 ♗e4?! Inaccuracy. dxe5 was best.

[17...dxe5 18.c5 f4 19.♙f2! ♗e4 20.♖e1 ♗xf2 21.♖xf2 ♖d8 22.d6 ♙h4 23.♖f3!]

[17...dxe5± might work better. 18.c5 f4]

18.♖e1+- dxe5 19.c5 ♙f6 20.d6 ♖d7 21.♗c4 ♖ae8 22.♗b6 ♖d8 23.d7 ♖e7 24.♖d1 ♔h8 25.♙d3 f4 26.♙c1 ♗g5?! Inaccuracy. Nc3 was best.

[26...♗c3 27.♙xg6! ♗xd1 [#] 28.♙e4! ♗e3 29.♙xe3 fxe3 30.♖xe3 ♖ef7 31.♖d3 a5 [#] 32.a3!]

27.♙xg6 hxg6 28.♖h4+ ♗h7 29.♖g4 g5 30.♗c8 ♖xd7 31.♖xd7

[But not 31.♖xd7?! ♖xc8 32.♖f3 ♖c6±]

31...♖xc8 32.♖fe1 a5 33.a3 axb4 34.axb4 ♖a8 35.h3 ♖e8 and the idea ... e4 leaves Black hopeful. 36.♖d5 ♗f8 37.♙b2 ♖a4

[♠37...♗g6 38.♖f7 ♗h4]

38.♖xb7 g4 39.hxg4 ♖c2?! Inaccuracy. Qb3 was best.

[39...♖b3 40.g5 ♙xg5 41.♖f3 ♖xb2

42.♖h5+ ♔g8 43.♗xg5 ♖e6 44.♗f5
 ♗xb4 45.♞xe5]
40.♗f7 White is clearly winning. **40...f3**
41.gxf3 ♙h4 42.♗h5+ ♔g8 Hoping for
 ...Qf2+. **43.♗xh4**
 [43.♗xe8 is a self mate. ♗f2+ 44.♔h1
 ♗xf3+ 45.♔h2 ♙g3+ 46.♔h3 ♙f2+
 Discovered Attack 47.♔h2 ♗g3+
 48.♔h1 ♗h3#]
43...♗xb2 44.♗f2 ♗xb4 45.♗a2+
 Accuracy: White = 97%, Black = 53%.
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☐ **Gurel,Ediz** **2578**
 ■ **Cardoso Cardoso,Jose Gabriel 2496**
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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♙g5 ♗bd7 7.♙c4
♗b6 8.♙b3 e6 9.♙xf6 ♗xf6 10.♗d2
♗d7 11.0-0-0
 [RR 11.f4 ♗c5 12.f5 ♙d7 13.0-0-0
 ♙e7 14.♔b1 0-0-0 15.fxe6 fxe6
 16.♙xe6 ♗xe6 17.♗d5 ♗xd4
 18.♗xd4 ♗xd4 19.♗xe7+ ♔b8
 20.♞xd4 ♞de8 21.♗d5 ♞hf8 22.♔c1
 ♞f2 23.♞g1 ♞ef8 24.♗c3 ♔c7
 25.♞d2 ♞f1+]

11...♗c5 12.♞he1 ♙d7 13.♗f5 0-0-0N
 [RR 13...exf5 14.♗d5 ♗c6 15.exf5+
 ♔d8 16.♙c4 a5 17.g4 h5 18.h3
 ♗a4 19.♙b3 ♗c5 20.♙c4 ♗a4
 21.♙b3 ♗b6 22.♗g5+ f6 23.♗xf6
 hxg4 24.♗d5+ ♔c8 25.hxg4 a4
 26.♗xb6+ ♗xb6 27.♙e6 a3 28.b3
 Karsten,J (2284)-Audi Ameya (2392)
 Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024
 1/2-1/2 (36)]

[RR 13...exf5 14.♗d5 ♗c6 15.exf5+
 ♔d8 16.♙c4 a5 17.g4 h5 18.h3
 ♗a4 19.♙b3 ♗c5 20.♙c4 ♗a4
 21.♙b3 ♗b6 22.♗g5+ f6 23.♗xf6
 hxg4 24.♗d5+ ♔c8 25.hxg4 a4
 26.♗xb6+ ♗xb6 27.♙e6 a3 28.b3

Karsten,J (2286)-Audi,A (2396) Dubai
 UAE 2024 1/2-1/2 (36)]

14.♗xd6+ ♙xd6 15.♗xd6 ♗xb3+
16.axb3

[RR 16.cxb3 ♗xf2 17.♞e2 ♗h4
 18.♗a4 ♙xa4 19.♞c2+ ♙c6 20.♞xc6+
 bxc6 21.♗xc6+ ♔b8 22.♗b6+ ♔c8
 23.♗xa6+ ♔b8 24.♗b6+ ♔c8
 25.♗a6+ ♔b8 26.♗b6+ ♔c8]

16...♗xf2 17.♞f1 ♗e3+ 18.♔b1 ♙b5
19.♗xb5 ♞xd6 20.♗xd6+ ♔b8 21.♞xf7
♞d8 22.♔a2 ♗e2 23.♞d4 ♔a8
24.♞xg7 ♗h5?? Blunder. Qxc2 was
 best.

[24...♗xc2]
25.♗b5 ♞f8 26.♗a3 ♗xh2 27.♗c4?!
 Inaccuracy. Rdd7 was best.

[27.♞dd7 ♗b8 28.♗c4 ♞g8 29.♞xh7
 ♞h8 30.♞he7 ♞e8 31.♞xb7 ♞xe7
 32.♞xe7 ♗g8]

27...♗h4 28.c3 ♞d8 29.♗b6+ ♔a7
30.♞b4 a5? Mistake. Rb8 was best.

[30...♞b8 31.g4 ♗g3 32.♞xh7 ♗xg4
 33.♗a4 ♗g8 34.♞d7 ♗f8 35.♞b6 e5
 36.c4]

31.♞b5 ♗xe4 32.♗c4? Mistake. Na4
 was best.

[32.♗a4 ♗c6 33.♞xa5+ ♔b8 34.♗c5
 b5 35.♗a6+ ♔c8 36.♗b4 ♗e4
 37.♞aa7 ♞d6]

32...a4?? Checkmate is now unavoidable.
 Qc6 was best.

[32...♗c6 33.♞xa5+]
33.♞a5+

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☐ **Pranav,V** **2587**
 ■ **Murzin,Volodar** **2631**
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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♙g5 ♗bd7 7.♗e2
 [RR 7.a3 ♗c7 8.♗d2 b5 9.0-0-0
 ♙b7 10.f3 g6 11.♔b1 ♙g7 12.♙h6

♙xh6 13.♚xh6 ♘e5 (13...0-0-0±)
14.h4 0-0-0 15.♙e2 ♔b8 16.g4 ♘fd7
(Black should try 16...d5±) 17.♘d5
♙xd5 (17...♚c5±) 18.exd5 ♘f6
19.♚d2! ♖c8 20.f4 ♘c4 21.♙xc4!
♚xc4 Paravyan,D (2612)-Tabatabaei,
M (2696) chess.com INT 2024 1-0
(40)]

7...♚c7 8.g3N

[RR 8.0-0-0 h6 9.♙e3 (9.♙h4±)
9...e6 10.f3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.♘a2
d5? (12...♙b7± keeps the upper
hand.) 13.exd5 ♘xd5 14.♙d2?
(14.♘xe6!± is forced if you want to
stay better. fxe6 15.♖xd5
Remove Defender) 14...♙e7 15.♚c4
♚xc4? (Better is 15...♘c5+ 16.♘xb4
♘b6) 16.♙xc4 ♘7b6 17.♙xd5 ♘xd5
18.♘c6! a5 19.♘xe7 (19.c4!? bxc3
20.♘xc3±) 19...♔xe7 20.♖he1 ♙b7
21.♔b1 g5 22.♘c1 ♖ac8 Rodriguez,
S (2252)-Dominguez Perez,L (2748)
chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (53)]

[RR 8.0-0-0 b5 (8...h6= 9.♙h4 b5)
9.f4 (9.♙xf6± ♘xf6 10.♘d5 ♘xd5
11.exd5) 9...e5 10.♘f5 h6 11.♙h4
exf4 12.♚d2 g5 13.♙f2 ♙b7 14.♔b1
♘c5 (14...0-0-0± might work better.)
15.♙d4 ♙e7 (15...♘fxe4 16.♚e2
♚d7) 16.♘d5! ♘xd5 17.exd5 ♖h7?
(17...0-0-0 18.♙xh8 ♖xh8) 18.♖e1 f6
19.♙xf6 0-0-0 20.♘xe7+ ♔b8
21.♘c6+ ♙xc6 22.♙xd8 ♚xd8
Pinero,C (2284)-Salinas Herrera,P
(2487) chess.com INT 2024 1-0]

[RR 8.0-0-0 h6 9.♙h4 g5 (9...g6±)
10.♙g3 ♘e5 (10...b5±) 11.h4! ♖g8
(11...g4) 12.hxg5 hxg5 (12...♖xg5
was worth a try. 13.♚e1 ♖xg3
14.fxg3 e6) 13.♔b1? (13.♙xe5+-
has better winning chances. dxe5
14.♘db5 axb5 15.♘xb5) 13...b5?
(13...♙d7± was necessary.) 14.f3?
(14.♙xe5+- dxe5 15.♘dxb5) 14...♙b7
15.♙xe5 (15.♚d2+-) 15...dxe5
16.♘b3 e6 17.♚e3 ♙c6 18.♙e2?

(18.a3=) 18...b4 19.♖d3 bxc3
20.♖xc3 ♘d7 21.♖d1 ♘b8 22.a3
♙e7 Venkatesh,M (2382)-Karttunen,M
(2479) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (94)]
[8.0-0-0±]

8...h6 9.♙xf6 The position is equal.
9...♘xf6 10.♙g2?! Inaccuracy. O-O-O
was best.

[10.0-0-0 ♙d7 11.♙g2 g6! 12.f4 e5
13.♘b3 b5 14.a3 ♖b8 15.♔b1 ♙e7]

10...e5 11.♘b3 ♙e6 12.♘d2 b5?!
Inaccuracy. h5 was best.

[12...h5 13.♘f3 ♙c4 14.♚d2 g6
15.♘g5 ♙h6 16.h4 0-0 17.♙f1 ♙e6
18.0-0-0]

[12...h5±]

13.0-0 ♙e7 14.a4 b4 15.♘d5 ♘xd5
16.exd5 ♙d7 17.f4 0-0 18.♘c4?!
Inaccuracy. fxe5 was best.

[18.fxe5]

[18.fxe5± dxe5 19.♘c4]

18...e4 19.♙xe4 ♙f6 20.♙d3! ♚c5+
21.♔g2! ♚xd5+?! Inaccuracy. Rae8 was
best.

[21...♖ae8]

22.♚e4 ♚xe4+ 23.♙xe4 ♖ac8

[23...♖ae8!? 24.♙d3 ♖e6±]

24.♘d6 ♖c5 25.♖ab1 ♙e7 26.♘b7
♖c4 27.♙d3! ♖c7 White must now
prevent ...Bc6+. 28.♘a5 ♙xa4 29.b3
♙b5↑ Black is more active. 30.♘c4 ♙f6
31.♖bd1 ♖c5 32.♘e3 ♙c6+ 33.♔f2 a5
34.♖fe1 ♖e8 35.♙c4?? Blunder. Nf5
was best.

[35.♘f5]

[35.♘f5=]

35...♙c3+ 36.♖e2 [#] 36...a4! 37.♖d3
♙b2 38.♘d1?! Inaccuracy. bxa4 was
best. Hoping for Rxe8+.

[38.bxa4 ♖xe3! 39.♔xe3 ♖xc4 40.a5
♙b5 41.♖f2 ♖c8 42.♖d6 ♖a8 43.♖b6
♖xa5]

38...♖xe2+ 39.♔xe2 [#] 39...♙f6!
40.♘e3 a3 41.♘g4 ♙c3 42.♖d8+ ♔h7
43.♙xf7 g6 44.♘e5 a2?! Inaccuracy.
Bxe5 was best.

[44...♙xe5 45.♙g8+ ♔g7 46.fxe5 a2
47.♞d1 ♔xg8 48.♞a1 ♞xc2+ 49.♔d3
♞xh2 50.e6]

45.♙g6+?! Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best.

[45.♞d1 ♔g7 46.♗xc6 ♞xc6 47.♙c4
a1♙ 48.♞xa1 ♙xa1 49.h4 ♞d6
50.♙d3 ♞e6+]

45...♔g7 46.♗xc6 intending Ra8.

46...♞xc6?! Endgame Inaccuracy. a1=Q
was best. KRB-KRB

[46...a1♙ 47.♙e4 ♞xc6 48.♙xc6
♙e1+ 49.♔f3 ♙h1+ 50.♔f2 ♙xc6
51.♞d3 ♔f8 52.f5]

47.♞a8 Black is winning. **47...a1♙**

[Not 47...♞xg6 48.♞a7+ ♔g8
49.♞xa2♣]

[Less strong is 47...♔xg6 48.♞xa2
♙d4 49.♔f3♣]

48.♞xa1 ♙xa1 49.♙e4 ♞d6 50.♙d3

♙d4 51.♔f3 ♞e6 52.♙e4 ♙g1 53.h3

♙d4 54.g4 ♙f6 55.♔e3 ♔f8 56.♔f3

♔e7 57.♙d3 ♔d6 58.♙c4 ♞e1 59.♙d3

♔c5 60.g5 hxg5 61.fxg5 ♙xg5

62.♔g4 ♙e7 63.♙a6 ♔d4 64.♙d3 ♔c3

Accuracy: White = 63%, Black = 84%.

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☐ **Zemlyanskii,Ivan**

2516

■ **Gledura,Benjamin**

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1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4

♗f6 5.♗c3 a6 6.♙g5 e6 7.♙f3 ♗bd7

8.0-0-0 ♙c7 9.♙d3N

[RR 9.g4 b5 10.a3 ♞b8 11.♙e2 b4
12.axb4 ♞xb4 13.f4 ♙e7 14.♙g2 h6
15.♙h4 g5 16.fxg5 hxg5 17.♙xg5
♙a5 18.♙xf6 ♙xf6 19.♗b3 ♙e5
20.♔b1 a5 21.♞d3 a4 22.♗d2 ♙a6
23.♔a2 a3 Pranav,V (2604)-Sarana,A
(2703) chess.com INT 2024 0-1]

[RR 9.g4 b5 10.a3 ♞b8 11.♙xf6
gxf6 12.h4 b4 13.axb4 ♞xb4 14.g5
♙b6 15.♗b3 ♙e7 16.♗a2 ♞a4

17.♗c3 ♞b4 18.♔b1 fxg5 19.♗a2

♞a4 20.♙c3 ♙f6 21.♙d2 gxh4 22.f4

♞xe4 23.♙g2 ♞e3 Vidit,S (2727)-

Salem,A (2629) chess.com INT 2024
0-1]

[RR 9.♙xf6 ♗xf6 10.g4 ♙e7 11.g5

♗d7 12.h4 b5 13.a3 ♞b8 14.♙g3

b4 15.axb4 ♞xb4 16.♗f5 exf5

17.♗d5 ♙c5 18.♗xb4 ♙xb4 19.exf5

♗c5 20.♙h3 ♗a4 21.♙b3 ♙xb3

22.cxb3 ♗b6 23.♞he1 ♔d8

Hakobyan,A (2616)-Ter Sahakyan,S

(2649) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (45)]

[RR 9.g4 h6 10.♙xf6 ♗xf6 11.h4 b5

12.♙h3 b4 13.g5 bxc3 14.gxf6

cxh2+ 15.♔b1 ♙b7 16.♞hg1 g5

17.♞d3 ♙c4 18.♞gd1 ♞c8 19.♞b3

♙a8 20.♙e3 gxh4 21.♞dd3 ♔d7

22.♞dc3 ♙a4 23.♞xc8 ♔xc8

Podubnyi,V (2304)-Salonen,A (2265)

chess.com INT 2024 0-1]

9...h6 10.♙h4 ♙e7 11.♞he1 ♗e5

12.♙e2 g5 13.♙g3 b5 14.a3 ♞b8

15.h4 ♙d7?! Inaccuracy. gxh4 was best.

[15...gxh4 16.♙xh4]

16.hxg5 hxg5 17.♞h1 ♞g8 18.f3 ♞c8

19.♗b3 ♙c6 20.♔b1 ♗fd7 21.♞h6

♙a8 22.a4 bxa4 23.♗xa4 ♗c4?!

Inaccuracy. Nxd3 was best.

[23...♗xd3 24.♙xd3 ♗e5 25.♙xe5

dxe5 26.♗b6 ♞d8 27.♗xa8 ♞xa8

28.♞h7 ♞d8 29.♙e2]

24.♞dh1? Mistake. Nd4 was best.

[24.♗d4 ♗de5]

24...♙c6 25.♞h8 ♞f8 26.♗c3??

Blunder. Bxc4 was best.

[26.♙xc4 ♙xc4 27.♙xc4 ♞xc4

28.♗c3 g4 29.♗d2 ♞c6 30.♞xf8+

♗xf8 31.fxg4 ♙g5]

26...♗de5?? Blunder. Nxb2 was best.

[26...♗xb2 27.♞xf8+]

27.♙xe5 dxe5 28.♙xc4 ♙xc4 29.♞xf8+

♙xf8 30.♙d2 f6 31.♞d1?! Inaccuracy.

Rh7 was best.

[31.♞h7 ♙c6 32.♗a5 ♙d6 33.♙e2

♙e7 34.g3 ♞b8 35.♗b3 ♙c6

36. ♖xa6 ♘d7]
31... ♖c7 32. ♗d3 ♖a7?! Inaccuracy. Kf7
 was best.

[32... ♗f7 33. ♖xa6]

33. ♘a5 ♗f7 34. ♗d7+? Mistake. Rh1
 was best.

[34. ♖h1]

34... ♗xd7 35. ♖xd7+ ♗g6 36. ♖a7 ♘b4
37. ♖xa6 ♘xc3 38. bxc3 g4 39. c4
 ♖e8?? Blunder. Kf7 was best.

[39... ♗f7 40. ♘b3]

40. c5 gxf3?! Inaccuracy. f5 was best.

[40... f5 41. c6]

41. gxf3 f5 42. c6 ♖c8 43. ♘c4 ♗g5
44. ♘e5 fxe4 45. fxe4 ♗f4 46. ♘g6+
 ♗xe4 **47. ♖a4+ ♗e3 48. c7??**

Blunder. Ne7 was best.

[48. ♘e7]

48... ♘e4 49. ♖a3+ ♗d2 50. ♘f4 ♖xc7
51. ♘e6 ♖b7+ 52. ♗a1 ♗c1 53. ♘d4
 ♖b1+ **54. ♗a2 ♖b2+ 55. ♗a1 ♖b1+**
56. ♗a2 ♖b2+ 57. ♗a1 ♖b4 58. ♘e2+
 ♗d2 **59. ♘c3 ♘xc2 60. ♗a2 ♖b7**
61. ♘d5 ♘d3 62. ♖c3 ♖b5 63. ♘c7 ♖b4
64. ♗a3 ♖b7 65. ♘d5 ♖b5 66. ♘c7 ♖b1
67. ♖b3 ♖c1 68. ♘d5 ♘c4 69. ♖b2+
 ♗d3 **70. ♘b4+ ♗d4 71. ♖d2+ ♗c3**
72. ♖c2+ ♖xc2 73. ♘xc2 ♗xc2

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☐ **Nikitenko, Mihail 2525**

■ **Sargsyan, Shant 2637**

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1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♘xd4
 ♘f6 **5. ♘c3 a6 6. ♘g5 e6 7. f4 h6**
8. ♘h4 ♖b6 9. a3 ♘c6 10. ♘f2!

[#] Black must now prevent Nxe6!

10... ♖c7 11. ♖f3 e5 White is slightly
 better. **12. ♘xc6 bxc6 13. ♘c4N**

[RR 13. fxe5 dxe5 14. ♘c4 ♘e7

15. 0-0 0-0 16. ♗h1 a5 17. b3 ♘a6

18. ♘xa6 ♖xa6 19. ♖e2 ♖aa8 20. ♘a4

♖ab8 21. ♘b2 ♘d7 22. ♘c4 ♘c5

23. ♘e1 ♖a8 24. ♖d1 a4 25. ♘a5 ♖c8
 26. b4 ♘e7 27. ♖d3 ♖a7 **Kotronias, V**
 (2453)-**Velpula, S (2444) Pozarevac**
 SRB 2024 1/2-1/2 (47)]

13... exf4 14. ♖xf4 ♘e7! 15. 0-0 0-0
16. ♘d4 ♘e6 17. ♘xe6 fxe6 18. e5 dxe5
19. ♘xe5

[Much weaker is 19. ♖xe5 ♖xe5
 20. ♘xe5 ♘g4#]

19... ♖b6+ 20. ♗h1 ♘d7 21. ♖g4 ♘xe5
22. ♖xe6+ [#] Double Attack 22... ♗h8
23. ♖xe7 ♘g6 24. ♖b4 ♖xb4 25. axb4
 ♖xf1+ **26. ♖xf1=** Endgame **KRN-KRN**
26... ♖b8 27. b3 ♖xb4 28. ♖d1 ♗g8
29. ♗g1 ♘e7 30. ♗f2 ♖h4 31. h3 ♖h5
32. ♘e4 ♘d5 33. c4 ♖f5+ 34. ♗g3 ♘b4
35. h4 a5 36. ♗g4 ♖f8 37. ♖d2 ♗h7
38. h5 ♖f7 39. ♘c5 g6 40. hxg6+ ♗xg6
41. ♖d6+ ♗g7 42. ♖d7

[42. ♘e6+ keeps more tension. ♗h7
 43. ♘f4 ♗g7 44. ♖e6 ♗h7 45. ♖e2]

42... ♖xd7 43. ♘xd7 KN-KN 43... ♗f7
44. ♘c5 ♗e7 45. ♗f5 ♘c2 46. ♗e5 h5
47. g3 ♘a1 48. ♗d4 Threatens to win
 with Kc3. **48... ♘c2+ 49. ♗d3 ♘b4+**
 The position is equal. **50. ♗c3 ♗d6**
51. ♘b7+ ♗c7 52. ♘c5!

[Wrong is 52. ♘xa5? c5-+]

52... ♗d6 53. ♘b7+ ♗c7 54. ♘c5!
 Accuracy: White = 81%, Black = 91%.

[Don't go for 54. ♘xa5? c5-+]

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☐ **Maurizzi, Marc`Andria 2617**

■ **Iniyana, Pa 2493**

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1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♘xd4
 ♘f6 **5. ♘c3 a6 6. ♘g5 e6 7. f4 ♘bd7**
8. ♖f3 ♖c7 9. 0-0-0 b5 10. ♘xf6 ♘xf6
11. f5 b4 12. ♘cb5 ♖b7 13. e5 ♖xf3
14. gxf3 axb5 15. exf6 gxf6 16. ♘xb5+
 ♘d7 **17. fxe6 fxe6 18. ♘xe6 ♖xa2**
19. ♘c4 ♖a1+ 20. ♗d2 ♘h6+ 21. ♗d3

♠xd1+
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♠ Zemlyanskii,Ivan **B97** **2516**
♣ Mishra,Abhimanyu **2634**
Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.e4 c5 2.♟f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♟xd4
♟f6 5.♟c3 a6 6.♟g5 e6 7.f4 ♖b6
8.♖d2 ♖xb2 9.♖b1 ♖a3 10.e5 h6
11.♟h4 dxe5 12.fxe5 ♟fd7 13.♟e4
♖xa2 14.♖d1 ♖d5 15.♖e3 ♖xe5
16.♟e2 ♟c5 17.♟g3 ♖d5 18.0-0 e5N

[RR 18...0-0 19.c4 ♟xd4 20.♖xd4
♖a5 21.♟d6 ♟c6 22.♖dd1 ♖e8
23.c5 ♟e7 24.♟g3 ♟g6 25.♖f2
♟h8 26.♟h5 ♖c3 27.♖d3 ♖b2
28.♖f3 ♖d8 29.♟e7 ♟e5 30.♟xd8
♟xf3+ 31.♟xf3 ♖xf2+ 32.♟xf2 ♟d7
33.♟c7 Minkhajdarov,R (1956)-
Plotnikov,B (2097) Ershovo RUS 2024
1/2-1/2 (66)]

19.♟xc5 ♖xc5 20.♖xf7 ♟xf7 21.♖b3+
♟e7 22.♟f2 exd4 23.♟xd4 ♖d6
24.♟h5 g6 25.♖e3+ ♖e6 26.♖g3 gxh5
27.♟xh8 ♟d8

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♠ Adhiban,B. **C01** **2520**
♣ Sadhwani,Raunak **2654**
Sharjah Master 2024 15.05.2024

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.♟f3
♟d6 5.♟d3 ♟f6 6.♖e2+ ♖e7 7.♖xe7+
♟xe7 8.0-0

[RR 8.♟c3 c6 9.0-0 ♖e8 10.♟g5 h6
11.♖ae1+ ♟e6 12.♟d2 ♟f8 13.♟e5
a6 14.f4 c5 15.f5 ♟c8 16.♟f4 ♖d8
17.♟a4 c4 18.♟e2 ♟xf5 19.♟b6
♖a7 20.c3 ♟e6 21.♟xh6 ♟e4 22.♟f4
♟c6 Nakamura,H (2789)-Carlsen,M
(2830) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (89)]

8...♖e8 9.♖e1+N

[RR 9.♟g5 ♟f8 10.♟c3 c6 11.♟xf6
gxf6 12.♟xh7 f5 13.♟h4 f4 14.♟d3
♟e7 15.♟f5 ♟f6 16.♟d6 ♖d8
17.♟xc8 ♖xc8 18.♟e2 f3 19.gxf3
♖e8 20.c3 ♟d7 21.♟g3 ♟g5 22.♟f5
♟f4 23.h4 ♟f6 Narva,M (2400)-
Chernobay,A (2454) chess.com INT
2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 9.♟g5 ♟bd7 10.♟c3 c6 11.♟h4
♟f8 12.♟f5 ♟c7 13.♖fe1 h6
14.♖xe8+ ♟xe8 15.♟e7+ ♟g8
16.♖e1 ♟df6 17.h3 ♟xf5 18.♟xf5
♟d6 19.g4 ♟xe7 20.♖xe7 ♟d6
21.♟d3 ♟f8 22.♖e5 ♟d7 23.♖e3
♖e8 Bernadskiy,V (2573)-Martin
Fuentes,A (2372) chess.com INT 2024
1-0 (89)]

9...♟f8 10.♖xe8+ ♟xe8 11.♟c3 c6
12.♟g5 ♟bd7

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♠ Sanal,Vahap **C01** **2566**
♣ Nikitenko,Mihail **2525**
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1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♟c3 ♟f6 4.exd5
exd5 5.♟g5 ♟e7 6.♟d3 h6N

[RR 6...♟c6 7.♟f3 ♟g4 8.♟e2 ♟xf3
9.gxf3 0-0 (9...♟h5? 10.♟e3 ♟d6)
10.♖d2? (10.h4±) 10...♟b4?
(10...♟e4!?) 11.♟xe4 ♟xg5) 11.h4
(11.♟f5±) 11...♟xd3+ 12.♖xd3 c5
(12...♟h5?) 13.0-0-0 ♖a5 (13...c4!?)
14.♖f5 ♖c8 15.♖xc8 ♖fxc8=)
14.♟b1 (Better is 14.♟c3±) 14...♖ac8
(14...c4!= 15.♖f5 ♖fe8) 15.♟f4?
(15.dxc5!± h6 16.♟d4) 15...c4!
16.♖e3 (16.♖f5?) 16...♖fe8
17.♖de1? (17.c3?) 17...c3?
(17...♟b4+- has better winning
chances. 18.c3 ♖xe3 19.fxe3 ♟e7)
18.♟xf6 (18.♖e5? was necessary.)
18...♖b5 19.b3 ♟xf6 20.♖d3

($\Delta 20.\text{♖c1}$) 20... ♗b4? ($20...\text{♗xd3+}$
 $21.\text{♘d3}$ ♙xd4) 21. ♞xe8+ Shubin,D
 (2201)-Sena,J (1909) chess.com INT
 2024 1-0 (72) ($21.\text{♘d5}\pm$ ♗d6
 $22.\text{♞xe8+}$ ♞xe8 23. ♘xf6+ ♗xf6
 $24.\text{♗xc3}$)
7.♙f4 a6 8.♗d2 ♘c6 The position is
 equal. **9.♘ge2 ♘b4 10.0-0-0 ♙e6?!**
 Inaccuracy. b5 was best.
 [$10...b5$ $11.f3$ ♘d7 $12.\text{♘g3}$ ♘xd3+
 $13.\text{♗xd3}$ ♘b6 $14.\text{♘f5}$ ♙xf5 $15.\text{♗xf5}$
 $0-0$ $16.\text{♗g4}$]
 [$10...b5\bar{}$]
11.f3= b6 12.♙e5 c5
 [$12...0-0=$ remains equal.]
13.♘f4± 0-0 14.g4?! Inaccuracy. Kb1
 was best.
 [$14.\text{♙b1}$ ♘xd3]
 [Much worse is $14.\text{♘xe6?!$ fxe6
 $15.\text{♙g6}$ ♘d7=]
 [White should play $14.\text{♙b1}\pm$]
14...♘d7!= 15.♙f5 ♘xe5 16.dxe5 d4?!
 Inaccuracy. Bg5 was best. Threatens to
 win with ...Bxf5.
 [$16...\text{♙g5}$ $17.a3$ $d4$ $18.\text{♘e4}$ ♗d5
 $19.\text{♘d5}$ ♙xd2+ $20.\text{♞xd2}$ ♘d5 $21.c3$
 ♙xf5 $22.gxf5$]
17.♘xe6 fxe6 18.♙xe6+ ♙h8
 Strongly threatening ...Bg5. **19.♘e4 ♞xf3**
 [$19...\text{♘d5}\pm$]
20.g5 ♙xg5 21.♘g5 ♗xg5 22.♗xg5
hxg5 23.h4 g4! 24.a3 ♞e8! 25.♙xg4
♞f4 26.♙d7 ♞e7 27.e6 ♘d5 28.♞df1
♞xf1+ 29.♞xf1 Endgame KRB-KRN
29...♘f6 30.♙c8 a5 31.♞e1 g6 32.b4
axb4 33.axb4 ♞c7 34.♞f1 ♙g7 [#]
35.♙d7! ♞a7 And now ...Ra1+ would
 win.
 [$35...\text{♘d7}$ $36.\text{♞f7+}$]
36.♙b2 cxb4 37.♞f4 ♞c7 38.♞xd4 ♙f8
39.♙a4 ♙e7 40.♙b3 ♞c5 41.♞xb4 b5
42.♞d4 g5 43.hxg5 ♞xg5 44.♙a3 ♞e5
45.♞d2?! Inaccuracy. Kb4 was best.
 [$45.\text{♙b4}$ ♘e4! $46.\text{♞d7+}$ ♙e8! $47.\text{♙a2}$
 ♘g5 $48.\text{♞d6}$ ♘e4 $49.\text{♞c6}$ ♘g3
 $50.\text{♙b3}$ ♘f5]

45...♞e4 46.♞f2 White wants to play Rf5.
46...♞e5 47.♞d2 ♞e4 48.♞d1 ♞f4
49.♙b2 ♞e4 50.♙c3 b4+? Mistake.
 Rh4 was best.
 [$50...\text{♞h4}$ $51.\text{♞a1}$ ♘e8 $52.\text{♞a7+}$ ♙d6!
 $53.\text{♞d7+}$ ♙c5 $54.\text{♞d5+}$ ♙c6 $55.\text{♞e5}$
 ♞h7 $56.\text{♙d4}$]
 [$50...\text{♞g4}\pm$]
51.♙d3+- ♞h4 52.♞a1 ♞h8?!
 Inaccuracy. Kd6 was best.
 [$52...\text{♙d6}$ $53.\text{♞a6+}$ ♙e7 $54.\text{♞a7+}$
 ♙d6 $55.\text{♞f7}$ ♞h6 $56.\text{♙e2}$ ♞g6
 $57.\text{♙e1}$ ♘g8 $58.\text{♞d7+}$]
53.♞a7+
 [$53.\text{♞a6}$ $53.\text{♞a7+}$ 2.41]
53...♙d6 [#] 54.♞a6+! ♙e7 55.♞b6
♞d8+ [#] 56.♙c4! ♘d5 57.♞c6
 Black must now prevent Kc5. **57...♞d6**
 [$\Delta 57...\text{♙f6}$ $58.\text{♙c5}$ ♘f4 $59.\text{♙xb4}$
 ♞e8]
58.♞c5 ♘f4?? Blunder. Nf6 was best.
 [$58...\text{♘f6}$ $59.\text{♙b5}$ ♞d8 $60.\text{♞c7+}$ ♙d6
 $61.\text{♞c6+}$ ♙e7 $62.\text{♙xb4}$ ♘e4 $63.\text{♙a5}$
 ♘g3 $64.\text{♞c7+}$]
 [$\Delta 58...\text{♘f6}$ $59.\text{♙b5}$ ($59.\text{♙xb4}$ ♞d4+
 $60.\text{♙b5}$ ♘e8+-) $59...\text{♞d8}$ $60.\text{♞c7+}$
 ($60.\text{♙xb4}$ ♞b8+ $61.\text{♙a5}$ ♙d6+-)
 $60...\text{♙d6}$ $61.\text{♞c6+}$ ♙e7 $62.\text{♙xb4}$
 ♞h8]
59.♞c7+ ♙f6 60.♞f7+ ♙e5?!
 Inaccuracy. Kg5 was best.
 [$60...\text{♙g5}$ $61.e7$ ♞e6 $62.\text{♙a4}$ ♞e4+
 $63.\text{♙c5}$ ♞e5+ $64.\text{♙d6}$ ♞e6+
 ($\Delta 64...\text{♞d5+}$ $65.\text{♙c7}$ ♞c5+ $66.\text{♙c6}$
 ♞e5) $65.\text{♙d7}$ ♞xe7+ $66.\text{♞xe7}$]
61.e7 ♞e6 62.♙c5 Accuracy: White =
 76%, Black = 64%.
1-0

C02
 □ Vokhidov,Shamsiddin **2591**
 ■ Sevia, Samuel **2698**
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1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 ♘c6
 5.♗f3 ♖b6 6.a3 ♕d7 7.b4 cxd4
 8.cxd4 ♜c8 9.♙e3 ♚h6 10.♙d3 ♚g4
 11.0-0 ♙e7 12.♚bd2 ♚xe3 13.fxe3
 ♚b8 14.♖e2N

[RR 14.♚b3 ♙a4 15.♖b1 ♙xb3
 16.♖xb3 0-0 17.♜ac1 ♚d7 18.♜c2
 ♜c7 19.♜fc1 ♜fc8 20.♜xc7 ♜xc7
 21.♜xc7 ♖xc7 22.♖c2 ♖xc2 23.♙xc2
 ♚b6 24.♚d2 ♚c4 25.♚xc4 dxc4
 26.♚f2 b5 27.e4 ♚f8 28.d5 ♙g5
 Fernandez Siles,L (2218)-Shuvalov,E
 (2079) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (37)]

14...♜c3 15.♜fc1 ♜xc1+ 16.♜xc1 a5
 17.bxa5 ♖xa5 18.♜b1 b6 19.♖d1 0-0
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C02
 □ Siddharth,Jagadeesh **2508**
 ■ Esipenko,Andrey **2703**
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1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 ♘c6
 5.♗f3 ♕d7 6.♙e2 f6 7.0-0 fxe5
 8.♚xe5 ♚xe5 9.dxe5 ♖c7 10.♜e1
 0-0-0 11.a4

[RR 11.♙f4 ♚e7 12.♙d3 h6 13.♚d2
 g5 14.♙g3 c4 15.♙c2 ♚c6 16.b4
 ♙e8 17.♖g4 ♖f7 18.♖e2 h5 19.f3
 ♚b8 20.♜ad1 ♖c7 21.♚h1 ♜g8
 22.♙f2 ♙g6 23.♙a4 ♙d3 24.♖e3 b6
 25.♚b3 ♙c2]

[RR 11.c4 ♖xe5 12.♙f3 ♖d6
 13.cxd5 exd5 14.♚c3 (RR 14.♖xd5
 ♖xd5 15.♙xd5 ♚f6 16.♙f3 ♙d6
 17.♚c3 ♜he8 18.♙g5 ♙e5 19.♜ad1
 ♙xc3 20.bxc3 h6 21.♙f4 ♜xe1+
 22.♜xe1 ♙g4 23.♜e7 ♜d7 24.♙xg4
 ♚xg4 25.♜e8+ ♜d8) 14...♚f6
 15.♚xd5 ♚xd5 16.♖xd5 ♖xd5

17.♙xd5 ♙f5 18.♙f3 ♙d6 19.♙e3]
 [RR 11.♙f1 ♚e7 12.a4 ♚c6 13.♚a3
 a6 14.b4 c4 15.♙e3 ♚xe5 16.a5
 ♜e8 17.♙b6 ♖b8 18.f4 ♚f7 19.g3
 ♚d6 20.♙h3 g6 21.♖d4 ♚f5 22.♙xf5
 gxf5 23.♚xc4 dxc4 24.♜ad1 ♙d6
 25.♖xd6 ♖xd6]

[RR 11.♙f3 h6 12.c4 d4 13.b4 cxb4
 14.♖xd4 ♙c5 15.♖g4 ♚e7 16.♚d2
 h5 17.♖g5 ♚f5 18.♚b3 ♙e7 19.♖g6
 ♚b8 20.♙g5 ♙c8 21.♜ac1]

[RR 11.♙f1 ♚e7 12.a4 ♚f5 13.♙d3
 g6 14.♙g5 ♙e7 15.♙xe7 ♚xe7
 16.♚a3 ♜hf8 17.b4 ♚b8 18.♚c2
 ♚c6 19.bxc5 ♚xe5 20.♙b5 ♙c8
 21.♚d4 ♜f6 22.♜b1 ♚a8 23.c6
 ♚xc6 24.♙xc6 bxc6 25.♖e2 ♙d7
 Idani,P (2602)-Erigaisi,A (2727)
 Samarkand UZB 2023 1/2-1/2 (73)]

11...♖xe5N

[RR 11...c4 12.b4 cxb3 13.♚a3 ♙c5
 14.♖xb3 ♚e7 15.♙d3 ♚g6 16.♙xg6
 hxg6 17.♙e3 ♙xe3 18.♜xe3 ♜h5
 19.♚b5 ♙xb5 20.axb5 b6 21.♖a4
 ♚b8 22.h3 ♜dh8 23.♖a3 ♜d8
 24.♖a4 ♜dh8 25.♖b4 ♜d8 26.♜e2
 Can,E (2549)-Krishna C R G (2437)
 Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024
 1/2-1/2 (44)]

[RR 11...c4 12.b4 cxb3 13.♚a3 ♙c5
 14.♖xb3 ♚e7 15.♙d3 ♚g6 16.♙xg6
 hxg6 17.♙e3 ♙xe3 18.♜xe3 ♜h5
 19.♚b5 ♙xb5 20.axb5 b6 21.♖a4
 ♚b8 22.h3 ♜dh8 23.♖a3 ♜d8
 24.♖a4 ♜dh8 25.♖b4 ♜d8 26.♜e2
 Can,E (2549)-Krishna,C (2440) Dubai
 UAE 2024 1/2-1/2 (44)]

12.♙f3 ♖c7 13.♚a3 a6 14.c4 ♚f6
 15.♚b5 ♖b8 16.b4 axb5?! Inaccuracy.
 d4 was best.

[16...d4]

17.axb5 e5? Mistake. Re8 was best.

[17...♜e8 18.cxd5 exd5 19.♜xe8+
 ♙xe8 20.♙b2 ♙xb5 21.♙xf6 gxf6
 22.♖xd5 ♙d7 23.bxc5]

18.b6 ♜e8 19.♙g5?! Inaccuracy. Bxd5

was best.

[19.♙xd5 ♘xd5 20.♚xd5 ♖c6 21.♚f7 ♜e7 22.♚h5 g6 23.♚h4 ♜e6 24.♙g5 ♙d7]

19...cxb4?? Blunder. e4 was best.

[19...e4 20.♙xf6]

20.♙xf6 gxf6 21.♚xd5 f5? Mistake. e4 was best.

[21...e4 22.♜ed1 ♙d6 23.♙xe4 ♜e5 24.♚xd6 ♚xd6 25.♜xd6 ♖b8 26.f3 ♙f5 27.♙xf5]

22.♜ed1 ♙e6 23.♚b5 ♜d8 24.c5 ♜xd1+?! Inaccuracy. Rg8 was best.

[24...♜g8 25.c6 ♜xd1+ 26.♜xd1 ♙d6 27.♙d5 ♙xd5 28.♚xd5 ♜g6 29.c7 ♚xc7 30.bxc7]

25.♜xd1 ♙g7 26.c6 e4 27.c7 ♚a8? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qxc7 was best.

[27...♚xc7 28.bxc7 ♙f6 29.♚b6 ♙b3 30.♚xf6 ♙xd1 31.♚xh8+ ♖xc7 32.♙xd1 ♖d7 33.♚f8]

28.♙h5 ♙f6 29.♙f7 ♚a2 30.♙xe6+ ♚xe6 31.♚a5 1-0

☐ Petrosyan,Manuel

■ Erigaisi Arjun

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C02
2616
2761
17.05.2024

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 ♘c6
5.♘f3 ♙d7 6.♙e2 f6 7.0-0 fxe5
8.♘xe5 ♘xe5 9.dxe5 ♚c7 10.♜e1
0-0-0 11.♘d2

[RR 11.♙f1 ♘e7 12.a4 ♘f5 13.♙d3 g6 14.♙g5 ♙e7 15.♙xe7 ♘xe7 16.♘a3 (16.b4±) 16...♜hf8 17.b4 ♖b8 18.♘c2 ♘c6 (18...c4± 19.♙f1 ♘c6) 19.bxc5 ♘xe5 20.♙b5! ♙c8 21.♘d4 ♜f6 22.♜b1 ♖a8! 23.c6 (White should play 23.a5±) 23...♘xc6 24.♙xc6 bxc6 25.♚e2 ♙d7 Idani,P (2602)-Erigaisi,A (2727) Samarkand UZB 2023 ½-½ (73)]

11...♘e7 12.♘f3 ♘f5N Inaccuracy. Kb8 was best.

[12...♖b8 13.♘g5 ♘f5! 14.♙d3 g6 15.h3 h6 16.♘f7 ♙a4! 17.♚xa4 ♚xf7 18.c4]

[RR 12...h6 13.h4 (13.b4±) 13...♘c6 14.♙f4

A) 14...g5!? 15.hxg5 hxg5 16.♙xg5 (16.♘xg5 ♙h6=) 16...♙e7 17.♙xe7 ♘xe7=;

B) 14...♙e8 15.♙g3 (15.b4=) 15...♙h5 (15...g5±) 16.♚a4 ♚a5 17.♚c2 ♙e7 18.b4 ♚c7 (18...cxb4= 19.♘d4 ♙xe2 20.♘xc6 bxc6 21.cxb4 ♚b5 22.♜xe2 g5) 19.b5 ♘a5 20.♘d4 cxd4 21.♙xh5 dxc3 22.♙f7 ♖b8 23.♙xe6 d4 24.♙f5 ♖a8 25.e6 ♚b6 (25...♚c5= remains equal.) 26.♙d3 ♜he8 27.♜e4 Pfreundt,J (2455)-Nisipeanu,L (2600) Viernheim GER 2024 ½-½ (38) (♠27.♚a4)

[12...♖b8±]

13.♘g5?! Inaccuracy. Bd3 was best.

[13.♙d3 g6 14.♙g5 ♜e8 15.♙f6 ♜g8 16.g4 ♙c6 17.♜b1 ♘h6 18.h3 ♙e7]

[13.♙d3±]

13...♖b8± 14.♙d3 g6 15.♙d2 ♙c8 16.♘f3 h6 17.b4 g5 18.h3 ♜g8 19.g4 d4

[19...♘h4=]

20.c4

[Much weaker is 20.gxf5?! dxc3 21.♙e3 (21.♙xc3 g4±) 21...exf5±]

20...♘e7 21.b5 b6 22.a4 ♙b7 23.a5 ♙g7 24.♚e2?! Inaccuracy. a6 was best.

[24.a6]

[White should try 24.a6± ♙a8 25.♚e2]

24...♜df8 25.♙e4

[25.♘h2±]

25...♙xe4± 26.♚xe4 ♚b7↑ Black has good play. **27.♚xb7+ ♖xb7 28.♜a3 ♘g6! 29.♖g2 ♜a8 30.♖f1 ♜g8 31.♜ea1 [#]**

[31.♖e2±]

31...Rxf3!-+ Remove Defender 32.Rxf3
 And now Rf7+ would win. **32...Nxe5**
 Double Attack **33.Qg2 Nxf3?!**
 Inaccuracy. a6 was best.

[33...a6 34.bxa6+ Rxa6 35.Rb1 Qc6
 36.Rxb6+ Rxb6 37.axb6 Qxb6
 38.Qc1 [#] Qc6! 39.Ra3]

34.Qxf3 Endgame KRB-KRB 34...Rf8+
35.Qg2 Qe5 36.Re1?? Blunder. axb6
 was best.

[36.axb6 axb6 37.Re1 Qf4 38.Qxf4
 Rxf4 39.Rxe6 d3 40.Rd6 Qc7
 41.Rxd3 Rxc4]

[36.axb6 axb6 37.Re1]

36...Qf4 37.Qxf4 Rxf4 38.axb6?!
 Inaccuracy. a6+ was best.

[38.a6+? 38.Rxe6 -2.33 Qc7 39.Rxe6
 d3 40.Qf1 Rxc4 41.Qe1 Rb4
 42.Qd2 Rxb5 43.Qxd3 Rb3+]

[38.Rxe6 only move. bxa5 39.Re7+
 Qb8 40.Re8+ Qc7 41.Re5]

38...Qxb6 39.Rxe6+ KR-KR 39...Qa5
 Black is clearly winning. **40.Ra6+ Qb4**
41.Rxa7 Qxc4 42.b6 Strongly
 threatening b7. **42...Rf6 43.Ra6**
 Threatens to win with b7. **43...Rf8**

[Not 43...Rf7 44.Ra7#]

44.b7 [#] 44...Rb8! 45.Rb6 If White can
 now play Kf1 this consolidates a bit.
45...d3 46.Qf1 Qc3 Accuracy: White =
 55%, Black = 89%.

0-1

C02

□ Aditya Mittal

2607

■ Siddharth,Jagadeesh

2508

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1.e4 e6 2.d4

[2.e5 d5 3.d4 c5]

2...d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qd7

6.Qe2 f6 7.0-0 fxe5 8.dxe5 Nh6

9.Re1 Qe7N

[RR 9...Nf7 10.c4 d4 11.Nbd2 Qc7
 12.Ne4 Qe7 13.Qf4 0-0 14.Qg3

Nfxe5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Qd3 h6
 17.Nxc5 Qxc5 18.Qxe5 Qd6 19.Wh5
 Qxe5 20.Rxe5 Rf6 21.Rae1 Rf8
 22.f3 Wb6 23.b3 Wb4 24.Wh4
 Sjugirov,S (2695)-Miszler,L (2269)
 chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (63)]

10.c4 d4 11.Qf4? Mistake. Bxh6 was
 best.

[11.Qxh6 gxf6 12.Wd2 Qc7
 13.Wxh6 0-0-0 14.Qd3 Qf8 15.Wh5
 Nb4 16.Qe4 d3]

11...0-0 12.Wd2 Nf5 13.Na3 h6 14.h3
Nb4 15.Qh2?! Inaccuracy. Nc2 was
 best.

[15.Nc2 Nxc2]

15...Qc6 16.Nc2 Nh4?! Inaccuracy. a5
 was best.

[16...a5 17.Red1 Qe8 18.Nxb4 axb4
 19.Ne1 b5 20.cxb5 Qxb5 21.b3 Qc6
 22.Qd3]

17.Nxb4

[17.Nfxd4 Qf3 18.Qxf3 Nxf3+
 (18...Nf5) 19.gxf3 cxd4 20.Wd3
 Qc5]

[17.Ncxd4 Nf5]

17...Qxf3 18.Qxf3 Nxf3+ 19.gxf3 cxb4
20.Wd3

[20.Wxb4]

20...Qc5 21.Re4 Qg5+ 22.Qg3 Wf5
23.Qg2 Rf7

[23...Wg5 24.We2]

24.We2?! Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best.

[24.Rd1 Rf8 25.f4 Wh5 26.We2
 Wg6 27.Wd3 Rf5 28.Re2 b6 29.We4
 a5]

24...Raf8 25.Rf4 Wg6?! Inaccuracy. d3
 was best.

[25...d3 26.Rxf5 dxe2 27.Rxf7 Rd8
 28.Re1 Qxf7 29.Rxe2 Rd4 30.f4
 Qg6 31.f3]

26.Rxf7 Rxf7 27.Rd1 Wf5 28.f4

[28.Rd2 Rd7 29.Rd3 Wg6 30.Rd1]

[28.Ra1]

28...Rd7 29.Rd3 Wg6 30.f3 Rf7

31.We4

[31.We3]

31...♖xe4 32.fxe4 g5 33.♔f3 gxf4
 34.♙h4
 [34.♔g2]
 34...♖g7 35.♙f2
 [35.♙g3]
 35...♖f7 36.♙h4
 [36.♙g3]
 1/2-1/2

C02

□ Sankalp Gupta **2531**
 ■ Deac,Bogdan-Daniel **2692**
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1.e4 c5 2.c3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.e5 ♘c6
 5.♗f3 ♙d7 6.♙e2 f6 7.0-0 fxe5
 8.♗xe5 ♗xe5 9.dxe5 ♖c7 10.♞e1
 0-0-0 11.♙f1 ♗e7 12.a4 c4N

[RR 12...♗f5 13.♗a3 c4 14.b3 ♙c5
 [#] (14...cxb3± 15.♖xb3 ♙c5)
 15.bxc4 (15.b4!±) 15...dxc4
 (15...d4=) 16.♗xc4 ♞hf8 17.♖c2
 ♙c6 18.♙f4 (18.♙a3± ♙xa3
 19.♗xa3) 18...♙d5 (18...♔b8=)
 19.♞ad1 ♗h4 (Better is 19...♔b8±)
 20.♗d6+! ♔b8 21.♙g3 ♗f5? [#]
 (21...♗g6 is a better defense. 22.♔h1
 ♙b6)

A) 22.♞xd5!+- and the rest is easy.
 ♗xg3 (22...exd5 23.♗xf5) 23.♞xc5
 ♖xc5 24.hxg3;

B) 22.♗xf5? ♞xf5 23.c4 (23.♙d3±
 ♞ff8 24.c4) 23...♙c6 24.♞xd8+
 ♖xd8 25.♙d3 ♞f8 26.♙xh7 ♖b6
 (26...♖a5= 27.♞f1 ♖xa4) 27.♙e4
 Sierra Vallina,L (2275)-Miszler,L
 (2269) chess.com INT 2024 0-1
 (44) (27.♞a1±)]

[RR 12...♗f5 13.♙d3 g6 14.♙g5 ♙e7
 15.♙xe7 ♗xe7 16.♗a3 (16.b4±)
 16...♞hf8 17.b4 ♔b8 18.♗c2
 (18.♖d2= keeps the balance.)
 18...♗c6 (18...c4± 19.♙f1 ♗c6)
 19.bxc5 ♗xe5 20.♙b5! ♙c8 21.♗d4
 ♞f6 22.♞b1 (22.a5!? ♗f7 23.a6=)

22...♔a8! 23.c6 (23.a5±) 23...♗xc6
 24.♙xc6 bxc6 25.♖e2 ♙d7 (25...e5!?
 26.♖xe5 ♖xe5 27.♞xe5 c5=) 26.♗f3
 ♞f4 27.♗e5 Idani,P (2602)-Erigaisi,A
 (2727) Samarkand UZB 2023 1/2-1/2
 (73)]

[RR 12...♗f5 13.♗a3 a6 14.♗c2 h6
 15.b4 g5 16.♙a3 (16.♙d3±) 16...c4!
 17.b5 ♙xa3 18.♞xa3 a5 19.♗d4
 (19.♙e2=) 19...♞df8 20.♗xf5 ♞xf5
 21.♖d4 b6 22.g3 ♞hf8 23.♞a2 h5
 24.♞d2 g4 25.h3 (25.♞e3=)
 25...♔b7? (25...♖c5± stays on
 course. 26.♖xc5+ bxc5) 26.hxg4
 hxg4

A) 27.♙xc4!± ♔a7 (27...♖xc4
 28.♖xc4) 28.♙f1;

B) 27.♖xg4 Kobo,O (2530)-Kuhn,C
 (2333) chess.com INT 2024 0-1
 (41)]

[RR 12...♗c6 13.♗a3 a6 14.b4 cxb4
 15.♗b5! axb5 16.axb5 bxc3 17.♙e3
 ♗b8 18.♖d4 (18.♖b3±) 18...b6
 19.♖xb6 ♖xb6 20.♙xb6 ♙e8!
 21.♞ec1! d4! 22.♞a4 ♞d5 23.♙xd4
 ♙xb5 24.♞xc3+ ♔d8? (24...♙c6±
 and life is bright. 25.♙a7 ♔d7)
 25.♞a8! 1-0 (25) Radovanovic,N
 (2434)-Casper,T (2349) Germany GER
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13.b3 cxb3 White is slightly better.
14.♖xb3 ♗c6 15.♙e3 ♗a5 16.♖b2
♙c5 17.♗a3 ♙xe3

[Not 17...♙xa4? 18.♙xc5 ♖xc5
 19.♗b5+-]

18.♞xe3 ♔b8 19.♗b5 ♙xb5 20.axb5
♞hf8 21.♖b4 b6 22.g3 g5 23.♖g4
♖e7 24.♞e2 ♞c8 25.♙h3 ♞fe8
26.♞e3?! Inaccuracy. Qf3 was best.

[26.♖f3]

[26.♖f3=]

26...♗c4± 27.♞e2 ♞c5 28.♙f1 h6?!
 Inaccuracy. Rxb5 was best.

[28...♙xb5 29.♞ea2 a5 30.♙xc4 dxc4
 31.♖xc4 ♖c5 32.♖d3 ♞c8 33.♞d2
 ♖xe5 34.♖xh7]

[28...♖xb5 29.♞ea2 a5]
29.♞ea2!= ♘a5
 [Reject 29...♘xe5?! 30.♞e2±]
30.♞a3 ♞c7 31.♞h5 ♞h8 32.♞e1 ♞e7
33.♞e3 ♞cc8?! Inaccuracy. Nc4 was best.
 [33...♘c4]
 [33...♘c4 34.♙xc4 dxc4]
34.♞a4 ♞cf8 35.h4 ♞h7 36.♞f3! ♞xf3
37.♞xf3 ♞f7 38.♞e3 ♞g7 39.hxg5
hxg5 40.♞g4 ♞g6 41.♙d3 ♞g7 42.♙f1
♞g6 43.♞f3? Mistake. Be2 was best.
 [43.♙e2 ♞g7]
 [43.♙e2±]
43...♞h6?! Inaccuracy. Rg8 was best.
 [43...♞g8 44.♞f6 ♞h7! 45.♞b4 ♞h8
46.♙g2 ♘c4 47.♞xe6 ♘d2 48.♞d6+
♙c8 49.♞c6+]
 [43...♞g8!= remains equal.]
44.♙d3± ♞g7 45.♞e3 ♞h5 46.♙e2
♞h7?! Inaccuracy. Qe7 was best.
 [46...♞e7 47.♙d3]
 [46...♞h6± was called for.]
47.♞f3? Mistake. Rxc5 was best.
 [47.♞xc5 ♞h1+ 48.♙g2 ♞e1
(48...♞h2± was worth a try. 49.♙f3
♞b1) 49.♞h5 ♞xh5 50.♙xh5 ♞xe3
51.fx3 ♙c8 52.♙f3 ♙d8]
 [47.♞xc5+- ♞h1+ 48.♙g2]
47...♙c7?? Blunder. Qb1+ was best.
 [47...♞b1+]
 [47...♞h8±]
48.c4+- ♘b3?! Inaccuracy. Qb1+ was best.
 [48...♞b1+ 49.♙d1 ♞h7 50.cxd5
exd5 51.♞d4 ♞xb5 52.♞f5 ♞e7
53.♙g4 ♞e8 54.♞xd5]
 [48...dxc4 might work better. 49.♞d4
Discovered Attack ♞b1+ 50.♞d1 ♞h7
51.♞xh5 ♞xh5 52.♙xh5 ♘b7]
49.cxd5
 [Worse is 49.♞xb3 ♞h1+ 50.♙g2 ♞b1=]
49...exd5 50.♞xd5 ♘c5?! Inaccuracy. Qb1+ was best.
 [50...♞b1+ 51.♙d1 ♞h7 52.♞xb3

♞xb3 53.♙xb3 ♞e7 54.♞e4 ♙d8
 55.♞d4+ ♙e8 56.e6]
 [♙50...♘d2 51.♞b4 ♞h2]
51.♞d4 White wants to mate with Qc6+.
51...g4?? Checkmate is now unavoidable.
 Rh1+ was best.
 [51...♞h1+ 52.♞xh1 ♞xh1+ 53.♙xh1
♘e6 54.♞d1 ♘c5 55.♙g1 ♘d7
56.e6 ♘f6 57.e7]
52.♞d8+
 [♙52.♞c6+ ♙b8 53.♞d8#]
52...♙b7 53.♞d5+ ♙b8 54.♙xg4
 Accuracy: White = 66%, Black = 53%.
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C07

♞ **Mishra,Abhimanyu** **2634**
 ♟ **Siddharth,Jagadeesh** **2508**
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1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘d2 c5 4.♘gf3
cx4 5.♘xd4 ♘f6 6.exd5 ♘xd5 7.c3
 [RR 7.♘e4 ♙e7 8.♞g4 0-0 9.♙h6
 ♙f6 10.♘xf6+ ♞xf6 11.♙g5 ♞e5+
 12.♙e2 f5 13.♞h4 f4 14.0-0-0 h6
 15.♘f3 ♞xe2 16.♙xh6 ♞e4 17.♙xg7
 ♙xg7 18.♞xd5 ♞xd5 19.♞g4+ ♙h6
 20.♞h4+ ♞h5 21.♞e7 ♞f7
 Nepomniachtchi,I (2769)-Livaic,L
 (2557) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (75)]
 [RR 7.♘2f3 ♞c7 8.c3 a6 9.♙d3 ♙d6
 10.♙e4 ♘f6 11.♙c2 h6 12.0-0 ♙d7
 13.♞e1 ♘c6 14.♘f5 ♙f8 15.g3 g5
 16.♘xg5 hxg5 17.♙xg5 ♘g8 18.♞d2
 f6 19.♘d6+ ♙xd6 20.♙g6+ ♙e7
 21.♙h4 ♞h6 Dubnevych,M (2293)-
 Klimkowski,J (2531) chess.com INT
 2024 0-1]
 [RR 7.♙d3 ♘b4 8.♙b5+ ♙d7 9.a3
 ♘d5 10.c4 ♘f6 11.♘2f3 ♙e7 12.0-0
 0-0 13.♙f4 ♘c6 14.♘xc6 bxc6
 15.♙a4 ♞b6 16.♘e5 ♞fd8 17.♞f3
 ♞ac8 18.♞fd1 ♙e8 19.b4 a5 20.♞xd8
 ♙xd8 21.bxa5 ♞xa5 Mishra,A (2626)-
 Mendonca,L (2626) Saint Louis USA

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7...♙e7N

[RR 7...♙c5 8.♘2f3 0-0 9.♙d3 e5
10.♘xe5 ♖e7 11.♗e2 ♜e8 12.♘ef3
♗d8 13.♙e3 ♘f4 14.♗f1 ♙xd4
15.♘xd4 ♗d5 16.♙c4 ♘xg2+
17.♙d2 ♗e4 18.♞g1 ♙h3 19.♙d3
♗d5 20.♙c4 ♗e4 21.♙d3 ♗d5
22.♙c4 Csonka,B (2469)-Grigoriants,S
(2562) Mako 2023 ½-½]

8.♘2f3 0-0 9.♙d3 ♘c6 10.0-0 ♘xd4
11.♘xd4 ♙f6 The position is equal.
12.♗h5 g6 13.♗f3 ♙xd4 14.cxd4 ♗h4
15.♞e1 ♙d7 16.♞e4 ♗e7 17.♙h6 ♞fe8
18.♞ae1 ♙c6 19.♗g3 ♘b4? Mistake.
Rad8 was best.

[19...♞ad8]

[19...♞ad8±]

20.♞g4?? Blunder. Rxe6 was best.

[20.♞xe6! ♗xe6 21.♞xe6 ♞xe6
22.♙f1 ♘d5 23.f3 ♞ae8 24.♙c4 b5
25.♙d3 ♘b4]

[White has to play 20.♞xe6!± ♗xe6
21.♞xe6 ♞xe6 22.♙f1]

20...♘xd3= 21.♗xd3 ♗b4 22.♗e2

Threatens to win with d5! 22...♗b5

23.♗e5 ♗xe5 24.dxe5 ♙d5 25.a3

♞ac8 26.♙d2 ♞ed8 27.♙c3 ♞c4

28.♞xc4 ♙xc4 Endgame KRB-KRB

29.h4 h5 30.♙h2 ♙d5 31.♙g3 ♞c8

32.f3 ♞c4 33.♞d1 a6 34.♞d2 ♙f8

35.♙d4 ♙e8 36.♙f4 ♙f8 37.♙g5 ♙g7

38.♙c3 ♞c6 39.♞d4 ♞c4 40.♞d1 ♞c6

41.♞d2 ♞c4 42.♞d3 ♙h7 43.g4 hxg4

44.fxg4 ♞e4 45.h5 gxh5 46.gxh5 ♞e2

47.♙f6 ♞f2+ 48.♙e7 ♞f5 49.♞h3 ♙f3

50.h6 ♙h5 51.♙d6 ♙xh6 52.♙c7 ♙g5

53.♙xb7 ♙e2 54.a4 ♙d1 55.a5 ♙e2!

56.♞h2 ♙f1 57.♞h8 ♙g6? Mistake. f6

was best.

[57...f6 58.♞g8+]

[57...f6=]

58.♞g8+?! Inaccuracy. Re8 was best.

[58.♞e8 ♙g5 59.♞e7 ♙f4 60.♙b6
♙e4 [#] 61.♞a7! f6 62.♞xa6 ♙xa6
63.♙xa6 fxe5]

58...♙h7 59.♞d8 f6?? Blunder. Rg5
was best.

[59...♞g5! 60.♞d1 ♙b5 61.♞h1+ ♙g8
62.♞h4 ♞g1 63.♞b4 ♙e2 64.♞b6
♞g7! 65.♙c6]

[59...♞g5!±]

60.♞d6?? Blunder. exf6 was best.

[60.exf6 e5 [#] 61.♞d6! e4 62.♞e6
♙d3 63.♙c7 ♞f3 64.♙d4 ♙g8
65.♞e7 ♙f8]

[60.exf6+- And now Rd7+ would win.
e5 61.♞e8]

60...fxe5 61.♞xa6 Black must now
prevent Rd6. 61...♞f7+ 62.♙b6
Hoping for Ra8. 62...♙xa6 63.♙xa6
KR-KB 63...♙g6?? Blunder. e4 was
best.

[63...e4 64.♙b6 ♞f3! 65.a6 ♞xc3!
66.bxc3 e3 67.a7 e2 68.a8 ♗ e1 ♗
69.♗a3]

[63...e4= and Black is okay.]

64.♙b6+- ♙f5 65.a6 White is clearly
winning. 65...♙e4 66.a7 ♞f8 67.♙b7
♞f7+ 68.♙a6 ♞f8 69.b4 Strongly
threatening b5. 69...♙d5 70.b5
Accuracy: White = 81%, Black = 75%.

1-0

C07

□ Klimkowski,Jan 2517

■ Suleymenov,Alisher 2499

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1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘d2 c5 4.♘gf3

cxd4 5.♘xd4 ♘f6 6.exd5 ♗xd5

7.♘b5 ♘a6 8.♘c3 ♗d4N

[RR 8...♗d6 9.♗e2 ♙e7 10.♘c4 ♗c7
11.g3 ♗c6 12.♞g1 ♘b4 13.a3 ♘bd5
14.♙d2 0-0 15.♙g2 b5 16.♘e3 ♞b8
17.0-0-0 ♘xc3 18.♙xc3 ♗a6 19.♘f5
exf5 20.♗xe7 ♙e6 21.♞d6 ♗c8
22.♞gd1 ♘e4 23.♙xe4 Jaracz,P
(2472)-Meier,G (2628) Neuwied GER
2024 ½-½]

[RR 8...♗e5+ 9.♙e2 ♙b4 10.0-0

♙xc3 11.bxc3 0-0 12.♘c4 ♔c7
13.♚d4 ♘d5 14.♙d3 ♘c5 15.♙g5
♘xd3 16.cxd3 b5 17.♘a3 ♚xc3
18.♘xb5 ♚xd4 19.♘xd4 ♙a6
20.♖fd1 ♖fc8 21.♘b3 ♖c2 22.d4
♘c3 23.♖d2 Kaufman,R (2153)-Liu,H
(1996) Toronto CAN 2024 ½-½ (39)]

9.a3 ♘c5 10.♚e2 a6 11.♘f3 ♚d6
12.b4 ♘cd7 13.♙b2 ♙e7 14.g3 b5
15.♘e4 ♚c7 16.♙g2 ♘xe4 17.♚xe4
♙b7 18.♚e2 ♙f6 19.♙xf6 ♘xf6 20.0-0
♚c3 21.a4 0-0 22.axb5 axb5 23.♖ab1
♖a2 24.♖fc1 ♖c8 25.♘e1?! Inaccuracy.
Qd3 was best.

[25.♚d3]

25...♙xg2 26.♔xg2 ♚c6+ 27.♚f3 ♘d5
28.♖b3 ♚d6 29.♖d1 ♖c4 30.♔g1 g6
31.h4 h5 32.♖db1 ♖a4 33.♚d3
♖axb4?! Inaccuracy. Qc7 was best.

[33...♚c7 34.♚d2 ♘c3 35.♖c1
♖axb4 36.♘d3 ♖xb3 37.cxb3 ♘e4
38.♚e3 ♖xc1+ 39.♘xc1]

34.♖xb4 ♖xb4 35.♖d1?! Inaccuracy.
Rxb4 was best.

[35.♖xb4]

35...♚c5 36.♘f3 ♖c4 37.♖d2 ♔g7
38.♚e2 ♘c3 39.♚e1? Mistake. Qe5+
was best.

[39.♚e5+ ♚xe5 40.♘xe5 ♖c7
41.♘f3 ♔f6 42.♔f1 ♔e7 43.♘e5
♘d5 44.♘d3 f6]

39...♖e4? Mistake. Ne4 was best.

[39...♘e4 40.♖e2 ♘xg3 41.♚a1+
♖c3 42.♖e3 b4 43.♔g2 ♘f5 44.♖xc3
bxc3 45.♚a4]

40.♚f1 ♖g4 41.♔h2 ♖a4 42.♚e1 ♘e4
43.♖e2 ♚d5 44.♖e3 ♘f6 45.♚c3?
Mistake. Kg2 was best.

[45.♔g2 ♘g4 46.♖d3 ♚b7 47.♔g1
♚a8 48.♚e2 ♚c6 49.♚d1 ♖c4
50.♖d7 ♖xc2]

45...b4 46.♚e5 ♚xe5 47.♘xe5 ♖a2
48.♖b3 ♖xc2 49.♖xb4 ♖xf2+ 50.♔g1
♖f5 51.♘c4 ♖c5 52.♔f2 ♘d5 53.♖a4
♘c3 54.♖b4 ♘e4+ 55.♔g2 ♖d5

56.♖b7 ♘d6

0-1

C07

♐ Krzyzanowski, Marcin

2526

♜ Mishra, Abhimanyu

2634

Sharjah Master 2024 (2.7)

15.05.2024

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘d2 c5 4.♘gf3
cxd4 5.♘xd4 ♘c6 6.♙b5 ♙d7 7.♘xc6
bxc6 8.♙d3 ♙d6 9.♚e2 ♚c7 10.♘f3
dxe4 The position is equal. 11.♚xe4 ♘f6
12.♚h4 h6 13.0-0 c5

[RR 13...0-0-0 13...c5 0.17 14.♖e1
c5 15.b4 cxb4 16.♘e5 (16.♙b2±)
16...♚c3? (16...g5± 17.♚c4 ♙e8)
17.♙b2! ♙xe5 18.♙xc3 ♙xc3 19.a3
♙xe1 20.axb4 ♙c6 21.♚c4 ♙xf2+
22.♔xf2 ♔b7 23.♚a6+ ♔c7
24.♚xa7+ ♙b7 25.♙a6 ♘e4+ 26.♔e1
♘d6 27.♖d1 1-0 (27) Krzyzanowski,M
(2524)-Payne,M (2077) Reykjavik ISL
2024]

14.♖e1N

[RR 14.♘d2 ♙f4 15.♘c4 ♙xc1
16.♖axc1 0-0 17.♖fe1 ♙b5 18.♚g3
♚xg3 19.hxg3 ♖fd8 20.♖e5 ♖d5
21.♖xd5 exd5 22.♘e3 ♙c6 23.c3 a5
24.♙e2 ♖b8 25.♖c2 ♙d7 26.f3 ♙e6
27.♖d2 ♔f8 28.♔f2 ♔e7 Fedorchuk,
S (2546)-Osmak,Y (2452) Chartres
FRA 2023 ½-½ (37)]

14...♔e7 15.♘d2 g5 16.♚h3 ♖ag8
17.♘c4

[17.b4!?]

17...♙f4! 18.♙f1 ♙c6 19.♙e3 ♙d5
20.♖ad1 h5

[20...♙xc4!? 21.♙xc4 ♙xe3 22.♖xe3
g4±]

21.♙xf4! gxf4 22.♘e5↑ White is
pushing. 22...♔f8? Mistake. Rh7 was
best.

[22...♖h7 23.♖e2]

[22...♖h7!±]

23.c4+- ♙e4 24.♚c3! h4 25.f3 ♖h5 [#]

26. ♖g4!

[Inferior is 26.fxe4 ♖xe5 27.♖d8+ ♗g7#]

26... ♗xg4 27.fxc4 ♖e5 28.♖d8+??

Blunder. h3 was best.

[28.h3 ♗e7 29.♖d2 ♖c8 30.♖xf4 ♗c2 31.♖xe5 ♗xd1 32.♖g5+ ♗e8 33.♖e3 ♖d8]

[Better is 28.h3+-]

28... ♖xd8± 29.♖xe5 Double Attack

29... ♗b7? Mistake. f5 was best.

[29...f5! 30.♖xc5+ ♖e7 31.♖f2 ♖xg4 32.h3 ♖g3 33.♖xf4 ♗g7 34.♖e2 e5 35.♖f2]

[29...f5!±]

30.♖xc5+- Double Attack 30... ♖e7

31.♖xa7 ♖xg4 [#] 32.h3! ♖g6 33.♖b8+ ♗g7 White must now prevent ...Qc5+.

34.♖xf4 ♖b4 35.♖e5+ ♗g8 36.♖d1

Hoping for Rd8+. 36... ♖e7 37.♖d6 ♗f8

38.♖d8+ ♖xd8 39.♖xd8+ Endgame

KRB-KRB 39... ♗e7 40.♖h8 e5 41.c5

[Much less strong is 41.♖xh4 ♖a6+-]

41...e4 42.♖xh4 e3 43.♖a4 Strongly

threatening Ra7. 43... ♗c6 44.♖a3 ♖g3

45.b4 ♗d8 Threatens to win with ...e2.

46.♖b3 f5 47.b5 ♗e4 48.♖b4 ♗f3

49.♖b2 f4 50.c6 ♗c8 51.a4 ♗d5

If Black can now play ...f3 this

consolidates a bit. 52.♗h2 ♖g7 53.a5

f3 54.gxf3 ♗xf3 55.h4 ♗c7 56.♖c2 e2

57.♖xe2 ♗xe2 58.♗xe2 Bf3 is the strong

threat. KR-KB 58... ♖f7 59.♗g3 ♖f5

60.h5 ♖e5 61.♗f2 ♖f5+ 62.♗e1 ♖g5

63.h6 ♖g1+ 64.♗f2 White mates.

64... ♖g6 65.♗f3 ♖xh6 66.b6+ ♗d6

67.c7 ♖h2+ 68.♗g2 ♗d7?! Checkmate

is now unavoidable. Rh8 was best.

[68... ♖h8 69.a6]

69.♗g3 ♖h8 70.♗h3+ Accuracy: White = 89%, Black = 58%.

1-0

C07

□ Gurel,Ediz

2578

■ Martirosyan,Haik M.

2678

Sharjah Master 2024

21.05.2024

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♗d2 c5 4.♗gf3 cxd4 5.♗xd4 ♗c6 6.♗b5 ♗d7 7.♗xc6 bxc6 8.♗d3 ♗d6 9.♖e2 ♖c7 10.♗f3 dxe4 White is slightly better. 11.♖xe4 ♗f6 12.♖h4 c5 13.♗h6N

[RR 13.0-0 ♗c6 14.♗d2 ♗e7 15.♗c4 0-0 (15... ♗d5= keeps the balance. 16.♗g5 ♗xg5 17.♖xg5 0-0) 16.♗f4 ♖c8 (16... ♖d8±) 17.♗xh7+ ♗xh7 18.♖xe7 ♖b7 (18... ♖a6±) 19.♖xb7 ♗xb7 20.♖fd1 ♗f6 21.♗e3 (21.♗a5+- has better winning chances.) 21... ♗d5 22.♗d6 c4 23.♗b5 (23.f3±) 23...a6 (23... ♖ab8= remains equal. 24.♗xa7 ♖xb2) 24.♗c3 ♖ab8 25.b3 ♖fc8 26.♗d4 ♗e4 (26... ♗a8) 27.♗xd5 exd5 Xhembulla,A (2154)-Cruz,W (2216) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (95)]

13... ♖g8 14.♗xg7 ♗d5 15.♗h6 ♗e7

16.♖e4 ♖b8 17.♗e5 ♖b4 18.c4 ♗f6

19.♖e2 ♖xg2 20.a3?! Inaccuracy. O-O-

O was best.

[20.0-0-0 ♗d6!]

[20.0-0-0±]

20... ♖b8 21.0-0-0 ♗d6↑ White is under pressure. 22.♗xd7 ♗xd7 23.♗e4 ♖xh2

24.♖xh2 ♗xh2 25.♗b1 ♗e5 26.♗c1

♗f6 27.♗c2 ♗f4 28.♗a2 ♗e7

29.♗xf4?! Inaccuracy. Qf3 was best.

[29.♖f3 ♗xc1 30.♖xc1 ♖e5 31.♗b3 ♖d8 32.♗a4 ♗e4 33.♖c2 h5 34.♖e3 ♖d4]

[29.♖f3 ♗xc1 30.♖xc1]

29... ♖xf4# 30.♖d3 h5 31.b4 cxb4

32.axb4 ♗g4? Mistake. a6 was best.

[32...a6 33.♗a4 ♖xf2+ 34.♖d2 ♖f4 35.♗c6 h4 36.♖c3 ♖d8 37.♖xd8 ♗xd8 38.b5]

[Don't play 32... ♗f8 33.b5#]

[32...a6+- 33.♗a3 ♗d5]

33.b5 ♖xf2

[33...h4+ Strongly threatening ...h3.
34.f3 ♘e3 35.♗d7+ ♕f6]

34.♗d6+!+ ♖

[But not 34.♗d2? ♗c5-+]

34...♕f6 35.♗d2 ♖b6 Hoping for ...
Qxd6. **36.♗a3??** Blunder. Qf4+ was
best.

[36.♗f4+ ♕e7 37.♙d1 ♗f8 38.♙xg4
hxg4 39.♕b3 ♗g8 40.♗f2 f5 41.♗a2
♗g1!]

[36.♗f4+ ♖ was the only defense. ♕e7
37.♗g5+ ♘f6 38.♗f4]

36...♗c8-+ 37.♗d7?! Inaccuracy. Qb2+
was best.

[37.♗b2+ ♘e5 38.♙b3 ♕e7 39.♗d4
♗c5 40.♗a3 ♕f6 41.♗b4 ♕g7
42.♕a3 a6]

37...♗xc4 38.♗e7+ ♕e5 39.♙b3 ♗f4??
Blunder. Qa5+ was best.

[39...♗a5+ 40.♗a3 ♗xa3+ 41.♕xa3
♗f4! 42.♗xa7 ♕d6! 43.♗a8 ♕c5
44.♗f8 ♕xb5 45.♙xe6]

[39...♗a5+-+ 40.♗a3 ♗xa3+
41.♕xa3 ♗f4 42.♗xa7 ♕d6]

40.♗d5+!= ♕e4 41.♗b4+ ♕f3

42.♙d1+?? Blunder. Rd3+ was best.

[42.♗d3+ ♘e3 43.♙d1+! ♕g3
44.♗c3! ♗e4 45.♗e1+ ♕f4 46.♗h4+!
♘g4 47.♗f3+ ♕e5]

[42.♗d3+= and White stays safe. ♘e3
43.♗e1]

42...♕g3?? Blunder. Kg2 was best.

[42...♕g2! 43.♗xf4 exd5 44.♙xg4
hxg4 45.♗xg4+ ♕f2 46.♗f5+ ♕e1
47.♗b1+ ♕e2 48.♗c2+]

[Better is 42...♕g2!-+ 43.♗xf4 exd5
44.♙xg4 hxg4 45.♗xg4+ ♕f2
46.♗f5+ ♕e1 47.♗e5+ ♕f1 48.♗a1+
♕f2]

43.♗d3+ ♘e3 44.♗c3! ♗e4 45.♗e1+
♕f4 **46.♗h4+!** ♘g4 aiming for ...Qa5+.

47.♗f3+ ♕e5 48.♗g3+ ♕d5 Threatens
to win with ...Qa5+. **49.♙b3+ ♕c5**

White must now prevent ...Qa5+.
50.♗c3+! ♕b4 **51.♗c2!** Qc3+ is the

strong threat. **51...♘e3 52.♗e1+ ♕xb5**
And now ...Qa6+ would win. **53.♗e2+**
♕a5 **54.♗d2+!** ♗b4 **55.♗c3!** ♘g4??
[#] Blunder. Nf1 was best.

[55...♘f1 56.♗d7 ♗d4 57.♗e7! ♘d2
58.♗a3+ ♕b5 59.♙d1 ♗c4 60.♙e2
♕c6 61.♗xc4+]

[55...♘f1+ stays ahead. 56.♗e2 ♗d4]
56.♙c4!+- ♗f2 [#] 57.♙e2!

White threatens Qd8+ and mate.
57...♗d4 58.♗d3 ♗c4+? Mistake. Qb2+
was best.

[58...♗b2+ 59.♗xb2 ♗xb2+ 60.♕xb2
♕b6 61.♗f3 f5 62.♙c4 ♘e5 63.♗b3+
♕c5 64.♙xe6]

[♠58...♗b2+ 59.♗xb2 ♗xb2+
60.♕xb2 ♕b4]

59.♕a3? Mistake. Ka1 was best.

[59.♕a1 ♕a4 60.♗d1+ ♕b5 61.♗b3
♕c6 62.♙xc4 ♗a4+ 63.♕b1 ♗xc4
64.♗f3+ ♕c5]

[♠59.♕a1 White wants to mate with
Ra3+. ♕a4 60.♗d1+ ♕b5 61.♗a3]

59...♘e5? Mistake. Qf4 was best.

[59...♗f4 60.♗c3 ♕b6 61.♗xb4+
♗xb4+ 62.♕xb4 a5+ 63.♕c3 ♕c5
64.♗h3 f5 65.♗xh5]

[59...♗f4 keeps fighting.]

60.♗e3 Discovered Attack **60...♕b6?!**
Inaccuracy. Qd4 was best.

[60...♗d4 61.♗xe5+! ♕b6 62.♗xb4+
♗xb4+ 63.♕xb4 a5+ 64.♗xa5 h4
(64...♕c6+- 65.♙xh5 f6) 65.♙h5

(♠65.♗a6+ ♕c7 66.♗a7+ ♕d6
67.♗xf7 h3 68.♕c4 ♕e5 69.♗h7
♕f5 70.♗h5+ ♕f4 71.♗xh3) 65...f6

(65...♕c6+- 66.♙xf7 ♕d6) 66.♙f7
(♠66.♙f3 h3 67.♗c5 e5 68.♗c6+
Double Attack ♕b7 69.♗xf6+ ♕c8
70.♙g4+ ♕d8 71.♙xh3)]

[60...♘d3+- 61.♗xd3 ♗f4]

61.♗d6+ Double Attack. White mates.
61...♕b7?? Checkmate is now

unavoidable. Qc6 was best.

[61...♗c6 62.♗xb4+ ♕c7 63.♗c3 h4
64.♙b5 ♗xc3+ 65.♗xc3+ ♕b6

66.♖xe5 f6 67.♖b8+]
62.♖e7+ ♖c7? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Kc6 was best.

[62...♔c6 63.♙xc4]

63.♖xb4+ Accuracy: White = 68%, Black = 78%.

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C11
 □ **Nguyen,Thai Dai Van** 2649
 ■ **Siddharth,Jagadeesh** 2508
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘c3 ♘f6 4.♙g5
 dxe4 5.♘xe4 ♘bd7 6.♘f3 h6 7.♙xf6
 ♘xf6 8.♙d3 ♘xe4 9.♙xe4 c5 10.♖e2
 ♖a5+ 11.c3 ♙e7 12.0-0-0 cxd4
 13.♘xd4

[RR 13.♖xd4 ♙f6 14.♖b4 ♖b8
 15.♖d1 ♙d7 16.♔b1 ♙a4 17.b3 ♙d7
 18.♖e3 b5 19.♖bd4 ♙xd4 20.♖xd4
 0-0 21.b4 ♖a3 22.♖xd7 a5 23.♖d2
 axb4 24.cxb4 ♖bd8 25.♖xd8 ♖xb4+
 26.♔a1 ♖c3+ 27.♔b1 ♖b4+
 Kosakowski,J (2482)-Szpar,M (2495)
 Piraeus GRE 2024 ½-½]

13...♙d7N
 [RR 13...0-0 14.♙c2 ♖xa2 15.h4
 ♖a1+ 16.♙b1 ♖a5 17.f4 ♖c7
 18.♖e4 f5 19.♖e3 ♔h8 20.g4 ♙c5
 21.♖hg1 ♙d7 22.♖g3 ♙d6 23.♖df1
 ♙c5 24.♖d1 ♙d6 25.♘e2 ♖f7 26.g5
 ♙b5 27.♙d3 ♙a4 28.♙c2 Valenzuela
 Gomez,F (2383)-Ribera Veganzones,S
 (2215) Sant Boi ESP 2023 1-0 (45)]

14.♙xb7 ♖b8 15.♖a6 ♖c7 16.♙c6 ♖b6
17.♙xd7+ ♖xd7 18.♖c4 0-0 19.♘b3
♖b7 20.f3 ♙f6 21.♔b1 ♖c8 22.♖e4
♖xe4+?! Inaccuracy. Qb8 was best.
 [22...♖b8 23.♖d2]

23.fxe4 a5 24.♔c2?! Inaccuracy. Nxa5
was best.
 [24.♘xa5 ♙xc3 25.♘b3 ♙e5 26.h3
 h5 27.♖c1 ♖cb8 28.♖he1 g5 29.♖e2
 g4]

24...a4 25.♘d4 ♖b4 26.e5
 ½-½

C17
 □ **Sethuraman,S.P.** 2588
 ■ **Dronavalli,Harika** 2503
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘c3 ♙b4 4.e5 c5
 5.a3 ♙a5 6.b4 cxd4 7.♖g4
 [7.♖xd4 ♙b6=]
 7...♔f8 8.♘b5
 [8.bxa5?! dxc3 9.♖b4+ ♘e7=]

8...♙b6 9.♘f3
 [Much weaker is 9.♘xd4 ♖c7=]
 9...♘c6 White is slightly better. **10.♙b2**
♘ge7 11.♘bxd4 h5 12.♖f4N

[RR 12.♖g5 ♘g6 13.♖d2
 (White should play 13.♖xd8± ♙xd8
 14.♘xc6 bxc6 15.♙d3) 13...♘xe5
 14.♘xe5 ♘xe5 15.♘xe6+ ♙xe6
 16.♙xe5 f6 (Black should try
 16...♙g4= 17.♖f4 ♖e7) 17.♙b2 ♔f7
 18.♙e2 ♙f5 19.0-0 ♖c8 20.♖ac1 h4
 21.♖fd1 ♙e4 22.h3? (22.c4±
 stays ahead.) 22...♖d6 23.♙d3

A) 23...♙f3!+ _____ is more deadly.
 24.♙g6+ Decoy (24.gxf3 ♖g3+)
 24...♔xg6 25.♖d3+ ♙e4 26.♖xe4+
 dxe4 27.♖xd6 ♖hd8;

B) 23...♖he8 24.♙xe4 ♖xe4
 25.♖xd5+ (25.♖e1= ♖d8 26.♖xe4
 dxe4 27.♖xd6 ♖xd6 28.c4 ♙xf2+
 Decoy 29.♔xf2 ♖d2+
 Double Attack 30.♔e3 ♖xb2
 31.♔xe4) 25...♖xd5 26.♖xd5 ♖e2!
 De Boer,E (2395)-Vogt,A (2297)
 Netherlands NED 2024 ½-½ (49)]

12...♘g6 13.♘xc6 ♘xf4 14.♘xd8
 ♙xd8 15.g3 ♘g6 16.♙d3 h4 17.♔d2
 ♙d7 18.b5 hxg3 19.hxg3 ♖xh1
 20.♖xh1 ♔g8 21.♙d4 ♙e8 22.♖e1
 ♘e7 23.♙c5 ♘c8 24.♖h1 g6?!
 Inaccuracy. Nb6 was best.

[24...♘b6 25.♘d4 ♘c4+ 26.♔e2

♞xe5 27.♙h7+ ♚h8 28.♙f5+ ♚g8]
 25.♞h2 ♞b6 26.♞g4 ♞d7 27.♙d4
 ♚g7 28.a4 ♖c8 29.♙c3

[And not 29.♙xa7 ♙a5+ 30.♚e2 b6̄]
 29...♙e7 30.f3 ♙g5+ 31.f4 ♙e7 32.♙d4
 ♙c5 33.♙c3

[33.c3 is more complex. ♙e7 34.a5
 b6 35.a6 ♖d8 36.♚e2]

33...♙e7 34.a5 ♙d8 35.♖a1 ♙e7
 36.♖b1 ♙c5 37.♚e2 ♙f2 38.♙d2 ♙d4
 39.♙e3 ♙c3 40.♙xa7 ♙xa5 41.♙d4
 ♙b6 42.♚e3 ♖a8 43.♙xb6 ♞xb6
 44.♚d4 ♞d7 45.b6?! Inaccuracy. c4
 was best.

[45.c4 dxc4]
 45...♖a4+ 46.c4 dxc4 47.♙xc4 ♞f8
 48.♞f6 ♙c6 49.g4 ♖a3?! Inaccuracy.
 g5 was best.

[49...g5 50.f5 exf5 51.gxf5 ♞d7
 52.♞xd7 ♙xd7 53.f6+ ♚g6 54.♚c5
 ♚f5! 55.♙d5]

[49...♞d7±]
 50.♙b5± ♙g2?? Blunder. Bxb5 was
 best.

[50...♙xb5]
 [50...♙xb5± 51.♖xb5 g5]

51.♖c1 ♖f3 52.♖c7?? Blunder. Rc8 was
 best.

[52.♖c8 ♖xf4+ 53.♚c5 ♖f3 54.♚d6
 ♞h7 55.♖g8+ ♚h6 56.♖h8 ♚g5
 57.♖xh7 ♖b3]

[52.♞e8+- ♚h6 53.♖c7 (53.g5+
 ♚h7+-) 53...♖xf4+ 54.♚c3]

52...♖xf4+ 53.♚e3 ♖f3+ 54.♚e2
 Be8 is the strong threat. 54...♖b3??
 [#] Blunder. Nh7 was best.

[54...♞h7 55.♞e8+ ♚h6 56.♞d6
 ♞g5 57.♖xb7 ♙f1+ [#] 58.♚d1! ♙xb5
 59.♞xb5 ♞e4 60.♖a7]

[54...♞h7±]
 55.♙e8!+- ♚h6 56.♖xf7 ♖xb6 57.♖xf8
 ♚g5 58.♚f2 ♙c6 59.♙xc6 ♖xc6
 Endgame KRN-KR 60.♚e3 ♖c3+

61.♚d4 ♖c1 62.♖e8 ♖c6 63.♖b8 b6
 64.♖g8 ♖c1 65.♖e8 ♖c6 66.♞e4+
 ♚xg4 67.♞d6 ♖c1 68.♖xe6 ♖d1+

69.♚e3 g5 70.♖g6 b5 71.♖g8 b4
 72.♖b8 ♖e1+ 73.♚d4 ♚f4 intending ...
 Rd1+. 74.♖f8+ ♚g4 75.♞e4

Strongly threatening e6. 75...b3
 If only Black now had time for ...b2....
 76.♞f2+ ♚g3 White must now prevent ...

b2. 77.♞d3 ♖e2 78.♖b8 g4 79.♖xb3
 Intending Nc1+ and mate. 79...♚h2?!
 Inaccuracy. Kh4 was best.

[79...♚h4 80.♖b8 ♖a2 81.e6 ♖a7
 82.♚e5 ♚g3 83.♚f5 ♚f3 84.♞e5+
 ♚e3 85.♞xg4+]

80.♞f4 ♖e1 White mates. 81.♖e3 ♖f1??
 Checkmate is now unavoidable. Ra1 was
 best.

[81...♖a1 82.♚e4 ♚g1 83.♖e2 ♚f1
 84.♚f5 g3 85.♚g4 ♖a3 86.e6 g2
 87.♖xg2]

82.♚e4 g3? Checkmate is now
 unavoidable. Kg1 was best.

[82...♚g1 83.♖e2 ♖a1 84.♚f5 g3
 85.♚g4 ♖a3 86.♖g2+ ♚f1 87.♖xg3
 ♖xg3+ 88.♚xg3]

83.e6 Accuracy: White = 77%, Black =
 63%.
 1-0

□ C20
 Ivanchuk, Vasyil 2609
 ■ Mchedlishvili, Mikheil 2567
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♞e2 ♞f6 3.d4 ♞xe4 4.f3
 ♞d6 5.dxe5 ♞f5 6.♞bc3 d6 7.exd6
 ♙xd6 8.♙f4 0-0 9.♙xd6 ♞xd6 10.♖d2
 ♖h4+ 11.g3 ♖b4 12.b3 a5 13.♖d1
 ♖e8 14.♞d5 ♖c5 15.♞xc7 ♖xc7
 16.♖xd6 ♖xc2 17.♖d2 ♖c6 18.♙g2
 ♖xd6 19.♖xd6 ♞c6 20.♚f2 a4
 1/2-1/2

Pranav,V **C24**
 Yakubboev,Nodirbek **2587**
2665
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘c3 ♘f6 3.♙c4 ♘c6 4.d3
♘a5 5.♙b3 ♘xb3 6.axb3 d5 7.♘f3

[RR 7.♙g5 ♙b4 (7...d4= 8.♘ce2
 ♙c5) 8.♙xf6 gxf6 9.♙f1 c6 10.♘f3
 ♙g8 11.♙e2 ♙e6 12.d4 ♙xc3
 13.bxc3 ♙e7 (13...dxe4= 14.♙xe4
 Double Attack ♙d5 15.♙xh7 0-0-0)
 14.dxe5 fxe5 15.h3 (15.exd5!± ♙xd5
 16.c4 ♙xf3 17.♙xf3) 15...f6 16.♙g1
 (♘16.♙g1) 16...a6 17.♙e3 0-0-0
 18.exd5 cxd5 19.♙b6 (19.g4♣)
 19...♙f5 (19...♙d6+ 20.♙b4 ♙c7)
 20.♙a5 ♙xc2 21.♙a7? (21.♘e1♣
 ♙d1 22.♘d3) 21...♙d3+ Pranav,V
 (2604)-Ivanchuk,V (2611) Sant Ferran
 de ses Roques ESP 2024 0-1 (38)]

7...♙b4N Hoping for ...d4.

[RR 7...d4 8.♘e2 ♙d6 9.0-0 c5
 10.h3 ♙e6 11.♘g3 h6 12.♙e2 ♙d7
 (12...0-0=) 13.♙d2 0-0 14.♘h4 ♙fe8
 15.♙f3 (Better is 15.f4±) 15...♘h7
 16.♘hf5 (White should play
 16.♘gf5±) 16...♙f8! 17.♙g4 ♙h8
 (17...g6♣ 18.f4 exf4 19.♙xf4 ♙h8
 20.♙e5+ f6 21.♙xf6+ Decoy ♘xf6
 22.♙xg6 ♘g8) 18.♙e2 (White should
 try 18.f4!±) 18...a6 19.f4 (19.♙ae1=)
 19...exf4! 20.♙xf4? (20.♙xf4♣ g6
 21.♙af1) 20...♙xf5! 21.♘xf5 ♙xf5
 22.♙xh6 Sisman,G (1754)-Lopusiewicz,
 P (2301) chess.com INT 2023 0-1
 (34)]

[RR 7...dxe4 8.dxe4 ♙d6 9.0-0 h6
 10.♘d2 ♙g4 11.f3 ♙e6 12.♘c4
 ♙c5+ 13.♙h1 ♘d7 14.♙e2 0-0
 15.♙e3 ♙d4 16.♙xd4 exd4 17.♘b5
 c5 18.♘xa7 ♘b8 19.e5 ♙d5
 (19...♘d7±) 20.♘d6 b6 21.♘ac8
 (21.f4±) 21...♙xa1 22.♙xa1
 Harsh,S (2413)-Pranesh,M (2538) Hua
 Hin THA 2024 ½-½ (56)]

[RR 7...dxe4 8.♘xe5 exd3 9.0-0
 ♙e7 10.♘xd3 ♙g4 11.♙e1 0-0 12.h3
 ♙f5 13.♙e3! ♙xd3 14.♙d1 ♙e8
 15.♙xd3 ♙xd3 16.♙xd3 a6 17.♙f4
 c6 18.♙c7 ♙d8 19.♙d6 ♙e7 20.♙c7
 ♙d8 21.♙d6 ♙e7 22.♙c7 Xu,X (2637)-
 Dai,C (2510) Xinghua CHN 2024 ½-½]

8.0-0 dxe4 9.♘xe5 White is slightly
 better. **9...♙xc3 10.bxc3 0-0! 11.♙g5**
exd3 12.♘xd3 h6 13.♙h4 g5 14.♙g3
♙g4 15.f3 ♙f5 16.♙e5 ♘d7 17.♙d4 a5
18.c4 a4?! Inaccuracy. Re8 was best.

[18...♙e8]

[18...♙e8= keeps the balance.]

**19.♙xa4± ♙xa4 20.bxa4 ♙e8 21.c5?!
 Inaccuracy.** a5 was best.

[21.a5 ♘f8 22.♙c3 ♙d6 23.♙e1
 ♙xe1+ 24.♙xe1 ♙e6 25.♙xe6 ♙xe6
 26.♘c5 ♙xc4]

[21.a5±]

**21...♘f8= 22.♙f2 ♙d7 23.♙a1?!
 Inaccuracy.** Nb4 was best.

[23.♘b4 ♙xd1]

[23.♘b4±]

23...♙e2 24.a5 c6

[But not 24...♙xc2? 25.c6!+-]

25.♘b4 ♙e6? Mistake. Bxc2 was best.

[25...♙xc2]

[25...♙xc2= remains equal. 26.a6
 bxa6]

26.♙d1↑ White is on the roll. **26...♙e7**
27.♙d4 g4?! [#] Inaccuracy. Qe8 was
 best.

[27...♙e8 28.h4 f6 29.♙d8 g4
 30.fxg4 ♙xg4 31.♙d6 ♙xd8 32.♙xd8
 ♙f7 33.♙b8]

[27...♙c7± 28.♙a1 ♙c8]

28.♙f4!+-

[Don't play 28.fxg4?! ♙e4]

28...♙g5 29.♙xg5+ hxg5 30.fxg4
♙xg4 31.♙d8 ♙e7?! Inaccuracy. Kg7
 was best.

[31...♙g7 32.♙b8 ♙e7 33.♙d4+ f6
 34.♙xf6+! ♙xf6 35.♙xf8+ ♙g7
 36.♙a8 ♙e1+ 37.♙f2]

[31...♙g7 is a better defense. 32.♙b8

♠e7 33.♙d4+ f6]
32.h3 ♙e6?! Inaccuracy. Bf5 was best.
 [32...♙f5 32...♞d7 2.28 33.a6 bxa6
 34.♗xc6 ♞c7 35.♗d4 ♞c8 36.♞d5
 ♙d7 37.♞xg5+ ♔h7 38.♞h5+]
 [32...♞d7 was necessary.]

33.♞b8?! Inaccuracy. a6 was best. Bg3 is
 the strong threat.
 [33.a6]

33...♞d7 34.a6 bxa6 35.♗xc6 ♞d1+
36.♔h2 ♔g7?! Inaccuracy. Rd2 was
 best.

[36...♞d2 37.♙d4 f6 38.♙xf6 ♙d5
 39.♗e7+ ♔f7 40.♗xd5 ♞xd5 41.c6
 ♞c5 42.♙xg5]

[36...♞d2 might work better.]

37.♗d4 ♞f1 38.♙g3 Accuracy: White =
 66%, Black = 46%.
1-0

♠ **Safarli,Eltaj** **C27** **2594**
 ♣ **Gholami Orimi,Mahdi** **2470**
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1.e4 e5 2.♙c4 ♗f6 3.♗c3 ♗xe4
4.♞h5 ♗d6 5.♞xe5+ ♞e7 6.♞xe7+
♙xe7 7.♙e2 0-0

[RR 7...c6 8.♗f3 ♗f5 9.g4 ♗h4
 10.♗xh4 ♙xh4 11.♗e4 ♙e7 12.d4
 d5 13.♗g3 0-0 14.♙f4 c5 15.0-0-0
 cxd4 16.♞xd4 ♙e6 17.♗f5 ♙c5
 18.♞d2 ♗c6 19.♙d6 ♙xd6 20.♗xd6
 b6 21.f4 ♞ad8 22.♗b5 Pranav,V
 (2604)-Baklan,V (2531) Sant Ferran de
 ses Roques ESP 2024 1-0 (73)]

8.♗f3N

[RR 8.d4 c6 9.♗f3 ♗f5 10.d5 ♙b4
 11.♙f4 ♞e8 12.0-0-0 g5 13.♙xg5
 ♙xc3 14.♙d3 ♙xb2+ 15.♔xb2 ♗g7
 16.♞he1 ♞xe1 17.♞xe1 d6 18.♙f4
 ♙g4 19.♙xd6 cxd5 20.♞e7 ♗c6
 21.♞xb7 ♗e6 22.♗e5 ♗xe5
 Schulze,L (2285)-Piddubna,B (2035)
 Monaco MNC 2024 1-0 (33)]

8...♗f5 9.d4 ♙b4 10.♙d2 ♙xc3
11.♙xc3 ♞e8 12.♔d2 d5 13.♞ae1 ♗c6
14.♙d3 ♙d7 15.h4 f6 16.♞xe8+ ♞xe8
17.♙xf5 ♙xf5 18.♞e1 ♔f7
 1/2-1/2

♠ **Sivuk,Vitaly** **C34** **2541**
 ♣ **Petrosyan,Manuel** **2616**
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1.e4

[1.e3]

1...e5 2.f4?! Inaccuracy. Nf3 was best.

[2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 ♗f6 4.0-0 ♗xe4
 5.♞e1 ♗d6 6.♗xe5 ♙e7]

2...exf4 3.♗f3 h6 4.♙c4 g5 5.d4 ♙g7
6.0-0?! Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[6.h4 d6 7.♞d3 ♗c6 8.♗c3 ♙g4
 9.♙b5 ♙d7 10.♙xc6 ♙xc6]

6...♗e7?! Inaccuracy. d6 was best.

[6...d6 7.h4 ♗c6 8.c3 ♞f6 9.♗a3
 ♙d7 10.♙d3 ♗ge7 11.♗c4]

7.g3 d5 8.exd5 fxg3 9.♗e5 gxh2+
10.♔h1?! Inaccuracy. Kxh2 was best.

[10.♔xh2 0-0]

10...0-0 11.♗c3 b5 12.♙b3 ♙b7??
 Blunder. Nf5 was best.

[12...♗f5 13.♗e4 c5 14.dxc6 ♙xe5
 15.dxe5 ♞xd1 16.♞xd1 ♗xc6 17.♙d5
 ♗fe7 18.♗f6+]

13.♞h5?! Inaccuracy. Bxg5 was best.

[13.♙xg5 hxg5 14.♗xf7 ♞e8
 15.♔xh2 ♗d7 16.d6 ♗f6 17.♗d8+
 ♔h8 18.dxe7 ♞xd8]

13...♗g6?? Blunder. Nd7 was best.

[13...♗d7]

14.♗g4 b4 15.♗e2?? Blunder. Nxb6+
 was best.

[15.♗xh6+ ♙xh6 16.♞xh6 ♞d6
 17.♞xg5 ♗d7 18.♗e4 ♞e7 19.♞g2
 ♞ae8 20.♞f4 ♔g7]

15...♙xd5+ 16.♔xh2 ♙xb3 17.axb3
♞d6+ 18.♗g3 ♗h4?? Blunder. Ne7
 was best.

[18...♘e7]
19.♙xg5 hxg5 20.♖xg5 ♘g6 21.♗f6+
♙xf6 22.♖xf6 ♖xd4 23.♗f5 ♖f4+
24.♖xf4 ♗xf4 25.♗e7+ ♔g7 26.♖xf4
♖h8+ 27.♔g3 ♗d7 28.♖xb4 ♗e5
29.♖b7 c6 30.♖a5 ♔f6 31.b4??

Blunder. Ra6 was best.

[31.♖a6 ♔e6 32.b4 f5 33.♗xc6
 ♖ag8+ 34.♔f2 ♖h2+ 35.♔f1 ♖h1+
 36.♔f2 ♖h2+]

31...♖he8?? Blunder. Rh5 was best.

[31...♖h5 32.♖c7 ♖ah8 33.♖xc6+
 ♗xc6 34.♖xh5 ♖xh5 35.♗xc6 a6
 36.♗b8 a5 37.♗a6]

32.♖c5 ♖xe7 33.♖xe7 ♖g8+ 34.♔h3
♔xe7 35.♖xe5+ ♔d6 36.♖a5 ♖e8
37.♖xa7 ♖e2 38.c4 ♖xb2 39.b5 cxb5
40.cxb5 ♖xb5 41.♖xf7 ♔e5

1/2-1/2

☐ Ivanchuk,Vasyl

■ Erdos,Viktor

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2609

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17.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗xe5 d6 4.♗f3
♗xe4 5.♗c3 ♗xc3 6.dxc3 ♙e7 7.♙e3
0-0 8.♖d2 ♗d7 9.0-0-0 ♗f6

[RR 9...c6 10.♔b1 ♖e8 11.h4 d5
 12.c4 ♗f6 13.♖c3 ♙g4 14.♙d3 a5
 15.a3 h6 16.♖hg1 ♖c8 17.♖b3 a4
 18.♖a2 ♖d8 19.♙d4 ♙e6 20.♖de1
 c5 21.♙xf6 ♙xf6 22.g4 ♙xg4 23.♗e5
 ♙xe5 24.♖xe5 Duda,J (2732)-Smirnov,
 A (2586) chess.com INT 2024 0-1
 (66)]

10.♙d3 ♖e8 11.♖he1 ♙g4 12.♙d4N

[RR 12.♙g5 ♖d7 13.♖f4 ♗h5
 14.♖d2 ♙xg5 15.♖xg5 h6 16.♖d2
 ♖a4 17.a3 ♙xf3 18.gxf3 ♖f4
 19.♖xf4 ♗xf4 20.♖e4 ♗h3 21.♖f1
 ♗g5 22.♖e3 ♗h3 23.♙e4 ♖ab8
 24.♙f5 ♗f4 25.♖e4 ♖xe4 26.fxe4
 ♖e8 Graif,W (2302)-Lee,A (2379) New
 York USA 2024 1/2-1/2 (67)]

[RR 12.h3 ♙xf3 13.gxf3 ♗d7 14.♖g1
 ♙f6 15.♖g2 d5 16.f4 ♖e7 17.h4
 ♗c5 18.♙f5 ♖ad8 19.♖dg1 ♗e4
 20.♖e2 ♔h8 21.♖b5 c6 22.♖a4 b5
 23.♖a5 a6 24.♖b6 b4 25.♙d4 g6
 26.♙xe4 dxe4 Dhruva,T (2182)-
 Jacobson,A (2446) Sitges ESP 2023
 1-0 (49)]

[RR 12.♖e2 ♖d7 13.h3 ♙f5
 1/2-1/2 (13) Turcan,R (2402)-Juhasz,K
 (2484) Austria AUT 2024]

12...c5 13.♙xf6 ♙xf6 14.♙e4 ♙xf3
15.♙xf3 ♖xe1 16.♖xe1 ♖b8 17.♖d5 b5
18.♖e3 a5 19.♙e2 a4 20.a3 g6 21.g3
b4 22.cxb4 cxb4 23.axb4 ♖xb4 24.c3
♖a8 25.♖d1?! Inaccuracy. cxb4 was
best.

[25.cxb4 ♖xd5 26.♔b1 ♖f5+ 27.♔c1
 ♔g7 28.g4 ♖c8+ 29.♔b1 ♖b7 30.b5
 ♖h1+]

25...♖b8?! Inaccuracy. Qc8 was best.

[25...♖c8 26.♖d3 ♖b8 27.♖a7 ♖a8
 28.♖e3 a3 29.bxa3 ♖xa3 30.♔d2
 ♖h3 31.♖f3]

26.♖f3 a3 27.♖xa8 ♖xa8 28.bxa3
♖xa3 29.♖xd6 ♙xc3 30.♖a6 ♖xa6
31.♙xa6 ♙d4 32.f3 ♙g1 33.h3 ♙h2
 1/2-1/2

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☐ Nguyen,Thai Dai Van

■ Madaminov,Mukhiddin

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22.05.2024

1.e4 https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/
0Oz1gAg2 1...e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗xe5
d6 4.♗f3 ♗xe4 5.d4 d5 6.♙d3 ♙d6
7.0-0 0-0 8.c4 c6 9.♖e1 ♙f5 10.♗g5N

[RR 10.♖c2 ♗a6 11.a3 ♙g6 12.♙e3
 ♖c8 13.♗c3 ♗xc3 14.♖xc3 ♙xd3
 15.♖xd3 dxc4 16.♖xc4 ♗c7 17.♖b3
 b6 18.♖ac1 ♗d5 19.♙d2 ♖e8
 20.♖a4 ♖xe1+ 21.♖xe1 a5 22.h3 f6
 23.♖c1 ♖d7 24.h4 g6 Vidit,S (2742)-
 Nepomniachtchi,I (2769) Wijk aan Zee

NED 2024 ½-½ (55)]

[RR 10.cxd5 cxd5 11.♘c3 ♘xc3
12.bxc3 ♙xd3 13.♚xd3 ♚d7 14.♗g5
g6 15.♞b1 b6 16.♚h3 ♚xh3
17.♗xh3 ♗d7 18.♞b5 ♞fe8 19.♞xe8+
♞xe8 20.♙f1 ♗f6 21.g3 ♙c7 22.♙f4
a6 23.♞b4 ♞c8 24.♙xc7 ♞xc7
Paravyan,D (2612)-Suyarov,M (2407)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (41)]

[RR 10.♚c2 ♗a6 11.a3 ♙g6 12.c5
♙b8 13.b4 ♗c7 14.♗bd2 (14.♙f4!=
keeps the balance.) 14...f5! 15.♙b2
♗e6 16.♞ad1 (16.♗e5?) 16...♙h5
17.♞a1 ♞f6 18.♙f1 (18.♗e5 ♗xd4
Remove Defender 19.♙xd4 ♙xe5
20.♙xe5 ♞xe5 21.♗b3) 18...♙f4
19.g3 ♙xd2 20.♗xd2 ♗xd4 21.♙xd4
♞xd4 22.♗b3 ♞f6 23.♙g2 ♞ae8
24.f3 ♗g5 Duda,J (2731)-Yeletsky,I
(2504) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (32)]

10...♞e8 11.♙xe4 dxe4 12.♗c3
The position is equal. 12...♗d7
13.♗gxe4 ♙xe4 14.♗xe4 ♙xh2+!
15.♙f1 ♙c7 16.♙g5 f6 17.♙h4 ♗f8!
18.d5 cxd5 19.cxd5 ♗g6 20.d6
Strongly threatening Bxf6. 20...♗xh4
21.d7 ♞e7 22.♞d5+ ♗h8 23.♗c5
♗g6! 24.♞xe7 ♗xe7

[24...♞xe7? is the wrong capture.
25.♞xb7 ♞xc5 26.♞xa8+ ♗f8
27.d8♞+-]

25.♞e6 ♗g6 26.♗xb7 ♞g8! 27.♞xg8+!
♞xg8 28.♞d1 ♙d8 29.b4 White has
compensation. 29...♗e5?! Inaccuracy.
h5 was best.

[29...h5 30.a4 ♗h7 31.♞d4 ♗e5
32.f4 ♗c6 33.♞c4 ♗b8! 34.♞c8
♗xd7 35.♞xd8]

30.f4 ♗f7 31.a4 g5 32.♞e1 ♙c7?
Mistake. gxf4 was best.

[32...gxf4]

[32...gxf4± 33.♞e8 h5]

33.♞c1!± ♙xf4 34.♞c8 a6?! Inaccuracy.
Kg7 was best.

[34...♙g7 34...h5 1.07 35.b5 h5
36.a5! h4 37.b6! axb6 38.a6 ♙b8

39.d8♞ ♗xd8 40.♗xd8]

[34...h5±]

35.a5 ♙g7 [#] 36.b5! axb5 37.a6!
Threatens to win with a7. 37...♙b8
intending ...Ba7. 38.♗c5?? Blunder.
Nd6 was best.

[38.♗d6! ♞d8 39.♗xf7 ♞xd7
40.♞xb8 ♞d1+ 41.♙f2 ♞a1 42.♞b7
♞xa6 43.♗xg5+! ♙g6]

[White must play 38.♗d6!+- ♞d8
39.♗xf7 ♞xd7 40.♞xb8]

38...♙a7 And now ...Bxc5 would win.

39.♗e6+ ♗h8! 40.♞c7 ♙e3

[Black should try 40...♙b8± 41.♞b7
h5]

41.♙e2!

[Much worse is 41.a7?! ♙xa7!
42.♞xa7 h5=]

41...♙g1?! Inaccuracy. Bb6 was best.

[41...♙b6 42.♞c8 h5 43.♞e8 ♗h7
44.♗c7 ♞h8 45.♗xb5 h4 (45...♙g7±
is a better defense.) 46.a7! ♙xa7
47.♗xa7]

[41...♙b6± was worth a try.]

42.♞c1?! Inaccuracy. Rc8 was best.

[42.♞c8! ♙b6 43.♗c7 ♞d8 44.♗d5
♙a7 45.♗e7 ♙g7 46.♞c7! ♙b8
47.♗c6! ♙xc7]

[42.♞c8!+- and White stays clearly on
top.]

42...♙a7 43.♞c7! ♙g1? Mistake. Bb6
was best.

[43...♙b6 44.♞c8]

44.♞c1? Mistake. Rc8 was best.

[44.♞c8! ♙b6 (44...h5± might work
better.) 45.♗c7! ♞d8 46.♗d5 ♙a7
47.♗e7 ♙g7 48.♞c7! ♙b6
(48...♗e5± 49.♞xa7 b4) 49.♗c6!
♙xc7]

[44.♞c8!±]

44...♙a7 45.♞c8

[45.g4±]

45...h5 46.♗c7 Ne8 is the strong threat.

46...b4? Mistake. Rd8 was best.

[46...♞d8! 47.♗xb5 ♙b6 48.♗c7 h4
49.♗e6 ♞g8 50.♞e8 g4 51.♗f4! h3

52.gxh3]
 [46...♖d8!±]
47.♘b5 b3 aiming for ...b2. **48.♔d2 b2?**
 Mistake. Bb6 was best.
 [48...♙b6]
 [48...♙b6± keeps fighting.]
49.♔c2+- ♙b6 [#] 50.♘d6! ♘d8?
 [#] Mistake. Nxd6 was best.
 [50...♘xd6 51.♖xg8+]
 [50...♘xd6± 51.♖xg8+ ♔xg8]
51.♖b8! White has a decisive advantage.
51...♙c7 52.a7 ♙xd6 53.♖c8
 Accuracy: White = 87%, Black = 74%.
 [Weaker is 53.♔xb2 ♙xb8 54.axb8♖
 ♔g7±]
1-0

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♐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2684**
 ♜ **Horvath,Dominik** **2553**
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘f6 3.d3 d5 4.exd5
♖xd5 5.♘c3 ♙b4 6.♙d2 ♙xc3 7.♙xc3
♘c6 8.♙e2 ♙f5N
 [RR 8...♙g4 9.h3 ♙h5 (9...♙d7=
 keeps the balance.) 10.0-0! 0-0-0
 (10...♙g6± was called for.) 11.♘g5?
 (Only move: 11.♘xe5!+- ♙xe2
 12.♖xe2) 11...♙xe2 12.♖xe2 h6
 13.♘e4 ♘xe4 14.dxe4 ♖e6 15.b4
 ♘d4 16.♙xd4! ♖xd4 17.c3 ♖c4?
 (17...♖d7= and Black stays safe.)
 18.♖e3? (18.♖g4+- ♖d7 19.♖xg7)
 18...♖xe4 19.♖xa7 ♖a6 20.♖c5 ♔b8
 (20...♖d6=) 21.♖fe1 ♖xe1+ 22.♖xe1
 f6 23.♖d5 Novikova,M (1999)-Rogov,
 M (2152) chess.com INT 2024 0-1
 (37)]
9.0-0 0-0-0 10.♖e1 ♖he8 11.♘d2 ♘d4
12.♙f1 e4 13.♘b3 ♘xb3 14.axb3
 aiming for Ra5. **14...exd3 15.♖xe8 ♖xe8**
16.cxd3 ♔b8 17.b4
 [17.♖a5!? ♖d7 18.♖a1=]
17...♙d7 18.♖d2 a6 19.♖f4 ♖f5

[19...♙c6 with more complications.
 20.h4 h6 21.♖d4 ♖xd4 22.♙xd4
 ♖g8]
20.♖xf5 ♙xf5 21.f3 ♘d5 22.♙xg7
♘xb4 23.♖d1 ♖d8 24.g4 ♙g6 25.h4
h5 26.♙f6 ♖d6? Mistake. Re8 was best.
 [26...♖e8]
 [26...♖e8±]
27.♙e7± ♖d4 28.♙c5 ♖f4 29.♖e1! b6?!
 Inaccuracy. b5 was best.
 [29...b5 30.♖e8+ ♔b7 31.♙e3 ♖f6
 32.♖h8 hxg4 33.fxg4 ♖e6 34.♙g2+!
 c6 35.♙d4]
 [29...b5± was worth a try.]
30.♖e8+!+- ♔a7 31.♙e3 ♖f6 32.♙d2?!
 Inaccuracy. Rh8 was best.
 [32.♖h8]
32...♘c6?! Inaccuracy. a5 was best.
 [32...a5 33.♙g2 ♔a6 34.♖h8 hxg4
 35.fxg4 ♖d6 36.h5 ♙xd3 37.♖f8 ♙b1
 38.♙f1+]
33.♙g2 ♖d6 34.♙c3 b5 35.♖h8 b4
36.♙e1?! Inaccuracy. Bg7 was best.
 [36.♙g7 hxg4 37.fxg4 ♙xd3 38.h5
 a5 39.♖e8 ♘d8 40.♙f8 ♖d7 41.♙c5+
 ♔a6]
 [White must play 36.♙g7+-]
36...a5± 37.♙g3 ♖xd3 38.gxh5 ♙f5
39.h6
 [39.♙xc7 a4±]
39...a4 Strongly threatening ...a3.
40.♙f1?? Blunder. Bh3 was best.
 [40.♙h3 ♖d5!]
 [40.♙xc7? a3+-]
 [40.h7 ♙xh7 41.♖xh7 a3+-]
 [40.♙f2+± ♔b7 41.♙h3 ♙xh3 42.h7]
40...♖d1?! Inaccuracy. a3 was best.
 [40...a3! 41.bxa3 [#] b3! 42.h7 ♙xh7!
 43.♖xh7 [#] ♖d5! 44.♖xf7? (44.♖h6
 was forced. b2 45.♖xc6) 44...b2
 45.♖xc7+ ♔b6 46.♖xc6+ (⊔46.♖f7
 b1♖ 47.♙f2+ ♔a5 48.♖f6)]
 [Better is 40...a3!+- 41.bxa3
 (41.♙xd3? ♙xd3 42.bxa3 b3+-)
 41...b3 42.♙xd3 ♙xd3]
41.h7±

[But not 41.♙xc7? a3-+]
41...♙xh7! 42.♖xh7 a3 43.bxa3! bxa3
44.♖xf7 And now Rf4 would win. **44...a2**
45.♖xc7+ Double Attack **45...♙b6**
46.♖xc6+! Remove Defender. Accuracy:
 White = 73%, Black = 70%.
 1/2-1/2

☐ **Yu, Yangyi** **C42**
 ■ **Gurel, Ediz** **2728**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2578**
 22.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗xe5 d6 4.♗f3
♗xe4 5.d4 d5 6.♙d3 ♙d6 7.0-0 0-0
8.c4 c6 9.♖e1 ♙f5 10.♖c2 ♗a6 11.a3
♙g6 12.c5 The position is equal.
 [RR 12.♙e3 ♖c8 13.♗c3 ♗xc3
 14.♖xc3 ♙xd3 15.♖xd3 dxc4
 16.♖xc4 ♗c7 17.♖b3 b6 18.♖ac1
 ♗d5 19.♙d2 ♖e8 20.♖a4 ♖xe1+
 21.♖xe1 a5 22.h3 f6 23.♖c1 ♖d7
 24.h4 g6 25.♖c2 ♗g7 26.♖e1 ♖e8
 Vidit,S (2742)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2769)
 Wijk aan Zee NED 2024 1/2-1/2 (55)]

12...♙b8 13.♗c3N
 [RR 13.b4 ♗c7 14.♗bd2 f5 15.♙b2
 ♗e6 16.♖ad1 (16.♗e5?) 16...♙h5
 17.♖a1 ♖f6 18.♙f1 (▷18.♗e5)
 18...♙f4 19.g3 ♙xd2 20.♗xd2 ♗xd4
 21.♙xd4 ♖xd4 22.♗b3 ♖f6 23.♙g2
 ♖ae8 24.f3 ♗g5 25.♖d3 (▷25.f4
 ♗e4 26.♖e3) 25...f4 26.g4 ♙xg4
 27.fxg4 f3 Duda,J (2731)-Yeletsy,I
 (2504) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (32)]

13...f5 14.♗e2
 [14.♖b3!? ♙h5 15.♙xe4 (15.♗xe4
 fxe4 16.♖xe4 ♙xf3=) 15...fxe4
 16.♗xe4=]

14...♗c7 15.♗f4 ♙e8 16.♗e5 g5
17.♗e2
 [17.♙xe4 fxe4 18.♗e2 ♖e7?]]
17...♗e6 18.f3! ♖f6 And now ...Nxd4!
 would win. **19.fxe4 fxe4** White must
 now prevent ...Qf2+. **20.♗g4 ♖g6**

21.♙xe4 ♖xe4 22.♖xe4 dxe4 23.♙e3
♙h5 24.♗f2 ♙f4 25.♗g3 ♙xg3
26.hxg3 ♙g6 27.a4 ♖ad8 28.♖ed1
♖d5 29.a5 a6 30.♖a4 ♖fd8 31.♖c4
♗g7 32.♖d2 h6 33.♗d1 ♗c7 34.♖b4
♗b5 35.♗c3 ♖5d7 [#] 36.d5! cxd5
37.♗xb5 axb5 38.♖dd4 ♗f6 39.♖xb5
♗e5? Mistake. Bh5 was best.

[39...♙h5]
 [39...♗f5±]
40.♖db4!+- ♗f5 41.♙d4! ♖a8 42.♗f2?!
 Inaccuracy. Rxb7 was best.

[42.♖xb7 ♖xb7 43.♖xb7 e3
 (43...♖xa5± 44.♖d7 e3) 44.♙xe3
 ♗e4 45.♖e7+ ♗d3 46.c6 ♖xa5
 47.g4 ♖a8]

[42.♖xb7+- ♖xb7 43.♖xb7]
42...♗g4 43.♖xb7 ♖xb7 44.♖xb7
 aiming for Rb6. **44...♖xa5±** Endgame
 KRB-KRB **45.♖d7 ♖a4 46.♖xd5 ♖c4?!**
 Inaccuracy. Be8 was best.

[46...♙e8 47.♗e3 ♖a6 48.♙e5 ♙b5
 49.♖d8 ♖a1 50.♙c3 ♖a6 51.♖b8 ♙f1
 52.b4]

47.♗e3! ♗xg3?! Inaccuracy. Be8 was
 best.

[47...♙e8 48.♖d8! ♙a4 49.♖b8! ♖c2
 50.♗xe4 ♗xg3 51.♗d5 h5 52.b3
 ♙d7 53.♗d6!]

48.♖d6 ♙e8 49.♖xh6
 [Not 49.♗xe4 h5±]

49...g4 [#] 50.♖e6!
 [Don't take 50.♗xe4?! ♗xg2 51.♖e6
 ♙d7±]

50...♙d7 51.♖e7
 [Don't do 51.♖xe4?! ♗xg2 52.♖e7
 ♙c6±]

51...♙f5 52.♖f7 ♙e6 53.♖f6 ♙d7?!
 Inaccuracy. Bd5 was best.

[53...♙d5 54.♖g6 ♙a8 55.♙e5+
 ♗xg2 56.♖xg4+ ♗h3 57.♖g3+ ♗h4
 [#] 58.♖g8! ♙d5 59.♙f6+]

54.♗xe4 ♗xg2 55.♗d5 ♖c1 56.c6 ♙e8
 [▷56...♙c8 57.b4 ♙a6]

57.b4+- ♖b1 58.♗c5 ♖c1+ 59.♗b6 g3
60.♙c5 ♗h3?! Inaccuracy. Re1 was

best.

[60...♖e1 61.♗f8 ♕h5 62.c7 ♕g4
63.c8♗ ♕xc8 64.♖xc8 ♖f3 65.♗f8+
♖g4 66.♗g8+]

[⊔60...♖c4 61.b5 ♖h4]

61.♗f8 g2?! Inaccuracy. Bxc6 was best.
intending ...Rxc5.

[61...♕xc6 62.♖xc6 ♖g4 63.b5 ♖h1
64.♗g8+ ♖f3 65.b6 ♖h6+ 66.♕d6
♖h7 67.♕xg3]

62.♖xe8 Accuracy: White = 81%, Black = 57%.

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☐ **Kuybokarov, Temur**

2600

■ **Fedoseev, Vladimir**

2701

Sharjah Master 2024 (2.3)

15.05.2024

**1.e4 e5 2.♖f3 ♖f6 3.♖xe5 d6 4.♖f3
♖xe4 5.d4 d5 6.♕d3 ♕d6 7.0-0 0-0**

8.♖e1 ♖e8 9.c4N

[RR 9.♕e3 ♕g4 10.♕e2 f5
(10...♖d7♯) 11.♗c1 (11.c4±)
11...♖d7 12.♕f4 (12.c4!=) 12...♗f6
(12...♕xf3♯ 13.♕xf3 ♗h4) 13.♕xd6
♗xd6 14.♖bd2 c5 15.c3 ♖e7
16.dxc5 ♖dxc5 17.♖d4? (17.♗c2=)

**A) 17...♖xf2!-+ 18.♖c4 (18.♖xf2
♖xe2+) 18...♗d8;**

**B) 17...♗g6? 18.♖2f3? (18.♗c2±
keeps the pressure on.) 18...♕xf3!
19.♖xf3**

**B1) Black should play 19...♖xf2!♯
20.♗g5 (20.♖xf2 ♖xe2+)
20...♗xg5 21.♖xg5 ♖fe4;**

B2) 19...a6? 20.c4? (20.♕f1±)

**B2a) _____ Black should try
20...♖xf2!-+ 21.♗g5 (21.♖xf2
♖xe2+) 21...♗xg5 22.♖xg5
♖fd3 23.♕xd3 ♖xe1+ 24.♖xe1
♖xd3;**

**B2b) 20...♗b6? 21.♖d1?
(21.♗e3=)**

B2b1) ⊔21...♖xf2! 22.♖d2

(22.♖xf2 ♖e4+) 22...♖fe4;

B2b2) 21...♖ae8 22.cxd5?

(22.♕f1 is tougher.)

22...♖xf2! 23.♕c4

(⊔23.♖d4 ♖xe2 24.d6)

23...♖cd3 Cao,Z (1480)-

Rajendran,K (1429) Penang

MAS 2023 0-1]

[RR 9.♖bd2 ♖xd2 10.♖xe8+ ♗xe8

11.♕xd2 ♖d7 12.c3 ♖f6 13.♗c2

♕g4 14.♖e1 ♗d7 (14...♗c8±)

15.♖e5 ♕xe5? (15...♗c8±

was worth a try.) 16.dxe5 ♖e4 17.♕f4

♕h5 18.f3 ♖c5 19.♕xh7+ ♖h8

20.♕f5 ♗a4 (⊔20...♗c6 21.♕g3

♖e8) 21.♗d2 c6? (21...♗c6 22.♖d1

♖e6) 22.b4 ♖e6 23.♕g3 ♖d8?

Cabralis,K (2169)-Novikova,M (1999)

chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (23...a5

24.♕xe6 fxe6)]

[RR 9.♖bd2 ♖xd2 10.♕xd2 h6

(10...♖xe1+= 11.♗xe1 ♕g4) 11.♖e5

♖c6 12.♗h5 ♖xe5 13.dxe5 ♕f8

14.f4 c5 15.c3 (15.♕e3±) 15...d4?

(15...c4= 16.♕f1 ♗b6+ 17.♕e3

♗xb2) 16.c4 ♗c7 (⊔16...g6 17.♕xg6

fxg6 18.♗xg6+ ♕g7) 17.♖e2! b5

18.♖ae1? (18.f5+-) 18...♕b7?

(18...bxc4± 19.♕xc4 ♕e6) 19.e6

fxe6 20.♗g6 ♕d6 21.♖xe6 ♖xe6

22.♖xe6 ♖d8 23.♗f6 1-0 (23) Firouzja,

A (2760)-Afanasieva,A (1914) chess.

com INT 2024]

9...♕g4 10.cxd5 ♖f6! 11.♖c3

White is slightly better. **11...♖xe1+**

**12.♗xe1 ♕xf3! 13.gxf3 ♖h5 14.♖e2?!
Inaccuracy. Qe4 was best.**

[14.♗e4 g6 15.♗g4 ♖d7 16.f4 ♖df6

17.♗f3 ♖e8 18.♗g4]

[14.♗e4= g6 15.♗g4]

14...♗h4 15.♖g3 ♖f6 16.♗e3 ♖bd7

17.♗g5 ♕xg3 18.hxg3 ♗xd4

Double Attack **19.♗d2** Black must now

prevent Bxh7+! **19...♗xd5** aiming for ...

Ne5. **20.♗c3 ♖e8 21.♕d2?! Inaccuracy.**

Kg2 was best.

[21.♔g2]
 [21.♔g2= remains equal.]
21...♗e5↑ Black is on the roll. **22.♙e2 c5?!** Inaccuracy. h5 was best.
 [22...h5 23.♙f4 ♘g6 24.♙e3 ♖f5 25.♖d3 ♗c8 26.♞d1 h4 27.g4 c6 28.♖f5]
 [Better is 22...h5♣ 23.♞e1 c6]
23.b3?! Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best.
 [23.♞d1]
 [23.♞d1♣]
23...♗c6 24.♙c4 ♗f5 25.♔g2 ♞d8 26.♞e1 h6 27.♙e3 b6! 28.♖c1 [#] 28...♗e5?! Inaccuracy. Nd5 was best.
 [28...♗d5! 29.♙b5]
 [♠28...♗d5 29.g4 ♗g6]
29.♙f4 ♗xc4 30.bxc4 ♖d3 31.♙e5 White wants to play Bxf6. **31...♗h7 32.♞e3?!** [#] Inaccuracy. Bc7 was best.
 [32.♙c7 ♞d7]
 [32.♙c7♣ ♞c8 33.♞e7]
32...♖d7!+ 33.♖h1 ♞e8 34.♖h5 ♗f8 35.♖g4?? Blunder. f4 was best.
 [35.f4 ♖a4 36.♖e2 ♗g6 37.♖d3 ♖c6+ 38.f3 ♗f8 39.♞e4 ♗e6 40.♖e2 ♞d8]
 [♠35.f4]
35...♖xg4 36.fxg4 Endgame KRB-KRN
36...♗d7 37.f4 ♗xe5 38.fxe5 KR-KR 38...f6 39.♔f3?! Inaccuracy. e6 was best.
 [39.e6 ♔f8 40.♔f3 ♔e7 41.♔f4 g6 42.♞a3 ♞a8 43.♞d3 ♔xe6 44.♞d1 ♞e8]
39...♞xe5 Black is clearly winning.
40.♞xe5?! Inaccuracy. Ra3 was best.
 [40.♞a3 ♞e7 41.♞d3 ♞e1 42.♞d7 a5 43.♞b7 ♞c1 44.♞b8+ ♔h7 45.♞xb6 ♞xc4]
40...fxe5 41.♔e4 ♔f7 42.♔xe5 ♔g6 43.♔f4 ♔f6 44.a4 g6 Accuracy: White = 46%, Black = 88%.
0-1

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗xe5 d6 4.♗f3 ♗xe4 5.♗c3 ♗xc3 6.dxc3 ♙e7 7.♙e3 0-0 8.♖d2 ♗d7 9.0-0-0 ♗f6

[RR 9...c6 10.♔b1 ♞e8 11.h4 d5 12.c4 ♗f6 13.♖c3 ♙g4 14.♙d3 a5 15.a3 h6 16.♞hg1 ♖c8 17.♖b3 a4 18.♖a2 ♞d8 19.♙d4 ♙e6 20.♞de1 c5 21.♙xf6 ♙xf6 22.g4 ♙xg4 23.♗e5 ♙xe5 24.♞xe5 Duda,J (2732)-Smirnov, A (2586) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (66)]

10.♙d3 ♞e8 11.♞de1N

[RR 11.h4 d5 12.♔b1 c6 13.♗g5 h6 14.f3 c5 15.g4 c4 16.♙f1 b5 17.♙d4 ♞b8 18.♗xf7 ♔xf7 19.g5 ♖d6 20.♞g1 ♙f5 21.gxf6 ♙xf6 22.♙xf6 ♖xf6 23.♖xd5+ ♔f8 24.a3 ♖e5 25.♖xe5 ♞xe5 Csonka,B (2491)-Paravyan,D (2612) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (34)]

[RR 11.♞he1 c5 12.c4 ♙d7 13.♙g5 h6 14.♙h4 ♙c6 15.c3 ♗h5 16.♙xe7 ♞xe7 17.♙c2 ♔f8 18.♗e5 ♙xg2 19.f4 ♙c6 20.♗xc6 bxc6 21.♞xe7 ♖xe7 22.♖xd6 ♞c8 23.♖d7 ♞c7 24.♖d2 ♗f6 25.♙f5 ♞b7 Pingin,A (2437)-Nesterov,A (2592) Moscow RUS 2024 0-1 (48)]

[RR 11.♞he1 ♙g4 12.♙g5 ♖d7 13.♖f4 ♗h5 14.♖d2 ♙xg5 15.♖xg5 h6 16.♖d2 ♖a4 17.a3 ♙xf3 18.gxf3 ♖f4 19.♖xf4 ♗xf4 20.♞e4 ♗h3 21.♞f1 ♗g5 22.♞e3 ♗h3 23.♙e4 ♞ab8 24.♙f5 ♗f4 25.♞e4 ♞xe4 Graif,W (2302)-Lee,A (2379) New York USA 2024 1/2-1/2 (67)]

11...c6 12.♔b1 ♖a5?! Inaccuracy. d5 was best.

[12...d5 13.♙f4 c5 14.c4 b5 15.cxd5 c4 16.d6 cxd3 17.dxe7 dxc2+ 18.♔c1]

13.c4?! Inaccuracy. a3 was best.
[13.a3 ♕f5 14.♙d4 ♙xd3 15.♖xd3 ♗d7 16.h4 c5 17.♖f5 ♖c7 18.♙e3 ♗f6]

13...♖xd2 14.♙xd2 ♙d7 15.h3 h6 16.♗d4 d5 17.cxd5 ♗xd5 18.c3 ♙c5 19.♙c4 ♗e7 20.♖e5 ♙xd4 21.cxd4 ♗g6 22.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 23.♙c2 ♗h4 24.g4 ♙e6 25.♙xe6 ♖xe6 26.♙d3 f5 27.b4 ♖g6 28.gxf5 ♗xf5 29.a4 ♖d6 30.♙e3 ♖d5 31.♖c1 a6 32.♖c5 ♙f7 33.♖c4 ♙e7 34.♖c1 ♙e6 35.♖e1 ♙d7?! Inaccuracy. Kf7 was best.

[35...♙f7]
36.♖g1 g5 37.♖b1 ♙e6 38.♖f1 a5 39.♖b1 axb4 40.♖xb4 ♗d6 41.♙e2 ♖f5 42.♖b1 ♖a5 43.♖b4 ♖f5 44.♖b1 ♖f8 45.♖b4 ♙d5 46.♖b1 ♖f7 47.♖c1 ♗c4 48.h4 gxh4 49.♖h1 h5 50.♖xh4 ♖h7 51.♙g5 ♗d6 52.♙d3 ♗f5 53.♖e4 ♙d6 54.♖e5 ♖f7 55.♙e4 ♗e7 56.f4 h4 57.♙f3 ♗d5 58.♖e1 h3 59.♖h1 ♖h7 60.♙g3 ♗c3 61.♙h4 ♙e6 62.♙g4 ♖g7+ 63.♙g5 ♗e4 64.♖h2 b5 65.axb5 cxb5 66.♖b2 b4 67.♙xh3 ♖b7 68.♙g4 ♙d5 69.♙f5 b3 70.♙e7 ♗c3 71.♙g6 ♖xe7 72.♖xb3 ♙xd4 73.♖xc3 ♙xc3 74.f5 ♙d4 75.f6 ♖a7 76.f7 ♖xf7 77.♙xf7 ♙e5
1/2-1/2

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■ Sankalp Gupta 2531
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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗xe5 d6 4.♗f3 ♗xe4 5.c4 ♙e7 6.d4 0-0 7.♙d3 ♗g5 8.♗xg5N

[RR 8.♗c3 ♗c6 9.♗xg5 ♙xg5 10.♖h5 ♖e8+ 11.♙d1 h6 12.♙xg5 ♖xg5 13.♖xg5 hxg5 14.♗d5 ♖b8 15.♗xc7 ♖d8 16.h4 g4 17.♙d2 ♗xd4 18.♖ae1 ♙d7 19.h5 ♗c6 20.h6 g6 21.♗d5 ♗e5 22.♗f6+ ♙h8

Sadhwani,R (2654)-Radjabov,T (2723)
Moscow RUS 2023 1-0 (56)]

8...♙xg5 9.♖h5 ♖e8+ 10.♙d1
The position is equal. 10...♙xc1 11.♖xh7+

[But not 11.♙xc1 g6+]
11...♙f8 And now ...Qg5 would win.
12.♙xc1 ♖g5+ 13.♗d2 Threatens to win with Qh8+. 13...♗c6 14.f4! ♖xf4 ...Re3 is the strong threat. 15.♖h8+!

[Much weaker is 15.♖f1 ♖xd4 16.♙e4 ♗e5+]
15...♙e7 16.♖xg7 ♖xd4 17.♖xd4 ♗xd4 18.♗b3

[18.♗f1 seems wilder. ♖h8 19.♗e3 ♙e6 20.♙d2 ♖h4 21.♖ae1]
18...♗c6 19.♙d2 ♙e6 20.♖ae1 ♖h8 21.♙c3 ♖ag8 22.♙e4 ♖g4 23.♗d2 ♗e5 24.b3 b6 25.g3 f5 26.♙f3 ♖g7 27.♖e2 ♖gh7 28.♙d5 ♙xd5 29.cxd5 ♖h3 30.♖f1 ♖xh2 31.♖xh2 ♖xh2 32.♖xf5+ Endgame KRN-KRN 32...♖e2 33.♖g5?? [#] Blunder. Nc4 was best.

[33.♗c4 b5 34.♗xe5 dxe5 35.♙d3 ♖e1 36.g4 ♙d6 37.g5 ♙xd5 38.♖f7 c6]

[33.♗c4!=]
33...♖xd2!-+ 34.♖xe5+
[34.♙xd2 ♗f3+]

34...dxe5 35.♙xd2 aiming for Kd3. KP-KP 35...♙d6 36.b4 [#] 36...a6! 37.a4 ♙xd5 38.b5 axb5 39.axb5 c5 Black mates. 40.bxc6 ♙xc6 KPP-KP 41.g4 ♙d5 42.♙d3 b5 43.g5 ♙e6 44.♙e4 b4 Accuracy: White = 58%, Black = 89%.
0-1

□ Murzin,Volodar 2631
■ Sankalp Gupta 2531
Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗xe5 d6 4.♗f3 ♗xe4 5.d4 d5 6.♙d3 ♙d6 7.0-0 0-0

8.c4 c6 9.♖c2 h6 10.♞e1N

[RR 10.♗c3 ♘xc3 11.bxc3 dxc4 12.♙xc4 ♚f6 13.♞e1 ♜f5 14.♙d3 ♜xd3 15.♚xd3 ♘d7 16.♞b1 b5 17.c4 bxc4 18.♚xc4 ♞fe8 19.♙d2 ♘b6 20.♚c2 ♚g6 21.♚xg6 fxg6 22.♞xe8+ ♞xe8 23.♞c1 ♞c8 24.♔f1 ♔f7 Rustamov, R (2261)-Paravyan, D (2612) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 10.♗c3 ♘xc3 11.bxc3 ♙e6 12.c5 ♙c7 13.♞e1 (White should play 13.♗e5±) 13...♗d7 14.♙h7+ ♔h8 15.♙f5 ♚f6 16.♙xe6 fxe6 17.♞b1 ♞ab8 18.c4 e5 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.dxe5 ♘xe5 21.♞b3 ♞be8 22.♗xe5 ♞xe5 23.♞xe5 ♚xe5 24.g3 d4 Pichot, A (2651)-Gurel, E (2560) Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1 (47)]

[RR 10.♙xe4 dxe4 11.♚xe4 ♞e8 12.♚h4 ♚xh4 13.♗xh4 ♗a6 14.♗c3 ♗b4 15.♙d2 ♙e6 (15...♗c2≠ 16.♞ad1 ♙g4) 16.d5 ♙d7 17.♞ad1 c5 (17...♙e7= 18.♗f3 ♗d3) 18.♞fe1 ♞xe1+ 19.♙xe1 ♞e8 20.♙d2 ♗c2 21.♗f3 a6 22.a4 (22.♗e1± ♙f5 23.♗xc2 ♙xc2 24.♞c1) 22...♙f5 23.♞c1 ♙d3 24.♗d1 ♞e2 Audi, A (2391)-Marchenko, N (2092) Ershovo RUS 2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 10.c5 ♙c7 11.♗c3 ♘xc3 12.bxc3 ♞e8 13.♙e3 ♗d7 14.h3 ♗f6 15.♞ae1 b6 16.♙d2 bxc5 17.dxc5 ♗d7 (17...♙e6= remains equal.) 18.♙e3 (18.♞xe8± ♚xe8 19.♞e1) 18...♗f8 19.♙d4 ♗e6 20.♙f5 ♗xd4 21.♗xd4 ♙d7 22.♚a4 ♙xf5 23.♗xf5 ♚d7? (23...♙e5±) 24.♗d4? (24.♚g4+- ♚xf5 25.♚xf5) 24...♞xe1 Drygalov, A (2475)-Finek, V (2436) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (60)]

10...♙e6 11.cxd5 cxd5 The position is equal. **12.♙xe4 dxe4 13.♚xe4 ♗c6 14.♗c3** [#] And now d5 would win. **14...♞e8 15.♙f4** d5 is the strong threat. **15...♙d7 16.♗e5 ♗xe5 17.♙xe5 ♙xe5 18.dxe5 ♙c6 19.♚e3 ♚h4 20.♞ad1**

♞ad8 21.a3

[Don't go for 21.♚xa7? ♚g4+-]
21...a6 22.h3 ♚h5 23.♞xd8 ♞xd8 24.♗e2 ♚g6 [#] White is slightly better.
25.♗f4 ♚c2 26.b4 ♔h7 27.♚c1
 Accuracy: White = 70%, Black = 88%.
 1/2-1/2

C42
 ♖ **Sevian, Samuel** **2698**
 ♜ **Safarli, Eltaj** **2594**
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗xe5 d6 4.♗f3 ♗xe4 5.♗c3 ♗xc3 6.dxc3 ♙e7 7.♙e3 0-0 8.♚d2 ♗d7 9.0-0-0 ♗f6 10.h4 White is slightly better. **10...c6 11.♙d3 d5 12.♔b1 ♞e8 13.♗g5 h6 14.f3 c5 15.g4 c4 16.♙f1 b5 17.♗h3N**

[RR 17.♙d4 17.♞g1 0.29 ♞b8 18.♗xf7 ♔xf7 19.g5 ♚d6 (19...♗h5≠) 20.♞g1 ♙f5 21.gxf6 ♙xf6 22.♙xf6 ♚xf6 23.♚xd5+ ♔f8 24.a3 (24.♚c5± ♔g8 25.♚xa7) 24...♚e5 25.♚xe5 ♞xe5 26.♔c1 ♔f7 27.♙g2 ♞e2 28.♞d2 ♞be8 29.♞gd1? (29.f4=) 29...♞xd2! 30.♔xd2 ♞d8+ 31.♔c1 ♞e8? Csonka, B (2491)-Paravyan, D (2612) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (34) (31...♞xd1+≠ 32.♔xd1 ♔g6)]

17...b4 18.g5 ♗h5! White must now prevent ...Ng3. **19.gxh6 ♙f5?!** Inaccuracy. Qa5 was best.

[19...♚a5 19...bxc3 0.26 20.♞g1]
 [19...bxc3= remains equal. 20.♚xc3 ♙f6]

20.♗g5?? Blunder. cxb4 was best.
 [20.cxb4]
 [20.♚xd5?! b3=]
 [Better is 20.cxb4± Hoping for Bd4. ♙xb4 21.♚xb4 ♞xe3 22.♙xc4]

20...gxh6?? [#] Blunder. bxc3 was best.
 [20...bxc3]
 [20...bxc3≠ 21.♚xc3 (21.♚xd5?)]

1.e4 **e5** **2.d3** **d6** **3.dxe5** **d6** **4.d3** **dxe4** **5.d4** **d5** **6.d3** **f5** **7.0-0** **e7** **8.e1** **0-0** **9.bd2** **d6** **10.f1** **c6** **11.f4** **xd3** **12.xd3** **a6** **13.h4**
 [RR 13.d3 e3 d7 c7 14.g3 e8 15.h4
 16.f6 17.d6 18.d6 19.g2 f6
 20.b4 g6 21.xg6 hxg6 22.eb1
 a6 23.a4 c7 24.c3 f6 25.d2 f7
 26.b3 e7 27.d5 e6 28.d3
 c7 29.f1 a5 Tabatabaei,M (2692)-
 Radjabov,T (2723) Samarkand UZB
 2023 0-1 (107)]
13...d7 **14.d5** **g6** **15.h3N**
 [RR 15.d3 e3 h6 16.d3 h5 17.e2
 d6 18.d5 cxd5 19.e6 d4
 20.e4 dxe4 21.xe4 d6 22.e1
 xf4 23.xf4 e8 24.e5
 1/2-1/2 (24) Sychev,K (2543)-Nesterov,A
 (2590) Sochi RUS 2024]
15...d5 **16.c3** **h6** **17.xc7** **xc7** **18.f3** **h5** **19.g4** **hxg4** **20.xg4** **h6** **21.g2** **f6** **22.h5** **h7** **23.hxg6+** **fxg6** **24.e6** **e8** **25.e1** **e6** **26.e6** **f7** **27.h3** **g7** **28.d3** **e3** **g5** **29.g2**
 1/2-1/2
15...d5 **25.xd5** **ad8** [#] **26.c6!**
f5 **27.xe8** **xe8** [#] **28.h5!** **f7**
29.g3 **bx3** **30.d5**]
 [24...d5 25.xd5 ad8]
25.dxf6+-
 [Resist 25.dxc3?! ac8±]
 [Weaker is 25.xh6 dxd5 26.xd5
 ab8±]
25...xf6 **26.xh6** **ac8** **27.b3** **e5?!**
 Inaccuracy. Rcd8 was best.
 [27...cd8 28.xd8 xd8 29.g5
 xg5 30.hxg5 cxb2 31.h4 d1+
 32.xb2 g1 33.g4]
28.d6 **f5** [#] **29.h5!** **xh5** [#]
 [29...xh5 30.xh5]
30.xf6! Deflection **30...xf6** **31.xh5**
xf3 intending ...Rf1+. **32.bxc3** **xc3**
33.b2 **h3** **34.g5+** **h7** **35.f8**
cg3 **36.a5** White is clearly winning.
36...g6 **37.d6** **f3** **38.xa7** **f5** **39.a4**
f4 **40.a5** **f1** **41.c4** **f2** **42.a6**
 Strongly threatening Ra8. **42...f3**
 [42...d2 43.xf4 d8 44.d3+
 dxd3 45.cxd3 xd3]
43.b7 Accuracy: White = 83%, Black =
 51%.
1-0

Sargsyan,Shant **C42** **2637**
 Gurel,Ediz **2578**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.e4 **e5** **2.d3** **d6** **3.dxe5** **d6** **4.d3** **dxe4** **5.d4** **d5** **6.d3** **f5** **7.0-0** **e7** **8.e1** **0-0** **9.bd2** **d6** **10.f1** **c6** **11.f4** **xd3** **12.xd3** **a6** **13.h4**
 [RR 13.d3 e3 d7 c7 14.g3 e8 15.h4
 16.f6 17.d6 18.d6 19.g2 f6
 20.b4 g6 21.xg6 hxg6 22.eb1
 a6 23.a4 c7 24.c3 f6 25.d2 f7
 26.b3 e7 27.d5 e6 28.d3
 c7 29.f1 a5 Tabatabaei,M (2692)-
 Radjabov,T (2723) Samarkand UZB
 2023 0-1 (107)]

13...d7 **14.d5** **g6** **15.h3N**
 [RR 15.d3 e3 h6 16.d3 h5 17.e2
 d6 18.d5 cxd5 19.e6 d4
 20.e4 dxe4 21.xe4 d6 22.e1
 xf4 23.xf4 e8 24.e5
 1/2-1/2 (24) Sychev,K (2543)-Nesterov,A
 (2590) Sochi RUS 2024]
15...d5 **16.c3** **h6** **17.xc7** **xc7** **18.f3** **h5** **19.g4** **hxg4** **20.xg4** **h6** **21.g2** **f6** **22.h5** **h7** **23.hxg6+** **fxg6** **24.e6** **e8** **25.e1** **e6** **26.e6** **f7** **27.h3** **g7** **28.d3** **e3** **g5** **29.g2**
 1/2-1/2

Madaminov,Mukhiddin **C42** **2504**
 Peralta,Fernando **2573**
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1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/iHJboPh9> **1...e5** **2.d3** **d6** **3.dxe5** **d6** **4.d3** **dxe4** **5.d3** **dxc3** **6.dxc3** **e7** **7.e3** **0-0** **8.d2** **d7** **9.0-0-0** **d6**
 [RR 9...c6 10.b1 e8 11.h4 d5
 12.c4 d6 13.c3 g4 14.d3 a5
 15.a3 h6 16.hg1 c8 17.b3 a4
 18.a2 d8 19.d4 e6 20.de1
 c5 21.xf6 xf6 22.g4 xg4 23.d5
 xe5 24.xe5 Duda,J (2732)-Smirnov,
 A (2586) chess.com INT 2024 0-1
 (66)]
10.d4
 [RR 10.b1 e8 11.h4 d5 12.c4 c6
 13.d5 h6 14.d3 f8 15.cxd5
 dxd5 16.d4 f5 17.d3 xd3
 18.xd3 d4 19.f5 d6 20.d5
 xg5 21.xg7 c8 22.xc8 axc8
 23.xf8 xf8 24.hxg5 hxg5

Duda,J (2732)-Madaminov,M (2512)
chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (57)]

10...♖e8N

[RR 10...♙d7 11.h4 ♖e8 12.♗g5 h6
13.♙d3 ♗g4 14.♗xf7 ♔xf7 15.♙c4+
♔f8 16.♚d3 ♙g5+ 17.♔b1 ♗e5
18.♙xe5 ♙f6 19.♙xd6+ cxd6
20.♚xd6+ ♚e7 21.♚xd7 ♚xd7
22.♚xd7 ♖e4 23.♙d5 ♖e2 24.♖f7+
♔e8 25.♖xb7 Vaishali,R (2475)-
Salimova,N (2432) Toronto CAN 2024
1-0 (33)]

[RR 10...♙d7 11.h4 ♖e8 12.♗g5 h6
13.♙d3 ♗g4 14.♗xf7 ♔xf7 15.♙c4+
♔f8 16.♚d3 ♙g5+ 17.♔b1 ♗e5
18.♙xe5 ♙f6 19.♙xd6+ cxd6
20.♚xd6+ ♚e7 21.♚xd7 ♚xd7
22.♚xd7 ♖e4 23.♙d5 ♖e2 24.♖f7+
♔e8 25.♖xb7 Vaishali,R (2475)-
Salimova,N (2432) Toronto, Canada
2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/
iHJboPh9] 1-0 (33)]

11.♙d3 d5 12.c4 c5 13.♙xf6 ♙xf6
14.cxd5 ♚d6 15.♖de1 ♙d7 16.♗g5
♙xg5 17.♚xg5 h6 18.♚d2 ♖xe1+
19.♖xe1 ♚xh2 20.g3 ♚h5 21.c4?!

Inaccuracy. d6 was best.

[21.d6 ♙c6 22.♚e3 ♖d8 23.♚e7
♚g5+ 24.f4 ♚f6 25.♚xf6 gxf6
26.♖d1 ♔f8]

21...♚f3 22.♖e5 ♚f6 23.♚e3 ♚d6
24.♙f5 ♙xf5 25.♖xf5 ♔f8 26.♚e6?!

Inaccuracy. Re5 was best.

[26.♖e5]

26...♚e7 27.♔d2 ♚c7 28.b4 ♔g8
29.♚e5 ♚b6 30.bxc5 ♚xc5 31.♖f4 b5
32.♚d4 ♚b4+ 33.♚c3 ♚d6 34.♔e2
♖d8 35.♖d4 ♚c5 36.♖g4 g6 37.♚f6
♖e8+ 38.♔f1 bxc4 39.♖xg6+

1/2-1/2

♖ Safarli,Eltaj C42
2594
♚ Radjabov,Teimour 2723
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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗xe5 d6 4.♗f3
♗xe4 5.d4 d5 6.♙d3 ♙d6 7.0-0 0-0
8.c4 c6 9.♗c3 ♗xc3 10.bxc3 dxc4
11.♙xc4 ♙f5 12.♙g5 ♚a5 13.♗h4 ♙e6
14.♙xe6 ♚xg5 15.♗f3 ♚a5 16.♙h3
♚xc3 17.♖b1 b6 18.♖b3 ♚a5 19.d5
cxd5 20.♗g5 g6 21.♖d3 ♗c6
22.♙d7N

[RR 22.♖xd5 ♙c5 23.♗e4 ♖ad8
24.♗f6+ ♔g7 25.♗d7 ♚xa2 26.♖d2
♚a5 27.♚c1 ♗e5 28.♚b2 f6 29.♖a1
♚b4 30.♖xa7 ♚xb2 31.♖xb2 ♗xd7
32.♖xd7+ ♖xd7 33.♙xd7 ♖d8 34.♖d2
f5 35.♔f1 ♔f6 36.♖d3 ♖a8
Cahaya,S (2184)-Madaminov,M (2501)
chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (100)]

22...♗e7 23.♚a1 d4 24.♗xh7 ♔xh7
25.♚xd4 ♙e5 26.♚h4+ ♔g7 27.♚xe7
♚c5
1/2-1/2

♖ Madaminov,Mukhiddin C43
2504
♚ Kadric,Denis 2558
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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.d4 ♗xe4 4.♙d3
♗c6 5.0-0 d5 6.dxe5 ♙g4 7.♗c3
♗xc3 8.bxc3 ♙c5 9.♖e1 ♚d7 10.♖b1
♙b6 11.h3 White is slightly better.
11...♙h5 12.g4N

[RR 12.♙g5 12.e6 1.13 h6 13.♙h4
♚e6 (13...g5f 14.♙g3 0-0-0) 14.g4
♙g6! 15.♗d4 (15.♔g2±) 15...♗xd4
16.cxd4 ♙xd3 17.♚xd3 h5 18.g5
♚g6 19.♖bd1 0-0-0 (Better is
19...0-0±) 20.f4 ♚xd3 21.♖xd3 g6
22.c3 c5 23.♙f2 c4 (23...cxd4±
24.♙xd4 ♙xd4+ 25.cxd4 ♔d7) 24.♖f3
♙a5 25.♖b1 a6 26.♙e1 h4

Perez Ponsa,F (2538)-Deac,B (2690)
 chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (65)]
 [12.e6± fxe6 13.♙f5]
12...♙g6!± 13.♞b5 0-0-0 14.♙g5 ♘e7?!
 Inaccuracy. a6 was best.
 [14...a6 15.♞xb6]
 [14...a6= keeps the balance. 15.♞xb6
 cxb6]
15.♙xe7? Mistake. a4 was best.
 [15.a4]
 [15.a4±]
15...♞xe7= 16.♙xg6 hxg6 17.♞xd5
♞xh3
 [17...♞a3 is interesting. 18.♞d3 ♞xa2
 19.c4 c6 20.♞d6 ♞a5]
18.♞xd8+ ♞xd8 19.♞xd8+ ♔xd8±
 Endgame KRB-KRN **20.♙g2 ♞h8**
21.♘g5 ♙e7 22.♞d1 ♞f8 23.f4 c6
24.c4 ♙c7 25.♙f3 f6 26.exf6+ ♞xf6
27.♞d4 c5 28.♞e4+ ♔d7 29.♘h7 ♞f7!
30.♙e3 ♙d8 31.♞e5 ♙e7 32.♞d5+ ♔c6
33.♘g5 ♙xg5 34.♞xg5= KR-KR 34...♞f6
35.♞e5 ♔d6 36.♙f3 ♞f8? [#] Mistake.
 b6 was best.
 [36...b6 37.♙e4 ♔d7 38.♞d5+ ♙e7
 39.♞g5 ♔d7 40.♞e5 ♞c6 41.g5 ♞c8
 42.♞d5+]
 [36...b6=]
37.♙g3? Mistake. Rd5+ was best.
 [37.♞d5+!]
 [37.♞d5+!± ♔c6 38.♙e4]
37...b6 38.♞e3 ♞f7 39.♞e2 ♞f8 40.♞e3
♞f7 41.♞f3 ♙e6 42.♙h4 ♞d7??
 Blunder. Kf6 was best.
 [42...♙f6 43.♞d3 ♞f8 44.♞d5 ♞h8+
 45.♙g3 ♙e7 46.♞d1 ♞h6 47.g5 ♞h8
 48.♞d3]
 [42...♞f6=]
43.♙g5+- ♙f7 44.♞d3 ♞e7 45.c3 ♞e4
46.♞d7+ ♙f8? Mistake. Kg8 was best.
 [46...♙g8 47.♙xg6 ♞xf4 [#] 48.g5!
 ♙f8 49.♞xa7 ♞xc4 50.♞b7 ♞xc3
 51.♞xb6 c4 52.a4]
 [♠46...♙g8 47.♙xg6 (47.♞xa7
 ♙h7±) 47...♞xf4]
47.♞xa7 White is clearly winning.

47...♞xc4?! Inaccuracy. Re6 was best.
 [47...♞e6 48.♞a8+ ♔f7 49.a4 ♞c6
 50.♞a6 ♞e6 51.a5 bxa5 52.♞xa5
 ♞c6 53.♞a8]
48.♞b7 ♞xc3 49.♙xg6 ♞c1?!
 Inaccuracy. Rd3 was best.
 [49...♞d3 50.♞b8+ ♙e7 51.f5 ♞g3
 52.g5 ♙d6 53.♞g8 c4 54.♞xg7 c3
 55.♞h7]
50.f5 c4 51.g5 aiming for Rb8+. **51...c3**
52.♞xg7 Accuracy: White = 82%, Black
 = 68%.
1-0

	C43
♠	Mishra,Abhimanyu
	2634
♜	Sankalp Gupta
	2531
	Sharjah Master 2024
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘f6 3.d4 ♘xe4 4.♙d3
d5 5.♘xe5 ♘d7 6.0-0 ♘xe5 7.dxe5
♘c5 8.♙e3 ♘xd3 9.♞xd3 c6 10.f4 g6
11.♘d2N
 [RR 11.♘c3 ♙f5 12.♞d2 ♙e7
 13.♘e2 c5 14.c3 ♞d7 15.♘g3 ♞d8
 16.♘xf5 ♞xf5 17.♞ad1 0-0 18.♞f2
 b6 19.♞f3 ♞e4 20.♞xe4 dxe4
 21.♙f2 f5 22.exf6 ♙xf6 23.♙e2 ♔f7
 24.♞xd8 ♞xd8 25.f5 c4 Vokhidov,S
 (2596)-Paravyan,D (2612) chess.com
 INT 2024 ½-½ (37)]
 [RR 11.♘c3 ♙f5 12.♞d2 ♞a5
 13.♞f2 ♙e7 14.♘e2 ♙xc2 15.♘g3
 ♙d3 16.♞fd1 ♙f5 17.♘xf5 gxf5
 18.♞c2 ♞g8 19.a3 ♞b5 20.♞d2 ♞g6
 21.♙h1 ♞d8 22.♞xf5 ♙c5 23.♙xc5
 ♞xc5 24.♞h3 ♞c4 25.f5 ♞g5
 Atabayew,S (2506)-Madaminov,M
 (2512) Tashkent UZB 2024 ½-½ (33)]
 [RR 11.♘c3 ♙e7 12.♘e2 ♙f5
 13.♞b3 ♞d7 14.♘g3 b5 15.♘xf5
 ♞xf5 16.a4 b4 17.c4 bxc3 18.♞xc3
 ♞c8 19.♙xa7 c5 20.♞ad1 ♞e4 21.a5
 d4 22.♞c4 0-0 23.♙b6 ♞c6 24.♞de1
 ♞f5 25.b4 ♞fc8 Idani,P (2605)-

Sankalp,G (2532) chess.com INT 2024
1-0 (39)]

11...♙f5 12.♖b3 ♗d7 13.♖c3 ♙g7
14.b4 0-0 15.a4 f6 16.♘f3 ♙e4
17.♙d4 fxe5 18.♘xe5 ♙xe5 19.♙xe5
h6 20.♖f2 ♖h7 21.a5 ♖f7 22.♙d4 a6
23.h3 g5 24.fxg5 ♖xf2 25.♙xf2
hxg5?? Blunder. Rg8 was best.

[25...♖g8]

26.♙c5 ♖g7 27.♙d4 ♖g8 28.♖f1?!
Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[28.b5 axb5 29.♖g3 ♖f8 30.a6 bxa6
31.♖xa6 ♖f4 32.♖xc6 ♖f8 33.♖xg5
♖f1+]

28...♖f8 29.♖xf8? Mistake. Re1 was
best.

[29.♖e1 ♖f7 30.♖c5 ♖f5 31.♖d6
♖f4 32.♖e7+ ♖f7 33.♖e8 ♖h6
34.♖h8+ ♖h7]

29...♖xf8 30.♖g3 ♖g6?? Blunder. Qf4
was best.

[30...♖f4]

31.♖e5?! Inaccuracy. Qc7 was best.

[31.♖c7 ♙xc2 32.♖xb7 ♙a4
33.♖xa6 ♙b5 34.♖a7 ♖f1+ 35.♖h2
♖f4+ 36.♖h1 ♖f1+]

31...♙f5?! Inaccuracy. Bxc2 was best.

[31...♙xc2 32.♖e6+]

32.c3 ♖f7 33.♖d6+? Mistake. g4 was
best.

[33.g4 ♙d3 34.♖d6+ ♖h7 35.♖h2
♖f4+ 36.♖xf4 gxf4 37.♙e5 d4
38.cxd4 f3]

33...♙e6?? Blunder. Qe6 was best.

[33...♖e6 34.♖c7 g4 35.♖g3 ♖e4
36.h4 ♙d7 37.♖h1 ♙e6 38.♖f2 ♖h5
39.♖g1]

34.♖e5? Mistake. g4 was best.

[34.g4 ♖d7 35.♖e5 ♖e7 36.♖g2 c5
37.bxc5 ♖f7 38.♖h8 ♙c8 39.♙e5
♖xc5]

34...♙f5 35.♖g3? Mistake. g4 was best.

[35.g4 ♙d3 36.♖d6+ ♖h7 37.♖h2
♙e2 38.♖e5 ♖f4+ 39.♖xf4 gxf4
40.♙e5 d4]

35...♙e6 36.♙e3 ♖f5 37.♖d6 ♖e4

38.♖g3 ♖f5 39.♖b8 ♖e4 40.♙d4 g4
41.♖g3 ♖b1+ 42.♖h2 ♖e4 43.h4 ♖f5
44.♖h1 ♖f4 45.♖d3+ ♖e4 46.♖f1+
♖f4 47.♖b1+ ♖e4 48.♖d1 ♖f4
49.♖g1 Threatens to win with Qd3+.
49...♖g6 50.♖e1 ♖e4 51.♖f2
Qf6+ would kill now. 51...♙f5 52.♖d2
♖e7 53.♙f2 ♙d7 54.♖f4 Strongly
threatening Qc7. 54...♖f6?! Inaccuracy.
Bc8 was best.

[54...♙c8 55.♙g3]

[54...♙c8± 55.g3 ♖e4]

55.h5+ ♖f7 56.♖c7 ♖e8?? Blunder.
Qf5 was best.

[56...♖f5 57.♖xb7 ♖b1+ 58.♖h2
♖f5 59.♙g3 ♖xh5+ 60.♖g1 ♖f5
61.♖xa6 ♖b1+ 62.♖f1+]

[56...♖f5± 57.♙d4 (57.♖xb7 ♖b1+
58.♖h2 ♖f5±) 57...♖e8 58.♖b8+
(58.♖xb7 ♖b1+ 59.♖h2 g3+ Decoy
60.♖xg3 ♖e1+ 61.♖h2 ♖h4+
Double Attack 62.♖g1 ♖e1+ 63.♖h2
♖h4+ Double Attack 64.♖g1 ♖e1+
65.♖h2=) 58...♖f7]

57.♖b8++-

[Don't take 57.♖xb7?! ♖xc3 58.♖xa6
(58.♖b8+ ♖f7±) 58...g3+-]

57...♖d8 58.♖xb7 ♖g5 59.♖xa6
aiming for Qe2+. 59...♖xh5 60.♖e2+
♖d8?

[60...♖f7+- 61.a6 ♙c8]

61.♙b6+ ♖c8 62.♖a6+
1-0

C43

□ Mishra,Abhimanyu

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■ Horvath,Dominik

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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘f6 3.d4 ♘xe4 4.♙d3
♘c6 5.♘xe5 ♘xe5 6.dxe5 d5 7.exd6
♘c5N

[RR 7...♘xd6 8.0-0 ♙e7 9.♖f3 0-0
10.♘c3 ♙e6 11.♙f4 ♙g5 12.♖h5 h6
13.♙xd6 ♖xd6 14.♘e4 ♖e5 15.♘g5

♙xg5 ½-½ (15) Belyakov,B (2416)-
Zvjaginsev,V (2572) Ufa RUS 2024]
8.dxc7 ♘xd3+ 9.♙xd3 ♙xd3 10.cxd3
♙d6 11.♘c3 ♙xc7 12.♙e3 0-0 13.0-0
♙d8 14.♙fd1 ♙f5 15.d4 ♙a5 16.d5
♙xc3 17.bxc3 ♙ac8 18.♙ac1 ♙c4
19.♙xa7 f6 20.♙d2 ♘f7?! Inaccuracy.
Rdc8 was best.

[20...♙dc8 21.♙d4 ♙d8 22.♙b6 ♙dc8
23.d6 ♙xc3 24.♙xc3 ♙xc3 25.f3 ♙d7
26.a4]

21.♙e3?! Inaccuracy. f3 was best.
[21.f3 h5 22.h3 h4 23.♙b2 ♙xd5
24.♙xb7+ ♙d7 25.♙xd7+ ♙xd7 26.a3
♙c6]

21...b5 22.♙b6 ♙dc8 23.d6 ♙xc3
24.♙xc3 ♙c7?? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Rxc3 was best.
[24...♙xc3 25.h3]

25.♙c4?? Lost forced checkmate
sequence. Rxc7+ was best.
[25.♙xc7+ ♘g6 26.d7 ♙xd7
27.♙dxd7 ♘f5 28.♙xg7 ♘e5 29.♙xh7
♘e6 30.♙he7+ ♘d5]

25...♙xc4 26.h3 ♙c3?? Blunder. Bd7
was best.
[26...♙d7]

27.♙e2?? Blunder. d7 was best.
[27.d7 ♙c1+ 28.♘h2 ♙xd7 29.♙xd7+
♘g6 30.♙e3 ♙a1 31.♙d2 ♙b1
32.♙d4 ♙b4]

½-½

□ Idani,Pouya **C43** **2605**
■ Erdos,Viktor **2546**
Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.e4 Stockfish 16.1 1...e5 2.♘f3 ♘f6
3.d4 ♘xe4 4.dxe5 d5 5.♘bd2 ♙d7
6.♙d3 ♘c5 7.♙e2 ♘e6 8.♘f1
The position is equal.

[RR 8.0-0 b6 9.♙e1 ♙b7 10.♘f1 c5
(RR 10...♘c6; 10...♘c6) 11.c3
(11.♘g5) 11...♘c6 12.♘g3 g6

13.♙g5 ♙g7 14.♙f6 0-0 (14...♙xf6
15.exf6 0-0-0) 15.♙d2 ♙xf6 16.exf6
♙c7 17.♙b5 (RR 17.♙xd5?
17.♙b5 0.23 ♘cd4!) 17...♙f4!
18.♙xd5 ♘cd8 (RR 18...♘c7 19.♙c4
♙xf6; 18...♘c7= 19.♙c4 ♙xf6)
19.♙e5 ♙xf3 20.♙xf4 ♘xf4 21.gxf3
♘de6 22.♙ad1 ♙ad8 Firouzja,A
(2866)-Carlsen,M (2890) Chess.com
2024 [Stockfish 16.1] ½-½]

8...b6N

[RR 8...c5 9.♘g3 ♘c6 10.0-0 ♙e7
11.♘f5 0-0 12.c3 ♙d8 13.♙d3 c4
14.♙b1 d4 15.cxd4 (15.♙a4)±
15...♘exd4 16.♘3xd4 ♘xd4 17.♘d6
♘c6 18.♙c2 g6 19.♘xc4
(White should try 19.♙f4) 19...♙c7
(19...b6 20.♙c3 ♙a6) 20.♘d6
♙xd6 21.exd6 ♙xd6 22.♙g5 ♘d4
23.♙d1 Aizenberg,B (2409)-Akshik,K
(2172) Orosei ITA 2024 1-0 (42)]

9.♘e3

[9.♘g3=]

9...♙b7

[9...d4!? 10.♘f5 c5=]

10.c3 ♘f4 11.♙f1 ♙c5 12.b4 ♙e7
13.♙c2

[13.♘d4!?]

13...0-0 14.♘f5

[14.h4 with more complications. d4
15.♘xd4 ♘c6 16.♙e4 ♘xd4
17.♙xb7 ♘c2+ 18.♘xc2 ♘d3+
19.♙xd3 ♙xd3 20.♙c6]

14...♘g6! 15.♙d3↑ White has some
pressure. 15...♙e8 16.0-0 ♙f8??
Blunder. Nc6 was best.

[16...♘c6 17.♘xe7+ ♙xe7 18.♙f5
♙e8 19.e6 fxe6 20.♙xg6! ♙xg6
21.♙xg6 hxg6 22.♙e1]
[16...♘c6= and Black is okay.]

17.♘5d4+- ♘c6 18.e6! fxe6 19.♙xg6
hxg6 20.♘xc6

[20.♙xg6 ♘xd4 21.cxd4 ♙f7=]

20...♙xc6 21.♘e5 ♙d6 22.♙f4??
Blunder. Re1 was best.
[22.♙e1 ♙d8 23.♙xg6 ♙f6 24.♙h5

♙f5 25.♙g5 ♘e7 26.f4! d4 27.♖ac1!
dxc3]
[22.♗xg6 e5±]
[22.♖e1+-]

22...♙e7?! Inaccuracy. Qd8 was best.
[22...♙d8! 23.♗xg6]
[22...♙d8!±]

23.♙xg6?! Inaccuracy. Nxg6 was best.
[23.♗xg6 ♙f6 24.♖fe1 d4 25.♙e5
♙g5 26.f4! ♙f5 27.♙xf5 exf5
28.♗xf8 ♖xf8]
[23.♗xg6± ♙f7 24.♖fe1]

23...♙f6± 24.♙g3 ♙d6 Strongly
threatening ...Rf8. **25.♙e3 ♖f8 26.♙g3!**
♙h6 27.♙xh6 gxh6 28.♖fe1 ♖ae8?!
Inaccuracy. d4 was best.
[28...d4 29.cxd4 ♙xb4 30.♖ec1 ♙d6
31.f3 h5 32.♗c6 ♖f7 33.♔f2 ♔f8
34.♖c2]

29.♗f3 ♖f6 30.♖e3 a5?! Inaccuracy. e5
was best.
[30...e5 31.♗xe5 ♖fe6 32.f4 a5
33.a3 ♖6e7 34.♖d1 ♔h7 35.♙h4
♖e6 36.♙f2]

31.bxa5 bxa5 32.♖b1 ♙a6?!
Inaccuracy. Bxg3 was best.
[32...♙xg3 33.hxg3 ♙a6 34.♗e5 ♖d8
35.♖ee1 ♖ff8 36.♖b3 ♖a8 37.♖eb1
♔g7 38.♖a3]
[32...♙xg3± 33.hxg3 (33.♖xb7
♙f4=; 33.fxg3 ♙a6=) 33...♙a6]

33.♙xd6+- cxd6 34.♖b6 ♙c4 35.♖xd6
♖b8 36.h3
[36.♖dx6 ♖xe6 37.♖xe6 d4±]

36...♖b1+?! Inaccuracy. Bxa2 was best.
[36...♙xa2 37.♖a6! d4 38.♗xd4
♖b1+ 39.♔h2 ♖xf2 40.♗xe6 ♙d5
41.♖g3+ ♔f7 42.♗d8+!]
[36...♙xa2± 37.♖a6 (37.♖dx6 ♖xe6
38.♖xe6 ♖a8±) 37...♖b1+ 38.♔h2 d4
39.cxd4 ♙d5]

37.♔h2 ♙xa2 38.♖a6? Mistake. Ne5
was best.
[38.♗e5 ♖b7 39.♗g4 ♖g6 40.♖d8+
♔h7 41.♖f3 e5 42.♖ff8 ♖e6 43.♖h8+
♔g7]

[38.♖dx6 ♖xe6 39.♖xe6 a4±]
[38.♗e5+- ♖b7 39.♗g4]

38...♖b2? [#] Mistake. d4 was best.
[38...d4]
[38...d4± was worth a try. 39.cxd4
♙d5]

39.♖a8+? Mistake. Ne5 was best.
[39.♗e5! ♖b7 40.♗g4 ♖g6 41.♖a8+
♔h7 42.♖f3 ♖g5 43.♖ff8 h5 44.♖h8+
♔g6]
[Not 39.♖axe6 ♖xe6 40.♖xe6 d4±]
[39.♖xa5 ♙b1±]
[39.♗e5!+- and the rest is easy.]

39...♔g7?? [#] Blunder. Rf8 was best.
[39...♖f8 40.♖xa5]
[39...♖f8± 40.♖xa5 d4 41.cxd4
(41.♗xd4 ♖fxf2 42.♖g3+ ♔f7±)
41...♙d5]

40.♗e5!
[Less strong is 40.♖xa5 ♙b1±]

40...♖fxf2 41.♖g3+ ♔f6 42.♗g4+ ♔e7
43.♗xf2 ♖xf2 44.♖xa5 Endgame KRR-
KRB **44...♙b1 45.♖a7+ ♔d6 46.♖f3**
♖e2 47.♖a6+ ♔c5 48.♖a8 ♙e4 49.♖g3
♖f2 50.♖h8 ♖f6 51.♔g1 ♔d6 52.♖gg8
♔c5 53.♖f8 ♖g6 54.♖hg8 ♖xg8
55.♖xg8 KR-KB 55...♔c4
[♠55...h5 56.♖c8+ ♔d6]

56.♖e8 White is clearly winning.
56...♔xc3 intending ...d4. **57.♖xe6 h5**
58.♔f2 ♙c2 59.♖c6+ ♔d2 60.♖d6 ♙b3
61.g4 hxg4 62.hxg4 ♔d3 63.g5 ♔e4
64.g6 ♔f5?? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Ke5 was best.

[64...♔e5 65.♖b6 ♙c2 66.g7 ♙h7
67.♖h6 ♙g8 68.♖h8 ♙e6 69.g8♙
♙xg8 70.♖xg8]

65.g7 d4 66.♖d8 Accuracy: White =
73%, Black = 51%.
1-0

C43
 □ **Radjabov,Teimour** **2723**
 ■ **Nesterov,Arseniy** **2589**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘f6 3.d4 ♘xe4 4.♙d3
 d5 5.♘xe5 ♘d7 6.♘c3 ♘xc3 7.bxc3
 ♙d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.♖e1

[9.♖h5 g6̄]

9...c5 10.♖f3

[Of course not 10.♖h5 ♘f6̄]

10...c4 11.♙f5 ♘xe5 White is slightly
 better. 12.dxe5 Bxc8 is the strong threat.

12...♖e8 13.♙f4N And now Bxc8 would
 win.

[RR 13.♙xc8 ♖xc8 14.♙g5 ♖xg5
 15.exd6 ♖e6! 16.h4 ♖f6?]

(16...♖xh4= and Black has nothing to
 worry. 17.d7 ♖f8) 17.♖xd5?

(17.d7+- ♖d8 18.♖xd5) 17...♖xd6
 18.♖xb7 ♖cd8 19.♖xa7 ♖xh4

20.♖e7 ♖xe7 21.♖xe7 ♖d2 22.a4 g6
 (22...♙f8= 23.♖c7 ♖xc2) 23.a5

(23.♖a2±) 23...♖d1+ (23...♙f8=
 24.♖c7 ♖d1+ 25.♖xd1 ♖xd1+

26.♙h2 ♖a1) 24.♖e1! ♖1d7
 (24...♖1d6±) 25.♖e4 (White should

play 25.♖eb1+-) 25...♖d1+ 26.♖e1!
 ♖1d7 27.a6 (27.♖eb1!+-) 27...♖a7!

Ter Sahakyan,S (2643)-Gokerkan,C
 (2523) Samarkand UZB 2023 1-0

(63)]

13...♙f8 14.♙xc8→ White is up to no
 good. 14...♖xc8 15.♖e2 ♖c5 16.h3 h6

17.♖d1 ♖d7 18.♖ed2 ♖d8 19.♙e3 ♖a5
 20.♙xa7 aiming for Bb6. 20...♖e6

21.♙d4 ♖xa2?! Inaccuracy. b6 was best.

[21...b6]

[21...b6±]

22.♖b1± ♖c6 23.♖b6 ♖d7 24.♖d1 ♖a6
 [#] 25.♖db1?! Inaccuracy. Qg4 was best.

[25.♖g4!]

[25.♖g4!+-]

25...♖xb6 26.♖xb6 ♖a8 [#] 27.♖g4!
 ♖c7 28.♖xh6 g6 29.♖h4 ♙e7?

Mistake. Bg7 was best.

[29...♙g7]

[29...♙g7±]

30.♖h5+- ♙f6 31.f4 ♙g7 32.♖g5 ♙h6?!

Inaccuracy. Qe7 was best.

[32...♖e7 33.♖f3 ♖a1+ 34.♙f2 ♖c1
 35.♖xd5 ♖xc2+ 36.♙g3 ♙h7

37.♖xc4 ♖d2 38.♖d5]

[32...♙f8 might work better. 33.e6
 ♙xd4+ 34.cxd4 f5]

33.e6 Black must now prevent Rf5.White
 is clearly winning. 33...♙g5?!

Inaccuracy. Kf8 was best.

[33...♙f8 34.♖e5 ♖e7 35.exf7 ♖xf7
 36.f5 ♖a6 37.♖h4 g5 38.♖g4 ♙g7

39.♙c5+]

34.♖xg5 ♙f8 35.♖f6 White wants to
 mate with Qg7+. 35...♖a1+ 36.♙h2

Threatening mate with Qg7+. 36...♙e8
 [#] 37.♙c5! Accuracy: White = 95%,

Black = 63%.

1-0

C45
 □ **Gavrilescu,David** **2538**

■ **Sethuraman,S.P.** **2588**

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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.d4 exd4 4.♘xd4
 ♙c5 5.♘b3 ♙b6 6.♘c3 d6 7.♖e2 a5

8.♙e3 a4 9.♙xb6 axb3 10.♙e3 bxa2
 11.♖xa2 ♖xa2 12.♘xa2 ♘f6N

[RR 12...♘ge7 13.♘c3 0-0 14.♖d2
 ♙e6 15.♙e2 f5 16.0-0 h6 17.f3 ♖d7

18.♖e1 fxe4 19.♘xe4 ♘d5 20.♘c3
 ♘xe3 21.♖xe3 ♖f7 22.f4 ♙c4 23.g3

♙xe2 24.♖xe2 ♖a8 25.♖e4 ♙h8
 26.♘d5 ♖f8 27.b4 Sychev,K (2542)-

Demchenko,A (2609) Samarkand UZB
 2023 ½-½ (33)]

[RR 12...♘ge7 13.♘c3 0-0 14.♖d2
 f5 15.f3 fxe4 16.♘xe4 d5 17.♘g3

♘f5 18.♘xf5 ♙xf5 19.♙e2 d4 20.♙f2
 d3 21.cxd3 ♘d4 22.0-0 ♘xe2+

23.♖xe2 ♖xd3 24.♖e5 ♖d7 25.♖c1
 c6 26.♖e1 ♙g6 27.h4 Gavrilescu,D

(2534)-Hracek,Z (2550) Hamburg GER
2024 1/2-1/2 (50)]
13.♖c3 0-0 14.♚d2 ♖e8 15.♙d3 ♗b4
16.0-0
1/2-1/2

☐ **Gavrilescu,David** **C45** **2538**
 ■ **Puranik,Abhimanyu** **2629**
 Sharjah Master 2024 15.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.d4 exd4 4.♗xd4
♙c5 5.♗b3 ♙b6 6.♗c3 ♚f6 7.♚e2
♗ge7 8.h4 d6N

[RR 8...h6 9.g4 d6 10.f4 ♗d4
11.♗xd4 ♚xd4 12.♙d2 ♙d7 13.0-0-0
0-0-0 14.f5 ♚e5 15.♚f3 ♙c6 16.♙c4
d5 17.♙f4 dxe4 18.♙xe5 exf3
19.♙xg7 ♖xd1+ (Black should try
19...♖he8±) 20.♖xd1 ♙e3+ 21.♙b1
♖d8 22.♙xf7 f2 23.♙e6+ Csonka,B
(2485)-Pasti,A (2410) Budapest HUN
2023 1-0 (41)]

[RR 8...h6 9.♙e3 ♙xe3 10.♚xe3 a6
11.0-0-0 0-0? (11...d6±) 12.g4 ♗e5
13.g5 hxg5 14.hxg5 ♚f3 15.♚xf3
♗xf3 16.♙e2 ♗xg5 [#] 17.f4! ♗e6
18.f5 ♗f4 [#] 19.♙f3! f6? (19...g5
might work better. 20.f6 ♗eg6)
20.♖h4 (⊃20.♖dg1) 20...g5 21.♖xf4?
(21.fxg6!+- ♗exg6 22.♖g1) 21...gxf4
22.♖g1+ ♙h7 23.♖h1+ Balogh,P
(2019)-Kalisky,V (2175) Slovakia SVK
2024 1/2-1/2]

9.♙g5 ♚e6 10.0-0-0 h6 Loss on time!?
0-1

☐ **Idani,Pouya** **C45** **2605**
 ■ **Blohberger,Felix** **2505**
 Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.d4 exd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗xc6 bxc6 6.e5 ♚e7 7.♚e2

♗d5 8.h4 ♚e6

[RR 8...a5 9.c4 ♙a6 10.♖h3 ♗b6
11.b3 ♚e6 12.♙b2 a4 13.♗d2 ♙b4
14.0-0-0 axb3 15.axb3 ♙b7 16.♗e4
c5 17.♗g5 ♚e7 18.♖e3 0-0-0 19.g3
♙b8 20.f4 h6 21.♗e4 ♖he8 22.♙g2
♚e6 23.♗d6 Durarbayli,V (2627)-
Caruana,F (2804) Saint Louis USA
2024 1/2-1/2 (118)]

9.♗d2 d6 10.exd6 ♙xd6N

[RR 10...♚xe2+ 11.♙xe2 cxd6
12.♗c4 h5 13.♙f3 ♙e6 14.♙g5 f6
15.♙d2 ♙f7 16.0-0-0 ♖c8 17.♖de1
♗b6 18.♗a5 d5 19.♖e2 ♙f5
20.♖he1 ♙g6 21.a3 ♙d6 22.♙b4 c5
23.♗b7 ♙f8 24.♙a5 d4 25.♖e8
Movahed,S (2450)-Agibileg,U (2445)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (72)]

[RR 10...♗b4 11.♗e4 ♙a6 12.c4
cxd6 13.♖h3 d5 14.♗f6+ ♙d8
15.♖e3 ♚xf6 16.♖e8+ ♙c7 17.♖xa8
♗d3+ 18.♚xd3 ♙b4+ 19.♙d2 ♙xd2+
20.♚xd2 ♚e5+ 21.♚e3 ♚xe3+
22.fxe3 ♖xa8 23.cxd5 ♙xf1 24.♙xf1
cxd5 25.♙e2 Mihok,O (2555)-Papp,G
(2530) Hungary HUN 2024 1/2-1/2 (33)]

[RR 10...♗b4 11.♗e4 ♙a6 12.c4
cxd6 13.a3 ♙xc4 14.♚xc4 ♚xc4
15.♙xc4 ♗c2+ 16.♙e2 d5 17.♖a2
dxc4 18.♖d1 ♖d8 19.♖xd8+ ♙xd8
20.♗d2 ♗d4+ 21.♙d1 c3 22.bxc3
♗b5 23.♙c2 ♙e7 24.g3 ♖e8 25.a4
Abdilkhair,A (2255)-Sapenov,D (2350)
Astana KAZ 2023 1-0 (58)]

11.♗c4 ♙c5 12.a3 0-0 13.♚xe6 ♙xe6
14.♙d3 ♖fe8 15.0-0 ♙g4 16.♙d2 ♙e2
17.♖fe1 ♙xd3 18.cxd3 ♙d4 19.♙f1
♖eb8 20.♖ab1 ♖b3 21.♗a5 ♖xb2
22.♖xb2 ♙xb2 23.♗c4 ♙d4 24.♖b1
♙f8 25.♗a5 ♗e7 26.a4 ♙b6 27.♗c4
♙d4 28.♖b7 ♗d5 29.♗a5 c5 30.♗c6
a6 31.♙a5 ♙f6 32.♖b8+? Mistake. Bxc7
was best.

[32.♙xc7 ♗xc7 33.♖xc7 ♙xh4
34.♗e5 ♙e7 35.g3 h5 36.♗d7+ ♙e8
37.♗xc5 g5]

32...♖xb8 33.♗xb8 ♗b6? Mistake. Ke7 was best.

[33...♕e7]

34.♗xa6 ♗xa4 35.g3 c6 36.♗b8 ♕e7 37.♗xc6+ ♕d7 38.♗a7 ♗b2 39.♕e2 c4

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□ Avila Pavas,Santiago 2514
 ■ Suleymanli,Aydin 2621
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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.d4 exd4 4.♗xd4 ♗f6 5.♗c3 ♖b4 6.♗xc6 bxc6 7.♕d3 d5 8.exd5 0-0 9.0-0 cxd5 10.h3 c6 11.♖f3 ♕d6 12.♖f4

[RR 12.♖e1 ♗d7 13.♖f4 ♗c5 14.♖ad1 ♖b8 15.b3 ♖f6 16.♗e2 a5 17.♕xd6 ♖xd6 18.c4 ♗xd3 19.♖xd3 a4 20.bxa4 ♖a6 21.♖c3 ♖b4 22.cxd5 ♖xe2 23.♖xb4 ♖xb4 24.♖xe2 cxd5 25.♖xd5 ♖xa4 26.♖ed2 h5 Nakamura,H (2780)-Anand,V (2754) Viernheim GER 2024 1/2-1/2 (55)]

12...♖c7

[RR 12...♖e6 13.♗e2 ♖b8 14.b3 c5 15.♖ad1 a5 16.♖fe1 ♖e8 17.c3 ♖c7 18.♖g3 ♖ed8 19.♕xd6 ♖xd6 20.♗f4 ♕f8 21.♖e5 ♖c8 22.♖de1 ♖b7 23.♗h5 g6 24.♖f4 ♗xh5 25.♖e8+ ♕g7 26.♖xd6 ♖xd6 27.♖xb8 Sanal,V (2567)-Wagner,D (2611) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (51)]

13.♗e2N

[RR 13.♕xd6 ♖xd6 14.♖fe1 ♕d7 15.♖ad1 ♖fe8 16.b3 a5 17.♗e2 c5 18.♗c3 ♖c6 19.♖b5 ♖xe1+ 20.♖xe1 ♖b7 21.♖f5 g6 22.♖e5 ♖xe5 23.♖xe5 ♕f8 24.♗a4 ♖c8 25.c4 ♖c7 26.f3 h5 27.h4 ♕g7 Isanzhulov,A (2407)-Hovhannisyanyan,R (2611) Samarkand UZB 2023 1-0 (76)]
 [RR 13.♕xd6 ♖xd6 14.♖fe1 ♕d7

15.♖ad1 ♖fe8 16.b3 ♖xe1+ 17.♖xe1 ♖e8 18.♖e2 c5 19.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 20.♗e2 ♖c6 21.♖f4 ♖xf4 22.♗xf4 ♕f8 23.c3 ♕e7 24.f3 ♕d6 25.♕f2 a5 26.♗e2 h6 27.a3 ♗d7 Isanzhulov,A (2407)-Lysyj,I (2589) Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1 (53)]

13...♖e8 14.♖ae1 ♕d7 15.c4 ♖ab8 16.b3 ♖xf4 17.♗xf4 ♖a5 18.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.♗h5 ♗xh5 21.♖xh5 g6 22.♖f3 ♖e6 23.♖e2 ♖c3 24.♖d1 ♖c8 25.h4 a5 26.h5 ♖f6 27.♖d2 ♖c3 28.♖g5 ♖d4 29.♖e2 ♖b2 30.♖f3 ♖xa2 31.♕xd5 ♖c2 32.♖d2 ♖c1+ 33.♕h2 ♖c5 34.f4 ♖d6 35.♖xe6 ♖xe6 36.♖xa5 ♖f6 37.♖g5 ♖xg5 38.fxg5 gxh5 39.b4 ♖b8 40.♖b2 ♖b5 41.♕g3 ♕f8 42.♕h4 ♕g7 43.g4 hxg4 44.♕xg4 f6 45.gxf6+

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□ Horvath,Dominik 2553
 ■ Yilmaz,Mustafa 2641
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♗c3 ♗f6 4.d4 exd4 5.♗xd4 ♖b4 6.♗xc6

[6.♗f3 ♖f8]

6...bxc6 7.♕d3 d5 8.♕d2 0-0 9.0-0 ♖b8 10.♖e1 ♖e8 11.h3 dxe4 12.♖xe4 ♖xh3 13.♖xc6 ♕d7 14.♖xe8+N

[RR 14.♖f3 ♖f5 15.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 16.♖e3 ♖xc3 17.bxc3 ♖d8 18.♖b1 ♖e4 19.♖xe4 ♗xe4 20.♖b7 ♗xc3 21.♖e1 ♖e5 22.♖xa7 h6 23.♖a6 ♖d5 24.♖f4 ♖a8 25.♖d3 ♖xd3 26.cxd3 ♗d5 27.♖g3 ♖xa2 28.♖c1 ♖d2 Kraus,T (2488)-Navara,D (2678) Ostrava CZE 2024 0-1 (54)]

[RR 14.♖f3 ♖f5 15.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 16.♖e3 ♖xc3 17.bxc3 ♖d8 18.♖b1 ♖e4 19.♖xe4 ♗xe4 20.♖b7 ♗xc3 21.♖e1 ♖e5 22.♖xa7 h6 23.♖a6 ♖d5 24.♖f4 ♖a8 25.♖d3 ♖xd3

26.cxd3 ♖d5 27.♙g3 ♜xa2 28.♞c1
 ♞d2 Kraus,T (2488)-Navara,D (2678)
 Ostrava, CZ 2024 0-1 (54)]
14...♞xe8 15.♙xd7 ♞xd7 16.♙e3 ♙xc3
17.♞xd7 ♖xd7 18.bxc3 ♖b6 19.♞b1
f6 20.♞b3 ♖f7 21.c4 ♖e6 22.c5 ♖d7
23.♞a3 ♞a8 24.♙f4 ♖e5 25.♙xe5 fxe5
26.♞g3 ♞g8 27.♞a3 ♞a8 28.♞g3 ♞g8
29.♞a3 ♞a8
 1/2-1/2

Safarli,Eltaj **C47**
 Raja Rithvik R **2594**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2523**
 22.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♖f3 ♖c6 3.♖c3 ♖f6 4.d4
 exd4 5.♖xd4 ♙b4 6.♖xc6 bxc6 7.♙d3
 d5 8.exd5 cxd5 9.0-0 0-0 10.♙g5
 1/2-1/2

Petrosyan,Manuel **C48**
 Horvath,Dominik **2616**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2553**
 19.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♖f3 ♖f6 3.♖c3 ♖c6 4.♙b5
♖d4 5.♖xd4 exd4 6.e5 dxc3 7.exf6
♞xf6 8.dxc3 ♞e5+ 9.♞e2 ♞xe2+
10.♖xe2 c6 11.♙d3 d5 12.a4N
 [RR 12.♙e3 ♙e6 13.♞he1 ♙d6 14.h3
 0-0 15.♖f3 ♞fe8 16.♙f4 ♙c5 17.♙e3
 ♙d6 18.♙f4 ♙c5 19.♙e3 ♙f8 20.g4
 a6 21.b4 a5 22.a3 b5 23.♖g2 ♙d6
 24.♙b6 a4 25.♞e3 ♙f4 26.♞e2 ♙d7
 Pap,G (2475)-Kantor,G (2527)
 Budapest 2024 1/2-1/2 (42)]
 [RR 12.c4 ♙e6 13.cxd5 ♙xd5 14.f3
 ♙c5 15.♙e3 ♙xe3 16.♖xe3 ♖d7
 17.♞he1 ♞ae8+ 18.♖f2 h6 19.b3
 ♖c7 20.♞xe8 ♞xe8 21.♞e1 ♞xe1
 22.♖xe1 c5 23.♖d2 ♖d6 24.♖e3 b6
 25.c4 ♙e6 26.h4 g5 Bacrot,E (2683)-
 Kuzubov,Y (2605) chess.com INT

2024 1/2-1/2 (37)]
 [RR 12.♙e3 ♙e6 13.f4 f6 (RR
 13...♙d6 14.♖d2 0-0 15.g3 ♞fe8
 16.♞he1 c5 17.a3 ♙d7 18.c4 dxc4
 19.♙xc4 ♞ad8 20.♖c3 ♙e7 21.a4
 b6 22.♙f2 ♙f6+ 23.♖b3 ♞xe1
 24.♞xe1 ♞e8 25.♞xe8+ ♙xe8 26.♙b5
 ♙xb5 27.axb5 ♖f8 28.c3) 14.♞he1
 ♙d6 15.♖f3 ♖d7 16.♞ad1 b6 17.a4
 ♙f7 18.b3 ♖c7 19.♞e2 ♙g6 20.♞de1
 ♙xd3 21.cxd3 ♖d7 22.f5 ♞he8 23.g4
 ♞e7 24.♙f4 ♞ae8 25.♞xe7+ ♞xe7
 26.♞xe7+ ♖xe7 Nazari,A (2370)-Ju,W
 (2559) Dubai Police Officers Club, A
 2024 1/2-1/2 (39)]

[RR 12.♙f4 ♙e6 13.♞he1 ♖d7
 14.♞ad1 ♙d6]
 [RR 12.♞e1 ♙d6 13.♙f4 ♖e7
 14.♖f3+ ♙e6 15.c4 dxc4 16.♙xc4
 ♙xf4 17.♖xf4 ♞ad8 18.♙xe6 fxe6
 19.♞e2 ♞d4+ 20.♖g3 ♞hd8 21.♞ae1
 ♞8d6 22.f3 ♞d2 23.♖f2 ♞xe2+
 24.♞xe2 ♞d1 25.♞e1 ♞d2+ 26.♞e2
 ♞d1]

12...a5 13.♙f4 ♙e6 14.h4 h5 15.♖f3
0-0-0 16.♞hb1 d4 17.b4 axb4 18.cxb4
f6 19.♖e2 ♙d6 20.♙xd6 ♞xd6 21.♖d2
g5 22.♞h1 ♙d5 23.f3 ♖c7 24.a5 ♞e6
25.a6 bxa6 26.♞xa6 ♞e5 27.b5 ♞g8
28.hxg5 ♞exg5 29.♖c1 ♞xg2 30.♞xh5
♞g1+ 31.♖b2 ♞e1 32.♞h7+ ♖d6
33.bxc6 ♙xc6 34.♙e4 ♞c8??

Blunder. Rb8+ was best.
 [34...♞b8+ 35.♖a2]

35.♞h6? Mistake. Rh4 was best.
 [35.♞h4 ♞b8+ 36.♖a2 ♞xe4 37.♞xe4
 ♖d5 38.♞a5+ ♞b5 39.♞a4 ♞b2+
 40.♖xb2 ♙xa4]

35...♖c5? Mistake. Rxe4 was best.
 [35...♞xe4 36.fxe4 ♖c5 37.♞h5+
 ♖c4 38.♞h4 ♖b5 39.♞a3 ♞e8 40.♞f4
 ♞xe4 41.♞b3+]

36.♞h5+ ♖d6 37.♞b6?? Blunder. Kb3
 was best.
 [37.♖b3 ♞xe4 38.fxe4 ♖d7 39.♞h4
 ♞b8+ 40.♖a3 ♞e8 41.e5 ♞xe5

42.♖xd4+ ♔c7]
 37...♖e3 38.♖f5 ♔d7 39.♙xc6+ ♖xc6
 40.♖xc6 ♔xc6 41.♖xf6+ ♔d5 42.♖f8
 ♔c4 43.♔c1 ♖e2 44.♖c8+ ♔d5
 45.♖b8 ♖f2 46.♖b3 ♔c4 47.♖d3 ♖f1+
 48.♔d2 ♖f2+ 49.♔d1 ♖f1+ 50.♔e2
 ♖c1 51.♔d2 ♖f1 52.♖a3 ♖f2+ 53.♔d1
 ♔b4 54.♖b3+ ♔c4 55.♔c1 ♖f1+
 56.♔b2 ♖f2 57.♖a3 ♔b4 58.♖d3 ♔c4
 59.♖b3 ♖f1 60.♖a3 ♔b4 61.♖b3+
 1/2-1/2

C48

□ Kacharava,Nikolozi

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■ Nguyen,Thai Dai Van

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15.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 ♗f6 4.♗c3
 ♙d6 5.d3 0-0

[RR 5...h6 6.a3 0-0 7.g4 ♗a5 8.g5
 hxg5 9.♙xg5 c6 10.♙c4 ♗xc4
 11.dxc4 ♙e7 12.♖g1 d5 13.cxd5
 cxd5 14.♙xf6 ♙xf6 15.♗xd5 ♙e6
 16.c4 b5 17.cxb5 ♖c8 18.a4 ♖c4
 19.♗c3 ♖a5 20.♗d2 Wei Yi (2755)-
 Abdusattorov,N (2766) Warsaw POL
 2024 1-0 (38)]

6.♙a4N

[RR 6.0-0 ♗d4 7.♗xd4 exd4 8.♗e2
 c6 9.♙c4 ♙c7 10.♙f4 ♙xf4 11.♗xf4
 ♖c7 12.♗h5 ♖e5 13.♗xf6+ ♖xf6
 14.♖h5 d6 15.♖ae1 ♖f4 16.a4 ♙e6
 17.g3 ♖e5 18.♖xe5 dxe5 19.♙xe6
 fxe6 20.f4 exf4 Goumas,G (2445)-
 Aronsson,M (2285) San Vicente ESP
 2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 6.0-0 a6 7.♙xc6 dxc6 8.h3 c5
 9.b3 ♖e8 10.♗e2 ♗d7 11.♗h2 a5
 12.a4 b6 13.f4 exf4 14.♙xf4 ♗e5
 15.♗g3 ♙e6 16.♖d2 ♗g6 17.♙xd6
 ♖xd6 18.♖f2 f6 19.♗f3 ♖ad8
 20.♖ae1 ♙c8 Bharath,S (2530)-
 Kovalev,V (2560) chess.com INT 2024
 1/2-1/2 (98)]

[RR 6.a3 ♗d4 (RR 6...♖e8 7.g4

♙c5 8.♖g1 d5 9.g5 ♗g4 10.♖g2
 ♗xf2 11.♖xf2 ♙xf2+ 12.♔xf2 d4
 13.♗e2 ♖d6 14.♗g3 ♙g4 15.♖h1
 ♖f8 16.♙c4 ♗e7 17.h3 ♙e6 18.♗h4
 ♙xc4 19.dxc4 f6 20.♗hf5 ♗xf5
 21.exf5) 7.♙c4 c6 (RR 7...♙c5
 8.♗a4 d5 9.exd5 ♙d6 10.♗c3 ♙g4
 11.h3 ♙h5 12.♙e3 ♗xf3+ 13.gxf3
 ♗d7 14.♖g1 f5 15.♙g5 ♖e8 16.♖e2
 e4 17.d4 ♙xf3 18.♖d2 ♖g6 19.♗e2
 ♙xe2 20.♔xe2 f4 21.♙e7 ♖h5+
 22.♔e1) 8.♙e3 (RR 8.♙a2 ♙c7 9.h3
 ♗e6 10.♙xe6 fxe6 11.♙g5 ♖e8
 12.♙xf6 ♖xf6 13.♗e2 d6 14.♗g3
 ♙d7 15.0-0 ♖g6 16.♗h2 ♖af8
 17.♖e2 ♙b6 18.♗h1 ♙e8 19.g3
 ♙xf2+ 20.♔g2 ♙b6 21.♖f3 ♖xf3
 22.♗xf3 ♖h6; RR 8.♗xd4 exd4
 9.♗e2 ♙c7 10.♙g5 ♖e8 11.♖d2
 ♖e7 12.♙a2 d5 13.f3 h6 14.♙f4
 ♙xf4 15.♖xf4 dxe4 16.fxe4 c5
 17.0-0 ♙e6 18.♙xe6 ♖xe6 19.♗g3
 ♗g4 20.♗f5 ♗e5) 8...♙c5 9.♗xe5
 d5 10.♗a4 ♖a5+ 11.c3 ♗c2+
 12.♖xc2 ♙xe3 13.fxe3 dxc4 14.d4
 b6 15.0-0 ♖b5 16.♖f4 ♙e6 17.♖af1
 ♗d7 18.♗g4 ♖g5 19.h4 ♖e7
 20.♖d1 ♖ad8 Ostrovskiy,A (2406)-
 Aditya Mittal (2607) Dubai Police
 Officers Club, A 2024 0-1 (38)]

[RR 6.0-0 h6 7.a3 ♖e8 8.h3 ♙c5
 9.♙e3 ♗d4 10.♙c4 c6 11.♖e1 (RR
 11.♙xd4 exd4 12.♗e2 d5 13.exd5
 ♗xd5 14.♖e1 ♗f6 15.♖d2 ♙e6
 16.♙xe6 ♖xe6 17.♗g3 ♖xe1+
 18.♖xe1 ♖d7 19.♖f4 ♗d5 20.♖e5
 f6 21.♖e4 ♗c7 22.♖f5 ♖xf5
 23.♗xf5 ♖d8 24.b4 ♙f8 25.♗5xd4
 c5) 11...♗xf3+ 12.♖xf3 ♙xe3 13.fxe3
 b5 14.♙a2 a5 15.♗e2 d6 16.♗g3
 ♙e6 17.♖f1 d5 18.♖f2 ♖a7 19.exd5
 cxd5 20.♗f5 ♔h7]

6...♖e8 7.♙g5 h6 8.♙xf6 ♖xf6 9.♗d5
 ♖d8 10.c3 ♗e7 11.♗e3 c6 12.d4
 exd4 13.♖xd4 ♙f4 14.0-0 ♙xe3
 15.♖xe3 d5 16.e5 ♖b6 17.♖xb6 axb6

18.♔c2 ♕f5 19.♔xf5 ♖xf5 20.♗d4
 ♗xd4 21.cxd4 ♖a4 22.♖fd1 f6 23.f4
 fxe5 24.fxe5 ♖f7 25.♖d3 ♖e6 26.b3
 ♖a3 27.♖g3 ♖e7 28.♖f2 b5 29.♖e3
 b4 30.h4 ♖a8 31.h5 ♖d7
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□ Sindarov, Javokhir 2684
 ■ Fedoseev, Vladimir 2701
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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗c3 ♗c6 4.♔b5
 ♔b4 5.0-0 0-0 6.d3 ♖e8 7.♗d5N

[RR 7.♔g5 ♔xc3 8.bxc3 h6 9.♔h4
 d6 10.♖e1 g5 (10...a6= keeps the
 balance. 11.♔xc6 bxc6) 11.♗xg5!
 hxg5 12.♔xg5 ♖e6 13.♖f3
 (White should play 13.♔c4+-)
 13...♖g7! 14.♖g3? (14.♔c4±
 keeps the upper hand. ♖e8 15.♔d5)
 14...♗e7? (14...♖h8!± and life is
 bright. 15.♔c4 ♖h5) 15.♔c4 (15.f4+-
 exf4 16.♔xf6+ ♖xf6 17.♖f1) 15...♗g6
 16.♔xe6 ♔xe6 17.h4! ♖h8?
 (17...♖h7±) 18.♔xf6+! ♖xf6 19.♖g5+
 ♖g7 20.h5 ♖g8 21.hxg6 f6
 Djokic, M (2139)-Sahakyan, A (2318)
 chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (48)]

7...♗xd5 8.exd5 a6 9.♔c4 White is
 slightly better.

[Reject 9.dxc6 axb5 10.cxd7 ♔xd7±]

9...♗a5 10.a3 ♗xc4 11.axb4 ♗b6?!
 Inaccuracy. Nd6 was best.

[11...♗d6]

12.d6!↑ White has strong initiative.

12...♗d5 13.d4 e4! [#] 14.♗e5
 [14.♗g5!± Hoping for Qh5. ♗f6
 15.f3]

14...♖h4?! Inaccuracy. cxd6 was best.

[14...cxd6 15.♗xf7 ♖e7 16.♗g5 e3
 17.♖h5 exf2+ 18.♖xf2 ♗f6 19.♖f3
 d5! 20.♔d2]

[14...cxd6= 15.♗c4 ♖f6]

15.♖a3± ♖f6?? Blunder. cxd6 was best.

[15...cxd6]

[15...cxd6± might work better. 16.♗xf7
 ♖e7]

16.♖h5?! Inaccuracy. c4 was best.

[16.c4 ♖xd6 17.cxd5 ♖xd5 18.♗g4
 d6 19.♗e3 ♖b5 20.f4 ♔d7 21.f5 f6]
 [♠16.c4]

16...g6+- 17.♖g3 Strongly threatening
 Ng4. 17...♖e6?? Blunder. Nf4 was best.

[17...♗f4 18.♖d1 b5 19.c3 a5
 20.bxa5 ♖xa5 21.♖g4 ♗d3 22.♖xe4
 ♗xe5 23.♖xe5]

[17...♗f4 is more resistant. 18.♖d1
 a5]

18.♖h4?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best.

[18.f4 ♖xd6 19.♗xf7 ♗f6 20.♗xd6
 ♗xh5 21.♗xe8 d6 22.♗xc7 ♗xg3
 23.hxg3 ♖b8]

18...cxd6 [#] 19.♗g4! b5 20.b3

[Stronger than 20.♖h3 h5=]

20...f5 21.♗h6+ ♖g7 22.c4 ♔b7

23.cxd5 ♔xd5 24.♔f4 ♖f8 25.♖h3
 ♖ac8 26.g4 fxg4 27.♗xg4 h5 28.♔h6+
 ♖g8 29.♗e3 ♖f7 30.♖g3 aiming for
 Qxh5. 30...♖h7 31.♗xd5 ♖xd5 32.♔e3
 ♖c3 33.♖g5 ♖xg5 34.♔xg5

[Resist 34.♖xg5 ♖xb3 35.♖a1
 ♖xb4+-]

34...♖ff3 35.♖a1 ♖xb3 36.♖xa6 ♖b2?!
 Inaccuracy. d5 was best.

[36...d5 37.♖d6 ♖xb4 38.♖xd7+ ♖g8
 39.♖xd5 ♖f7 40.♖g2 ♖f5 41.♖d7+
 ♖e6 42.♖e7+]

37.♖xf3 White is clearly winning.

37...exf3 KRB-KR 38.h4 ♖xb4 39.♖xd6
 ♖c4 40.♖xd7+ ♖g8 41.♖h2 b4 42.♔e3
 b3 Accuracy: White = 83%, Black =
 64%.

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 2588
Sethuraman,S.P.
 2723
Radjabov,Teimour
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♘c3 ♘f6 4.♙b5
 ♙b4 5.0-0 0-0 6.d3 ♙xc3 7.bxc3 d6
 8.♙g5 ♖e7 9.♖e1 a6 10.♙xc6

[10.♙a4 looks sharper. ♘d8 11.♙b3
 ♘e6 12.♙c1 b5 13.a4]

10...bxc6 11.♘d2N

[RR 11.d4 a5 12.♖c1 ♖e6 13.dxe5
 dxe5 14.♖a3 ♘d7 15.♖ad1 ♖e8
 16.♙e3 ♙a6 17.♖d2 ♙c4 18.♘g5
 ♖e7 19.♖xe7 ♖xe7 20.a3 ♘f6
 21.♙c5 ♖d7 22.♘f3 ♖xd2 23.♘xd2
 ♙b5 24.f3 ♘d7 25.♙e3 f6

Jovanovic,Z (2515)-Bagi,M (2420)
 Magyarorsz□g 2024 □-□ (59)]

[RR 11.d4 ♙g4 12.♖d3 h6 13.♙h4
 ♖e6 14.♘d2 ♘d7 15.f3 ♙h5!
 16.♖c4 c5 17.♙f2 cxd4 18.cxd4
 ♖xc4 19.♘xc4 exd4 20.♙xd4 f6
 21.♖eb1 ♖fb8 22.♘e3 ♙f7 23.a3
 ♖xb1+ 24.♖xb1 ♖b8 25.♖xb8+ ♘xb8
 Stevic,H (2541)-Sipos,I (2456)

Magyarorsz□g 2024 □-□ (36)]

11...h6 12.♙h4 g5 13.♙g3 ♙g4 14.f3
 ♙e6 15.d4 ♘h5 16.♙f2 ♘f4 17.♘b3
 f6 18.♘a5 ♖d7 19.♙e3 c5 20.a4 cxd4
 21.cxd4 ♘g6 22.c3

[22.d5± ♙f7 23.c4]

22...f5= 23.dxe5?! [#] Inaccuracy. exf5
 was best.

[23.exf5 ♙xf5]

[23.exf5= ♙xf5 24.d5]

23...f4!± 24.♙d4 dxe5?! Inaccuracy. c5
 was best.

[24...c5 25.exd6 cxd4 26.♖xd4 ♖ad8
 27.♖ad1 g4 28.♙h1 ♙h7 29.e5 ♖f7
 30.♖b1]

[Black should try 24...c5± 25.exd6
 cxd4 26.♖xd4 ♖ac8]

25.♙c5± Black must now prevent Qxd7.

25...♖f7 26.♖xd7 ♖xd7 27.♘c6 ♖d2

28.♖ed1 The position is equal. 28...♖c2

29.♖dc1 ♖xc1+ 30.♖xc1 ♙d7 31.♘b4
 ♙xa4 Accuracy: White = 72%, Black =
 78%.
 1/2-1/2

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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♘f6 4.d3
 ♙c5 5.0-0 0-0 6.♙g5 h6 7.♙h4 ♙e7
 8.♙g3 d6 9.a4 ♘h7

[RR 9...♙e6 10.♙xe6 fxe6 11.c3
 ♘h5 12.♘bd2 a5 13.♖b3 ♖d7
 14.♖b5 ♖a6 15.♘c4 ♖c8 16.d4
 ♘xg3 17.hxg3 exd4 18.cxd4 ♖xf3
 19.gxf3 ♘xd4 20.♖h5 ♖c6 21.♘e3
 ♖c5 22.♖h1 ♖e8 23.♖fe1 e5
 24.♖ad1 Yu Yangyi (2729)-Aravindh,C
 (2671) Dubai UAE 2024 1/2-1/2 (78)]

10.c3 ♘h8 11.a5 a6N

[RR 11...♖b8 12.d4 f5 13.exf5 e4
 14.♘e1 d5 15.♙b3 b6 16.axb6 ♖xb6
 17.♘d2 ♙a6 18.♖xa6 ♖xa6 19.♘c2
 ♙d6 20.♙xd6 ♖xd6 21.f3 exf3
 22.♘xf3 ♖b6 23.♘e3 ♘f6 24.c4
 ♖b4 25.♙a2 ♖xb2 26.c5 Davtyan,A
 (2474)-Korshunov,S (2286) Yerevan
 ARM 2024 1/2-1/2 (39)]

12.♖b3?! Inaccuracy. Nbd2 was best.

[12.♘bd2]

12...♖e8? Mistake. h5 was best.

[12...h5 13.h3 g5 14.♙xf7 g4
 15.hxg4 hxg4 16.♘h2 ♙h4 17.♘a3
 ♖g5 18.♘c2]

13.♖e1 ♙f6 14.♘bd2 g5 15.h3 h5
 16.♘f1 h4 17.♙h2 g4 18.hxg4 ♙xg4
 19.♘e3 ♙xf3 20.gxf3 ♖d7 21.♘g4
 ♘g5 22.♖d1 ♙g7 23.♙h1 f5 24.♘e3
 fxe4?? Blunder. f4 was best.

[24...f4 25.♘f5 ♘h3 26.♙g2 ♖xf5
 27.exf5 ♖xf5 28.d4 ♘g5 29.♙h1
 exd4 30.♙d3]

25.fxe4 ♘f3 26.♘f5 ♖xf5 27.exf5

♖xf5 28.♙e6 ♗f6 29.♞e4 ♜f8 30.♙h3 d5?! Inaccuracy. Bh6 was best.

[30...♙h6 31.♞g4 ♘xh2 32.♚xh2 ♗xf2+ 33.♚h1 ♘e7 34.♗g1 ♗f6 35.♞f1 ♙f4 36.♞g2]

31.♞g4 ♙h6 32.♙g2?? Blunder. Rg2 was best.

[32.♞g2]

32...♘xh2 33.♚xh2 e4 34.dxe4 ♘e5

35.exd5 h3 36.♚xh3 ♘xg4 37.♗xg4

♗xf2 38.♞f1 ♗e3+ 39.♞f3 ♞xf3+

40.♙xf3 ♙f4 41.♗h5+ ♚g7 42.♚g4

♙h6 43.♗h2 ♗g5+ 44.♚h3 ♗f5+

45.♙g4 ♗d3+ 46.♚h4 ♚g6??

Blunder. Kf6 was best.

[46...♚f6 47.♗f2+ ♚e7 48.♙e6 ♗e4+ 49.♚g3 ♗e5+ 50.♚h3 ♚d8 51.♗f3 ♗e3 52.♚g2]

47.♗e5 ♙e3?? Blunder. Qe3 was best.

[47...♗e3 48.♙h5+ ♚h7 49.♗xc7+ ♚h8 50.♗c8+ ♚h7 51.♗xb7+ ♚h8 52.♗f7 ♙g5+ 53.♚g4]

48.♗e6+ ♚g7 49.♗e7+ ♚h6

50.♗f6+?? Blunder. Qf8+ was best.

[50.♗f8+ ♚g6 51.♙h5+ ♚h7 52.♗e7+ ♚h6 53.♗f6+ ♚h7 54.♙g4 ♗c4 55.♗f7+ ♚h6]

50...♗g6 51.♗f8+ ♗g7 52.♗f3 ♗g5+

53.♚g3 ♗e5+ 54.♚g2 ♗g5 55.♗f8+

♗g7 56.♗f5 ♗g6 57.♗f8+ ♗g7

58.♗c8 ♙c1 59.♗e6+ ♗g6 60.b4 ♙d2

61.♚f3 ♗xe6 62.dxe6 ♚g7 63.e7 ♚f7

64.♙c8 ♙xc3 65.♙xb7 ♙xb4 66.♙xa6

♙xa5 67.♚e4 ♚xe7 68.♙b5 ♙c3

69.♚d5 ♙d4 70.♚xd4 c6 71.♚c5

cxb5 72.♚xb5

1/2-1/2

C50

☐ **Siddharth,Jagadeesh**

2508

■ **Banusz,Tamas**

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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♘f6 4.d3

♙c5 5.♙g5 d6 6.c3 h6 7.♙h4 a5

8.0-0 ♙d7N

[RR 8...g5 9.♙g3! ♙a7 10.♘bd2 ♗e7

11.♚h1 (11.d4±) 11...♙e6 12.♙b5

♙d7 13.d4 exd4 14.♙xc6 ♙xc6

15.♘xd4 ♙xd4 16.cxd4 d5?

(16...a4±) 17.exd5! ♙xd5 18.♞e1

♙e6 19.♙e5? (19.f4+-) 19...0-0

20.♗f3 ♘d5 21.♗h5 ♚h7 22.♘f3 f6

23.♙g3 Korchmar,V (2438)-Balint,P

(2294) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (86)]

[RR 8...♙b6 9.a4 ♙d7 10.♞e1 g5

11.♙g3 ♞g8 (Better is 11...♘h5=)

12.d4 (12.♘bd2±) 12...♗e7

(12...g4= 13.♘h4 exd4) 13.dxe5?

(13.♘bd2± stays on course.)

13...♘xe5 14.♘a3 h5! 15.♘d4

(15.b4± might work better.) 15...h4

16.♙xe5 ♗xe5? (16...dxe5+ 17.♘f5

♙xf5 18.exf5 g4) 17.♘f3? (17.♙b5!±

♙xb5 18.axb5) 17...♗f4 18.e5

(18.♗d2 was worth a try. ♘g4

19.♗xf4 ♙xf2+ 20.♚h1 gxf4 21.♞e2)

18...dxe5! 19.♞xe5+ ♚f8 20.♗e2 g4

(20...♙c6 21.♗c2 ♙xf3) 21.♘d4

g3! 22.fxg3 hxg3 23.♞f1

Zhang,K (1477)-Liu,j (1347) Shanghai

CHN 2024 1-0]

[RR 8...♙a7 9.d4 (9.♘a3=

keeps the balance.) 9...g5 10.dxe5

gxh4 11.exf6 ♗xf6 12.♘bd2 h3

13.g3 ♙g4 14.♙e2 ♞g8 15.♚h1

0-0-0 16.♘h4 ♙xe2 17.♗xe2 d5

18.f3 (18.exd5± ♞xd5 19.f4)

18...dxe4 19.fxe4 ♗e6 20.♘c4 ♞g4

21.♞ae1 ♙f2? (21...h5+ 22.b3

♚b8) 22.♗xf2 ♗xc4 23.♗f5+

Tsydypov,Z (2521)-Piliposyan,R

(2368) Moscow RUS 2024 1-0 (60)]

9.♞e1 ♙a7 The position is equal. 10.d4

g5 11.♙g3 ♗e7 12.♘a3 0-0-0

13.♙d5?! Inaccuracy. d5 was best.

[13.d5 ♘b8 14.b4 h5 15.h4! ♞dg8!

16.♘b5 ♙xb5! 17.♙xb5 gxh4

18.♙xh4 ♞g4]

[13.d5±]

13...♘h5? Mistake. h5 was best.

[13...h5 14.h4 ♖dg8 15.♘c4 gxh4!
16.♙xh4 ♖g4 17.♙xc6! ♙xc6
18.♘xa5 ♖hg8 19.♘xc6]
[13...h5= 14.h4 g4]

14.♘c4?! Inaccuracy. Nb5 was best.

[14.♘b5]
[White should play 14.♘b5±]

14...♘xg3± 15.hxg3 g4 16.♘h4
Black must now prevent Bxc6. **16...exd4**
17.♙xc6 bxc6? Mistake. Bxc6 was best.

[17...♙xc6 18.cxd4 ♖f6! 19.♘xa5
♙d7 20.♘b3! ♙b8 21.♖d3 ♖he8
22.♖ad1 ♖e7 23.♖e2]

[Black should try 17...♙xc6± 18.♘xa5
(18.cxd4 ♖f6±) 18...♙d7]

18.♖a4? Mistake. Qd3 was best.

[18.♖d3 ♙b8 19.♘f5! ♖f6 20.♘xd4
♙a8 21.♘xa5 ♖b8 22.♖e2 ♖b6
23.♖c4 ♖e5]

[18.cxd4?! ♖f6±]

[18.♘xa5 ♖e5=]

[18.♖d3+- ♖g5 19.e5 (19.cxd4
♖b5±)]

18...d5 19.♖xa5 Threatening mate with
Qa6+. **19...♖c5! 20.♖a6+ ♙b8**
aiming for ...Bc8. **21.♘e5!** Threatens to
win with cxd4.

[21.♘a5?! ♖b6±]

21...dxc3?! Inaccuracy. Rhe8 was best.

[21...♖he8!]

[21...♖he8± 22.exd5 (22.♘xf7 ♙c8±;
22.♘xd7+ ♖xd7 23.exd5 ♖xe1+
24.♖xe1 ♖xd5±) 22...♖xd5]

22.bxc3± ♙b6 [#]

[Avoid the trap 22...♖xf2+? 23.♙h2+-]

23.♙h2! ♖he8 24.exd5→ White has
strong attack.

[Stronger than 24.♘xf7 ♙c8±]

24...♖xd5?? [#] Blunder. Bc8 was best.

[24...♙c8]

[24...♙c8± 25.♖a4 (25.♘xc6+ ♖xc6
26.♖xc8+ ♙xc8±) 25...♖xe5 Decoy
26.♖xe5 ♖xc3]

25.c4!+- ♖xe5 26.♖xe5 ♖xe5 27.♖b1
Accuracy: White = 75%, Black = 54%.

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C50

□ **Puranik,Abhimanyu** **2629**

■ **Tabatabaei,M. Amin** **2707**

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18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♘f6 4.d3
♙c5 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a5 7.♘bd2 0-0
8.h3 ♙a7 The position is equal. **9.♖e1**
♙e6 10.♙b5 ♘e7 11.♘f1 ♘g6 12.♘g3
c6 13.♙a4 d5 14.exd5 ♘xd5 15.♙c2
♖c7 16.d4 exd4! 17.♘xd4 ♖ae8
18.♖e4 ♘f6 19.♖e1 ♙d5N

[RR 19...♙d7 20.♙d2 ♙b8 21.c4 ♙c8
(21...♖xe1+± 22.♖xe1 ♖e8) 22.♙c3
♖d8 23.♖e2 ♖fe8 24.♖f1 ♘h5
25.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 26.♖e1 ♖xe1
27.♖xe1 ♘xg3 28.fxg3 ♖e5 29.♖xe5
♘xe5 30.b3 a4 31.g4 axb3 32.axb3
♙a7 33.♙f1 g6 34.♙e2 Kulaots,K
(2534)-Blomqvist,E (2511) Fagernes
NOR 2024 ½-½ (35)]

20.♖xe8 ♖xe8 21.♙g5 ♖e5 22.♖d2 h6

23.♙e3 ♙b8→ Black has some attack.

24.♘df5 ♘f4 25.♙d4 ♖e6 26.f3 h5

27.♙f2 g6 28.♖e1 ♖d7! 29.♙d4?

Mistake. Ne4 was best.

[29.♘e4 ♘xe4 30.fxe4 ♙e6 31.♖xd7
♙xd7 32.♖d1 ♙xf5 33.exf5 ♘e2+
34.♙f1 ♘g3+!]

[29.♘e4= ♘xe4 30.fxe4]

29...♘h7? Mistake. Re6 was best.

[29...♖e6!]

[29...♖e6!± 30.♘h6+ ♙f8 31.♖xe6
♖xe6]

30.♘h6+?! Inaccuracy. Rxe8+ was best.

[30.♖xe8+! ♖xe8 31.♙e3 ♖e5
32.♙xf4 ♖xf4 33.♖xf4 ♙xf4 34.♘e2
♙g5 35.♘d6 b6]

[30.♖xe8+!= ♖xe8 31.♘h6+ ♙f8
32.c4]

30...♙f8± 31.♘e4?! Inaccuracy. Bc5+
was best.

[31.♙c5+ ♙d6]

[31.♙c5+± is a better defense. ♙d6
32.♖xe8+ ♙xe8 33.♘e4 ♘xh3+
34.gxh3 ♙xe4 35.♙xd6 ♙xc2 36.h4]

31...f5? Mistake. Qd8 was best.

[31...♖d8]

[31...♖d8+ 32.♙e3 ♘e6]

32.♘c5 ♙xe1+ 33.♖xe1 ♖e7 34.♖xe7+ ♗xe7 35.♗f2 b6 36.♘a6 ♙a7 37.♘c7

[37.g4+]

37...♙xa2 38.♙e3 ♘e6! 39.♘xe6 ♙xe6

40.g4 ♗f6! 41.♗g3 c5 42.♗h4 hxg4

43.hxg4 ♙b8 And now ...f4 would win.

44.gxf5 gxf5 45.b4?! Inaccuracy. b3

was best.

[45.b3 ♗g6 46.c4 ♘f6 47.♙d2 ♙c7

48.♘g4 ♘h5! 49.♘e3 ♙d8+ 50.♗h3

♘f4+]

[45.b3+]

45...♙d6+ 46.bxa5 bxa5 47.c4 ♙d7?! Inaccuracy. Kg6 was best.

[47...♗g6 48.♘g4 ♗g7! 49.♙h6+ ♗f7!

50.♘e3 ♗g6 51.♘g4 ♙xc4 52.♙c1 ♙d5

53.♘e3]

[Worse is 47...♙xc4 48.♘xf5 ♙f8

49.♙d2=]

48.♙c1 a4?! Inaccuracy. Nf8 was best.

[48...♘f8! 49.f4 ♘g6+! 50.♗g3 ♘e7

51.♙b2+ ♗e6! 52.♙c1 ♙c6 53.♙d1 ♙e4

54.♙h5]

[48...♘f8!+ Hoping for ...Ng6+. 49.f4 ♘g6+

50.♗g3 ♘e7 51.♙b2+ ♗e6]

49.f4+ ♘f8! 50.♗g3 ♘e6? Mistake. Kg6 was best.

[50...♗g6]

[50...♗g6+ 51.♘g4 ♘e6 52.♘e5+ ♙xe5

53.fxe5 ♘d4]

51.♘xf5?? [#] Blunder. Bxf5 was best.

[51.♙xf5]

[51.♙xf5= and White stays safe. ♙c6

52.♙d3]

51...♙xf4+!+ 52.♙xf4 ♘xf4=

End game K B N - K B N 53.♘d6? Mistake. Bxa4 was best.

[53.♙xa4 ♘e2+ 54.♗f2 ♙xa4

55.♘d6 ♘c3 56.♘b7 ♘e4+ 57.♗e3 ♗e5

58.♗d3 ♙d7]

[♠53.♙xa4 ♘e2+ 54.♗f2 ♙xa4

55.♘d6]

53...♗e5? Mistake. a3 was best.

[53...a3 54.♘e4+ ♗e5 55.♘xc5

♘e2+ 56.♗f2 a2! 57.♗e3

(♠57.♘xd7+ ♗d6 58.♗xe2 ♗xd7

59.♙a4+ ♗d6 60.♗f3) 57...a1♖

58.♘xd7+ ♗d6 59.♗xe2]

[♠53...a3 54.♙b3 ♘e2+ 55.♗f2 ♘c1

56.♘e4+ ♗e5]

54.♘f7+-+ ♗d4!

[And not 54...♗f6 55.♗xf4 ♗xf7

56.♗e5=]

55.♗xf4? [#]

[55.♙xa4 only move. ♘h5+ 56.♗f2

♙xa4 57.♘d6]

55...a3! ...a2 is the strong threat. 56.♙b1

[#] 56...♗c3! 57.♘d6 Now Nb5+ and

White clings on. 57...♗b2 58.♘b5

[♠58.♙e4]

58...♙xb5!

[Inferior is 58...♗xb1 59.♘xa3+ ♗c1

60.♗e5=]

59.cxb5 ♗xb1 KPP-KP 60.b6 a2 61.b7

a1♖ (-> ...Qb2) 62.b8♖+ KQ-KQ

62...♗c2 63.♗g3?

[63.♗f5+- ♖f1+ 64.♗e6]

63...c4 64.♖b7 ♖c3+ 65.♗h4 ♖d4+

66.♗h3 ♖e3+ 67.♗h4 ♖h6+?! Inaccuracy. c3 was best.

[67...c3 68.♖b4 ♗c1 69.♖a3+ ♗d1

70.♖b3+ ♗d2 71.♖d5+ ♗e1 72.♖a5

♗f1 73.♖d5]

68.♗g4 ♖g6+ 69.♗h4 c3 70.♖b4

♖h7+ 71.♗g4 ♖g8+ 72.♗h4?! Inaccuracy. Kh3 was best.

[72.♗h3 ♖e6+]

72...♖d5 73.♖a4+ ♗c1 74.♖f4+ ♖d2?! Inaccuracy. Kb2 was best.

[74...♗b2 75.♖b4+ ♖b3 76.♖d4

♗a3 77.♗h5 c2 78.♖c5+ ♗b2

79.♖e5+ ♖c3 80.♖b5+]

75.♖e5?! Inaccuracy. Qf1+ was best.

[75.♖f1+ ♗c2]

75...♖d3 76.♖f4+ ♖d2 77.♖e5?! Inaccuracy. Qf1+ was best.

[77.♖f1+ ♖d1 78.♖f4+ ♗b2 79.♖f2+

♖c2 80.♖d4 ♖h2+ 81.♗g4 ♖d2

82.♖b4+ ♗c1]

77...♖h6+?! Inaccuracy. Kd1 was best.

[77...♔d1 78.♗h5+ ♔e1 79.♗e5+ ♔f1 80.♗b5+ ♗e2 81.♗b4 ♗e1+ 82.♔h5 c2 83.♗f4+]

78.♔g3 ♗g6+ 79.♔h4 ♗h7+ 80.♔g4?! Inaccuracy. Kg3 was best.

[80.♔g3 ♗d3+ 81.♔f2 ♗c4 82.♗g7 ♗a2+ 83.♔f3 c2 84.♗g1+ ♔b2 85.♗d4+ ♔b1]

80...♗d3 81.♗f4+?! Inaccuracy. Kh5 was best.

[81.♔h5 c2 82.♔h6 ♗h3+ 83.♔g6 ♔d2 84.♗a5+ ♔e2 85.♗e5+ ♗e3 86.♗h2+ ♗f2]

81...♔d1 82.♔h4 c2 83.♗g4+?! Inaccuracy. Qa4 was best.

[83.♗a4 ♔d2]

83...♔c1 84.♗b4 ♗h7+

[♠84...♗e3 85.♔h5 ♔d1 86.♗a4 ♔d2 87.♗a5+ ♔e2 88.♗a2 ♗c5+ 89.♔g6 ♔f1 90.♗f7+ ♔g1 91.♗f3 ♗d6+ 92.♔g7 c1♗ 93.♗g4+ ♔f2 94.♗h4+ ♗g3+ 95.♗xg3+ ♔xg3 96.♔g6 ♔f4 97.♔f6 ♗c6+ 98.♔e7 ♔f5 99.♔f8 ♔f6 100.♔g8 ♗g2+ 101.♔h8 ♗g7#]

85.♔g4 ♗d7+ Black mates. 86.♔g3 ♔d1 87.♗b3 ♗g7+ 88.♔h3 ♗h7+

89.♔g3?! Checkmate is now unavoidable. Kg4 was best.

[89.♔g4 ♗e4+]

89...♗e4 90.♔h3 ♔d2 91.♗a2 ♗e5

92.♔h4 ♗b5 Accuracy: White = 61%, Black = 83%.

0-1

C50

□ Mendonca, Leon Luke

2640

■ Kuybokarov, Temur

2600

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20.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♔c4 ♔c5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 ♗f6

[RR 5...h6 6.b4 ♔b6 7.a4 a5 8.b5 ♗b8! 9.d4 exd4 (9...♔g4±) 10.cxd4

♗f6 11.♗c3 0-0 12.0-0 ♗xe4 (12...♗e8±) 13.♗xe4 d5 14.♔a3 ♗e8 15.♗d6! cxd6 16.♔xd5 ♗d7 17.♗b3 ♗f6 18.♔xd6 ♗d8 19.♗e5 ♗xe5 20.dxe5 Vidit,S (2722)-Kozak,A (2607) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (45)]

6.a4N

[RR 6.♔e3 ♗ge7 7.♗bd2 h6 8.b4 ♔b6 9.a4 a5 10.♔xb6 cxb6 11.b5 ♗b8 12.♗f1 ♔e6 13.♗e3 ♗d7 14.d4 ♔xc4 15.♗xc4 ♗e6 16.♗d3 ♗c8 17.♗cd2 (17.♗e3= keeps the balance.) 17...0-0 18.0-0 ♗c7 19.c4 ♗g6 20.g3 ♗f6 Pal,R (1960)-Bulford, M (2247) Harrogate ENG 2024 0-1 (50)]

[RR 6.♗bd2 ♗ge7 7.♗f1 ♗g6? (7...♔e6=) 8.♗g3? (8.♔g5+- ♗e6 9.♔xe6 ♔xe6 10.♗g3) 8...♗f4 9.0-0 ♔g4 10.h3 (10.♗f5=) 10...♗xh3+ 11.gxh3 ♔xf3 12.♗d2? (12.♔g5!±) 12...h6 (♠12...♗h4 13.♔h2 ♔g4) 13.♔h2 0-0 (13...g5+- and Black stays clearly on top. 14.b4 g4) 14.b4 ♔b6 15.a4 a5! 16.b5 (16.♗f5± keeps fighting.) 16...♗e7 17.♔b3 ♗g6 18.♗f5 ♗h4 19.♗xh4? (19.♗g1± ♗xf5 20.exf5) 19...♗xh4 20.d4 exd4 Hemam,M (1977)-Garcia Correa,J (2103) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (55)]

[RR 6.♔e3 ♗ge7 7.h3 (7.♗e2=) 7...h6 (7...♔xe3± 8.fxe3 ♗g6) 8.♗bd2 a6 9.♔xc5 dxc5 10.a3 0-0 11.♗e2 ♗d8 12.♗d1 b6 13.♗f1 ♗g6 14.g3! ♗a5 15.♔a2 ♔e6 16.♔xe6 ♗xe6 17.♗e3 ♗d7 18.h4 ♗ad8 19.0-0 ♗b7 20.b4 a5 Demchenko,A (2609)-Sattarov,B (2353) Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1 (57)]

6...a6 7.b4 ♔a7 8.0-0 White is slightly better. 8...♗ge7 9.♔g5 ♗g6 10.♗bd2 ♔h3 11.gxh3 h6 Pin 12.h4 And now h5 would win.

[12.♗h4!? ♗xg5+ Double Attack 13.♗g2=]

12...hxg5 13.♗xg5 ♗d8! aiming for ...

f6. 14.♔h1! ♖xh4 15.♖g1 ♕f6
 [15...♙xf2?! 16.♖g2±]
 16.♗df3 ♖h5 17.d4↑ White has some pressure. 17...♗g6! 18.♖g3 ♗f4
 19.♗d2 ♔f8 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.♖d1 ♗d6? Mistake. a5 was best.
 [21...a5 22.♗d7]
 [21...g6= remains equal.]
 22.♗c1±
 [22.♗xd6+ cxd6 23.♖xd6 ♙xf2±]
 22...♗e7?? [#] Blunder. Qf6 was best.
 [22...♗f6 23.♖d7 ♙xf2 24.♖g4! ♗h3
 25.♔g2 ♗xg5 26.♖xg5 ♖xg5+
 27.♗xg5 ♗xg5+ 28.♗xg5]
 [22...♗f6±]
 23.♖g4?? Blunder. Rd7 was best.
 [23.♖d7! ♗xd7 24.♗xe5 ♗d6
 25.♗gxf7 ♗xf7 26.♗xf4 ♖xh2+
 27.♔xh2 ♗h6+ 28.♗xh6 ♗xh6]
 [23.♖d7!+- ♗xd7 24.♗xe5
 Double Attack ♗xa4 25.♗xf4]
 23...♗f6? Mistake. Bxf2 was best.
 [23...♙xf2 24.♗xf7]
 [23...b5= 24.axb5 axb5 25.♙xb5
 ♗f6]
 24.♖d7+- ♗h3 25.♔g2 ♗f4+
 [25...♙xf2? 26.♗xh3 ♖xh3
 27.♗d1+-]
 26.♔f1 Threatens to win with Bxf7.
 26...♗h3 [#] ...Rxc5! is the strong threat.
 27.♔g2! ♗f4+
 [Don't go for 27...♙xf2? 28.♗xh3
 ♖xh3 29.♗d1+-]
 [27...♗xf2? 28.♖g3+-]
 [27...b5± 28.♙xf7 (28.♗xh3 ♖xh3
 29.♙e2 ♖h5±; 28.axb5 ♗xg5 29.♖xg5
 ♖xg5+ 30.♗xg5 axb5±) 28...g6]
 28.♔h1 ♗h3 29.♖g3 ♙xf2? Mistake.
 Nxc5 was best.
 [29...♗xg5 30.♗xg5]
 [29...♗xg5± 30.♗xg5 g6]
 30.♖xh3 ♖xh3 31.♔g2? Mistake. Qd1
 was best.
 [31.♗d1 ♖h5 32.♗xf7! ♙h4 33.♗xd8
 ♖xd8 34.♗xh4 ♖xd7 35.♗xh5 ♖d8
 36.♗g6+ ♔e8]

[♔31.♗d1]
 31...♗h6?? Blunder. Ke8 was best.
 [31...♔e8 32.♗xh3 ♔xd7 33.♗xf2
 ♔e8 34.♗d3 b5 35.axb5 axb5
 36.♙xb5+ c6 37.♙c4]
 [♔31...♔e8]
 32.♗d2 White is clearly winning.
 [32.♔xf2 ♖xh2+ 33.♗xh2 ♗xh2+
 34.♔f3 f6+-]
 32...♙d4 33.cxd4
 [Less strong is 33.♗xh3 ♗xd2+
 34.♗xd2 ♙xc3+-]
 33...♗h5?! Inaccuracy. Rxf3 was best.
 [33...♖xf3 34.dxe5 ♗c6 35.♗xf3
 ♗xd2+ 36.♗xd2 ♗xe5 37.♖xc7 ♖d8
 38.♗f3 ♗xc4 39.♖xc4]
 34.dxe5 Accuracy: White = 73%, Black =
 55%.
 [Weaker is 34.♗xh3 ♗g4+ 35.♔h1
 ♗xd7+-]
 1-0

□ Sethuraman, S.P. C50 2588
 ■ Raja Rithvik R 2523
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙c4 ♙c5 4.d3
 ♗f6 5.♙g5 d6 6.c3 h6 7.♙h4 g5
 8.♙g3 a5 9.♗bd2 0-0N
 [RR 9...♗e7 10.d4 exd4 11.cxd4
 ♙b4 12.0-0 d5 13.exd5 ♗fxd5
 14.♗e4 c6 15.a3 f5 16.♗e5 0-0
 17.♗xg5 hxg5 18.♗h5 ♙d2 19.♖ad1
 ♙f4 20.♙xf4 gxf4 21.♗g5+ ♔h7
 22.♖d3 ♗e3 23.fxe3 ♗d5 24.♗g6+
 Novik, M (2415)-Buenafe Moya, J
 (2160) chess.com INT 2024 1-0]
 10.h4 g4 11.♗h2 h5 12.♗e2 ♗e7
 13.f4 ♗g6 14.f5 ♗f4 15.♙xf4 exf4
 16.d4 ♙b6?! Inaccuracy. Ba7 was best.
 [16...♙a7 17.♖f1 d5 18.e5 c5
 19.♖xf4 cxd4 20.cxd4 dxc4 21.♗xg4
 hxg4 22.♗e4]
 17.0-0-0 d5 18.♗f1 ♗xe4? Mistake.

dx4 was best.

[18...dx4 19.♖xf4 ♔h7 20.♗xc4 a4
21.a3 ♖g8 22.♗f1 ♖f8 23.♗g3 ♖h6
24.♖xh6+]

19.♗xe4 dx4 20.♖xf4 ♖f6 21.♗f1
♖xf5 22.♖h6 ♖h7 23.♖g5+ ♔h8
24.♗g3 f6? Mistake. f5 was best.

[24...f5]

25.♖f4?? Blunder. Rd1 was best.

[25.♖df1 fxg5 26.♖xf8+ ♔g7 27.♖f7+
♔g6 28.♖xh7 ♔xh7 29.hxg5 ♔g6
30.♖f1 ♔xg5]

25...c6 26.♗xe4 ♗c7 27.♖d2 ♗f5
28.♗c5 b6?! Inaccuracy. Rae8 was
best.

[28...♖ae8]

29.♗e6 ♗xe6 30.♗xe6 f5 31.♖de1?!
Inaccuracy. Bb3 was best.

[31.♗b3 f4]

31...♖f6 32.♖hf1? Mistake. Bc4 was
best.

[32.♗c4]

32...♖af8? Mistake. Bg3 was best.

[32...♗g3]

33.d5?! Inaccuracy. Bc4 was best.

[33.♗c4 ♗g3]

33...cxd5?! Inaccuracy. Bg3 was best.

[33...♗g3 34.d6 ♗xe1 35.♖xe1 ♖h6
36.♖xh6+ ♖xh6 37.d7 ♖d8 38.♗xf5
♔g7 39.♖e7+]

34.♗xd5 ♖h6 35.♖e7 ♖xd2+ 36.♔xd2
♗g3 37.♔c2 ♖d6 38.c4 ♗xh4 39.♖e5
♗g5 40.♖xf5 ♖xf5 41.♖xf5 ♖g6
42.♗f7 ♖g7 43.♗xh5 ♗e3 44.♖e5 ♗c5
45.a3 ♔h7 46.♖e4 g3 47.♗f3 ♔g6
48.♔c3 ♔f6 49.b4 axb4+ 50.axb4 ♗f2
51.♔b3 ♖e7 52.♖g4 ♖e1 53.♔a4 ♖b1
54.♔b5 ♗c5 55.♖g6+ ♔e5 56.♖g5+
♔d4 57.♖g4+ ♔e5 58.♖g5+ ♔d4
59.♔c6 ♖xb4 60.♖xg3 ♖xc4 61.♖g4+
♔c3

1/2-1/2

C50

□ Tabatabaei, Mohammad Amin 2707

■ Pranav, V 2587

Sharjah Master 2024 (1.5) 14.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♗c4 ♗f6 4.d3
♗c5 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a5 7.♖e1 0-0 8.h3
♗a7 White has an edge. 9.♗bd2 ♗e6
10.♗b5 ♗e7 11.♗a4 ♗g6 12.d4 c6
13.♗c2 h6 14.♗f1 ♖e8 15.♗g3 ♖c7
16.♗e3 ♖ad8 17.♖c1 b5N

[RR 17...♗c8 18.a4 (Better is
18.♗f5±) 18...♗b6 19.♖b1

(19.♖b1±) 19...d5! 20.exd5 exd4
21.♗xd4 ♖xe1+ 22.♖xe1 ♗xd4

23.♗xd4 ♖xd5 24.♗b3 ♖e5 25.♖d2
♗f4 26.♗f3 ♖e8 27.♖e1 ♖xe1+

28.♖xe1 ♗e6 29.♗xe6 ♗xe6 30.♖d2
♖f4 31.♖xf4 ♗xf4 32.♗e5

Ostrovskiy, A (2406)-Bakhrillaev, B
(2298) Dubai Police Officers Club, A
2024 1/2-1/2 (41)]

[RR 17...♗b8 18.b3 d5 (18...♗c8=)
19.exd5 ♗xd5 20.♗xe5 ♗xe5

21.dxe5 ♖xe5 22.c4 ♗e6 23.f4 ♖xe3
24.♖xe3 ♖xf4 25.♖xf4 ♗xf4 26.♖ad1

♖a8 27.♗e2 ♗e3+ 28.♔f1 ♗c5
29.♗f4 ♖f8? (29...♗d7± 30.♖e5

♗b6) 30.♖xe6 fxe6 31.♗xe6 ♗d5+
32.♗xf8]

[RR 17...♗h7 18.♗f5 f6 19.♗3h4
(19.dxe5± ♗xe3 20.exd6 ♗xf2+

21.♔xf2 ♖b6+ 22.♖e3) 19...♗xh4
20.♗xh4 ♗g5 (20...♗b8±) 21.f4 exf4

22.♗xf4 ♖d7 23.♖e3 d5 24.exd5
(24.e5±) 24...♗xd5 25.♖g3 ♖xe1+

26.♖xe1 ♖e8 27.♗f5 ♖xe1+ 28.♖xe1
♖e6 (28...♗e6= 29.♗e3 ♗xa2)

29.♖xe6+ ♗xe6 30.h4 ♗f7 31.a4
♗b6 32.♔f2 Sorensen, H (2428)-

Ostlund, J (2317) Sweden SWE 2024
1/2-1/2 (38)]

[RR 17...♗c8 17...♗b8 0.42 18.a4
(18.♗f5±) 18...♗b6 (18...♗b8±)

19.♖b1 (19.♗f5±) 19...d5 20.exd5
exd4 21.♗xd4 ♖xe1+ 22.♖xe1 ♗xd4

23.♖xd4 ♖xd5 24.♙b3 ♖e5 25.♔d2
♗f4 26.♗f3 ♖e8 27.♖e1 ♖xe1+
28.♔xe1 ♙e6 29.♙xe6 ♗xe6 30.♔d2
♔f4 31.♔xf4 ♗xf4 32.♗e5
Ostrovskiy, A (2406)-Bakhrillaev, B
(2301) Dubai UAE 2024 ½-½ (41)]

[17...♙b8±]

18.a4± bxa4 19.♖xa4 c5?! Inaccuracy.
Ra8 was best.

[19...♖a8 20.♖a3]

[19...♙b6± keeps fighting.]

20.d5+- ♙d7 21.c4 ♖b8?! Inaccuracy.
Bxa4 was best.

[21...♙xa4 22.♙xa4 ♗h7 23.♗f5
♗g8 24.g4 f6 25.♙xe8 ♖xe8 26.♙d2
♔d7 27.h4]

22.♗f5 ♗f4 23.♖a3 ♖b4? [#] Mistake.
Bxf5 was best.

[23...♙xf5 24.exf5 ♖b4 25.♗d2 ♙b6
26.♗h2 ♖b8 27.g3 ♗4h5 28.♙a4
♔c8 29.♔c2]

[23...♙xf5 24.exf5 ♖b4]

24.♗xh6+! ♗f8

[24...gxf6 25.♙xf4]

25.♙xf4 exf4 26.♔xf4 ♖xc4 27.♙b1
♖b4 **28.♗g5** aiming for Nh7+! **28...♖e7**

[28...♔b6 29.♖g3 c4]

29.♖g3 And now Qxf6 would win.

29...c4?! [#] Inaccuracy. Ke8 was best.

[29...♗e8 30.♗h7 ♗g4 31.♗xg4 c4
32.♗gf6+ ♗d8 33.♖xg7 ♔c5
34.♗xd7 ♗xd7 35.♖f1]

30.♔xf6! Accuracy: White = 96%, Black
= 61%.

1-0

C54

□ **Kadric, Denis**

2558

■ **Suleymanli, Aydin**

2621

Sharjah Master 2024

18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙c4 ♗f6 4.d3
♙c5 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 0-0 7.h3 h6 8.b4
♙b6 9.a4 a5 is the strong threat. **9...a5**
10.b5 ♗e7 11.♗bd2N

[RR 11.♙e3 ♙xe3 12.fxe3 ♙e6
13.♗bd2 ♗g6 14.♙xe6 fxe6 15.♔b3
d5 16.exd5 exd5 17.e4 ♗h8
18.exd5 ♗xd5 19.♖ae1 ♗df4 20.d4
exd4 21.cxd4 ♗h4 22.♗xh4 ♔xh4
23.♗h2

A) 23...♗xg2!= 24.♖e4 (24.♗xg2
♔g5+) 24...♗f4;

B) 23...♔d8 24.♗f3 ♔d6 25.♗e5
♗d5 Tiarks, J (2207)-Baruch, L
(1718) chess.com INT 2024 1-0
(37)]

11...♗g6 The position is equal. **12.d4**
exd4 13.cxd4 d5 14.exd5 ♗xd5
15.♔b3 ♙e6 16.♙a3 ♖e8 17.♖fe1
♗df4 18.♖ad1 ♙xc4 19.♖xe8+ ♔xe8
20.♗xc4 ♔e6 21.♖e1± White is fighting
back **21...♔d5 22.♔c3 ♖d8 23.♗xb6**
cxb6 24.♖e3?! Inaccuracy. Bc1 was
best.

[24.♙c1 ♗e6 25.♙b2 f6 26.♔c2 ♗f7
27.♙c1 ♗e7 28.♙a3 ♔f5 29.♔b3
♗g6]

24...♗e6?! Inaccuracy. Qd7 was best.

[24...♔d7]

[24...♔d7!? 25.♔e1 ♔f5=]

25.♙b2 ♗gf4 26.♗h2?! [#] Inaccuracy.
Qc2 was best.

[26.♔c2 ♔d6 27.♖e5 ♔d7 28.♔b3
♖c8 29.h4 ♗c7 30.g3 ♗fd5 31.♗d2
♗f6]

[26.♔c2= keeps the balance.]

26...♔d6!± 27.♔a3 ♔xa3 28.♖xa3 ♗d5
29.♖a1 ♖c8 30.♗g1 ♖c2 31.♙c1 f6
32.♗f1 ♗f7 33.g3 ♗e7 34.♗e1

[34.♗h4±]

34...♗b4 35.♙a3?! Inaccuracy. Be3 was
best.

[35.♙e3 ♗c7]

[235.♙e3]

35...♖c3+ 36.♗e2 ♗d6 37.♙xb4+
axb4 Endgame KRN-KRN **38.♖b1 b3**
39.♗e1?! Inaccuracy. Nh2 was best. and
the idea Kd2 leaves White hopeful.

[39.♗h2 ♗xd4+ 40.♗d2 ♖c4 41.♗f1
♖xa4 42.♗d3 ♖b4 43.h4 ♗c5

44.♖d2 ♔xb5]
39...♔d5 Black is clearly winning.
40.♖g2 intending Ne3+. **40...♖xd4+**
41.♔d2 ♖c2+ 42.♔d3 ♖xf2 43.♖e3+
♔c5 44.♖c1+ [#] 44...♖c2! Accuracy:
 White = 58%, Black = 88%.
0-1

C54

☐ **Kacharava,Nikolozi** **2527**
 ■ **Krzyzanowski,Marcin** **2526**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (9.41) 22.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♖f3 ♖c6 3.♙c4 ♖f6 4.d3
♙c5 5.c3 0-0 6.0-0 d5 7.exd5 ♖xd5
8.a4 ♙f5 9.a5 a6! 10.♖e1 The position
 is equal. **10...b5N** Inaccuracy. Nf6 was
 best.

[10...♖f6 11.♖c2 ♖d7 12.♙g5 ♖ad8
 13.♖b3 ♙xd3 14.♙xd3 ♖xd3 15.♙xf6
 gxf6 16.♖bd2]
 [RR 10...♖d6 11.♖e2 (11.♖bd2±)
 11...♖f6 12.♖bd2 ♖ad8 13.♖e4
 ♖xe4 14.dxe4 ♙e6! 15.b4 ♙a7
 16.♙xe6 ♖xe6 17.b5 axb5 18.♖xb5
 f5 19.♙a3 (White should play
 19.♖g5± ♖f6 20.♖e2) 19...fxe4
 20.♖xe4 ♖g6 21.♖c4+ ♖f7 22.♖xe5
 ♖xe5 23.♖xe5 ♙xf2+ 24.♔h1 ♔h8
 25.♙c5 Ceres,D (2438)-Basso,P
 (2482) Nova Gorica SLO 2024 0-1
 (73)]

[10...♖f6=]

**11.axb6!± ♖xb6 12.♖xa6 ♖d6?!
 Inaccuracy. h6 was best.**

[12...h6 13.♖xa8]

[12...h6±]

13.♖xa8?! Inaccuracy. Nh4 was best.

[13.♖h4!]

[13.♖h4!+- has better winning
 chances. ♖f6 14.♖xf5 ♖xf5 15.♖e2]

13...♖xa8 14.♖bd2 Strongly threatening
 b4. **14...♖xc4 15.♖xc4?! Inaccuracy.**
 dxc4 was best.

[15.dxc4 ♖d3 16.♖xe5 ♖xe5

17.♖xe5 ♙d6 18.♖e1 h6 19.g3 f6
 20.♔g2 ♙f8]
 [15.dxc4± ♙a7 16.b4]

15...♖xd3= 16.♖xd3 ♙xd3 17.♖fxe5
♖xe5 18.♖xe5 ♙b5 19.♖f3 f6 20.♙e3
♙xe3 21.♖xe3 Endgame KRB-KRN
21...♖a1+

[21...c5±]

22.♖e1± ♖a2 [#] 23.b3?! Inaccuracy. b4
 was best.

[23.b4! ♖a3]

[Better is 23.b4!±]

23...c5= 24.c4 ♙c6 25.h3 ♔f7 26.♖e3
g5?! Inaccuracy. Bxf3 was best.

[26...♙xf3 27.♖xf3 ♖a1+ 28.♔h2 g5
 29.g4 ♔g6 30.♔g2 ♖d1 31.♖e3 h5
 32.♖e6]

27.♖e1 ♖b2?? Blunder. Ra5 was best.

[27...♖a5 28.♖d3 h5 29.h4 gxh4
 30.♖f4 ♙d7 31.♖d3 ♙f5 32.♖d5 ♙c2
 33.♖d7+]

[27...h5± might work better.]

28.♖d3+- Double Attack 28...♖b1+
29.♔h2 ♙d7 30.♖xc5 ♙f5 31.♖b7

♙c2 32.♖d6+ White is clearly winning.

32...♔g6 33.c5 ♙xb3 34.c6 ♖c1

35.♖xb3 ♖xc6 KRN-KR 36.♖d3 h5

37.g4 hxg4 38.hxg4 ♖c2 39.♔g3 ♖c1

40.♖e4 ♖g1+ 41.♔f3 Accuracy: White =
 79%, Black = 58%.

1-0

C54

☐ **Kadric,Denis** **2558**

■ **Narayanan S L** **2695**

Sharjah Master 2024 (2.17) 15.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♖f3 ♖c6 3.♙c4 ♙c5 4.c3
♖f6 5.d3 d6 6.b4 ♙b6 7.a4 a5 8.b5
♖e7 9.0-0 0-0 10.♖bd2 ♖g6 11.d4
♙g4 12.♖c2 exd4 13.cxd4 d5 14.exd5
♖xd5 15.♖b3 ♙e6 16.♙a3N

[RR 16.g3 ♖e8 17.♖e1 h6 18.♙a3
 ♖d7 19.♖ac1 ♖ac8 20.h4 ♖f8
 21.♖e5 ♖d8 22.♖xf7 ♙xf7 23.♖xe8

♔xe8 24.♙xd5 ♙xd4 25.♘e4 ♔xe4
26.♙xf7+ ♕h8 27.♙d5 ♗g6 28.♗f3
♘d7 29.♙e4 ♘e5 30.♙xg6 ♘xf3+
Abdusattorov,N (2766)-Kevlishvili,R
(2530) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (44)]

16...♖e8 17.♗ae1 h6 18.♖e4?!
Inaccuracy. Rxe6 was best.

[18.♖xe6 fxe6 19.g3 ♗f6 20.♙d3 c6
21.bxc6 bxc6 22.♙b1 ♙c7 23.♗c2
♘f8]

18...c6 19.♖fe1 ♙c7 20.g3 ♙d6 21.♙c5
♘f8 22.♗a3 ♙xc5 23.dxc5 ♘f6
24.♖4e3 ♗d7 25.♙xe6 ♖xe6 26.♘c4
♖xe3 27.♖xe3 ♘d5 28.♖d3 ♗e7
29.♘d6

1/2-1/2

□ Sindarov,Javokhir 2684
■ Daneshvar,Bardiya 2581
Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♙c5 4.0-0
♘f6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 h6 8.♘bd2
0-0 9.♖e1 ♖e8 10.♘f1 The position is
equal. 10...♙a7 11.♗b3N

[RR 11.b4 ♙e6 12.♙xe6 ♖xe6
13.♙e3 ♙xe3 14.♘xe3 d5 15.♗c2
♗d7 16.g3 ♖d8 17.b5 ♘e7 18.c4 d4
19.♘d5 ♘g6 20.♖ab1 axb5 21.axb5
c6 22.bxc6 bxc6 23.♘xf6+ (23.♘b6±
♗a7 24.c5) 23...♖xf6 24.♘d2?
(24.♗e2±) 24...♗h3 25.♘f1 ♘f4!
Giri,A (2762)-Lazavik,D (2567) chess.
com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (46)]

11...♖f8 12.a5 ♙g4 13.♗xb7?!
Inaccuracy. Qd1 was best.

[13.♗d1]

[13.♗d1±]

13...♗d7± 14.♗b3 ♙xf3! 15.gxf3 ♘e7
...Ng6 is the strong threat. 16.♘g3 [#]
16...d5!↑ Keeping White busy. 17.♙xa6
♖fb8 18.♗a4 ♗d6 19.♙b5 ♗c5!
Double Attack 20.d4 ♗xb5 21.exd5?!
Inaccuracy. Qxb5 was best.

[21.♗xb5 ♖xb5 22.exd5 ♘d7 23.f4
♖xd5 24.fxe5 c5 25.e6 [#] fxe6!
26.dxc5 ♘e5]

[21.♗xb5± might work better. ♖xb5
22.exd5]

21...♗xd5+ Hoping for ...Ng6. 22.♖xe5
♗d8 23.♖e2 ♖c8 24.♘e4 White wants
to play Nxf6+. 24...♘xe4 25.fxe4?!
Inaccuracy. Rxe4 was best.

[25.♖xe4 c5 26.dxc5 ♖xc5 27.♙f4
♖xa5 28.♗xa5 ♙xf2+! 29.♕xf2 ♖xa5
30.♖xa5 ♗xa5]

25...c5 26.d5 ♘g6 27.♕h1 ♗h4
Strongly threatening ...Qh3. 28.♗d7?!
Inaccuracy. Qd1 was best.

[28.♗d1 c4 29.♗f1 ♙b6 30.f4 ♖xa5
31.♖xa5 ♙xa5 32.♙e3 ♙c7 33.e5
♗h5]

[♚28.♗d1 c4 29.♗f1]

28...♗h5 White must now prevent ...
Qf3+. 29.♖e3?! Inaccuracy. f3 was best.

[29.f3 ♗xf3+ 30.♖g2 c4 31.♙d2
♗xe4 32.♖f1 ♖f8 33.d6 ♙c5 34.♗g4
♗xg4]

29...♖d8 Accuracy: White = 57%, Black
= 100%.

0-1

□ Avila Pavas,Santiago 2514
■ Klimkowski,Jan 2517
Sharjah Master 2024 (7.43) 20.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♘f6 4.d3
♙c5 5.c3 0-0 6.0-0 d5 7.exd5 ♘xd5
8.a4 ♙f5 9.a5 a6 10.♘bd2N
The position is equal.

[RR 10.♖e1 ♗d6 11.♗e2
(11.♘bd2±) 11...♘f6 (11...♙a7=)
12.♘bd2 ♖ad8 13.♘e4 ♘xe4
14.dxe4 ♙e6! 15.b4 ♙a7 16.♙xe6
♗xe6 17.b5 axb5 18.♗xb5 f5
19.♙a3 (19.♘g5± ♗f6 20.♖f1)
19...fxe4 20.♖xe4 ♗g6 21.♗c4+ ♖f7
22.♘xe5 ♘xe5 23.♖xe5 ♙xf2+

24.♔h1 ♕h8 Ceres,D (2438)-Basso,P (2482) Nova Gorica SLO 2024 0-1 (73)]

10...b5 11.axb6! ♖xb6 12.♗b3 ♕e7 13.♕xa6 ♖xa6 14.♖xa6 d4 is the strong threat. 14...♕xd3 [#] Double Attack 15.♗a5 ♕xa6 16.♗xc6 ♖e8 17.♗xe7+ ♖xe7 18.♖e1 ♖d8 19.♕d2 f6 20.♖c1 ♕b7 21.♗xe5 ♖xd2

[21...♖e8 seems wilder. 22.♗f3 ♖g6 23.♔h1 ♖g4 24.♕f4 ♕xf3 25.gxf3 ♖xf3+ 26.♔g1 c6]

22.♖xd2 fxe5 23.♖e2 e4 24.f3 ♖c5+ 25.♔h1

[25.♖f2= ♖xf2+ 26.♔xf2]

25...♗d7↑ And now ...exf3 would win. Black is pushing. 26.fxe4 ♗f6 27.♖d3 ♖e5 28.♖g3 ♖xg3 29.hxg3 ♕xe4 30.b4 ♔f7 31.c4 ♔e6 32.♖d1?! Inaccuracy. g4 was best.

[32.g4 g5 33.♔g1 ♔d6 34.♖d1+ ♔c6 35.♔f2 ♗xg4+ 36.♔g3 ♗h6 37.♖e1 ♕g6]

32...♗d7 33.♖d4 ♕b7

[33...♕g6 keeps more tension. 34.b5 ♗c5 35.♖d5 ♗e4 36.b6 cxb6 37.♖b5 ♔e7]

34.♔g1 ♗e5 35.b5 ♗d7?! Inaccuracy. c5 was best.

[35...c5]

36.♔f2 h6 37.♖d2 ♗c5 38.♔e3 ♗e4 39.♖d8? [#] Mistake. Ra2 was best.

[39.♖a2 ♔e5 40.♖a7 ♗c5 41.g4 ♔d6 42.g3 ♔e5 43.♖a2 ♕c8 44.♖a7 ♕b7]

[39.♖a2= remains equal.]

39...♗d6!⚡

[Much weaker is 39...♗xg3?! 40.♖e8+ ♔d7 41.♖b8=]

40.♔d3?! Inaccuracy. Kd4 was best.

[40.♔d4 ♕xg2 41.g4 ♕f1 42.♖g8 ♔f7 43.♖d8 ♔e7 44.♖g8 ♗e8 45.♖h8 ♕e2]

40...♕xg2 41.♖f8 h5 42.♔c3 ♗e4+ 43.♔b4

[43.♔d3 was called for.]

43...♗xg3+ Strongly threatening ...h4.

44.c5 ♗f5 45.c6 h4 46.♖e8+ ♗e7 Black is clearly winning. 47.♖h8 h3

48.♔c5 g5 White must now prevent ...g4. 49.♖h6+ ♔f5 50.♖h7 ♔f6 aiming for ...g4. 51.♔d4 Accuracy: White = 64%, Black = 79%.

0-1

C54

♠ Kadric,Denis 2558

♜ Mishra,Abhimanyu 2634

Sharjah Master 2024

17.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♕c4 ♕c5 4.0-0 ♗f6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 0-0 7.♖e1 ♕b6 8.a4

[RR 8.h3 ♗e7 9.♗bd2 c6 10.d4 ♗g6 11.♕d3 exd4 12.cxd4 d5 13.exd5 cxd5 14.♗f1 ♖d6 15.♗g3 ♕d7 16.♕d2 ♖fe8 17.♖b3 ♕c6 18.♕b4 ♖f4 19.♕d2 ♖c7 20.♖ac1 ♕a5 21.♖c2 ♕xd2 22.♖xd2 ♖d6 Abdusattorov,N (2766)-Erigaisi,A (2762) Warsaw POL 2024 1/2-1/2 (71)]

8...a5 9.h3 h6N

[RR 9...♗e7 10.♕b3 ♗g6 11.♗a3 c6 12.d4 exd4 13.♗c4 ♖e8 14.♕g5 ♕a7 15.cxd4 h6 16.♕xf6 ♖xf6 17.e5 dxe5 18.dxe5 ♖e7 19.♗d6 ♖f8 20.♗xc8 ♖axc8 21.e6 f5 22.♖c2 ♔h7 23.♖ad1 ♖c7 24.♗e5 Santos Latasa,J (2612)-Hong,A (2542) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (53)]

10.♕b3 ♗e7 11.d4 ♗g6 12.♕c2 ♖e8

13.♗bd2 c6 14.♗f1 d5 15.♗xe5

♗xe5 16.dxe5 ♗xe4 17.♕xe4 dxe4

18.♖xd8 ♕xd8 19.♖xe4 ♕c7 20.f4 ♕f5

21.♖e1 f6 22.g4 ♕d3 23.♗g3 fxe5

24.f5 e4 25.♗h5 ♔f7 26.♕f4 ♕b6+

27.♕e3 ♕xe3+ 28.♖xe3 ♖ad8 29.♗g3

♖d5 30.♖ae1

1/2-1/2

C54
 Mendonca, Leon Luke **2640**
 Theodorou, Nikolas **2616**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♘f6 4.d3
 ♙c5 5.c3 d6 6.0-0 a5 7.♖e1 ♙a7
 8.♘bd2 0-0 9.♘f1 ♙e6 10.♙b5 ♘e7
 11.d4 ♘g6 12.♘g3 c6 13.♙d3N
 [RR 13.♙f1 h6 14.h3 ♖e8 15.c4
 ♗c7 16.♙e3 ♖ad8 17.♗c2 ♙b6
 18.♖ad1 ♙c8 19.♖d2 c5 20.d5 a4
 21.♖b1 ♙d7 22.♖dd1 ♙a5 23.♗c1
 ♘h7 24.♙d3 ♖b8 25.♘h2 b5
 26.cxb5 ♙xb5 27.♙xb5 ♖xb5
 Bologan, V (2574)-Schlecht, D (2370)
 Germany GER 2024 1-0 (66)]
 13...♙g4 14.♙e3 d5 15.dxe5 ♘xe5
 16.♙xa7 ♙xf3 17.gxf3 ♖xa7 18.exd5
 ♘xd3 19.♗xd3 ♗xd5 20.♗xd5 ♘xd5
 21.c4
 1/2-1/2

C54
 Sindarov, Javokhir **2684**
 Petrosyan, Manuel **2616**
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♙c5 4.0-0
 ♘f6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 d6 7.♖e1 a5 8.♙g5
 h6 9.♙h4 ♙a7 10.♘a3 g5 11.♙g3 g4N
 [RR 11...♘g7 12.♘b5 ♙b6 13.d4
 ♗e7 14.♗d3 ♙g4 15.♘d2 ♘h5
 16.♙d5 ♘f4 17.♙xf4 gxf4 18.♘c4
 ♘h7 19.♘bxd6 ♖ad8 20.♘f5 ♗g5
 21.♙xc6 bxc6 22.♘xe5 ♙h5 23.♘h1
 ♖g8 24.♖g1 c5 25.♖ac1 ♙g6 26.♗c4
 Csonka, B (2480)-Moksh, A (2353)
 chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (60)]
 12.♙h4 ♘g7 13.♘c2 ♘e7 14.♙xf6+
 ♘xf6 15.♘h4 ♘g7 16.♘e3 h5 17.d4
 f5 18.♘hxf5+ ♘xf5 19.exf5 ♙xf5
 20.♘xf5+ ♖xf5 21.♗b3 ♙b6 22.♙d3
 ♖f7 23.♖e2 a4 24.♗d5 c6 25.♗e4
 ♗g5 26.dxe5 dxe5 27.♘h1 ♖af8

C54
 Martirosyan, Haik M. **2678**
 Moroni, Luca Jr **2580**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♙c5 4.c3
 ♘f6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.♖e1 ♙a7
 8.♘bd2 0-0 9.♘f1 The position is equal.
 9...h6 10.♘g3N
 [RR 10.h3 ♖e8 11.♘g3 ♘a5 12.♙b3
 ♘xb3 13.axb3 d5 (13...c6=
 keeps the balance.) 14.exd5! ♗xd5
 15.♙e3 c5 16.♖a4 ♙e6 17.♖h4
 (17.♗c1!±) 17...e4! 18.♘xe4
 (18.c4± ♗d8 19.♘xe4) 18...♘xe4
 19.c4 ♘xf2! 20.♘xf2 (20.♙xf2=
 remains equal. ♗d6 21.d4) 20...♗d6
 21.♙f4 ♗f8 22.♖h5 f6 23.♘d2 g5
 24.♙g3 (24.♗f3 was necessary. gxf4
 25.♗xf4) 24...♙f7 Esipenko, A (2704)-
 Kramnik, V (2753) Rostov-on-Don RUS
 2024 0-1 (53)]
 [RR 10.h3 ♘e7 11.d4 ♘g6 12.♙d3
 exd4 13.cxd4 ♖e8 14.♘g3 b5
 (♠14...♘h7) 15.a4 bxa4 16.♖xa4
 ♙b7 17.♗c2 ♙b6 18.♙e3 ♗d7
 19.♖ea1 a5 20.♘d2 ♗e7 21.♘f5

C54
 Martirosyan, Haik M. **2678**
 Moroni, Luca Jr **2580**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙c4 ♙c5 4.c3
 ♘f6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.♖e1 ♙a7
 8.♘bd2 0-0 9.♘f1 The position is equal.
 9...h6 10.♘g3N
 [RR 10.h3 ♖e8 11.♘g3 ♘a5 12.♙b3
 ♘xb3 13.axb3 d5 (13...c6=
 keeps the balance.) 14.exd5! ♗xd5
 15.♙e3 c5 16.♖a4 ♙e6 17.♖h4
 (17.♗c1!±) 17...e4! 18.♘xe4
 (18.c4± ♗d8 19.♘xe4) 18...♘xe4
 19.c4 ♘xf2! 20.♘xf2 (20.♙xf2=
 remains equal. ♗d6 21.d4) 20...♗d6
 21.♙f4 ♗f8 22.♖h5 f6 23.♘d2 g5
 24.♙g3 (24.♗f3 was necessary. gxf4
 25.♗xf4) 24...♙f7 Esipenko, A (2704)-
 Kramnik, V (2753) Rostov-on-Don RUS
 2024 0-1 (53)]
 [RR 10.h3 ♘e7 11.d4 ♘g6 12.♙d3
 exd4 13.cxd4 ♖e8 14.♘g3 b5
 (♠14...♘h7) 15.a4 bxa4 16.♖xa4
 ♙b7 17.♗c2 ♙b6 18.♙e3 ♗d7
 19.♖ea1 a5 20.♘d2 ♗e7 21.♘f5

♔f8 22.f3 (Better is 22.♘g3+-) 22...♗e7 23.♗xe7+ ♔xe7 24.♗c4 ♘a6 Niemann,H (2676)-Dehtiarov,R (2319) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (47)]

10...♙e6 11.♙xe6 fxe6 12.h3 ♔e8 13.♙e3 ♙xe3 14.♞xe3 ♞d8 15.♞b3 b6 16.d4 ♖h8 17.♞d1 ♗a5 18.♞c2 ♗c6 19.a3 b5 20.♞ed3?! Inaccuracy. dxe5 was best.

[20.dxe5 dxe5 21.♞xd8 ♔xd8 22.♗f1 ♔e7 23.b4 ♞d8 24.♗1d2 ♗d7 25.a4 ♞c8]

[White should play 20.dxe5± dxe5 21.♞xd8 ♔xd8 22.♞d3]

20...♗d7± 21.♞e2 ♞b8 22.♗f1 ♔g6 23.♞e3 ♗f6?! Inaccuracy. a5 was best.

[23...a5 24.b3]

24.g3 ♔f7?! Inaccuracy. Nd7 was best.

[24...♗d7 25.♗1h2]

[Black should try 24...♗d7±]

25.♗1h2?! Inaccuracy. dxe5 was best.

[25.dxe5 dxe5 26.♔g2 ♔g6 27.♗1h2 ♗h5 28.♞f1 ♗f6 29.♞a1 ♞fd8 30.b4 ♔g8]

[25.dxe5± dxe5 26.♔g2]

25...♔g8?! Inaccuracy. Nd7 was best.

[25...♗d7 26.♗g4 ♔g8 27.b3 ♞bd8 28.a4 ♞b8 29.dxe5 h5 30.♗gh2 ♗cxe5 31.axb5]

[25...♗d7±]

26.dxe5± dxe5 27.b4 ♞fd8 28.♞xd8+ ♞xd8 [#] 29.a4! ♔d7 Threatening ... Qd1+.

[29...bxa4 30.♞xa6]

30.♔g2! bxa4 31.♞xa6 ♗e7 [#] 32.b5! ♔d6 With the idea ...Qxa6. 33.♞xa4 ♞c5 34.♗g4 ♗xg4 35.hxg4 ♗c8 36.♞a2 ♞e8 37.g5 ♗d6 38.gxh6 gxh6 39.c4 ♞f8 40.♗d2 c6

[♠40...♞d8 41.♞b2 ♗f7]

41.b6 ♞xb6 [#] 42.c5! Discovered Attack 42...♞xc5 43.♞xe6+ Double Attack 43...♔g7 44.♗f3 ♞f6

45.♞g4+

[Don't do 45.♞xe5?! ♞xe5 46.♗xe5 c5+-]

45...♔f8?! Inaccuracy. Rg6 was best.

[45...♞g6 46.♞d7+]

46.♞b3 ♞c4?! Inaccuracy. Nb5 was best.

[46...♗b5 47.♞b2 ♔e7 48.♗h4 ♔e6 49.♗f5 ♞f7 50.♞b1 ♞f6 51.♞h1 ♞h7 52.♞h5]

47.♞b8+ ♔e7 48.♞a8 Ra7+ would kill now. 48...♗f5 49.♞a7+ White is clearly winning.

[49.♗xe5 [#] ♗e3+! 50.♔h3 ♞f1+ 51.♔h4 ♗g2+ 52.♔h5 ♞h1+ 53.♞h4 ♗xh4 Discovered Attack 54.♗xc6+ ♞xc6 55.♞a7+ ♔e6 56.♔g4 ♗g6 57.♞a5 ♗e5+ 58.♞xe5+ ♔xe5 59.f4+ ♔xe4 60.f5 ♞c4 61.f6 ♔e5#]

49...♔d6 [#] intending ...Ne3+. 50.♞d7+! ♔c5 next ...Ne3+ is good for Black.

[50...♔xd7 51.♗xe5+]

51.♗d2 ♞b4 52.♞h5 ♞d6 53.♞xf5 Accuracy: White = 86%, Black = 59%.

1-0

C55

♠ Sevia, Samuel

2698

♣ Pranav, V

2587

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19.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙c4 ♗f6 4.d3 d5 5.exd5 ♗xd5 6.0-0 ♗b6 7.♙b3

[RR 7.♙b5 ♙d6 8.♞e1 f6 9.♙xc6+ (9.a4±) 9...bxc6 10.♗bd2 0-0 11.♗e4 ♙f5 12.♗g3 ♙d7 13.d4 ♙g4 14.h3 ♙xf3! 15.♞xf3 exd4 16.♞xc6 (16.♗f5±) 16...♙xg3 17.fxg3 ♞d5 18.♞xd5+ ♗xd5 19.♞d1 c5 20.c3 ♞fe8 21.cxd4 c4 Sjugirov,S (2703)-Aditya,M (2595) Samarkand UZB 2023 ½-½ (46)]

7...♙e7

[RR 7...♙g4 8.h3 ♙h5 9.♞e1 ♞e7 10.a4 a5 11.♗c3 f6 12.♙e3 (12.♗b5±) 12...0-0-0! 13.♗e4 (13.♞e2= remains equal.) 13...g5 14.c3 ♙g6 (14...♔b8?) 15.♗fd2 ♗d5

(15...♖xd3= 16.♚e2 ♜d8) 16.d4
(Better is 16.♙xd5± ♜xd5 17.♚b3)
16...♗xe3 17.fxe3 ♚g7 (17...♗b8±)
18.♚f3 ♙e7 19.♙e6+ ♔b8 20.♗b3
f5 21.♗ec5! g4 22.hxg4 Haring,F
(2449)-Goroshkov,M (2336) Apolda
GER 2024 0-1 (56)]

8.♚e1 ♙g4 9.♗bd2N Inaccuracy. h3
was best.White is better.

[9.h3 ♙xf3 10.♚xf3 0-0 11.c3 ♙g5
12.♗d2 a5 13.a4 ♔h8 14.♗e4
♙xc1]

[RR 9.h3 ♙h5 10.g4 ♙g6 11.♗xe5
0-0 (Black should try 11...♗xe5
12.♚xe5 0-0) 12.♗xg6 hxg6 13.c3
♙d6 14.d4 ♚f6 (14...♗a5±) 15.♗d2
♚ae8 16.♗e4 ♚h4 17.♚f3 ♔h8?
(17...♚d8 18.♙g5 ♙e7 19.♙xe7
♚xe7) 18.♙g5 ♚h7 19.♗xd6 ♚xe1+
20.♚xe1 cxd6 21.♙e7 ♗xe7 22.♚xe7
f5 23.♚xb7 ♚h4 Sun,J (1678)-Mu,W
(1449) Hohhot CHN 2023 1-0 (34)]

[9.h3!? ♙xf3 10.♚xf3±]

9...f6 10.h3 ♙h5 11.♗e4 ♗d4 12.g4
Black must now prevent Nxd4. **12...♗xb3**
13.axb3 ♙g6 14.♗h4 ♚d7 15.♚f3 a6
16.♙e3 ♗d5

[16...0-0-0±]

17.♙d2?! Inaccuracy. d4 was best.

[17.d4 exd4]

[17.d4=]

17...0-0-0± 18.♗g3 ♔b8 19.♗hf5 ♙c5
20.♚a4 [#] 20...h5! Mistake. Bb6 was
best. **21.gxh5**

[21.♗xh5 ♚xh5]

21...♙xf5 22.♗xf5 [#] 22...♗f4! 23.♚xf4

[23.♙xf4 ♚xf5]

23...exf4 24.♙xf4 ♚dg8?! Inaccuracy.
Qf7 was best.

[24...♚f7 25.♗g3 ♚he8 26.♚xe8!
♚xe8 27.♗g2 ♙d4 28.c3 ♙e5
29.♙xe5 ♚xe5 30.d4]

[24...♚f7± 25.♗h2 ♙f8]

25.d4 ♙b4↑ Black is more active. **26.c3**
g6 27.♗h6 ♚c8

[27...♚e8= keeps the balance.

28.♚xe8+ ♚xe8]

28.hxg6

[Don't play 28.cxb4 g5=]

[28.♚g4!± ♚xg4+ 29.♗xg4]

28...♙d6= aiming for ...Bxf4. **29.♚e3?**
Mistake. Bd2 was best.

[29.♙d2 ♚g7 30.♚h5 ♚cg8! 31.♗f1
♙h2 32.c4 ♚xg6 33.♚xg6 ♚xg6
34.♗g4 ♚xh3]

[29.♙d2= ♚g7 Double Attack 30.♚f5]

29...♚g7? Mistake. Bxf4 was best.

[29...♙xf4! 30.♚xf4 ♚g7 31.♗f5
♚xg6+ 32.♚g3 ♚f7 33.c4 ♚cg8
34.♗h2 ♚h5 35.♗e3]

[29...♙xf4!± 30.♚xf4 ♚g7
Double Attack]

30.♗g4? Mistake. Bxd6 was best.

[30.♚g4!? ♚xh6 31.♙xh6 ♚xh6
32.h4=]

[30.♚g4= ♚xh6 31.♙xh6 ♚xh6
32.h4]

30...♙xf4± 31.♚xf4 ♚xg6 32.♚xf6
♚b1+ 33.♗g2 ♚xb2 34.b4 ♚hg8

Black has strong compensation. **35.♚e6**
♚cf8 36.♚f3 ♚e8 37.♚d5 ♚c2 38.b5?!
Inaccuracy. Qf7 was best.

[38.♚f7 ♚e2 39.♚f5 ♚c4 40.♚c5
♚e6 41.♚f5 ♚d6 42.♚c5 ♚xc5
43.dxc5 b6]

[38.♗h2±]

38...a5+ 39.♗h2 ♚d8 40.♚c5

[40.♚e5± was worth a try. ♚de8
41.♚d5]

40...b6?! Inaccuracy. Qg6 was best.

[40...♚g6 41.♚f6 ♚g7 42.b6 cxb6
43.♚xb6 ♚c7+ 44.♚xc7+ ♔xc7
45.♚b1 ♚g6 46.♚a1]

41.♚c4

[41.♚c6± is a better defense.]

41...♚c1 42.♚f7 ♚c8 43.d5 Threatening
d6! **43...♚d1 44.♚d7??** Blunder. Qc6
was best.

[44.♚c6 ♚xg4 45.hxg4 ♚xg4 46.♚f6
(♗46.♚h6) 46...♚h5+ 47.♗g3 ♚xd5
48.♚f8 a4 49.f4 ♚xb5]

[♗44.♚c6]

44...♖g6?? Blunder. Qf3 was best.
[44...♗f3 45.d6 ♖h8 46.dxc7+ ♔a7
47.♗f1 ♗xg4 48.♗d3 ♗f4+ 49.♗g3
♖hf8 50.♗xf4]

[44...♗f3+ ...Rh8 is the strong threat.
45.d6 ♖h8 46.dxc7+ ♔a7]

45.♗e4+ ♖d6 **46.♖xd6** cxd6
End game K Q R - K Q N **47.♗e6??**
Blunder. Qe3 was best.

[47.♗e3 ♔b7]
[47.♗e3+ ♔b7 48.♗f6]

47...♖xc3?? [#] Blunder. Qf3 was best.
[47...♗f3 48.♗xd6+ ♔b7! 49.♗e7+
♖c7 50.♗e5 ♖xc3 51.♗h8 ♖c7
52.♗h5 ♖d7 53.♗g6]

[Black should play 47...♗f3+
48.♗xd6+ ♔b7 49.♗e7+ ♖c7]

48.♗xd6+?? [#] Blunder. Ne5 was best.
[48.♗e5! dxe5 (48...♗d4!?

49.♗c6+ ♖xc6 50.bxc6 ♗xf2+
51.♔h1 ♗f1+ 52.♔h2 ♗f2+ 53.♔h1
♗f3+ 54.♔g1 ♗g3+ 55.♔h1 b5=)
49.♗xb6+ ♔c8 50.♗a6+ ♔d7
51.♗e6+ ♔c7 52.♗xe5+ ♔b6
53.♗xc3 ♗xd5]

[48.♗e5!= and White is okay. dxe5
49.♗xb6+ Double Attack ♔c8
50.♗e6+ ♔d8 51.♗f6+ ♔d7 52.♗e6+
♔d8 53.♗f6+ ♔d7 54.♗e6+ ♔d8]

48...♔b7!+ **49.♗e5?!** Inaccuracy. Qe7+
was best.

[49.♗e7+ ♖c7 50.♗e4 ♗c2 51.♗g2
♖g7 52.d6+ [#] (52.♗f3 might work
better. ♗c5 53.d6+ ♔a7 54.♗f4)
52...♔a7! 53.♗c6 ♗d2 54.♔g2 ♗d4]
[49.♗e7+ was necessary. ♖c7
50.♗e4]

49...♗d4 **50.♔g2?!** Inaccuracy. Ng4 was
best.

[50.♗g4 a4 51.♗d7+ ♖c7 52.♗f5
♗b4 53.♗e6 ♗f4+ 54.♔g2 ♗c4
55.♗h6 ♖g7+]

50...♗e4+ **51.♔h2** ♗f4+ **52.♔g2** a4
53.♗e6 ♗e4+ **54.♔h2** ♖c7 **55.♗d6**
♗f4+ **56.♔g2** [#] **56...a3!** Deflection
57.♗xa3 Hoping for Qa6+. **57...♗xe5**

58.♗a6+ ♔b8 **59.♗xb6+** ♔c8
Strongly threatening ...Rg7+. **60.♗a6+**
♔d8 **61.♗a8+** ♖c8 **62.♗a5+** ♔d7
(-> ...Qe4+) **63.b6??** Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Qa7+ was best.

[63.♗a7+ ♖c7 64.♗e3 ♗xd5+
65.♔g1 ♖c5 66.h4 ♖xb5 67.♗a7+
♖b7 68.♗a1 ♔e6]

[63.♗a7+-+ ♖c7 64.♗a3]

63...♗e4+ **64.♔h2** ♗f4+ Double Attack
65.♔g2 ♖g8+ **66.♔f1** ♗c4+ **67.♔e1**
♖e8+ **68.♔d1** ♗d3+

[♠68...♗e2+ 69.♔c1 ♖c8+ 70.♔b1
♗d3+ Double Attack 71.♔a1 ♖c1+
72.♔b2 ♖c2+ Double Attack 73.♔b1
♗d1#]

69.♔c1 intending Qa7+. **69...♖c8+**
Accuracy: White = 49%, Black = 69%.
0-1

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♠ **Sargsyan,Shant** **2637**
♣ **Bharath Subramaniyam H** **2544**
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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♗c4 ♗f6 4.d3
♗e7 5.0-0 0-0 6.♗c3 d6 7.a4 ♗a5
8.♗a2 c5 9.♗g5 ♗c6 10.♗xf6 ♗xf6
11.♗d5 ♗e6 12.c3 g6 13.♗d2 ♗g7
14.♖ab1N

[RR 14.♗g5 h6 15.♗xe6 fxe6
16.♗e3 ♗e7 17.g3 h5 18.♗g2 ♔h7
19.♗e2 ♖f6 20.f3 ♗h6 21.♖f2 ♖af8
22.♖af1 g5 23.♗b3 ♗e8 24.♗d1 a6
25.♗e3 ♔h8 26.♔h1 b5 27.axb5
axb5 28.♔g1 ♗g6 Harsh Suresh
(2414)-Bharath Subramaniyam H
(2544) Dubai Police Officers Club, A
2024 1/2-1/2 (41)]

[RR 14.♖fb1 ♖c8 15.b4 cxb4
16.♗xb4 ♗xa2 17.♖xa2 ♗xb4
18.♖xb4 b6 19.c4 ♖c5 20.h3 ♗d7
21.♗b2 f5 22.♗d2 ♗h6 23.♗b3 fxe4
24.dxe4 ♖c6 25.a5 ♗f7 26.axb6
axb6 27.♗e2 ♖fc8 28.♖aa4 ♗g5

Ni,S (2320)-Wang Yu A (2228)
Qingdao CHN 2024 ½-½ (32)]
[RR 14.♖g5 h6 15.♗xe6 fxe6
16.♗e3 ♖e7 17.g3 h5 18.♗g2 ♕h7
19.♖e2 ♖f6 20.f3 ♗h6 21.♖f2 ♖af8
22.♖af1 g5 23.♗b3 ♖e8 24.♗d1 a6
25.♗e3 ♕h8 26.♕h1 b5 27.axb5
axb5 28.♕g1 ♖g6 Harsh,S (2417)-
Bharath,S (2545) Dubai UAE 2024
½-½ (41)]

14...b6 15.b4 ♕h8 16.♗c4 ♗g4
17.♗e1 cxb4 18.cxb4 ♖h4 19.f3 ♗d7
20.♗c2 ♗h6 21.♖f2 ♖xf2+ 22.♕xf2
♗d4?! Inaccuracy. f5 was best.

[22...f5]

23.♗xd4 exd4 24.f4 ♖ac8 25.g3 ♗e6
26.h4 ♗xd5 27.♗xd5 ♖c3 28.♗c4 f6
29.♕e2 ♖e8 30.♖fe1 ♕g7?! Inaccuracy.
Bf8 was best.

[30...♗f8 31.h5 gxh5 32.♕f2 ♕g7
33.♖bd1 f5 34.exf5 ♖xe1 35.♖xe1 d5
36.♗b5]

31.a5 g5 32.♕f3 ♖c2?! Inaccuracy.
gxf4 was best.

[32...gxf4 33.gxf4 ♕h8 34.a6 ♖b8
35.♖bd1 b5 36.♗d5 ♖b6 37.h5 ♗g7
38.♕g4]

33.axb6 axb6 34.♖a1?! Inaccuracy.
hgx5 was best.

[34.hxg5 ffg5 35.♖h1 ♖a8 36.♖bg1
♖f8 37.f5 b5 38.♗xb5 g4+ 39.♕xg4
♗d2]

34...gxh4?! Inaccuracy. gxf4 was best.

[34...gxf4 35.gxf4 ♕h8 36.♖a6 ♖d2
37.♖xb6 d5 38.♗b5 dxe4+ 39.♖xe4
♖xe4 40.dxe4]

35.gxh4?! Inaccuracy. Ra7+ was best.

[35.♖a7+ ♕h8 36.♖h1 ♗g7 37.♖xh4
♖c1 38.♖h5 h6 39.♕g4 ♖g1 40.♖b7
♗f8]

35...♖h2?! Inaccuracy. Kh8 was best.

[35...♕h8 36.♖a6 ♖d2 37.♖xb6 d5
38.♗b5 dxe4+ 39.♖xe4 ♖xe4
40.dxe4 ♗f8 41.♖xf6]

36.♕g3 ♖b2 37.♖a7+ ♕h8 38.♗f7 ♖f8
39.♗e6 ♖d2 40.♖a3?! Inaccuracy. Kg4

was best.

[40.♕g4 f5+ 41.♗xf5 ♖g2+ 42.♕f3
♖g7 43.♖xg7 ♗xg7 44.♕g4 ♖f7
45.♗e6 ♖a7]

40...♖e8 41.♖c1 ♖xe6 42.♖c8+ ♗f8
43.f5 ♖e7 44.♖xf8+ ♕g7 45.♖d8 ♖e2
46.♖xd6 ♖e3+ 47.♕f4 ♖7xe4+ 48.dxe4
♖xa3 49.♖xd4 h5?! Inaccuracy. Rh3
was best.

[49...♖h3 50.♕g4]

50.♖d7+ ♕g8 51.♖d8+ ♕g7 52.♖d7+
♕g8 53.♖d6 ♕g7 54.e5 fxe5+
55.♕xe5 b5 56.♖d7+ ♕h6 57.♖d4
♕g7 58.♕f4 ♕f6 59.♖d6+ ♕f7 60.♖b6
♖b3 61.♖xb5 ♖h3 62.♖b7+ ♕f6
63.♖b6+ ♕f7 64.♕g5 ♖g3+ 65.♕xh5
1-0

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■ Bharath Subramaniam H 2544

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♗c4 ♗f6 4.d3
♗e7 5.0-0 0-0 6.♖e1 d6 7.a4 ♗a5
8.♗a2 c5 9.c3 ♗c6 10.♗a3 h6
11.♗d2 a6 12.h3 ♖b8N

[RR 12...♗d7 13.♗c2 ♗e6 14.♗e3
♗xa2 15.♖xa2 ♖e8 16.♗h2 d5
17.♗hg4 dxe4 18.♗xf6+ ♗xf6
19.dxe4 ♗g5 20.b3 ♖e6 21.♗f5 ♖g6
22.g3 ♗a5 23.♗xg5 ♖xg5 24.h4 ♖f6
25.♖d2 ♖e8 26.h5 ♖g5 27.♖d6
Nasuta,G (2585)-Gonda,L (2494)
Czech Republic CZE 2024 1-0 (50)]

13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 exd4 15.♗c2 d5
16.e5 ♗e4 17.♗cxd4? Mistake. Bf4
was best.

[17.♗f4 d3 18.♖xd3 ♗e6 19.♖e2
♗c5 20.♗e3 ♖b6 21.♗xc5 ♗xc5
22.♗cd4 ♖b4]

17...♗xd2 18.♖xd2 ♗b4 19.♖e3 ♗xe1
20.♖xe1 ♖e8 21.♗b1 ♗e6 22.♖d3 g6
23.♖e3 ♕g7 24.g4 ♖c8 25.♕g2 ♖e7
26.♖e2?! Inaccuracy. Bd3 was best.

[26.♔d3 ♕d7]
26...♖h8 27.♗f4 ♜xd4 28.♜xd4 ♝c4
29.♔d3 ♞xd4?? Blunder. Rb4 was best.
 [29...♞b4 30.♝c2 ♔h7 31.a5 ♝c8
 32.♝c3 ♞xb2 33.♞xc8 ♕xc8 34.h4
 ♞b4 35.h5]
30.♗xd4 h5 31.f3 ♖h4 32.♞e3 ♝c8
33.♞e2
 1/2-1/2

☐ **Nikitenko,Mihail** **C55** **2525**
 ■ **Jumabayev,Rinat** **2595**
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1.e4 https://lichess.org/@/loepare 1...e5
2.♜f3 ♜c6 3.♔c4 ♜f6 4.d3 a6
 [RR 4...♔d6 5.0-0 ♜a5 6.♜bd2 ♖e7
 7.a3 c5 8.♔a2 ♕c7 9.b4 cxb4
 10.axb4 ♜c6 11.b5 ♜a5 12.d4 b6
 13.♔a3 d6 14.♜xe5 0-0 15.♞e1 ♖e8
 16.♜ec4 ♜xc4 17.♜xc4 ♖xb5 18.e5
 ♜d5 19.♜xd6]
5.♜g5
 [RR 5.0-0

A) RR 5...b5 6.♔b3 d5 (RR
6...♔c5 7.c3 d6 8.♞e1 0-0 9.♜bd2
♕e6 10.♕xe6 fxe6 11.♜f1 b4
12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 ♕b6 14.♜g3
a5 15.h3 ♔h8 16.♔e3 ♖e8
17.♝c1 e5 18.d5 ♜e7 19.♕xb6
cxb6 20.♝c7) 7.exd5 ♜xd5 8.h3
a5 9.c4 ♜db4 10.cxb5 ♜a7
11.♜xe5 ♖f6 12.♞e1 ♔d6
13.♜g4+ ♖e7 14.♞xe7+ ♕xe7
15.♖f3 ♞b8 16.♖xf7+ ♔d8 17.a3
♜xd3 18.♖d5+ ♔d6 19.♔g5+ ♔d7
20.♖f7+;

B) RR 5...d6 6.c3 g6 7.♞e1 ♔g7
8.d4 ♖e7 9.dxe5 ♜xe5 10.♜xe5
dxe5 11.b3 0-0 12.♔a3 c5 13.b4
♞d8 14.♖e2 cxb4 15.♕xb4 ♖c7
16.♜d2 ♞xd2 17.♕xf7+ ♖xf7
18.♖xd2 ♔d7 19.♞ad1 ♔a4
20.♝c1;

C) 5...h6 6.a4 ♕c5 7.♔e3 d6
8.♜bd2 0-0 9.c3 ♞e8 10.b4 ♕xe3
11.fxe3 ♕e6 12.b5 (RR 12.♕xe6
♞xe6 13.♖e2) 12...♜b8 13.♕xe6
♞xe6 14.♖c2 ♜bd7 15.d4 ♖e8
16.♞ae1 axb5 17.axb5 ♞a5 18.c4
♖a8 19.h3 ♞e8 Vidit,S (2727)-
 Gukesh D (2743) Chess.com 2024
 [https://lichess.org/@/loepare] 0-1
 (38) RR 20.♜b1 ♞a2 21.♖d3 ♖a4
 22.♞f2 ♞a8 23.♜c3 ♞a3 24.♝c1
 ♖b3 25.♜d2 ♖b4 26.♜db1 ♞a1]

5...d5 6.exd5 ♜a5 7.♖e2N
 [RR 7.0-0 h6 8.♜f3 ♔d6 9.b4 ♜xc4
 10.dxc4 e4 11.♜d4 ♕xb4 12.♔a3
 ♕xa3 13.♜xa3 0-0 14.h3 ♖e7
 15.♖c1 ♜d7 16.♖e3 ♜c5 17.f3 f5
 18.♞ae1 f4 19.♖c1 e3 20.c3 ♜d3
 0-1 (20) De Winter,A (2413)-Yoo,C
 (2583) chess.com INT 2024]
7...♔d6 8.♜c3 b5 9.♔b3 ♜xb3
10.axb3 ♕b7 11.d4 ♖e7 12.dxe5
♖xe5 13.♔f4 ♖xe2+ 14.♜xe2 ♕xf4
15.♜xf4 ♜xd5 16.♜d3 h6 17.♜f3
0-0-0 18.0-0 ♞he8 19.♞fe1 ♞xe1+
20.♞xe1 a5 21.♜fe5
 1/2-1/2

☐ **Sargsyan,Shant** **C55** **2637**
 ■ **Erdogmus,Yagiz Kaan** **2553**
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1.e4 e5 2.♜f3 ♜c6 3.♔c4 ♜f6 4.d3
d5 5.exd5 ♜xd5 6.0-0 ♕e7 7.♞e1 f6
8.d4
 [RR 8.♔b3 a5 9.c3 ♜b6 10.♜h4 g6
 (10...♖d7±) 11.a4! ♔d6 12.d4 ♖e7
 13.♔e3 (♠13.♔h6) 13...♔d7 14.dxe5
 fxe5 15.♜f3 h6 16.♜bd2 0-0-0
 17.♜e4 ♕f5 18.♜fd2 ♜d7
 (18...♖g7± 19.♖e2 ♔b8) 19.♔d5!
 ♜c5 20.♖e2 ♜b8 21.♞ad1 ♜ba6
 22.♜xd6+ cxd6 Abdusattorov,N
 (2727)-Van Foreest,J (2682) Wijk aan

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8...♙g4 9.c3N

[RR 9.dxe5 ♘db4 10.♙xd8+ ♖xd8
11.exf6 gxf6 12.♘a3 ♙xf3! 13.gxf3
♘d4! 14.♞e4 ♘xf3+ 15.♔g2 ♘e5
16.♙e2 c5 (16...♘g6=) 17.c3
(17.♙e3±) 17...♘bd3 18.♙h6 ♞g8+
(18...f5̄ 19.♞e3 ♞g8+ 20.♞g3 ♔f7)
19.♔f1 ♔f7 20.♙h5+ ♔e6 21.♘c2?
(21.♘c4=) 21...f5! 22.♞e2?
(22.♞a4) 22...♔f6? (22...♙g5+
23.♙xg5 ♞xg5) 23.♘e1 c4
Nilsen,T (2207)-Espinoza Villanueva,R
(1928) chess.com INT 2024 0-1]

9...exd4 White has an edge. 10.cxd4
♘b6 11.♙b3 ♙d7 12.h3 ♙xf3! 13.♙xf3
Strongly threatening Be6. 13...♘xd4
14.♙xb7 ♘xb3 15.axb3 0-0 16.♘c3
♙b4 17.♞xa7 ♞xa7 18.♙xa7 ♙c6
19.♙f4 Threatening Rc1. 19...♙xc3
20.bxc3 ♘d5 21.♙d2 Hoping for c4.
21...♘xc3 22.♙d4↑ Black is under
pressure. 22...♘d5 23.h4 ♙d7 24.b4

[24.♞c1 looks sharper. c6 25.♙a4
♘b6 26.♙f4 ♞d8 27.♙a5]

24...♘b6

[24...c6 keeps more tension. 25.♙c4
♞a8 26.♞c1 ♞b8 27.g3 h6]

25.♙xd7 ♘xd7= Endgame KRB-KRN
26.♞c1 ♞c8 27.b5 Black should prevent
Be3. 27...♔f8?! Inaccuracy. Nb6 was
best.

[27...♘b6! 28.♙a5 ♞a8 29.♙xb6
cxb6 30.♞c6 ♞a1+ 31.♔h2 h5
32.♞xb6 ♞b1 33.♞b7]

[27...♘b6!= remains equal.]

28.♙b4± ♔f7 29.♙a5 ♞b8?!
Inaccuracy. c5 was best.

[29...c5 30.bxc6]

[29...c5±]

30.♞xc7+- ♔e6 31.♞c6+?? Blunder. b6
was best.

[31.b6!]

[31.b6!+-]

31...♔f5= 32.b6 h5! 33.♔h2 ♔e5!
34.♞c3 ♔f5?! Inaccuracy. Kd6 was best.

[34...♔d6 35.♞b3 ♔c6 36.♞g3 ♞g8
37.♞c3+ ♔b5 38.b7 ♞b8! 39.♞c7
♘c5 40.♞xg7]

[34...♔d5=]

35.♞b3!± Threatens to win with b7.

35...♞b7?! Inaccuracy. Ke5 was best.

[35...♔e5 35...♔e6 0.91]

[35...♔e6±]

36.♞b5+- ♔e6 37.♔g3 g6 38.♔f4
♔d6 39.♞b1! ♔e6?! Inaccuracy. Rb8
was best.

[39...♞b8 40.b7! ♔c6 41.♙c3! ♞xb7
42.♞xb7 ♔xb7 [#] 43.♙xf6! ♘xf6
44.♔g5 ♘d5 [#] 45.g3!]

40.f3 ♔d6 41.♞d1+ ♔e6?! Inaccuracy.
Ke7 was best.

[41...♔e7 42.♞b1 ♔d6 43.g4 ♔e6
44.♞b5 hxg4 45.fxg4 ♔e7 46.h5
gxh5 47.gxh5]

42.♞c1 ♞b8 43.♞c7 ♞a8 44.b7 g5+
45.hxg5 fxg5+ 46.♔e4 ♞xa5 [#]

47.♞xd7! KR-KR 47...♞b5

[47...♔xd7 48.b8♙]

48.♞h7 ♞b4+ 49.♔d3 h4 50.♔c3 ♞b1
51.♔d4 ♔f5

[♚51...♞b2 52.♔c5 ♞c2+ 53.♔b6
♞xg2 54.♞h6+ ♔d5 55.♞d6+
Decoy, Promotion ♔xd6 56.b8♙+
♔d5 57.♙a8+ ♔d6 58.♙b8+ ♔d7]

52.♞f7+ ♔e6 53.♞h7 ♔f5?! Inaccuracy.
Kd6 was best.

[53...♔d6 54.♔c4 ♞b2 55.♞g7 ♔e6
56.♔c5 ♞c2+ 57.♔b6 ♞xg2 58.♞xg5
♞xg5 59.b8♙]

54.♔c5 ♔f4 intending ...Kg3. 55.♞g7
♞b2 56.♔c6 ♞c2+ 57.♔d7 ♞b2

58.♔c8 ♞c2+ 59.♞c7 Accuracy: White =
84%, Black = 51%.

1-0

Niemann,Hans Moke **C60**
 Theodorou,Nikolas **2688**
2616
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♘ge7 4.0-0 ♘g6 5.d4 exd4 6.♘xd4 ♙c5 7.♙e3

[RR 7.♘xc6 bxc6 8.♙d3 0-0 9.♘c3 a5 10.♙h5 d6 11.♙g5 ♙e8 12.♙h1 ♘e5 13.♙e2 f5 14.♙xe8 ♙xe8 15.f3 (♠15.exf5 ♙xf5 16.♙ac1) 15...♙d4! 16.♙d2 fxe4 17.fxe4 ♙g4 18.♙ae1 ♙xe2 19.♙xe2 ♘c4! 20.♙c1 ♙xc3 21.bxc3 ♙ab8 Smirnov,A (2586)-Artemiev,V (2711) Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1]

7...♙xd4 8.♙xd4 ♙g5 9.♙xc6!N
 White is slightly better.

[RR 9.♙e2 9.♙xc6 0.47 ♘xd4 (9...♘f4!? 10.♙f3 ♘xd4 11.♙xd4 ♙xg2+ 12.♙xg2 ♘e2+ Double Attack 13.♙h1 ♘xd4=) 10.♙xd4 ♘f4 11.♙f3 ♙xg2+ 12.♙xg2 ♘e2+ 13.♙h1 ♘xd4 14.♘a3 (14.♘c3?) 14...d6 15.♙ad1 ♘e6 16.f4 ♙d7 17.f5 ♘c5? (17...♘d8!/+ 18.f6 gxf6 19.♙xf6 ♘c6) 18.b4 (Only move: 18.e5!?) 18...♘a4 19.c4 f6 20.♘c2 0-0-0 21.♘e3 ♙he8 22.♙d3 ♙b8 23.♙g1 ♙c6 Kaufman,L (2196)-Vaibhav,S (2597) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (53)]

9...dxc6 10.f4 ♘xf4 11.♙d2 ♘e6 12.♙xg5 ♘xg5 13.♙xg7 ♙g8 14.♙f6 h5 15.♘d2↑ White has good play.
15...♙e6 16.♙ae1 b6

[16...c5±]

17.♙e3!± ♙g6 18.♙d3?! Inaccuracy. Rf5 was best.

[18.♙f5! ♘h7]

[18.♙f5!± ♙d7 19.♙d3+ (19.♙xg5 ♙xf6 20.♙xh5 ♙e7±) 19...♙c8 20.♙xg5 ♙xf6 21.♙xh5]

18...c5± 19.b3 ♙c8 20.c4 ♘h7 21.♙h4 ♘g5 22.e5 ♙g4?! Inaccuracy. a6 was best.

[22...a6 23.♙g3 ♘h7! 24.♘e4 ♙d7

25.h3 ♙c6 26.♙h2 b5 27.cxb5+ axb5 28.♙c3!]

[22...a6± might work better.]

23.♙f2+- ♙e6 intending ...Nh3+. **24.♙h1 a6 25.a4?! Inaccuracy.** h3 was best.

[25.h3! b5 26.♙g3! ♘h7 27.♙c3 bxc4 28.bxc4 ♘g5 29.♙g3 ♘h7 30.♙d3 ♘g5]

[White should play 25.h3!+-]

25...♙b8? Mistake. Bd7 was best.

[25...♙d7 26.h3 ♙c6 27.♙h2 ♘e6 28.♙e3 ♘d4 29.♘e4 ♙xe4 30.♙xe4 ♘xb3 31.♙ef4]

[25...♙d7±]

26.h3! ♙a8 27.♙f1?! Inaccuracy. Kh2 was best.

[27.♙h2 ♙b8 28.♙g3 ♘h7 29.♙gf3 ♘g5 30.♙d3 ♙a8 31.♘f1 b5 [#] 32.♙f4! ♙b8]

[27.♙g3+-]

27...♙b8

[27...b5±]

28.♙h2 ♙a8?! Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[28...b5 [#] 29.♙f6!]

[28...b5± was called for. 29.axb5 axb5]

29.♙f4 ♙b8 30.♙f2 ♙a8 31.♙f4 ♙b8

32.♙h1?! Inaccuracy. Nf1 was best.

[32.♘f1]

[32.♘f1+-]

32...♙a8? Mistake. b5 was best.

[32...b5]

[32...b5±]

33.♘f1 ♙d7 34.♘g3 ♙c6 35.♙h2

[35.♘xh5 ♘e6±]

35...b5 36.♙f5

[Less strong is 36.♘xh5 ♘e6±]

36...♘e6 37.♙xh5 ♙g8 38.♙h6 bxc4

39.bxc4 ♙b8 With the idea ...Rb2.

40.♙d2 ♙b1 41.♘h5 Strongly

threatening Nf6+. **41...♙f8 42.♙f2?! Inaccuracy.** Nf6 was best.

[42.♘f6 ♙d1 43.♙b2 ♙g6 44.♙b8+

♙e7 45.♘e4+ ♙d7 46.♘xc5+ ♘xc5

47.♙xg6 fxc6]

42...♙f1 And now ...Rxf2 would win.

43.♖b2 Hoping for Rb8+.
[43.♖xf1 ♖xg2+ 44.♔h1 ♖g6+
45.♔h2 ♖g2+ 46.♔h1 ♖g6+ 47.♔h2
♖g2+=]

43...♖b1 44.♖f2
[And not 44.♖xb1 ♖xg2+ 45.♔h1
♖b2+ 46.♔g1 ♖xb1+ 47.♔f2 ♔e8=]

44...♖f1 aiming for ...Rxf2. **45.♖hf6**
Threatens to win with Rxf7+.

[Worse is 45.♖xf1 ♖xg2+ 46.♔h1
♖g6+ 47.♔h2 ♖xh6=]

45...♖xf2 46.♖xf2 ♔xg2? Mistake. Bxa4
was best.

[46...♔xa4 47.g4]

[46...a5 was worth a try. 47.g4 ♔d4]

47.♖xg2 Accuracy: White = 68%, Black
= 45%.

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☐ **Suleymanli,Aydin** **C65** **2621**
■ **Daneshvar,Bardiya** **2581**
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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♔b5 ♗f6 4.d3
♔c5 5.c3 0-0 6.♔g5 h6

[RR 6...♖e8 7.♗bd2 ♔f8 8.h3 a6
9.♔a4 d6 10.0-0 h6 11.♔e3 d5
12.♔xc6 bxc6 13.♖e1 a5 14.♖c2
♗h7 15.♖ad1 f5 16.♗f1 ♗f6 17.♔c1
♔d6 18.♗1d2 a4 19.c4 fxe4 20.dxe4
d4 21.♗h4 Balajayeva,K (2350)-
Javakhishvili,L (2438) Tbilisi GEO
2024 ½-½ (50)]

7.♔h4 ♔e7 8.0-0 d6 9.♔g3N

[RR 9.♔xc6 bxc6 10.♗bd2 c5
11.♗c4 ♔e6 12.♖e1 ♔xc4 13.dxc4
♗d7 14.♔xe7 ♖xe7 15.♗d2 ♖ab8
16.♖c2 ♖e6 17.b3 f5 18.exf5 ♖xf5
19.♗e4 ♗f6 20.f3 ♗xe4 21.♖xe4
♖g6 22.♖d3 a5 23.♖b1 ♔h8
Suleymanli,A (2609)-Fressinet,L
(2637) Samarkand UZB 2023 ½-½
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9...a6 10.♔a4 ♖e8 11.♗bd2 ♔f8 12.h3

b5 13.♔c2 ♔b7 14.♖e1 ♗b8 15.d4
♗bd7 16.b3 g6 17.d5?! Inaccuracy. a4
was best.

[17.a4]

17...c6 18.c4 cxd5 19.cxd5 ♖a5 20.a3
♖c3 21.♖e3 ♖c7 22.b4 ♖ec8 23.♔d3
♗h5 24.♔h2 ♗f4 25.♔f1 ♗b6 26.g3?
Mistake. Re1 was best.

[26.♖e1]

26...♗h5?! Inaccuracy. Nfxd5 was best.

[26...♗fxd5 27.exd5 ♗xd5 28.♖b3
♗c3 29.♖e1 ♔g7 30.♗h4 e4 31.g4
♖c6 32.♗g2]

27.♗h4 ♗a4 28.♗b3 ♖d7 29.♗a5
♖a7 30.♖g4 ♖xg4 31.hxg4 ♗f6 32.f3
♔a8 33.♔h1 ♖ac7 34.♔g1 ♔e7
35.♖ee1 ♗d7 36.♗g2 ♔g5?!

Inaccuracy. Rc3 was best.

[36...♖c3]

37.♗e3?! Inaccuracy. Be3 was best.

[37.♔e3 ♔xe3]

37...♖c3 38.♔g2 ♔g7 39.♔f2 ♔d8
40.♗d1 ♖c2 41.♗e3 ♖2c7 42.♖eb1
♔g5 43.♖e1 ♗db6 44.♔e2 ♖c3
45.♗d1 ♖c1 46.♖a2?? Blunder. Ne3
was best.

[46.♗e3 ♖1c3]

46...♗xd5 47.♗b3 ♖1c7 48.exd5 ♔xd5
49.♖d2 ♔xb3 50.♖xd6 ♖c6 51.♖xc6
♖xc6 52.♔e3 ♖c2 53.f4 exf4 54.gxf4
♔h4 55.♗f2 ♔d5+?! Inaccuracy. Nc3
was best.

[55...♗c3]

56.♔f3 ♔xf3+ 57.♔xf3 ♖c3 58.♖h1
♔d8 59.♗e4 ♖xa3 60.♔e2? Mistake.
Kf2 was best.

[60.♔f2 ♖d3 61.♔e2 ♖d5 62.♖c1 a5
63.bxa5 ♔xa5 64.f5 gxf5 65.gxf5
♖xf5]

60...♔b6 61.♗c5? Mistake. Bc1 was
best.

[61.♔c1 ♖a2+ 62.♔d2 ♔c7 63.♔e3
♖c2 64.♖h2 f5 65.gxf5 gxf5 66.♗g3
♔g6]

61...♗c3+ 62.♔f2 ♗e4+
0-1

Ivanchuk, Vasyil **C65**
 Blohberger, Felix **2609**
2505
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♘f6 4.d3 ♙c5 5.♘bd2

[RR 5.♙g5 ♘d4 6.♘xd4 ♙xd4 7.c3 ♙b6 8.♘d2 c6 9.♙a4 h6 10.♙h4 0-0 11.0-0 d5 12.♖e1 ♙c7 13.h3 ♙e6 14.♙b3 ♖e8 15.♗f3 g5 16.♙g3 d4 17.♙xe6 ♖xe6 18.cxd4 exd4 19.♙xc7 ♗xc7 Nihal,S (2698)-Nakamura,H (2789) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (78)]

[RR 5.♙g5 h6 6.♙h4 ♙e7 7.♘bd2 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.♙xc6 bxc6 10.♗c2 ♘h5 11.♙xe7 ♗xe7 12.0-0-0 c5 13.g3 ♙e6 14.♙b1 a5 15.d4 a4 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.♘xe5 ♙xa2+ 18.♙xa2 ♗xe5 19.♗d3 ♘f6 Bacrot,E (2684)-Blohberger,F (2506) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (75)]

5...0-0 6.♘b3 [#] And now Bxc6 would win. 6...♙b6N

[RR 6...♙d6 7.0-0 ♖e8 8.♙g5 h6 9.♙h4 a6 10.♙xc6 dxc6 11.♘a5 c5 12.c3 c6 13.♘c4 b5 14.♘e3 ♙f8 15.a4 ♗d6 16.♙g3 ♘h5 17.♙xe5 (17.axb5= keeps the balance. cxb5 18.♖e1) 17...♖xe5 18.♘xe5 ♗xe5 19.d4 cxd4 20.cxd4 ♗g5 21.f4 Bodnaruk,A (2340)-Zhapova,Y (2201) Tashkent UZB 2024 1-0 (47)]

[RR 6...♙d6 7.0-0 a6 8.♙xc6 dxc6 9.♙g5 ♖e8 10.♖e1 c5 11.a4 a5 12.♘bd2 ♖e6 13.♘c4 ♗e8 14.♙d2 b6 15.♘g5 ♖e7 16.♙c3 ♘d7 17.♗d2 (Better is 17.♘f3±) 17...f6 18.♘f3 ♘f8 19.♘e3 ♘e6 20.♘d5 ♖f7 21.♗d1 Tutisani,N (2405)-Dvirnyy,D (2482) Vecindario ESP 2024 1/2-1/2 (42)]

[RR 6...♗e7 7.♙g5 ♙b6 8.0-0 h6 9.♙e3 d6 10.♙xb6 axb6 11.♙xc6 (11.a4= remains equal.) 11...bxc6 12.♘fd2 d5 13.♖e1 ♙b7 14.d4

(14.a4±) 14...exd4 15.exd5 ♗d7 16.dxc6 ♙xc6 (16...♗xc6± 17.♘f3 ♖fd8) 17.♘f3 ♗g4 (17...♙xf3!?) 18.♗xf3 c5±) 18.♘bxd4 ♖ad8 19.h3 ♗f4 20.c3 ♙b7 21.♗c1 Zhurbinsky,D (2080)-Vemparala,N (2192) Chesterfield MO USA 2023 0-1 (47)]

7.♙xc6 bxc6 8.h3?! Inaccuracy. Nxe5 was best.

[8.♘xe5 d5 9.0-0 dxe4 10.a4 a5 11.dxe4 ♗e7 12.♙f4 ♘xe4]

[8.♘xe5= d5 9.a4 (9.♘xc6 ♗d6=)]

8...d6 9.♙e3 ♘d7 10.0-0 ♙b7 11.♖e1 ♖b8 12.a4 ♙xe3 13.fxe3 c5 14.♘bd2 g6 15.b3 f5 16.♖f1 ♗e7 17.♗e2 ♖f7 18.♖f2 ♖bf8 19.♖af1 h6 20.♙h2 ♙g7 21.exf5 ♖xf5 22.e4 ♖5f7 23.♘c4 ♘f6 24.♘fd2 ♙c8 25.♘e3 ♙e6 26.♗e1 ♘g8 27.♖xf7+ ♖xf7 28.♘f3 ♗f8 29.♗a5 ♗b8 30.♗b5 ♗c8 31.b4 a6±

Black is not holding back **32.♗a5 cxb4 33.♗xb4 ♘e7 34.♗c3 ♙h7 35.a5 ♗b7 36.♗e1 ♗a7 37.♗d2 ♙g7 38.d4 exd4 39.♘xd4 ♖xf1 40.♘xf1 [#] Threatens to win with Qe3. 40...♙f7 41.♗c3 Threatening mate with Ne6+. 41...♙g8 42.♘d2 ♗b7 43.♘4f3 ♗c6 44.♗f6 ♗d7 45.e5 Accuracy: White = 75%, Black = 85%.**

. Loss on time!?

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 Yu, Yangyi **2629**
2728
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1.e4 https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/fmmaT9me 1...e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♘f6 4.d3 ♙c5 5.♙xc6 dxc6 6.♘bd2 ♙e6

[RR 6...♘d7 7.0-0 a5 8.♘c4 ♗e7 9.♙e3 f6 10.♗d2 b6 11.a3 ♗f7 12.b4 ♙e7 13.bxa5 b5 14.♘b2 0-0 15.c4 ♘c5 16.♗c3 ♘e6 17.d4 exd4

18.♖xd4 ♗xd4 19.♙xd4 c5 20.♙e3 b4 21.axb4 Caruana,F (2804)-So,W (2757) Saint Louis USA 2024 0-1 (53)]

7.0-0 ♖d6

[RR 7...♙d6 8.♗b3 b6 9.♙g5 ♖d7 10.♗e2 c5 11.♗bd2 h6 12.♙h4 ♗h5 13.♗c4 ♗f4 14.♗e3 ♗g6 15.♙g3 ♙xc4 16.dxc4 ♗e6 17.b3 0-0 18.♞ad1 ♞ad8 19.♞d2 ♙e7 20.♞fd1 ♞xd2 21.♞xd2 ♞d8 22.♞xd8+ Fedoseev,V (2690)-Giri,A (2762) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (38)]

[RR 7...♗d7 8.♗b3

A) RR 8...♙e7 9.d4 (RR 9.♗a5);

B) 8...♙b6 9.♗g5 ♙xb3 10.axb3 f6 11.♗f3 ♗f8 12.♗d2 ♗e6 13.♗h5+ g6

B1) RR 14.♗g4 ♖d7 15.♗c4 ♙d4 16.c3 ♙c5 17.b4 ♙e7 18.f4 ♗xf4 19.♗xd7+ ♔xd7 20.♙xf4 exf4 21.♞xf4 c5 22.bxc5 ♙xc5+ 23.d4 ♙e7 24.b4 a6 25.♔f2 ♞ae8 26.♔e2 c6 27.♔d3 ♙d8 28.♞af1 ♞e6;

B2) RR 14.♗d1

B2a) RR 14...♙c5 15.♗c4 b5 (RR 15...♗e7 16.♔h1 a6 17.f4 exf4 18.♙xf4 ♗xf4 19.♞xf4 0-0-0 20.c3) 16.♗a5 ♗d7 17.♙e3 ♙b6 (RR 17...♙d6 18.g3 c5 19.f4 exf4 20.gxf4 0-0 21.♔h1) 18.b4 0-0 (RR 18...c5 19.bxc5 ♙xc5 20.♙xc5 ♗xc5 21.b4 ♗e6 22.♗b3) 19.♗d2 f5 (RR 19...c5 20.bxc5 ♗xc5 21.b4 ♗e6 22.♗b3) 20.exf5 gxf5 21.♗c3

B2a1) RR 21...♙xa5 22.♞xa5 f4 (RR 22...♗d5 23.f3) 23.♙xa7 f3 24.♗xe5 ♗f4 25.♗g5+ ♔h8 26.♙e3 (RR 26.♗e5+);

B2a2) 21...f4 22.♙xb6

B2a21) RR 22...axb6 23.♗xc6 (RR 23.♗xc6

♞ad8 24.♗xd7 ♞xd7);

B2a22) 22...cxb6

23.♗xc6 (RR 23.♗xc6 ♗c8)

B2a221) RR 23...f3

24.♗xe5 ♖d5 25.♗xf3 (RR 25.♗b3 ♗xb3 26.cxb3 fxcg2 27.♔xcg2 ♗d4 28.♞ae1)

25...♞xf3 26.gxf3 ♗d4 27.♗c7 ♔h8 28.♞fe1;

B2a222) 23...♗d6

24.♞xa7 ♞xa7 (RR 24...f3 25.♗e7+ ♔h8 26.♗f5) 25.♗xa7 f3 (RR 25...♗d4 26.♗xb5) 26.♗c6 ♗e7 27.♗xb5

B2a2221) RR

27...fxg2 28.♔xcg2 (RR 28.♗xcg2+ ♔h8 29.♔h1 ♗xb4 30.♗d5 ♗f4 31.♗e4) 28...♔h8 29.♔h1;

B2a2222) 27...♔h8

28.g3 ♗f7;

B2b) 14...♗d7 15.♗c4 ♙c5

16.♙e3 ♙xe3 17.♗xe3 a6 18.b4 0-0 19.♔h1 ♔h8 20.♗d2 ♞ad8 21.♞a5 ♗e7 22.g3 ♞d4 23.c3 ♞dd8 24.♗c4 c5 25.bxc5 ♗xc5 26.♗e2 ♗xd3 27.b4 c6 28.♗e3 f5;

B3) 14.♗e2 ♖d7 15.♗c4 0-0

16.♙h6 ♞fe8 17.♙e3 ♔g7 18.b4 ♙xe3 19.fxe3 c5 20.bxc5 ♗xc5 21.b4 ♗e6 22.♗d2 Yu,Y (2728)-Isik,A (2467) Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024 1-0 (63)]

8.b3N

[RR 8.♗b3 ♙xb3 9.axb3 0-0 10.♗h4 ♗e6 11.h3 ♗e8 12.♔h1 f6 13.♗f5 ♗d6 14.♙e3 ♙b6 15.♗g4 ♗xf5 16.exf5 ♗f7 17.♞a4 ♞fd8 18.♞e4

♠d5 19.♙f3 ♠ad8 20.g4 h6 21.h4
♙f8 22.♙g2 ♙e7 John D M Nunn
(2560)-Wagner Martins Madeira (2012)
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broadcast/-/fmmaT9me] 1-0 (33)]

8...a5 9.♘c4 ♕xc4 10.bxc4 ♘d7 11.c3
♙e6 12.d4 ♕e7 13.♙e2 0-0 14.♞e1
♞fe8 15.c5 h6 16.♞b1 ♞ab8 17.h3
♕f8 18.♙c2 b6 19.cxb6 cxb6 20.c4
♞bc8 21.♕b2 b5 22.dxe5 ♘b6
23.cxb5 cxb5 24.♙e2 b4 25.♘d4
♙xe5 26.♘b3 ♙g5 27.♙a6 ♘c4
28.♞bc1 ♙g6 29.♙xg6

[29.♙d6?? Blunder. Qxg6 was best.
♙e6?? Blunder. Bxd6 was best.
(29...♕xd6 30.e5 ♕e7 31.♕a1 ♕h4
32.e6 fxe6 33.♘d4 ♘d2 34.♞xc8
♞xc8 35.♞d1) 30.♙xe6]

29...fxg6 30.♕a1 a4 31.♘d4 ♕d6
32.♘b5 ♕f4 33.♞b1 b3 34.axb3 ♘d2
35.♞bd1 ♘xb3 36.♘d6 ♕xd6 37.♞xd6
♞a8 38.♞xg6 ♘xa1 39.♞xa1 ♞xe4
40.♞a3 ♞b4 41.♙h2 ♞a7 42.♙g3 ♙f7
43.♞c6 ♙e7 44.f3 ♘d7 45.♞g6 ♙c8
46.♞c6+ ♙b7 47.♞g6 ♙a8 48.♞e6
♙b8 49.h4 ♙c8 50.♞c6+ ♘d7 51.♞g6
♙e8 52.♞e6+ ♙f7 53.♞c6 ♙g8
54.♙h3 ♙h7

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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♕b5 ♘f6 4.d3
♕c5 5.c3 0-0 6.0-0

[RR 6.♕g5 h6 7.♕h4 ♕e7 8.0-0 d6
9.♕xc6 bxc6 10.♘bd2 c5 11.♘c4
♕e6 12.♞e1 ♕xc4 13.dxc4 ♘d7
14.♕xe7 ♙xe7 15.♘d2 ♞ab8 16.♙c2
♙e6 17.b3 f5 18.exf5 ♙xf5 19.♘e4
♘f6 20.f3 ♘xe4 Suleymanli,A (2609)-
Fressinet,L (2637) Samarkand UZB
2023 1/2-1/2 (43)]

6...d5 7.♘bd2 ♞e8 8.b4N

[RR 8.exd5 a6 9.♕xc6 bxc6 10.♘b3
♙xd5 11.c4 ♙d6 12.♘xc5 ♙xc5
13.d4 exd4 14.♙xd4 ♙h5 15.♕g5
♕g4 16.♕xf6 ♕xf3 17.gxf3 ♙g6+
18.♙h1 ♙xf6 19.♙xf6 gxf6 20.♞fe1
♞ad8 21.♙g2 ♙f8 22.♞xe8+ ♞xe8
Carlsen,M (2830)-So,W (2757) chess.
com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (42)]

[RR 8.exd5 a6 9.♕xc6 bxc6 10.♘b3
♙xd5 11.c4 ♙d6 12.♘xc5 ♙xc5
13.♕e3 ♙d6 14.h3 c5 15.♙b3 ♕f5
16.♞ad1 ♙c6 17.♘h4 ♕e6 18.f4 e4
19.f5 ♕c8 20.d4 cxd4 21.♕xd4 ♕b7
22.♙e3 ♙xc4 Albornoz Cabrera,C
(2604)-Ponomariov,R (2646) Havana
CUB 2024 1/2-1/2 (32)]

8...♕f8 9.♕b2 a6 10.♕a4 b5 11.♕b3
h6 12.a3 ♕e6 13.♞e1 dxe4 14.dxe4
♕xb3 15.♙xb3 a5 16.♘f1 ♙d7
17.♞ad1 ♙e6 18.♙c2 ♘b8 19.♘e3
1/2-1/2

♠ Erigaisi Arjun 2761
♠ Daneshvar,Bardiya 2581
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♕b5 ♘f6 4.d3
♕c5 5.c3 0-0 6.0-0 ♞e8 7.♕g5

[RR 7.♘bd2 d5 8.exd5 a6 9.♕xc6
bxc6 10.♘b3 ♙xd5 11.c4 ♙d6
12.♘xc5 ♙xc5 13.d4 exd4 14.♙xd4
♙h5 15.♕g5 ♕g4 16.♕xf6 ♕xf3
17.gxf3 ♙g6+ 18.♙h1 ♙xf6 19.♙xf6
gxf6 20.♞fe1 ♞ad8 21.♙g2 ♙f8
Carlsen,M (2830)-So,W (2757) chess.
com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (42)]

7...a6 8.♕xc6N White has an edge.

[RR 8.♕a4 h6 9.♕h4 b5 10.♕b3 ♕e7
11.a4 ♕b7 12.♘a3 ♕xa3 13.♞xa3 d6
14.axb5 axb5 15.♞xa8 ♕xa8 16.♕a2
♙e7 17.h3 ♘d8 18.♞e1 ♘e6 19.d4
♘f8 20.♙d3 ♞b8 21.dxe5 dxe5
22.♕g3 ♘g6 Perunovic,M (2533)-

Schreiner,P (2393) Austria AUT 2024
1/2-1/2 (32)]

[RR 8.♔a4 h6 9.♔h4 g5 10.♔g3 d6
11.♖e1 b5 12.♔b3 ♘e7 (12...♔b6=)
13.a4 ♔b7 14.♘bd2 ♘g6 15.h3 ♖d7
16.♘f1 ♖g7 17.♘e3 ♔xe3! 18.fxe3
c5 19.♘d2 d5 20.exd5 ♔xd5 21.♖f1
♖c6 22.♔xd5 ♖xd5 Kairbekova,A
(2230)-Yakubbaeva,N (2307) Tashkent
UZB 2024 1/2-1/2 (48)]

[RR 8.♔a4 h6 9.♔h4 g5 10.♔g3 b5
11.♔b3 d6 12.♖e1 ♔b6 13.♘bd2
♘e7 14.a4 ♖b8 15.♘f1 ♘g6 16.h4
g4 (Black should play 16...♘g4♠
17.hxg5 hxg5) 17.♘3h2 ♘h5
18.♘g4 ♘g3 19.♖f3? (19.♘g3±
was the only good move. ♖xh4
20.♘e3) 19...♔xg4? (19...♘h4♠
20.♖xf7+ ♖h8 21.♘h6 ♘xf1
22.♖xf1 bxa4) 20.♖xg4 ♖f6
21.♖xg3? (21.♘e3!± is forced if you
want to stay better.) 21...♖h8! 22.♘e3
[#] ♔xe3? Smeets,K (2239)-Francs,M
(1990) Groningen NED 2023 1-0 (66)
(22...♖g8!♠ stays on course. 23.♘d5
♖d8)]

8...dxc6 9.h3 ♔f8 10.♖e1 ♖d6 11.d4
♘d7 12.♔h4 ♖g6 13.♔g3 exd4
14.♘h4 ♖g5 15.cxd4 ♔d6 16.♔xd6
cxd6 17.♘f5 d5 18.♘c3 ♘f6 19.♘g3
dxe4 20.♘cxe4 ♘xe4 21.♘xe4 ♖d8
22.♖h5 h6 23.♖e3 ♔e6 24.♖g3

And now Qxh6 would win. 24...♖h8
25.♖e5 f6 26.♖c5 b6 27.♖c3 ♖d5
28.♖e3?! [#] Inaccuracy. Qd3 was best.

[28.♖d3 ♔f7 29.♘c3 ♖d6 30.b3
♖e7 31.♖e3 ♖xe3 32.♖xe3 ♖e8
33.♖d3 a5]

[28.♖d3= ♔f5 29.♘c3 ♔xd3
30.♘xd5 cxd5 31.♖xd3]

28...♔xh3!♠ 29.♖ae1 [#]

[29.♖xh3 ♖xe4]

29...♔d7?! Inaccuracy. Bxg2 was best.

[29...♔xg2 30.♘xf6]

[Black should try 29...♔xg2!♠ 30.♘xf6
(30.♖xg2 f5) 30...♖xe3 31.♘xd5

♖xc3 32.♘xc3 ♔f3]

30.♖b4= ♖ab8 31.♘c3 ♖f7 32.♖xe8+
♔xe8 33.♖d6 ♖c8 34.♘a4 c5
35.♘xb6 ♖c6 36.♖b8 ♖e6 37.♖xe6
♖xe6 38.dxc5 ♖h7 39.♖h2 ♖e4

The position is equal. 40.♖g3 ♖f5
41.♘c4 ♖h5+ 42.♖h3 Black must now
prevent Qxh5. 42...♖xc5 Double Attack
43.♖d3+ ♔g6 44.♖e2 ♖d4 Threatens
to win with ...Bd3. 45.b3 ♖f4+ 46.g3
♖d4 47.♘e3 a5 48.♘g2 Accuracy:
White = 89%, Black = 90%.

1/2-1/2

	C67
♐ Radjabov,Teimour	2723
♜ Blohberger,Felix	2505
Sharjah Master 2024	21.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♔b5 ♘f6 4.0-0
♘xe4 5.♖e1 ♘d6 6.♘xe5 ♔e7 7.♔f1
♘xe5 8.♖xe5 0-0 9.d4 ♔f6 10.♖e1
♖e8 11.c3 ♖xe1

[11...♖e4 12.♖e2 ♖xe2 13.♖e1??
Blunder. Qxe2 was best. (13.♖xe2
♖e7)]

12.♖xe1

1/2-1/2

	C67
♐ Murzin,Volodar	2631
♜ Yu,Yangyi	2728
Sharjah Master 2024	19.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♔b5 ♘f6 4.0-0
♘xe4 5.♖e1 ♘d6 6.♘xe5 ♔e7 7.♔f1
♘f5 8.♘f3 0-0 9.d4 d5 10.c3 ♔d6
11.♘bd2 ♖e8 12.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 13.♔d3
♘ce7N

[RR 13...♔d7 14.♘f1 f6 15.♖c2 g6
16.♔d2 ♖f7 17.♖e1 ♘ce7 18.♘g3
♘xg3 19.hxg3 ♖g7 20.c4 c6
21.♖b3 b6 22.♔b4 ♔xb4 23.♖xb4
♖e8 24.c5 b5 25.♖a5 ♘c8 26.♖c7

♙f5 27.♚xc6 ♖xe1+ 28.♘xe1
Kovalev,V (2579)-Fressinet,L (2637)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (35)]
[RR 13...f6 14.♘f1 ♘ce7 15.♚c2 g6
16.♙d2 ♙d7 17.♖e1 c6 18.c4 ♗f7
19.♚b3 b6 20.♙b4 c5 21.♙a3 b5
22.♙xf5 dxc4 23.♚c3 ♘xf5 24.♙xc5
a5 25.♘g3 b4 26.♚c1 ♙xc5 27.dxc5
♖c8 28.♘e4 Yoo,C (2600)-Le,Q
(2731) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (60)]
[RR 13...h6 14.♚c2 ♚e6 15.♘f1 ♗f6
16.♙d2 ♙e6 17.♖e1 a6 18.h3 ♘h4
19.♘h4 ♗h4 20.♘e3 ♘e7 21.♚d1
c5 22.dxc5 ♙xc5 23.♗f3 ♖d8
24.♘g4 ♙xg4 25.hxg4 ♘g6 26.♗f5
♙d6 27.g3 ♗f6 28.♗xf6
Lagno,K (2542)-Goryachkina,A (2553)
Samarkand UZB 2023 1-0 (53)]
½-½

C67

☐ **Horvath,Dominik** 2553
 ■ **Martirosyan,Haik M.** 2678
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.21) 15.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♘f6 4.0-0
 ♘xe4 5.♖e1 ♘d6 6.♘xe5 ♙e7 7.♙f1
 ♘xe5 8.♖xe5 0-0 9.♘c3 ♘e8 10.d4
 [RR 10.♘d5 ♙d6 11.♖e1 c6 12.♘e3
 ♙c7 13.♘f5 ♘f6 14.♘e7+ ♖h8
 15.♘xc8 ♗xc8 16.d4 d5 17.♙d3 ♖e8
 18.♖xe8+ ♗xe8 19.c3 ♗e6 20.g3
 ♖e8 21.♖g2 ♖g8 (RR 21...g6
 22.♗f3 ♖g7 23.♙d2 ♘e4 24.♖e1 f5
 25.♙f4 ♗d7 26.♖e2 ♙xf4 27.♗xf4
 ♖e7 28.h4 ♗c7 29.♗xc7 ♖xc7 30.g4
 fxg4 31.♙xe4 dxe4 32.♖xe4 h5
 33.♖e6 ♖f7 34.a4 a6 35.♖d6 ♖e7
 36.a5) 22.♗f3 ♘e4 23.♙e3 g6
 24.♖e1 h5 Pranesh M (2535)-
 Martirosyan,H (2678) Dubai Police
 Officers Club, A 2024 ½-½ (31)]

10...♙f6 11.♖e1 d5 12.b3

[RR 12.♙f4 c6 13.♘e2 ♘c7 14.c3
 ♘e6 15.♙g3 h5 16.♘f4 g6 17.♘xe6

♙xe6 18.♙d3 ♗d7 19.♚c2 ♖ae8
 20.♙f4 ♖g7 21.♚d2 ♖h8 22.♖e3 ♙f5
 23.♖ae1 ♖xe3 24.♖xe3 ♙xd3
 25.♗xd3 ♖e8 26.♖xe8 ♗xe8
 Naumovich,Y (2059)-Aleksandrov,A
 (2418) Minsk BLR 2024 ½-½ (33)]

12...c6N

[RR 12...♙e6 13.♙a3 ♘d6 14.♘b5
 ♙e7 15.♘xd6 ♙xd6 16.♙xd6 ♗xd6
 17.♙d3 ♗f4 18.♚h5 h6 19.♗e5
 ♗xe5 20.♖xe5 ♖fe8 21.f4 f6 22.♖e3
 ♙g4 23.♖ae1 ♖f7 24.♖f2 ♙d7 25.h4
 ♖xe3 26.♖xe3 h5 27.♖e1 Degardin,S
 (2250)-Floris,F (2075) Basel SUI 2023
 ½-½ (42)]

13.♙a3 ♘d6 14.♗f3 ♘f5 15.♙xf8
 ♘xd4 16.♗xf6 gxf6 17.♙e7 ♗d7
 18.♖ad1 ♗g4 19.♖d3 ♘f5 20.♘e4
 dxe4 21.♖d8+ ♖g7 22.♙f8+ ♖g6
 23.♙a3 ♖g7 24.♙f8+ ♖g6 25.♙a3
 ♖g7
 ½-½

C67

☐ **Suleymanli,Aydin** 2621
 ■ **Martirosyan,Haik M.** 2678
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♘f6 4.0-0
 ♘xe4 5.♖e1 ♘d6 6.♘xe5 ♙e7 7.♙f1
 ♘xe5 8.♖xe5 0-0 9.d4 ♙f6 10.♖e1
 ♘f5

[RR 10...♖e8 11.♖xe8+ ♘xe8 12.c3
 d5 13.♙d3 c6 14.♙f4 g6 15.♘d2
 ♘g7 16.♘f3 ♙f5 17.♙h6 ♙xd3
 18.♗xd3 ♘f5 19.♙f4 ♗b6 20.♚d2
 ♖e8 21.♙e5 ♗d8 22.♖e1 ♘h4
 23.♘h4 ♙h4 24.g3 ♙g5 25.♙f4
 Caruana,F (2805)-So,W (2757) chess.
 com INT 2024 ½-½ (33)]

[RR 10...♖e8 11.c3 ♖xe1 12.♗xe1
 ♘e8 13.♙d3 d5 14.♙f4 ½-½ (14)
 Suleymanli,A (2609)-Tomashevsky,E
 (2681) Samarkand UZB 2023]

11.d5 d6

[RR 11...♖e8 12.♘d2 ♖xe1 13.♙xe1 d6 14.c3 c6 15.♘e4 ♙e7 16.♙d1 cxd5 17.♙xd5 h6 18.♙f4 ♙b6 19.♙d2 (White should try 19.♘g3± ♘xg3 20.hxg3) 19...♙e6 (19...g5 20.♙e3 ♘xe3 21.fxe3 d5) 20.♘g3 ♘h4 21.♖e1 ♙c6 22.♘e2 ♘f5 23.♘d4 ♘xd4 24.♙xd4 ♙f6 25.♙xd6 ½-½ (25) Zhapova, Y (2201)- Yakubbaeva, N (2307) Tashkent UZB 2024]

12.♘d2 ♙g5 White has an edge. **13.a4N** [RR 13.♙d3 ♙d7 14.c3 ♖e8 15.♖xe8+ ♙xe8 16.♘f3 ♙xc1 17.♖xc1 ♘e7 18.♙b3 ♙c8 19.♖e1 ♘g6 20.♙xg6 hxg6 21.♙b4 a5 22.♙h4 f6 23.♘d4 (23.♙c4±) 23...♙f8 24.♘e6 ♖e8 25.♖e3 ♙xe6 26.dxe6 ♖e7 27.♙e4 ♙c8 Svane, R (2628)-Noe, C (2528) Rosenheim GER 2023 ½-½ (41)]

13...♘e7 14.♙f3 ♘g6 15.a5 a6 16.♙b3 ♘e5 17.g3 [#] And now f4 would win. **17...♘d7 18.h4 ♙h6 19.♘f3 ♙xc1 20.♖axc1 ♘f6 21.c4 c5 22.dxc6! bxc6 23.c5 ♙e6 24.♙a3 dxc5 25.♙xc5 ♙d5 26.♘d4 ♖b8?!** Inaccuracy. Ne4 was best.

[26...♘e4 27.♙c2]
[26...♘e4± is a better defense. 27.♙c2 ♘f6]

27.b4+-
[Not 27.♘xc6 ♙xc6 28.♙xc6 ♙xa5±]
[27.♙xa6 ♘e4±]
27...♘g4?! Inaccuracy. Ne4 was best.
[27...♘e4 28.♘xc6 ♘xc5 29.♘xd8 ♘b3 30.♘c6 ♙xc6 31.♖xc6 ♘d4 32.♖c3 ♖xb4 33.♙xa6]

28.♘xc6 ♙xc6 29.♙xc6 ♖xb4 30.♙c5?! Inaccuracy. Qxa6 was best.
[30.♙xa6 ♖a4]
[30.♙xa6+- is more deadly. Strongly threatening Red1. ♙d4 31.♙e2]

30...♖d4± 31.♙e2↑ [#] Hoping for Rcd1. White is in control. **31...♖d5 32.♙b6 ♘f6??** Blunder. h5 was best.

[32...h5!]
[32...h5!±]

33.♖ed1+-
[Less strong is 33.♙xa6 ♖xa5 34.♙xd8 ♖xd8±]

33...h5 34.♖xd5 ♙xd5 35.♙xa6 ♘e4 Black hopes to continue with ...Qd4.
36.♙d3 ♙a8 37.a6 White is clearly winning. **37...♖e8 38.♙f3** aiming for Rc7.
38...f5?! Inaccuracy. Re7 was best.

[38...♖e7 39.♙g2 g6 40.♙d4 ♘h7 41.♖a1 f5 42.a7 ♖b7 43.♖a6 ♖g7 44.♙b6]

39.♖c7 Accuracy: White = 79%, Black = 47%.

1-0

C67
♐ **Yilmazyerli, Mert** **2522**
♜ **Sanal, Vahap** **2566**
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♘f6 4.0-0 ♘xe4 5.♖e1 ♘d6 6.♘xe5 ♙e7 7.♙f1 ♘xe5 8.♖xe5 0-0 9.d4 ♙f6 10.♖e1 ♘f5 11.c3 d5 12.♙f4 c6 13.♘d2 ♘h4 14.♙d3 ♙f5 15.♙xf5 ♘xf5 16.♘f3N

[RR 16.♙g4]

16...♖e8
½-½

C67
♐ **Pranav, V** **2587**
♜ **Martirosyan, Haik M.** **2678**
Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♘f6 4.0-0 ♘xe4 5.d4 ♘d6 6.dxe5 ♘xb5 7.a4 d6 8.e6 ♙xe6 9.axb5 ♘e5 10.♘d4 ♙e7 11.f4 ♘c4 12.♘c3N

[RR 12.♘xe6 fxe6 13.♙e2 ♘b6 14.♙xe6 ♙d7 15.♙b3 d5 16.♙e3 0-0 17.♘c3 ♘c4 18.♘d1 ♙f6 19.♙c5 ♖fe8 20.♙d3 b6 21.♙d4 ♙xd4+

22.♔xd4 ♖e2 23.b3 ♘a5 24.♘e3
 ♗xb5 25.♘d5 ♘c6 26.♗d1 ♗c5+
 Dilmukhametov,A (2276)-Malakhov,V
 (2648) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (55)]
 [RR 12.b3 ♘b6 13.f5 ♕d7 14.♗g4
 0-0 15.♘c3 ♕f6 16.♕e3 ♖e8 17.♕f2
 c5 18.bxc6 bxc6 19.♘e4 c5
 20.♘d6 cxd4 21.♘xe8 ♗xe8
 22.♕xd4 ♘d5 23.♖fe1 ♗c8 24.c4
 ♕xf5 25.♗d1 ♕c2 26.♗d2 ♕xd4+
 Shirov,A (2660)-Lazavik,D (2567)
 chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (56)]
 [RR 12.♗e2 ♘b6 ½-½ (12)
 Khamdamova,A (2300)-Yakubbaeva,N
 (2293) Tashkent UZB 2024]

12...♘b6 13.♘xe6 fxe6 14.♗g4 ♕f6
 15.f5?! Inaccuracy. Ne4 was best.

[15.♘e4 0-0 16.♗xe6+ ♔h8 17.♘xf6
 ♗xf6 18.♗xf6 ♖xf6 19.f5 ♔g8 20.g4
 a6]

15...exf5 16.♖e1+ ♕e5 17.♗xg7 ♗e7
 18.♗h6 ♔d7 19.♕g5? Mistake. Qh3
 was best.

[19.♗h3 ♖ae8]

19...♗f7 20.♗h3 ♗g6?! Inaccuracy.
 Rag8 was best.

[20...♖ag8 21.♘e4]

21.♖f1 ♖af8 22.♕h6 ♖f6 23.♕e3 ♗g4
 24.♗xg4 fxc4 25.♖xf6 ♕xf6 26.♖xa7
 ♘c4 27.♘d5 ♘xe3 28.♘xf6+ ♔e6
 29.♘e4 ♖b8 30.♖a3 ♘c4 31.♖c3 d5
 32.♘f2 ♔d6 33.♘e4+ ♔e5 34.♘f2 h5
 35.b3 ♖a8 36.♔f1 ♖a3 37.h3 ♔d6
 38.hxc4 hxc4 39.♘xc4 ♖a1+ 40.♔e2
 ♘a3 41.b6 c5 42.♖h3 ♔c6 43.♘e3 d4
 44.♘c4 ♘xc4 45.bxc4 ♔xb6 46.♖b3+
 ♔c6 47.c3 ♖a2+ 48.♔d3 dxc3
 49.♔xc3 ♖xc2 50.♖b1 ♖g3+ 51.♔c2
 b6 52.♖h1 ♔b7 53.♖f1 ♖e3 54.♖h1
 ♖e6 55.♖g1 ♔c6 56.♔c3

½-½

□ **Maghsoodloo,Parham** C67 2732
 ■ **Tabatabaei,M. Amin** 2707
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♕b5 ♘f6 4.0-0
 ♘xe4 5.d4 ♘d6 6.dxe5 ♘xb5 7.a4
 ♘bd4 8.♘xd4 d5 9.exd6 ♘xd4
 10.♗xd4 ♗xd6 11.♗e4+ ♗e6 12.♗d4
 ♗d6 13.♗e4+ ♗e6 14.♗d4 ♗d6
 ½-½

□ **Erdogmus,Yagiz Kaan** C70 2553
 ■ **Nihal Sarin** 2680
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.16) 14.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♕b5 a6 4.♕a4
 ♕c5 5.c3 ♘ge7 6.0-0

[6.♔f1 6.d4 0.45]

6...♘g6 7.d4 ♕a7 8.♕xc6 dxc6

White is slightly better. 9.♘xe5 ♘xe5

10.dxe5 ♗h4 11.♗f3N

[RR 11.♗d3 ♕g4 12.♗g3 ♗xg3
 13.hxc3 0-0-0 14.♘d2 ♖he8 15.♘f3
 h6 16.♖e1 ♖d3 17.♘h2 ♕e6
 (17...♕d7!?) 18.♘f1! ♕d7 19.♕e3
 ♕xe3 20.♖xe3 ♖xe3 21.♘xe3 ♖xe5
 22.f3 ♕e6 23.♔f2 h5 24.a3 a5
 25.♖d1 a4 Chylewski,P (2285)-
 Firouzja,A (2759) chess.com INT 2024
 0-1 (51)]

11...♕g4 12.♗f4↑ aiming for h3. White is
 more active. 12...♗h5! 13.h3 ♕e6?!
 Inaccuracy. Bd7 was best.

[13...♕d7! 14.♕e3 ♕xe3 15.♗xe3
 ♗xe5 16.f4 ♗e7 17.c4 f6 18.♘c3
 0-0 19.♖ae1]

14.♕e3! ♕xe3 15.♗xe3 ♗xe5 [#]

[Black should try 15...g5]

16.f4!± ♗a5 [#] 17.f5! ♕c4 18.♖e1?!
 Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best. Nd2 is the
 strong threat.

[18.♖d1 f6]

18...f6 19.♘d2 ♕f7 20.e5 fxe5 21.♘b3

♚b6 White is better. **22.♚xb6 cxb6**
23.♚xe5+ ♔f8 24.♚ae1 h5 Accuracy:
 White = 83%, Black = 72%.
 1/2-1/2

♘ Gurel,Ediz **C70 2578**
♚ Ter-Sahakyan,Samvel **2650**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
♗ge7 5.0-0 ♗g6 6.c3 d5 7.exd5
♚xd5 8.d4 ♙g4 9.♙b3 ♙xf3 10.♙xd5
♙xd1 11.♚xd1 0-0-0 12.♙xf7 exd4
13.♙g5 ♙e7 14.♙xe7 ♗gxe7
15.cxd4?! Inaccuracy. Nd2 was best.

[15.♗d2 ♔b8 16.♗e4 ♗f5 17.g3
 ♗d6 18.♙d5 dxc3 19.bxc3 ♗a5
 20.♚ab1 ♚he8]

15...♗xd4 16.♗c3 ♚hf8 17.♙c4 ♗g8N
 [RR 17...♗ec6 18.♚ac1 ♗e5 19.♙f1
 ♚f6 20.f3 ♚b6 21.b3 g5 22.♔f2 ♚e6
 23.h3 h5 24.♗e4 g4 25.f4 ♗g6
 26.♗g5 g3+ 27.♔xg3 ♚f6 28.♔h2
 ♚xf4 29.♙c4 ♗f8 30.♚f1 ♚xf1
 31.♚xf1 ♗d7 32.♙f7 Gurel,E (2578)-
 Kurmangaliyeva,L (2230) Orosei ITA
 2024 1-0 (61)]

18.f3 ♗f6 19.♚ac1 c6 20.♚e1 b5
21.♙f1 ♚fe8 22.♚xe8

[22.♚e5 ♚e6 23.♚xe6 ♚e8]

22...♚xe8 23.♔f2 ♔c7 24.h4 c5 25.g4
♚f8 26.♔g3 c4 27.h5 h6 28.♚d1 ♚d8
29.a3 ♔c6 30.f4 ♔c5 31.♚e1 ♗c6
32.♚e6 a5 33.♙g2 ♗d4?! Inaccuracy.
Rd3+ was best.

[33...♚d3+]

34.♚e5+ ♔b6 35.g5 hxg5 36.fxg5
♗xh5+ 37.♔g4 g6 38.♙e4 ♗g7
39.♙xg6 b4 40.♗a4+? Mistake. axb4
was best.

[40.axb4]

40...♔a6 41.♙f7 ♗b5 42.♚c5 ♚d4+
43.♔h3 ♗d6 44.g6 ♗xf7 45.gxf7 ♚f4

46.axb4 axb4 47.♚xc4 ♚xf7
 1/2-1/2

♘ Adhiban,B. **C70 2520**
♚ Aditya Mittal **2607**
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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
b5 5.♙b3 ♗a5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4
8.♗xd4 ♙b7 9.♙d2 ♗xb3 10.axb3N

[10.♚e1]

[RR 10.♗xb3 c6 11.♚e1 ♙e7 12.e5
 dxe5 13.♚xe5 ♔f8 14.♚e1 ♙d6
 15.♙b4 ♗f6 16.♙xd6+ ♚xd6 17.f3
 ♙c8 18.♗c3 ♙e6 19.♚d1 ♙d5
 20.♚g3 h5 21.♗xd5 cxd5 22.♚de1
 ♚h6 23.♗d4 ♚g6 24.♚f4 b4
 Atwell,R (2104)-Hajnal,Z (2383)
 Sunnyvale USA 2024 1-0 (32)]

[RR 10.♗xb3 ♗f6 11.♚e1 ♙e7
 12.♗a5 ♚c8 13.♚f3 0-0 14.♗c3
 ♚b8 15.♚ad1 ♙a8 16.♗d5 ♗xd5
 17.exd5 ♙f6 18.♙c3 ♙xc3 19.♚xc3
 b4 20.♚f3 ♚b5 21.♗c4 ♚e8
 22.♚xe8+ ♚xe8 23.h4 ♚b8 24.h5 h6
 Lodici,L (2565)-Iermito,S (2511) Vasto
 ITA 2024 1-0 (70)]

[RR 10.♗xb3 ♗f6 11.♚e1 ♙e7
 12.♗a5 ♚b8 13.♗xb7 ♚xb7 14.♚f3
 ♚a7 15.a4 bxa4 16.♚xa4 0-0 17.♗c3
 ♗d7 18.♚ea1 ♙g5 19.♙e3 ♙xe3
 20.♚xe3 ♚b7 21.b3 ♗b8 22.h3 ♚e8
 23.♚f3 ♚c8 24.♗d5 ♚e5
 Rogic,D (2408)-Labrovic,J (1986) Mali
 Losinj CRO 2024 1-0 (62)]

10...♗f6 11.♚e1 ♗d7 12.♗c3 g6
13.♗d5 ♙g7 14.♙a5 ♚c8 15.♗f3 ♗b6
16.♙xb6 cxb6 17.c3

[17.b4 0-0]

17...0-0 18.♚d3 ♚e8 19.♚ad1 ♙xd5
20.♚xd5 b4 21.cxb4 ♙xb2 22.♚e3
♚e7 23.e5?? Blunder. g3 was best.

[23.g3 ♙c3 24.b5 ♚c5 25.♚xd6
 ♚xd6 26.♚xd6 ♙b4 27.♚d5 ♚xb5

28.♖xb5 axb5]
23...♙a3?? Blunder. dxe5 was best.
 [23...dxe5 24.♚e4 f5 25.♚b1 ♙c3
 26.♖c1 ♚xb4 27.♚c2 e4 28.♖xc3
 ♖xc3 29.♚xc3]

24.h3?? Blunder. exd6 was best.
 [24.exd6 ♚d7 25.♗e5 ♚e6 26.♚d4
 ♙c1 27.♖ee1 ♖ed8 28.d7 ♖c7
 29.♖xc1 ♖xc1]

24...dxe5 25.♗xe5 ♚e6?! Inaccuracy.
 Qc7 was best.
 [25...♚c7 26.♖c3 ♚e7 27.♖e3 ♚c7]

26.♚f3?! Inaccuracy. Qd2 was best.
 [26.♚d2 ♚f6]

26...♙c1
 1/2-1/2

♖ **Jumabayev,Rinat** **C70** **2595**
 ♚ **Klimkowski,Jan** **2517**
 Sharjah Master 2024 15.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
♗ge7 5.0-0 ♗g6 6.c3 d5 7.d3 ♙e7
8.♖e1 0-0 9.♗bd2 ♙e6 10.♗f1 b5
11.♙b3N

[RR 11.exd5 ♙xd5 12.♙c2 ♚d7
 13.♗g3 ♖ad8 14.b4 f5 15.a4 ♖h8
 16.axb5 axb5 17.♖a6 ♚c8 18.♖a1
 e4 19.dxe4 fxe4 20.♗g5 ♗f4
 21.♙xf4 ♖xf4 22.♚h5 ♙xg5 23.♚xg5
 ♖g4 24.♚h5 ♚e6 25.♖ad1 ♖f4
 Chandra,A (2486)-Oparin,G (2667)
 Saint Louis USA 2023 1-0 (35)]

11...♗a5 12.♙xd5 ♙xd5 13.exd5 ♚xd5
14.d4 exd4 15.♗e3 ♚d7 16.♚xd4
♖fd8 17.♚xd7 ♖xd7 18.♗f5 ♙f8
19.♖f1 ♖ad8 20.h3 c5 21.♗g3 ♖d5
22.♗e2 ♙d6 23.b3 f6 24.♙e3 ♖f7
25.♖ed1 ♙e7 26.♖xd5 ♖xd5 27.♖e1
♖e6 28.♖c1 ♙d6 29.♖c2 h6 30.c4
bxc4 31.bxc4 ♖d3 32.♙d2 ♗c6
33.♗c1 ♖a3 34.♗b3 ♖a4 35.♖e2
♗ge5 36.♗xe5 ♗xe5 37.♙e3 ♗xc4

38.♙xc5 ♖d5 39.♙xd6 ♖xd6 40.♗d4
 1/2-1/2

♖ **Vokhidov,Shamsiddin** **C72** **2591**
 ♚ **Artemiev,Vladislav** **2705**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
d6 5.0-0 ♙d7 6.d4 ♗xd4 7.♙xd7+
♚xd7 8.♗xd4 exd4 9.♚xd4 ♗f6
10.♗c3

[RR 10.c4 ♙e7 11.♗c3 0-0 12.b3
 ♖fe8 13.♙b2 c6 14.♖ad1 ♚e6
 15.♖fe1 ♙f8 16.f4 b5 17.e5 dxe5
 18.♖xe5 ♚g4 19.♖g5 ♚e6 20.♖e5
 ♚g4 21.♖g5 ♚e6 22.♖e5 1/2-1/2 (22)
 Vokhidov,S (2592)-Le Tuan Minh
 (2567) chess.com INT 2024]

10...♙e7 11.♖d1N
 [RR 11.b3 0-0 12.♙b2 c6 13.♗a4
 ♖ad8 14.♖ad1 ♖fe8 15.♖fe1 b5
 16.♗c3 ♙f8 17.h3 ♖e6 18.♚b6 ♚c8
 19.♖e3 ♖de8 20.♖de1 h6 21.♚d4 a5
 22.a4 b4 23.♗d1 ♚b7 24.e5 dxe5
 25.♖xe5 ♖xe5 Agmanov,Z (2461)-
 Hakobyan,A (2616) chess.com INT
 2024 1-0 (55)]

11...♖d8 12.b3 0-0 13.♙b2 ♖fe8
14.♗d5 c6 15.♗xe7+ ♚xe7 16.f3 d5
17.exd5 ♖xd5 18.♚c3 ♚f8 19.♖xd5
♗xd5 20.♚d2 b5 21.♖c1 ♖d8 22.♖d1
f6 23.c4 bxc4 24.bxc4 ♚c5+ 25.♚d4
♗f4 26.♚xc5 ♖xd1+ 27.♖f2 ♗d3+
28.♖e2 ♗xc5 29.♖xd1 ♖f7 30.♖c2
♖e6 31.♙a3 ♗d7 32.♖c3 c5 33.♙c1
♖e5
 1/2-1/2

Klimkowski,Jan **C72**
 Kacharava,Nikolozi **2517**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2527**
 21.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 d6 5.0-0 ♙d7 6.c3 g6 7.d4 ♙g7 8.♙e3 ♘f6 9.♘bd2 ♘g4 10.♙g5N

[RR 10.d5 ♘xe3 11.fxe3 ♘e7 12.♙xd7+ ♙xd7 13.♙e2 0-0 14.c4 ♙h6 15.♙d3 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.e4 ♘g6 18.exf5 ♘f4 19.♙e4 ♙xf5 20.g3 ♘d3 21.♙xf5 ♙xf5 22.b3 ♙af8 23.♙g2 ♙xd2 24.♙ad1 ♙xf3 Kartik Kumar Singh (2005)-Anuj,S (2400) Viraganur IND 2023 0-1 (37)]

10...f6 11.♙h4 h5 12.♙g3 g5 13.h4 ♙e7 14.b4 ♘h6 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.♙e1 ♘f7 17.♘h2? Mistake. Nf1 was best.

[17.♘f1 g4 18.♘3d2 ♙h6 19.♙e2 ♘d6 20.♘e3 ♙xe3 21.♙xe3 ♙f7 22.♙h2 0-0-0]

17...0-0-0 18.♘hf1 f5 19.exf5 gxh4 20.♙h2 h3 21.♘e3 ♘d6?! Inaccuracy. Bh6 was best.

[21...♙h6]

22.♙f3 hxg2 23.♘e4 ♘xe4 24.♙xe4 ♙h6?? Blunder. Rhf8 was best.

[24...♙hf8 25.♙ad1]

25.♘d5 ♙f7 26.f6 ♙f8?! Inaccuracy. Bd2 was best.

[26...♙d2 27.♙e2]

27.♙ad1 ♙g8?? Blunder. Qe6 was best.

[27...♙e6 28.f4 ♙g4 29.fxe5 ♙xe4 30.♙xe4 ♙g4 31.♙ee1 ♙xd1 32.♙xd1 h4 33.e6]

28.♘b6+ cxb6 29.♙xc6 ♙g5 30.♙xb7+ ♙c7 31.♙a8
1-0

Pranav Anand **C72**
 Banusz,Tamas **2530**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2623**
 17.05.2024

1.e4 e5

[1...c5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 e6 4.♙xc6 bxc6 5.b3 f6 6.d3 e5 7.♘h4 ♘e7 8.f4 exf4 9.♙xf4 d5 10.0-0 g5 11.♙h5+ ♙d7 12.♙d2 gxh4 13.♙xf6 ♙e8 14.♙f7 ♙c7 15.exd5 ♙g7 16.♘c3 ♙d4+ 17.♙h1 ♙g4 18.d6+ ♙b6 19.♙xg4 ♙xf7 20.dxe7 ♙xe7 21.♘a4+ ♙b7 22.c3 ♙ag8 23.♙h3 ♙f2 24.b4 cxb4 25.d4 ♙f8 26.♘c5+ ♙a8 27.♘d7 ♙e1 28.♘xf8 ♙xf8 29.♙xe1]

2.♘f3

[2.d4 ♘c6]

2...♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 d6 5.0-0 ♙d7 6.c3 g6 7.d4 ♙g7 8.h3 ♘ge7 9.♙e1 0-0 10.♙e3 ♙e8N

[RR 10...b5 11.♙c2 ♙c8 12.♘bd2 exd4 13.cxd4 ♘b4 14.♘f1 ♘xc2 15.♙xc2 ♙b7 16.♘g3 ♙ac8 17.♙d2 f5 18.♙g5 ♙ce8 19.♙xe7 ♙xe7 20.exf5 ♙xe1+ 21.♙xe1 ♙xf5 22.♘xf5 ♙xf5 23.♙e8+ ♙f8 24.♙e3 ♙d5 25.♘g5 Maria,L (1937)-Sandu,M (2270) Eforie Nord ROU 2024 ½-½ (42)]

11.♙c2?! Inaccuracy. d5 was best.

[11.d5 ♘d8]

11...a5?! Inaccuracy. Kh8 was best.

[11...♙h8 12.dxe5]

12.♘a3 ♘d8 13.♙d2 a4 14.♙ad1 ♙c6 15.♙h6 f6 16.♙xg7 ♙xg7 17.c4 b6 18.♙c3 ♘f7 19.♙d3 ♙d7 20.♘b5 ♙b8 21.♙f1 ♙d8 22.♙d2 c5 23.dxe5 dxe5 24.♙ed1 ♙c6 25.♙c2 ♙xd2 26.♙xd2 ♘d8 27.♙d1 ♘e6 28.♙d6 ♙c8 29.♘c3 ♘f8?! Inaccuracy. Nd8 was best.

[29...♘d8]

30.♘h2 h5 31.g3
1-0

C72
 Klimkowski,Jan **2517**
 Salem,A.R. Saleh **2629**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.30) 14.05.2024

1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/qsQgiYY7> 1...e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 d6 5.0-0 ♙d7 6.c3 ♘f6 7.♞e1 g6 8.d4 ♙g7 9.♘bd2 0-0 10.♘f1 exd4 11.cxd4 The position is equal. 11...b5 12.♙c2

[White should play 12.♙b3=]

12...♙g4! 13.♙e3 ♘d7 14.♘g3 ♙xf3N

[RR 14...♞f6 15.♘e2 ♙xf3 16.gxf3 ♞xf3 17.♘c3 (17.♞c1) 17...♞h3

18.♙d3? (18.♘h1 keeps fighting.)

18...♘f6? (18...♘xd4+

is more deadly. 19.♙xd4 ♙xd4)

19.♙f1 ♞h4 20.f3 ♘h5 21.♞d2

♘a5? [#] (21...h6=) 22.♙g5! ♙xd4+

23.♘g2 ♘f4+ 24.♙xf4 c5 25.♘d5

♞d8 26.♙h6 ♞e8 27.♙g5 f6

28.♘xf6+ ♙xf6 29.♙xf6 Ruiz Buendia,

M (2366)-Beisteiner,J (2079) Reykjavik

ISL 2024 1-0 (39)]

[RR 14...♞f6 15.♘e2 ♙xf3 16.gxf3

♞xf3 17.♘c3 (17.♞c1) 17...♞h3

18.♙d3 (18.♘h1 was worth a try.)

18...♘f6? (18...♘xd4+ 19.♙xd4

♙xd4) 19.♙f1 ♞h4 20.f3 ♘h5

(20...♘d8) 21.♞d2 ♘a5? (21...h6=

and Black is okay.) 22.♙g5! ♙xd4+

23.♘g2 ♘f4+ 24.♙xf4 c5 25.♘d5

♞d8 26.♙h6 ♞e8 27.♙g5 f6

28.♘xf6+ ♙xf6 29.♙xf6 Ruiz Buendia,

M (2366)-Beisteiner,J (2079) Reykjavik

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15.gxf3 ♞f6 16.d5 ♘ce5 17.f4 ♘c4

18.♞b1 ♘xb2 19.♞g4 ♞d8 20.♘h1

♘c4 21.♙g1 ♞e8 22.♘f5 ♘xe3

23.fxe3 ♘c5 24.♞g2 ♞b8

[24...a5]

25.♘d4 ♞b6 26.♞bc1?! Inaccuracy.

Rbf1 was best.

[26.♞bf1 ♘d7 27.♘c6 ♞xc6 28.dxc6

♘c5 29.e5 dxe5 30.f5 e4! 31.fxg6 fxg6]

[Better is 26.f5]

26...b4 27.♘c6 ♞d7 28.f5 ♞xc6

29.dxc6 ♞xc6 30.♙gf1 ♞d7 31.♞f4?! Inaccuracy. Rf3 was best.

[31.♞f3]

[31.♞f3= keeps the balance.]

31...♞e5?! Inaccuracy. Be5 was best.

[31...♙e5 32.♞f3 ♘g7 33.♞cf1 f6

34.fxg6 [#] hxg6 (34...h6) 35.♞xf6!

♙xf6 36.e5! ♙g5! 37.♞xg5]

[31...♙e5 32.♞h4 ♙f6]

32.♞cf1= ♞e8 33.fxg6 fxg6 34.♞e2

♘h8

[34...a5= remains equal.]

35.♞c4

[35.♞f7]

35...♘e6 Black fights for an advantage.

36.♞f2 a5! 37.♙b3 ♞a8 38.♙c2 ♘c5

39.♞f4 ♙h6 40.♙g4 ♞e8 41.♞f7 ♞e7

42.♞xe8+ ♞xe8 43.♞f7 ♙xe3?! Inaccuracy. Rf8 was best.

[43...♞f8 44.♞xc7]

[43...♞f8 44.♞xf8+ ♙xf8]

44.♞h4 h6 With the idea ...Kg8. 45.♞h3

♙g5 46.♞xc7 ♘e6 47.♞c6 ♘d4 48.♞c4

♘xc2 49.♞xc2 ♞xe4 Endgame KRR-

KRB 50.♞d3 ♙f4 51.♘g2 Kf3 is the

strong threat. 51...♞e7 52.♞d5 ♞a7

53.♘f3 ♙e5 54.♞b5 ♘g7 55.♘e4?! Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[55.h4 h5 56.♞c4 ♘f7 57.♞c6 ♘f6

58.♘e3 ♘e6 59.♞c4 ♞a6 60.♘d3

♘f5]

55...h5 56.♘d5?! Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[56.h4 ♙f6]

[56.h4]

56...g5 57.♘e6 g4 58.♞f2

[58.♞b8]

58...♘g6+ 59.♞d2 ♞a8 60.♘e7?! Inaccuracy. Rg2 was best.

[60.♞g2 ♘g5 61.♞d2 ♘f4 62.♞f2+

♘e3 63.♞g2 ♘e4 64.♘d7 ♘f3

65.♞c2 h4]

60...h4 61.♖bd5 ♔f5 62.♖f2+ ♔e4
63.♖d1 ♔e3 64.♖g2 g3 Black is clearly
 winning. **65.hxg3 hxg3 66.♔e6 ♖h8**
 Accuracy: White = 53%, Black = 67%.
0-1

□ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **C74**
 ■ **Vakhidov,Jakhongir** **2688**
2599
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.4) 15.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
d6 5.c3 f5 6.exf5 ♙xf5 7.0-0 ♙d3
8.♖e1 ♙e7! 9.♖b3 b5 10.♖d5
 Double Attack **10...♙f5N** Blunder. Qd7
 was best.

[10...♖d7]
 [RR 10...♖d7! 11.♖xd3 bxa4 12.♖c2
 ♘f6 13.d3 0-0 14.♙e3 ♘d8 15.♘bd2
 ♖e8 16.d4 exd4 17.♙xd4 ♘e6
 18.♙xf6 ♙xf6 19.♘e4 ♖f8 20.♖d2 d5
 21.♖ad1 ♖ad8 22.♘xf6+ ♖xf6
 23.♘e5 ♖d6 24.♖c2 ♖df8 25.♖xa4
 Divya,D (2420)-Dardha,D (2602) Wijk
 aan Zee NED 2024 ½-½ (35)]
 [RR 10...♖d7! 11.♖xd3 bxa4 12.♖c2
 ♘f6 13.♖xa4 (13.d3±) 13...e4
 14.♘g5 d5 (14...♘e5!? 15.♖xd7+
 ♔xd7=) 15.d3! h6 16.♘h3 0-0
 17.♖d1 (17.dxe4± ♘xe4 18.♘d2)
 17...♙c5 18.d4 ♙d6 19.♙f4 ♘e7
 20.♙xd6 ♖xd6 21.♘d2 ♘f5 22.♘f1
 ♘h4 23.♘e3 ♖e6 24.♘f4 ♖d6
 25.♘h5 Seo,J (2466)-Navarrete
 Mendez,G (2189) chess.com INT 2024
 1-0 (38)]
 [RR 10...♖d7! 11.♖xd3 bxa4 12.♖e3
 ♘f6 13.d4 exd4 (13...0-0=
 keeps the balance.) 14.cxd4 ♘b4
 (♠14..0-0) 15.♖e2 0-0 16.♙g5
 (♠16.♘c3) 16...♘bd5 17.♘c3 ♘xc3
 18.bxc3 ♖fe8 19.♙xf6 ♙xf6 20.♖c4+
 ♔h8 21.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 22.♖xa6 g5
 23.♖d3 (23.h3±) 23...g4 24.♘d2
 ♖e6 25.♘f1 Dau Khuong Duy (2299)-

Sai,K (2371) Budapest HUN 2023 ½-½
 (41)]
 [Black should try 10...♖d7!± 11.♖xd3
 bxa4]

11.♙b3+- Intending Qf7+ and mate.White
 is clearly better.

[11.♖xc6+?! ♙d7±]
11...♔d7 12.♘d4?! Inaccuracy. Rxe5
 was best.

[12.♖xe5! ♙g4 13.♖e1 ♘f6 14.♖g5
 ♔c8 15.a4 b4 16.d4 h6 17.♖e3
 ♖e8]
 [White has to play 12.♖xe5!+- ♙g4
 13.♖e1]

12...♘d4± 13.cxd4→ White attacks
 with force. **13...♘f6 14.♖f3! ♙g4**
15.♖g3 exd4 [#] 16.h3! ♙f5 17.♖f3
 White has strong compensation.
17...g6?! Inaccuracy. Bg6 was best.

[17...♙g6 [#] 18.♙e6+! ♔e8 19.d3
 ♙f7 20.♖c6+ ♔f8 21.♘d2 h6 22.♘f3
 ♙e8 23.♖c2]
 [17...♙g6±]

18.d3+-
 [Resist 18.g4?! ♙e4±]

18...h5 19.♙g5 c6 20.♘d2 ♖f8 21.a4
♖g7 22.♖ec1
 [Less strong is 22.axb5 axb5 23.♖ec1
 (23.♖xa8 ♖xa8 24.g4 hxg4+-)
 23...d5+-]

22...d5 23.♖f4 c5 24.♘f3 ♙d6
25.♘e5+ ♔c7?! [#] Inaccuracy. Bxe5
 was best.

[25...♙xe5 26.♖xe5 ♖he8 27.♙xf6
 ♖xe5 28.♙xg7 ♖e7 29.♙xd5 ♖c8
 30.♙f6 ♙xd3 31.♙xe7]
 [♠25...♙xe5 26.♖xe5 Double Attack
 ♖e7 27.♖xf6 ♖xf6 28.♙xf6 c4
 29.♙xh8 ♖xh8]

26.♖xc5+! ♙xc5 27.♖c1 ♔b6 28.♙xf6
♖h6?? [#] Checkmate is now
 unavoidable. Qxf6 was best.

[28...♖xf6 29.♘d7+ ♙xd7 30.♖xf6+
 ♔a5 31.♖xc5 ♖hc8 32.♖xc8 ♖xc8
 33.axb5 ♔xb5 34.♖xd4]
29.♘d7+! White mates. **29...♙xd7 [#]**

30.a5+! Deflection, Decoy **30...♔xa5**
31.♚c7+ Double Attack **31...♙b6**
32.♖a1+ ♕b4 33.♚xb6 ♕xb3 34.♚xd4
♖hc8 35.♚xd5+ Double Attack **35...♔c2**
36.b4 ♕d2 37.♙g5+ Accuracy: White =
 91%, Black = 42%.
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□ **Cardoso Cardoso, Jose Gabriel 2496**
 ■ **Kacharava, Nikolozi 2527**
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
♘f6 5.0-0 b5 6.♙b3 ♙c5 7.a4 ♙b7
8.c3 d6 9.d4 ♙b6 10.♖e1 0-0 11.♙g5
h6 12.♙h4 b4 13.d5 ♘a5 14.♙xf6N
 Inaccuracy. cxb4 was best.

[14.cxb4 ♘xb3 15.♚xb3 g5 16.♙g3
 ♘xe4 17.♖xe4 f5 18.♖e1 f4 19.♔h1
 fxg3]

[RR 14.cxb4 ♘xb3 15.♚xb3 g5
 16.♙g3 ♘h5 17.a5 ♙a7 18.♘bd2
 ♚d7 19.♖ac1 ♖ac8 20.♖c2 f5
 21.exf5 ♚f7 22.♚d3 ♚xd5 23.♚xd5+
 ♙xd5 24.♖ec1 ♖f7 25.♘c4 ♖b8
 26.♘e3 ♙xe3 27.fxe3 ♖xb4 28.♖xc7
 ♖xc7 Suyarov, M (2405)-Saydaliev, S
 (2463) Tashkent UZB 2024 0-1 (73)]

[RR 14.cxb4 ♘xb3 15.♚xb3 g5
 16.♙g3 ♘h5 17.♘bd2 f5 18.exf5
 ♚f6 19.♘c4 ♙xd5 20.♚d3
 0-1 (20) Hong, A (2539)-Sindarov, J
 (2701) Samarkand UZB 2023]

14...♚xf6 15.cxb4 ♘xb3 16.♚xb3 g5?!
 Inaccuracy. Qf4 was best.

[16...♚f4]

17.♖e2 ♚g6 18.♘fd2 f5 19.♘c4 ♙d4
20.♘a5 fxe4 21.♘c3 ♚h5 22.♖ae1
♙c8?! Inaccuracy. Qf7 was best.

[22...♚f7 23.♚c2 ♙c8 24.♘xe4 ♙f5
 25.♔h1 ♔h8 26.f3 g4 27.♘c6 gxf3
 28.gxf3]

23.♘xe4 ♙d7?! Inaccuracy. Bg4 was
 best.

[23...♙g4 24.♖d2 ♙d7 25.♚c4 ♖f4
 26.♘c6 ♙xc6 27.♚xc6 ♖af8 28.♚xa6
 ♚g6 29.♚e2]

24.♚c2 ♙f5 25.♘c6 ♙xe4 26.♚xe4
♖f4 27.♚d3 ♚f7 28.g3 ♙xf2+ 29.♔g2
♖f6 30.♖f1 ♖f8 31.♘d8 ♖xd8 32.♖exf2
♖xf2+ 33.♖xf2 ♚g7?! Inaccuracy. Qh7
 was best.

[33...♚h7 34.♚xh7+ ♔xh7 35.♖f7+
 ♔g6 36.♖xc7 ♔f5 37.♔f3 e4+
 38.♔e3 ♔e5 39.♖c4]

34.♚xa6 ♖f8?! Inaccuracy. e4 was best.

[34...e4]

35.♖xf8+ ♚xf8 36.♚d3 ♔g7?!
 Inaccuracy. Qe8 was best.

[36...♚e8 37.a5 e4 38.♚c2 ♚e5
 39.a6 ♚d4 40.h3 h5 41.♚c3 ♚xd5
 42.♚e3]

37.a5 ♚b8 38.b5 ♚a7 39.b4 g4
40.♔f1 h5 41.♚c3 ♚b8?! Inaccuracy.
 Kg6 was best.

[41...♔g6 42.♚c2+ ♔h6 43.♚f2 ♚b7
 44.♚f6+ ♔h7 45.♚f5+ ♔g7 46.♚d3
 ♚a7 47.♔g2]

42.♚c6 ♔h8?! Inaccuracy. Qa7 was
 best.

[42...♚a7 43.♔e2]

43.b6?? Blunder. Ke1 was best.

[43.♔e1 ♚f8 44.♚xc7 ♚f3 45.♚c4
 ♚h1+ 46.♔d2 ♚xh2+ 47.♔c1 ♚g1+
 48.♔b2 ♚g2+]

43...♚f8+ 44.♔e1 cxb6 45.axb6 ♚f5
46.♔d2?! Inaccuracy. Qc4 was best.

[46.♚c4]

46...♚f2+ 47.♔c3 ♚e3+ 48.♔b2 ♚d2+
49.♔b3 ♚d1+ 50.♚c2 ♚xd5+ 51.♔a3
♚d4 52.♚c6 ♚d3+ 53.♔b2 ♚d2+
54.♔b3 ♚d3+ 55.♚c3 ♚d5+ 56.♔b2
♔g7 57.♔a3 ♔f6 58.♚c8 ♚b5
59.♚d8+ ♔e6 60.♚c8+ ♔f6 61.♚b7
♚d3+ 62.♔a4 ♚c2+?? Blunder. Qc4
 was best.

[62...♚c4 63.♔a5 e4 64.♚c7 ♚a2+
 65.♔b5 ♚d5+ 66.♔a6 ♚a8+ 67.♚a7
 ♚d5 68.♚c7]

63.♔b5 ♚d3+ 64.♔c6 ♚c4+??

Blunder. e4 was best.

[64...e4 65.♖c8 e3 66.b7 ♖c4+ 67.♔d7 ♖e6+ 68.♔c7 ♖c4+ 69.♔b8 ♖xb4 70.♖h8+]

65.♔d7 ♖f7+?! Inaccuracy. e4 was best.

[65...e4 66.♖c8]

66.♔c8 ♖e8+ 67.♔c7 ♖e7+ 68.♔c6 ♖xb7+ 69.♔xb7 e4 70.♔c6 e3 71.b7 e2 72.b8♖ e1♖ 73.♖xd6+ ♔g7 74.♖d4+ ♔h7 75.♔d5?! Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[75.b5 ♖c1+ 76.♔d7 ♖h1 77.♔c7 h4 78.b6 ♖c1+ 79.♔b8 ♖c6 80.gxh4 ♔h6]

75...♖f1 76.♖e4+ ♔g7 77.♔c5 ♖f8+

78.♔b5?? Blunder. Kc4 was best.

[78.♔c4]

78...♖f2 79.♖e7+ ♔h6 80.♖d6+ ♔h7 81.♖c7+ ♔g8 82.♖b8+ ♔h7 83.♖b7+ ♔h8 84.♖h1 ♖e2+ 85.♔a5 ♖a2+ 86.♔b6 ♖f2+ 87.♔a6 ♖a2+ 88.♔b6 ♖f2+ 89.♔b5 ♖e2+ 90.♔c5 ♖f2+ 91.♔c4 ♖c2+ 92.♔d5 ♖d2+ 93.♔e6 ♖e3+ 94.♔d6 ♖b6+ 95.♔d7 ♖xb4 96.♖d5 h4 97.♖h5+ ♔g7 98.♖g5+ ♔f7 99.♖f5+ ♔g7 100.♖e5+ ♔f7 101.♖f5+ ♔g7 102.♖g5+ ♔f7 103.♖h5+ ♔g7 104.♖xh4 ♖d4+ 105.♔e6 ♖e4+ 106.♔d6 ♖d4+ 107.♔e7 ♖e5+ 108.♔d8 ♖d4+ 109.♔e8 ♖a4+

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□ Idani,Pouya

■ Royal,Shreyas

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 ♗f6 5.0-0 b5 6.♙b3 ♙c5 7.d3 d6 8.c3 h6 9.♙e3

[RR 9.♖e1 0-0 10.♗bd2 ♙b6 11.♗f1 ♗e7 12.a4 ♖b8 13.h3 ♗g6 14.♗g3 c5 15.♙e3 c4 16.♙xb6 ♖xb6 17.♙a2 ♖c7 18.axb5 axb5 19.♙b1 cxd3

20.♙xd3 ♗f4 21.♗e2 ♗xd3 22.♖xd3 ♙e6 23.♗g3 b4 Ding Liren (2780)-Praggnanandhaa,R (2743) Wijk aan Zee NED 2024 0-1 (62)]

9...0-0 10.♗bd2 ♖e8 11.♙xc5N

[RR 11.h3 ♙e6 12.d4 ♙xb3 13.♖xb3 ♙b6 14.♖c2 ♖b8 15.a3 d5 16.dxe5 ♙xe3 17.exf6 ♙xd2 18.exd5 ♖xd5 19.♖ad1 ♖e2 20.♖xd2 ♖xd2 21.♗xd2 ♖d8 22.♗e4 ♖d3 23.♖xd3 ♖xd3 24.♖e1 gxf6 25.♗xf6+ ♔g7 Vasquez Schroeder,R (2475)-Agasiyev, K (2441) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (68)]

11...dxc5 12.♖e2 ♖d6 13.♖fd1 ♙e6

14.♙xe6 ♖xe6 15.a4 ♖ee8 16.♗f1 g6

17.♗e3 ♖e6 18.♖c2 ♖ad8 19.♗d2

♗b8 20.axb5 axb5 21.♗b3 ♗bd7

22.c4 ♖b8 23.♖a5 bxc4 24.♗xc4 ♖c6

25.♖a7 ♖b5 26.♗bd2 ♖a8 27.♖xc7

♖eb8 28.♗f3 ♗e8 29.♗a3 ♖xa3

30.♖xd7 ♖b3 31.♗xe5 ♖xb2 32.♖c4

♖xc4 33.♗xc4 ♖b1 34.♖f1 ♗g7

35.♗d6 ♗e6 36.g3 ♖xf1+ 37.♔xf1

♖d8?! Inaccuracy. f6 was best.

[37...f6 38.♔g2 h5 39.h4 ♖a8

40.♗b5 ♖a6 41.♗c3 ♗d4 42.♗d5

♗c2 43.♔f3]

38.♖xd8+ ♗xd8 39.♔e2 ♔f8?! Inaccuracy. f6 was best.

[39...f6 40.♔d2 ♔f8 41.♔c3 ♔e7

42.♗c8+ ♔e6 43.♗b6 ♗c6 44.f4

♗a5 45.♗c4]

40.e5 ♔e7 41.♗e4 ♗e6 42.f4 ♗d4+

43.♔d2 ♗f3+ 44.♔c3 g5 45.♔c4 gxf4

46.gxf4 ♗xh2 47.♔xc5 ♗f3 48.d4 h5

49.d5 h4 50.d6+ ♔d7? Mistake. Ke6

was best.

[50...♔e6 51.f5+ ♔xf5 52.d7 ♔xe5

53.d8♖ ♔xe4 54.♖e7+ ♔d3 55.♖xf7

♗d2 56.♔d5]

51.♔d5 h3 52.f5 ♗g5? Checkmate is

now unavoidable. Nxe5 was best.

[52...♗xe5 53.♔xe5 h2 54.♗g3 ♔c6

55.♗h1 ♔b7 56.♔d5 ♔b6 57.♗f2

♔b5 58.d7]

53. ♖c5+ ♕d8 54. ♖c6
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1.e4 e5 2. ♖f3 ♖c6 3. ♗b5 a6 4. ♗a4
♜f6 5. 0-0 ♗c5 6. c3 0-0 7. d4 ♗a7
8. ♗g5

[RR 8.dxe5 ♜xe4 9. ♖d5 ♜c5
10. ♗c2 ♜e7 11. ♖d1 d5 12. exd6
♖xd6 13. ♖xd6 cxd6 14. ♖e1 ♖e8
15. ♜a3 ♗g4 16. ♗f4 ♗xf3 17. gxf3 d5
18. ♖ad1 ♜e6 19. ♗e3 g6 20. ♗b3 d4
21. cxd4 ♜f5 22. d5 ♜ed4]

8...h6 9. ♗h4! d6N

[RR 9...exd4 9...d6 0.64 10. ♖e1
(10.cxd4± g5 11. ♗g3)

A) RR 10...d6

A1) RR 11. ♗xc6 dxc3 12. ♜xc3
bxc6 13. ♖c1 ♖e8 14. e5 dxe5
15. ♜e4 ♖e6 16. ♜xe5 (16.a4±)
16...♜xe4 (16...♖xe5±
was necessary. 17. ♜xf6+
Discovered Attack gxf6 18. ♖xe5
Pin ♗xf2+ Decoy 19. ♜xf2 ♖d4+
20. ♖e3 ♖xh4+ 21. ♖g3+ ♗g4)
17. ♗xd8 ♗xf2+ 18. ♜h1 ♗xe1
19. ♖f4 ♗b4 20. ♖xf7+ ♜h8
21. ♜g6+ ♜h7 22. ♜f4 ♖e5
23. ♖g6+ ♜g8 24. ♖xc6 ♜f2+
25. ♜g1;

A2) RR 11. ♜xd4 11. ♗xc6 0.60
♜e5 12. h3 b5 (12...g5± 13. ♗g3
g4) 13. ♗c2 ♗b7 14. ♜d2 ♖e8
15. f4 ♜g6 16. ♗g3 ♖d7 17. ♜h2
♖ad8 18. a4 c5 19. ♜f5 ♗b8
20. axb5 axb5 21. ♖e3 (21. ♖c1±
stays ahead.) 21...d5! 22. e5 d4
23. cxd4 ♜d5 24. ♖ea3
(♭24. ♜b3 ♜xe3 25. ♜xe3 cxd4
26. ♜c5) 24...cxd4 (24...♜dx4±
25. ♗xf4 ♜xf4) 25. ♖g4;

A3) White should try 11. ♗xc6±
g5 12. ♗xg5 hxg5 13. ♗a4;

A4) 11. cxd4 ♗g4 12. ♗xc6 bxc6
13. ♖a4 (13. ♜bd2=) 13...♗xf3
14. gxf3 ♖b8 15. ♜d2 ♖b5
16. ♖xb5 axb5 17. ♜b3 c5
18. dxc5 dxc5 19. ♖ed1 ♖fd8
(Black should play 19...g5±
20. ♗g3 ♗b6) 20. ♖xd8+ ♖xd8
21. a4 c4 22. axb5 ♗b6 23. ♜a5
♗xa5 24. ♖xa5 ♖d2 25. ♖a8+;

B) 10...b5 11. ♗b3 d6 12. ♗d5 ♗d7
13. ♜xd4 ♜xd4 14. ♗xa8 (14.cxd4=
c6 15. ♗b3) 14...♜e6! 15. ♗d5 g5!
16. ♗g3 h5! 17. h3 h4 18. ♗h2 g4!
19. ♜h1 ♜g5! 20. ♗f4 [#] (♭20. ♖d2
♜xd5 21. exd5 gxh3 22. f3)
20...♜h5! 21. ♖d2 [#] ♜xh3!
22. ♗e3 ♗xe3 23. ♖xe3 ♜g5 24. e5
Yakubboev, N (2665)-Pranesh M
(2535) Dubai Police Officers Club, A
2024 0-1 (40)]

[RR 9...exd4 10. ♖e1 b5 11. ♗b3 d6
12. ♗d5 ♗d7 13. ♜xd4 (13.cxd4± g5
14. ♗xc6 ♗xc6 15. d5) 13...♜xd4
14. ♗xa8 ♜e6! 15. ♗d5 g5! 16. ♗g3
h5! 17. h3 h4 18. ♗h2 g4! 19. ♜h1
♜g5 20. ♗f4 ♜h5! 21. ♖d2 ♜xh3!
22. ♗e3 ♗xe3 23. ♖xe3 (♭23. ♖xe3
♜3f4 24. ♜d2) 23...♜g5 24. e5
Yakubboev, N (2665)-Pranesh, M
(2537) Dubai UAE 2024 0-1 (40)]

[RR 9...exd4 10. ♖e1 d6 11. ♗xc6
bxc6 12. ♜xd4 ♗d7 13. ♜d2 g5
14. ♗g3 ♖e8 15. ♖f3 ♗g4 16. ♖d3
♗d7 17. e5 dxe5 18. ♗xe5 c5 19. ♜f5
(19. ♜4f3± ♜g4 20. ♗g3) 19...♜g4
20. ♜c4 ♖c8 21. ♜g3 (21. ♜xh6±
♜xh6 22. ♗f6) 21...♗b5 22. f4 ♖e6
23. b3 ♖ad8 24. ♖f1 Aveskulov, V
(2501)-Pap, M (2426) Budapest HUN
2023 1-0 (61)]

10. ♗xc6 White is slightly better.

10...bxc6 11. ♖e1

[RR 11.dxe5 dxe5 12. ♜xe5 ♖e7
13. ♜f3 ♖xe4 14. ♗xf6 gxf6 15. ♜bd2

♔f4 16.g3 ♔g4 17.♘d4 ♙xd4
18.♖xg4+ ♙xg4 19.cxd4 ♜fd8
20.♘e4 ♙f3 21.♞fe1 ♔g7 22.♞e3
♙h5 23.♞c1 f5 24.♘c5]

11...g5 12.♙g3 g4 13.♘h4 ♘h5
14.♘a3 ♖g5 15.♘c2 ♞e8 16.♞d3 ♙d7
17.♞ad1 a5 18.♘e3 ♘xg3 19.hxg3 d5
20.dxe5 ♞xe5 21.exd5 ♞ae8 22.dxc6
♙xc6 23.♔h2 ♙xe3

[23...♞8e6= keeps the balance.]

24.♞xe3± ♞xe3 25.fxe3 ♞xe3 26.♞c4
♞e6 27.b4 axb4?! Inaccuracy. h5 was
best.

[27...h5 28.a3]

[27...a4± was worth a try.]

28.cxb4+- h5 29.♞c2 ♞e5 30.♞d8+
♔g7 31.a4 ♙e4 32.♞c1 ♞c6 33.♞e1
♞c2 34.a5 ♞a2 35.♞e3 ♞e6??

Blunder. Qf6 was best.

[35...♞f6 36.♞d4]

[35...♞f6 is tougher.]

36.♞c3+ Double Attack 36...♔h6

37.♞h8+ ♔g5 38.♞xc7?! Inaccuracy.
Qd4 was best.

[38.♞d4 ♞xg2+ 39.♘xg2 ♞f6
40.♞g8+ ♞g6 41.♞d2+ ♔f6 42.♞d8+
♔e5 43.♞xc7+ ♞d6]

38...♙xg2

[38...♔f6+- 39.♞h6+ ♙g6]

39.♞f4# Accuracy: White = 85%, Black =
66%.

[Stronger than 39.♘xg2 ♞xg2+
40.♔h1 ♞e1+ 41.♔xg2 ♞e2+
42.♔h1 ♞f1+ 43.♔h2 ♞f2+ 44.♔h1
♞f1+ 45.♔h2 ♞f2+ 46.♔h1 ♞f1+=]

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♔ Sjugirov, Sanan

2691

♜ Moroni, Luca Jr

2580

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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
♘f6 5.0-0 b5 6.♙b3 ♙c5 7.a4 ♞b8
8.c3 d6 9.d4 ♙b6 10.axb5 axb5

11.♘a3 0-0 12.♘xb5 ♙g4 13.♙c2
♙xf3 14.gxf3 exd4 15.♘xd4 ♘xd4
16.cxd4 ♘h5 17.♔h1 ♞f6 18.♞a4
♞a8N

[RR 18...c5 19.e5 ♞e6 20.d5 ♞d7
21.♞h4 g6 22.♞xh5 gxh5 23.♞d3 f5
24.e6 ♞e7 25.♞g1+ ♔h8 26.♙d2 ♞f6
27.♙c3 ♞g8 28.♞g3 ♞xg3 29.hxg3
♔g8 30.♞b5 ♙d8 31.♙xf6 ♞xf6
32.♞e8+ ♔g7 33.♞xh5 Sjugirov,S
(2690)-Shirov,A (2658) chess.com INT
2024 1-0 (35)]

19.♙e3 ♞xa4 20.♙xa4 ♞a8 21.♙d7 g6
22.♞g1 ♞a2 23.♙g4 ♘f4 24.♙f5 ♘h5
25.♙g4 ♘f4 26.♞d2 ♘e6 27.e5 dxe5
28.dxe5 ♞xe5 29.♙xe6 ♞xe6 30.♞d8+
♔g7 31.♙d2 ♞d6 32.♙c3+ f6 33.♞d1
♞xd8 34.♞xd8 g5 35.f4 gxf4 36.♔g2
♞a4 37.♔f3 ♞c4 38.♞e8 ♔f7 39.♞h8

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♔ Erdos, Viktor

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♜ Assaubayeva, Bibisara

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16.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
♘f6 5.0-0 ♙c5 6.d3 b5 7.♙b3 0-0
8.♘c3 h6 9.♘d5

[RR 9.a4 b4 10.♘d5 ♞b8 11.♙e3 d6
12.a5 ♘xd5 13.♙xd5 ♙xe3 14.fxe3
♘xa5 15.♞xa5 c6 16.♞a1 cxd5
17.exd5 ♞c7 18.e4 f5 19.♘d2 ♙d7
20.exf5 ♙xf5 21.♞xa6 ♞c5+ 22.♔h1
♞xd5 23.♞a1 ♞f7 Petrosyan,M (2627)-
Dubov,D (2708) chess.com INT 2024
0-1 (47)]

9...♞e8N

[RR 9...d6 10.c3 ♙a7 11.♘xf6+ ♞xf6
12.♙d5 ♙b7 13.♔h1 ♘d8 14.g4
♙xd5 15.exd5 ♞e7 16.g5 hxg5
17.♘xg5 f6 18.♘e4 c6 19.c4 cxd5
20.cxd5 f5 21.♘g5 ♞f6 22.♞f3 f4
23.♙d2 ♞h6 24.♞g1 Zemlyanskii,I

(2529)-Zverev,L (2378) Moscow RUS
2024 1/2-1/2 (38)]

[RR 9...d6 10.c3 ♖b8 11.d4 ♕a7
12.♙e3 ♗xd5 13.♙xd5 ♗e7 14.dxe5
♙xe3 15.fxe3 ♗xd5 16.exd5 dxe5
17.♗xe5 ♙b7 18.e4 ♖e7 19.♖d4
♖fe8 20.♗d3 1/2-1/2 (20) Piorun,K
(2599)-Kourkoulos Arditis,S (2556)
San Vicente ESP 2024]

[RR 9...d6 10.c3 ♖b8 11.h3 ♗xd5
12.♙xd5 ♗e7 13.♙b3 ♗g6 14.d4
♙b6 15.♙e3 ♖f6 16.a4 c5 17.a5
♙a7 18.d5 ♖e7 19.♙c2 c4 20.♖d2
f5 21.♙xa7 ♖xa7 22.♖e3 ♖e7
23.exf5 ♙xf5 24.♙xf5 Kollars,D
(2648)-Santos Latasa,J (2626) chess.
com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (40)]

10.♙e3 d6 11.a4 ♖b8 12.axb5 axb5
13.c3 ♗xd5 14.♙xd5 ♖d7 15.♖d2
♙xe3 16.fxe3 ♗d8 17.♖a7 ♙b7
18.♗h4 c6?! Inaccuracy. g6 was best.

[18...g6 19.♖f2 ♙xd5 20.exd5 ♖e7
21.e4 b4 22.cxb4 ♖xb4 23.♖d2 ♖g5
24.♖xg5]

19.♙b3 d5 20.♗f5?! Inaccuracy. Qf2
was best.

[20.♖f2 ♖d6 21.♖g3 ♙c8 22.d4
♙e6 23.exd5 cxd5 24.♖f6 ♖b6
25.♗f5 ♙xf5]

20...♗h7 21.♖f2 ♖a8? Mistake. g6 was
best.

[21...g6 22.♗g3]

22.♖xa8 ♙xa8 23.d4? Mistake. Qh4
was best.

[23.♖h4]

23...g6 24.♗g3 ♖e7 25.♖f6 ♖xf6
26.♖xf6 ♗g7 27.♖d6 ♗b7 28.♖d7 ♗a5
29.♙a2 ♗c4 30.♙xc4 bxc4 31.♖a7
exd4 32.exd4 ♖b8 33.e5 ♙b7 34.♗f2
♙c8 35.♖a2 ♙e6

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■ Moroni,Luca Jr 2580
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1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/LCuAJlx2> 1...e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 a6
4.♙a4 ♗f6 5.0-0 b5 6.♙b3 ♙c5 7.a4
♖b8 8.axb5 axb5 [#] 9.♗xe5!
Remove Defender 9...♗xe5 10.d4 [#]
10...♙xd4! 11.♖xd4 White is slightly
better.White has an edge. 11...d6 12.f4
[12.f4!? c5 13.♖d2±]

12...♗c6 13.♖d3
[13.♖c3 feels hotter. ♗e7 14.♗d2
0-0 15.e5 b4 16.♖g3]

13...0-0 14.♗c3 ♖e8N
[RR 14...♗b4 15.♖d2 ♙e6 16.♙xe6
fxe6 17.♗e2 ♗c6 18.♗g3 ♖d7
19.b3 e5 20.♙b2 ♖be8 21.♖f3 ♖e6
22.♖e1 exf4 23.♖xf4 ♗e5 24.♖f5
♗fd7 25.♖ef1 g6 26.♖xf8+ ♖xf8
27.♖xf8+ ♗xf8 28.h3 ♗fd7 29.♗e2
Lagno,K (2542)-Goryachkina,A (2553)
Toronto, Canada 2024 [https://lichess.
org/broadcast/-/-/LCuAJlx2] 1/2-1/2 (34)]

[RR 14...♗b4 15.♖d2 ♖e7 16.e5
dxe5 17.fxe5 ♖xe5 18.♖f2

A) RR 18...♖h5 19.♙f4 ♗bd5
20.♗xd5 ♗xd5 21.♙g3 ♙e6
22.♖ae1 ♖g6 23.♖c5 ♖bd8
24.♖xb5 ♖g4 25.♖c5 h5 26.♖f2
♖b4 27.♖e5 ♗f6 28.♙xe6 fxe6 [#]
29.c3! ♖b7 [#] 30.♖ee1
(Only move: 30.♖e2!±; 30.♖e2!±)
30...♗e4 31.♖e3 ♗xg3 32.♖xe6+
♗h8 (32...♗h7= 33.hxg3 ♖d2;
32...♗h7= 33.♖xf8 ♖xf8 34.hxg3
♖xb2) 33.hxg3;

B) 18...♗bd5 19.♗xd5 ♗xd5
20.♖c5 ♙e6 21.♙f4 ♖h5! 22.♙g3
♗f6 23.♖xh5 ♗xh5 24.♙xc7 ♖b7
25.♙xe6 ♖xc7 26.♙b3 g6 27.♖a5
♖b8 28.g4 ♗g7 29.♖xf7!
Suleymanli,A (2621)-Malek,J (2461)
Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024

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 [RR 14...♗b4 15.♖d2 ♗e7 16.e5
 dxe5 17.fxe5 ♘g4 18.♖e2 ♙e6
 19.♙xe6 fxe6 20.♙f4 ♖c5+ 21.♙h1
 ♖c4! 22.♖xg4 ♗xc2 23.b3 ♖xc3
 24.♖xe6+ ♙h8 25.♖ad1 ♖be8
 1/2-1/2 (25) Suleymanli,A (2609)-
 Lobanov,S (2502) Moscow RUS 2024]
15.e5 dxe5 16.♖xd8 ♗xd8 17.fxe5
♖xe5 18.♙f4 ♖c5 19.♙e3 ♖f5 20.♙a7
♖a8 21.♖xf5 ♙xf5 22.♗xb5 ♗c6
23.♖a4 h5 24.h3 ♗xa7 25.♗xc7 ♖d8
26.♖xa7 ♖d1+ 27.♙f2 ♖d2+ 28.♙e1
♖xg2 29.♗d5 Threatens to win with
Ne7+. 29...♙xh3 30.♗xf6+ gxf6
31.♖xf7= Endgame KRB-KRB 31...♙g4
32.♙f1 ♙h3 33.♙e1 ♙g4 34.♖xf6+
♙g7 35.♖f4
 [35.♖f2 is interesting. ♖g3 36.♙d2
 ♙f3! 37.♖h2 ♙f6 38.♙c4]
35...♙h6 36.♙f1
 [36.♖f2!? ♖g1+ 37.♙d2=]
36...♙h3 ...Rg4+ is the strong threat.
 White must now prevent ...Rg4+. **37.♖f2**
 [37.♙e1 is interesting. ♙g5 38.♖f2
 ♖g1+ 39.♙d2 ♙g4 40.♙c4]
37...♖g5+ 38.♙e2 h4 39.♖f6+ ♙g7
40.♖f4 ♙g4+ 41.♙e3 h3 White must
 now prevent ...h2. Strongly threatening ...
 h2. **42.♙d5 h2 43.♙h1 aiming for Rf2.**
 Threatens to win with Rf2. **43...♙f5**
44.♖f2 ♖h5 45.♙f4 ♙f6 46.c3 ♖h4+
47.♙g3 Double Attack 47...♖h3+
48.♙g2 Strongly threatening Rxf5+! And
 now Rxf5+! would win. **48...♖h8 49.♖e2**
♙g5 50.♙g3 ♖h3+ 51.♙f2 ♙f4 52.♖d2
♙g4 53.♖d4+ ♙g5 54.♖d8 ♖f3+
 [54...♙f5=]
55.♙g2 ♖e3 The position is equal.The
 position is equal. **56.♖d2 ♖h3 57.♖f2**
♖h8 58.b4 ♖c8 59.♖c2 ♙f5 60.♖c1
♙e4+ 61.♙g3 ♙xh1 62.♖xh1 ♖xc3+
63.♙xh2 ♖b3 64.♖g1+ ♙f5 65.♖g3
♙e5? Accuracy: White = 82%, Black =
88%.
 . An unexpected result. Accuracy: White

= 91%, Black = 88%.

[65...♖xb4= 66.♙g2 ♙f4]

[65...♖xg3= 66.♙xg3 ♙f6]

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♣ **Klimkowski,Jan 2517**

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
d6 5.0-0 ♗f6 6.♖e1 ♙d7 7.c3 g6 8.d4
♙g7 9.h3 0-0 10.♙c2 ♖e8 11.♗bd2 a5
12.♗f1 a4 13.a3?! Inaccuracy. Ng3 was
 best.

[13.♗g3]

13...b5 14.♗g3 ♗a5 15.♖b1 c5
16.d5N

[RR 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.♗h2 ♙e6
 18.♖f3 ♙a2 19.♖a1 ♙b3 20.♙xb3
 ♗xb3 21.♖b1 ♖a6 22.♙g5 h6
 23.♖bd1 ♖c8 24.♙xf6 ♖xf6 25.♖e2
 ♖b6 26.♗g4 ♖e6 27.♗e3 h5
 28.♗d5 ♖b7 29.♖e3 ♙h7 30.♗f1
 ♙h6 Hakobyan,A (2617)-Salinas

Herrera,P (2494) chess.com INT 2024
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16...♖e7 17.♗h2 h5 18.♙g5 ♖f8
19.♙d3 ♗h7 20.♙e3 ♙h6 21.♖d2 ♗b3
22.♖e2 c4 23.♙c2 ♗c5 24.♗f3 ♙f4
25.♖d2 ♖h6?! Inaccuracy. Bxe3 was
 best.

[25...♙xe3 26.♖xe3]

26.♙xf4 ♖xf4 27.♖xf4 exf4 28.♗e2
♗xe4 29.♗xf4 ♗c5 30.h4 ♗f6
31.♗d4 ♗a6 32.f3 ♗c7 33.♖ed1 ♖e5
34.♖d2 ♖ae8 35.♖bd1 ♗cxd5 36.♗xd5
♖xd5 37.♙f2 ♖de5 38.♙b1 d5 39.♖h1
♙f8 40.♙c2 ♖e7 41.♙d1?! Inaccuracy.
 Rdd1 was best.

[41.♖dd1 ♗e8 42.♖de1 ♗c7
 43.♖xe5 ♖xe5 44.♖e1 ♖xe1 45.♙xe1
 ♙e7 46.♙f2 ♗a6]

41...♙e8 42.♙e2 ♙d8 43.♖hd1 ♙c7
44.♙f1 ♙b6 45.♖c1 ♖e8 46.♗c2 ♙c6

47.♖cd1 ♘b7 48.♞d4 ♘d7 49.♞f4
 ♞8e7 50.♘b4 ♘c5 51.g3 ♘b3?!
 Inaccuracy. f5 was best.
 [51...f5 52.♞fd4 ♞d7 53.♙g2 ♘b3
 54.♞f4 ♞d8 55.♙f1 ♞de8 56.♘c2
 ♙c6 57.♘b4]
 52.♞f6+ ♞5e6 53.♞f4 ♞d6 54.♘c2?!
 Inaccuracy. g4 was best.
 [54.g4 hxg4 55.fxg4 f6 56.h5 d4
 57.cxd4 g5 58.♞f5 ♞e8 59.♙g2
 ♘xd4]
 54...♘c5 55.♘d4 ♙c8 56.♞d2 ♙d7
 57.♞d1 ♙c7 58.♘c2 ♙c6 59.♘d4
 ♘e6? Mistake. f6 was best.
 [59...f6 60.♞e1 ♞h7 61.♙e2 ♙b6
 62.♙f1 ♞g7 63.♘c2 ♘b3 64.♞d1
 ♞e7 65.♙h3]
 60.♞f6?! Inaccuracy. Re1 was best.
 [60.♞e1]
 60...♙d7 61.♘xe6+ ♞dxe6 62.♞f4 ♙c6
 63.♞fd4 f6 64.♞1d2 ♞e1 65.♞d1 ♞xd1
 66.♞xd1 g5 67.♙e2 ♙d6 68.♞d4 ♙c5
 69.♙d1 ♙e8 70.♙c2 ♞g7 71.♙f5 ♙d6
 72.♙h3 ♙g6 73.♙g2 ♙f5?! Inaccuracy.
 Bf7 was best.
 [73...♙f7]
 74.f4 ♙e6 75.♙f3? Mistake. hxg5 was
 best.
 [75.hxg5]
 75...♙f7?? Blunder. g4 was best.
 [75...g4 76.♙e4 ♙g8 77.♙g2 ♙c5
 78.♞d1 ♞d7 79.♞d4 ♙h7 80.♙f1 ♙e4
 81.♙e2]
 76.♞d1?? Blunder. fxg5 was best.
 [76.fxg5 fxg5]
 76...♞g8? Mistake. g4 was best.
 [76...g4]
 77.♞d2? Mistake. hxg5 was best.
 [77.hxg5 fxg5]
 77...♙c5? Mistake. g4 was best.
 [77...g4]
 78.♞d1?? Blunder. hxg5 was best.
 [78.hxg5 fxg5 79.fxg5 ♞xg5 80.♞d4
 ♞f5 81.♙e3 ♞e5+ 82.♙f2 ♞g5
 83.♞h4 ♞f5]
 78...♞e8? Mistake. g4 was best.

[78...g4]
 79.♞d2? Mistake. hxg5 was best.
 [79.hxg5 fxg5 80.fxg5 ♞e5 81.♞d4
 ♞xg5 82.♞h4 ♞f5 83.♙e3 ♙d6
 84.♙f2 ♙e7]
 79...♙d6? Mistake. g4 was best.
 [79...g4]
 80.♞d1?? Blunder. hxg5 was best.
 [80.hxg5]
 80...♞d8?? Blunder. g4 was best.
 [80...g4]
 81.♞d2?? Blunder. hxg5 was best.
 [81.hxg5 fxg5]
 81...♙e6? Mistake. g4 was best.
 [81...g4 82.♙e4 ♙c5 83.♞d1 d4
 84.♙h7 d3 85.♞e1 ♞h8 86.♙e4 ♞g8
 87.♙e3]
 82.♞e2+ ♙d6 83.♞d2? Mistake. fxg5
 was best.
 [83.fxg5 fxg5 84.hxg5 ♞g8 85.♙e3
 ♞xg5 86.♙f4 ♞g8 87.♞d2 ♞e8
 88.♞d1 ♞e5]
 83...gxf4? Mistake. g4 was best.
 [83...g4]
 84.gxf4 ♙e6 85.♙g2? Mistake. Ke3
 was best.
 [85.♙e3 ♙g6 86.♞d1 ♞d7 87.♞d4
 ♙d3 88.♙xh5 f5 89.♙f3 ♙e4 90.♞d1
 ♞g7]
 85...♙g6? Mistake. d4 was best.
 [85...d4]
 86.♙h3+?! Inaccuracy. Ke3 was best.
 [86.♙e3]
 86...♙e7 87.♙g2?! Inaccuracy. Rd1 was
 best.
 [87.♞d1 ♙d3]
 87...♙d3?! Inaccuracy. d4 was best.
 [87...d4]
 88.♙f3 d4 89.cxd4 ♞xd4?! Inaccuracy.
 Kd6 was best.
 [89...♙d6 90.♙xh5 ♞h8 91.♙f3 ♞xh4
 92.♙e3 ♞h3 93.♞g2 f5 94.♞g6+ ♙e7
 95.♙f2]
 90.♙e3 ♞d8 91.♙c6 ♞c8 92.♙f3?!
 Inaccuracy. Bd5 was best.
 [92.♙d5]

92...♖c5? Mistake. Bg6 was best.

[92...♙g6]

93.♖g2 ♘d6 94.♖g8?? Blunder. Kd4 was best.

[94.♘d4 ♙f5 95.♘c3 ♖c8 96.♙xh5 ♖h8 97.♙g4 ♙xg4 98.♖xg4 ♘d5 99.♘b4 f5]

94...♙e7?? Blunder. c3 was best.

[94...c3]

95.♘d4 ♖f5 96.♙e3 ♖c5 97.♘d4 ♖f5

98.♙e3 ♘d6 99.♖h8 ♖c5?? Blunder. b4 was best.

[99...b4 100.axb4 ♖b5 101.♖xh5 ♖xb4 102.♖d5+ ♙e6 103.♖a5 ♖xb2 104.♖a6+ ♙f7 105.♖xa4]

100.♖xh5 ♖xh5? Mistake. Rc8 was best.

[100...♖c8 101.♖xb5 ♙f1 102.♖b6+ ♙e7 103.♙g4 ♖g8 104.♖b7+ ♘d6 105.♙f3 ♖g3 106.♙f2]

101.♙xh5 ♙f5 102.♘d4 ♙e7 103.♙f3

♙d3 104.♙c6 ♙e2 105.♘c3 ♙e6

106.♙xb5 ♙f5 107.♙xa4 ♙xf4

108.♘d4 ♙g4 109.♙c6 ♙xh4 110.a4

♙g5?! Inaccuracy. c3 was best.

[110...c3 111.bxc3 ♙a6 112.a5 f5 113.♘c5 f4 114.♘b6 ♙e2 115.a6 f3 116.♙xf3]

111.a5 f5 112.♙b7 f4 113.a6 f3

114.♙e4

[114.♙e3]

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♜ Gupta,Abhijeet 2601

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4

♗f6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 ♙d7 7.d4 g6 8.♖e1

♙g7 9.h3 0-0 10.♙c2 ♗h5 11.a4 ♖e8

12.♗a3 f5 13.♗c4 fxe4 14.♙xe4N

[RR 14.♖xe4 d5 15.♖xe5 ♖f7

16.♖xh5 gxh5 17.♗e3 ♙h8 18.♖d3

♖g8 19.♗h4 ♙f6 20.♗ef5 ♗e7

21.♙e3 ♖ae8 22.♙h1 ♗xf5 23.♗xf5

♙g5 24.♗h6 ♖xe3 25.♖xe3 ♖g7

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14...♖f7 15.dxe5 ♙e6 16.♙xc6 bxc6

17.♗a5 ♙d5 18.♖a3 ♙xf3 19.♖xf3

♖xf3 20.gxf3 ♙xe5 21.♗xc6 ♙f4

22.♙e3 ♙xe3 23.♖xe3 ♗f4 24.♖b3

♗xh3+ 25.♙f1 ♗f4 26.♖b7 ♖f7 27.♖e7

♖xe7 28.♗xe7+ ♙f7 29.♖xc7 ♗e6

30.♖c8 ♖xc8 31.♗xc8 d5 32.b4 ♙e8

33.♗b6 d4 34.cxd4 ♗xd4 35.♗d5

♘d7 36.♗f6+ ♘d6 37.♗xh7 ♗c6

38.b5 axb5 39.axb5 ♗e7 40.♗f8 ♘c5

41.♙e2 ♘xb5 42.♘d3 ♘c5 43.♙e4

♘c4 44.f4 ♘c3 45.♗e6 ♘d2 46.♗d4

♙e1 47.♙f3 ♘d2 48.♗e6 ♘d3

49.♗c5+ ♘d4 50.♗d7 ♘d3 51.♗e5+

♘d2 52.♙g4 ♙e2 53.♙g5 ♗d5

54.♗xg6 ♗xf4 55.♗xf4+ ♙xf2

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♖ C80

♖ Madaminov,Mukhiddin 2504

♜ Banusz,Tamas 2623

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4

♗f6 5.0-0 ♗xe4 6.d4 ♙e7 7.♖e1 b5

8.♖xe4 d5 9.♗xe5 ♗xe5 10.♖xe5

bxa4 11.♖e2 ♙e6 12.f4 ♙f8 13.♗c3

♙f6 14.♗xa4 ♙xe5 15.fxe5 ♖h4

16.♙e3 ♖g4 17.♖d2 h5 18.♗c3 ♖b8N

[RR 18...h4 19.h3 ♖g6 20.♖f1 ♖h5

21.♗e2 ♖f5 22.♗f4 ♖h7 23.♖e1

♙g8 24.♖a5 c6 25.♖a4 ♖c8

26.♗xe6 fxe6 27.♖xa6 ♖ff8 28.♖e2

♖a8 29.a3 ♖g6 30.♖g4 ♖xg4

31.hxg4 ♙h7 32.♙h2 ♖f7 33.♙h3

Brkic,A (2606)-Pavlidis,A (2566)

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19.b3 h4 20.h3 ♖g6 21.♗e2 ♖e4

22.♗f4 ♙f5 23.♗d3 ♙g8 24.♖e1 ♙e6

25.♖c3 ♖g6?! Inaccuracy. Rh5 was

best.

[25...♖h5 26.♙d2 ♖h7 27.♖c6 ♖f5

28.♔xa6 ♔g6 29.♘f4 ♖xf4 30.♙xf4
 ♚xc2 31.♚a5]
26.♘f4 ♚f5 27.♖f1 ♚e4?! Inaccuracy.
 Re8 was best.
 [27...♗e8]
28.♘xe6 fxe6 29.♖f4 ♔g6 30.♚xc7
♖f8 31.♗g4 ♚f7 32.♚c6 a5 33.♙g5?!
 Inaccuracy. c4 was best.
 [33.c4 dxc4 34.bxc4 ♖h5 35.♔h2
 ♚e8 36.♚d6 ♖hf5 37.c5 ♚c8 38.c6
 ♖5f7]
33...♖h7? Mistake. Rh5 was best.
 [33...♖h5]
34.c4 ♚e8?! Inaccuracy. Rh5 was best.
 [34...♖h5 35.♙f6 ♖h7 36.cxd5 exd5
 37.♙g5 ♗e8 38.♚c5 ♖h5 39.♙f6 ♖h7
 40.♚xa5]
35.♚d6 dxc4 36.bxc4 ♔h8?!
 Inaccuracy. Rh5 was best.
 [36...♖h5 37.c5 ♔h7 38.c6 ♖xg5
 39.♖xg5 ♚f7 40.♗g4 g5 41.♔h2 ♖c8
 42.♚c5]
37.d5 exd5 38.cxd5 ♖h5 39.e6 ♔h7
40.e7 ♗g8 41.♚e6 ♚b5 42.a4 ♚b8??
 Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qb1+
 was best.
 [42...♚b1+ 43.♔h2 ♔g6 44.♚e5
 ♚e8 45.d6 ♚d7 46.♚e4+ g6 47.♚e5
 ♖xg5 48.♖xg5]
43.♙f4
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□ **Nihal Sarin** **2680**
 ■ **Mchedlishvili, Mikheil** **2567**
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1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
♘f6 5.0-0 ♘xe4 6.d4 b5 7.♙b3 d5
8.dxe5 ♙e6 9.♚e2 ♘c5 10.♖d1 ♘xb3
11.axb3 ♙e7 12.h3N
 [RR 12.c4 0-0 13.♘c3 ♘b4 14.♘d4
 c6 15.♘xc6 ♚e8? (15...♘xc6=
 16.cxd5 ♚d7) 16.♘xe7+ ♚xe7
 17.cxd5 ♙f5 18.d6 ♚e6 19.♙f4 ♚xb3

20.g4 ♙e6 21.♘e4 ♖ac8? (21...♚c4
 was worth a try. 22.♚xc4 bxc4)
 22.♖ac1? (22.d7+- ♖c2 23.♚e3
 ♚xe3 24.♙xe3) 22...♖c4?
 (22...♖xc1? stays on course. 23.♖xc1
 ♘d3 Double Attack) 23.♘c5! ♖xc5
 24.♖xc5 ♖d8 25.♖c7 ♘d5 26.♙g5
 f6? Guliev,L (2257)-Filippova,M (2026)
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 (26...♘xc7 is a better defense. 27.♖d3
 ♚b4)]
12...0-0 13.♙e3 f6 14.exf6 ♙xf6
15.♘c3 ♙f7 16.♚d2 ♘e5 17.♘xe5
♙xe5 18.b4 c6 19.♙d4 ♙c7 20.♘e2
♙g6 21.♚c3 ♚d7 22.♗e1 ♖f7 23.♘g3
h5 24.♗e3 ♙f4 25.♗e2 h4 26.♘f1 ♙c7
 [26...♖ff8±]
27.♘d2
 [27.♖ae1±]
27...♙h5± 28.♗ee1 ♙d6 29.♘b3 ♖f3
30.♗e3
 [30.gxf3? ♚xh3 31.♘d2 ♙h2+
 32.♔h1 ♙f4+ 33.♔g1 c5!-+]
30...♖xe3 31.♙xe3 ♙g6
 [31...♙c7±]
32.♘c5?! Inaccuracy. Bg5 was best.
 [32.♙g5]
 [32.♙g5!±]
32...♚f5 33.♘d3 ♚d7 34.♘e5 ♚e8
35.♙d4 ♙xc2?! Inaccuracy. Be4 was
 best.
 [35...♙e4! 36.f3 ♙xc2! 37.♗e1 ♙f5!
 38.♘xc6 ♚d7 39.♘e5 ♚c7 40.♚b3
 ♗e8 41.♙c3]
 [35...♙e4!±]
36.♗e1? Mistake. Qxc2 was best.
 [36.♚xc2]
 [Of course not 36.♚xc6?! ♚xc6
 37.♘xc6 ♔f7=]
 [Don't play 36.♘xc6?! ♖c8=]
 [Better is 36.♚xc2± ♙xe5 37.♗e1
 ♙h2+ Discovered Attack 38.♔f1]
36...♙e4 next ...a5! is good for Black.
37.f3 a5 38.bxa5
 [Not 38.fxe4 ♙xb4 39.♚e3 ♙xe1?]
38...c5!↑ White is under pressure.

39.♙xc5 ♘xe5 40.♙d4?? Blunder. Qd2 was best.

[40.♙d2! ♘g3 41.♙f2! ♙xf2+ 42.♙xf2 ♖xa5 43.♙d4 ♖a8 44.fxe4 ♖a1 45.♖xa1 ♙xa1+]
[40.♙d2!=]

40...♖c8+ 41.♙xe5?! Inaccuracy. Qe3 was best.

[41.♙e3 [#] ♘g3! 42.♖a1 ♙f5 43.♙g5 ♙e5 44.♙e3 ♙f6 45.♙xe8+ ♖xe8 46.♙xf6 gxf6]

41...♖xc3 42.♙xc3 [#] 42...b4! Blunder. Qc8 was best. **43.♙d4**

[43.♙xb4 ♙b5]

43...♙b5 And now ...Qc4 would win.

44.fxe4 ♙xa5 Endgame KQ-KRB

45.e5?! Inaccuracy. exd5 was best.

[45.exd5 ♙xd5 46.♙e5 ♙d3 47.♙f2 ♙f5+ 48.♙g1 ♙c2 49.♙h2 ♙d3 50.♙g1 ♙h7]

[45.exd5 ♙xd5 46.♙e5]

45...b3? Mistake. Qc7 was best.

[45...♙c7]

[Black should try 45...♙c7+ 46.e6 ♙f8]

46.♖d1= The position is equal. **46...♙f7** White must now prevent ...Qb5. **47.♙c3 ♙a7+**

48.♙h2 ♙e6 Hoping for ...Qe3.

49.♖d4 g5 50.♖g4 ♙e3 aiming for ...

Qf2. **51.♙d4 ♙d2** Strongly threatening ...

Qc1. **52.♙c3 ♙e3** ...Qd3 is the strong

threat. **53.♙d4** Accuracy: White = 64%,

Black = 62%.

. Loss on time!?

1-0

C83

□ **Maurizzi,Marc`Andria**

2617

■ **Dronavalli,Harika**

2503

Sharjah Master 2024

15.05.2024

1.e4 Stockfish 16.1 **1...e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6**

3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 ♗f6 5.0-0 ♗xe4 6.d4

b5 7.♙b3 d5 8.dxe5 ♙e6 9.c3 ♙e7

10.♙c2 ♙g4 11.♙e1 ♗c5 12.♗bd2

♗e6 13.♗b3N Inaccuracy. Qe2 was best.

[13.♙e2 0-0 (RR 13...0-0 14.♖e1 ♙d7 15.♙d3 g6 16.♙f1 f6 17.h3 ♙xh3 18.gxh3 fxe5 19.♗xe5 ♗xe5 20.♖xe5 ♗f4 21.♖e3 ♙c5 22.♖f3 ♙e7 23.♙h1 ♗e2 24.♙d1 ♗xc1 25.♖xc1 ♙g5 26.♗b3 ♙d6 27.♙g2 ♙e5) 14.♖e1 f6 15.♙d3 g6 16.exf6 ♙xf6 17.♙e3 ♙d7 18.h3 d4]

[RR 13.♙h1 ♙h5 14.♗b3 (RR 14.♗g1 ♙g6 15.♙b1 ♗f4 16.♙e3 ♙g5 17.♗df3 ♙h6 18.♙c5 ♗e7 19.♙xf4 ♙xf4 20.a4 ♖b8 21.b4 f6 22.axb5 axb5 23.♖e1 ♙xb1 24.♖axb1 ♙f7 25.g3 ♙xe5 26.♗xe5+ fxe5 27.♖xe5 ♖e8 28.♗f3 h6)

14...♙xf3 15.gxf3 ♙g5 16.♖g1 ♙xc1 17.♗xc1 ♙h4 18.♖g4 ♙h5 19.♗d3

0-0 20.♙e2 f5 21.exf6 ♖xf6 22.f4 ♖h6 23.f3 ♖f8 24.♙f2 ♖ff6 25.♖e1

♙f7 26.♙g3 ♖h5 27.a4 ♖fh6

Firouzja,A (2760)-Praggnanandhaa R (2747) Toronto, Canada 2024 [Stockfish 16.1] ½-½ (39)]

[RR 13.♙e2 ♙d7 14.♖e1 ♗f4 15.♙e3 ♗g6 16.h3 ♙f5 17.♙xf5

♙xf5 18.♗d4 ♗xd4 19.cxd4 0-0 20.♗f3 ♖ac8 21.♙b3 c5 22.dxc5

♙xc5 23.♙e3 ♙xe3 24.♙xe3 ♖fe8 25.♖ad1 ♖cd8 26.♙d3 ♙xd3 27.♖xd3

♗f4] [RR 13.♙e2 ♙h5 14.♖d1 0-0 15.a4 ♙d7 16.♗f1 ♗a5 17.♗g3 ♙g6

18.♗d4 ♙xc2 19.♙xc2 ♗c6 20.♗df5 ♖ad8 21.♙e2 ♙h8 22.axb5 axb5

23.♙xb5 ♗xe5 24.♙xd7 ♖xd7 25.♗xe7 ♖xe7 26.♖xd5 ♗c4 27.b3

♗b6 Ter-Sahakyan,S (2650)-Panesar Vedant (2462) Dubai Police Officers

Club, A 2024 1-0 (44)]

[RR 13.h3 ♙h5

A) RR 14.♗h2 ♙g6

A1) RR 15.♙b1 ♗c5 (RR 15...♙g5 16.g3 d4 17.f4 dxc3

18.♗e4 ♙h6 19.bxc3 ♙xe4

20.♔xe4 ♖d7 21.f5 ♘c5
22.♔xh6 gxh6 23.♖d1) 16.f4
♔xb1 17.♖xb1 ♘d3 18.♖g3
♘xc1 19.♖bxc1 0-0 20.♘b3 f5
21.♘f3 ♖d7 22.♖f2 ♘d8
23.♖fd1 ♘e6 24.♘fd4 ♖ad8
25.♘xe6 ♖xe6 26.♔h2 ♔h8
27.♘d4 ♖h6;

A2) 15.♔xg6 fxg6 16.♘df3 (RR
16.♘b3 g5 17.♖e2 0-0 18.♖g4
♖d7 19.♘f3 ♖ae8 20.♖e1 ♔d8
21.♘g5 ♔xg5 22.♔xg5 ♖f7
23.f3 h5 24.♖g3 ♖g6 25.h4
♘e7 26.♘d4 ♘f5 27.♘xf5
♖xf5) 16...0-0 17.♔e3 ♖f5 18.g4
♖f7 19.♖d2 ♖d7 20.♖ad1 ♖af8
21.♖xd5 ♖xd5 22.♖xd5 ♖xf3
23.♘xf3 ♖xf3 24.♔g2 ♖f7 25.f3
g5 26.♔g3 ♖f8 27.b4 ♔f7;

B) 14.♔f5 0-0 15.♘h2 ♔g6
16.♔xg6 hxg6 17.♘b3 ♖d7
18.♘f3 g5 19.♔e3 g6 20.♖d1
♖ad8 21.♖d2 ♔g7 22.♖fe1 ♖h8
23.♘g5 ♘g5 24.♔xg5 ♖h5
25.♔xe7 ♖xe7 26.f4 g5 27.♘d4
♘xd4]

[RR 13.♔h1 ♔h5 14.♘b3 ♔xf3
15.gxf3 ♔g5 16.♖g1 ♔xc1 17.♘xc1
♖h4 18.♖g4 ♖h5 19.♘d3 0-0
20.♖e2 f5 21.exf6 ♖xf6 22.f4 ♖h6
23.f3 ♖f8 24.♖f2 ♖ff6 25.♖e1 ♖f7
26.♖g3 ♖h5 27.a4 ♖fh6 Firouzja,A
(2760)-Praggnanandhaa,R (2747)
Toronto CAN 2024 ½-½ (39)]

13...♔xf3 14.gxf3 ♔g5 15.♔h1 ♔xc1
16.♘xc1 ♖h4 17.♘d3 ♖d8 18.♖g1
♘e7 19.♖g4 ♖h5 20.♖e2 c5 21.b4 c4
22.♘c5 ♘xc5? Mistake. g6 was best.

[22...g6 23.♖e3 0-0 24.♖ag1 ♔g7
25.♔b1 ♘f5 26.♔xf5 ♖xf5 27.♔g2
♖de8 28.♘b7]

23.bxc5 ♖h6 24.♖ag1 g6 25.f4 ♖f8
26.a4?? Blunder. f5 was best.

[26.f5]

26...♘c6? Mistake. d4 was best.

[26...d4 27.cxd4]

27.axb5 axb5 28.f5 d4?? Blunder. Kd7
was best.

[28...♔d7]

29.e6 d3?! Inaccuracy. Qxc5 was best.

[29...♖xc5 30.exf7+]

30.exf7+ ♔d7 31.♔xd3 cxd3

32.♖xd3+ ♔c7 33.♖xb5 ♖b8 34.♖c4
♖e7 35.♖e4 ♖d7 36.♖e6 ♖bd8

37.♖f4+ ♔c8 38.♖e4 ♘b8 39.c6 ♖xf7

40.♖b1 gxf5?? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Rhf8 was best.

[40...♖hf8 41.f6 h5 42.♖b7 h4
43.♖xf7 ♖xf7 44.♖e8 ♖xf6 45.c7
♔xc7 46.♖e7+]

41.♖e5 ♖c7?? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Qa7 was best.

[41...♖a7 42.♖xf5 ♖hg8 43.♖h6+
♘d7 44.cxd7+ ♖xd7 45.♖c6+ ♔d8
46.♖f6+ ♖e7 47.♖d1+]

42.♖xf5 ♘d7? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Rd7 was best.

[42...♖d7 43.cxd7+ ♖xd7 44.♖c5+
♖c7 45.♖b5 ♔d8 46.♖d5+ ♔c8
47.♖eb6 h6 48.♖b5]

43.cxd7+ ♖xd7 44.♖eb6 ♖hd8 45.♖6b5
♖c6+?! Checkmate is now unavoidable.
Qxc3 was best.

[45...♖xc3 46.♖c5+]

46.f3 ♔c7?? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Qc7 was best.

[46...♖c7 47.♖c5 ♖xc5 48.♖xc5+
♖c7 49.♖f5+ ♖dd7 50.♖e6 h5
51.♖d1 ♔b8 52.♖xd7]

47.♖e5+ ♖d6 48.♖c5

1-0

C84

☐ Can,Emre

2549

■ Sindarov,Javokhir

2684

Sharjah Master 2024 (2.19)

15.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♔b5 a6 4.♔a4
♘f6 5.0-0 ♔e7 6.d3 b5 7.♔b3 d6 8.c3
0-0 9.h3 h6N 10.♖e1 ♖e8

[RR 10...♔b7 11.a4 ♘a5 12.♔a2 c5

13.♘a3 ♔d7 14.axb5 axb5 15.♙e3
 ♜fc8 16.b4 cxb4 17.cxb4 ♘c6
 18.♚b3 d5 19.♘c2 (19.♙d2=)
 19...♙a4 20.♙d2 ♜d8 (20...♙d6!≠
 21.exd5 ♘e7) 21.♚b2 ♜da8 22.♙c3
 d4 23.♙d2 ♙d6 24.♙b3 ♜xa1
 25.♜xa1 Deac,B (2690)-Smirnov,P
 (2530) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (63)]

11.a4 White wants to play axb5. 11...♜b8
 12.axb5

[12.♙c2 is more complex. ♙d7
 13.♘bd2 ♙f8 14.♘f1 b4 15.♘g3]

12...axb5 The position is equal. 13.d4
 aiming for d5. 13...exd4?! Inaccuracy.
 Bf8 was best.

[13...♙f8]

[13...♙f8 keeps more tension. 14.d5
 ♘e7 15.♘h2 c6 16.♘g4 ♙xg4
 17.hxg4 cxd5 18.exd5 ♚d7]

14.cxd4 d5 15.exd5?! Inaccuracy. e5
 was best.

[15.e5 ♘e4]

[White should play 15.e5± ♘h7
 16.♙d2]

15...♘xd5= 16.♘c3 ♘xc3! 17.bxc3
 ♙d6 18.♜xe8+ ♚xe8 19.♚d3
 Bxh6! is the strong threat. 19...♘e7!
 20.♘e5 ♙xe5 21.dxe5 ♙e6 22.♙xe6
 fxe6 23.♙a6 ♚c8 24.♙a1 ♚e8 25.♙a6
 ♚c8 26.♙a1 c5 27.♙e3 b4 28.c4?
 Mistake. cxb4 was best.

[28.cxb4 cxb4 29.♜b1 ♘d5 30.♜b3
 h5 31.♚h2 ♚c7 32.♚e4 ♜c8 33.♙d2
 ♚c4]

[28.cxb4= remains equal. cxb4
 29.♜b1]

28...♘f5!≠ 29.♜b1 ♚c6 30.f3 ♘xe3
 31.♚xe3+ Endgame KQR-KQR
 31...♜d8 32.♙a1? Mistake. Kh2 was
 best.

[32.♚h2 ♚c7]

[32.♚h2≠]

32...♜d4 33.♚e2 ♚b6 34.♜b1?
 Mistake. Ra8+ was best.

[34.♙a8+ ♜d8 35.♙a2 ♚b7 36.♙a5
 ♚d7 37.♚e4 [#] ♜b8! 38.♙a2 b3

39.♜b2 ♚d1+]

[34.♙a8+ might work better. ♜d8
 35.♙a2]

34...♚a6 35.♜c1 ♚a3 36.♚e1?!
 Inaccuracy. Rc2 was best.

[36.♜c2 ♚a1+ 37.♚h2 ♚b1 38.♙a2
 ♚f5 39.♚g1 b3 40.♜b2 [#] ♜d3!
 41.♚f1 ♜c3]

36...♚d3 Black is clearly winning. 37.♙a1
 ♜xc4 38.♜d1 ♚g6 39.♚e3 ♚h7 40.h4
 ♜c3 41.♚f4 ♜c2 42.g4 Hoping for h5.
 42...♙a2 Accuracy: White = 40%, Black =
 74%.

0-1

C84

□ Gurel,Ediz

2578

■ Esipenko,Andrey

2703

Sharjah Master 2024 (1.8)

14.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4
 ♘f6 5.0-0 ♙e7 6.d3 b5 7.♙b3 d6 8.a3
 0-0 9.♘c3 ♜b8 10.♙e3 h6 11.h3 ♜e8
 12.♘h2N

[RR 12.♘d5 ♙f8 13.♜e1 ♘xd5
 14.♙xd5 ♘e7 15.♙a2 ♘g6 16.b4
 ♚f6 17.c3 ♙e6 18.a4 c5 19.♙xe6
 ♚xe6 20.axb5 axb5 21.♙a6 ♙a8
 22.♚a1 ♜xa6 23.♚xa6 cxb4 24.cxb4
 ♚d7 25.♜c1 d5 26.♚c6 ♚xc6
 Kramnik,V (2753)-Esipenko,A (2704)
 Rostov-on-Don RUS 2024 1/2-1/2 (40)]

12...♙f8 13.f4 exf4 14.♙xf4 ♙e6
 15.♙xe6 ♜xe6 16.♙g3 ♘e5 17.♘f3 c5
 18.♙h4 ♘g6 19.♙xf6 ♜xf6 20.♘d5
 ♜e6 21.♚d2 ♘e7 22.♘f4 ♜f6 23.♘h5
 ♜e6 24.♘f4 ♜f6 25.♙ae1 ♜b7 26.♘h2
 [#] aiming for Ng4. 26...♘g6 The position
 is equal. 27.♘d5 ♜xf1+ 28.♘xf1 ♘e7
 29.♘fe3 ♘xd5 30.♘xd5 g6 31.♜f1
 ♙g7 32.c3↑ White fights for an
 advantage. 32...a5 33.♚h1 ♚g5 34.♚f2
 ♚e5 35.♚h4 [#] Strongly threatening
 Qd8+. 35...♚g5 36.♚f2 ♚e5 37.♚h4
 Hoping for Qd8+. 37...♚g5 Accuracy:

White = 92%, Black = 90%.
1/2-1/2

Suleymanli,Aydin **C84**

Sindarov,Javokhir **2621**
2684
 Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 ♘f6 5.0-0 ♙e7 6.d3 b5 7.♙b3 d6 8.a3 0-0 9.♘c3 ♘a5 10.♙a2 c5 11.b4 ♘c6

White has an edge. **12.♘d5 a5N**

[RR 12...♖b8 13.c3 ♙e6 14.♙e3 ♘d7 15.♚d2 ♔h8 16.d4 ♙g4 17.dxc5 dxc5 18.♘xe7 ♚xe7 19.♙d5 ♚f6 20.♘e1 ♖fc8 (20...♖bc8± was worth a try.) 21.f4 ♙e6 22.♘d3 c4 23.♘xe5 ♘dxe5 24.fxe5 ♚g6 25.a4 ♖d8 26.axb5 axb5 27.♖a6 Babazada,K (2474)-Suleymanli,A (2607) Baku AZE 2024 1-0 (32)]

[RR 12...♙e6 13.♙d2 h6 14.c3 ♖e8 15.h3 ♙f8 16.♖c1 a5 17.a4 axb4 18.♘xf6+ ♚xf6 19.♙xe6 ♚xe6 20.axb5 bxc3 21.♙xc3 ♘d4 22.♙xd4! exd4 23.♘d2 ♖eb8 24.♖b1 f5! 25.♖e1 fxe4 26.♘xe4 ♚f7 27.♖e2 Amar,E (2555)-Urkedal,F (2525) Bergen NOR 2024 1/2-1/2 (52) (27.♘d2=)]

13.c4 ♘xd5 14.exd5 ♘d4 15.♘xd4 cxd4 16.cxb5 a4 17.♙d2 ♙d7 18.♖c1 ♙xb5 19.♙c4 ♙d7 20.♖b1

[20.f4±]

20...♚b8?! Inaccuracy. f5 was best.

[20...f5 21.b5 f4 22.f3 ♚b6 23.♖b4 ♖fb8 24.♖xa4 ♖xa4 25.♚xa4 ♙xb5 26.♙xb5]

[20...f5= remains equal.]

21.b5 ♙d8?! Inaccuracy. f5 was best.

[21...f5 22.b6 ♙d8 23.♖b2 f4 24.♚f3 ♖f7 25.♖fb1 ♙e8 26.♙b5 ♙xb5 27.♖xb5]

[Black should try 21...f5]

22.f4± exf4 23.♙xf4

[Much less strong is 23.♖xf4?! ♙e8±]

23...♙b6

[23...♙e8± was necessary. 24.♖e1 ♙b6]

24.♖b4?! Inaccuracy. Qf3 was best.

[24.♚f3 ♙e8 25.♙h6 gxh6 26.♚xf7+ ♔h8 27.♚xd7 ♚d8 28.♚f7 ♖b8 29.g3 ♙c5]

[24.♚e1+-]

24...♙a5 25.♚xa4

[Don't play 25.♖xa4?! ♙xb5 26.♙xb5 ♚xb5=]

25...g5 [#] 26.♙c1!

[Worse is 26.♙xg5 ♙d8±]

26...f5 27.♖b1

[27.♙xg5? ♙d8±]

27...f4 28.♚d1 ♚e8 29.b6 ♖b8 30.b7

♖f7?! Inaccuracy. h6 was best.

[30...h6 31.♙a6 ♖f7 32.♚h5 ♔g7 33.h4 ♚e5 [#] 34.♖b2! ♙c3 35.♙e2 ♚f5 36.hxg5]

[30...♙c3± is a better defense. 31.h4 h6]

31.♚h5+- ♚e5 32.♖b2?! Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[32.h4 h6 33.♚xh6 ♙d8 34.♙d2 ♖h7 35.♚g6+ ♖g7 36.♚e4 ♚xe4 37.dxe4 ♙a4]

32...♖e7? Mistake. Qg7 was best.

[32...♚g7 33.h4 h6 34.♙a6 ♙e8 35.♙e2 ♖f8 36.♚f3 ♙d7 37.♙e6 ♙xe6 38.dxe6]

[32...♚g7 was called for. 33.♖ff2 ♖e7]

33.h4 ♙c3?! Inaccuracy. Be8 was best.

[33...♙e8 34.♚xg5+ ♚xg5 35.hxg5 ♖exb7 36.♖xb7 ♖xb7 37.♙xf4 ♖b6 38.♔h2 ♔g7 39.♔h3]

34.♖b6 ♖g7?! Inaccuracy. Be8 was best.

[34...♙e8 35.♚xg5+ ♚xg5 36.hxg5 ♖bxb7 37.♖xd6 f3 38.♙e6 ♔g7 39.♖xf3 ♖xe6 40.dxe6]

35.hxg5 ♖xg5 White is clearly winning.

36.♚f3 ♖g3 37.♚xf4 ♚g7? Mistake. Bh3 was best.

[37...♙h3 38.♚xe5 ♖xg2+ 39.♔h1

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dx e5 40. ♖h6 ♔g7 41. ♖xh3 ♖g6
42. ♖h5 ♖xb7 43. ♖xe5]
38. ♖xd6 ♖xg2+ 39. ♕h1 Accuracy:
White = 82%, Black = 53%.
1-0

♠ Adhiban, B. C84 2520
♣ Sanal, Vahap 2566
Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♗b5 a6 4. ♗a4
♘f6 5. ♘c3 ♗e7 6. 0-0 b5 7. ♗b3 0-0
8.a4 ♖b8 9.axb5 axb5 10.d3 d6
11. ♘d5 ♘xd5 12.exd5 ♘d4 13. ♘xd4
1/2-1/2

♠ Petrosyan, Manuel C84 2616
♣ Artemiev, Vladislav 2705
Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♗b5 a6 4. ♗a4
♘f6 5. 0-0 ♗e7 6.d3 b5 7. ♗b3 0-0
8.a4 b4

[RR 8... ♖b8 9.axb5 axb5 10. ♘c3 d6
11.h3 h6 12. ♗e3 ♖e8 13. ♖d2 ♗e6
14. ♗xe6 fxe6 15. ♘e2 ♖c8 16. ♘g3
♘d8 17. ♗xh6 gxh6 18. ♖xh6 ♘f7
19. ♖g6+ ♕f8 20. ♘h2 ♖a8 21. ♖ae1
♗d8 22. ♖e3 ♘h8 23. ♖h6+
Giri, A (2762)-Artemiev, V (2711)
Shenzhen CHN 2024 1-0]

9.a5 d6 10. ♘bd2 ♗e6
[RR 10... ♗g4 11.c3 ♖b8 12. ♗c2
bxc3 13.bxc3 d5 14.h3 ♗h5 15. ♖e1
d4 16. ♗a4 dxc3 17. ♗xc6 cxd2
18. ♗xd2 ♖xd3 19.g4 ♘xg4 20.hxg4
♗xg4 21. ♘xe5 ♗xd1 22. ♘xd3 ♗c2
23. ♘f4 ♗f6 24.e5 ♗g5 25. ♗e3
Narva, M (2399)-Ismayil, M (2200) FIDE
Online Arena INT 2024 1-0]

11. ♗xe6N
[RR 11. ♘c4 h6 12.h3 ♖c8 13. ♗e3

♖b7 14. ♖e2 ♖ad8 15. ♘fd2 d5
16.exd5 ♘xd5 17. ♗a4 ♘d4 18. ♖d1
♘f4 19. ♗xf4 exf4 20. ♖e1 ♗c5
21. ♘e5 ♗a7 22.c3 ♘b5 23.c4 ♘d4
24. ♘b3 ♖d6 25. ♖c1 ♘xb3
Pandey, S (2195)-Tejaswini, S (1965)
Budapest HUN 2023 1/2-1/2 (50)]

11... fxe6 12. ♖e1 ♖b8 13.c3 ♖b5 14.d4
bxc3 15.bxc3 exd4 16.cxd4 ♖d7
17. ♘c4 ♖b4 18. ♖c2 ♘g4 19. ♖e2?!
Inaccuracy. Bd2 was best.

[19. ♗d2 ♖bb8 20. ♖ab1 ♖xb1
21. ♖xb1 d5 22. ♘e3 dx e4 23. ♖xe4
♘xe3 24.fxe3 ♖d5]

19... d5 20. ♘cd2 ♖b5 21.exd5 exd5
22. ♗a3 ♗xa3 23. ♖xa3 ♖d6 24. ♖e6+
♖xe6 25. ♖xe6 ♖f6 26. ♖e8+ ♖f8
27. ♖e6 ♖f6 28. ♖e8+ ♖f8 29. ♖e6 ♖f6
1/2-1/2

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1.e4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/SbaqXI4o> 1...e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♗b5 a6
4. ♗a4 ♘f6 5. 0-0 ♗e7 6.d3 b5 7. ♗b3
d6 8. ♗d2 ♗g4 9.c3 ♘a5 10. ♗c2 c5
11. ♗c1N

[RR 11.h3 ♗h5 12. ♗e3 0-0 13. ♖e1
d5 14. ♘bd2 d4 15.cxd4 cxd4
16. ♗g5 ♘d7 17. ♗xe7 ♖xe7 18. ♘f1
♖fc8 19.g4 ♗g6 20. ♖d2 b4 21. ♖ec1
♖ab8 22. ♗d1 ♘c5 23. ♘g3 ♘c6
24. ♖c4 a5 25. ♖ac1 ♘a7 Sliwicka, A
(2315)-Fataliyeva, U (2377) lichess.org
2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/SbaqXI4o] 0-1 (49)]

[RR 11. ♗e3 0-0 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4
♘c4 14. ♗c1 cxd4 15. ♖xd4 ♗xf3
16.gxf3 ♖c8 17. ♕g2 ♘e5 18. ♘c3
♘g6 19. ♗d1 b4 20. ♘d5 ♘xd5
21. ♖xd5 ♗f6 22.f4 ♗xb2 23.f5 ♗xa1
24.fxg6 ♖xc1 25. ♗b3 ♖c3

Mompel Ferruz,X (2315)-Valenzuela Gomez,F (2321) Barcelona ESP 2024 0-1 (34)]

[RR 11.h3 ♗h5 12.♗e3 0-0 13.♖e1 d5 14.♗bd2 d4 15.cxd4 cxd4 16.♗g5 ♗d7 17.♗xe7 ♖xe7 18.♗f1 ♖fc8 19.g4 ♗g6 20.♖d2 b4 21.♖ec1 ♖ab8 22.♗d1 ♗c5 23.♗g3 ♗c6 24.♖c4 a5 25.♖ac1 ♗a7 Sliwicka,A (2315)-Fataliyeva,U (2377) Rhodes GRE 2024 0-1 (49)]

11...0-0 12.♗bd2 ♖c7 13.h3 ♗d7 14.♖e1 ♗c6 15.♗f1 d5 16.♗e3 d4 17.♗d5 ♖d6 18.♗g5 ♗d8 19.♗b3 ♖b8 20.♖c1 h6 21.♗h4 dxc3 22.bxc3 ♗h5 23.d4 c4 24.♗xe5 ♗xe5 25.♖xh5 ♗xh4 26.dxe5 ♗xf2+ 27.♗xf2 ♖c5+ 28.♖e3 cxb3 29.♗f6+ gxf6 30.♖xh6 fxe5 31.♖g5+ ♗h7 32.♖h5+ ♗g7 33.♖g5+ ♗h7 34.♖h5+ 1/2-1/2

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♗b5 a6 4.♗a4 ♗f6 5.0-0 ♗e7 6.♖e1 d6 7.c3 ♗g4 8.d3 ♗d7 9.♗e3 h6 10.♗bd2 ♗g5 11.♗xc6N White is slightly better.

[RR 11.♗f1 ♖f6 12.♗g3 ♗xf3 13.♖xf3 ♖xf3 14.gxf3 g6 15.♗e2 0-0-0 16.d4 ♗xe3 17.fxe3 ♗b6 18.♗xc6 bxc6 19.♗f2 ♗d7 20.♖ad1 ♗e6 21.♗c1 f6 22.♗d3 a5 23.b3 ♗d7 24.c4 ♗e7 (Black should try 24...c5=) 25.c5 dxc5 Nanjo,R (2346)-Panjwani,R (2468) Cappelle la Grande FRA 2024 1-0 (65)]

11...bxc6 12.d4 c5 13.♗xg5 hxg5 14.h3 ♗xf3 15.♗xf3 ♖f6 16.♖a4 g4 17.hxg4 ♖h6 18.♗f1 ♖b8 19.b3 ♖f4 [19...exd4± 20.cxd4 cxd4] 20.dxe5+- dxe5

[Δ20...♖b6 21.g5 ♖g4]

21.g5 ♖b6 22.♗e2

[Better is 22.♖ad1+- ♖h1+ 23.♗e2 ♖xe1+ 24.♖xe1 (24.♗xe1 ♖d6±)]

22...♖d6?! Inaccuracy. Qg4 was best.

[22...♖g4 23.♖ad1 ♗e7 24.♖d3 ♖d6 25.♖xd6 cxd6 26.♖c6 ♖b8 [#] (26...♖xg2± 27.♖d1 ♖g4 28.♖xd6+ ♗e8) 27.♖h1! ♖b6 28.♖d5]

[22...♖g4± was worth a try.]

23.♖h1? Mistake. Rad1 was best.

[23.♖ad1 ♗e7 24.♖xd6 cxd6 25.g3 ♖g4 26.♖c6 ♗b8 27.♖d5 ♖c8 28.♖d1 ♖e6]

[23.♖ad1+-]

23...♖xh1!± 24.♖xh1 ♖g4 25.g3

[25.g6±]

25...♖d3!↑ [#] Double Attack. Black has good play.The position is equal. 26.♖h8+ ♗e7 27.♗xd3 ♖xf3+ Endgame Double Attack. KQR-KQN 28.♗c2 ♖xf2+ 29.♗b1 ♖e1+ 30.♗b2 Black must now prevent Rh2. 30...♖d2+ Double Attack 31.♗b1 ♖d1+ 32.♗b2 Rh2 is the strong threat. 32...♖d2+ Double Attack 33.♗b1

Accuracy: White = 67%, Black = 66%. 1/2-1/2

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1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♗b5 a6 4.♗a4 ♗f6 5.0-0 ♗e7 6.♖e1 b5 7.♗b3 0-0 8.h3 ♗a5 9.♗xe5 ♗xb3 10.axb3 ♗b7 11.d3 d5 12.exd5 ♖xd5 13.♖f3 ♗d6 14.♗f1N

[RR 14.♖xd5 ♗xd5 15.♗c3 ♗b4 16.♖e2 ♗xc2 17.♖xc2 ♗xe5 18.♗e3 ♖fd8 19.♖d1 h6 20.d4 ♗f6 21.♗e2 ♖ac8 22.♖dc1 ♗d5 23.♖xc7 ♖xc7 24.♖xc7 ♗xb3 25.♖a7 ♗c4 26.♗f1 ♗xd4 27.♗xd4 ♖xd4 28.♗e1 ♖e4 Grot,B (2102)-Lopusiewicz,P (2301)

chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (37)]

14...f8 15.xd5 xd5 16.d2 c5
17.f3 d8 18.e2 ac8 19.c3 b4
20.e1 f8 21.e4 c6 22.f3 f6
23.g4 d7 24.h4 f7 25.h5 h6
26.g2 f5 27.gxf5 d5 28.g3 d4
29.xd4 cxd4 30.h3 xc2 31.c1
xc1 32.xc1 c5 33.f4 d5
34.e4 c6 35.e5 xb3 36.xd4
d1 37.e3 xh5 38.f3 g8 39.f4
f7 40.e1 c2 41.a1 c6 42.e5
g6 43.g3 f3 44.f1 d5 45.fxg6+
xg6 46.f5 c6 47.a1 b4 48.e2
c2?! Inaccuracy. a5 was best.

[48...a5 49.f4 b3 50.g1 f8
51.g6 a4 52.xf8 xf8 53.g4
e8 54.g3]

49.f4 b7 50.g1 f8 51.g6 c8?!
Inaccuracy. Rc1 was best.

[51...c1]

52.f6+?! Inaccuracy. Kg3 was best.

[52.g3 a5 53.f6+ e8 54.e6
xe6 55.xe6+ d7 56.f6 e2
57.d4 e8]

52...e8 53.e6 e7?? Blunder. Bxe6
was best.

[53...xe6]

54.xh6 a5 55.c7+?? Blunder. Rh8+
was best.

[55.h8+ d7 56.h7 e8 57.g4
g2+ 58.f3 g1 59.h8+ d7
60.f2 g4]

55...d7?? Blunder. Rxc7 was best.

[55...xc7 56.xc7 xf5+ 57.g3
xd3 58.xa5 d7 59.c3 f8
60.h8 d6+ 61.f3]

56.h7 c6 57.xe7 xf5+ 58.g3
xd3 59.e6 c4 60.f4?!
Inaccuracy. Nd4+ was best.

[60.d4+ b6 61.e6+ c5 62.d6
b4 63.c6+ a4 64.xa5 xa5
65.xd3 b4]

60...e4 61.c7+ b6 62.xc4 bxc4
63.d6 b5?! Inaccuracy. c3 was best.

[63...c3 64.bxc3 b5 65.f2 c4
66.e3 a4 67.e2 d3 68.c1

xc3 69.xd3]

64.e2 a4 65.c3+ b3 66.xe4
xb2 67.f2 a4 68.e2 a3 69.d1
a2 70.e5+ b3 71.d2+ b4
72.c2 b5 73.b2 b4? Mistake.
c3+ was best.

[73...c3+]

74.c3+ c5 75.xa2 d5 76.a3
c5 77.a4 d5 78.b5 d6
79.xc4 c6 80.e4 b6 81.d5
c7 82.c5?? Lost forced checkmate
sequence. Ba5+ was best.

[82.a5+ c8 83.c6 b8 84.c5
c8 85.c3 b8 86.d7+ a7
87.e5 a6]

82...b6 83.e6 b7 84.d6 b6
85.c7 b7 86.d4 b8 87.c6
c8 88.a7 d8 89.d5 e8
90.d6 f7 91.e7 f6 92.e3 f7
93.g5 e8?? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Kf8 was best.

[93...f8 94.g6+ f7 95.e5+
e8 96.e6 f8 97.d7 g8
98.h6 h7 99.f8]

94.g6 f7 95.e5+ e8 96.e6
f8 97.f6 e8 98.f7 f8 99.d6
g8 100.f5 h7 101.g5 g8
102.g6 f8 103.g5 g8 104.e7
h8 105.f7+ g8 106.h6+
1-0

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1.e4 e5 2.f3 c6 3.b5 a6 4.a4
f6 5.0-0 e7 6.e1 b5 7.b3 d6
8.c3 0-0 9.h3 b8 10.d4 bd7
11.bd2 b7 12.c2 e8 13.f1 f8
14.g3 h6N

[RR 14...a5 15.a3 a4 16.d3 a6
17.f5 c5 18.d5 c4 19.c2 c5
20.g4 h8 21.g5 a7 22.e3 g6
23.g3! c8 24.d2 g8 25.f4

exf4 26.♔d4+? (26.♔xf4± is forced if you want to stay better. ♖ae7 27.♗f3) 26...♔g7? (26...f6♭ and life is bright. 27.♗f1 ♖g7) 27.♖xf4 (27.♔xg7+!± ♔xg7 28.♖xf4) 27...f6 28.♗f3 ♗h6! 29.g5 Kirtadze,A (1981)-Keller,P (2289) Prague CZE 2024 0-1 (60) (29.♖e2=)]
 [RR 14...a5 15.a4 b4 16.cxb4 axb4 17.b3 exd4 18.♗xd4 ♗c5 19.f3 g6 20.♔b2 ♔h6 21.♗f1 (21.♔c1= ♔g7 22.♔g5) 21...d5 22.♗b5 ♗e6 23.♗e3 c6 24.♗d4 c5 (24...♗f8♭) 25.♗b5? (25.♗xe6= and White has nothing to worry. ♔xe3+ 26.♖xe3 ♖xe6 27.♖d2) 25...d4 26.♗f1 ♗h5 27.♔c1 ♗ef4 28.♔h2 ♖h4 29.♔b1 Novik,M (2415)-Mardov,D (2473) New York USA 2024 0-1 (31)]
 [RR 14...a5 15.d5 (15.♔e3±) 15...c6 16.dxc6 ♔xc6 17.a4 bxa4 18.♔xa4 ♔xa4 19.♖xa4 ♗c5 20.♖a2 d5 21.♔g5! dxe4 22.♖xd8 ♖exd8 23.♔xf6 gxf6 24.♗xe4 ♗d3 25.♖e3? (Better is 25.♖ea1=) 25...f5! 26.♗f6+ ♔h8! 27.♖a1 ♔c5 28.♗d4 e4 29.♖g3 Kovchan,A (2469)-Bilych,O (2451) Ponte de Lima POR 2024 0-1 (87) (29.♗h5♭ is a better defense.)]
15.a4 c6 16.♔e3 ♖c7 White is better.
17.♔d3 ♖ad8 18.♖c2 d5 19.♗xe5?!
 Inaccuracy. dxe5 was best.
 [19.dxe5! dxe4 20.♗xe4 ♗d5 21.♔g5 ♔e7 22.e6! fxe6 23.♔d2 c5 24.c4 bxc4]
 [19.dxe5!± dxe4 20.♗xe4]
19...♗xe5± 20.dxe5 dxe4 21.♔xb5 ♗d5 22.♔c4 ♖xe5 23.♔d4 ♖c7 24.♗xe4 Threatening Nc5.
 [24.♖xe4? c5-+]
24...c5 25.♔e3! f5?! Inaccuracy. Kh8 was best.
 [25...♔h8]
 [25...♔h8=]
26.♗g5± hxg5 27.♔xg5 ♔e7 28.♖xf5 ♖d7 29.♖g6 ♔f8?! Inaccuracy. Bxg5

was best.
 [29...♔xg5 30.♖xg5 ♔f8 31.♖h4 ♖c6 32.♖ad1 ♖d6 33.♖h8+ ♔f7 34.♖h7 ♔f8 35.f3]
 [29...♔xg5± 30.♖xg5 ♔h7]
30.♖e5+- ♔xg5 31.♖xg5 ♗f6?!
 Inaccuracy. Re6 was best.
 [31...♖e6 32.♖h7 g6 33.♖h8+ ♔f7 34.♖h6 ♖e7 35.♖d1 ♖e1+ 36.♖xe1 ♖xe1+ 37.♔h2]
 [♠31...♖e6 32.♖h7 ♖f7]
32.♖xc5?? Blunder. Rf5 was best.
 [32.♖f5 ♖e6 33.♔xe6 ♖xe6 34.♖xc5 ♖d6 35.b4 ♖e8 36.♖g5 ♖e7 37.♖d3 ♗e4]
 [32.♖f5+- ♖e6 33.♔xe6 ♖xe6 34.♖xc5]
32...♖e7?? Blunder. Re4 was best.
 [32...♖e4 33.b4]
 [32...♖c8± 33.♖xc8 ♔xc8]
33.♖f5 White wants to mate with Rxf6+.
33...♖c6 34.♖f4! ♖de8 35.♖f1?!
 Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best.
 [35.♖d1 ♔c8 36.♖h4 ♖e1+ 37.♔h2! ♖xc4 38.♖xc4 ♖xd1 39.♖c6 ♔e6 40.♖c2 ♖dd8]
 [♠35.♖d1]
35...♖d7 36.♖h4! ♔e7 37.b4?
 Mistake. Qxg7+ was best.
 [37.♖xg7+ ♔d8 38.♖g5 ♔c8 39.f3 ♔b8 40.a5 ♖d6 41.♖g3 ♔a8 42.b4! ♖d7]
 [37.♖xg7+- ♔d8 38.♖g3]
37...♔d8± 38.b5 ♖c7 aiming for ...Be4.
39.♖g5?! Inaccuracy. bxa6 was best.
 [39.bxa6 ♔e4 40.a7! ♖xa7 41.♖g3 ♖c7! 42.♔b5 ♔c6 43.♔xc6 ♖xc6 44.♖d4 ♖xd4]
39...♔e4± Black is not keeping still
40.♔a2 ♔d3 41.♖c1 axb5 42.axb5 ♔c8 43.♖d4 ♖de7 (-> ...Re1+) 44.f4 ♖e2?! Inaccuracy. Rd8 was best.
 [44...♖d8]
45.♖xd3 And now Bd5 would win.
45...♖xa2 46.♔h2 ♖a4 47.♖f1
 [47.c4±]

47...♖c4? Mistake. Re7 was best.
 [47...♖e7 48.♖dd1 ♗b7 49.b6 ♜xc3
 50.♖c1 ♜a5 51.♜g6 ♖ae4 52.♜g3
 ♖e3 53.♖f3]
 [47...♖e7= keeps the balance.]
48.b6± ♜xb6 [#] 49.♜xg7?! Inaccuracy.
 Ra1 was best.
 [49.♖a1! ♖c7]
 [Only move: 49.♖a1!+-]
49...♜g8± 50.♜f7 ♖c7 51.♜a2 ♖cg7
52.♖f2 ♜c6? Mistake. Ra7 was best.
 [52...♖a7 53.♜c2 ♖d8 54.♖dd2 ♖xd2
 55.♖xd2 ♖d7 56.♖e2 ♖d5 57.c4 ♖a5
 58.♜d3]
 [52...♖a7± 53.♜c4+ ♖c7]
53.♖d4 ♗d7 54.♜d5? Mistake. Rb2
 was best.
 [54.♖b2]
 [54.♖e2+-]
54...♜xd5 55.♖xd5 ♜g3? Mistake. Re8
 was best.
 [55...♖e8]
 [Black should play 55...♖e8±]
56.♖fd2+- ♗b6 57.♖5d3?! Inaccuracy.
 Rd8+ was best.
 [57.♖d8+ ♗c7 58.♖xg8 ♖xg8 [#]
 59.g4! ♗c4 60.♖d3 ♗d6 61.♗g3
 ♗d7 62.g5 ♗e6]
57...♖3g7 58.g4 ♗c7 59.♖e2 ♗d7
60.♗g3 ♖h8
 [♠60...♖h7 61.♖a2 ♗c5 62.♖a7+
 ♗b7]
61.h4 ♖gh7
 [Reject 61...♗f6 62.g5+-]
62.♖h2 ♗f6 63.g5 ♗e4+ 64.♗g4 ♖g8
 Now ...Rxb4+ and Black clings on.
65.♖d4 ♗f6+ 66.♗f3 ♗d7 67.h5 ♖f7
68.♖a2 ♗e5+ 69.♗g3 ♗c6 70.♖c4
 Ra7+ is the strong threat. **70...♗b6**
71.♖b2+ ♗c7 72.♗g4 ♖d7 73.g6 ♖d1
74.f5 ♖g1+ 75.♗f4 ♖f1+ 76.♗g5 ♖g1+
77.♖g4 ♖h1 78.f6 ♗e5 If Black can
 now play ...Rh8 this consolidates a bit.
79.♖e4?! Inaccuracy. g7 was best.
 [79.g7 ♗f7+ 80.♗g6 ♗e5+ 81.♗f5
 ♗xg4 82.♗xg4 ♖g1+ 83.♗f3 ♗d7

84.f7 ♖1xg7]
79...♗f7+ 80.♗g4 Threatens to win with
 Re7+. **80...♗h6+ 81.♗g5 ♗f7+ 82.♗f4**
♖h4+ 83.♗e3 ♖h3+ 84.♗f4 ♖h4+
85.♗e3 ♖h3+ 86.♗d2 ♗d6 87.♖f4
 [Less strong is 87.♖e7+ ♗c6±]
87...♖h2+ 88.♗c1 ♖h1+ 89.♗c2 ♖h2+
90.♗b3 ♖xh5 91.♖g2 ♖b8+ 92.♖b4
 Strongly threatening Rxb8. **92...♖g8**
 intending ...Rf5. **93.f7 ♗xf7 94.gxf7**
 Endgame KRR-KRR **94...♖f8 95.♖f4**
♖h7 96.♖gf2 ♗d6 97.c4 ♗e7 98.c5
 White is clearly winning. **98...♖b8+**
99.♗c4 ♗f8 100.♖g2 Threatening mate
 with Rg8+. **100...♖xf7 101.♖xf7+ ♗xf7**
102.♖e2 Accuracy: White = 70%, Black =
 54%.
1-0

D02

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1.d4 d5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗f4 e6 4.e3 c5
5.c3 ♗c6 6.♗bd2 cxd4 7.exd4 ♗h5
8.♗e3 ♗d6 9.♗b5 ♗f4 10.0-0 0-0
11.♖e1 ♗d7 12.♗e5N
 [RR 12.♗f1 ♖b8 13.a4 a6 14.g3
 ♗g6 15.♗d3 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.h4
 e5 18.h5 ♗ge7 19.dxe5 ♗xe5
 20.♗xe5 ♗xe5 21.♗a7 ♗c6 22.♗xb8
 ♜xb8 23.♜f3 d4 24.cxd4 ♗xd4
 25.♜e4 ♗f5 26.♜xe5 ♜xe5
 Froewis, A (2133)-Navrotescu, A (2222)
 Monaco MNC 2024 1-0 (51)]
12...♗xe5 13.♗xf4 ♗c4 14.♗xd6 ♗xd6
15.♗d3 g6 16.♜g4 ♗e8 17.♜f4 ♗g7
18.♗f3 f6 19.h4 ♖f7 20.c4 dxc4
21.♗xc4 ♜b8 22.♜e4 ♗c6 23.d5 exd5
24.♗xd5 ♗xd5 25.♜xd5 ♜d8 26.♜b3
♜b6 27.♜xb6 axb6 28.a3 ♖d7
29.♖ac1 ♖e8 30.♗f1 ♗f7 31.♖xe8
♗xe8 32.♖c4 b5 33.♖c5 ♗d6 34.♗e2
♖e7+ 35.♗d3 ♖d7 36.♗c2 b4 37.a4

♘e4 38.♖c4 ♘xf2 39.♖xb4 ♘d3
40.♖e4 h6 41.♙c3 ♘c5 42.♖c4 ♘e6
43.a5 g5 44.g3 ♖d1 45.♘d4 ♘xd4
46.♖xd4 ♖c1+ 47.♙b4 ♙e6 48.♙b5
♖c6 49.♖d8 f5 50.♖h8 ♙d7 51.h5 ♖f6
52.♖h7+ ♙c8 53.♖h8+ ♙c7 54.♖h7+?

Mistake. Re8 was best.

[54.♖e8 f4 55.gxf4 gxf4 56.b4 f3
57.♖e1 ♖f4 58.♙c5 ♖f5+ 59.♙c4
♙c6]

54...♙c8? Mistake. Kb8 was best.

[54...♙b8]

55.♖h8+

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■ Madaminov,Mukhiddin

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1.♘f3 ♘f6 2.d4 d5 3.♙f4 c5 4.e3
♘c6 5.♘bd2 e6 6.c3 ♙e7 7.♘e5 ♘d7
8.h4N

[RR 8.♙d3 ♘dxe5 9.dxe5 ♙d7
10.♘f3 g5 11.♙g3 h5 12.h3 ♖b6
13.♖c2 0-0-0 14.0-0-0 ♙b8 15.h4
g4 16.♘g5 ♖hf8 17.f4 c4 18.♖he1
cxd3 19.♖xd3 ♖c8 20.♙b1 ♘a5
21.♙a1 ♙a4 22.♖b1 ♘b3+
Bharath,S (2515)-Suyarov,M (2413)
chess.com INT 2024 0-1]

[RR 8.♘xd7 ♙xd7 9.♙d3 g5 10.♙g3
h5 11.h3 h4 12.♙h2 ♖b6 13.♖b1
♖a5 14.dxc5 ♖xc5 15.e4 d4 16.0-0
e5 17.♘b3 ♖d6 18.cxd4 ♘xd4
19.♙c4 ♘xb3 20.♖xb3 0-0 21.♖fd1
♖c7 22.♖c3 ♖ac8 Grischuk,A (2732)-
Holt,C (2540) chess.com INT 2024 1-0
(64)]

[RR 8.♙d3 ♘dxe5 9.dxe5 g5 10.♙g3
h5 11.h3 ♙d7 12.♙e2 ♖b6 13.♖b1
h4 14.♙h2 ♖a5 15.a3 ♖c7 16.e4
♘xe5 17.exd5 exd5 18.♘f3 ♘xf3+
19.♙xf3 ♙d6 20.♙xd6 ♖xd6 21.♖xd5
♖e7+ 22.♖e4 ♙f5 Abdurakhmonov,M

(2405)-Suyarov,M (2405) Tashkent
UZB 2024 0-1 (52)]

8...♘dxe5 9.dxe5 f6 10.exf6 ♙xf6
11.♖h5+ g6 12.♖h6 ♖e7 13.♙g5 ♖g7
14.♖xg7 ♙xg7 15.♙d3 ♘e5 16.♙c2 b6
17.♘f3 ♘xf3+ 18.gxf3 ♙d7 19.0-0-0
♙f7 20.h5 ♙f6 21.f4 gxh5 22.♖xh5 h6
23.♙xf6 ♙xf6 24.♖dh1 ♙g7 25.♖g1+
♙f7 26.♖g6 ♖ag8 27.♖hxh6 ♖xh6
28.♖xh6 ♖g2 29.♖h7+ ♙e8 30.f3 a5
31.♖h6 ♙e7 32.♙d1 ♙b5 33.e4 ♖g1
34.exd5 exd5 35.f5 ♙d3 36.♖xb6
♙xf5 37.♙d2 ♖g2+ 38.♙e3?!

Inaccuracy. Kc1 was best.

[38.♙c1 ♙d3]

38...♙b1 39.a3 d4+ 40.cxd4 cxd4+
41.♙f4 ♖d2 42.♙a4 d3 43.♙e3 ♖e2+
44.♙d4 ♖f2 45.♖b7+ ♙d6 46.♙e3
♖e2+ 47.♙d4 ♖f2 48.♙e3 ♖e2+
49.♙d4 ♖f2 50.♙e4

1/2-1/2

□ Banusz,Tamas

D02

2623

■ Dudin,Gleb

2554

Sharjah Master 2024

20.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.g3 d5 3.♘f3 ♙f5 4.♙g2
h6 5.c4 c6 6.♘c3 e6 7.♖b3 ♖b6
8.c5 ♖xb3 9.axb3 The position is equal.
9...♘a6 10.♖a4 ♘d7N

[RR 10...♙c2 11.♙f4 ♙xb3 12.♖a3
♙c2 13.0-0 ♘h5 14.♙d2 ♙e7
(14...g5±) 15.♖c1 ♙h7 16.♖b3 b6
17.cxb6 axb6 18.♖xb6 (18.♘a4+-)
18...♘b8 (18...0-0± was necessary.)
19.♘e5 ♙d8 (19...0-0± 20.f3 ♘f6)
20.♖b7 0-0 21.♙h3 f5 22.♙f1 ♘f6
23.♘d1 ♘e4 24.♙b4 ♖e8 25.f3
Schrems,H (2032)-Kannenber,K
(2108) Rottach-Egern GER 2024 1-0
(50)]

11.h4 e5 12.b4↑ White has the initiative.
12...♙c2 13.♖xa6! bxa6 14.dxe5
Nd4 is the strong threat. 14...a5 15.b5

♙xc5 16.bxc6 ♘b6 17.♙e3 ♙xe3
18.fxe3 ♙e4 19.♙h3 0-0 20.♙f2?!

Inaccuracy. O-O was best.

[20.0-0 ♙xf3]

20...♙xf3?! Inaccuracy. f6 was best.

[20...f6!]

21.exf3 ♖ac8 22.♙xc8 ♖xc8+
 Endgame KRN-KRN **23.♖a1 ♖xc6**

24.♖xa5 [#] Double Attack 24...♗c4

25.♖xd5 ♗xb2 26.♗e2 ♗c4?

Mistake. a5 was best.

[26...a5 27.♖d8+]

[26...a5±]

27.♖d8+ ♙h7 28.f4 a5 29.♖a8 ♖b6

30.♗d4 ♖b2+ 31.♙f3 h5?! Inaccuracy.

Nd2+ was best.

[31...♗d2+ 32.♙e2 ♗e4+ 33.♙d3

♗xg3 34.♖a7 ♙g8 35.f5 ♖b8 36.e4

a4 37.♖xa4]

[♭31...♗d2+ 32.♙g4 ♗f1]

32.♖a7 ♙g8 33.e6?! Inaccuracy. Ra8+ was best.

[33.♖a8+ ♙h7 34.♙e4 ♗d2+

35.♙d3 g6 36.♙c3 ♖a2 37.♗c2 ♗f1

38.♙b3 ♖xc2]

[♭33.♖a8+ ♙h7 34.♖a7]

33...♗d2+?! Inaccuracy. fxe6 was best.

[33...fxe6 34.♗xe6 g6 35.f5 gxf5

36.♙f4 ♖b3 37.♗g7 ♖xe3 38.♗xh5

♙f8 39.♙xf5]

34.♙e2 ♗b3+?! Inaccuracy. fxe6 was best.

[34...fxe6 35.♗xe6 ♗e4+ 36.♙d3

♗f2+ 37.♙d4 g6 38.♗g5 ♖b3 39.e4

♖xg3 40.♙d5]

35.♙d3 ♗c5+ [#] 36.♙c3! ♗a4+

37.♙c4 ♗b6+ 38.♙d3 fxe6 39.♖xa5

♙f7 40.♖xh5 ♖g2 41.♖g5 ♗d5 42.f5

exf5 43.♗xf5 ♗b4+ 44.♙c4 ♗c2

45.♖xg7+ ♙f6 46.♖g5 Accuracy: White = 81%, Black = 53%.

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□ **Dudin,Gleb** **D02**

2554

■ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2688**

Sharjah Master 2024 (1.14) 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.♗f3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.g3

♙b4+ 5.♙d2 ♙e7 6.♙g2 ♗bd7 7.0-0

c6 8.♖c2 White is slightly better.White

has an edge. **8...♗e4 9.♗e1N**

[RR 9.♗c3 ♗xd2 10.♗xd2 0-0 11.e4

dxc4 12.♗xc4 ♗b6 13.♗xb6 ♖xb6

14.d5 cxd5 15.exd5 ♙f6 16.dxe6

♙xe6 17.♗d5 ½-½ (17) Juhasz,K

(2484)-Baumegger,S (2404) Austria

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[RR 9.♗c3 ♗xd2 10.♗xd2 0-0

11.♖fd1 ♖b8 12.e4 dxc4 13.♗xc4 b5

14.♗e3 c5 15.d5 ♖b6 16.a4 a6!

17.a5 ♖a7 18.♙h1 (18.b3=

remains equal.; 18.b3=) 18...c4 19.b3

♗e5 (19...♙f6 20.♖ab1 [#] b4!;

19...♙f6 20.♖ab1 b4) 20.bxc4! bxc4

(20...♙c5! 21.♗a4! ♙d7 22.♗b6

♙b5 23.♙f1 exd5 Ayush,S (2311)-

Sammed Jaykumar,S (2404) Nashik

IND 2024 1-0 (43)]

[RR 9.♙f4 g5 10.♙e3 h5 11.♗c3 f5

12.♖ad1 h4 13.♗xe4 dxe4 14.♗e5

♗xe5 15.dxe5 ♖c7 16.♙xe4 hxg3

17.hxg3 ♙d7! 18.♙g2 c5 19.♖c3

0-0-0 20.♖a3 ♙b8 (20...a6±;

20...a6! = keeps the balance.) 21.♖d6!

♙xd6 22.exd6 ♖xd6 23.♙xc5 ♖a6

Gusev,M (2157)-Yordanov,L (2299)

Novi Sad SRB 2024 0-1 (38)]

[9.♖d1 keeps more tension. f5 10.♙e3

0-0 11.♗e1 ♗df6 12.f3]

9...♗xd2 10.♗xd2 ♗f6 11.♗d3 a5

12.e3 0-0 13.♖fc1 ♙d6 14.b3 ♖e7

15.c5 ♙c7 16.♖c3 h5 17.h3 ♗d7

18.f4

[18.e4=]

18...f6

[18...b6 20 keeps the upper hand.]

[18...b6=]

19.e4± h4 20.g4 dxe4 21.♗xe4 f5 [#]

[21...b6±]
22.gxf5
 [22.♘g5!±]
22...♞xf5 23.♞f1 ♘f6 24.♘xf6+ ♞xf6
25.♘e5 ♙d7 26.♙e4↑ White has good play. White has the initiative. **26...♙e8**
27.♞e3 ♙h5
 [27...♙xe5± 28.fxe5 ♞xf1+ 29.♞xf1 ♙h5]
28.♞f2 ♞af8?! Inaccuracy. Bxe5 was best.
 [28...♙xe5! 29.dxe5 ♞f7! 30.♔h2 ♞d8! 31.♞c1 ♞d7! 32.♞c4 g6 33.♞g2 ♞d1
A) 34.♞c1!? ♞d4 35.♞e1± (35.♞xd4 ♞xd4 36.♙xg6 ♙xg6=);
B) 34.♞f2]
 [♠28...♙xe5! 29.dxe5 ♞f7]
 [Better is 28...♙xe5± 29.dxe5 ♞f7]
29.♞af1 ♔h8 30.♞g2 ♞h6
 [30...b6±]
31.a3?! Inaccuracy. Kh2 was best.
 [31.♔h2]
31...♞e8 [#] 32.♙d3?! Inaccuracy. Qd3 was best.
 [32.♞d3 ♙xe5 33.dxe5 ♞f7 34.♞c2 ♞f8 (34...♞d7± 35.♔h1 ♞d4; 34...♞d7± 35.♔h1 ♞d4) 35.♞c1 ♞d7 36.b4 axb4 37.axb4 g6]
 [Better is 32.♞d3!±]
 [32.♞d3!±]
32...♙xe5!± 33.♞xe5 ♙g6! 34.♔h2
 Hoping for Rfg1. Black must now prevent Rfg1. **34...♞f7 35.♙c4** aiming for f5. Hoping for f5. **35...♙f5 36.♞fg1 ♞h7**
37.b4 axb4 38.axb4 ♞f6 39.♞e1 ♞h6
40.b5 cxb5
 [40...♞d8 is interesting. 41.♞d2 ♞xe5 42.♞xe5 ♞f6 43.b6 ♔h7]
41.♙xb5 ♞d8 42.♞xf6
 [42.♞d2 feels hotter. ♞g6 43.♞xf6 ♞xf6 44.♙e2 ♙e4 45.♙c4]
42...♞xf6 43.♞d2 ♙g6 44.♞g1 ♙h5
45.♞g5 ♙f3 46.♙e2 ♙xe2 47.♞xe2 ♞xd4= Endgame KRR-KRR **48.♞h5+ ♔g8 49.♞xh4 ♞c4 50.♞e5 ♔f7 51.♞h8**

♞xf4 White must now prevent ...Rf3. And now ...Rf3 would win. **52.♞b8??** Blunder. Rd8 was best.
 [52.♞d8 ♞c2+]
 [52.♞d8̄]
 [52.♞d8= and White is okay.]
52...♞f2+-+ 53.♔g3 ♞b2 And now ...Rc3+ would win. Strongly threatening ...Rc3+. **54.♞c8?!** Inaccuracy. Re3 was best.
 [54.♞e3 ♞xc5 55.h4 ♞cc2 56.♞a3 ♔e7 57.♞g8 ♞g2+ 58.♔f3 ♞bf2+ 59.♔e3 ♞f5]
 [54.♞e3 is a better defense.]
 [54.♞e3 keeps fighting.]
54...♞b3+ Black has a decisive advantage. **55.♔f2 ♞xh3 56.♔g2 ♞hc3 57.♞c7+ ♔f6 58.♞e2 ♞xc5 59.♞xb7 ♞c2** Accuracy: White = 65%, Black = 77%.
 . Accuracy: White = 67%, Black = 81%.
0-1

D02

♠ **Sevian, Samuel** **2698**
 ♣ **Erdogmus, Yagiz Kaan** **2553**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.16) 15.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.♘f3 c5 3.c3 e6 4.♙f4 ♙d6 5.e3 ♙xf4N
 [RR 5...cxd4 6.♙xd6 ♞xd6 7.exd4 ♘e7 8.♙d3 ♘bc6 9.♘bd2 f6 10.♞e2 e5 11.dxe5 fxe5 12.♙b5 e4 13.♘d4 0-0 14.♙xc6 bxc6 15.0-0-0 ♘g6 16.f3 ♘f4 17.♞e3 c5 18.♘4b3 ♘d3+ 19.♔b1 c4 20.♘c1 Sai Agni Jeevitesh, J (2309)-Gochelashvili, D (2225) Karaikudi IND 2024 0-1 (54)]
 [RR 5...♞c7 6.♙xd6 ♞xd6 7.♘e5 ♘e7 8.♙d3 0-0 9.♞h5 g6 10.♞h4 f6 11.♘f3 ♘bc6 12.♘bd2 ♔g7 13.0-0 g5 14.dxc5 ♞xc5 15.♞a4 ♙d7 16.♞c2 ♘g6 17.a3 ♘ce5 18.b4 ♞c7 19.♞ac1 ♞ac8 20.♙e2 Le Tuan Minh (2567)-Velikanov, A (2387) chess.com

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6.exf4 cxd4 7.cxd4 ♖f6 8.♗c3 0-0
9.♗d3 ♗c6 10.a3 ♗d7 11.0-0 ♖c8
12.♖c1 ♗a5 13.♗e5 g6 14.g3 ♗c4
15.♖e2 b5 16.♖fd1 a5 17.♗xc4?!

Inaccuracy. a4 was best.

[17.a4 bxa4]

17...bxc4 18.♗g2 ♗h5 19.♗g4 ♗g7
20.♗e3 ♖b8 21.♖d2 ♗f5?! Inaccuracy.
h5 was best.

[21...h5 22.♗g1]

22.♖e1?! Inaccuracy. Nxf5 was best.

[22.♗xf5]

22...♗xe3+ 23.♖xe3 ♖b3 24.♖f3 ♖f6
25.♖d1 ♖fb8 26.♖c1 ♖d8 27.♖e5 ♖b6
28.♖ee2 ♖d6 29.♖c2 ♖8b7 30.h3 ♗g7
31.♖e3 ♖b8 32.♖c1 ♖d6 33.♖cd2
♖b8 34.♗h2 ♖d6 35.♗g2 ♖b8
36.♗h2 ♖d6

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□ **Erdos,Viktor** **D02** **2546**
■ **Suleymenov,Alisher** **2499**
Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.d4 Stockfish 16 1...d5 2.♗f3 ♗f6
3.c4 e6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.♗c3 c6 6.♗f4
♗d6 7.♗xd6 ♖xd6 8.e3 ♗f5 9.♗h4

[RR 9.♖b3 ♖c7 10.♖c1 ♖b6 11.♖a3
a5 12.♗h4 ♗e6 13.♗d3 ♖b4 14.♗b1
♗bd7 15.♖xb4 axb4 16.♗e2 ♗b6
17.b3 ♗c8 18.♗f4 g5 19.♗xe6 fxe6
20.♗f3 ♗e7 21.♗e5 ♖a6 22.♗d3
♖b6 23.♗c5 ♗d6 Ding,L (2818)-
Fridman,D (2569) Karlsruhe, Germany
2024 [Stockfish 16] 1-0 (54)]

9...♗e4 10.♖b3 ♗bd7 11.♖c1N

[RR 11.♗xe4 ♗xe4 12.♗d3 ♖f6
13.♗f3 ♗d6 14.0-0 0-0 15.a4 a5
16.♖c2 g6 17.♗d2 ♗b8 18.♗b3
♖d8 19.f3 ♗a6 20.♗xa6 ♖xa6 21.e4
♗c4 22.♖c3 ♖b6 23.♖f2 ♖b4 24.e5
f6 25.e6 ♗d6 Budisavljevic,L (2483)-
Stearman,J (2462) Saint Louis USA

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11...♖b8 12.♗e2

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□ **Artemiev,Vladislav** **D02** **2705**
■ **Gledura,Benjamin** **2619**
Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗f4 c5 4.e3
♗c6 5.♗bd2 ♗g4 6.c3 e6 7.♖b3 ♖c8
8.♗h4 ♗h5 9.h3 ♗e7 10.g4 ♗g6
11.♗xg6 hxg6 12.♗e2 ♖d7 13.dxc5
♗xc5 14.0-0-0 ♗a5 15.♖b5N

[RR 15.♖c2 ♗d6 16.♗xd6 ♖xd6
17.♗b1 0-0-0 18.g5 ♗g8 19.c4 ♗c6
20.cxd5 exd5 21.♗e4 ♖c7 22.♗c5
♗ge7 23.♖b3 ♖b6 24.♗g4+ ♗c7
25.♖c2 ♖b4 26.f3 ♗b8 27.♖d3 ♗a5
28.♖hd1 ♗a8 29.a3 ♖b5 Aravindh,C
(2662)-Balakrishnan,P (2500)
Ciudadella de Menorca ESP 2024 1/2-1/2
(82)]

15...♖xb5 16.♗xb5+ ♗c6 17.g5 ♗d7
18.c4 a6 19.♗a4 ♗b6 20.cxd5 exd5
21.♗b3 0-0-0 22.h4 ♗d6 23.♗xd6
♖xd6 24.♗f3 ♗c7 25.♗c2 ♗c4
26.♗xc4 dxc4 27.♖xd6 ♗xd6 28.♖d1+
♗c7 29.♗c3 b5 30.a4 bxa4 31.♖a1
♖b8 32.♗d2 ♖b4 33.♖h1 a5 34.f4
♗a7 35.♗xc4 ♗b5+ 36.♗d3 ♗d6
37.♖c1 ♗xc4 38.♖xc4+ ♗d6 39.♖c2
♗d5 40.♖d2 ♖b3+ 41.♗c2+ ♗e4
42.♖d7 ♖xe3 43.♖xf7 ♖h3 44.♖a7
♖xh4 45.♖xg7 ♖xf4 46.♖xg6 ♗f5
47.♖g8 ♖b4 48.♖g7 ♖b5 49.♖g8 ♖b4
50.g6 ♗f6 51.♗c3 ♖b3+ 52.♗c2 ♖b5
53.♗c1 ♖b4 54.g7 ♗f7 55.♖a8 ♗xg7
56.♖xa5 ♗f6 57.♗b1 ♗e6 58.♗a2
♗d6 59.♗a3 ♖b3+ 60.♗xa4 ♖xb2
61.♖b5

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D02
 Theodorou,Nikolas 2616
 Samant Aditya S 2499
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.37) 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.♗f3 d5 3.♙f4 e6 4.e3 c5
 5.♙e2 ♗c6 6.0-0 ♙d6 7.dxc5 ♙xc5
 8.c4 0-0 9.♗c3 a6 10.cxd5 exd5
 11.♖c1 d4 12.♗a4 ♙a7 13.exd4 ♗xd4
 14.♗xd4 ♖xd4 15.♖xd4 ♙xd4 16.♙f3
 ♖e8 17.♖fd1 ♙a7 18.h3 ♙d7 19.♖xd7
 ♗xd7 20.♙xb7 ♖ad8 21.♙c7 ♗b8
 22.♙xd8 ♖xd8 23.♙f3 g6 24.♔f1 ♔g7
 25.♙e2 a5 26.♖c7 ♖d7 27.♖c8 ♖d4?
 Mistake. Rd2 was best.

[27...♖d2 28.♔e1 ♖d5 29.♗c3 ♖c5
 30.♖xc5 ♙xc5 31.♙b5 f5 32.♔e2
 ♔f6 33.f4]

28.♗c3 ♖f4 29.f3 ♖f6 30.♗b5 ♗c6
 31.♗c7 ♔h6 32.♗e8 ♖e6 33.♙c4 ♖e5
 34.♗d6 ♖c5 35.♗xf7+ ♔h5?!
 Inaccuracy. Kg7 was best.

[35...♔g7 36.b3 ♗b8 37.♖d8 ♖xc4
 38.bxc4 ♔xf7 39.♖h8 ♔e6 40.♖xh7
 ♙d4 41.h4]

36.♖h8 ♔h4 37.♗d6?! Inaccuracy.
 Rxh7+ was best.

[37.♖xh7+ ♔g3 38.♗d6 ♔h2 39.b3
 ♙b8 40.♗e4 ♖h5 41.♖g7 ♗d4
 42.♖xg6 ♖h7]

37...h5 38.b3 ♗e7?! Inaccuracy. Nd4
 was best.

[38...♗d4 39.♖h6 ♗f5 40.♖xg6
 ♗xd6 41.♖xd6 ♙b8 42.♖d8 ♙c7
 43.♖c8 ♔g3 44.♖g8+]

39.♗e4 ♖e5 40.♖e8 ♙d4 41.♙f7 ♗f5
 42.♖xe5 ♙xe5 43.♙xg6 ♗e3+?!
 Inaccuracy. Ng3+ was best.

[43...♗g3+ 44.♗xg3 ♙xg3 45.♔e2
 ♔g5 46.♙e8 h4 47.♔d3 ♔f5
 48.♙d7+ ♔f6 49.♔e4]

44.♔f2 ♙d4 45.f4 ♗c2+ 46.♔e2 ♙b6
 47.f5 ♗d4+ 48.♔d3 ♗c6 49.♙e8
 ♗e5+ 50.♔e2 ♙d4 51.a3 ♙b2 52.b4
 axb4 53.axb4 ♙d4?! Inaccuracy. Nc4
 was best.

[53...♗c4 54.f6 ♙xf6 55.♗xf6 ♔g3
 56.♙c6 ♗e5 57.b5 ♗c4 58.♗xh5+
 ♔h4 59.♗g7]

54.f6 ♙b6? Checkmate is now
 unavoidable. Bc3 was best.

[54...♙c3 55.♗xc3]

55.f7 ♗g6 56.♙d7 ♙c7 57.♙f5 ♗f8
 58.b5
 1-0

D02
 Banusz,Tamas 2623
 Cardoso Cardoso,Jose Gabriel 2496
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1.♗f3 d5 2.d4 ♗f6 3.♙f4 c5 4.e3
 ♗c6 5.♙e2 cxd4 6.exd4 ♙g4

[RR 6...♙f5 7.0-0 e6 8.♗bd2 ♙d6
 9.♙xd6 ♖xd6 10.c3 0-0 11.♖e1 h6
 12.a4 ♗e4 13.♗xe4 ♙xe4 14.♗d2
 ♙h7 15.a5 ♖c7 16.♗b3 ♖ad8
 17.♖d2 ♖fe8 18.♙b5 ♖e7 19.h3 ♗b8
 20.♖e3 ♗d7 21.♖ae1 Caruana,F
 (2804)-Subelj,J (2512) chess.com INT
 2024 1-0 (58)]

7.0-0N

[RR 7.c3 e6 8.0-0 ♙xf3 9.♙xf3 ♙d6
 10.♙e3 0-0 11.♗d2 ♖e8 12.♖e1
 ♗e7 13.♗f1 ½-½ (13) Sosna,J (2281)-
 Pisk,P (2301) Czech Republic CZE
 2024]

[RR 7.c3 ♙xf3 8.♙xf3 e6 9.♖b3
 ♖d7 10.a4 ♙e7 11.♗d2 0-0 12.0-0
 ♖fc8 13.♖fe1 ♙d6 14.♙g5 ♗e8
 15.a5 a6 16.♖a4 h6 17.♙h4 f5
 18.c4 ♖f7 19.cxd5 exd5 20.♙g3 f4
 21.♙g4 fxg3 Sipic,H (2185)-Grgantov,
 M (1973) Bosnjaci CRO 2024 0-1
 (38)]

7...e6 8.♗bd2 ♙d6 9.♙xd6 ♖xd6
 10.c3 ♙xf3 11.♗xf3 0-0 12.♖e1 ♖fe8
 13.♗e5 ♗d7 14.f4 ♗f8 15.♖d2 f6
 16.♗d3 ♖e7 17.♙f3 ♖ae8 18.♖e3 ♗d7
 19.♖ae1 f5 20.g4 ♗f6 21.♖g2 ♗e4
 22.♔h1 ♖f7 23.♖g1 ♔f8 24.♖e2 ♖ee7

25.♔h3 g6 26.♔h4 ♔e8 27.♔e1 a5
28.a4 ♔d8 29.h4 ♔c8 30.♖h2 ♖f8
31.g5 ♔b8 32.h5 ♖c8 33.hxg6 hxg6
34.♖h6 ♖g7 35.♖g2 ♖cc7 36.♖gh2
♔a7 37.♔g2 ♔e7 38.♔e3 b6?

Mistake. Rc8 was best.

[38...♖c8]

39.♙e2 ♔d6 40.♖h8 ♖cd7 41.♗e1 ♖d8
42.♗f3 ♔b8?! Inaccuracy. Kb7 was
best.

[42...♔b7 43.♖2h7 ♖xh7 44.♖xh7+
♖d7 45.♖h6 ♖g7 46.♖h8 ♖d7 47.♖g8
♔c7 48.♖xg6]

43.♔d3?! Inaccuracy. R2h7 was best.

[43.♖2h7]

43...♔b7?? Blunder. Qb7 was best.

[43...♔b7 44.♖xd8 ♗xd8 45.♗e5
♗f7 46.♗xf7 ♖xf7 47.♖h8 ♖g7
48.♖d8 ♖h7 49.♔b5]

44.♖2h7 ♖e7 45.♔a6+ ♔c7 46.♖xe7+
♗xe7 47.♖h7 ♖e8 48.♙b5

1-0

D02

♠ Shankland,Sam 2671

♜ Aravindh,Chithambaram VR. 2670

Sharjah Master 2024 (6.1) 19.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.♗f3 ♙f5 3.♙f4 e6 4.♗bd2
♙d6 5.♙xd6N

[RR 5.e3 ♙xf4 6.exf4 ♗e7 7.g3 0-0
8.♙g2 h6 9.0-0 ♗d7 10.♖e1 b6
11.c4 c6 12.♔b3 a5 13.♖ac1 ♔b8
14.♔a3 ♖e8 15.♙f1 ♔b7 16.cxd5
♗xd5 17.♗c4 ♖ed8 18.♗d6 ♔c7
19.♗e5 ♗xe5 Suleymanli,A (2609)-
Indjic,A (2595) chess.com INT 2024
1-0 (43)]

5...♔xd6 6.c4 ♗f6 7.♔b3 b6 8.♖c1
0-0 9.e3 ♗bd7 10.cxd5 exd5 11.♙a6
c5 12.♔a3 ♗e8 13.dxc5 bxc5 14.♙b5
♗ef6 15.0-0 ♔b6 16.♙xd7 ♗xd7
17.♖fd1 ♖fc8 18.e4 dxe4 19.♗xe4
♙xe4 20.♖xd7 ♖d8 21.♖cd1 h6 22.h3

♖xd7 23.♖xd7 ♔e6 24.♖d1

1/2-1/2

D05

♠ Shankland,Sam 2671

♜ Puranik,Abhimanyu 2629

Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.e3 e6 4.♗bd2
♗bd7 5.♙d3 c5 6.b3 ♙d6 7.♙b2 b6
8.0-0 ♙b7 9.♗e5N

[RR 9.♖e1 ♔c7 10.e4 cxd4 11.♙xd4
e5 12.♙b2 0-0 13.exd5 ♙xd5 14.c4
♙xf3 15.♗xf3 ♖fe8 16.♔c2 ♗c5
17.♗g5 e4 18.♙xe4 ♗fxe4 19.♗xe4
♙xh2+ 20.♔f1 ♔f4 21.♗xc5 bxc5
1/2-1/2 (21) Li,S (1398)-You,J (1434)
Shanghai CHN 2024]

9...0-0 10.f4 cxd4 11.exd4 ♗e4

12.♗xe4 dxe4 13.♙c4 ♔c7 14.♖c1

♖ad8 15.♔e2 ♔h8 16.♔e3 ♗f6

17.♔h3 ♗d5?! Inaccuracy. Ng8 was

best.

[17...♗g8 18.a4 a6 19.♙e2 ♗h6
20.♔c3 ♔xc3 21.♙xc3 ♗f5 22.g4
♗e3 23.♗c4]

18.♙xd5 exd5 19.f5 ♙xe5 20.dxe5

♔c5+ 21.♔h1 d4 22.♖f4 g5 23.fxg6

fxg6 24.♖xf8+ ♔xf8?! Inaccuracy. Rxf8

was best.

[24...♖xf8]

25.e6?! Inaccuracy. Qh4 was best.

[25.♔h4 ♔g7]

25...♔g8 26.♔h4 ♖e8 27.♙xd4 e3

28.♙xe3 ♖xe6 29.♔c4 ♔f5 30.♖d1 b5

31.♔d4 ♔e4 32.♔xe4 ♙xe4 33.♙xa7

♖a6 34.♖d4 ♙xc2 35.♖d2 ♖xa2

36.♙d4 ♙xb3 37.♖xa2 ♙xa2 38.♔g1

♔f7 39.♔f2 ♔e6 40.♔e3 ♔d5 41.♙f6

♙b1

1/2-1/2

Jumabayev,Rinat **D05**

Iniyan,Pa **2595**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2493**
 21.05.2024

1.♟f3 d5 2.d4 ♘f6 3.e3 c5 4.c3 e6
 5.♙d3 ♘c6 6.♘bd2 ♙d6 7.0-0 0-0
 8.♞e1 e5 9.e4 cxd4 10.cxd4 ♙g4
 11.exd5 ♘xd4 12.♘c4?! Inaccuracy.
 h3 was best.

[12.h3 ♙h5]

12...♞e8 13.♙g5 ♙xf3 14.gxf3 h6
 15.♙h4 ♞c8?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.

[15...g5 16.♙g3]

16.♔g2?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best.

[16.f4]

16...b5 17.♘e3 g5 18.♙g3 ♙b4 19.♞g1
 ♘xd5 20.♘f5 ♘xf5 21.♙xf5 ♞c4
 22.♞b3 ♘f4+ 23.♙xf4 ♞xf4 24.♙e4
 ♞e7 25.♞ac1 ♔g7 26.♞c6?!

Inaccuracy. h3 was best.

[26.h3 h5 27.♔h1 ♞h4 28.♔g2 ♙d2
 29.♞c2 ♙f4 30.♞xb5 ♞e6 31.♞h1
 g4]

26...f5?? Blunder. Rd8 was best.

[26...♞d8]

27.♞gc1 ♙d6 28.♙d5 e4 29.fxe4 fxe4
 30.♞c3+ ♙e5 31.♞c5?? Blunder. Qh3
 was best.

[31.♞h3 ♞f6 32.♞xf6 ♙xf6 33.♞e1
 ♞d6 34.♙xe4 ♞f4 35.♞d3 ♞e7
 36.h3 ♙xb2]

31...♞xc5 32.♞1xc5 ♞ef8 33.f3?
 Mistake. Rc2 was best.

[33.♞c2 e3 34.fxe3 ♞g4+ 35.♔h3 h5
 36.b4 ♞xb4 37.e4 ♞f4 38.♔g2
 ♞g4+]

33...♞xf3 34.♙xe4 ♞f2+ 35.♔g1 ♞f1+
 0-1

Iniyan,Pa **D07**

Ivanchuk,Vasyl **2493**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2609**
 16.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 ♘c6 3.♘f3 ♙g4 4.♘c3
 e6 5.cxd5 exd5 6.♙g5 ♙e7 7.♙xe7
 ♘gxe7 8.e3 ♞d6N

[RR 8...0-0 9.♙d3 ♙h5 10.0-0 ♞d6
 11.♞c1 a6 12.♙e2 ♘d8 13.♘e5
 ♙xe2 14.♘xe2 c6 15.♘f4 ♘c8
 16.♞g4 ♞e7 17.h4 ♘d6 18.h5 ♞e8
 19.♞ce1 ♘e6 20.♘h3 a5 21.f3 a4
 22.♞g3 ♞ad8 23.♞f2 Balinski,D
 (2204)-Fromm,M (2454) Orosei ITA
 2024 0-1 (43)]

[RR 8...0-0 9.♙e2 a6 10.0-0 ♞d6
 11.♞c1 ♘d8 12.h3 ♙h5 13.♞b3 ♞b8
 14.♞fd1 ♘e6 15.♘e5 ♙xe2 16.♘xe2
 c5 17.♞a3 b5 18.♘d3 b4 19.dxc5
 bxa3 20.cxd6 axb2 21.dxe7
 1-0 (21) Putnam,L (2323)-Shandrygin,
 N (2209) chess.com INT 2024]

9.♙d3 ♘d8 10.♘b5 ♞b4+ 11.♞d2
 ♞xd2+ 12.♔xd2 ♙xf3 13.gxf3 ♔d7
 14.f4 g6 15.b4 a5 16.a3 ♘dc6
 17.♔c3 ♞a6 18.♔b3 ♞b6 19.h4 h5
 20.♘c3 axb4 21.♘a4 ♘a5+ 22.♔a2
 b3+ 23.♔b2 ♞f6 24.♘c5+ ♔c8
 25.♞hg1 ♞d8 26.♞g5?! Inaccuracy. a4
 was best.

[26.a4 ♞b6 27.♞g5 ♘g8 28.♔c3
 ♘h6 29.♞b1 ♘g4 30.♞b2 ♔b8 31.f5
 ♞dd6]

26...♘c4+ 27.♙xc4 dxc4 28.♞c1 ♞c6
 29.♞e5 ♘f5 30.♘e4 b6 31.d5 ♞cd6
 32.♘xd6+?! Inaccuracy. Rxf5 was best.

[32.♞xf5 gxf5 33.♘xd6+ ♞xd6
 34.♞xc4 ♞xd5 35.♞c6 ♞d2+ 36.♔xb3
 ♞xf2 37.♔c3 ♞h2]

32...♘d6 33.♞e7 ♞f8 34.f3 ♔d8?!
 Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[34...b5 35.e4 ♔b7 36.♔c3 ♘c8
 37.♞e5 ♘b6 38.♔b4 ♞a8 39.♞b1
 ♞a4+ 40.♔c3]

35.♞e4 b5 36.a4 ♔d7 37.axb5 ♞a8??

Blunder. Rb8 was best.

[37...♖b8 38.♖exc4]

38.♖exc4 ♘xc4+ 39.♖xc4 ♖a2+
40.♙xb3 ♖f2?! Inaccuracy. Rh2 was best.

[40...♖h2 41.f5 gxf5 42.♙c3 ♙d6
43.♖f4 ♙e5 44.d6 ♙xd6 45.♖xf5
♖xh4 46.♖xf7]

41.♙c3 ♖xf3 42.♙d4 ♖h3 43.♖a4??

Blunder. e4 was best.

[43.e4]

43...♖xh4 44.♙e5 g5?? Blunder. Rh1 was best.

[44...♖h1 45.b6]

45.b6 cxb6 46.♖a7+ ♙e8 47.fxg5
♖h1?! Inaccuracy. Rg4 was best.

[47...♖g4 48.♙f6 ♖e4 49.♖xf7 ♖xe3
50.g6 h4 51.♖h7 ♖f3+ 52.♙e6 ♖e3+
53.♙d6]

48.g6 fxg6 49.♙e6 ♙f8 50.d6 ♖e1

51.♖a3 ♙g7?! Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best.

[51...♖d1 52.d7]

52.♖d3 ♖f1 53.d7 ♖f6+ 54.♙e5 ♖f5+

55.♙e4

1-0

D11

□ Royal,Shreyas

2463

■ Kuybokarov,Temur

2600

Sharjah Master 2024

16.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 c6 3.♘f3 d5 4.♘bd2

♙f5 5.♘h4 ♙e4 6.♖b3 ♖c7 7.♘xe4

♘xe4 8.♘f3 e6 9.♘d2 ♘f6 10.g3 g6N

[RR 10...♘bd7 11.♙g2 ♙e7 12.0-0

0-0 13.♖c2 ♖ac8 14.b3 c5 15.dxc5

♙xc5 16.♙b2 b5 17.♖ac1 bxc4

18.bxc4 ♘e5 19.e3 ♙b4 20.♙xe5

♖xe5 21.♘f3 ♖b8 22.♖b3

½-½ (22) Guo,A (2255)-Mosquera,M

(2365) Sunnyvale USA 2024]

11.♙g2 ♙g7 12.0-0 0-0 13.♖c2 a5

14.b3 ♘a6 15.♙b2 ♖fd8 16.a3 ♖ac8

17.♖ac1 h5 18.h4 ♖e7 19.♖fd1 ♘c7

20.♙c3 ♖a8 21.♖b2 ♘ce8 22.e4 dxe4

23.♘xe4 ♘xe4 24.♙xe4 ♘f6 25.♙g2

♘g4 26.♖e1 ♖f8 27.♖cd1 ♙f6 28.d5

♙xc3 29.♖xc3 ♖c5 30.♖d4 ♖xa3

31.♖b6 cxd5 32.cxd5 ♖d6 33.♖xb7

♖ad8 34.♙f3 ♖c5 35.♙xg4 hxg4

36.♖e7 ♖8d7 37.♖e8+ ♙g7 38.dxe6

fxe6?? Blunder. Rxd1 was best.

[38...♖xd1 39.exd7 ♖d2 40.♖e5+

♖xe5 41.♖xe5 ♖xd7 42.♖xa5 ♖b7

43.♖a3 f5 44.♙g2]

39.♖xd6? Mistake. Qxd7+ was best.

[39.♖xd7+ ♖xd7 40.♖xd7+ ♙f6

41.♖d3 ♖b5 42.♖de3 ♙g7 43.♖xe6

♖b4 44.♖e7+ ♙f6]

39...♖xd6 40.♖e7+ ♙g8 41.♖e8+ ♙g7

42.♖xe6?? Blunder. Qe7+ was best.

[42.♖e7+ ♙g8 43.♖f1 ♖b6 44.♖g5

e5 45.♖xg4 ♖f6 46.♖c4+ ♙g7

47.♖d5 e4]

42...♖d1+ 43.♖e1 ♖d5 44.♖e7+ ♙g8

45.♙h2 ♖xe1 46.♖xe1 ♖xb3 47.♖xa5

♖f3 48.♖a7 ♖f5 49.♖b8+ ♙f7

50.♖c7+ ♙f6 51.♖b6+ ♙g7 52.♖d4+

♙f7 53.♙g2 ♖f3+ 54.♙f1 ♙g8 55.♙e1

♖f5 56.♙d2 g5?? Blunder. Qa5+ was best.

[56...♖a5+ 57.♙e3 ♖a3+ 58.♖d3

♖c5+ 59.♙e2 ♖e5+ 60.♙d1 ♖a1+

61.♙c2 ♖a2+ 62.♙c3]

57.hxg5 ♖xg5+ 58.♖f4 ♖g6 59.♖e5

♖h6+ 60.♙d3?? Blunder. Qe3 was best.

[60.♖e3]

60...♖a6+ 61.♙e3 ♖a3+ 62.♙f4 ♖f3+

63.♙g5 ♖xf2 64.♖b8+ ♙g7 65.♖c7+

♙g8?? Checkmate is now unavoidable.

Qf7 was best.

[65...♖f7 66.♖xf7+ ♙xf7 67.♙f5

♙g7 68.♙xg4 ♙g6 69.♙h4 ♙h6

70.g4 ♙g6 71.♙g3]

66.♙g6 ♙f8 67.♖d8#

1-0

D12
 □ **Royal,Shreyas** **2463**
 ■ **Jumabayev,Rinat** **2595**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.44) 14.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.e3 ♕f5
 5.♘c3 e6 6.♘h4 ♕e4 7.f3 ♕g6 8.♕d2
 ♕e7 9.♘xg6 hxg6 10.♖c2 ♘bd7
 11.0-0-0 dxc4

[RR 11...a6 12.g4 dxc4 13.♕xc4 b5
 14.♕xe6 fxe6 15.g5 ♘h5 16.♖xg6+
 ♘f8 17.f4 ♘b6 18.♖xe6 b4 19.g6
 ♘e8 20.♖f7+ ♘d7 21.♘e4 ♖g8
 22.♘c5+ ♘d8 23.♕xb4 ♖xf7 24.gxf7
 ♕xc5 25.♕xc5 ♘d7 26.♕d6
 Gukesh,D (2720)-Nasuta,G (2579)
 Samarkand UZB 2023 ½-½ (33)]

12.♕xc4 a6 13.♘b1 b5N

[RR 13...c5 14.dxc5 ♘xc5 15.e4 b5
 16.♕e2 ♖b8 17.g3 0-0 18.♕f4 ♖b7
 19.e5 ♘fd7 20.h4 ♖fc8 21.♘e4
 ♘xe4 22.♖xe4 ♖xe4+ 23.fxe4 ♘c5
 24.♕f3 ♖a7 25.♕e3 ♖ac7 26.♖d6
 ♘d7 27.♖xa6 ♘xe5 28.♕e2
 Klimkowski,J (2531)-Nasuta,G (2563)
 chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (48)]

[RR 13...c5 14.dxc5 ♘xc5 15.e4 b5
 16.♕e2 0-0 17.♕f4 ♖b6 18.e5 ♘h7
 19.♕e3 ♖b8 20.f4 ♖c8 21.♘e4 ♘a4
 22.♖d2 ♘b6 23.♕xb6 ♖xb6 24.♖d4
 ♖xd4 25.♖xd4 g5 26.g3 gxf4 27.gxf4
 ♘f8 28.♘d6 Klimkowski,J (2531)-
 Nasuta,G (2563) chess.com INT 2024
 1-0 (73)]

[RR 13...c5 14.g4 b5 15.♕xe6 fxe6
 16.g5 ♘d5 17.♖xg6+ ♘f8 18.♖xe6
 ♘c7 19.♖f5+ ♘g8 20.♘e4 ♘f8
 21.♕a5 ♖d5 22.♖g4 ♘ce6 23.dxc5
 ♖c6 24.h4 ♘xc5 25.♖c1 ♖d5
 26.♘f6+ ♕xf6 27.gxf6 g6 28.h5
 Ostrovskiy,A (2411)-Sethuraman,S
 (2381) New York USA 2024 1-0 (52)]

14.♕e2 c5 15.g4 cxd4 16.exd4 ♘b6
 17.g5 ♘fd5 18.♘xd5 ♖xd5 19.♖e4
 ♖c8 20.h4 ♕d6 21.♕d3 ♘e7 22.♖g4
 ♘a4?! Inaccuracy. b4 was best.

[22...b4 23.♖e4 a5 24.♕a6 ♖c7
 25.♖c1 ♖d8 26.h5 gxh5 27.♖xh5
 ♕g3 28.♖h7]

23.♖c1?! Inaccuracy. Rhe1 was best.

[23.♖he1 b4 24.♖e4 ♘b6 25.♕xa6
 ♖a8 26.♖xd5 ♘xd5 27.♕c4 ♘b6
 28.♕b3 ♖xh4]

23...♕c5?? Blunder. Nb6 was best.

[23...♘b6 24.♖e4 ♖xc1+ 25.♖xc1
 ♘d7 26.♕a5 ♘c4 27.♕e1 ♖c8
 28.♖c2 ♘b6 29.♖xc8]

24.b3 ♕a3 25.♖xc8 ♖xc8 26.bxa4
 bxa4 27.♘a1 ♖d8 28.♖d1 ♖c6 29.♖b1
 ♘f8 30.♖e4 ♖d6 31.♕c3 ♖c8 32.♖e1
 a5 33.♖d2 ♘g8 34.♕b5 ♖d5 35.♖d3
 ♕b4?! Inaccuracy. Bd6 was best.

[35...♕d6 36.♕d2 ♕g3 37.♖c1 ♖xc1+
 38.♕xc1 ♕xh4 39.♕xa4 ♕xg5 40.♕b2
 ♕f6 41.♕c2]

36.♕xb4 axb4 37.♖xb4 ♖d6 38.♖c4
 ♖d8 39.♕xa4 ♖h2 40.♕b3 ♖xh4
 41.♖e3
 1-0

D19
 □ **Iniyan,Pa** **2493**
 ■ **Radjabov,Teimour** **2723**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 c6 3.♘c3 d5 4.♘f3
 dxc4 5.a4 ♕f5 6.e3 e6 7.♕xc4 ♕b4
 8.0-0 0-0 9.♖e2 ♕g6 10.♘e5 ♘bd7
 11.♘xg6 hxg6 12.♖d1 ♖c7 13.e4

[RR 13.♕d2 e5 14.♕e1 a5 15.♖ac1
 ♖ad8 16.f3 exd4 17.exd4 ♘b6
 18.♕a2 ♖fe8 19.♖c2 ♘bd5 20.♕f2
 ♖f4 21.♖d3 ♕d6 22.g3 ♖g5
 23.♕xd5 ♘xd5 24.♖e1 ♘f4 25.♖f1
 ♖xe1 26.♖xe1 ♘e6 27.♖d1 ♕b4]

13...e5 14.d5 ♖ad8

[RR 14...♕xc3 15.d6 ♖a5 16.bxc3
 b5 17.♕a2 bxa4 18.♕a3 ♖xc3 19.f3
 ♖ab8 20.♖dc1 ♖d4+ 21.♘h1 c5
 22.♖d1 ♖c3 23.♖dc1 ♖a5 24.♖d1
 ♖b5 25.♕c4 ♖c6 26.♖ac1 ♖b6

27.♖f2 ♖c8 28.♖g3 ♖b8 29.♙a2]
15.a5
 [RR 15.♙g5 ♘b6 16.♖ac1 ♙xc3
 17.♖xc3 ♘xc4 18.♖xc4 ♖d6 19.h3
 cxd5 20.exd5 ♖d7 21.a5 ♖fd8 22.b4
 ♖a6 23.♖xa6 bxa6 24.♖c6 ♖b8
 25.d6 ♘e8 26.♙e3 ♖xb4 27.♖c8 ♙f8
 28.♖a8 ♖c4 29.♖d5 f6]

**15...b5 16.dxc6 bxc4 17.cxd7 ♖xd7
 18.♖xd7 ♖xd7 19.♙d2N**

[RR 19.♖xc4 ♙xc3 20.bxc3 ♖c8
 21.♖e2 ♘xe4 22.h3 ♖c6 23.♙a3
 ♘xc3 24.♖xe5 ♖e8 25.♖d6 ♘e2+
 26.♙h2 ♖c3 27.♖b1 ♖xa5 28.♙c5
 ♖a4 29.♙e3 a6 30.♖d2 ♖c4 31.♖e1
 ♖c7+ 32.♙h1 ♘g3+ 33.fxc3 ♖xc3
 Iniyar,P (2493)-Tabatabaei,M (2707)
 Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024
 1/2-1/2 (82)]

[RR 19.♖xc4 ♙xc3 20.bxc3 ♖c8
 21.♖e2 ♘xe4 22.h3 ♖c6 23.♙a3
 ♘xc3 24.♖xe5 ♖e8 25.♖d6 ♘e2+
 26.♙h2 ♖c3 27.♖b1 ♖xa5 28.♙c5
 ♖a4 29.♙e3 a6 30.♖d2 ♖c4 31.♖e1
 ♖c7+ 32.♙h1 ♘g3+ 33.fxc3 ♖xc3
 Iniyar,P (2497)-Tabatabaei,M (2707)
 Dubai UAE 2024 1/2-1/2 (82)]

**19...♖b8 20.♙e3 ♖c7 21.a6 ♙xc3
 22.bxc3 ♘xe4 23.♙xa7 ♘xc3 24.♖e3
 ♖c8 25.♙b6 ♖c6 26.♖xe5 ♖xb6
 27.♖xc3 ♖b3 28.♖d4 c3 29.a7 c2
 30.♖c1 ♖a3 31.♖e3 ♖xe3 32.fxe3
 1/2-1/2**

D20

□ **Sevian,Samuel** **2698**
 ■ **Kacharava,Nikolozi** **2527**
 Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

**1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e4 b5 4.a4 c6
 5.axb5 cxb5 6.♘c3 ♖b6 7.♘d5 ♖b7!
 8.♙f4** White is slightly better. **8...e5!
 9.♙xe5** And now Nc7+ would win.
**9...♘d7! 10.♙f4 ♘gf6 11.♘c7+!
 Double Attack 11...♙d8 12.♘xa8**

**♖xe4+ 13.♘e2 ♖xa8 14.♘c3 ♙b4
 15.f3! a5N**

[RR 15...♘d5 16.♙d2 ♘xc3 17.♙xc3
 ♙xc3+ 18.bxc3 ♖e8+ 19.♙f2
 (19.♙e2±) 19...a6 20.g3 ♖d5 21.♙g2
 ♙b7 22.♖e1 ♖e6 23.♙h1 (23.♖xe6±
 fxe6 24.h4) 23...♖h5 24.♖xe6 fxe6
 25.h4 ♘b6 26.f4 (26.♖c2±)
 26...♖xd1 27.♖xd1 ♙xh1 28.♖xh1
 ♘d5 29.♖c1 ♙c7 30.♙e2 Agibileg,U
 (2442)-Dao Thien Hai (2475) Jakarta
 INA 2024 1/2-1/2 (56)]

[RR 15...♖e8+ 16.♙f2 ♘d5
 (Black should play 16...♘b6=) 17.♙d2
 ♙xc3 18.bxc3 ♘7f6 19.♖b1 ♖b7
 20.♖a2 (20.♙e2±) 20...a6! 21.♙e2
 ♖c7 22.♖a5 ♘b6 (22...♖xa5=
 23.♖xa5 ♙c7) 23.♙g5 ♘bd5?
 (23...♙d7= and Black has nothing to
 worry.)

**A) 24.♙xc4!+- ♖xa5 (24...bxc4
 25.♖xd5+) 25.♖xa5;**

**B) 24.♖hc1? ♖xa5 25.♖xa5 ♙c7
 26.♙d2 ♙b7 27.♖b1 h6 28.h4
 ♘h5 (28...h5=) 29.♙f1 (29.♙xc4!±
 bxc4 30.♖xb7+ Remove Defender
 ♙xb7 31.♖xd5) 29...f5?
 (29...♘hf4=) 30.♖aa1? Mashhadi,F
 (1830)-Darmaeva,N (1903) Al Ain
 UAE 2023 0-1 (53) (White has to
 play 30.♙xc4!+- bxc4 31.♖xb7+
 Remove Defender ♙xb7 32.♖xd5)]**

**16.♙e2 ♖e8 17.0-0 ♖c6 18.♖e1 a4
 19.♙d2 ♖b6 20.♙h1 ♖xd4 21.♖c2
 ♙b7 22.♖ad1 ♖f2 23.♙f4? Mistake. Rf1
 was best.**

[23.♖f1 ♖c5]
 [23.♖f1= ♖c5 24.♙e1]

23...♖e6? Mistake. Nd5 was best.
 [23...♘d5! 24.♘e4]
 [23...♘d5!± 24.♘xd5 ♙xe1]

24.♙g3↑ White has good play. **24...♖b6
 25.♙f1?! Inaccuracy. Nxb5 was best.**

[25.♘xb5! ♖xe2]
 [25.♘xb5!? ♖xe2 26.♖xe2 ♖xb5
 27.♖e5±]

25...♔e8?! Inaccuracy. Bc6 was best.
[25...♙c6 26.♙f2 ♙c5 27.♙h4 ♖xe1
28.♙xe1 ♔e8 29.♗a2 ♕f8 30.♚f5
♔g8 31.♗b4]

26.♙f2 ♚c6 27.♙d4 ♕f8 28.♚f5
Rxe6 is the strong threat. **28...♙c5?**
Mistake. Ba6 was best.

[28...♙a6]

[28...♙a6=]

29.♙xf6 ♗xf6 30.♖e5
[30.♖e4? 30.♖e5 0.58]

30...♖xe5! 31.♚xe5 Threatens to win
with Rd8+. **31...♗e8 32.♖d8** aiming for
Rxe8+! **32...♙e7 33.♖b8 b4 34.♗xa4**
[34.♗b5± ♙c8 35.♗d4]

34...f6 35.♚e4 ♚xe4 36.fxe4 ♙xe4?
Mistake. Bc6 was best.

[36...♙c6 37.♗c5 ♙xc5 38.♖c8 ♙d4
39.♖xc6 c3 40.bxc3 bxc3 41.g4 ♙e5
42.h4]

[36...♙c6= and Black stays safe.]

37.♙xc4+-

[37.♙d3?? 37.♙xc4 1.82]

37...♙d6 [#] 38.♖b6?! Inaccuracy. Rb5
was best.

[38.♖b5! ♗c7 [#] 39.♖a5! ♔e7
40.♗c5 ♙c6 41.♖a7 g6 42.b3 ♙xc5
43.♖xc7+ ♔d6]

[White should try 38.♖b5+-]

38...♔e7± 39.♖a6 ♗c7 40.♖a5 ♙c6
41.♗c5 f5 42.b3 g6 43.♗d3 ♙e4
44.♗f2 ♙c6 45.♔g1 h5 46.♗d3 ♙e4
47.g3 ♙xd3

[47...♔f6±]

48.♙xd3 Endgame KRB-KBN **48...♗e6**
49.♙c4 ♗c5 50.♔g2 ♕f6 51.♖b5
♗e4?! Inaccuracy. Nd7 was best.

[51...♗d7 52.♖b7 ♗e5 53.♖b6 ♔e7
54.♙g8 ♗g4 55.♖b7+ ♕f6 56.♖f7+
♔e5 57.♙h7]

52.♖b7?! Inaccuracy. Bd5 was best.

[52.♙d5 ♗d2 53.♖a5 g5 54.h4 gxh4
55.gxh4 ♙c7 56.♖b5 ♙d6 57.♙g8
♙e7]

[♟52.♙d5]

52...♗d2

[52...♔g5 was worth a try. 53.♖b5
♔f6]

53.♙g8 ♗e4?! Inaccuracy. Be7 was
best.

[53...♙e7 54.♖b6+ ♔g7 55.♙d5 ♙c5
56.♖b5 ♙d6 57.♖a5 ♙e7 58.♖a2
♗b1 59.♖a7]

54.♖b6 ♔e7 55.♙d5 ♗c3 56.♙f7 ♙c7

[♟56...g5 57.♙xh5 ♙c5]

57.♖b7+- ♔xf7 58.♖xc7+ KR-KN

58...♔e6 59.♖c6+ ♕f7 60.♖d6 g5

61.♖d4 ♗a2 62.♖d5 ♔e6 63.♖b5 g4

64.♔f1 ♕f6 65.♔g2 ♔e6 66.h4 ♕f6

67.♔f1 ♔e6 68.♔g2 ♕f6 69.♖c5 ♗c3

70.♖c6+ ♔e5 71.♖h6 ♗e4 Black hopes

to continue with ...Nf6. **72.♖xh5 ♗c5**

73.♖h6 ♗xb3 74.♖b6 ♗d2 75.h5

Hoping for h6. **75...♗e4 76.h6**

Threatening mate with h7. **76...♗g5**

77.♖b7 b3 78.h7 ♗xh7 79.♖xh7 ♔d4?

Mistake. f4 was best.

[79...f4 80.♖b7 fxg3 81.♔xg3 ♔e4

82.♖xb3 ♔e5 83.♖b5+ ♔d6 84.♖b4

♔d5 85.♖a4]

80.♖b7 ♔d5 Accuracy: White = 81%,
Black = 61%.

1-0

□	Sadhwani,Raunak	D20
■	Kadric,Denis	2654
		2558
	Sharjah Master 2024	16.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e3 e5 4.♙xc4
exd4 5.exd4 ♙d6 6.♗f3 ♗f6 7.0-0 0-0
8.♙g5 ♗c6 9.♗c3 h6 10.♙h4 ♙g4
11.h3 ♙xf3 12.♚xf3 ♗xd4 13.♚xb7
♗f5 14.♙xf6

1/2-1/2

Sjugirov, Sanan **D21**
 Kadric, Denis **2691**
2558
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.13) 14.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.♘f3 e6 4.♞a4+ ♘d7 5.e4 c5N

[RR 5...♘gf6 6.♘c3 c6 (6...c5=) 7.♞xc4 ♙e7 8.♙e2 0-0 9.♙f4 ♞a5 (9...a6±) 10.0-0 a6 11.a3 c5 12.e5 ♘b6 13.♞d3 (13.♞b3!+- ♘fd7 14.dxc5 ♞xc5 15.♞ac1) 13...♘fd5 (Better is 13...c4!± 14.♞c2 ♘fd5) 14.♘g5 f5 (14...g6 is a better defense. 15.♙d2 ♙xg5 16.♘xd5 ♙xd2 17.♘f6+ ♔g7) 15.exf6! ♘xf6 16.dxc5 ♞xc5 17.♙e3 ♞c7 18.♞ac1 ♞d8 19.♞c2 h6 20.♘f3 Bronstein,O (2441)-Pogoreltsev,A (1642) Acre ISR 2024 1-0 (41)]

6.♙xc4 cxd4 7.0-0 ♙c5 8.♘bd2 Threatening Nb3. **8...♘e7 9.e5**

[9.b4!? ♙d6 10.♘xd4=]

9...♘g6 10.♙d3 0-0 11.♙xg6 hxg6 12.♘e4 b6 13.♙g5 ♞e8 And now ... Nxe5! would win. **14.b4 ♙b7 15.♞fe1 ♙e7 16.♙xe7! ♞xe7 17.♞ad1 a5 18.♞xd4 ♙d5 19.b5 ♞fc8 20.♘eg5?!**

Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[20.h4]

[20.♞d1= keeps the balance.]

20...♞c5? Mistake. Rc7 was best.

[20...♞c7 21.♞h4 ♘f8! 22.♞f4 f6 23.♘e4 (23.exf6 gxf6 24.♞d4) 23...f5! 24.♘d6 g5! 25.♞d4 ♙xf3! 26.gxf3]

[20...♞c7±]

21.♞h4= ♙c4? Mistake. Bxf3 was best.

[21...♙xf3 22.♞f4 ♘xe5 23.gxf3 ♞b4 24.♞xb4 axb4 25.♞xe5 f6 26.♞e2 b3 27.axb3]

[21...♙xf3= 22.♞f4 ♘xe5 23.gxf3 ♞b4 24.♞xe5 (24.♞xb4 axb4 25.♞xe5 ♞xa2±) 24...f6]

22.♘d2? Mistake. Rc1 was best.

[22.♞c1]

[22.♞c1+- ♙xb5 23.♞h8+! Decoy (23.♞xc5 ♙xa4 24.♞xc8+ ♞xc8+-) 23...♔xh8 24.♞h4+ ♔g8 25.♞xc5 ♞xc5 26.♞h7+ ♔f8 27.h3]

22...♞e7? Mistake. Bd5 was best.

[22...♙d5! 23.h3 ♘xe5 24.♞xe5 ♞c1+! 25.♘f1 ♙c4 26.♞e1! ♞xe1 27.♞xc4 ♞d8 28.♞c2]

[Not 22...♘xe5? 23.♞xe5! ♙d5 (23...♞xe5? too greedy. 24.♞h8+ Deflection, Decoy ♔xh8 25.♘xf7+ Double Attack ♔g8 26.♘xe5+-) 24.♞e1+-]

[22...♙d5!=]

23.♞xc4?! Inaccuracy. Ndf3 was best.

[23.♘df3 ♞c5 24.♞c1 ♙xb5 25.♞h8+! ♔xh8 26.♞h4+ ♔g8 27.♞xc5 ♞xc5 [#] 28.♞h7+! ♔f8]

[23.♘df3+- ♞c5 24.h3]

23...♞xg5± 24.♘f3 ♞e7 25.♞d1 ♘c5 26.♞c2 ♞d8 27.h3

[White should try 27.♞cd4±]

27...♞xd1+ 28.♞xd1 ♞d8 29.♞d4 ♞xd4 30.♞xd4 ♞d7 31.♞xd7 ♘xd7

Endgame KN-KN **32.♔f1 f6 33.exf6 gxf6** The position is equal. **34.h4 ♔f7**

35.♔e2 f5 36.♔d3 ♔e7 37.♘g5 ♔d6 38.♔d4 e5+ 39.♔c4 ♘f6 40.f3 ♔e7

41.g3 ♔d6 42.♘f7+ ♔e6 43.♘g5+ ♔d6 44.♘f7+ ♔e6 45.♘h8 ♘h5

White must now prevent ...Kf6. **46.♘xg6 ♘xg3 47.♘f8+ ♔d6 48.♘h7 e4**

49.fxe4 fxe4 50.♘f6 e3 Hoping for ... e2. **51.♔d3 e2 52.♔d2 ♔c5 53.h5**

♘xh5 54.♘xh5 ♔xb5= KN-K3P 55.♘f4 ♔b4 56.♘xe2 KN-KPP 56...♔a3!

57.♘c3 Strongly threatening Kc1. **57...b5 58.♘xb5+ ♔xa2 59.♔c2 a4 60.♘c3+ ♔a3 61.♘xa4 ♔xa4** Accuracy: White =

74%, Black = 82%.

1/2-1/2

Salem,A.R. Saleh **D26**
 Royal,Shreyas **2629**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.9) 15.05.2024 **2463**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.e3 e6
5.♙xc4 c5 6.0-0 ♘c6 7.♘c3 a6 8.♙d3
cxd4 9.exd4 ♙e7 10.♙e3N

[RR 10.♙e1 0-0 11.♙f4 ♘b4 12.♙b1
 ♙d7 13.♘e5 ♙c8 14.a3 ♘bd5
 15.♘xd5 ♘xd5 16.♙d2 ♙f6 17.♙e4
 ♙c6 18.♙c1 ♘e7 19.♘xc6 ♘xc6
 20.♙xc6 ♙xc6 21.♙xc6 bxc6 22.♙b4
 ♙e8 23.♙c3 ♙d5 24.♙d3 ♙b5
 Manukonda,A (1974)-Hu,Z (1776)
 Reykjavik ISL 2024 0-1 (60)]

[RR 10.♙e1 0-0 11.a3 b6 12.♙g5
 ♙b7 13.♙c2 ♙e8 14.♙d3 g6
 15.♙ad1 ♘h5 16.♙e3 ♙f6 17.♘e4
 ♙e7 18.♘eg5 ♙c7 19.♙c1 ♙ed8
 20.♙d2 ♙d7 21.♙e4 ♙f6 22.♙ed1
 ♘e7 23.g4 ♘g7 24.♙f4 ♙ac8
 Zia,T (2303)-Noshin,A (1964) Dhaka
 BAN 2023 1-0 (31)]

10...0-0 11.a3 h6 12.♙c1 ♙e8 13.♘e5
♘xe5 14.dxe5 ♘d5 15.♙f3?!

Inaccuracy. Bd2 was best.

[15.♙d2]

15...♙g5? Mistake. Nxe3 was best.

[15...♘xe3 16.fxe3]

16.♘e4?! Inaccuracy. Qe4 was best.

[16.♙e4 g6 17.♙xg5 hxg5 18.♙g4
 ♘xc3 19.♙xc3 ♙e7 20.h4 ♙d7 21.h5
 ♙ec8]

16...♘xe3?? Blunder. Be7 was best.

[16...♙e7 17.♙d2]

17.fxe3 ♙f8 18.♘g5 ♙xd3 19.♘xf7
♙d7 20.♙cd1 ♙b5 21.♙h5 ♙c6?!

Inaccuracy. Rxf7 was best.

[21...♙xf7 22.♙xf7+ ♔h8 23.♙xd7
 ♙xe5 24.♔h1 ♙xb2 25.♙c7 e5
 26.h3 e4 27.♙b1]

22.♘h6+ g6 23.♙g6+ ♔h8

24.♙h6+ ♔g8 25.♙xe6+ ♔h8

26.♙h6+ ♔g8 27.♙g6+ ♔h8 28.♙f6

♙xe5 29.♙h6+ ♔g8 30.♙g6+ ♔f7

31.♙f1+

1-0

Peralta,Fernando **D27**
 Yilmazyerli,Mert **2573**
 Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024 **2522**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.e3 e6
5.♙xc4 a6 6.0-0 c5 7.a4 ♘c6 8.♙e2
♙e7 9.♙d1 ♙c7 10.dxc5 0-0 11.b3
♘e4 12.♙b2 ♘xc5 13.♘bd2 ♙d8
14.♙ac1 ♙d7 15.♘e1 ♙d6
1/2-1/2

Nesterov,Arseniy **D27**
 Artemiev,Vladislav **2589**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.14) 15.05.2024 **2705**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 dxc4 4.e3 ♘f6
5.♙xc4 c5 6.0-0 a6 7.b3 cxd4 8.♘xd4
♙e7 9.♙b2 0-0 10.♙e2 b5

[RR 10...♙d7 11.♘d2 ♘c6 12.♙f3
 ♙c8 13.♙c1 ♘b4 14.♙xc8 ♙xc8
 15.a3 ♘d3 16.♙a1 e5 17.♘c4 ♘xf2
 18.♙xf2 exd4 19.♙xd4 b5 20.♘e5
 ♙xa3 21.♙d2 ♙d6 22.♙b2 ♙c5
 23.♙d4 ♙d6 24.♙b2 ♙c5 25.♙d4
 Knaak,R (2450)-Meins,G (2390)
 Bremen GER 2024 1/2-1/2]

11.a4 bxa4 12.♙xa4 ♙d7N

[RR 12...♙b7 13.♙c4 ♙d5 14.♙c1
 ♙e8 15.♘c3 ♙b7 16.♘a4 ♙f8
 17.♙c2 ♘bd7 18.♘c6 ♙xc6 19.♙xc6
 ♙b8 20.♙c2 ♙a7 21.♙d4 ♙b7
 22.♙xa6 ♙xb3 23.♙b1 ♙xb1 24.♙xb1
 ♙a8 25.♙e2 ♙b8 26.♙xb8 ♙xb8
 27.♙b5 Cheparinov,I (2663)-Vachier
 Lagrave,M (2731) Samarkand UZB
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13.♙c4 a5 14.♘d2 ♘a6 15.♘c6 ♙xc6

16.♙xc6 ♘b4 17.♙c4 h6 18.g3 ♙d7

19.♙d4 ♙a7 20.♘c4 ♘fd5 21.♙f3

♠ad8 22.♠d2 ♘b6 23.♠xd8 ♠xd8
 24.♞e2 ♞a6 25.♘xb6 ♞xb6 26.♞c4
 ♙f6 27.♙xf6 gxf6 28.♠a1 ♘d3 29.♞c3
 ♘e5 30.♙e2 ♠d5 31.♠c1 ♔g7 32.h4
 ♞d6 33.♙f1 ♞b8 34.♠d1 ♞b7
 35.♠xd5 ♞xd5 36.♔g1 ♞d8 37.♔g2
 ♞a8+ 38.♔h2 ♞d8 39.♔g2 ♞b6
 40.♔g1 ♘d7 41.♙c4 ♞c5 42.♞d2
 ♘b6 43.♙e2 ♘d5 44.♙c4 ♘b6 45.♙e2
 ♘c8 46.♔g2 ♘d6 47.♙f3 ♞b6 48.♞c3
 ♘f5 49.♞c4 ♘e7 50.♞g4+ ♔f8 51.♞f4
 ♘g8 52.♞c4 ♘e7 53.♞f4 ♔g7
 1/2-1/2

♠ Erigaisi Arjun 2761
 ♜ Kacharava,Nikolozi 2527
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.e3 e6
 5.♙xc4 c5 6.0-0 a6 7.♙e2 ♘c6
 8.dxc5 ♙xc5 9.♘bd2N White is slightly
 better.

[RR 9.♞xd8+ ♔xd8 10.b3 ♔e7
 11.♙b2 ♙d7 12.♘bd2 b5 13.♠fc1
 ♙d6 14.a4 ♠ab8 15.axb5 axb5
 16.♘d4 ♘xd4 17.♙xd4 ♠hc8 18.♙f3
 e5 19.♙b2 ♠xc1+ 20.♠xc1 ♠c8
 21.♠xc8 ♙xc8 22.♘e4 ♘xe4
 23.♙xe4 ♙e6 Lagarde,M (2638)-Terry,
 R (2522) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2
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[RR 9.♞xd8+ ♔xd8 10.♘c3 ♔e7
 11.b3 ♙d7 12.♘a4 ♙d6 13.♘b6
 ♠ad8 14.♠d1 ♙c5 15.♘xd7 ♠xd7
 16.♠xd7+ ♘xd7 17.♙b2 f6 18.♠c1
 ♙d6 (18...♠c8= remains equal.)
 19.♘d2 (Better is 19.♙xa6± ♠a8
 20.♙xb7 Double Attack ♠xa2
 21.♙xf6+ gxf6 22.♙xc6) 19...♠c8
 20.♘e4 ♙b4 21.a3 ♙d6 22.♘xd6
 ♔xd6 23.♙f1 ♠c7 Lopusiewicz,P
 (2301)-Estrada Nieto,J (2212) chess.
 com INT 2023 0-1 (42)]

9...0-0 10.a3 ♙e7 11.b4 ♘d5 12.♙b2

♙f6 13.♞c2 ♙d7 14.♘e4 ♙xb2
 15.♞xb2 ♞e7 16.♘c5 ♠fd8 17.♘xd7

[Avoid the trap 17.♘xb7? ♠db8+]]
 17...♠xd7 18.♘d2 ♠ad8 White must
 now prevent ...Nxe3! 19.♘b3 ♘b6
 20.♠fc1 e5?! Inaccuracy. Na4 was best.

[20...♘a4]
 [20...♘a4± 21.♞c2 ♠c8]
 21.h3± ♠d6 22.♠c2?! Inaccuracy. Nc5
 was best.

[22.♘c5! ♠d2 23.♠c2 ♠xc2 24.♞xc2
 a5 25.bxa5 ♘xa5 26.♞c3! ♠c8
 27.♞xa5 ♞xc5]
 [22.♘c5!+- and White stays clearly on
 top.]

22...e4 23.♘c5 f5? Mistake. Nd5 was
 best.

[23...♘d5 24.♠ac1 h6 25.♞b3 ♔h8
 26.b5 axb5 27.♞xb5 b6! 28.♘xe4
 ♘d4! 29.exd4]

[23...♘d5±]
 24.b5+- axb5 25.♞xb5 ♘a7 26.♞a5
 ♘ac8 27.♘b3?! Inaccuracy. Rac1 was
 best.

[27.♠ac1 h6 28.a4 ♠c6 29.♘b3
 ♠xc2 30.♠xc2 f4 (30...♞f6
 was necessary. 31.♠c7 ♔h7 32.♠xb7
 ♠d5) 31.♙g4 fxe3 32.fxe3 ♔h7]

[27.♠ac1+-]
 27...♞f6? Mistake. Nd5 was best.
 [27...♘d5 28.♘d4 ♞f6 29.♠b1 ♘cb6
 30.♘b5 ♠d7 31.♘c7 h6 32.♘xd5
 ♘xd5 33.♠d1]

[Black should play 27...♘d5±]
 28.♠ac1 ♘e7 29.♘c5 ♠a8 30.♞b4
 ♘ed5

[30...♠a7±]
 31.♞b5! ♞f7?! Inaccuracy. Qe7 was
 best.

[31...♞e7 32.a4! ♘c7 33.♙c4+ ♘xc4
 34.♞xc4+ ♘e6 [#] 35.♞b5! ♞e8
 36.♞xe8+ ♠xe8 37.♘xb7]

[31...♞e7 keeps fighting. 32.a4 ♘c7
 33.♙c4+ ♘xc4 34.♞xc4+ ♘e6]

32.a4 ♘c7 33.♞b4?! Inaccuracy. Qb1
 was best.

[33.♔b1 ♖cd5 34.a5 ♖xa5 [#]
35.♗xe4! ♖c6 36.♗d6 ♗f6 37.♖xc6
bxc6 38.♗xf5 c5]

33...♗bd5 34.♗a3 b5?! [#] Inaccuracy.
Rg6 was best.

[34...♖g6 35.♗xb7 h6 36.♔h1 ♗f6
37.♗c5 ♗e7 38.a5 f4 39.exf4 ♗xf4
40.♔f1]

35.♗xe4! ♖g6

[35...fxe4 36.♗xd6]

**36.♗c5 ♔h8 37.♗d3 ♖xa4 38.♗e5
♖xa3 39.♗xf7+ ♔g8 40.♖xc7 ♗xc7
41.♖xc7 ♖b6 42.♗e5 ♖a8 43.♔f3 ♖f8
44.♗d7** Accuracy: White = 77%, Black =
50%.

1-0

□ Sarana,Alexey

■ Sankalp Gupta

Sharjah Master 2024

D27

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2531

19.05.2024

**1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.♗f3 ♗f6 4.e3 e6
5.♔xc4 c5 6.0-0 a6 7.dxc5 ♔xc5
8.♗xd8+ ♔xd8 9.♔e2 ♔e7 10.♗c3**

[RR 10.♗bd2 ♔d7 11.♖d1 ♖c8 12.b3
♔b5 13.♗c4 ♗bd7 14.♔b2 ♗b6
15.♗fe5 ♗xc4 16.♗xc4 ♔xc4
17.♔xc4 g6 18.♔e2 ♗d7 19.♖ac1
♔d6 20.f4 ♖xc1 21.♖xc1 a5 22.♔b5
♗b6 23.g3 ♖c8 24.e4 f6 Harikrishna,
P (2696)-Gukesh,D (2720) Chennai
IND 2023 ½-½ (31)]

10...b5 11.♗d2 The position is equal.

11...♔b7 12.♗b3 ♗bd7N

[RR 12...♔b4 13.♔d2 ♗c6 14.a3
♔d6 15.♔f3 ♖ab8 16.a4 bxa4
17.♖xa4 ♗e5 18.♔d1 ♖hc8 19.♗a5
♔a8 20.♗b3 ♔b7 21.♗a5 ♔a8
22.♗b3 ♖b6 23.♔c2 ♗c4 24.♔c1
♔b4 (Black should try 24...♗d5?

25.♔d1 ♔e5) 25.♗a2 (25.♔d3=)
25...♔d6 26.♗c3 ♔e5 27.h3
Finek,V (2431)-Paravyan,D (2606)
chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (66)]

**13.♗a5 ♖a7 14.a4 b4 15.♗a2 ♔d5
16.♖d1 ♗b8?! Inaccuracy.** Rc7 was
best.

[16...♖c7 17.♔d2]

[16...♖c7=]

**17.♔d2± ♔xa2 18.♖xa2 ♖d8
...Rad7** would now be nice for Black.
**19.♖aa1 ♔e8 20.♖ac1 ♔e7 21.♔f1
♖ad7 22.♔e1 ♗d5 23.♗c4**

[♟23.♔f3]

23...f5

[♟23...♖c7]

**24.♔f3 ♗f6 25.♗a5 ♗d5 26.g4 g6
27.gxf5 exf5 28.♗c4 ♗f6 29.♗a5
♗d5 30.♖xd5?! Inaccuracy.** Rb1 was
best.

[30.♖b1]

[30.♖b1+-]

30...♖xd5 31.♗b7 ♖e5 32.♖c7

[White should play 32.♔e2±]

**32...a5!± 33.♗xd8 ♔xd8 34.♖a7 ♖c5
35.b3 ♗d7 36.♔e2 ♔d6 37.♔b5 ♔c7
38.f3 ♖c2?! Inaccuracy.** Kc8 was best.

[38...♔c8 39.♔e2]

[38...♔c8±]

39.♖a8+? Mistake. Bg3 was best.

[39.♔g3!]

[39.♔g3!±]

39...♗b8! 40.♔g3 ♖c3 Double Attack
41.♔e2 ♔xg3 42.hxg3= Endgame KRB-
KRN **42...♔c7! 43.♖a7+**

[But not 43.♖xa5 ♔b6=]

43...♔d6

[43...♔c8±]

44.♖xh7± ♗c6?! Inaccuracy. Rxb3 was
best.

[44...♖xb3 45.♖g7]

[44...♖xb3± 45.♖g7 ♖b2+ 46.♔d3
♖b3+ 47.♔d4 ♖b1]

**45.♖h6!+- ♗e7 46.♔c4 ♖c2+ 47.♔d3
♖g2 48.♖h3 g5?! Inaccuracy.** Nd5 was
best.

[48...♗d5 [#] 49.e4!]

[48...♖g1± was called for. 49.f4 ♗c8]

**49.♖h6+ ♔c7 50.♖e6 ♔d7 51.g4 fxg4
52.fxg4 ♖xg4 53.♖a6** Strongly

threatening Be6+. **53...Rg1 54.Rxa5**
Qd6?

[54...g4 55.Rg5 g3]

55.Ra6+?! Inaccuracy. Ke4 was best.

[55.Qe4 g4 56.Rg5 Qc6 57.a5 g3
 58.a6 g2 59.Qb5 Qa7 60.Qa4 Qc7]

55...Qc5?! Inaccuracy. Kc7 was best.

[55...Qc7 56.Re6 Qd7 57.Rb6 g4
 58.Qe6+ Qc7 59.Rxb4 g3 60.Rg4
 Qd6 61.Qc4]

56.Ra5+ Qd6 57.Qe4 Qc6 58.Rd5+
Qc7 59.Rf5 Qb6?! [#] Inaccuracy. g4
was best.

[59...g4 60.Qf4 Qe7 61.Rg5 g3
 62.a5 g2 [#] 63.Qg3! Qc8 64.Qf2
 Rc1 65.Qxg2]

60.a5+! Qa7?! Inaccuracy. Kc7 was
best.

[60...Qc7 61.a6 Rg4+ 62.Qf3 Rh4
 63.Rxg5 Rh3+ 64.Qe4 Rh6 65.Rb5
 Qd6 66.Qf4]

[60...Qxa5 61.Rb5+]

61.Rf7+ White is clearly winning.

61...Qb8 62.a6 Ra1 63.Rb7+ Qc8

64.Qe6+ Qd8 65.Rd7+ Qe8 66.Rc7

Rxa6 67.Qd7+ Double Attack 67...Qe7

68.Rxc6 Accuracy: White = 85%, Black =
65%.

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D28

□ **Suleymenov,Alisher**

2499

■ **Yilmazyerli,Mert**

2522

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22.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Qf3 Qf6 4.e3 e6

5.Qxc4 a6 6.0-0 c5 7.We2 b5 8.Qd3

Qbd7 9.a4 Qb7N Inaccuracy. c4 was
best.

[9...c4 10.Qc2 Qb7 11.e4 Qe7
 12.Qc3 b4 13.e5 bxc3 14.exf6 Qxf6
 15.bxc3]

[RR 9...bxa4 10.Qc3 Qb7 11.Rxa4
 cxd4 12.exd4 Qb6 (12...Qe7±)
 13.Ra1? (13.Qxa6+- Qxf3 14.Qb5+

Qfd7 15.Wxf3 Qxa4 16.Qxa4)

13...Qe7 14.Qxa6 Qxa6 15.Rxa6 0-0

16.Qf4 Qfd5 17.Qe5 Qb4 18.Rxa8

Wxa8 19.Qd2 Wc6 20.Qde4 Rd8?

(20...Qd7= and Black is okay.)

21.Re1? (21.Wg4+- g6 22.Qf6)

21...Qc4 22.Wg4 Qxe5 23.dxe5 Qd3

24.Re3 Lorans,S (2076)-

Kurmangaliyeva,L (2240) chess.com

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[9...c4= 10.Qc2 Qb7]

10.axb5± axb5 11.Rxa8 White is slightly
better. 11...Wxa8 12.Qxb5 cxd4

13.Rd1 Qc5? Mistake. Bxf3 was best.

[13...Qxf3 14.gxf3 Wb7 15.Wc4 Qd6

16.Qxd7+ Wxd7 17.Wxd4 Qc5

18.Wd3 Qe7 19.Wc2]

[13...Qxf3± 14.gxf3 (14.Wxf3 Wxf3

15.gxf3 Qd6±) 14...Wc8]

14.Qe5+- Black must now prevent
Bxd7+.

[Resist 14.Qxd4?! 0-0±]

14...Qxg2 15.f3! Qh3 16.exd4 Qb6

[Q16...Qd6]

17.Qe3 Wd8?! Inaccuracy. Qb7 was
best.

[17...Wb7 18.Qc6 Wc7 19.Rc1 0-0

20.Qxd7! Wa7 21.Qc6 Qxd4 22.Qxd4

Wxd4+ 23.Qh1]

18.Qxd7+ Qxd7 19.Wb5 Strongly
threatening Nc3. 19...Qc7 20.Qc3

Threatens to win with Ne4. 20...Qf5

21.Qe4 Qxe4 22.fxe4 Qd6 23.Wc6

Wc7 24.Wa8+ Wb8 25.Wa4?! Inaccuracy. Qc6 was best.

[25.Wc6 Wc7 [#] 26.Wb5! Qxe5

27.dxe5 h5 (27...h6 was necessary.

28.Qh1 0-0) 28.b4 h4 29.Ra1

(Q29.Qc5 Wc8 30.Ra1) 29...0-0

30.Rc1 Wd8]

[25.Wc6+- Wc7 26.Wb5]

25...Wb7± 26.Qf4 aiming for Nxd7.

26...0-0?? Blunder. Bb8 was best.

[26...Qb8 27.b3]

[26...Qb8±]

27.Wxd7+- Wxe4 next ...Bxe5 is good for

Black. 28.♖xd6 ♗xf4 29.♟f1 ♖e3+
30.♟f2 ♗c1+ 31.♘g2 Hoping for Nxf7!
31...♗g5+ 32.♘f3 h5 33.♗c7 f6
34.♘d3 e5 35.♗c4+

[Weaker is 35.dxe5 fxe5+ 36.♙e2
♗g4+ 37.♙d2 ♟xf2+ 38.♘xf2 ♗d4+
39.♙e1 ♗xb2±]

35...♘h8 36.dxe5 fxe5+ [#] 37.♙e2!
♟d8 38.♗e4 h4 39.♟f5 Double Attack
39...♗h6 40.♗g4 Accuracy: White =
76%, Black = 45%.
1-0

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2701
17.05.2024

☐ Nesterov,Arseniy
■ Fedoseev,Vladimir
Sharjah Master 2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 a6 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♘c3 ♘f6 6.♙g5 ♙e6 7.e3
♘bd7 8.♙d3 White is slightly better.
8...♙d6 9.0-0

[RR 9.h3 c6 10.♙f4 ♗c7 11.♗d2 0-0
12.0-0 ♟fe8 13.♟fe1 ♘b6 14.b3 g6
15.♙xd6 ♗xd6 16.♘e5 ♘fd7 17.f4
f6 18.♘f3 ♙f7 19.e4 dxe4! 20.♘xe4
♗c7 21.f5 ♘d5 22.fxg6 hxg6
23.♗h6 ♗f4 Firouzja,A (2760)-So,W
(2757) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (33)]

9...c6 10.♙f4 ♙xf4N

[RR 10...♗c7 11.♗d2 h6 12.♟ab1
♙g4 13.♙xd6 ♗xd6 14.♘h4 0-0
15.h3 (15.f4±) 15...♙e6 16.♟fc1 ♘b6
17.♘f3 ♟fe8 18.♘e5 ♘fd7 19.f4 f6
20.♘f3 ♘f8 21.♘e2 ♗d7 22.♘g3
♘c8 23.f5 (White should play
23.♟e1±) 23...♙f7 24.b3 ♘d6 25.♟e1
Krasteva,B (2251)-Ushenina,A (2415)
Monaco MNC 2024 0-1 (62)]

[RR 10...♗c7 11.♗d2 0-0 12.h3 g6
13.♟fe1 ♟fe8 14.b4 ♘h5 15.♙h2
♙xh2+ 16.♘xh2 ♘g7 17.a4 ♘b6
18.♘f3 ♙f5 19.♙f1 ♟ed8 20.♟ec1
♗e7 21.♗b2 ♘e8 22.a5 ♘d7
23.♘a4 ♘d6 24.♘c5 ♟e8 25.♟e1

Lysyj,I (2589)-Svane,R (2637) chess.
com INT 2024 0-1 (71)]

[RR 10...♗c7 11.♗d2 0-0 12.♘g5
♙g4 13.f3 ♙h5 14.♘h3 ♙g6 15.♙xg6
hxg6 16.♟ac1 ♙xf4 17.exf4 ♟fe8
18.♘f2 b6 19.♘d3 c5 20.♘e5 ♗b7
21.b3 ♟ac8 22.♟fd1 cxd4 23.♗xd4
♘f8 24.♘e2 ♘e6 25.♗d2
Vakhidov,J (2599)-Begmuratov,K
(2385) Tashkent UZB 2024 0-1 (52)]

11.exf4 And now f5 would win. 11...g6
12.♟e1 0-0 13.♗c2 ♙g4 14.♘e5 ♘xe5
15.fxe5 ♘h5 16.♗d2 f6 17.f3 ♙e6
18.♘a4 ♗c7 19.♘c5 ♟ae8 20.♗h6?!
Inaccuracy. exf6 was best. Strongly
threatening Bxg6!

[20.exf6 ♗f4]

20...♘g7 21.exf6 ♟xf6 22.♟e5 a5
23.♗h4 ♟ff8 24.♟ae1 ♙c8 25.♗g5
♟xe5 26.♟xe5 ♗d6 Threatening ...b6.
27.♗e7 ♗xe7 28.♟xe7 b6 29.♘a4 ♟f4
30.♘xb6 ♙e6 31.♘a4 ♟xd4 32.♘c5
♙f5 33.♙a6 ♘f8 34.♟e2 ♘f7 35.♘f2
♟b4

[35...♘e6!? 36.♘b7 ♟b4=]

36.g4 Threatens to win with a3. 36...♘e6
37.♘b7 [#] 37...♙d3! 38.♘d6+
[38.♙xd3 ♟xb7]

38...♙e7 39.♘c8+ ♘d8 40.♙xd3 ♘f4
Double Attack 41.♘a7! ♘xd3+=
End game K R N - K R N 42.♙e3±
White is not holding back 42...♘e5
White must now prevent ...Kd7. 43.♘f2
♟b7 White should prevent ...Nd3+.

44.♟xe5 ♟xa7 KR-KR 45.♟e6 ♟b7
46.b3 ♟c7 47.h4 ♘d7 48.♟f6 ♘e7
49.g5 a4 50.b4 c5 51.bxc5 ♟xc5
52.♟a6 ♟c2+ 53.♙e3 ♟xa2 54.♘d4 a3
55.♙xd5 ♟d2+ 56.♙e4 a2 57.f4 ♟f2
58.♙e3 ♟h2 59.♘f3 ♘d7 60.♙g4
♟g2+ 61.♘f3 ♟c2 62.♙g4 ♘c7
aiming for ...Kb7. 63.h5 ♘b7 64.♟a3??
Blunder. Ra4 was best.

[64.♟a4! ♘b6 65.hxg6! hxg6 66.f5
♟c4+ 67.♟xc4 a1♗ 68.fxg6 ♗d1+
69.♙h4 ♗f1]

[64.♖a4!= and White has nothing to worry.]

64...♗b6!+ 65.♞a8? [#] Mistake. hxg6 was best.

[65.hxg6 hxg6 66.f5 ♖c4+ 67.♔g3 ♖c3+! 68.♞xc3 a1♞ 69.♞b3+ ♔c5 70.fxg6 ♞e1+]

[65.hxg6 was the only chance. hxg6 66.♔f3 ♖c3+ Promotion 67.♞xc3]

65...♗b5! 66.♞a7 ♗b4 67.♞b7+?

[67.h6+]

67...♗c3 Black mates. **68.♞a7 ♗b2 69.♞b7+ ♗c1 70.♞a7 ♗b1 71.hxg6?!** Inaccuracy. Kf3 was best.

[71.♔f3 ♖c4 72.♞b7+ ♔c2 73.♞a7 ♗b2 74.♞a5 a1♞ 75.♞xa1 ♔xa1 76.♔e3 ♗b2]

71...hxg6 72.f5 [#] 72...♖c4+! 73.♔f3?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Kg3 was best.

[73.♔g3 gxf5 74.♞b7+ ♔c2 75.♞a7 ♗b2 76.♔f3 a1♞ 77.♞xa1 ♔xa1 78.♔g3 ♞g4+]

73...gxf5 74.♞b7+ ♔c2 75.♞a7 ♗b2 Accuracy: White = 79%, Black = 89%. **0-1**

□ **Iniyana,Pa** **D30 2493**
 ■ **Idani,Pouya** **2605**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.40) 14.05.2024

1.d4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/KOn8Wlvi> <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/KOn8Wlvi> **1...♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.♗g5 dxc4 5.e4 c5 6.♗xc4**

[RR 6.♗c3 cxd4 7.♞xd4 ♞xd4 8.♗xd4 a6 9.♗xc4 b5 10.♗e2 ♗b7 11.f3 ♗e7 12.♖c1 ♗bd7 13.♗b3 ♖c8 14.♗e3 0-0 15.♔f2 ♗e5 16.♞hd1 h6 17.a3 g5 18.♗d4 ♗fd7 19.a4 b4 20.♗a2 ♗c6 Andreikin,D (2729)-Dominguez Perez,L (2748) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (35)]

6...cxd4 7.0-0N

[RR 7.e5 h6 8.♗d2 ♗fd7 9.0-0 ♗c6 10.♞e2 a6 11.♖c1 g5 12.♗a3 ♗g7 13.♗b3 g4 14.♗e1 ♗dxe5 15.f4 gxf3 16.♗xf3 d3 17.♞f2 ♗g4 18.♞g3 ♞g8 19.♖c4 ♗d4+ 20.♗xd4 ♗xd4 21.♗d1 ♞b6 Nikcevic,N (2346)-Mrva,M (2365) Terme Catez, Slovenia 2024 [<https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/KOn8Wlvi>] 0-1]

[RR 7.e5 h6 8.♗d2 ♗fd7 9.0-0 ♗c6 10.♞e2 a6 11.♖c1 g5 12.♗a3 ♗g7 13.♗b3 g4 14.♗e1 ♗dxe5 15.f4 gxf3 16.♗xf3 d3 17.♞f2 ♗g4 18.♞g3 ♞g8 19.♖c4 ♗d4+ 20.♗xd4 ♗xd4 21.♗d1 ♞b6 Nikcevic,N (2346)-Mrva,M (2365) Terme Catez, Slovenia 2024 [<https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/KOn8Wlvi>] 0-1]

7...♗c6 8.♗b5 ♞b6 9.♗xd4 ♗xe4 10.♗xc6 ♗d7 11.♗xa7 ♗xb5 12.♗e3 ♗c5 13.♗xc5 ♞xc5 14.♗xb5 ♞xb5 15.♗a3 ♞a4 16.♞xa4+ ♞xa4 17.♖fc1 0-0 18.♖c7 ♞b4 19.b3 h6 20.♖ac1 ♞d8 21.f3 ♗f6 22.♗c2 ♞b5 23.♗e3 ♞d2 24.♞1c2 ♞d3 25.♞2c3 ♞d2 26.♖c2 ♞d3 27.♔f2 ♗f8 28.♔e2 ♞d8 29.♞2c5 ♞xc5 30.♞xc5 ♔e7 31.♖c7+ ♞d7 32.♞xd7+ ♗xd7 33.a4 ♗c6 34.♗d3 ♗d7 35.♗c4 f6 36.b4 h5?! Inaccuracy. b5 was best.

[36...b5 37.axb5+ ♗xb5 38.♔c3 ♗c6 39.f4 ♗b8 40.g3 ♗a6 41.♗e3 h5 42.♗c2]

37.♗d4?! Inaccuracy. Na5+ was best.

[37.♗a5+ ♗c7 38.♗b3 ♗c6 39.♗d4 g5 40.♗a5+ ♗c7 41.♗c4 b6 42.♗d2 ♗c6]

37...b5 38.axb5+ ♗xb5 39.♗c3 e5 40.♗d6+ ♗c6 41.♗f5 g5 42.♗d3 ♗b6 43.♗g7 h4 44.♗e4 ♗d7?? Blunder. Nd5 was best.

[44...♗d5 45.♗e8 ♗xb4 46.♗xf6 ♗d6 47.♔f5 ♗c2 48.♗e4+ ♗d5 49.♗xg5 ♗e1 50.♗xh4]

45.♔f5 ♗d5 46.♗h5 ♗e7 47.b5 ♗f7? Mistake. Ne3+ was best.

[47...♖e3+ 48.♔e4 ♘c4 49.♔d5 ♗b6+ 50.♔c5 ♗a4+ 51.♔c6 ♔f7 52.g4 hxg3 53.♗xg3]
48.♗xf6 ♗xf6 49.b6 h3
1-0

D30

□ **Assaubayeva, Bibisara** **2481**
 ■ **Aditya Mittal** **2607**
 Sharjah Master 2024 15.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.♙g5 dxc4 5.e4 b5 6.a4 c6 7.♗c3 b4 8.♗b1 ♙a6 9.♚c1 c3N

[RR 9...♗bd7 10.♙xc4 ♚a5 11.♗bd2 ♚c8 12.0-0 ♙e7 13.e5 ♗d5 14.♗e4 0-0 15.♙xe7 ♗xe7 16.♗d6 ♚c7 17.♙xa6 ♚xa6 18.♚d2 ♚b8 19.♚fc1 c5 20.h4 ♗d5 21.h5 h6 22.♚c4 ♚c6 23.♚ac1 ♗5b6 24.♚xb4 Barria Zuniga, D (2341)-Shirov, A (2660) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (47)]

10.bxc3 ♙xf1 11.♔xf1 ♗bd7 12.♗bd2 c5 13.dxc5 bxc3 14.♚xc3 ♗xc5 15.♙xf6 gxf6 16.g3 ♚c8 17.♚c1 ♙h6 18.♔g2 0-0 19.♚c2 ♗d3 20.♗c4 a5 21.♚a1 ♚e7 22.♚c3 ♚fd8 23.♚d1 ♗b4 24.♗d4 f5 25.♗xa5 ♙g7 26.♚c1 ♚e8 27.♚xc8 ♚xc8 28.♚a3 ♙xd4 29.♚xb4 ♙c3 30.♚b6 ♔g7 31.♗b3 ♚xa4 32.exf5 ♚e4+ 33.♔g1 ♚xf5 34.♚e3 ♙f6 35.♗d4 ♚d5 36.♚f3?? Blunder. g4 was best.

[36.g4]

36...♚d8 37.♗xe6+ ♚xe6 38.♚xd8 ♙xd8 39.♔g2 f5? Mistake. Be7 was best.

[39...♙e7 40.h4 ♔g6 41.♔g1 ♚f5 42.♚e2 ♙f6 43.♔f1 ♔g7 44.♔g2 ♙d4 45.♔g1]

40.♚c3+ ♙f6 41.♚c7+ ♔g6 42.♚b8 ♙d4 43.♔f1 ♚c4+ 44.♔g2 ♚e6 45.♔f1 ♙c5 46.♚b5 ♚d5 47.♚e8+ ♔h6 48.♔g1?! Inaccuracy. Qc8 was best.

[48.♚c8 ♔g5 49.♚h8 ♚h1+ 50.♔e2 ♚c6 51.♚g8+ ♔h6 52.♚f7 ♚a6+ 53.♔f3 ♚g6]

48...♚e4 49.♚xe4?? Blunder. Qf7 was best.

[49.♚f7 ♚e1+]

49...fxe4 50.♔f1 ♔g5
0-1

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□ **Blohberger, Felix** **2505**
 ■ **Maurizzi, Marc`Andria** **2617**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.34) 14.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 a6 4.♙g5 ♙e7 5.♙xe7 ♚xe7 6.e3

[RR 6.♗bd2 ♗f6 7.g3 c5 8.dxc5 0-0 9.♙g2 d4 10.♗xd4 ♚d8 11.♗4b3 a5 12.a4 ♗fd7 13.0-0 ♗xc5 14.♗xc5 ♚xc5 15.♗e4 ♚c7 16.♚c2 ♗a6 17.♚fd1 ♙d7 18.♗g5 f5 19.e4 h6 20.♗f3 fxe4 Abasov, N (2679)- Nakamura, H (2780) Viernheim GER 2024 0-1 (69)]

6...♗f6 7.♗c3 0-0 8.♚c1N

[RR 8.♚c2 c5 9.♚d1 ♗c6 10.a3 dxc4 11.♙xc4 b5 12.♙a2 cxd4 13.exd4 ♙b7 14.0-0 ♚ac8 15.♚fe1 b4 16.axb4 ♗xb4 17.♚e2 ♗xa2 18.♗xa2 ♗d5 19.♚d2 ♚c7 20.♗c3 ♗xc3 21.bxc3 ♙xf3 22.gxf3 ♚fc8 Barria Zuniga, D (2341)-Slade, T (2086) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (54)]

8...b6 9.cxd5 exd5 10.♙d3 ♙b7 11.0-0 ♗bd7 12.♚e2 c5 13.b3 b5 14.dxc5 ♗xc5 15.♗d4 g6 16.♚c2 ♚ac8 17.♚fc1 ♗fe4 18.♗d1 h5 19.f3 ♗f6 20.♚d2 ♗e6 21.♗xe6 ♚xe6 22.♚b4 ♚xc2 23.♚xc2 ♚c8 24.♚d4 ♚xc2 25.♙xc2 ♗d7 26.b4 ♗e5 27.♙b3 ♚e7 28.♗c3 ♗c4 29.♙xc4 dxc4 30.a3 ♙c6 31.♗e2

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 2546
 2671
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.18) 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 d5 4.♙g5
 ♙b4+ 5.♘c3 0-0 6.e3 ♘bd7 7.cxd5
 exd5 8.♞c1N

[RR 8.♞c2 h6 9.♙h4 ♞e8 10.♙d3 c5
 11.0-0 ♞a5 12.a3 (Better is
 12.♘xd5± ♘xd5 13.a3) 12...♙xc3!
 13.♞xc3 ♞xc3 14.bxc3 c4 15.♙c2
 ♘e4 16.♙xe4! ♞xe4 17.a4 b6
 18.♞fb1 a6 19.♞b2 ♞e6 20.♙g3 ♞a7
 21.♙h4 ♞b7 22.♘e1 g5 Murugan,K
 (2238)-Dusthageer,I (2098) Chennai
 IND 2024 1-0 (36)]

8...h6 9.♙h4 White is slightly better.
 9...c5 10.dxc5 ♞a5 11.a3?! Inaccuracy.
 Nd2 was best.

[11.♘d2 g5 12.♙g3 ♘xc5 13.♙e2
 (13.♙e5!? ♘fe4 14.a3 ♙xc3 15.♙xc3
 ♘xc3 16.♞xc3=) 13...♙xc3 14.bxc3
 ♞e8 15.0-0 ♙d7 16.♘b3 ♞b6]
 [11.♘d2=]

11...♙xc3+! ♞ 12.♞xc3?! Inaccuracy.
 bxc3 was best.

[12.bxc3 ♞xa3]
 [12.bxc3 ♞e4 13.♘d4]

12...♘e4↑ Double Attack, Pin. Black is on
 the roll. 13.b4 ♘xc3 14.♞a1 ♞a4
 15.♞xc3 a5 16.b5 ♘xc5! 17.♞xc5 ♙f5
 18.♞c1

[18.♞xd5 ♞ac8]

18...♞ac8 19.♞a1 ♙g4 20.♙g3 ♙xf3?
 Mistake. d4 was best.

[20...d4! 21.♙e5 (21.♙e2 ♞xf3
 22.gxf3) 21...dxe3 22.fxe3 ♞fe8!
 23.♙d4 ♞c2 24.♙d3 ♞xg2 25.♘h4
 ♞b3 26.♘xg2]
 [20...d4!?]

21.gxf3 d4! 22.♙h3 ♞xb5 23.♙xc8
 ♞xc8 24.♞d1? Mistake. a4 was best.

[24.a4! ♞c4! 25.♞d1 b5 26.♙e5 d3
 27.0-0 b4 28.♞d2 ♞d5 29.♙d4!
 ♞g5+]

[24.a4= ♞b4+ 25.♙f1]

24...♞c3 25.exd4 g5 aiming for ...Qc4.
 26.♞g1 [#] 26...♙h7! Black has strong
 compensation. 27.d5 [#] Hoping for d6.
 27...♞c4! 28.d6 ♞c1 29.♙d2 ♞c3+?!
 Inaccuracy. Rxd1+ was best.

[29...♞xd1+]

[29...♞xd1+ ♞ 30.♞xd1 ♞e6]

30.♙e2 ♞b2+ 31.♞d2 ♞c2 32.♞d1
 ♞b5+ 33.♙e1! ♞xd2 34.♞xd2
 Endgame KQ-KRB 34...♞d7 35.♞e2?!
 Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[35.h4 gxh4]

[White should play 35.h4 ♞]

35...♙g6 36.♞e7

[36.f4 ♞ was necessary.]

36...♞b5+ 37.♞c7 ♙f6 38.h4 ♞d5?!
 Inaccuracy. Qd3 was best.

[38...♞d3]

[♠38...♞b3 39.hxg5+ hxg5]

39.hxg5 ♞ hxg5 40.♞c2 ♙g6?!
 Inaccuracy. Qxf3 was best.

[40...♞xf3 41.♞d2]

[Black should try 40...♞xf3 ♞ 41.♞d2
 ♞e4+ 42.♙f1 ♞c4+ 43.♙e1 ♞e6+
 44.♙f1 ♞c4+ 45.♙e1 ♞e4+ 46.♙f1
 ♞b1+ 47.♙e2 ♞b5+ 48.♞d3 ♞d7]

41.♞d2!= ♞e6+

[41...♞xf3!? 42.d7 ♞ ♞e4+ 43.♙f1
 ♞h1+ 44.♙e2 ♞e4+ 45.♙f1 ♞h1+
 46.♙e2 ♞e4+ 47.♙f1=]

42.♙f1 ♞d7 43.♙g2 f5 ...f4 is the
 strong threat. 44.♙e5 f4 45.♙c3 g4
 46.♙b2?! Inaccuracy. Bxa5 was best.

[46.♙xa5 gxf3+ 47.♙xf3 ♞h3+
 48.♙e2 ♞g4+ 49.f3 ♞g2+ 50.♙e1
 ♞g1+ 51.♙e2]

46...b5 Strongly threatening ...b4. 47.♞d4
 ♙f5 48.fxg4+ The position is equal.

48...♙xg4 49.f3+ ♙f5 50.♙f2 ♙e6
 51.♙e1 ♙f7 52.♞xf4+ ♙e8 53.♞d4
 ♙d8 54.♙d2 ♞f7 55.d7! ♞b3 56.♙c1
 ♞xf3 White must now prevent ...Qc6+.

57.♞d2 ♞f4 And now ...Qf1+ would win.

58.♙c3 b4

[58...♞c7!? 59.♙b2 ♞ ♞b6=]

59.axb4 axb4 60.♔d4 White wants to mate with Bb6+. **60...♖h6 61.♔e5** Threatens to win with Bc7+! **61...♖c6+ 62.♔b2 [#] 62...b3! 63.♔c3** Intending Ba5+ and mate.

[63.♔xb3 ♖b5+]

63...♖xd7 64.♖xd7+ ♔xd7 65.♔xb3

Accuracy: White = 85%, Black = 86%.

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D30

☐ **Nguyen,Thai Dai Van 2649**
 ■ **Maurizzi,Marc`Andria 2617**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.g3 ♔b4+ 5.♔d2 ♔e7 6.♔g2 ♘bd7 7.0-0 8.♖c2 c6 9.♔f4 ♘e4 10.♖d1 f5N

[RR 10...g5 11.♔c1 f5 12.♘e1 ♔f6 13.f3 ♘d6 14.c5 ♘b5 15.e3 e5 16.a4 ♘c7 17.dxe5 ♘xe5 18.f4 ♘c4 19.♘a3 ♘xa3 20.♖xa3 ♘e6 21.a5 ♖e7 22.b4 ♖g7 23.♔h1 a6 24.♔h3 g4 25.♔f1 Razanadrakotoarisoa,T (2086)-Rakotomaharo,F (2460) Antananarivo MAD 2024 1/2-1/2 (41)]

11.b3 a5 12.♘c3 ♔f6 13.♖ac1 g5 14.♔e3 ♖e7 15.♘e1 ♘d6 16.c5 ♘e4 17.♘xe4 fxe4 18.♖d2 e5 19.f3 exd4 20.♔xd4 ♔xd4+ 21.♖xd4 ♘f6 22.fxe4 ♘xe4 23.♔xe4 ♖xe4 24.♖xe4 dxe4 25.♘c2 a4 26.b4 a3 27.♘e3 ♔e6 28.♖c2 ♖fd8 29.♖xd8+ ♖xd8 30.♔f2 ♖d4 31.♖c3 ♖xb4 32.♖xa3 ♔f7 33.♖a7 ♔f6 34.a4 ♔e5 35.a5 ♖b5 36.a6 bxa6 37.♖xa6 ♖xc5 38.♖a7 h5 39.♖h7 h4 40.gxh4 gxh4 41.♖xh4 ♖c1

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D31

☐ **Jumabayev,Rinat 2595**
 ■ **Erdos,Viktor 2546**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♘c3 d5 3.d4 ♔b4 4.a3 ♔xc3+ 5.bxc3 ♘f6 6.e3 c6 7.a4 0-0 8.♘f3

[RR 8.♔d3 e5 9.dxe5 dxc4 10.♔xc4 ♖xd1+ 11.♔xd1 ♘g4 12.♔e1 ♘xe5 13.♔e2 ♖d8 14.♘f3 ♘d3+ 15.♔xd3 ♖xd3 16.♔b2 ♔e6 17.♔e2 ♖d8 18.♘d2 c5 19.c4 ♘c6 20.a5 ♖d7 21.♔c3 ♖ad8 22.♖hc1 h6 Abasov,N (2632)-Caruana,F (2803) Toronto CAN 2024 1/2-1/2 (44)]

8...b6 9.a5N

[RR 9.cxd5 cxd5 10.♔a3 ♖e8 11.♔d3 ♔a6 12.♔xa6 ♘xa6 13.♖d3 ♘b8 14.0-0 ♘c6 15.c4 dxc4 16.♖xc4 ♖c8 (RR 16...♘a5 17.♖a6 ♖c8 18.♖b5 ♖b7 19.♖ab1 ♖d5 20.♔b4 ♘c6 21.♔d2 ♖ac8 22.♖fc1 ♖xb5 23.axb5 ♘e7 24.♘e5 ♖xc1+ 25.♖xc1 ♖c8 26.♘c6 ♘xc6 27.♖xc6 ♖a8 28.f3 h6 29.e4 ♖d8 30.♖c4 ♘e8 31.♔f4) 17.♖b5 ♖d5 18.♖ac1 ♘a5 19.♔b4 ♘c4 20.♘d2 ♘xd2 21.♔xd2 h6 22.♖xd5 exd5 23.f3 ♘d7 Gholami Orimi,M (2470)-Karthik Venkataraman (2605) Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024 1-0 (44)]

[RR 9.cxd5 cxd5 10.♔a3 ♖e8 11.♔d3 ♔a6 12.♔xa6 ♘xa6 13.♖d3 ♘b8 14.0-0 ♘c6 15.c4 dxc4 16.♖xc4 ♖c8 17.♖b5 ♖d5 18.♖ac1 ♘a5 19.♔b4 ♘c4 20.♘d2 ♘xd2 21.♔xd2 h6 22.♖xd5 exd5 23.f3 ♘d7 Gholami Orimi,M (2470)-Karthik,V (2606) Dubai UAE 2024 1-0 (44)]

[RR 9.♘d2 ♔a6 10.♔e2 ♖e8 11.0-0 ♖c8 12.♔b2 ♘bd7 13.♖e1 c5 14.♖c1 dxc4 15.♘xc4 ♖c7 16.♖b3 ♔b7 17.h3 ♔d5 18.♖a3 ♘e4 19.♔f1 ♖ac8 20.♖ed1 ♘g5 21.♘d2 c4 22.a5 b5 23.♖b4 a6 Nenezic,M

(2499)-Drygalov,A (2475) chess.com
INT 2023 0-1 (53)]

9...♙a6 10.♘d2 ♖c8 11.♚b3 c5
12.♙e2 ♘c6 13.axb6 axb6 14.♙a3
♚c7 15.♚d1
1/2-1/2

□ Yilmaz,Mustafa **D31**
2641
■ Raja Rithvik R **2523**
Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♘c3 d5 3.d4 c6 4.e4 dxe4
5.♘xe4 ♙b4+ 6.♙d2 ♚xd4 7.♙xb4
♚xe4+ 8.♙e2 ♘a6 9.♙d6 ♚xg2 10.♙f3
♚g5 11.♘e2 ♘e7 12.♘g3 ♚a5+N
Inaccuracy. e5 was best.

[12...e5 13.b4 0-0 14.b5 ♘b8 15.h4
♚f6 16.♘e4 ♚e6 17.♘g5 ♚f6]

[RR 12...♘f5 13.♘xf5 exf5 14.♚b3
♘b8 15.♙f1 ♚h6 16.c5 b5 17.cxb6
axb6 18.♙e1+ ♙e6 19.♚xb6 ♚h3+
20.♙e2 ♘d7 21.♚xc6 ♙b8 22.b4 g5
23.♚c3 f6 24.♙d2 ♙f7 25.♙xe6
♙xe6 26.♙e1+ ♙xd6 27.♚c6#
Tari,A (2635)-Maurizzi,M (2597)
Djerba TUN 2024 1-0]

13.b4 ♘xb4 14.0-0 ♘a6 15.♚b3 ♘f5
16.♘xf5 ♚xf5 17.♙h1?! Inaccuracy.
Rae1 was best.

[17.♙ae1 f6]

17...f6?? Blunder. Bd7 was best.

[17...♙d7 18.♚e3]

18.♙g1 ♙f7 19.♙ae1?? Blunder. Bg4
was best.

[19.♙g4 ♘c5 20.♚a3 ♚d3 21.♚xc5
e5 22.♙g3 ♚e4+ 23.♙f3 ♚f5 24.♚e3
♙d8]

19...♘c5 20.♚e3 ♘d3 21.♙d1 ♘e5
22.♙e2 h5 23.♙g2 g5 24.♙xe5 ♚xe5
25.♚xe5 fxe5 26.♙xg5 ♙f6 27.h4 b6
28.♙xh5 ♙a6 29.♙g6+ ♙f5 30.♙g5+
♙f6 31.♙g6+ ♙f5 32.♙g5+ ♙f6
1/2-1/2

□ Sadhwani,Raunak **D33**
2654
■ Horvath,Dominik **2553**
Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.c4 c5 2.♘c3 ♘f6 3.g3 ♘c6 4.♙g2
e6 5.♘f3 d5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.d4 cxd4
8.♘xd4 ♙c5 9.♘xc6 bxc6 10.♚a4N

[RR 10.0-0 0-0 11.a3 ♙e8 12.b4
♙b6 13.♙b2 ♙a6 14.♙f3 ♙c4 15.♙e1
♚d7 16.♘a4 ♚f5 17.♘xb6 axb6
18.♚d4 ♙ab8 19.a4 c5 20.♚d2 ♘e4
21.♙xe4 ♚xe4 22.f3 ♚g6 23.♙a3
♚f6 24.bxc5 ♙xe2 Manukyan,S
(2216)-Balla,T (2283) chess.com INT
2024 0-1 (83)]

[RR 10.♚c2 ♙b6 11.♘a4 ♙d7 12.0-0
0-0 13.♘xb6 axb6 14.a4 ♙e8 15.b4
h5 16.♙b2 h4 17.♙d4 ♘e4 18.♙fc1
♙e6 19.♙a3 hxg3 20.hxg3 ♙c8
21.♚b2 c5 22.bxc5 bxc5 23.♙xg7
♚g5 24.♙c3 d4 Wagner,D (2611)-
Oparin,G (2664) chess.com INT 2024
0-1 (33)]

[RR 10.0-0 0-0 11.♘a4 ♙d6 12.♚c2
♙d7 13.b3 ♙e8 14.♙b2 h5 15.♙fe1
♚c8 16.♙xf6 gxf6 17.e4 h4 18.♚d2
h3 19.♙h1 ♙g7 20.exd5 cxd5
21.♚xd5 ♙xe1+ 22.♙xe1 ♙b4 23.♙d1
♙g4 24.♙f3 ♙b8 Bok,B (2620)-Olsen,
F (2454) chess.com INT 2024 1-0
(34)]

10...♙d7 11.0-0 0-0 12.♙g5 ♙b8
13.♚c2 ♙e7 14.♙f4 ♙b6 15.e4 ♘xe4
16.♘xe4 dxe4 17.♙xe4 h6 18.♙ad1
♚c8 19.♙fe1 ♙e6 20.b3 c5 21.♙e3
♚c7 22.♙c1 ♙c8 23.♚e2 ♚d7 24.♙f3
a5 25.♙ed1 ♚e8 26.♚e1 a4 27.♚a5
♙b4 28.♙d2

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Nguyen,Thai Dai Van **D35**
Pranav,V **2649**
2530
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.23) 14.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♘c3 d5 3.d4 ♘f6 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♙g5 ♙e7 6.e3 h6 7.♙h4 ♙g4
8.♚c2 0-0 9.h3 ♙e6 White has an
 edge. **10.♖d1N**

[RR 10.♘f3 ♘e4 11.♘xe4 ♙xh4
 12.♘c5 ♙c8 13.♘xh4 ♚xh4 14.♙e2
 c6 15.b4 ♖e8 16.0-0 ♗g5 17.♙h1
 ♘d7 18.b5 ♘xc5 19.♚xc5 ♖e6
 20.bxc6 ♖g6 21.♙f3 bxc6 22.♚a5 h5
 23.♚c7 ♚h4 24.♚f4 (Better is
 24.♖ac1±) 24...♚xf4 Lei,T (2550)-Tan,
 Z (2521) Toronto CAN 2024 0-1 (52)]

[RR 10.♘f3 ♘e8 11.♙xe7 ♚xe7
 12.♙d3 c6 13.0-0 ♘d7 14.♖ae1 a5
 15.e4 dxe4! 16.♙xe4 ♚d6 17.♙h7+
 ♙h8 18.♙f5 ♙xf5 19.♚xf5 ♘ef6
 20.♖e2 g6 21.♚c2 ♙g7 22.♖fe1
 ♖fe8 23.♘e5 ♘f8 24.♚b3 ♖e7
 Leenhouts,K (2432)-Victor,J (2289)
 Wachtebeke BEL 2024 1-0 (45)
 (24...♚c7!=)]

[RR 10.♘f3 ♘bd7 11.♙d3 c6
 12.♙g3 c5 13.dxc5 ♘xc5 14.♙e5
 ♘xd3+ 15.♚xd3 ♘d7 16.♙d4 ♖c8
 17.0-0 ♘c5 18.♚e2 ♚a5 19.♖fd1
 ♖fd8 20.♘e5 ♙d6 21.♚h5 ♙f8
 22.♘d3 ♘xd3 23.♖xd3 b5 24.f4
 (White should play 24.♘e2±) 24...f6
 Hesham,A (2366)-Mouhamad,J (2269)
 Budapest HUN 2024 ½-½ (49)]

10...♘e8 11.♙xe7 ♚xe7 12.♙d3 ♘d6
13.♘ge2 ♘d7 14.0-0 c6 15.f3 f5
16.♖de1 ♖ae8 17.♘f4 ♚f6 18.♚f2 ♙f7
19.♙c2 a5 20.b3 b5 21.♚d2 g5
22.♘fe2 ♙g6 23.♘d1 ♚d8 24.♘f2 ♖e6
25.♘d3 ♙h7 26.♘c5 ♖e7 27.♘xd7
♖xd7 28.♘c1! ♖e7 29.♘d3 ♘f7
30.♙b1 b4 31.f4 ♚d6?! Inaccuracy.
 gxf4 was best.

[31...gxf4 32.exf4 ♘d6 33.♖xe7+
 ♚xe7 34.♘e5 ♙e8 35.♖c1 ♚f6

36.♚e3 ♘e4 37.♙xe4]
32.♖c1 ♚e6 33.♘e5 ♘xe5 34.fxe5
♖g7

[34...♖c7±]

35.♖c5+- f4 36.♙xg6+?! Inaccuracy.
 Qc1 was best.

[36.♚c1! ♙xb1 37.♚xb1+ ♖g6
 38.exf4! gxf4 39.♖f3 h5 40.♖xa5 h4
 41.♚c2 ♚f5]

[36.exf4?! ♙xb1 37.♖xb1 gxf4±]

[36.♚c1!+-]

36...♚xg6± 37.♚c2 ♚xc2?! Inaccuracy.
 Rc7 was best.

[37...♖c7]

38.♖xc2 Endgame KRR-KRR 38...♖gf7
39.e6!

[39.♖xc6 fxe3 40.♖e1 ♖f4=]

39...♖f6?! Inaccuracy. Rc7 was best.

[39...♖c7 40.exf4 gxf4 41.♖e1 ♙g7
 42.♙f2! ♖e8 43.♖e5 ♙f6 [#] 44.♖ce2!
 ♙e7 45.♖f5]

40.♖xc6 Black must now prevent e7.

40...♖e8 41.exf4 gxf4 42.♖e1 f3

43.♖e5 fxc2 44.♖c7+

[Don't play 44.♖xd5?! ♖fxe6 45.♖xe6
 ♖xe6±]

[44.♙xg2 ♖g8+ 45.♙h2 ♖f2+
 46.♙h1 ♖f1+ 47.♙h2 ♖f2+ 48.♙h1
 ♖f1+ 49.♙h2 ♖f2+=]

44...♙g6 45.e7

[45.♖xd5 ♖fxe6 46.♖c2 (46.♙xg2
 ♖e2+ 47.♙g3 ♖8e3+ 48.♙g4 ♖e4+
 49.♙g3 ♖4e3+ 50.♙h4 ♖e4+
 51.♙g3 ♖4e3+=; 46.♖xa5 ♖e1+
 47.♙xg2 ♖8e2+ 48.♙g3 ♖e3+
 49.♙h4 ♖e4+ Double Attack 50.♙g3
 ♖4e3+ 51.♙h4 ♖e4+ Double Attack
 52.♙g3 ♖4e3+=) 46...♖e1+ 47.♙xg2
 ♖8e2+ 48.♖xe2 ♖xe2+ 49.♙g3
 ♖xa2=]

45...♖f5 [#] intending ...Rxe5. 46.♖c6+!

[Stronger than 46.♙xg2 ♖xe5
 47.dxe5 ♙f7=]

46...♙g5? Mistake. Rf6 was best.

[46...♖f6 47.♖c2]

[46...♖f6 was necessary. 47.♖c2 ♖f4]

47.♖e2 ♜f4 48.♖e5+ ♜f5 next ...Rxe5 is good for Black. 49.♖e2 ♜f4?! Inaccuracy. Rf1+ was best.

[49...♜f1+ 50.♔xg2]

50.♖d6 White is clearly winning. 50...♜f7

51.♖xd5+ ♔h4 52.♖de5 ♔xh3

53.♖5e3+ ♔h4 54.♔xg2 aiming for d5.

54...♜f5 55.♖e5 ♜f4 56.♖5e4

Accuracy: White = 82%, Black = 59%.

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□ Yuffa,Daniil D35 2617
 ■ Madaminov,Mukhiddin 2504
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.35) 14.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♘c3 d5 3.d4 ♘f6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.♙g5 c6 6.e3 h6 7.♙h4 ♙e7 8.♙d3 0-0 9.♘ge2 ♖e8

[RR 9...♘e4 10.♙xe7 ♗xe7 11.♙xe4 dxe4 12.♘g3 f5 13.0-0 ♙e6 14.d5 ♖d8 15.♗h5 cxd5 16.♘xf5 ♗f7 17.♗xf7+ ♔xf7 18.♘d4 ♘d7 19.♖ac1 ♘e5 20.♘cb5 ♘d3 21.♘c7 ♘xc1 22.♖xc1 ♖ac8 23.♘dxe6 ♖d7 24.h4]

10.0-0 a5

[RR 10...♘bd7 11.f3 b5 12.♖c1 a5 13.♙f2 ♙a6 14.♘g3 ♙d6 15.♘ce2 c5 16.♘f5 ♙f8 17.dxc5 ♘xc5 18.♙b1 b4 19.♖e1 ♖c8 20.♘f4 g6 21.♘d4 ♗b6 22.♗d2 ♙d6 23.b3 ♗b8 24.g4 ♘cd7 25.♔g2]

11.♖c1 ♘bd7

[RR 11...♘a6 12.a3 ♘c7 13.f3 ♘e6 14.♗d2 b5 15.♙f2 ♙a6 16.♘g3 ♗b6 17.♘ce2 b4 18.axb4 axb4 19.♙b1 c5 20.♘f5 ♙f8 21.♖fd1 c4 22.e4 dxe4 23.fxe4 ♘g4 24.♙g3 g6 25.h3 gxf5 26.hxg4]

12.♙g3 ♘f8 13.h3N

[RR 13.♙b1 ♘h5 14.♙e5 ♙d6 15.f4 ♙e7 16.f5 ♘h7 17.e4 ♙g5 18.exd5 cxd5 19.♖c2 ♙d7 20.♔h1 ♙c6 21.a3 ♘5f6 22.h3 ♘e4 23.♙a2 ♘hf6 24.♗e1 ♘d7 25.♘xe4 dxe4 26.♙f4

♘f6 27.♖c5 ♙xf4 Yuffa,D (2617)-Urazayev,A (2473) Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024 0-1 (37)]

[RR 13.♙b1 ♘h5 14.♙e5 ♙d6 15.f4 ♙e7 16.f5 ♘h7 17.e4 ♙g5 18.exd5 cxd5 19.♖c2 ♙d7 20.♔h1 ♙c6 21.a3 ♘5f6 22.h3 ♘e4 23.♙a2 ♘hf6 24.♗e1 ♘d7 25.♘xe4 dxe4 26.♙f4 ♘f6 27.♖c5 ♙xf4 Yuffa,D (2617)-Urazayev,A (2476) Dubai UAE 2024 0-1 (37)]

13...♘e6 14.♙e5 ♘d7 15.♙h2 b6 16.a3 ♙b7 17.♙b1 ♖c8 18.♘g3 g6 19.f4 ♘ef8 20.e4 dxe4 21.f5 ♙a6 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.♙a2+ ♔h8 24.♖f7 ♘h7 25.♘gxe4 ♘g5 26.♖xe7 ♗xe7 27.♘d6 ♗e3+ 28.♔h1 ♘f6 29.♗g1 ♗d2 30.♙b1 ♔h7 31.♘xe8 ♖xe8 32.♙e5 ♘h5 33.♖c2 ♗d3 34.♖e2 ♗c4 35.♙a2 ♗d3 36.♙b1 ♗c4 37.♗e1 ♖f8 38.♖f2 ♖xf2 39.♗xf2 ♗e6 40.♙a2 ♙c4 41.♙xc4 ♗xc4 42.d5 ♔g8 43.♗xb6 ♗f1+ 44.♔h2 ♘f7 45.dxc6 ♗f5 46.♗b8+ ♔h7 47.♙g3 ♘xg3 48.♗xg3 ♗c5 49.♗f4 ♔g7 50.c7 ♘d6 51.♘a4 ♗xc7 52.♗e5+ ♔f7 53.♘c5 ♗e7 54.♗d5+ ♔g7 55.♘e6+ ♔h7 56.b4 a4 57.♘d4 ♗f6 58.♘e6 ♗e7 59.♘f4 ♗f6 60.♘d3 h5 61.b5 ♘f5 62.♘e5 ♘e3 63.♗d7+ ♔h6 64.♘f7+ ♔g7 65.♘e5+ ♔h6 66.♘f7+ ♔g7 67.♘g5+ ♔h6 68.♘f7+ ♔g7

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□ Daneshvar,Bardiya D35 2581
 ■ Ter-Sahakyan,Samvel 2650
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♘c3 d5 3.d4 ♘f6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.♙g5 ♙b4 6.♘f3 h6 7.♙h4 ♙f5 8.♗a4+ ♘c6 9.e3 g5 10.♙g3 0-0N

[RR 10...♘e4 11.♙b5 ♙d7 12.♗c2 h5 13.♘d2 ♘xd2 14.♔xd2 h4 15.♙xc6 ♙xc6 16.♙e5 ♖h6 17.h3

♖e7 18.a3 ♘d6 19.♙xd6 ♜xd6
20.♞ad1 0-0-0 21.♙c1 ♞f6 22.♙b1
♞g6 23.♞xg6 ♜xg6 24.♞d2 ♞e8
25.♞e1 Rahman,T (2166)-Das,S
(2507) Hua Hin THA 2024 0-1 (62)]

11.♙b5 ♙xc3+ 12.bxc3 ♘e7 13.♞a3?!
Inaccuracy. Nd2 was best.

[13.♘d2]

13...♘e4 14.♘d2 ♘xd2 15.♙xd2 ♙g6
16.h3 ♘f5 17.♙e5 ♘d6?! Inaccuracy.
Nh4 was best.

[17...♘h4 18.♞hg1 ♞c8 19.♙e2 ♞f5
20.♙g3 ♞ae8 21.♞ac1 b5 22.♙xb5
♞b8 23.c4]

18.♙xd6 cxd6 19.♞b3 ♞f6 20.f3?!
Inaccuracy. Qxd5 was best.

[20.♞xd5]

20...♞e6 21.c4 dxc4 22.♙xc4 ♞e7
23.♙d5 ♞ac8
1/2-1/2

D35

□ Vakhidov,Jakhongir

2599

■ Maghsoodloo,Parham

2732

Sharjah Master 2024

18.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♘c3 d5 3.d4 ♘f6 4.cxd5
♘xd5 5.e4 ♘xc3 6.bxc3 c5 7.♞b1
♙e7 8.♘f3 0-0 9.♙c4 ♞c7 Threatening
...cxd4.The position is equal.

[RR 9...cxd4 10.cxd4 b6 11.0-0 ♘d7

A) RR 12.♞e2 ♙b7

A1) RR 13.♙d3 ♞c8 14.♙b2 ♞c7
15.♞e3 ♞b8 16.♞fe1 ♞cc8
17.d5 exd5 (17...♞fd8±)
18.♞d4! ♘f6 19.exd5 ♞d6
20.♞e5 (20.♘h4!± ♙d8 21.♘f5
♞xd5 Double Attack 22.f3)
20...h6? (20...♙xd5± keeps the
upper hand. 21.♞be1 ♞c7)
21.♘h4! ♞b4 22.♞xe7 ♞xe7
23.♘f5 ♞d8 24.♞h4 ♞e8
25.♘xh6+! ♙f8 26.♘f5 ♙g8;

A2) 13.♙f4 a6 14.a4 a5 15.♞fc1
♞c8 16.♙a6 ♙xa6 17.♞xa6 ♙a3

18.♞d1 f6 (18...♙b4=
keeps the balance.) 19.♘d2 ♙b4
20.♘c4 ♞e7 21.♞bc1 e5
22.dxe5 fxe5 23.♙e3! ♘c5
24.♞b5 ♘b3 25.♞b1 (Better is
25.♘xb6± ♞xc1 26.♙xc1)
25...♘d4! 26.♞d5+ ♙h8;

B) RR 12.♙b2 ♙b7 13.♞e1 ♞c8
14.♞c1 ♘f6 15.♙d3 ♞xc1 16.♞xc1
♞a8 (16...h6=) 17.♞f4 (17.d5!±)
17...♞b8 18.♞e3 ♞d8 19.h3 ♞c8
(19...h6=) 20.♙b1 (20.d5!±)
20...♙b4 (20...♞c7=) 21.♞e2
(21.♞d1±) 21...♙a6 22.♙d3 ♙xd3
23.♞xd3 ♞c7 24.g3 ♞c4 25.♞xc4
♞xc4 26.♘e5 ♞c7;

C) 12.♙f4 ♘f6 13.♞e2 ♙b7
14.♙d3 ♞c8 15.♙d2 ♞c7
(15...♞d7=) 16.a4 ♞a8 17.♞fe1
♙c6 18.a5 bxa5! 19.♙xa5 ♞b7
20.♞bc1 ♙b4 21.♞xc6 ♙xa5
22.♞ec1 ♞d8 23.h4 g6 24.g3
Vakhidov,J (2599)-Srihari L R
(2485) Dubai Police Officers Club, A
2024 1-0 (39)]

[RR 9...a6 10.a4 ♞c7 11.♙d3 cxd4
12.cxd4 ♘c6 13.0-0 ♘b4 14.♙a3
♘xd3 15.♞xd3 ♙xa3 16.♞xa3 ♙d7
17.♘e5 ♞fc8 18.♞fc1 ♞d8 19.♞xb7
♙xa4 20.♘xf7 ♞xd4 21.h3 ♞xe4
22.♘d6 ♞xc1+ 23.♞xc1 ♞d4
24.♞a3]

10.♙b3N

[RR 10.♞e2 a6 11.0-0 b5 12.♙d3
♙b7 13.♙d2 ♘d7 14.a4 bxa4 15.d5
(White should try 15.♙f4!± ♞xf4
16.♞xb7) 15...c4! 16.♙xc4 ♘b6 [#]
(16...exd5= 17.♙xd5 ♙xd5 18.exd5
♞fe8) 17.♙d3! exd5 18.exd5 ♘xd5
19.♞e4 g6 20.♞xb7 ♞xb7 21.c4
♞ad8 22.cxd5 ♞xd5 23.♞xe7 ♞xd3
24.♞f6 ♞d6 Seres,L (2344)-Jiang,Q
(2258) Budapest HUN 2024 1/2-1/2 (43)]
[RR 10.d5 exd5 11.exd5 ♙g4 12.0-0
♘d7 13.♞e1 ♙d6 14.h3 ♙h5 15.♙d3
♞ae8 16.♙xh7+? (16.g4= ♙g6

17.♙g6 hxg6 18.c4) 16...♖xh7
 17.♗g5+ ♔g6?? (17...♗g8+ 18.g4
 ♜xe1+ 19.♞xe1 ♙g6) 18.♞c2+ f5
 19.♗e6? (19.♞e6+- ♜xe6
 20.♗xe6) 19...♖h7 20.g4? (20.♙g5♠
 ♜xe6 21.dxe6) 20...♙h2+?
 (20...♙g6+ 21.♗f1 ♜xe6 22.♞xe6
 ♗e5) 21.♗g2 ♞d6 (21...♞xe6!=
 remains equal. 22.dxe6 ♙g6) 22.gxh5
 (White should play 22.c4± ♙g6
 23.♗xf8+ ♜xf8 24.♞e6) 22...♞xd5+
 23.♖xh2 ♜xe6 24.♞xe6 ♞xe6
 Eilenberg,J (2299)-Lancman,K (2075)
 chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (91)]

10...b6 11.0-0 ♗c6 12.d5 ♗a5 13.♙c2
 ♙a6 14.e5 And now d6 would win.
 14...exd5 15.♞e1! ♞ae8 16.♙f4 ♗c4
 17.♞d3 g6↑ Black has the initiative.
 18.♙h6 ♙c8 19.♙xf8 ♙xf8 20.♞xd5
 ♗a3! 21.♞bc1 ♙h6 22.♙a4 ♙e6
 23.♞e4 b5 Threatens to win with ...Qe7.
 24.♞cd1 ♞e7 25.♙b3 aiming for Bxe6.
 25...c4 26.♗d4!

[Not 26.♙c2? ♙f5+-]

26...cxb3 27.axb3 a5 28.♞c6 ♙f8
 29.♞a1? Mistake. Nxe6 was best.

[29.♗xe6]

[29.♗xe6♠ ♞xe6 30.♞xe6 fxe6
 31.♞d7]

29...♞d8+ 30.♞e4?! Inaccuracy. Nxe6
 was best.

[30.♗xe6 ♜xe6]

[30.♗xe6 is a better defense. ♜xe6
 31.♞b7]

30...♙d5 31.♞f4 ♞b6 32.♞ad1 ♞b7
 33.♞g3 a4 34.b4 ♙b3 35.♞d2 ♞d5
 36.f4 ♙g7 37.♞f2 ♞b7 38.♞de2?!
 Inaccuracy. Ra1 was best.

[38.♞a1 ♗c4 39.♞e2 ♞d8 40.♖h1
 ♗b6 41.♗xb3 axb3 42.♞b1 ♞d3
 43.♞xb3 ♗d5]

[38.♞a1 was called for. ♗c4 39.♞e2]

38...♙c4 39.♞d2 With the idea Ra1.
 39...♙d5 40.♞dd1 ♗c4 41.h4 h5
 42.♖h2 a3 43.g3 ♗b2 44.♞d2 ♗a4
 45.♗c2 a2

[Weaker is 45...♗xc3 46.♞d4♠]

46.♗e3 ♙b3

[Less strong is 46...♗xc3 47.♗xd5
 ♗xd5 48.♞g2♠]

47.♞d3 ♞e4 48.♞f1 ♞c6 49.♞c1 ♞e4
 50.♞e1 ♞a8 51.♞d4 ♞c6 52.c4 ♗c3

53.♞a1 bxc4 ...Qb6 is the strong threat.
 Black is clearly winning. 54.♞e1 ♗b5

55.♞d5 ♙f8 White must now prevent ...
 c3. 56.e6 c3 57.exf7+ ♖xf7 58.♞e5

♗d4 Accuracy: White = 58%, Black =
 92%.

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□ Narayanan S L

2695

■ Nesterov,Arseniy

2589

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16.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♗c3 d5 3.d4 ♗f6 4.cxd5
 exd5 5.♙g5 c6 6.e3 ♙e7 7.♙d3 0-0
 8.♗f3 ♞e8 9.♙f4N

[RR 9.♞c2 ♗e4 10.♙f4 ♙f5 11.0-0
 ♙f8 12.♗d2 (12.♗e5±) 12...♗xc3
 13.bxc3 ♙xd3 14.♞xd3 ♗d7 15.c4
 dxc4 16.♗xc4 ♗c5 17.♞c2 ♗e6
 18.♙g3 h5 19.h3 c5 20.dxc5 ♙xc5
 21.♞ad1 ♞g5 22.h4 ♞f6 23.♞d5 g6
 Tomashevsky,E (2681)-Lagno,K
 (2542) Moscow RUS 2023 1-0 (48)
 (Black should try 23...♞g6± 24.♞e2
 ♞ad8)]

[RR 9.h3 ♗e4 10.♙f4 ♙f5 11.♞c2
 ♗d7 12.0-0 ♗df6 13.♗e5 ♙f8
 (13...♙e6±) 14.f3 ♗xc3 15.bxc3?
 (15.♙xf5+- ♗b5 16.♙g5) 15...♙xd3
 16.♞xd3 ♗d7 17.♗g4 b5 18.e4
 dxe4 19.fxe4 ♗c5 20.♞f3 ♗xe4
 21.♗e5? (21.♙e5= f6 22.♞xe4 fxe5
 23.♗xe5) 21...♞d5 22.♞ae1 ♗f6!
 23.♗xc6 (♠23.♞f2) 23...♞xf3!
 Bluebaum,M (2658)-Lagno,K (2542)
 chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (59)]

[RR 9.♞c2 h6 10.♙f4 ♗h5 11.0-0
 ♗xf4 12.exf4 ♗d7 13.♞fe1 ♗f6

14.♖e5 ♘d6 15.h3 ♙e6 16.♞e2 ♞c8
17.♞d1 ♚c7 18.♚d2 b5 19.a3 a5
20.♙b1 b4 21.axb4 axb4 22.♗a4
♞a8 (22...♗e4!= keeps the balance.
23.♙xe4 dxe4) 23.b3 (23.♗c5±
23...♗e4! Dubnevych,M (2293)-
Venkatesh,N (2033) chess.com INT
2024 1-0 (37)]

9...♗h5 10.♙e5 ♗d7 11.♚c2
The position is equal. 11...g6 12.h3
♗xe5 13.dxe5 b5 14.0-0 ♙d7 15.♞ad1
♙f8 16.♞fe1 ♚b6

[16...♞c8=]

17.♙f1

[17.g4±]

17...♞ad8= 18.e4 b4 19.♗a4 ♚a5
20.exd5 cxd5 21.b3 ♗f4 22.♗h2

[22.♚d2!? ♗e6 23.♚xd5 ♚xd5
24.♞xd5=]

22...♗e6 23.♗d4?? Blunder. g3 was
best.

[23.g3 ♙xa4 24.bxa4 ♞c8 25.♚d2
♚xa4 26.♚xd5 ♞ed8 27.♚b3! ♚c6
28.h4 ♞xd1]

[23.h4±]

23...♗xd4+ 24.♞xd4 [#] 24...♙xa4!

25.bxa4 [#] 25...b3! 26.♚d1

[26.axb3 ♚xe1]

26...bxa2 27.♞e2 [#] 27...♞xe5!

28.♞xa2?! Inaccuracy. Rdd2 was best.

[28.♞dd2 d4 29.♞xa2 d3 30.♞ed2
[#] ♞ed5! 31.♚b3 ♚b4 32.♞ab2
♚d6+ 33.g3 h5]

[28.♞xe5? perishes. ♙d6-+]

[28.♞xe5 ♙d6]

28...♞e1 29.♚d3 ♙g7 30.♞h4 ♙f6

31.♞g4 and the idea g3 leaves White
hopeful. 31...h5 32.♞xg6+ fxg6

33.♚xg6+ ♙g7 34.♙d3 ♚c7+ 35.f4?!

Inaccuracy. g3 was best.

[35.g3 ♚f7 36.♚h7+ ♗f8 37.♗g2
♞e6 38.♙b1 ♞h6 39.♚d3 h4 40.a5
♗g8]

35...♚xf4+ 36.g3 ♚h6 Accuracy: White
= 58%, Black = 82%.

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□ **Gupta,Abhijeet** **D35**
2601
■ **Gavrilescu,David** **2538**
Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 d5 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♙g5 ♙b4 6.e3 h6 7.♙h4 g5
8.♙g3 h5

[RR 8...♗e4 9.♚c2 h5 10.f3 ♗xg3
11.hxg3 ♙e6 12.♙d3 c6 13.0-0-0
♗d7 14.f4 ♙g4 15.♗f3

(White should try 15.♙e2± ♙xe2
16.♗gxe2) 15...♚e7 (Black should
play 15...gxf4= 16.exf4 ♚a5) 16.e4
♙xc3 17.♚xc3 ♙xf3 18.gxf3 dxe4
19.♙xe4 gxf4 20.g4 0-0-0 21.d5 h4
(⊔21...♗b8) 22.dxc6 ♗c5 23.♙f5+
Caruana,F (2803)-Nepomniachtchi,I
(2758) Toronto CAN 2024 ½-½ (109)]

9.♚b3N

[RR 9.h3 ♗e4 10.♗ge2 ♗xg3
11.♗xg3 h4 12.♗h5 c6 13.♙e2 f5
14.0-0 ♚e7 15.a3 ♙d6! 16.b4 ♙c7
(16...a6±) 17.♞c1 ♗d8 18.b5 ♗d7

19.bxc6 (19.♗a4±) 19...bxc6 20.♚c2
(20.♗a2!? ♚xa3 21.♚c2±) 20...♗b6
21.♗a4 (21.♗a2!± ♗c4 22.♙xc4
dxc4 23.♚xc4) 21...♗xa4 22.♚xa4
♙d7 23.♞c3 (23.♞xc6± is a better
defense. ♞c8 24.♞xc7 ♙xa4 25.♞xe7
♗xe7 26.f4) 23...g4 Bocharov,D
(2513)-Le,Q (2731) chess.com INT
2024 1-0 (46) (Better is 23...♞b8+
24.♞fc1 ♞b2)]

[RR 9.h3 ♗e4 10.♗ge2 ♗xg3
11.♗xg3 h4 12.♗h5 c6 13.♙d3 ♚e7
14.♙f5 ♙d7 (14...♙xf5!? 15.♗g7+⊔
Double Attack ♗d7 16.♗xf5 ♚e4=)
15.♚f3 ♗f8 (15...♗d8= 16.♙xd7
♗xd7) 16.g4 hxg3! 17.♗xg3 ♚f6
18.0-0-0 ♙d6 19.♞df1 ♗a6 20.♚g4
♞h4 21.♚f3 (21.♙xd7± ♞xg4
22.hxg4) 21...♞e8 22.♗b1 ♗b4
(22...♙e6±) 23.a3 ♞f4
Svane,F (2617)-Gavrilescu,D (2524)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (65)

(23...♗d3!?)
 [RR 9.h4 ♖e4 10.♗ge2 ♕g4 11.♖b3
 ♗xg3 12.♗xg3 ♖c6 13.hxg5
 (13.♗ge2±) 13...♖xg5 14.♕b5 ♕xc3+
 15.♖xc3 ♖h6! 16.♗e2 ♕xe2 17.♔xe2
 0-0-0 18.♖ag1 h4 19.♔d1 ♖f6
 20.♖d2 ♖f5 21.♖f1 ♖b1+ 22.♖c1
 (22.♔e2!= and White stays safe. ♖g6
 23.♖xh4) 22...♖e4 (22...♖xa2-+
 23.♖c3 ♖b1+ 24.♔d2 ♖g6) 23.♖h2?
 (23.♖d2= and White is okay.) 23...a6!
 Ter Sahakyan,S (2646)-Gavrilescu,D
 (2524) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (59)]
9...♕xc3+ White is slightly better.
10.♖xc3 ♗c6 11.♕d3 h4! 12.♕e5!
♗xe5 13.dxe5 ♗e4 14.♖a3
 [14.♕xe4!? dxe4 15.♗e2=]
14...h3
 [14...g4=]
15.gxh3 ♕xh3 16.♗xh3 ♖xh3 17.♖b3
♗c5 18.♖b5+ Double Attack 18...♗d7
19.♕f5
 [19.♖xb7?! ♗xe5 20.0-0-0 c6=]
 [19.♖xd5 c6±]
19...♖h6 20.♖xd5 aiming for Rd1.
20...c6 21.♖d4 ♖h4 22.f4?! Inaccuracy.
 Qc3 was best.
 [22.♖c3 ♗b6 23.♖g1 ♗a4 24.♖c2
 ♖a5+ 25.♔f1 ♖b5+ 26.♖e2 ♖xe5
 27.♖xg5 ♔f8]
22...♗b6 23.0-0-0
 [23.♖xd8+ is more complex. ♖xd8
 24.fxg5 ♗c4 25.♔f2 ♖d2+ 26.♔g3]
23...♖xd4 24.♖xd4 gxh4! 25.♖xf4 ♖h6!
26.h3 ♔e7 27.♖hf1 ♖f8?! Inaccuracy.
 Nd5 was best.
 [27...♗d5 28.♖4f3]
28.♕g4 ♗d5 29.♖4f3 ♖hh8 30.e4 ♗c7
31.♖a3 ♗a6?! Inaccuracy. a6 was best.
 [31...a6]
 [31...a6±]
32.♕e2?! Inaccuracy. Kd2 was best.
 [32.♔d2 ♖hg8 33.♔e3 ♖a8 34.♖d1
 ♗c5 35.b4 ♗e6 36.♖ad3 ♗f8
 37.♖d6 a6]
 [32.♔d2+- has better winning

chances.]
32...♗c5± 33.♖xa7 ♖xh3?! Inaccuracy.
 Ra8 was best.
 [33...♖a8 34.♖xa8]
 [33...♖a8± 34.♖xa8 ♖xa8]
34.b4↑ Black is under strong pressure.
34...♖c3+? Mistake. Nd3+ was best.
 [34...♗d3+]
 [34...♗d3+± was worth a try. 35.♕xd3
 ♖xd3]
35.♔b2!+- ♖e3 36.♕c4
 [36.bxc5 ♖xe2+ 37.♔c3 ♖g8=]
36...♖xe4 [#] 37.♔c3!
 [37.bxc5 ♖xc4 38.♖f6 (38.♖xb7+
 ♔e6=) 38...♖b8=]
37...♗d7 intending ...b5. **38.♖xb7 ♖xe5**
39.♖d1 ♖d8 40.a4 ♖e3+ 41.♔b2 ♖e4
42.♔c3 ♖e3+ 43.♔c2 ♖e4 44.♕f1
 Threatens to win with Bh3. **44...♔e6**
45.a5 ♖f4 46.a6 ♖f2+?! Inaccuracy.
 Ra8 was best.
 [46...♖a8 47.♖bxd7 ♖xf1 48.♖1d6+
 ♔e5 49.♖xc6 ♖a1 50.b5 f5 51.♖c5+
 ♔f4 52.♖f7]
47.♔b1 Bc4+ is the strong threat.
47...♖f4 48.a7 ♖a8 49.♕h3+
 [Less strong is 49.♖dxd7 ♖xf1+
 50.♔b2 ♖g8+-]
 [49.♖bxd7 ♖xb4+ 50.♔c2 ♖a4+-]
49...f5 50.♖dxd7
 [Weaker is 50.♖bxd7 ♖xb4+ 51.♔c2
 ♖a4±]
50...♖xb4+?! Inaccuracy. Rxa7 was best.
 [50...♖xa7 51.♖xa7 ♖xb4+ 52.♔a1
 c5 53.♖e7+ ♔d5 (53...♔f6+-
 54.♖f7+ ♔e5 55.♖xf5+ ♔e4 56.♖xc5
 ♔e3 57.♖a3+ ♔e4) 54.♖ad7+ ♔c6
 55.♕g2+ ♔b5 56.♕d5]
 [50...♖xa7 51.♖xa7 ♖xb4+ 52.♔c2
 ♖f4 53.♖e7+ ♔f6]
51.♖xb4 Intending Rb8 and mate.
51...♔xd7 Endgame [#] KRB-KR
52.♖b7+! ♔e6 53.♔c2 ♔e5 54.♔c3
♖h8?! Inaccuracy. Kd5 was best.
 [54...♔d5 55.♕xf5 ♔c5 56.♕e4 ♔d6
 57.♔c4 ♔e5 58.♕xc6 ♔d6 59.♕e4

♠xa7 60.♠xa7]
55.♙g2 White mates. **55...♠g8?**
 Checkmate is now unavoidable. Ra8 was best.

[55...♠a8 56.♙xc6]
56.♠b8 ♠g3+ 57.♙c4 ♠g4+ 58.♙c5
 Accuracy: White = 86%, Black = 54%.
1-0

D35
 ♠ **Banusz,Tamas** **2623**
 ♣ **Gavrilescu,David** **2538**
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♗c3 d5 3.d4 ♗f6 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♙g5 ♙b4 6.e3 h6 7.♙f4

[RR 7.♠a4+ ♗c6 8.♙xf6 ♠xf6 9.♙d3
 0-0 10.♗ge2 ♠d8 11.0-0 ♙f8
 12.♠fc1 a6 13.a3 ♗e7 14.b4 c6
 15.♠b3 ♗f5 16.♗a4 ♠b8 17.♗g3
 ♗h4 18.♠c2 g6 19.♗c5 h5 20.♠f1
 ♠e8 21.♠ae1 ♙h3 Andreikin,D (2729)-
 Martinez Alcantara,J (2603) chess.com
 INT 2024 0-1 (41)]

7...♙d6N
 [RR 7...g6 8.♗ge2 c6 9.a3 ♙d6
 10.♠c1 ♙e6 11.♠b3 ♙xf4 12.♗xf4
 ♠b6 13.♠c2 ♙f5 14.♙d3 ♙xd3
 15.♗xd3 ♗bd7 16.0-0 0-0 17.b4
 ♠fe8 18.♗a4 ♠d8 19.♠b1 b5
 20.♗ac5 ♗b6 21.♗b7 ♠c7 22.♗a5
 Le Goff,R (2286)-Garcia Blanco,O
 (2377) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (41)]
 [RR 7...0-0 8.♙d3 ♠e8 9.♗ge2 c5
 10.dxc5 ♗c6 11.0-0 ♙xc5 12.♗b5
 ♙b6 13.♗d6 ♠e7 14.♠c1 ♗h5
 15.♗xc8 ♠xc8 16.♙f5 ♠a8 17.♠b3
 ♗a5 18.♠d3 ♗c4 19.b3 ♗e5
 20.♙xe5 ♠xe5 21.♠fd1 ♠e7 22.♗d4
 Aakash,G (2241)-Kolb,T (2323) chess.
 com INT 2024 1-0 (38)]
 [RR 7...♙f5 8.♙d3 ♙xd3 9.♠xd3 0-0
 10.♗ge2 c6 11.0-0 ♙d6 12.♙xd6
 ♠xd6 13.♗g3 ♗bd7 14.♗f5 ♠e6
 15.♠ae1 ♗e4 16.f3 ♠xf5 17.fxe4

♠g6 18.♠b1 dxe4 19.♠xe4 ♠xe4
 20.♗xe4 ♗b6 21.♗d6 ♠ab8 22.♠f3
 Owezdurdiyeva,J (2057)-Buksa,N
 (2388) Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1
 (55)]

8.♙xd6 ♠xd6 9.♙d3 0-0 10.♗ge2 ♠e8
11.♠c2 a6 12.♠d1 ♗bd7 13.0-0 b6
14.♗g3 ♙b7 15.♠fe1 ♠ad8 16.f3 c5
17.♗f5 ♠f8 18.♠f2 g6 19.♠g3 ♠e6
20.♗e2 ♗h8 21.♗h4 ♠g7 22.♗f4
♠ee8 23.♙c2 ♗f8 24.♗d3 ♗6d7
25.♠f2 ♗e6 26.f4 cxd4 27.f5 dxe3
28.♠xe3 ♗ef8 29.♠f2 g5 30.♗f3 ♗h7
31.h4?! Inaccuracy. Ba4 was best.

[31.♙a4]
31...g4 32.♗d2 g3 33.♠f4 ♗hf6
34.♗f3 ♗e4? Mistake. Re4 was best.

[34...♠e4 35.♠d2]
35.♠c7 ♙a8 36.♗f4 ♗df6 37.♠xb6
♠b8 38.♠d4 a5 39.b3 ♗g8
1/2-1/2

D35
 ♠ **Erdogmus,Yagiz Kaan** **2553**
 ♣ **Sadhwani,Raunak** **2654**
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.c4 e6 2.♗c3 d5 3.d4 ♗f6 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♙g5 c6 6.e3 h6 7.♙h4 ♙e7
8.♙d3 0-0 9.♗f3 ♗e4 10.♙xe7 ♠xe7
11.♠c2 ♠e8 12.0-0 ♗d7 13.♠ae1 a5N

[RR 13...a6 14.♗d2 ♗xd2 15.♠xd2
 ♗f6 16.f3 ♠d6 17.♙b1 c5 18.♠d1
 ♙e6 19.♠fe1 ♠ad8 20.♗e2 b6
 21.♗g3 ♠d7 22.♠c2 ♠c8 23.♠f2
 ♠cd8 24.♠e2 g6 25.♠ed2 ♠c7 26.h3
 ♗g7 27.f4 ♙c8 28.f5 Sarmiento
 Afonso,S (2023)-Gonzalez Perdomo,S
 (1792) Vecindario ESP 2024 1/2-1/2
 (45)]

14.♗d2 ♗xd2 15.♠xd2 ♗b6 16.♗e2
h5 17.♗f4 ♠g5 18.f3 ♙f5 19.e4 ♙h7
**20.♠e2 dxe4 21.fxe4 ♠ad8 22.d5?!
 Inaccuracy. Qc3 was best.**
 [22.♠c3 ♠d7]

22...♗d7 23.♞xa5 ♘f6 24.♞b4 cxd5
25.e5 ♙xd3 26.♗xd3 ♜d7
1/2-1/2

D35
 Yilmaz, Mustafa **2641**
 Pranav Anand **2530**
 Sharjah Master 2024 15.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♘f6 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♙g5 ♙b4 6.e3 h6 7.♙h4 g5
8.♙g3 h5

[RR 8...♗e4 9.♞c2 h5 10.f3 ♘xg3
11.hxg3 ♙e6 12.♙d3 c6 13.0-0-0
(13.a3!? ♙xc3+ 14.♞xc3±) 13...♗d7
14.f4 ♙g4 15.♗f3 ♞e7 16.e4 ♙xc3
17.♞xc3 ♙xf3 18.gxf3 dxe4! 19.♙xe4
gxf4 20.g4 0-0-0 21.d5 h4
(♟21...♗b8) 22.dxc6 ♘c5 23.♙f5+
Caruana,F (2803)-Nepomniachtchi,I
(2758) Toronto CAN 2024 1/2-1/2 (109)]

9.♞b3N

[RR 9.h3 ♗e4 10.♗ge2 ♘xg3
11.♗xg3 h4 12.♗h5 c6 13.♙e2 f5
14.0-0 ♞e7 15.a3 ♙d6! 16.b4 ♙c7
(16...a6♠) 17.♞c1 ♗d8 18.b5 ♗d7
19.bxc6 bxc6 20.♞c2 ♗b6 21.♗a4
(21.♗a2!♠ ♗c4 22.♙xc4 dxc4
23.♞fd1) 21...♗xa4 22.♞xa4 [#] ♙d7!
23.♞c3 (23.♞xc6♠ ♞c8 24.♞fc1 ♙xc6
25.♞xc6) 23...g4 Bocharov,D (2513)-
Le,Q (2731) chess.com INT 2024 1-0
(46) (23...♞b8+ 24.♞fc1 g4 25.hxg4
fxg4 26.♙xg4 ♙xg4 27.♞xc6 ♞xh5
28.♞xc7+ ♞xc7 29.♞xc7 ♞b1)]

[RR 9.h3 ♗e4 10.♗ge2 ♘xg3
11.♗xg3 h4 12.♗h5 c6 13.♙d3 ♞e7
14.♙f5 ♙d7 15.♞f3 ♗f8 (15...♗d8♠
16.g4 ♙xf5 17.♞xf5 ♗d7) 16.g4
hxg3! 17.♗xg3 ♞f6 18.0-0-0 ♙d6
19.♞df1 ♗a6 20.♞g4 ♞h4 21.♞f3
(21.♙xd7♠ ♞xg4 22.hxg4) 21...♞e8
22.♗b1 ♗b4 23.a3 ♞f4
Svane,F (2617)-Gavrilescu,D (2524)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (65)

(23...♗d3♠)]

[RR 9.h4 ♗e4 10.♗ge2 ♙g4 11.♞b3
♗xg3 12.♗xg3 ♗c6 13.hxg5 ♞xg5
14.♙b5 ♙xc3+ 15.♞xc3 ♞h6 16.♗e2
♙xe2 17.♗xe2 0-0-0 18.♞ag1 h4
19.♗d1 ♞f6 20.♞d2 ♞f5 21.♞f1
♞b1+ 22.♞c1 (22.♗e2!= ♞e4
23.♗d1) 22...♞e4 (22...♞xa2+
23.♞c3 ♞b1+ 24.♗d2 ♞g6) 23.♞h2?
(23.♞d2=) 23...a6 Ter Sahakyan,S
(2646)-Gavrilescu,D (2524) chess.com
INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (59)]

9...♙xc3+ White is slightly better.

10.♞xc3 ♗c6 11.f3 h4! 12.♙f2 ♞e7
13.h3 ♙d7 14.♙d3 ♗h5 15.♗e2 f5
16.a3 0-0-0 17.♞c1 ♗g3

[Black should play 17...♗b8♠]

18.♗xg3= hxg3 19.♙xg3 ♞xe3+
20.♙e2 ♞e7?! Inaccuracy. Qxc3+ was
best. With the idea ...f4.

[20...♞xc3+ 21.♞xc3]

21.♙e5 ♞h6 22.♙b5! g4 23.♙xc6 ♙xc6
24.♞e3 ♞h7 25.♗d2 gxh3 26.♞xh3
♞xh3 27.gxh3 ♞xh3 28.♞g1 ♞h5
29.♞g7

White has compensation.

29...♞d7 30.♞g8+ ♞d8 31.♞g7 ♞d7
32.♞g5 ♞h7

The position is equal.

33.♞f4 ♞f7 34.♞g3 ♞h6 35.♙f4
[#] Rg8+ is the strong threat. 35...♞f6
36.♞g8+ ♞f8 37.♞xf8+ ♞xf8 38.♙xc7
b6 39.♙f4

[39.♙d6 keeps more tension. ♞h6+
40.♙f4 ♞h8 41.♙e5 ♞h6+ 42.♙f4]

39...♞f7 40.♞g5 ♗b7 41.♞d8 ♞d7
42.♞b8+ ♗a6 43.b3 ♞g7 44.♞c8+
♙b7 45.♞c3 ♞g2+ 46.♗c1 ♞f1+
47.♗c2 ♞e2+ 48.♙d2 ♞b5 49.♗b2
♞e2 50.♗c1 ♞f1+ 51.♗b2 ♞e2
52.♗c2 ♞b5 53.♞e3 ♙c8 54.♞e5
♞c6+ 55.♗b2 ♗b7 56.♙f4 a5 57.a4
♗a6 58.♞e2+ ♗a7 59.♞e7+ ♞d7
60.♞f8 ♞e6 61.♙e5 ♞d7 62.♗c3
♞c6+ 63.♗d2 ♗a6 64.♙d6 ♙b7
65.♞e7 ♙c8 66.♞d8

[66.♞f6 seems wilder. ♗b7 67.♞e7+
♗a6 68.♙f4 ♞e6 69.♞d8]

66...♔d7 67.♚f8 ♚c6 68.♙e5 ♘d7
69.♚d8 ♚c8

[69...♙e8 with more complications.
70.♙c7 ♘d7 71.♙f4 ♙c8 72.♚e7
♘d7]

70.♚e7 ♚c6 71.♙f4 ♙c8 72.♘d6 ♚d7
73.♚e2+ ♔a7 74.♙f4 ♚e6 75.♙e5
♚h6+ 76.♔c2 ♙a6 77.♚f2 ♚h3
78.♔b2 ♚f1 79.♚xf1 Accuracy: White =
92%, Black = 93%.
1/2-1/2

□ Yu, Yangyi **D35**
2728
■ Nesterov, Arseniy **2589**
Sharjah Master 2024 (1.3) 14.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♘f6 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♙g5 c6 6.e3 ♙e7 7.♙d3 0-0
8.♘f3 ♚e8 9.h3 ♘e4 10.♙f4 ♘d6N
aiming for ...Bxf4.

[RR 10...♙f5 11.♚c2 ♘d7 12.0-0
♘df6 13.♘e5 ♙f8 (13...h6±;
13...♙e6±) 14.f3 ♘xc3 15.bxc3?
(15.♙xf5+- ♘b5 [#] 16.♙g5!;
White has to play 15.♙xf5+- ♘b5
16.♙g5) 15...♙xd3 16.♚xd3 ♘d7
17.♘g4 b5 18.e4 dxe4 19.fxe4 ♘c5!
20.♚f3 ♘xe4 21.♘e5? (21.♙e5=
and White stays safe. ♚d5 22.♚ae1;
21.♙e5= and White stays safe. ♚d5
22.♚ae1) 21...♚d5 22.♚ae1 [#] ♘f6!
23.♘xc6 [#] (23.♙g3; 23.♚f2)
23...♚xf3! 24.gxf3 ♘d5?
(24...♚ec8+- 25.♘a5 ♘d5;
Black should play 24...♚ec8+- 25.♘a5
♘d5) 25.♙d2 Bluebaum, M (2658)-
Lagno, K (2542) chess.com INT 2024
1/2-1/2 (59) (25.♚xe8! ♚xe8 26.♙d2!;
25.♚xe8! ♚xe8 26.♙d2)]

11.♘e5 White is slightly better. White is
slightly better. 11...♙f5 12.♙xe4 ♙xe4
13.♘xe4 dxe4 14.0-0 ♙xe5 15.dxe5
♘a6 16.♚c1 ♚xd1! The position is
equal. The position is equal. 17.♚fxd1

[17.♚e1? 17.♚fxd1 0.05 17.♚fxd1 0.
01 ♚xc1 18.♚xc1 ♚ad8]

17...♚ad8 18.♚d6 ♚xd6 19.exd6=
Endgame KRB-KRN 19...♘b8 20.a4
♘d7 21.a5 c5 22.b4 ♚c8 23.bxc5
♚xc5 24.♚b1 b6 25.axb6 axb6 26.g4
g6 27.g5 h6 28.h4 hxg5 29.hxg5 ♚d5
30.♔g2 ♔f8 31.♚b4 ♘c5 32.♚xb6
Threatens to win with Rb8+. 32...♘e6
33.♔g3 ♔e8 34.♔g4 ♔d7 35.♚b7+
♔e8! 36.♚a7 ♘xf4 KRN-KR 37.d7+

[Don't play 37.♔xf4?! ♚xd6 38.♔xe4
f6±]

37...♔e7 ...Nd3 is the strong threat.
White must now prevent ...Nd3. 38.♔xf4
KR-KR 38...♚f5+ 39.♔xe4 ♚xf2
40.♔d5 ♚g2 41.d8♚+ ♔xd8 42.♚xf7
♚xg5+ 43.♔e6 ♚g4 44.♚f4 ♚g3
45.♚f8+ ♔c7 46.e4 g5 47.e5 g4
48.♔e7 ♚e3 49.e6 g3 50.♚g8 ♔c6
51.♚g5 ♔c7 52.♚g6 ♔c6 53.♔d8
aiming for e7+. e7+ is the strong threat.

53...♚d3+ 54.♔e8 ♚e3 55.e7+ ♔c7
56.♚g7 ♚f3 57.♚g8

[57.♚g4 with more complications. ♚e3
58.♚d4 ♚f3 59.♚c4+ ♔b7 60.♔d7]

57...♚e3 58.♚g6 ♚f3 59.♚g7 ♚e3
60.♚g4

[60.♔f8 is interesting. ♚f3+ 61.♔e8
♚e3 62.♔f7 ♚f3+]

60...♚c3 61.♚g5 ♚e3 62.♚g6 ♚f3
63.♚g8 ♚e3 64.♔f8 ♚f3+! 65.♔e8

Accuracy: White = 98%, Black = 98%.
. Accuracy: White = 96%, Black = 100%.

1/2-1/2

□ Peralta, Fernando **D35**
2573
■ Sivuk, Vitaly **2541**
Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 d5 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♙g5 ♙e7 6.e3 h6 7.♙h4 ♙g4
8.♘f3

[8.♚c2 keeps more tension. 0-0 9.h3

♙e6 10.♖d1 ♘c6 11.a3]
8...♗bd7 9.♙d3 c6 White has an edge.
10.0-0 0-0 11.♚c2 ♗e8 12.♙g3N
 [RR 12.♙xe7 ♚xe7 13.♗d2 ♘d6
 14.h3 ♙e6 15.f4 ♗f6 16.♖ae1 ♙d7
 17.♗f3 ♗fe4 18.♗e5 (18.♙xe4=
 ♗xe4 19.♗xe4 ♚xe4 20.♚xe4 dxe4
 21.♗e5) 18...♖fe8 (18...♙f5♗)
 19.♗xe4 dxe4 20.♙e2 ♙e6 21.g4 f6
 22.♗g6 ♚f7 23.f5 ♙xa2 24.♚c5 ♚d5
 (Black should try 24...♚c7♗) 25.♖a1
 ♙c4 26.♙xc4 ♗xc4 Salem,A (2639)-
 Vetokhin,S (2396) Samarkand UZB
 2023 ½-½ (68)]
12...♙d6 13.♗e5! ♙xe5 14.dxe5 ♚e7
15.f4↑ Keeping Black busy. **15...f6 16.h3**
♙h5 17.♙h4 ♗c5 18.♙f5 ♖h8 19.♖ae1
a5 20.e4 d4 21.exf6 gxf6 22.e5 dxc3
23.exf6 ♚d6 24.♚xc3

[White should play 24.♖e5+-]

24...♗a4

[24...♙f7±]

25.♚e5+- White has strong
 compensation. **25...♙f7 26.♙f2?**
 Mistake. Qe7 was best.

[26.♚e7 ♚xe7 27.fxe7 ♖g8 28.♙f2!
 c5 29.b3 ♗g7 30.♙d3 c4 31.bxc4
 ♗b2]

[26.♚e7+-]

26...b6? Mistake. Bc4 was best.

[26...♙c4]

[26...♙c4± was worth a try.]

27.b3? Mistake. Qe7 was best.

[27.♚e7 ♗c5 28.♖d1 ♚xe7 29.fxe7
 ♖g8 30.♙d4+ ♖g7 31.♙xg7+ ♖xg7
 32.♖d8 ♖a7]

[27.♚e7+- and the rest is easy.]

27...♗c5± 28.♚c3? Mistake. Qe7 was
 best.

[28.♚e7 ♖g8 29.♖e3 ♖d8 30.♙h4!
 ♖h8 31.♖g3 ♚d4+ 32.♖h2 ♗d6
 33.♙b1 ♖fe8]

[Better is 28.♚e7±]

28...♗xf6? Mistake. Rd8 was best.

[28...♖d8]

[28...♖d8!=]

29.♙d4 ♙d5 30.♖e6?? Blunder. Be5
 was best.

[30.♙e5 30.♖e3 1.41 ♚d8 [#] 31.♖e3!
 ♖a7 32.♖g3 ♖g7 33.♖xg7 ♖xg7
 34.♚g3+ ♖h8 35.♚g6 ♚e7]

[Stronger than 30.♚g3 ♖g8♗]

[30.♖e3± keeps the pressure on.]

30...♗xe6+ 31.♙xf6+ ♖g8 ...Qc5+ is
 the strong threat. **32.♚g3+?! Inaccuracy.**
 Kh2 was best.

[32.♖h2 ♗g7]

[♞32.♖h2]

32...♗g5! 33.♙xg5 hxg5 34.♚xg5+ [#]

34...♖f7! 35.♖e1 Intending Re7+! and
 mate. **35...♖g8** Accuracy: White = 57%,
 Black = 55%.

0-1

D37

♠ **Mchedlishvili,Mikheil**

2567

♜ **Deac,Bogdan-Daniel**

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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.♗c3
♗bd7 5.♚c2 ♙b4 6.g3 dxc4N

[RR 6...0-0 7.♙g2 ♗e4 8.0-0 ♙xc3
 9.bxc3 ♗b6 10.c5 ♗c4 11.♗e5
 ♗xe5 12.dxe5 f5 13.exf6 ♚xf6
 14.♙xe4 dxe4 15.♚xe4 e5 16.♙e3
 c6 17.♖fd1 ♙f5 18.♚b4 ♚f7 19.♖d6
 ♙e6 20.a4 ♙d5 21.♚g4 Daneshvar,B
 (2597)-Alekseenko,K (2650) chess.
 com INT 2024 ½-½ (62)]

[RR 6...0-0 7.♙g2 ♗e4 8.0-0 ♙xc3
 9.bxc3 ♗b6 10.c5 ♗c4 11.♗e1 f5
 12.♗d3 b6 13.♖b1 a5 14.f3 ♗f6
 15.♚a4 ♙d7 16.♚c2 ♙c8 17.♚a4
 ♙d7 18.♚c2 ♙c8 ½-½ (18)
 Daneshvar,B (2597)-Alekseenko,K
 (2650) chess.com INT 2024]

7.♙g2 c6 8.0-0 ♚e7 9.♗e5 ♗b6

10.♙g5 h6 11.♙xf6 gxf6 12.♗f3 e5

13.♖ad1 ♙d7 14.d5 0-0-0 15.♗h4

♙xc3 16.d6?! Inaccuracy. dxc6 was
 best.

[16.dxc6]

16...♖f8 17.♗xc3 ♕e6 18.♗a3 ♔b8
19.f4 exf4 20.♖xf4 ♖g8 21.♖xf6 ♜c8
22.♗e3 ♖xd6?! Inaccuracy. Qg7 was best.

[22...♗g7]

23.♖xd6 ♗xd6 24.♜f5 ♗d8 25.♗f4+
♔a8 26.♜xh6 ♖e8 27.♜xf7?!
Inaccuracy. e3 was best.

[27.e3 ♗d1+ 28.♕f1 ♜d6 29.h4 a6
30.g4 ♜b5 31.♜xf7 c3 32.bxc3
♜xc3]

27...♗b6+ 28.e3 ♗xb2 29.♜g5 ♕d7??
Blunder. Qc1+ was best.

[29...♗c1+ 30.♕f1 ♕g8 31.h4 c3
32.♖f8 ♖xf8 33.♗xf8 ♗xe3+ 34.♔h2
♔b8 35.♕h3]

30.♗d4 ♗c1+ 31.♕f1?? Blunder. Rf1
was best.

[31.♖f1 ♗xe3+ 32.♗xe3 ♖xe3
33.♜e4 ♔b8 34.h4 ♜e7 35.h5 ♕f5
36.♖f3 ♖e1+]

31...♜b6? Mistake. c3 was best.

[31...c3 32.♖f2 ♗xe3 33.♗xe3 ♖xe3
34.♖c2 b5 35.♔f2 ♖e5 36.♜f3 ♖c5
37.♕d3]

32.♜e4 ♜d5 33.♖f7 ♕e6 34.♖xb7??
Blunder. Rf2 was best.

[34.♖f2 c3]

34...♗xe3+ 35.♗xe3 ♜xe3 36.♖b1 ♕f5
37.♜d6 ♕xb1 38.♜xe8 c3 39.♜c7+
♔b7 40.♜e6 ♕xa2 41.♜c5+ ♔c7
42.♕e2 c2 43.♜d3 a5 44.♔f2 ♜d5?!
Inaccuracy. Nf5 was best.

[44...♜f5 45.♜c1]

45.♜c1?? Blunder. Ke1 was best.

[45.♔e1]

45...♜b4 46.♔e3 a4 47.♔d2 ♕d5?
Mistake. Bg8 was best.

[47...♕g8 48.♔c3 a3 49.♕h5 ♔d6
50.♕g6 a2 51.♔b2 ♔e5 52.h4 ♔f6
53.h5]

48.♔c3 a3 49.h4 ♔d6 50.h5 a2
51.♔b2 ♔e7? Mistake. Ke5 was best.

[51...♔e5 52.h6]

52.h6 ♔f6 53.g4 c5 54.g5+ ♔g6

55.♕h5+ ♔h7 56.♕g4 ♕e4 57.♕e6
♔g6 58.♕g8 ♕f5 59.♜xa2 ♜c6
60.♜c1 ♜e7 61.♕b3 ♔xg5 62.♕xc2
1/2-1/2

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□ Nesterov, Arseniy 2589

■ Deac, Bogdan-Daniel 2692

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1.d4 ♜f6 2.c4 e6 3.♜f3 d5 4.♜c3
♕e7 5.♕f4 0-0 6.e3 ♜bd7 7.cxd5
♜xd5 8.♜xd5 exd5 9.♕e2N

[RR 9.♕d3 c6 10.0-0 ♜f6 11.♜e5
♕e6 12.♗c2 h6 13.♖ab1 ♜d7 14.b4
a6 15.a4 ♖c8 16.♗e2 ♜xe5 17.♕xe5
♗d7 18.♖fc1 ♕f5 19.h3 ♕xd3
20.♗xd3 ♕d6 21.♕xd6 ♗xd6 22.b5
axb5 23.axb5 c5 Mikaelyan, A (2519)-
Grutter, T (2343) chess.com INT 2024
1-0 (67)]

[RR 9.a3 c5 1/2-1/2 (9) Korobov, A
(2672)-Giri, A (2754) Samarkand UZB
2023]

[RR 9.♕d3 c5 10.0-0 h6 11.♖c1 c4
12.♕b1 ♜f6 13.♜e5 b5 14.♜c6 ♗e8
15.♜xe7+ ♗xe7 16.♗f3 ♜e4
17.♕xe4 dxe4 18.♗g3 ♗e6 19.b3
♕b7 20.bxc4 bxc4 21.♖b1 ♕d5
22.h3 c3 23.♖fc1 ♖fc8 Gunina, V
(2437)-Mammadova, G (2351) FIDE
Online Arena INT 2024 1-0 (37)]

[RR 9.♕d3 c5 10.0-0 c4 11.♕c2 ♜f6
12.♜e5 ♜d7 13.b3 ♜xe5 14.♕xe5
b5 15.bxc4 bxc4 16.♖b1 g6 17.♗f3
f6 18.♕f4 ♕e6 19.♖b7 ♖f7 20.♖fb1
1/2-1/2 (20) Richter, C (2358)-Sonntag, H
(2286) Germany GER 2024]

9...♕b4+ 10.♜d2 ♜b6 11.a3 ♕d6
12.♕xd6 ♗xd6 13.♕d3 a5 14.0-0 c6
15.b4 axb4 16.♗b1 g6 17.♗xb4 ♗xb4
18.axb4 ♕e6 19.f3 ♖fb8 20.♔f2 ♔f8
21.♜b3 ♜c8 22.♜c5 b6 23.♜xe6+
fxe6 24.♖fc1 ♖xa1 25.♖xa1 ♔e7
26.e4?! Inaccuracy. g4 was best.

[26.g4 ♖b7]
26...dxe4 27.♙xe4 ♔d6 28.h4 ♗e7
29.♖a7
 1/2-1/2

□ **Muradli,Mahammad** **D37**
 ■ **Radjabov,Teimour** **2560**
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.♗c3
♙e7 5.cxd5 exd5 6.♙f4 c6 7.e3 ♙f5
8.♗h4 ♙g4 9.♖c2 ♗bd7N

[RR 9...♗h5 10.h3 ♙e6 11.♗f3 ♙d6
 12.♙xd6 ♖xd6 13.♙d3 ♗d7 14.0-0-0
 g6 15.♔b1 ♗g7 16.g4 h5 17.♖hg1
 hxg4 18.hxg4 0-0-0 19.♗b5 ♖b4
 20.a3 ♖a5 21.♗g5 ♔b8 22.♗c3
 ♖df8 23.f4 ♗f6 24.♗xe6 Martirosyan,
 H (2681)-Khubukshanov,E (2352)
 Moscow RUS 2024 1-0 (67)]

[RR 9...♗h5 10.h3 ♙e6 11.♗f3 ♗xf4
 12.exf4 ♙d6 13.g3 g6 14.♙d3 ♗d7
 15.♔f1 ♖f6 16.♔g2 0-0 17.h4 c5
 (17...h5= remains equal.) 18.♗b5
 ♙e7 19.dxc5 ♗xc5 20.♗bd4 ♖ac8
 21.h5 ♗e4 22.♖e2 ♙c5 23.♗xe6
 ♖xe6 24.hxg6 Maghsoodloo,P (2742)-
 Nepomniachtchi,I (2771) Samarkand
 UZB 2023 1-0 (57)]

[RR 9...♗h5 10.h3 ♙e6 11.♗f3 ♗xf4
 12.exf4 c5 (12...♙d6=) 13.f5 ♙c8
 (13...♙d7±) 14.dxc5 ♗c6 15.♙b5
 (15.0-0-0!+-) 15...0-0 16.0-0 ♙xc5
 17.♖ad1! ♗b4 18.♖c1 ♙xf5
 (18...♙d6 was necessary.) 19.a3!
 ♗a6 20.♖xd5 ♖c8 21.♙xa6 bxa6
 22.♖g5 g6 23.♗h4 f6 24.♖g3!
 Moksh,A (2353)-Elsness,F (2437)
 Fagernes NOR 2024 1-0 (36)]

10.h3 White is slightly better. **10...♙e6**
11.♙d3 0-0 12.0-0 ♗e4 13.♗f3 f5
14.♗e5 ♗xe5 15.♙xe5 ♙d6 16.♗e2
♖c7 17.f4 a5 18.♔h2 ♖e7 19.♙xd6?!
 Inaccuracy. Ng1 was best.

[19.♗g1]
19...♖xd6 20.♗g1 g5 21.g3 h6 22.♗f3
♖f7 23.♗e5 ♖g7 24.♙xe4 dxe4 25.a3
♖f8 26.♖c3 ♖d8 27.♖f2 ♔h7 28.♖c2
♖fg8 ...gxf4 is the strong threat. 29.♖g1
♔h8 30.♖gg2 h5 31.fxg5 ♖xg5 32.♖f4
♖e7 33.♖c3 Black must now prevent d5.
33...♖d8 34.♖e1 ♖h7?! Inaccuracy. c5
 was best.

[34...c5]
 [♟34...c5]
35.♔g1 ♖gg7 36.b4 axb4 37.♖xb4
♔g8 38.a4 ♖d5 39.a5 ♖h6 40.♔h2?!
 Inaccuracy. Qc3 was best.

[40.♖c3]
40...♔h7?! Inaccuracy. c5 was best.
 [40...c5]
 [♟40...c5 41.♖xc5 ♖xc5 42.dxc5
 ♖c7]

41.♖gf2
 [♟41.♖c2]
41...♖d8?! Inaccuracy. c5 was best.
 [41...c5 42.♖xc5]
 [Black should try 41...c5 42.♖xc5
 ♖xc5 43.dxc5 ♖c7]

42.♖b2 ♖g5 43.♖e1 ♖e7 44.♖c2 ♖a3
45.♖c5 ♔g8 46.♖d2 ♔h7 47.♖c1 ♔g8
48.♖b1 ♔h7 49.♖b6 ♙c8 50.h4 ♖e7
51.♖f1 ♖d6? [#] Mistake. Rc7 was best.
 [51...♖c7]
 [♟51...♖c7 52.♖fb1 ♔g7]

52.♖c3? Mistake. a6 was best.
 [52.a6 ♖g7 53.axb7 ♙xb7 54.♖xf5
 ♙c8 55.♖f4 ♖e6 56.♖g2 ♖c7
 57.♖xe4+ ♔g7]
 [52.a6!+- is more deadly.]

52...♖d5± 53.♖f2 ♖g7 54.♖e1 ♖g8
 [54...c5±]
55.♖f4? Mistake. Rg2 was best.
 [55.♖g2 ♖d5 56.♖c2 f4 57.exf4 ♖d6
 58.♖g2 ♙f5 59.a6 bxa6 60.♖e2
 ♙g4]

[White should play 55.♖c2+-]
55...♖d5? Mistake. c5 was best.
 [55...c5! 56.♖b2 cxd4 57.exd4 ♖d8
 58.♖g2 ♖f6 59.♖d2 ♖d5 60.♖d1

♔xa5 61.♔xh5+]
 [55...c5!±]
56.♖f2 ♖f6 57.♖bb2?! Inaccuracy. Rg2 was best.
 [57.♖g2 ♖h6 58.♖c2 f4 59.exf4 ♖d6 60.♖bb2 ♔h6 61.♖g2 ♕f5 62.♔c1 ♔e6]
 [57.♖g2+-]
57...♔g8?! Inaccuracy. c5 was best.
 [57...c5! 58.♔d2]
 [57...c5!±]
58.♖fc2+- ♔e8 59.♔f1 ♔d8 60.♖c5?!
 Inaccuracy. a6 was best.
 [60.a6 bxa6]
60...♖f8? Mistake. f4 was best.
 [60...f4]
 [60...f4 keeps fighting. 61.gxf4 ♖d6]
61.♔f4 ♖fg8?! Inaccuracy. Rf6 was best.
 [61...♖f6 62.a6 bxa6 63.♖xc6 ♔d6 64.♖e5 ♕b7 65.♔f1 ♔d8 66.♔b1 ♔e7 67.♔d1]
62.♖g2?! Inaccuracy. a6 was best.
 [62.a6 ♔f8 (♠62...♔f6 63.♖g2 ♖f8) 63.axb7 ♕xb7 64.♖bc2 ♖xg3 [#] 65.♖d7! ♔h6 66.♔xf5+ ♔h8 67.♔xh5 ♖3g6]
62...♖c7? Mistake. Rf8 was best.
 [62...♖f8 63.♖b2 ♖f6 64.a6 bxa6 65.♖xc6 ♔d6 66.♖e5 ♕b7 67.♔f1 ♖f8 68.♔e2]
 [♠62...♖f8 63.♖b2 ♖f6]
63.♖gc2 ♖cg7 64.♖g2? Mistake. a6 was best.
 [64.a6 ♖xg3 65.♖f7 ♔f6 66.axb7 ♖3g4 67.♖g5+ ♔xg5 68.hxg5 ♖xf4 69.exf4 ♕xb7]
64...♖c7? [#] Mistake. Rf8 was best.
 [64...♖f8 65.♖b2 ♖f6 66.a6 bxa6 67.♖xc6 ♔d6 68.♖e5 ♕b7 69.♔f1 ♔f8 70.♔c1]
 [♠64...♖f8 65.♖b2 ♖f6]
65.a6! ♔f6
 [65...bxa6 66.♖xc6]
66.axb7 ♕xb7 67.♖g4 Accuracy: White = 69%, Black = 51%.
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 □ **Erigaisi Arjun** **2761**
 ■ **Murzin, Volodar** **2631**
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1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♖f3 ♖f6 4.♖c3 ♕e7 5.cxd5 exd5 6.♕f4 0-0 7.e3 c5 8.dxc5 ♕xc5 9.♕e2 ♖c6 10.0-0 a6N
 [RR 10...♕g4 11.♖c1 ♖c8 12.h3 ♕h5 13.♖b5 ♔b6 14.a3 a6 15.♖d6 ♕xd6 16.♕xd6 ♖fd8 17.♕c5 ♔c7 18.b4 ♖e4 19.♕d4 ♔e7 20.♕b2 h6 21.♖d4 ♕xe2 22.♖xe2 ♖e5 23.♖xc8 ♖xc8 24.♔xd5 ♖c4 25.♔d4 Bogaudinov, R (1912)-Kunz, A (2183) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (61)]
 [RR 10...♕f5 11.♖c1 ♕b6 12.♖b5 ♖e4 13.♖bd4 ♕d7 14.♖xc6 bxc6 15.♖e5 ♔e8 16.h3 f6 17.♖xd7 ♔xd7 18.♔a4 ♖c5 19.♔c2 a5 20.♖fd1 ♔e6 21.b3 f5 22.a3 ♖fc8 23.b4 axb4 24.axb4 ♖e4 25.♔b3 Manolache, M (2387)-Veneteanu, M (2026) Bucharest ROU 2024 1-0 (45)]
11.♖c1 ♕e6 12.♖e5 d4 13.♖a4 ♕a7 14.♖xc6 bxc6 15.exd4 ♔xd4 16.♔xd4 ♕xd4 17.b3 ♕d5 18.♖fd1 ♕a7 19.♖f1 a5 20.♕c4?! Inaccuracy. Nc3 was best.
 [20.♖c3 ♕e6 21.h3 ♖fe8 22.♕f3 ♖ec8 23.♕d2 h6 24.♕e1 ♖d7 25.♖a4 ♖e5]
20...♖fe8 21.h3 ♖e6 22.♕c7 ♖ae8 23.♖c2 ♖e4 24.♕xd5 cxd5 25.♕xa5 ♖g3+ 26.♖g1 ♖e2+ 27.♖h1 ♕xf2 28.♕c7 h5 29.g4? Mistake. Nc3 was best.
 [29.♖c3]
29...h4? Mistake. hxg4 was best.
 [29...hxg4 30.hxg4 d4 31.♖g2 ♕h4 32.♖dd2 ♖e3 33.♖c5 g5 34.♖d3 ♖8e4 35.♖f2]
30.♖g2 ♕g3 31.♕xg3 hxg3 32.♖c3 ♖xc3 33.♖xc3 ♖e2+ 34.♖xg3 ♖xa2 35.♖dd3 d4 36.♖xd4 ♖b8 37.♖d5 ♖h7 38.♖f3
 [38.♖cd3]

38...♖b2 39.♞dd3 ♞b4 40.♔h4 f6
41.♔g3 ♔g6 42.♞c3 ♔h7 43.♞fe3
♔g6 44.♞ed3 ♔h6
1/2-1/2

□ Yilmaz, Mustafa 2641
■ Avila Pavas, Santiago 2514
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1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.♘c3 a6
5.cxd5 exd5 6.♙g5 ♙e6 7.e3 ♘bd7
8.♙d3 White is slightly better. 8...♙d6
9.0-0 c6 10.♙f4 ♖c7 11.♙xd6 ♗xd6
12.♗c2 0-0 13.h3 h6 14.♞fe1N

[RR 14.♞fc1 ♘b6 15.♞ab1 ♖c7
16.a4 ♘e8 17.a5 ♘d7 18.b4 ♘d6
19.♘a4 ♞fe8 20.♘e5 ♞ad8 21.♘c5
♘f8 22.♘xa6 bxa6 23.♙xa6 ♙f5
24.♙d3! ♙xd3 25.♗xd3 ♞xe5!
26.dxe5 ♘c4 27.f4 (27.e4±)
27...♘e6 28.♔h1 c5 Pang,T (2430)-
Kusa,J (2350) Marianske Lazne CZE
2024 1-0 (44)]

[RR 14.♞fc1 ♖e7 15.♘a4 ♘e8
16.♘c5 ♘d6 17.b4 ♞fe8 18.a4 g6
19.♞ab1 ♞ab8 (19...♗f6±) 20.b5
(Better is 20.♘e5±) 20...cxb5
21.axb5 a5 (Black should play
21...♞bc8±) 22.b6 ♙f5? (22...♘xc5±
23.♗xc5 ♞a8) 23.♙xf5 ♘xf5 24.♗b3
♘f6 25.♘e5 ♔g7 26.♞a1 ♞a8
(26...♘d6 was necessary. 27.♞xa5
h5)

A) 27.♘xb7!+- a4 (27...♗xb7
28.♞c7) 28.♞xa4 ♞xa4 29.♗xa4
♗xb7 30.♞c7 Double Attack ♗xb6
31.♞xf7+ ♔g8 32.♞xf6
Remove Defender ♗xf6 33.♗xe8+
Double Attack ♔g7 34.♗d7+ ♘e7
35.g3;

B) 27.♞c2? ♞ed8? (27...♞ec8±
is a better defense. 28.♞a3 ♘d6)
28.♞ca2 ♘h7 Rustemov,A (2525)-
Krzywda,A (2211) chess.com INT

2024 1-0 (46) (♠28...♘e4)
14...♞fc8 15.♞ad1 b5 16.♘e2 c5
17.dxc5 ♘xc5 18.♘f4 ♙d7 19.♗d2
♘xd3 20.♗xd3 ♞c5 21.♗d2 ♖e7
22.♘d4 ♞ac8 23.♗b4 ♗d8 24.♘d3
♞c4 25.♗d6 ♖a5?! Inaccuracy. Qc7
was best.

[25...♖c7 26.♗xc7 ♞4xc7 27.g4 a5
28.f3 b4 29.h4 g6 30.♔f2 ♔g7
31.♘f4]

[25...♖c7± 26.♗xc7 ♞4xc7]

26.a3?! Inaccuracy. Ne5 was best.

[26.♘e5 ♞4c7 27.a3 ♞b7 28.♖e7
♞f8 29.♘b3 ♖c7 [#] 30.♞c1! ♗d8
31.♗xd8 ♞xd8]

[26.♘e5+- is more deadly. ♞4c7
27.a3]

26...♙e6? Mistake. Qc7 was best.

[26...♖c7 27.♗xc7]

[26...♖c7± 27.♗xc7 ♞8xc7]

27.♘e5

[Weaker is 27.♘xe6 ♞4c6±]

27...♘e4 28.♘xc4 bxc4 29.♗e5 ♞e8
30.♘e2 ♘f6 31.♗c3 ♗b6 32.b4 ♙f5
33.♘f4 ♖c6 34.♗d4 ♙e6 35.f3 ♖a4
36.♗c3?! Inaccuracy. e4 was best.

[36.e4 dxe4 37.fxe4 ♞c8 38.♘xe6
fxe6 39.♖e5 ♞e8 40.♞c1 ♗xa3
41.♞xc4 ♗b3]

36...♗c6 37.♞d2 ♙f5 38.♞ed1 ♙e6
39.♔f2 ♗b5 40.♗d4 ♖a4 41.♞a1 a5
42.♗c3 ♞b8 43.♞b2

[But not 43.bxa5?! ♞b3±]

43...♘d7 44.bxa5 aiming for Rxb8+.
44...♞xb2+ 45.♗xb2 ♖xa5 46.♗b4
♖a7 47.♞b1 ♔h7 48.♞d1 ♖a8 49.a4
♘e5 50.♗b1+ ♔h8 51.♗b5 ♖c8
52.♞b1 ♔h7 53.♗b8 Accuracy: White =
84%, Black = 73%.

1-0

Yakubboev, Nodirbek **D37**
 Erdos, Viktor **2665**
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1.d4 ♘f6 2.♘f3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.♘c3
♘bd7 5.♙f4 dxc4 6.e3 b5 7.♘xb5
♙b4+ 8.♘d2 White is slightly better.
8...♘d5 9.♙g3N

[RR 9.a3 ♙xd2+ 10.♖xd2 ♘xf4
 11.exf4 ♘b6 12.♙e2 ♙b7 13.♖g1
 (13.0-0=) 13...0-0 14.g4 ♖d7
 (14...♗h4♠ 15.♘xc7 ♖ad8) 15.♘c3
 ♖ad8 16.0-0-0 ♗e7 17.f5 c5
 (17...♗h4♠) 18.♗e3 cxd4 19.♖xd4
 ♖xd4 20.♗xd4 e5 21.♗e3 ♖d8
 (21...♘d5= 22.♘d5 ♙xd5) 22.f4 e4
 23.g5 ♖d6 Mahdian,A (2069)-Buksa,N
 (2388) FIDE Online Arena INT 2024
 1/2-1/2 (59)]

9...♘7b6! 10.a3 ♙a5! 11.♖c1↑
 White is more active. **11...0-0 12.♘c3**
♖b8?! Inaccuracy. Bb7 was best.

[12...♙b7 13.♙xc4 ♙xc3 14.bxc3
 ♘xc4 15.♘xc4 ♘b6 16.♘xb6 axb6
 17.0-0 ♖d5 18.f3]

[12...♙b7= remains equal.]

13.♙xc4 ♙xc3 14.bxc3 ♘xc4 15.♘xc4
♙a6 [#] 16.♘e5! ♗e8 17.c4 ♘b6
18.0-0 f6 19.♘d3 ♘xc4 [#] ...Nb2
 would now be nice for Black. **20.♖e1!**
♘b2 21.♘xb2 ♖xb2 22.♖xc7 ♖f7
23.♖c5 ♖fb7 24.h4 h6 25.♙h2 ♗g6
26.♗f3 ♙d3

[♠26...♖7b6 27.♗f4 ♙b7]

27.e4+- ♙b1?! Inaccuracy. Ba6 was best.

[27...♙a6 28.♖c8+]

[27...♙a6 might work better. 28.d5 e5
29.♙xe5 fxe5]

28.h5 ♗f7 29.d5 ♖2b5?! Inaccuracy.
 Kh7 was best.

[29...♙h7 30.♖ec1 f5 (30...♖2b3
 was worth a try.) 31.dxe6 ♗xe6
 32.exf5 ♗f6 33.♗g4 ♗g5 34.♗xg5
 hxg5 35.♙h3]

30.♖c6?! Inaccuracy. Rc8+ was best.

[30.♖c8+]

30...f5 31.dxe6 ♗e8 32.exf5 ♖xf5
33.♗c3 aiming for Rc8. **33...♙h7 34.♖c8**
♗xh5+?! Inaccuracy. Qe7 was best.

[34...♗e7 35.♙g1 ♖xh5 36.♗f3 ♖hb5
 37.a4 ♖b4 38.♗d5 ♙g6 (38...♖4b6
 is a better defense. 39.♖e4 ♙g6)
 39.♙d6 ♖b1 40.♙xe7]

35.♙g1 And now e7 would win. White is
 clearly winning. **35...♙a2 36.e7 ♙f7**
37.e8♗ ♙xe8 38.♖cxe8 Accuracy:
 White = 95%, Black = 69%.

1-0

Raja Rithvik R **D37**
 Aditya Mittal **2523**
2607
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 d5 4.♘c3
♘bd7 5.♙f4 ♙b4 6.cxd5 exd5 7.e3
♘e4 8.♗c2 g5 9.♙e5 ♖g8 10.♙d3
♙xc3+ 11.bxc3 g4 12.♙xe4 dxe4
13.♗xe4 ♗e7 14.♘d2 ♘xe5 15.dxe5N

[RR 15.♗xh7 ♖f8 16.dxe5 ♗xe5
 17.♗e4 ♗xe4 18.♘xe4 ♙e7 19.f4
 gxf3 20.gxf3 b6 21.♙f2 ♖h8 22.h4
 ♙e6 23.h5 ♖ad8 24.h6 ♙f5 25.♘g3
 ♙e6 26.e4 ♖d3 27.♘e2 c5 28.h7
 ♙c4 29.♘g3 ♙e6 Li,D (2563)-Chen,Q
 (2466) Cannes FRA 2024 1-0 (35)]

15...♖g6 16.0-0 ♙d7 17.♗xb7 ♙c6
18.♗b4 ♗xe5 19.♗d4 ♗g5 20.♘e4
♗d5 21.♗xd5 ♙xd5 22.♘g3 ♖a6
23.a4 ♖b8 24.♖fd1 ♙e6 25.♖d4 c5
26.♖f4 ♖ab6 27.♙f1 ♖b2 28.♙e1 ♖c2
29.♘e4 c4 30.♘d6+ ♙e7 31.♘b5 ♖b7
32.♙d1 ♖b2 33.♘d4 h5 34.♙c1 a6
35.a5 h4 36.♘c6+ ♙d6 37.♘b4 ♖b3
38.♙c2 ♙e5 39.♖d4 ♙f5+ 40.♙d2
♖b2+ 41.♙e1 g3 42.hxg3 hxg3
43.fxg3 ♖xg2 44.♖ad1 ♙e4 45.♖d7
♖xg3 46.♖xb7 ♙xb7 47.♖d7 ♙c8
48.♖xf7 ♖xe3+ 49.♙d2 ♖h3 50.♖c7

♖h2+ 51.♔c1 ♕e6 52.♖c5+ ♔e4
53.♖c6 ♕f5?! Inaccuracy. Bd7 was best.
 [53...♕d7]
54.♖xa6?! Inaccuracy. Rxc4+ was best.
 [54.♖xc4+ ♔e3]
54...♖h1+ 55.♔b2 ♖h2+ 56.♔a3 ♖h3
57.♗a2 ♔d5 58.♖b6 ♔c5 59.♖b8 ♕e4
60.a6 ♖h6 61.♗b4 ♖h3 62.♔b2 ♖h2+
63.♔c1 ♖h1+ 64.♔d2 ♖a1? Mistake.
 Rh7 was best.
 [64...♖h7 65.♖f8 ♕h1 66.♖f5+ ♔b6
 67.♖f2 ♔a5 68.♔c2 ♔b5 69.♔b2
 ♔b6 70.♖e2]
65.♔e3?! Inaccuracy. Rc8+ was best.
 [65.♖c8+ ♔b6 66.♖xc4 ♕g2 67.♖g4
 ♕h1 68.♖g6+ ♔c5 69.♖g8 ♔b6
 70.♖h8 ♕e4]
65...♖e1+ 66.♔d2 ♖a1?! Inaccuracy.
 Rf1 was best.
 [66...♖f1]
67.♖c8+ ♔b5 68.♔e3 ♕h1 69.♖b8+
♔c5 70.♖h8 ♕g2 71.♖h5+ ♔b6
72.♔d4?! Inaccuracy. Rh6+ was best.
 [72.♖h6+ ♔b5]
72...♖d1+? Mistake. Rh1 was best.
 [72...♖h1 73.♖xh1 ♕xh1 74.♔xc4
 ♕g2 75.♔d4 ♔b5 76.♔e5 ♔c5
 77.♔e6 ♕h3+ 78.♔f6]
73.♔xc4 ♕f1+ 74.♔b3 ♖d6??
 Blunder. Ra1 was best.
 [74...♖a1]
75.c4 ♖g6 76.♖b5+ ♔a7 77.♖b7+ ♔a8
78.♖c7 ♔b8 79.♖c5 ♖g4 80.♗c6+
♔a8 81.♗e5?? Blunder. Nb4 was best.
 [81.♗b4 ♔b8 82.♖c6 ♕g2 83.♖f6
 ♕e4 84.c5 ♖g1 85.♖f8+ ♔a7
 86.♖f7+ ♔b8]
81...♖e4?? Blunder. Rg3+ was best.
 [81...♖g3+]
82.♔b4 ♖e1 83.♔a5 ♖a1+ 84.♔b6
♖b1+ 85.♖b5 ♖a1?! Inaccuracy. Rd1
 was best.
 [85...♖d1 86.♖d5 ♖b1+ 87.♔c5 ♕g2
 88.♖d2 ♕h1 89.♗d3 ♖g1 90.♗b4
 ♖g5+ 91.♔b6]
86.♔c7 ♕g2 87.♗d7?? Blunder. Rb2

was best.

[87.♖b2]
87...♖c1 88.♖b4?? Blunder. Ne5 was
 best.
 [88.♗e5]
88...♔a7 89.♗b6 ♕h3 90.♗a4 ♕g2
91.♗c5 ♕f1 92.♖b7+ ♔a8 93.♔b6
♕xc4?? Checkmate is now unavoidable.
 Rb1+ was best.
 [93...♖b1+ 94.♔c7 ♖c1 95.♖b4 ♔a7
 96.♔c6 ♕xc4 97.♖b2 ♕f1 98.♖b7+
 ♔a8 99.♖b4]
94.♗d7 ♖b1+ 95.♔c7 ♕d3 96.♗b6+
♖xb6 97.♔xb6 ♕xa6 98.♖a7+
1-0

D37

□ **Gupta,Abhijeet** **2601**
 ■ **Assaubayeva,Bibisara** **2481**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.41) 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.♗c3 h6
5.♕f4 ♕d6 6.♕xd6 ♖xd6 7.e3 0-0
8.♖c1 b6 9.cxd5 ♗xd5 10.♗xd5
exd5N
 [RR 10...♖xd5 11.♕c4 ♖a5+ 12.♖d2
 ♖xd2+ 13.♔xd2 ♕b7 14.♔e2 a6
 15.♖hd1 ♖d8 16.♕b3 ♖a7 17.♖c3 a5
 18.a3 ♗a6 19.♗e5 ♖aa8 20.♗c6
 ♖d6 21.♖dc1 ♗b8 22.♗xb8 ♖xb8
 23.♖xc7 ♕xg2 24.f3 ♕h3 25.♖c8+
 Bok,B (2620)-Tristan,L (2522) chess.
 com INT 2024 1-0 (49)]
11.♕d3 ♕e6 12.♕b1 ♖b4+?!
 Inaccuracy. Nd7 was best.
 [12...♗d7 13.♖c2]
13.♖d2?! Inaccuracy. Rc3 was best.
 [13.♖c3 c5]
13...♖xd2+ 14.♔xd2 ♖c8 15.♖c3 c5
16.b3 ♗d7 17.♖hc1 ♖d8 18.♕d3 ♕g4
19.♗g1 a5 20.f3 cxd4 21.exd4 ♕e6
22.♕b5 ♗f6 23.♗e2 ♕d7?! Inaccuracy.
 g5 was best.
 [23...g5 24.♖c7 ♔g7 25.♖e7 ♔f8
 26.♖b7 ♖ab8 27.♖cc7 h5 28.♗c1 h4

29.♘d3]
 24.♙xd7 ♘xd7 25.♖c6 ♗ab8 26.♗d6
 ♘f6 27.♗xd8+ ♗xd8 28.♖c7 ♔f8
 29.♘c3 ♗d6 30.♗b7 h5?! Inaccuracy.
 Ke8 was best.

[30...♔e8 31.g4]

31.g3? Mistake. Nb5 was best.

[31.♘b5]

31...g5 32.♔d3 ♔g7?! Inaccuracy. g4
 was best.

[32...g4]

33.♗b8?! Inaccuracy. Nd1 was best.

[33.♘d1]

33...g4 34.f4 h4 35.gxh4 ♘h5 36.♘e2
 1/2-1/2

D38

♖ Gledura,Benjamin 2619
 ♜ Adhiban,B. 2520
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.♘c3
 ♙b4 5.♖a4+ ♘c6 6.♖c2 0-0 7.♙g5 h6
 8.♙xf6 ♖xf6 9.a3N

[RR 9.e3 a6 10.a3 ♙xc3+ 11.♖xc3
 ♗e8 12.♙e2 dxc4 13.♙xc4 e5 14.d5
 ♘d4 15.♘d2 ♖g6 16.0-0-0 ♘b5
 17.♙xb5 axb5 18.g3 ♙d7 19.♖c2
 ♖b6 20.♘e4 ♙f5 21.f3 b4 22.a4
 ♖xe3+ 23.♖d2 ♖xf3 Silva Lucena,C
 (2340)-Diaz Herquinio,B (2051) chess.
 com INT 2024 0-1 (39)]

9...♙xc3+ 10.♖xc3 dxc4 11.e3 ♗e8
 12.♙xc4 e5 13.dxe5 ♘xe5 14.♘xe5
 ♖xe5 15.♖xe5 ♗e7?? Blunder. Rxe5
 was best.

[15...♖xe5]

16.♖e6?? Blunder. Qxe7 was best.

[16.♖xe7 ♙e6 17.♙xe6 fxe6 18.♗d1
 ♔h7 19.♗d7 ♗g8 20.♔d2 ♔h8
 21.♖c1 ♔h7]

16...♖xe6?? Blunder. Bxe6 was best.

[16...♙xe6 17.♙xe6 ♗xe6 18.0-0-0
 ♗ae8 19.♔b1 ♔f8 20.♗d7 ♗f6 21.f3
 ♗xe3 22.♖xc7]

17.♔e2?? Blunder. Bxe6 was best.

[17.♙xe6 ♙xe6 18.♖c1 c6 19.♔e2
 ♙b3 20.♖c3 ♙d5 21.f3 ♙e6 22.e4
 ♔f8]

17...♗e5 18.f3 ♙e6 19.♙xe6 ♗xe6
 20.♗hd1 ♗ae8 21.♗d3 ♖c6 22.♗ad1
 ♖c2+ 23.♗1d2 ♗xd2+ 24.♔xd2 ♔f8
 25.♗d7 ♗e7 26.♗d8+ ♗e8 27.♗d7 ♗e7
 28.♗d8+ ♗e8

1/2-1/2

D38

♖ Artemiev,Vladislav 2705
 ♜ Safarli,Eltaj 2594
 Sharjah Master 2024 17.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.♘f3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.♘c3
 ♙b4 5.cxd5 exd5 6.♙g5 h6 7.♙h4 0-0
 8.e3 c5 9.dxc5 ♘bd7 10.♖d4 ♙xc5
 11.♖d2 ♙b4N

[RR 11...♙e7 12.♙e2 ♘b6 13.0-0
 ♙f5 14.♘d4 ♙g6 15.♙d3 ♘e4
 16.♙xe4 dxe4 17.♙xe7 ♖xe7 18.♖e2
 ♗ac8 19.♗ac1 a6 20.♖g4 ♖c5
 21.♖f4 ♗fc8 22.♗cd1 ♘c4 23.♘a4
 ♗a5 24.b3 ♘e5 25.♘b6 ♗d8 26.♘c4
 Nogerbek,K (2483)-Narayanan,S
 (2677) Samarkand UZB 2023 1/2-1/2
 (58)]

12.a3 ♙xc3 13.♖xc3 g5 14.♙g3 ♘e4
 15.♖c7 ♖f6 16.♘d4 ♘dc5 17.♖e5
 ♖xe5 18.♙xe5 ♗e8 19.♙g3 ♙d7
 20.♙e2 ♗ac8

1/2-1/2

D41

♖ Theodorou,Nikolas 2616
 ♜ Erigaisi Arjun 2761
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.1) 15.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 d5 4.♘c3 c5
 5.cxd5 ♘xd5 6.e4 ♘xc3 7.bxc3 cxd4
 8.cxd4 ♙b4+ 9.♙d2 ♙xd2+ 10.♖xd2
 0-0 11.♙c4 ♘d7 12.0-0 b6 13.♗ad1

♙b7 14.♖fe1 ♘f6 15.♚f4 ♜c8 16.♙b3 ♚c7 The position is equal. **17.♚h4 h6 18.h3 ♜fd8 19.♜e3 b5 20.d5 exd5 21.e5 ♘e4 [#] 22.e6!↑** White has good play. **22...fxe6 23.♘d4 ♘c5 24.♜de1 a5??** Blunder. Re8 was best.

[24...♜e8 25.♚g4 ♚f7 26.♘xb5 ♜f8 27.f3 ♜c6 28.♘xa7 ♜b6 29.♜c1 ♚e7 30.♜ec3]

[24...♜e8= and Black is okay.]

25.♘xe6+- ♘xe6 26.♜xe6 ♜d7

[26...a4 was necessary.]

27.♚g4 Intending Re8+ and mate.

27...♜f8?? [#] Blunder. Rf7 was best.

[27...♜f7 28.♚g6! ♚c5 29.♜1e2 ♚c1+ 30.♚h2 ♚f4+ (♠30...b4 31.♜e8+ ♜f8) 31.g3 ♚f3 32.♙c2! ♚f8 [#] 33.♚h7!]

[♠27...♜f7 28.♜xh6 ♚c3]

28.♚g6! Accuracy: White = 87%, Black = 65%.

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♠ **Iniyan,Pa** **D43** **2493**
 ♣ **Nguyen,Thai Dai Van** **2649**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.♘c3 e6 5.♙g5 h6 6.♙xf6 ♚xf6 7.e3 ♘d7 8.♙d3 dxc4 9.♙xc4 g6 10.0-0 ♙g7 11.b4 0-0 12.a4 e5 13.a5 exd4 14.exd4 ♚d6 15.♚b3?! Inaccuracy. Qc2 was best.

[15.♚c2 ♘f6]

15..b5 16.axb6 ♘xb6 17.♘e4 ♚f4 18.♖fe1 ♙f5 19.♘g3 ♙d7 20.♙d3 ♜ae8 21.♙xg6 ♙e6 22.♜xe6 ♜xe6 23.♙c2?! Inaccuracy. Bf5 was best.

[23.♙f5 ♜d6]

23...♘d5?! Inaccuracy. Bxd4 was best.

[23...♙xd4 24.♚d3]

24.h3 ♜fe8 25.♘h5 ♚c7 26.g3 ♜e3 27.fxe3 ♜xe3 28.♙d3? Mistake. Bh7+ was best.

[28.♙h7+ ♚xh7 29.♚c2+ ♚h8 30.♜f1 ♚d7 31.g4 ♚e6 32.♚f5 ♚xf5 33.gxf5 ♘xb4]

28...♜xf3 29.♚g2 ♜e3 30.♜f1 ♙xd4 31.♚h2 ♙e5 32.♚d1 ♜xg3?? Blunder. Kf8 was best.

[32...♚f8 33.♚h1 ♚d6 34.♙c4 ♚e6 35.♚h2 ♚g6 36.♚g4 ♚e7 37.b5 ♚xg4 38.hxg4]

33.♘xg3 ♙xg3+ 34.♚g1? Mistake. Kh1 was best.

[34.♚h1 ♘e3]

34...♘e3? Mistake. Bh2+ was best.

[34...♙h2+ 35.♚h1 ♘e3 36.♚f3 ♘xf1 37.♙xf1 ♙g3 38.♚g2 ♙f4 39.♚g4+ ♚f8 40.♚f3]

35.♚d2 ♘xf1 36.♚xh6 ♚b6+ 37.♚h1 ♚e3 38.♙h7+ ♚h8 39.♚f8+ ♚xh7 40.♚xf7+ ♚h6 41.♚f6+ ♚h7 42.♚f7+ ♚h6 43.♚f6+ ♚h7

1/2-1/2

♠ **Vakhidov,Jakhongir** **D44** **2599**
 ♣ **Raja Rithvik R** **2523**
 Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.c4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.♘c3 e6 5.♙g5 dxc4 6.a4 ♙b4 7.e4 ♙xc3+ 8.bxc3 ♚a5 9.e5N

[RR 9.♙xf6 ♚xc3+ 10.♘d2 gxf6 11.♜c1 ♚xd4 12.♜xc4 ♚d6 13.♚g4 ♘d7 14.f4 b6 15.♜c3 ♙b7 16.♜d3 ♚b4 17.♚g7 0-0-0 18.♜b3 ♚a5 19.♚g3 ♘c5 20.♜c3 ♜xd2 21.♜xc5 bxc5 0-1 (21) Ali,G (1894)-Guthrie,D (2129) Peterborough ENG 2024]

9...♘e4 10.♜c1 b5 11.♚c2 ♘xg5 12.♘xg5 ♚xa4 13.♚xa4 1/2-1/2

Maurizzi, Marc`Andria **D45**
 Sindarov, Javokhir **2617**
 Sindarov, Javokhir **2684**
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.♗c3 c6
 5.e3 ♗bd7 6.♙e2 dxc4 7.a4 ♙d6
 8.♗d2 e5 9.♗xc4 ♙c7 10.b3 0-0
 11.♙a3 ♖e8 12.0-0 e4 13.d5N

[RR 13.♙d6 ♗d5 14.♖d2 ♗7f6
 15.♙xc7 ♖xc7 16.♗xd5 ♗xd5 17.b4
 ♖e6 18.f4 exf3 19.♙xf3 ♖h6 20.g3
 ♙h3 21.♖f2 ♖d8 22.♗e5 ♙e6 23.b5
 f6 24.♗d3 ♙f7 25.♖c1 ♖e7 26.bxc6
 bxc6 27.e4 ♗b6 Le Quang Long
 (2403)-Jodar Arias, M (2209) Toronto
 CAN 2024 1-0 (37)]

13...♗xd5 14.♗xd5 cxd5 15.♖xd5 ♗f6
 16.♖xd8 ♖xd8 17.♖fc1 ♙e6 18.♙c5
 ♗g4 19.h3 ♗e5 20.♙d4 ♗c6 21.♙c3
 a5 22.♖d1 f6 23.h4 ♖f7 24.h5 ♗e5
 25.♗xe5+ ♙xe5 26.♙xe5 fxe5 27.♙c4
 ♖xd1+ 28.♖xd1 ♙xc4 29.bxc4 ♖c8
 30.♖d5 ♖xc4 31.♖xa5 ♖f6 32.♖h2 g6
 33.h6 ♖g5 34.♖xe5+ ♖xh6 35.a5 ♖a4
 36.♖g3 ♖a1 37.♖b5 ♖a2 38.♖e5 ♖a1
 39.♖c5 ♖a3 40.♖b5 ♖a2 41.♖xb7 ♖xa5
 42.♖e7 ♖a4 43.♖h4 ♖a2 44.♖g3 ♖a4
 45.♖h4 ♖a2 46.g4 g5+ 47.♖g3 ♖a4
 48.♖e6+ ♖g7 49.♖e5 ♖g6 50.♖e6+
 ♖g7 51.♖e5 ♖g6
 1/2-1/2

Murzin, Volodar **D45**
 Iniyana, Pa **2631**
 Iniyana, Pa **2493**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.8) 15.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.c4 c6 4.♗c3 e6
 5.e3 ♗bd7 6.♖c2 b6 7.cxd5 cxd5
 8.♗b5 ♙b4+ 9.♙d2 ♙xd2+ 10.♗xd2
 0-0 11.♖c1 a6N

[RR 11...♗e8 12.♙d3 ♗df6 13.♗f3
 ♙d7 14.♗c3 ♗d6 15.♗e5 ♖e7
 16.g4 ♖fc8 17.f3 ♙e8 18.g5 ♗d7

19.h4 ♗xe5 20.dxe5 ♗c4 21.♖f2
 ♗xe5 22.♙xh7+ ♖h8 23.f4 ♗c4
 24.♙d3 ♗xe3 25.♖xe3 d4+ 26.♖f3
 Yang Kaiqi (2481)-Salinas Herrera, P
 (2477) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (39)]
 [RR 11...♙a6 12.♖a4 ♖c8 13.♖b1
 ♙xb5 14.♙xb5 ♖c7 1/2-1/2 (14)
 Shehzad, S (2265)-Basso, P (2505)
 Kragero NOR 2024]

12.♗d6 b5 13.♖c7 ♗b6 14.b3 ♖xc7
 15.♖xc7 ♗e8?! Inaccuracy. Bd7 was
 best.

[15...♙d7 16.♙d3 ♗c8 17.♗xc8
 ♖fxc8 18.♖xc8+ ♖xc8 19.♖e2 a5
 20.♖a1 ♖f8 21.f3]

16.♗xe8 ♖xe8 17.♙d3 f6 18.♖e2 e5
 19.dxe5 fxe5 20.e4 ♙e6 21.♖hc1
 dxe4 22.♙xe4 ♗d5 23.♙xd5 ♙xd5
 24.g3 ♙f7 25.♖d7 ♙e6 26.♖d6 a5
 27.♖b6 a4 28.♖xb5 axb3 29.axb3 ♖a2
 30.♖e3 ♖d8 31.♗e4 ♖b2 32.♖c3 ♖b1
 33.f3 h6 34.g4?! Inaccuracy. h4 was
 best.

[34.h4 ♖h7 35.♗d2 ♖e1+ 36.♖f2
 ♖d1 37.♗e4 ♙d5 38.♖e2 ♖d4
 39.♖e3 ♖d1]

34...♖e1+?! Inaccuracy. Bxg4 was best.

[34...♙xg4 35.♖xe5]

35.♖f2 ♖b1 36.♖xe5?! Inaccuracy. h4
 was best.

[36.h4]

36...♙xb3 37.♖e7 ♖f8? Mistake. Bd5
 was best.

[37...♙d5]

38.♗d6 ♙d5 39.♗f5 ♖f7 40.♖e8+?
 Mistake. Rc5 was best.

[40.♖c5 ♙b3 41.♖e8+ ♖h7 42.♖cc8
 ♙a4 43.♖h8+ ♖g6 44.♖cg8 ♖f6
 45.♖a8 ♙b5]

40...♖h7 41.h4 h5?? Blunder. g6 was
 best.

[41...g6 42.♗d4]

42.♖cc8 ♙xf3 43.♖xf3 ♖b4?
 Mistake. Kg6 was best.

[43...♖g6 44.♖e6+ ♖h7 45.g5 ♖xf5+
 46.♖e4 ♖xg5 47.hxg5 ♖e1+ 48.♗d5

♠d1+ 49.♙e5]
 44.♖h8+ ♔g6 45.♖c6+ ♖f6 46.♖xf6+
 ♙xf6 47.♖xh5 g6 48.♗e3
 1-0

□ Daneshvar,Bardiya **D46** **2581**
 ■ Niemann,Hans Moke **2688**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.♗c3 c6
 5.e3 ♗bd7 6.♖c2 ♗d6 7.♗d3 dxc4
 8.♗xc4 b5 9.♗d3 ♗b7 10.0-0 0-0
 11.e4 e5 12.h3 ♖e8 13.dxe5

[RR 13.♗e3 a6 14.dxe5 ♗xe5
 15.♗xe5 ♗xe5 16.♖ad1 ♖e7 17.♗e2
 ♗d6 18.♗d4 g6 19.♗b3 c5 20.♗xc5
 ♗xe4 21.♗xd6 ♗xd6 22.♗c5 ♖ac8
 23.b4 ♖g5 24.f4 ♖f6 25.♙h2 a5
 26.a3 axb4 27.axb4 ♗a8
 Ghosh,D (2559)-Manish Anto,C (2286)
 Nashik IND 2024 0-1 (44)]

13...♗xe5 14.♗xe5 ♗xe5 15.♗e3
 ♗d4N

[RR 15...a6 16.a4 ♗d4 17.♗xd4
 ♖xd4 18.♖ad1 ♖c5 19.♖b1 ♖ad8
 20.♙h2 g5 21.♖c1 ♖e5+ 22.♙g1
 ♖d6 23.♗c2 ♖xd1 24.♖xd1 ♗c8
 25.♗e2 c5 26.axb5 axb5 27.b4 cxb4
 28.♗d4 h6 29.♗f3 ♖f4 30.♖xf4
 Fernandez De La Vara,A (2455)-Zhou
 Jianchao (2562) Las Vegas USA 2023
 ½-½ (49)]

16.♖ae1 a6 17.♗xd4 ♖xd4 18.♗e2
 ♖b6 19.♗g3 g6?! Inaccuracy. c5 was
 best.

[19...c5]

20.e5 ♗d5 21.♗e4 ♖ad8 22.♖d2 ♖xe5
 23.♗f6+ ♗xf6 24.♖xe5 c5 25.♖e3
 ♙g7 26.♖e1 ♖d4 27.♗f1 ♖d6 28.♖c3
 ♗d5 29.♖c1 h5 30.b3?! Inaccuracy.
 R1e4 was best.

[30.♖1e4 ♗c6]

30...♗c8?! Inaccuracy. b4 was best.

[30...b4]

31.♖5e4 ♗f5 32.♖xd4 cxd4 33.♖d1
 ♗f4 34.♖b2 ♗e6 35.h4 ♗e4 36.♖d2
 ♗b7 37.a4 ♖d8?! Inaccuracy. Bd5 was
 best.

[37...♗d5]

38.axb5 axb5 39.♖e2 ♖xh4
 40.♖xb5?! Inaccuracy. Qe5+ was best.

[40.♖e5+ ♖f6]

40...♖e4 41.♖d3?! Inaccuracy. Qe2 was
 best.

[41.♖e2]

41...♖g4 42.♖e2 ♖g5 43.♖e1 ♗f4
 44.♖e5+ ♖xe5 45.♖xe5 d3
 ½-½

□ Dronavalli,Harika **D50** **2503**
 ■ Can,Emre **2549**
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♗f6 4.♗g5
 ♗b4 5.e3 h6 6.♗h4 c5 7.cxd5 ♖a5
 8.♗xf6! ♗xc3+ 9.bxc3 White is slightly
 better. 9...♖xc3+ 10.♙e2 gxf6 11.♖c1
 ♖b4N

[RR 11...♖a3 11...♖b4 0.60 12.dxe6?
 (12.♖xc5± 0-0 13.♙e1) 12...♗xe6
 13.d5 (White should play 13.♗f3±)
 13...♖xa2+ 14.♖c2 ♖xd5 15.♖d2?
 (15.♖xd5± ♗xd5 16.♖xc5) 15...♖c4+
 16.♙e1 ♖b4 17.f4 ♗c6 18.♙f2 c4
 19.♖c1 0-0 20.♖b2 ♖c5 21.♖xb7
 ♖ab8 22.♖xb8 ♖xb8 23.♗f3 c3
 24.♗d3 ♖b2+ 25.♙g3 ♗b4 26.♗b1
 Abdusattorov,N (2727)-Kosakowski,J
 (2479) Samarkand UZB 2023 0-1
 (32)]

[RR 11...♖a3 12.♖xc5 ♗a6 13.♖c1
 ♖xc1 14.♖xc1 exd5 15.♙d2 ♗f5
 16.♗e2 ♗b4 (16...♖c8 17.♖xc8+
 ♗xc8) 17.♗g3 ♗g6 18.a3 ♗c6
 19.♖c5 0-0 20.♖xd5 ♖ac8 21.♗d3 b6
 22.♗a6 ♖cd8 23.♖xd8 ♖xd8 24.♖c1
 ♖d6 25.f4 f5 26.♗b5 Grischuk,A
 (2732) -Kosakowski, J (2479)

Samarkand UZB 2023 1-0]

12.♔d2 ♘a6 13.dxc5 With the idea d6.
13...0-0 14.♘f3 ♖d8! 15.d6 b6
16.♙xb4 ♘xb4 17.a3 ♘a6 18.cxb6

[18.c6= ♖xd6 19.♘d4]

18...axb6? 19.♘d4 White wants to play
Nc6. 19...♘c5 20.♔e1?! Inaccuracy.
Rc3 was best.

[20.♖c3]

[20.♖c3?]

20...♖xd6 21.♙c4 ♙d7 22.♖a1?!
Inaccuracy. Ke2 was best.

[22.♔e2]

[22.♔e2?]

22...e5+ 23.♘c2 b5! 24.♙e2 ♙f5!

25.♖d1?! Inaccuracy. Bf3 was best.

[25.♙f3 ♖a7 26.♖d1 ♖da6 27.♖d2
♖c7 28.♙d5 ♙e6 29.♘b4 ♖xa3
30.♔e2 ♘a4!]

[♭25.♘b4]

25...♖xd1+?! Inaccuracy. Rda6 was best.

[25...♖da6 26.♘b4 ♖xa3 27.f3 ♖b3
28.♘d5 ♙e6 29.e4 ♖a2 30.♖d2
♖a1+ 31.♙d1]

[♭25...♖da6 26.♘b4 ♖xa3]

26.♙xd1 ♙xc2 27.♙xc2 ♖xa3

Endgame White must now prevent ...
Ra1+. KRB-KRN 28.♔d2 b4 29.♖c1
♖a2?! Inaccuracy. Kf8 was best.

[29...♔f8 30.♔e1 ♔e7 31.♖d1 b3
32.♙b1 ♘a4 33.♔d2 ♔d6 34.♖c1 f5
35.h3]

[29...♔f8+ 30.♔d1 b3]

30.♔e1? ♖b2?! Inaccuracy. Kg7 was
best.

[30...♔g7 31.♙f5]

[30...♔g7? 31.♙f5 ♖a5]

31.♙h7+?? Blunder. Bf5 was best.

[31.♙f5]

[31.♙f5? ♘a4 32.♖c8+ ♔g7 33.♖b8]

31...♔xh7+ 32.♖xc5 KR-KR 32...♔g6

33.e4? Mistake. h3 was best.

[33.h3 h5]

[33.♖c4?]

33...b3 34.♖b5 f5 35.♖b6+ f6 36.exf5+
♔xf5 37.h3 e4 38.g4+?! Inaccuracy.

Rb5+ was best.

[38.♖b5+ [#] ♔f4! 39.♔f1 e3
40.♖b4+ [#] ♔e5! 41.fxe3 ♔d5 42.h4
♔c5 43.♖b8 ♔c4]

38...♔e5 39.♔f1 ♔d4 40.♔g1?!
Inaccuracy. Rb7 was best.

[40.♖b7? 40.♔e1 -3.21 ♔c3 41.♖c7+
♔d2 42.♖d7+ ♔c2 43.♖c7+ ♔d1
44.♖b7 ♖b1 45.♔g2 ♔c2]

40...♔c5 41.♖b8 ♔c4 42.♖c8+ ♔d3

43.♖b8 ♔c3 44.♖c8+ ♔d2 45.♖b8

♔c1 46.♖b6 ♔d1 47.♔f1 ♔d2 48.♖b8

♔c3 49.♖c8+ ♔d4 aiming for ...Rc2.

50.♖b8 ♔c4 51.♖c8+ ♔d5 52.♖b8

White hopes to continue with Ke1.

52...♖b1+ 53.♔g2 ♔c4 54.♖c8+ ♔d3

55.♖b8 ♔c2 56.♖c8+ ♔d3 57.♖b8

♔c2 58.♖c8+ ♔b2 59.♖c6 ♖c1

60.♖xf6 ♖c2 Hoping for ...e3. 61.♖e6

♔c3 Strongly threatening ...b2. 62.♖c6+

♔d3 63.♖b6 b2 ...e3 is the strong

threat. 64.♔g3 ♔c3 65.♔f4 ♖xf2+

[65...♖c1? 66.♔xe4 ♖e1+ 67.♔d5+]

66.♔xe4 ♖h2 67.♔f5 ♖xh3 68.♔g6

[♭68.g5 hxg5 69.♔xg5]

68...♔c2 Threatens to win with ...Rb3.

69.♖c6+ ♖c3 Black mates. 70.♖b6 ♖b3

71.♖c6+ ♔d2 72.♖b6? Checkmate is

now unavoidable. Rd6+ was best.

Accuracy: White = 52%, Black = 78%.

[72.♖d6+ ♔e2 73.♖e6+ ♔f1

74.♔xh6 b1♙ 75.♖f6+ ♔g2 76.♖e6

♖h3+ 77.♔g5 ♙b5+]

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D52

□ Tabatabaei, M. Amin

2707

■ Murzin, Volodar

2631

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16.05.2024

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.♘c3 e6

5.♔g5 ♘bd7 6.e3 ♙e7 7.♙c2 h6

8.♙h4 0-0 9.♖g1N

[RR 9.♙e2 b6 10.0-0 ♙b7 11.♖fd1

♖c8 12.♖ac1 dxc4 13.♙xc4 c5

14.dxc5 ♖xc5 15.♙b5 ♖c7?
 (15...a6!= 16.♙e2 ♗d5 17.♙xe7
 ♗xe7) 16.♗e5 a6 17.♙xd7 ♗xd7
 18.♙xe7 ♗xe7 19.♗d5! ♗xe5
 20.♗xe7+ ♖xe7 21.♗c3 ♗g6 22.♗b4
 ♙d5 23.f3 b5 Sarana,A (2695)-
 Lewicki,M (2321) chess.com INT 2024
 1-0 (43)]

[RR 9.♗d2 a6 10.cxd5 exd5 11.♙d3
 ♖e8 12.0-0 ♗h5 13.♙xe7 ♗xe7
 14.♖fe1 ♗f8 15.♖ad1 ♗e6 16.♗f1
 ♙d7 17.a3 ♖ad8 18.♗g3 ♗xg3
 19.hxg3 ♙c8 20.b4 h5 21.f3 ♗f6
 22.a4 b5 23.♗e2 ♖d6 Eilenberg,J
 (2303)-Nogly,C (2228) Berlin GER
 2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 9.h3 b6 10.g4 ♙b7 11.♖g1 c5
 12.0-0-0 (Only move: 12.g5!=)
 12...dxc4 13.♗e5 ♗xe5 14.dxe5
 ♗d5! 15.♙xe7 ♗xe7 16.♙xc4 ♗xc3
 17.♗xc3 ♖fd8 18.♖xd8+ (18.f4?)
 18...♖xd8 19.♖d1 ♖xd1+ 20.♔xd1
 ♗h4 21.♗d2 g6 (21...♙e4? 22.♙f1
 h5 23.gxh5 ♙d5) 22.♔e1 (22.♗d7=)
 22...♗xh3 (Black should try 22...♙f3?)
 23.♗d7 ♔f8) 23.♗d8+ ♔h7
 Wagner,D (2613)-Iskusnyh,S (2440)
 chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2]

9...♗e4 10.♙xe7 ♗xe7 11.0-0-0
 White has an edge. 11...f5?! Inaccuracy.
 Nxc3 was best.

[11...♗xc3! 12.♗xc3]

[11...♗xc3!= 12.♗xc3 ♗f6]

12.♔b1± a6 13.g3 b5 14.♗h4
 Hoping for Ng6. 14...♗b4 15.♗xe4 fxe4
 16.cxd5 exd5 17.g4 ♖f6 18.♗f5?
 Mistake. Be2 was best.

[18.♙e2 ♗b6 19.g5! hxg5 20.♖xg5
 ♖a7 21.♗g6 ♗c4 22.♙xc4 bxc4
 23.♖dg1 ♙f5]

[18.♖g3±]

18...♗b6? 19.♗g3 ♗f8 20.♖d2 ♗c4
 21.♙xc4 bxc4 22.♗h5 ♖f3 23.g5
 With the idea gxh6. 23...♗f7 24.g6 ♗f8
 25.♔a1 a5 26.b3 ♙a6 27.♖b1 ♗d6
 28.bxc4 ♗xg6?! Inaccuracy. Qxh2 was

best.

[28...♗xh2 29.♗f4! ♙xc4 30.♗b2 [#]
 ♖xf4! 31.f3 ♗g3 32.exf4 ♗xf4
 33.fxe4 dxe4 34.♖f2]

29.♗f4 ♖xf4! 30.exf4 ♙xc4 Strongly
 threatening ...Bd3. 31.♗c3! ♗f6

[31...♖f8?]

32.f3= ♖e8 Threatens to win with ...e3.
 33.♖e1 ♗f7 34.fxe4 dxe4 35.♖g2 ♙d5
 36.♗e3 ♔h7 37.♖eg1 ♖g8! 38.h4 ♗f6
 39.h5 c5 40.♖g6↑ White is more active.
 40...♗xd4+

[Much worse is 40...cxd4?! 41.♗d2±]

41.♗xd4 cxd4 Endgame KRR-KRB
 42.♖d6! ♙f7 43.♖xd4 ♖e8 44.♖a4
 ♙xh5 45.♖xa5 ♙f7 [#]

[45...♙f3±]

46.a4?! Inaccuracy. a3 was best.

[46.a3]

[White should play 46.a3!±]

46...e3± 47.♖e5 a5 is the strong threat.
 47...g5 48.♖e1

[Better is 48.♖xe8± ♙xe8 49.fxg5
 ♙xa4 50.♔b2]

48...gxf4= The position is equal. 49.♖f5
 Double Attack 49...♖e4 50.♖xf7+ ♔g6
 51.♖f8 And now Rg1+ would win.

51...♔g7 Accuracy: White = 82%, Black
 = 76%.
 1/2-1/2

D78

□ Salem,A.R. Saleh 2629

■ Nguyen,Thai Dai Van 2649

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1.d4 d5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.g3 g6 4.♙g2
 ♙g7 5.c4 c6 6.0-0 0-0 7.a4 ♙e6
 8.♗c3N

[RR 8.♗b3 ♗b6 9.♗a3 dxc4
 10.♗xe7 (10.a5= ♗d8 11.♗c3)
 10...♖e8 (10...a5!) 11.♗d6 (11.a5=
 remains equal. ♗b3 12.♗a3) 11...a5
 12.♗f4 ♗a6 13.♗h4 ♙d5 14.♗c3
 ♗e4 15.♗g5 ♗xg5 16.♗xd5

(Better is 16.♔xd5 cxd5 17.♔xg5) 16...cxd5 17.♔xg5 ♖xe2 (17...♗b4 18.e3 f6) 18.♔xd5 ♗b4 (18...♗xd4= 19.♗xd4 ♔xd4) 19.♔xc4 ♖c2 20.♖ac1 ♖xc1 21.♖xc1 ♗xd4 22.♗xd4 ♔xd4 Kulkarni,B (2372)-Pogorelskikh,S (2214) Belgrade SRB 2024 1-0 (67) [RR 8.♗a3 dxc4 9.♗g5 ♔d5 10.e4 h6 11.exd5 hxg5 12.dxc6 ♗xc6 13.♗xc4 g4 (13...♗xd4= 14.♗xd4 ♗xd4) 14.d5! ♗b4 15.d6 exd6 16.♗xd6 ♖b8 17.♗xb7 (White should try 17.♔e3±) 17...♗b6? (17...♗c8!= and Black is okay.) 18.♔e3 ♗a6 19.♗c5 ♗a5 (19...♗c8±) 20.♗e2 ♖fe8 21.♗c4! ♖bc8 22.♖ac1 ♗b6? Ju,W (2560)-Injac,T (2447) Samarkand UZB 2023 1/2-1/2 (88) (22...♗d7±)]

8...dxc4 9.e4 The position is equal. 9...♔g4 10.h3 ♔xf3! 11.♔xf3 e5 12.dxe5 aiming for Qxd8. 12...♗fd7 13.e6! fxe6 14.♔e2 ♗e5 15.♔e3 ♗d3 16.♔xd3 cxd3 17.♗b3 ♗c8 18.f4 c5 19.♗c4 b6 20.e5 ♗c6 21.♗xd3 ♖d8 22.♗e4 ♗b4 23.♖fd1 ♗c6 24.♗xc6 ♗xc6 25.♗b5 ♔f8 26.♗f2 ♗f7 27.♗f3 ♔e7 28.♗e4 a6 29.♗a3 ♗b4 30.g4 ♗d5 31.♔f2 ♖ac8 32.♗c4 b5 33.axb5 axb5 34.♗e3 ♗xe3 35.♔xe3 ♖xd1 36.♖xd1= Endgame KRB-KRB 36...♖a8?! Inaccuracy. c4 was best. [36...c4 37.♖d7] [36...c4=]

37.♖d7± Hoping for Bxc5. 37...♖a4+?! Inaccuracy. Ke8 was best. [37...♗e8 [#] 38.♖b7! ♖a5 39.♖b8+ ♗f7 40.♗d3 h5 41.♖b7 ♗e8 42.g5 h4 43.♖b6] [37...♗e8± 38.♖b7 ♖a5 39.♖b8+ ♗f7] 38.♗f3+- ♗e8 39.♖b7 b4 [#] 40.f5! gxf5 41.gxf5 exf5 42.♗f4 c4 43.♗xf5 c3?! Inaccuracy. Ra6 was best. [43...♖a6 44.♔d2 (44.♖b8± ♗d7 45.♖b7+ ♗d8 46.♔d2)]

[43...♖a6± was worth a try.] 44.bxc3 bxc3 45.♖c7 ♖a2 intending ... c2. 46.♖c8+ ♗d7 47.♖xc3 e6+ is the strong threat. 47...♖a6 [47...♖b2 was called for. 48.♖d3+ ♗c6] 48.♖b3 ♖a8? Mistake. Ke8 was best. [48...♗e8 49.♖b8+ ♗f7 50.♔b6 ♗g7 51.e6 ♖a4 52.♔c7 ♖h4 53.♔e5+ ♗h6 54.♖g8] [48...♗e8 is a better defense. 49.♖b8+ ♗d7 50.♖b7+ ♗e8] 49.♖b7+ ♗e8 50.♔g5 ♔xg5 51.♗xg5 h6+ 52.♗f6 Accuracy: White = 90%, Black = 64%. 1-0

D79
 ♖ Aravindh,Chithambaram VR. 2670
 ♜ Puranik,Abhimanyu 2629
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.♗f3 g6 3.g3 ♔g7 4.♔g2 0-0 5.c4 c6 6.0-0 d5 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.♗e5 1/2-1/2

D82
 ♖ Sarana,Alexey 2706
 ♜ Erigaisi Arjun 2761
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 d5 4.♔f4 ♔g7 5.e3 c5 6.dxc5 ♗a5 7.♖c1 dxc4 8.♔xc4 0-0 9.♗ge2 ♗xc5 10.♗b3 ♗a5N [RR 10...♗c6 11.♗b5 ♗h5 12.♗c7 ♖b8 13.♔xf7+ ♖xf7 14.♖xc6 ♔g4 15.♗e6 ♔xe2 16.♖c5 ♗g4 17.♔xb8 h6 18.♗d8 e6 19.♗xe6 ♗b4+ 20.♗xe2 ♗xb2+ 21.♗f3 ♗h7 22.♗xf7 ♗b4 23.♗c4 ♗d2 24.♖c7 ♗xd8 25.♖xg7+ Makarian,R (2525)-Yeremyan,A (2279) chess.com INT

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11.0-0 ♖bd7 12.♟fd1 ♘c5 13.♞b5
♞xb5 14.♘xb5 ♙e6 15.♙xe6 ♘xe6
16.♙e5 a6
1/2-1/2

□ Royal,Shreyas **D85** **2463**
 ■ Puranik,Abhimanyu **2629**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 d5 4.cxd5
♘xd5 5.♙d2 c5 6.♟c1

[RR 6.e4 ♘xc3 7.♙xc3 cxd4 8.♙xd4
e5 9.♙xe5 ♙b4+ 10.♙c3 ♙xc3+
11.bxc3 ♞a5 12.♘e2 ♙e6 13.♞d2
♘c6 14.♘d4 ♟d8 15.♘xc6 bxc6
16.♞e3 ♟b8 17.♙e2 ♟b2 18.0-0 0-0
19.a4 ♞b6 20.♞xb6 axb6]

[RR 6.♞c1 ♘c6 7.♘xd5 ♞xd5
8.♞xc5 ♞xd4 9.♞xd4 ♘xd4 10.0-0-0
♘c6 11.♙c3 e5 12.e3 ♙e6 13.♙b1
f6 14.♙d3 ♙f7 15.♙e4 ♟c8 16.f4
exf4 17.exf4 ♙b4 18.♘e2 a5 19.a3
♙xc3 20.♘xc3 ♟hd8 Pultinevicius,P
(2575)-Salem,A (2629) chess.com INT
2024 1-0 (64)]

6...♘c6N

[RR 6...♘xc3 7.♙xc3 ♙h6 8.e3 cxd4
9.♙b5+ ♘c6 10.♞xd4 ♞xd4 11.♙xd4
0-0 12.♙xc6 bxc6 13.h4 ♙e6 14.h5
♙g7 15.♙xg7 ♙xg7 16.b3 a5 17.♟h4
a4 18.h6+ ♙g8 19.♟xa4 ♟xa4
20.bxa4 ♟a8 21.♟xc6 Nogerbek,K
(2486)-Safarli,E (2594) Dubai Police
Officers Club, A 2024 1/2-1/2 (49)]

[RR 6...♘xc3 7.♙xc3 ♙h6 8.e3 cxd4
9.♞xd4 ♞xd4 10.♙xd4 0-0 11.♙c4
♘c6 12.♙c3 ♙d7 13.♘f3 ♟ac8
14.0-0 ♟fd8 15.♟fd1 a6 16.a3 b5
17.♙d5 e6 18.♙a2 ♙e8 19.♙f6
♟xd1+ 20.♟xd1 ♙g7 21.♙xg7
Balague Camps,M (2219)-Atanasov,A
(2407) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (37)]

[RR 6...♘xc3 7.♙xc3 ♙h6 8.e3 cxd4

9.♙b5+ ♘c6 10.♞xd4 ♞xd4 11.♙xd4
0-0 12.♙xc6 bxc6 13.h4 ♙e6 14.h5
♙g7 15.♙xg7 ♙xg7 16.b3 a5 17.♟h4
a4 18.h6+ ♙g8 19.♟xa4 ♟xa4
20.bxa4 ♟a8 21.♟xc6 Nogerbek,K
(2487)-Safarli,E (2597) Dubai UAE
2024 1/2-1/2 (49)]

7.dxc5 ♙g7 8.e4

[RR 8.♘f3 0-0 9.a3 (RR 9.♞a4 ♙e6
10.a3 a5 11.♘d1 ♞d7 12.e4 ♘c7
13.h3 ♟fd8 14.♙e2 ♙a2 15.♘c3
♞e6 16.♘xa2 ♞xa2 17.0-0 ♙xb2
18.♞c2 ♞xa3 19.♟b1 ♙g7 20.♟xb7
♘e6 21.♙e3; RR 9.e3 ♘db4 10.a3
♘d3+ 11.♙xd3 ♞xd3 12.♞e2 ♙f5
13.e4 ♞xe2+ 14.♙xe2 ♙g4 15.♙e3
f5 16.h3 ♙xf3+ 17.gxf3 f4 18.♙d2
♘d4+ 19.♘d3 ♟ad8 20.♟cd1
♘xf3+) 9...♙g4 10.e3 ♘xc3 11.♙xc3
♙xc3+ 12.♟xc3 ♞a5 13.♙e2 ♟fd8
14.♞c2 ♙f5 15.♞c1 e5 16.♘d2 ♘e7
17.b4 ♞a4 18.0-0 a5 19.b5 ♘d5
20.♟b3 ♟ac8 21.♙d1]

8...♘db4 9.a3 ♘d3+ 10.♙xd3 ♞xd3
11.♘ge2 0-0 12.0-0 ♙g4 13.f3 ♙e6
14.♘f4 ♞d4+ 15.♟f2 ♞xc5 16.♘cd5
♞d6 17.♙e3 ♟ad8 18.♟d2 ♞b8 19.b4
♙xd5 20.exd5 ♘e5 21.d6 ♟xd6
22.♘d5 ♟e6 23.♙c5 h5 24.♙xe7 ♟e8
25.♙h4 ♙h6 26.♘f6+ ♟xf6 27.♙xf6 b5
28.♙xe5 ♞xe5 29.♟d8 ♙xc1 30.♟xe8+
♞xe8 31.♞xc1 ♞e5 32.h3 ♙g7
33.♙f2 h4 34.♞d2 g5

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□ Gledura,Benjamin **D97** **2619**
 ■ Siddharth,Jagadeesh **2508**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.33) 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 d5 4.♘f3
♙g7 5.♞b3 dxc4 6.♞xc4 0-0 7.e4 a6
8.e5 b5 9.♞b3 ♘fd7 10.e6 fxe6
11.♙e3 ♘f6 12.♙e2 ♘c6 13.♟d1 ♞d6
14.0-0 ♘g4 15.h3 ♘xe3

[15...♘f6]
1/2-1/2

□ Sivuk, Vitaly
■ Klimkowski, Jan
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E00
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2517
18.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♙g5 h6 4.♙h4
♙b4+ 5.♘d2 0-0

[5...g5!? 6.♙g3□ d6=]

6.♘gf3 d5N

[RR 6...b6 7.a3 ♙xd2+ 8.♘xd2 ♙b7
9.e3 d6 10.f3 ♘bd7 11.♙e2 c5
12.b4 ♖c7 13.0-0 ♖ac8 14.♖c1 ♖fe8
15.♖e1 ♙c6 16.♘b1 e5 (16...a5±
was necessary.) 17.d5 ♙b7 18.♘c3
a6 (18...♖a8±) 19.♙d3 (19.b5+-)
19...♘h7 (19...cxb4± 20.axb4 ♖a8)
20.♖c2 ♘hf8 21.b5 Grischuk,A
(2732)-Maurizzi,M (2602) chess.com
INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (71)]

7.♖c1 ♘bd7 8.e3 White has an edge.

8...c5 9.a3 ♙xd2+! 10.♖xd2 cxd4

11.♖xd4 ♖a5+ 12.♖d2 ♖b6 13.b4

dxc4 14.♙xc4 a5 15.0-0 axb4 16.axb4

♘e4 17.♖c2 ♘df6 18.b5 ♙d7 19.♘e5

♖d6?! Inaccuracy. Rfd8 was best.

[19...♖fd8! 20.♘g4 ♖dc8 21.♖fd1
♙e8! 22.♘xf6+ ♘xf6 23.♖b2 ♘d5
24.e4 ♖a4! 25.♙d3]

[19...♖fd8!±]

20.♘d7± ♖xd7 21.♖fd1 ♖c7 [#]

22.f3! ♘g5 23.♙g3 ♖b6 24.♖f2

♖fc8?! Inaccuracy. Rfd8 was best.

[24...♖fd8 25.e4 ♖xf2+ 26.♘xf2
♖xd1 27.♖xd1 ♘gh7 28.e5 ♘d5
29.♙xd5 exd5 30.♖xd5]

25.e4↑ Black is under strong pressure.

25...♖a5 26.♖b2 ♘gh7 27.♙f2 ♘f8

28.b6 ♘6d7 29.♙f1 ♖xc1 30.♖xc1 ♖d8

31.♖c7 ♖a8 32.♙d4? Mistake. Bh4 was
best.

[32.♙h4 ♖b8 33.♖d4 ♖a5 34.♙f2
♘f6 35.♖c1 ♖a8 36.♖b2 ♖d8 37.♖a1

♖g5]

[32.♙h4+- f6 33.♖c3]

32...e5!± 33.♙xe5?! Inaccuracy. Bf2 was
best.

[33.♙f2 ♘e6 34.♖c1 ♘d4 35.♙xd4
exd4 36.♖xd4 ♘f8! 37.♖b4 ♘e6
38.e5 g5]

33...♘e6 34.♙g3 ♘xc7 35.bxc7 ♖c8

36.♖b5 ♘f8! 37.h4 ♖a7+ 38.♘h2

Strongly threatening Bc4. 38...b6!

39.♙c4 ♖xc7 40.♙xc7 ♖xc7+ 41.g3

♘d7 42.f4 ♘f8 43.e5 ♘c5 44.♖b1

♘e6 45.♖e4 ♖c5 46.f5 ♖d4 47.♖a8+

♖d8 48.♖b7 ♖c7 49.♖d5 ♘d8

50.♘h3 ♘e7 51.♙b5 ♘f8 52.♘g4 ♖e7

53.♘h5 g6+? Mistake. Qc7 was best.

[53...♖c7]

[53...♘b7= and Black has nothing to
worry.]

54.fxg6? Mistake. Kxh6 was best.

[54.♘xh6 gxf5 55.♖d6 f6 56.♘g6
fxe5 57.♖xe7+ ♘xe7 58.♘xf5 e4
(♭58...♘f7) 59.♘xe4 ♘f7]

[54.♘xh6+- gxf5 55.♖d6]

54...♘g7! 55.gxf7 [#] Overworked Piece

55...♘xf7 56.e6 ♖f6?? Blunder. Nd6

was best.

[56...♘d6!]

[Better is 56...♘d6!±]

57.♙d3+- ♘e5 58.♙e4 b5 59.♖b7+??

Blunder. Bc2 was best.

[59.♙c2 ♘g6 60.♖e4 ♘f8 61.e7
♖f7+ 62.♘g4 h5+ 63.♘h3 ♖f1+
64.♖g2 ♖e1]

[59.♙c2+-]

59...♘f8± 60.♖h7 And now Bd5 would

win. 60...♖xe6 61.♖h8+ ♘e7

(-> ...Qg4+) 62.♖g7+ ♘e8 63.♙c2

♘d8

[Black should play 63...♘f7= 64.♖g4
♖d5+ 65.♖f5 ♖xf5+ 66.♙xf5 ♘e7]

64.♖f8+ ♘c7?? Blunder. Qe8+ was
best.

[64...♖e8+!]

[Black should try 64...♖e8+!±
65.♖xe8+ ♘xe8 66.♘h6 ♘f7]

65.♙f5+- ♔d5 aiming for ...Nd7.
 66.♖c8+ ♕b6 67.♗e6+ ♔c5
 [♟67...♗xe6 68.♙xe6 ♜f3]
 68.♗xd5+ ♕xd5 69.♕xh6 Threatens to
 win with h5. KB-KN 69...b4 70.♔g7 b3
 71.h5 ♕d4?! Inaccuracy. Nf3 was best.
 [71...♜f3 72.h6]
 72.h6 ♜d3 73.♙xd3 ♕d5 Accuracy:
 White = 75%, Black = 57%.
 1-0

E01
 ♖ Maurizzi,Marc`Andria 2617
 ♜ Mendonca,Leon Luke 2640
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1.d4 ♜f6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.♙g2
 ♙b4+ 5.♙d2 ♙e7 6.♜f3 0-0 7.0-0 c6
 8.♗c2 ♜bd7 9.♜c3 dxc4 10.♜e4N
 [RR 10.♜e5 ♜xe5 11.dxe5 ♜d5
 12.♙e4 h6 13.a4 ♖b8 14.a5 b5
 15.axb6 axb6 16.♖a7 b5 17.♗c1
 ♙c5 18.♖a1 f5 19.exf6 ♗xf6 20.♙f3
 ♙d4 21.♜e4 ♗g6 22.♖b1 e5 23.b3
 ♙f5 24.♜c3 ♜xc3 Kiseljova,M (2031)-
 Zirkelbach,M (2261) chess.com INT
 2024 0-1 (32)]
 [RR 10.e4 b5 11.e5 ♜d5 12.♜e4 f5
 13.exf6 ♜7xf6 14.♜e5 ♙d7 15.b3 c3
 16.♜xc3 ♜xc3 17.♗xc3 ♜d5 18.♗c2
 ♖c8 19.♙a5 ♗xa5 20.♜xd7 ♖fd8
 21.♗e4 ♙f6 22.♗xe6+ ♕h8 23.♙xd5
 ♖e8 24.♗f5 ♙xd4 Ismail,M (2111)-
 Spanton,T (1766) Cambridge ENG
 2024 1-0]
 [RR 10.♙f4 ♜d5 11.e4 ♜xf4 12.gxf4
 b5 13.♖ad1 ♖b8 14.d5 cxd5 15.exd5
 ♜c5 16.♜d4 ♙b7 17.dxe6 ♙xg2
 18.♕xg2 ♗c8 19.♜d5 ♙h4 20.♜f5
 ♗b7 21.e7 ♜d3 22.exf8♗+ ♕xf8
 23.♖xd3 cxd3 24.♗c5+ ♕g8
 Baladjaev,G (2404)-Johnson,B (1980)
 chess.com INT 2024 1-0]
 10...♜xe4 11.♗xe4 b5 12.a4 ♙b7
 13.axb5 ♜f6 14.♗e5 ♜d7 15.♗e4 ♜f6

16.♗e5 ♜d7 17.♗e4
 1/2-1/2

E04
 ♖ Mchedlishvili,Mikheil 2567
 ♜ Yilmaz,Mustafa 2641
 Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.d4 ♜f6 2.c4 e6 3.♜f3 d5 4.g3
 dxc4 5.♙g2 c5 6.0-0 ♜c6 7.dxc5
 ♗xd1 8.♖xd1 ♙xc5 9.♜bd2 c3
 10.bxc3 0-0 11.♙b2 ♙d7 12.♜e1 ♖fd8
 13.♜d3 ♙e7 14.c4 b6N
 [RR 14...♖ac8 15.♖ab1 b6 16.♜b3
 ♜b8 17.♖dc1 ♙c6 18.c5 bxc5
 19.♜bxc5 ♙xg2 20.♙xf6 gxf6
 21.♕xg2 ♖c7 22.g4 ♖dc8 23.♜b3
 ♜d7 24.♖xc7 ♖xc7 25.♜d4 ♜b6
 26.♖b5 ♖c4 27.e3 ♖c3 28.♜e1 ♖a3
 29.♜c6 Marentini,M (2102)-Jahn,P
 (2068) Rottach-Egern GER 2024 0-1
 (66)]
 1/2-1/2

E04
 ♖ Mishra,Abhimanyu 2634
 ♜ Bharath Subramaniam H 2544
 Sharjah Master 2024 18.05.2024

1.d4 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/](https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/WvsOspq0)
 WvsOspq0 1...♜f6 2.c4 e6 3.♜f3 d5
 4.g3 dxc4 5.♙g2 ♙b4+ 6.♙d2 a5 7.a3
 ♙xd2+ 8.♜bxd2 b5 9.b3 cxb3
 10.♗xb3 c6 11.0-0 0-0 12.♖fc1 ♙b7
 13.♗b2 ♜bd7 14.♜e1 e5N
 [RR 14...♜d5 15.e4 ♜5b6 16.e5
 ♜a4 17.♗c2 ♗b6 18.♜b3 ♖fd8
 19.♜d3 h6 20.♖ab1 ♗a7 21.♗e2
 ♜db6 22.♜dc5 ♜xc5 23.♜xc5 ♜d5
 24.h4 ♖ab8 25.♙e4 ♙c8 26.♗d2
 ♜e7 27.g4 ♜g6 28.f4 ♜xh4
 29.♙xc6 Grahn,V (2226)-Costa,L
 (2479) Karlsruhe, Germany 2024
 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/

WvsOspq0] 0-1 (47)]
 [RR 14...♘d5 15.e4 ♘5b6 16.e5
 ♘a4 17.♖c2 ♖b6 18.♘b3 ♖fd8
 19.♘d3 h6 20.♖ab1 ♖a7 21.♖e2
 ♘db6 22.♘dc5 ♘xc5 23.♘xc5 ♘d5
 24.h4 ♖ab8 25.♙e4 ♙c8 26.♖d2
 ♘e7 27.g4 ♘g6 28.f4 ♘xh4
 29.♙xc6 Grahn,V (2226)-Costa,L
 (2479) Karlsruhe GER 2024 0-1 (47)]

[RR 14...♖b6 15.♘d3 ♖fd8 16.♘b3
 ♖ac8 17.♖c2 ♘d5 18.♘bc5 ♘xc5
 19.♘xc5 ♖c7 20.e3 ♙c8 21.♖ac1
 ♙d7 22.♘d3 ♖dc8 23.♖c5 ♙e8
 24.h4 ♘f6 25.♘e5 ♘d7 26.♘xd7
 ♙xd7 27.h5 h6 28.♙e4 b4 29.♙b1
 Kulaev,M (2322)-Huang,R (2513)
 Moscow RUS 2024 0-1 (51)]

15.♘d3 exd4 16.♙xc6 ♙xc6 17.♖xc6
 ♘d5 18.♖xd4 ♘7f6 19.♖c5 b4
 20.axb4 ♘xb4 21.♖xd8 ♖axd8 22.♖a3
 ♖fe8 23.♙f1 ♘xd3 24.♖xd3 a4
 25.♖xd8 ♖xd8 26.♖a5 g6 27.♘c4
 ♖d1+ 28.♙g2 ♖e1 29.♙f3 ♖a1 30.e4
 ♘d7 31.♙e3 ♖e1+ 32.♙d3
 1/2-1/2

E05

□ Petrosyan,Manuel 2616
 ■ Pranav Anand 2530
 Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.♘f3 ♘f6 2.g3 d5 3.♙g2 e6 4.0-0
 ♙e7 5.c4 0-0 6.d4 dxc4 7.♖c2 a6
 8.a4 ♙d7 9.♖xc4 ♙c6 10.♙g5 ♘bd7
 11.♘c3 h6 12.♙xf6 ♘xf6 13.♖fd1 ♖d6
 [RR 13...a5 14.♖b3 ♙b4 15.♘e5
 ♙xg2 16.♙xg2 ♖e7 17.♖ac1 ♖fd8
 18.e3 c6 19.♘d3 h5 20.♘e2 ♙d6
 21.♘g1 g6 22.♘f3 ♙g7 23.♖c2
 ♖ac8 24.♖e2 ♘e4 25.♘d2 ♘xd2
 26.♖xd2 e5 27.dxe5 ♙xe5 28.♖xa5
 Grischuk,A (2732)-Dubov,D (2708)
 chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (31)]

14.♖b3N
 [RR 14.♖d3 ♙xf3 15.♖xf3 c6 16.e4

e5 17.♖f5 g6 18.♖xe5 ♖xe5
 19.dxe5 ♘g4 20.♙f1 ♙c5 21.♖d2
 ♖ad8 22.♖ad1 ♖xd2 23.♖xd2 ♘xe5
 24.♙e2 1/2-1/2 (24) Lai,H (2465)-
 Wachinger,N (2426) Baden Baden
 GER 2024]

14...♖fd8 15.e3 ♖ac8 16.a5 ♖b4
 17.♖c2 ♙f8 18.♘e5 ♙xg2 19.♙xg2
 ♘d7 20.♘d3 ♖c4 21.♖a4 ♖xa4
 22.♘xa4 h5 23.b4 c6 24.♘ac5 ♖c7
 25.f4 ♖e8 26.♙f3 f6 27.♘e4 ♙e7
 28.h3 ♙f7 29.g4 ♖h8 30.♖h1 ♖cc8
 31.♘dc5 ♘xc5 32.bxc5 ♖cd8 33.♖hb1
 ♖d7?! Inaccuracy. Rb8 was best.

[33...♖b8 34.♖h1 ♖bd8 35.♖ab1 ♖d7
 36.♙e2 hxg4 37.hxg4 ♖xh1 38.♖xh1
 ♙d8 39.♘d6+]

34.♖b3 hxg4+ 35.hxg4 ♖a8?!
 Inaccuracy. e5 was best.

[35...e5 36.♖ab1]

36.♖ab1 ♖a7 37.♖3b2 ♙g6 38.♘d2
 ♙f7 39.♘c4 ♙g8 40.♙e4 ♙f7 41.g5
 ♖c7 42.gxf6 gxf6 43.♘b6 ♙f8 44.♖h1
 ♙g7 45.f5 e5?! Inaccuracy. exf5+ was
 best.

[45...exf5+ 46.♙xf5 ♙f8 47.♖g2 ♙g7
 48.e4 ♙e8 49.♖h7 ♙f8 50.♖hh2 ♖f7
 51.♖h1]

46.dxe5 fxe5 47.♖d2 ♙e8 48.♖h7 ♙f7
 49.♖d8 ♙f6 50.♖d6+
 1-0

E05

□ Muradli,Mahammad 2560
 ■ Sargsyan,Shant 2637
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 d5 4.g3 ♙e7
 5.♙g2 0-0 6.0-0 dxc4 7.♖c2 a6 8.a4
 ♙d7 9.♖xc4 ♙c6 10.♙g5 ♘bd7
 11.♘c3 h6 12.♙xf6 ♘xf6 13.a5 ♖d6
 14.♖fd1 White has an edge. 14...♖fd8
 15.e3 ♖ab8 16.♖e2 ♙f8 17.h4 ♖e7
 18.♖d2N

[RR 18.e4 ♖b4 19.♖c2 ♖bc8

20.♔h3 ♖b8 21.♙g2 ♖bc8 22.♔h3
♖b8 23.♙g2 ½-½ (23) Matlakov,M
(2662)-Sargissian,G (2672) chess.com
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18...♗e4 19.♖c2 ♗f6 20.♖d2 ♗e4
21.♖dd1 ♗f6 22.♗c2 ♖bc8 23.♖d2

[23.e4=]

23...♖b8

[23...b5≠]

24.♖dd1 ♖bc8 25.♗b3 ♗b4 26.♗a2
♙d5 27.♗xd5 exd5 28.♗e5 c6
29.♗d3 ♗d6 30.♗c5 ♗c7 31.b4 ♖e8
32.♖e1 ♙d6 33.♙f3 ♖e7 34.♔g2 ♖ce8
35.♖e2 ♗c8 36.♗c2 g6 37.♖ae1 ♔g7
38.♔g1 ♗h3 And now ...Bxg3! would
win. 39.♙g2 ♗g4 40.♗d1 g5 41.hxg5
♗xg5 42.♗d3

[White should play 42.♔h3≠]

42...h5 43.e4 e5 is the strong threat.

43...♙xc5! 44.bxc5 dxe4 45.♙xe4?

Mistake. Qe3 was best.

[45.♗e3 ♗g4 46.♔h3 ♗g6! 47.♗f4
♗d5 48.♗h4 f5 49.♖b2 f4 50.♙f1
♔h6]

[45.♗c2 is a better defense.]

45...♖xe4+ 46.♖xe4 ♗g6! Pin

[46...♖xe4 47.♖xe4 ♗xe4 48.♗xe4=]

47.f3 ♗xg3+ Double Attack. Black is
clearly winning.

[Weaker is 47...♗xe4 48.fxe4 h4
49.♖e3=]

48.♔h1 Threatens to win with Rg1.

48...♖xe4?! Inaccuracy. Nxe4 was best.

[48...♗xe4 49.♖xe4 ♖g8 50.♗f1 ♔f8
51.♖e2 ♖g5 52.♖e4 ♔g7 53.♖e2
♗h4+ 54.♖h2]

49.♖xe4 ♗xe4 50.♗xe4 Endgame KQ-
KQ 50...h4 51.f4 h3 52.♗e5+ f6
53.♗e7+ ♔g6 54.♗e4+ ♔h6 55.d5
cxd5 56.♗xd5 [#] 56...h2! 57.♗d1 [#]
57...♗g1+! Deflection 58.♗xg1 hxg1♗+
59.♔xg1 [#] 59...♔h5! Accuracy: White
= 67%, Black = 89%.

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E05

□ Muradli,Mahammad 2560

■ Deac,Bogdan-Daniel 2692

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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.g3 ♙e7
5.♙g2 0-0 6.0-0 dxc4 7.♗c2 a6 8.a4
♙d7 9.♗xc4 ♙c6 10.♙f4 ♙d6 11.♗c1
a5

[RR 11...♗bd7 12.♗c3 ♗e7 13.a5
h6 14.♖d1 ♗d5 15.♙d2 ♗7f6
16.♗c2 ♗xc3 17.bxc3 ♙e4 18.♗b3
c5 19.♗e1 ♙xg2 20.♗xg2 ♖ac8
21.♖ab1 ♖c7 22.♙f4 ♙xf4 23.♗xf4
♖d8 24.♗a3 ♗d5 25.♗xd5 ♖xd5
26.e4 Deac,B (2692)-Xu,Y (2495)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (42)]

12.♙g5N

[RR 12.♗c3 ♙xf4 13.♗xf4 ♙xf3
14.♙xf3 c6 15.♖fd1 ♗a6 16.e4 ♗b4
17.♖d2 ♗b6

A) RR 18.♖e1 ♖ad8 19.e5 ♗fd5
20.♗h4 c5 (20...h6=
remains equal.) 21.dxc5 (Better is
21.♗e4!±) 21...♗xc5 22.♗e4 ♗e7
23.♗xe7 ♗xe7 24.♖xd8 ♖xd8
25.♗d6 ♗d3 26.♖e2 b6 27.♗c4
♖b8 28.♖d2 ♗c5 29.♗xb6 g6
30.♗d7 ♗xd7 31.♖xd7 ♔f8
(Black should play 31...♗f5±)
32.♖a7 (White must play 32.♖b7!±
♖xb7 33.♙xb7) 32...♖xb2;

B) 18.♖ad1 ♖ad8 19.g4 ♔h8
20.h4 ♗g8 21.d5 cxd5
(21...♗e7±) 22.exd5 exd5
23.♗xd5 ♗xd5 24.♖xd5 ♖xd5
25.♖xd5 ♗xb2 26.♖xa5 ♖d8
Yan Liu (2575)-Tarhan,A (2457)
Dubai Police Officers Club, A 2024
1-0 (32) (26...♗e7±
keeps fighting.)

[RR 12.♗c3 ♗a6 13.♖d1 ♙xf3
14.♙xf3 c6 15.e4 ♙xf4 16.gxf4
(16.♗xf4± ♗b6 17.♖d2) 16...♗b4
17.♔h1 ♗e7 18.e5 ♗fd5 19.♖g1
♗h4 20.♖g4? (20.♙xd5≠ might work

better. *cx*d5 21.*f*5) 20...*W*xf2 21.*R*g3
*Q*d3 22.*W*b1 *Q*3xf4 23.*W*e4 *W*xb2
 24.*R*ag1 g6? (24...*Q*g6!+ 25.*Q*e2
*R*ad8) 25.*Q*xd5 *Q*xd5 26.*Q*g4?
 (26.*W*h4!± *W*d2 27.*Q*xd5 *ex*d5
 28.*R*h3) 26...*R*ae8 Kurmangaliyeva,L
 (2240)-Diaz Perez,M (2461) chess.
 com INT 2024 0-1 (32)]
 [RR 12.*Q*c3 *Q*xf4 13.*W*xf4 *Q*xf3
 14.*Q*xf3 c6 15.*R*fd1 *Q*a6 16.h4 *Q*b4
 17.*R*ac1 *W*e7 18.*Q*b1 *R*fd8 19.*Q*a3
*Q*bd5 20.*W*d2 *Q*b6 21.*Q*c4 *Q*xc4
 22.*R*xc4 *Q*d7 23.*W*c2 *W*d6
 ½-½ (23) Javakhishvili,L (2438)-
 Beydullayeva,G (2374) Tbilisi GEO
 2024]
 12...*Q*a6 The position is equal. 13.*Q*bd2
*Q*e7 14.*R*d1 *Q*b4 15.*Q*c4 *Q*d5
 16.*Q*fe5 b6 17.*Q*e3 *Q*xg2 18.*Q*xg2 h6
 19.*Q*xf6 *Q*xf6 20.*Q*3c4 *W*d5+ 21.*f*3
*R*ad8 22.e3 *W*b7 23.*W*c3 *W*a6 24.*Q*f2
 c5 25.*dx*c5? Mistake. f4 was best.
 [25.f4 *R*d5 26.b3 *cx*d4 27.*ex*d4 b5
 28.*ax*b5 *R*xb5 29.*Q*g1 *R*d8 30.*R*d2
*W*a7]
 [25.b3±]
 25...*bx*c5? Mistake. Rd5 was best.
 [25...*R*d5! 26.f4 *Q*xe5 27.*fx*e5 *R*xc5
 28.b3 *Q*c6 29.*W*d3 *W*a8 30.*W*e4
*W*b8! 31.*R*ac1]
 [25...*R*d5!+ and Black stays clearly on
 top. 26.b3 (26.*cx*b6? *Q*xe5 27.*Q*xe5
*R*c8+) 26...*R*fd8 27.*R*xd5 *ex*d5]
 26.b3± *R*d5 Hoping for ...*R*fd8. 27.e4 [#]
 27...*R*d4! 28.*Q*g4
 [28.*R*xd4 *cx*d4]
 28...*Q*e7 29.*R*d2 *R*xd2+ 30.*W*xd2 *R*d8
 31.*W*e2! *Q*c6 32.*R*b1 *Q*d4 33.*W*d3
*W*a7 34.*W*c3 *Q*c6 35.*Q*ge3 *Q*f6 36.e5
*Q*e7 37.*R*d1 *Q*d4 38.*Q*c2 *R*a8 39.*Q*g2
*Q*c6?! Inaccuracy. Rb8 was best.
 [39...*R*b8 40.*Q*xd4 *cx*d4 41.*W*xd4
*W*xd4 42.*R*xd4 *R*xb3 43.*Q*xa5 *R*b2+
 44.*Q*h3 *Q*c5 45.*R*d1]
 [39...*R*b8!= 40.*Q*xd4 *cx*d4 41.*W*xa5
 (41.*W*xd4 *W*xd4 42.*R*xd4 *R*xb3±;

41.*R*xd4 *R*xb3 42.*R*d8+ *Q*xd8=)
 41...*W*d7]
 40.*R*d3?! Inaccuracy. N2a3 was best.
 [40.*Q*2a3 *R*d8 41.*R*xd8+ *Q*xd8
 42.*Q*b5 *W*d7 43.*Q*cd6 *Q*b6 44.*W*e3
*Q*b4 45.*W*e4 *Q*d5]
 40...*R*b8 41.*W*d2 *W*a8 42.*W*e1 *W*a6
 [42...*R*d8!? 43.*W*e4 *R*xd3 44.*W*xd3
*W*b8=]
 43.*W*e4 *W*c8 44.h4 h5 45.*Q*h3 *W*c7
 46.*Q*g2 *Q*f8 47.*Q*f1 *Q*e7 48.*Q*2e3
*Q*c6 49.*Q*c2 g6 50.*Q*e2 *Q*g7 51.f4
*Q*f8 52.*Q*d1 *Q*e7 53.*Q*c1 *Q*d4
 54.*Q*xd4 *cx*d4 55.*W*xd4 *W*c6 56.*W*f2
*Q*a3+ 57.*Q*c2 *Q*f8 58.*W*f3↑ White fights
 for an advantage. 58...*W*c5 59.*W*e3
 Black must now prevent *Q*xc5. 59...*W*c6
 60.*W*f3 *W*c5 61.*R*d2 *W*g1?! Inaccuracy.
 Kg7 was best.
 [61...*Q*g7 62.*R*d7 *Q*g8 63.*R*d1 *Q*g7]
 [61...*Q*g7=]
 62.*R*d1?! Inaccuracy. Nd6 was best.
 [62.*Q*d6]
 [62.*Q*d6!±]
 62...*W*h2+? Mistake. Qc5 was best.
 [62...*W*c5]
 [62...*W*c5=]
 63.*Q*b1± *Q*c5 64.*Q*xa5 *Q*g7 65.*Q*c4
*Q*f2 66.*R*d3! *W*g1+ 67.*Q*a2 *Q*c5
 68.*R*d1 *W*h2+ 69.*R*d2 *W*g1 70.*R*d1
*W*h2+ 71.*R*d2 *W*g1 72.*W*g2 *W*e1
 73.*R*d3 *Q*b4 74.*W*f3 *W*g1 75.*W*e2 *Q*c5
 76.*Q*d2 *W*c1 Threatens to win with ...
*Q*c2+. 77.*Q*c4 *W*g1 78.*Q*d6 *Q*b4
 79.*Q*e4 *W*c1 aiming for ...*R*c8. 80.*W*b2
*W*f1?! Inaccuracy. Qe1 was best.
 [80...*W*e1]
 81.*W*c2?? Blunder. Rd4 was best.
 [81.*R*d4! *W*e1 [#] 82.*W*c2! *Q*a5
 83.*R*d1 *W*e3 84.*W*d3 *W*b6 85.*R*c1
*Q*b4 86.*Q*d6 *Q*a5]
 [81.*R*d4!+-]
 81...*W*e1?? Blunder. Rc8 was best.
 [81...*R*c8! 82.*W*xc8 *W*xd3 83.*W*c4
*W*d1! 84.*Q*b2 *Q*e1 85.*W*c2 *W*d4+
 86.*Q*a2 *W*e3 87.*W*c4]

[81...Rc8!= 82.Qxc8 Qxd3]
82.Rd7+- Ng5 is the strong threat.
82...Rf8?! Inaccuracy. Rc8 was best.
 [82...Rc8 83.Qxc8]
 [82...Rc8 is a better defense. 83.Qxc8 Qxe4]
83.fg5 g8?? [#] Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qe3 was best.
 [83...Qe3 84.fxe6+ g8 85.fxf8 Qxf8 86.Rd8 g7 87.Rc8 Qb4 88.e6 Qxe6 89.Qb2+]
 [83...gh6+- 84.fxf7+ Rxf7 85.Rxf7 Qc3]

84.fxf7! White mates. **84...Qxg3??** Checkmate is now unavoidable. Qd2 was best.
 [84...Qd2 85.Rxd2 gxf7 86.Rd7+ Qe7 87.Qc5 Re8 88.Qd6 g7 89.Rxe7+ Rxe7 90.Qxe7+]
 [84...Rxf7 85.Qxg6+]

85.fg5 f5 86.fxe6?? Lost forced checkmate sequence. Qc8+ was best. Accuracy: White = 71%, Black = 69%.
 [86.Qc8+ Qf8 87.Rg7+ gxf7 88.Qd7+ Qe7 89.Qxe7+ g8 90.Qe8+ g7 91.fxe6+ gh7]
 [86.Qc8+ Qf8 [#] 87.Rg7+! Decoy, Clearance gxf7 88.Qd7+ Qe7 89.Qxe7+ g8 90.Qe8+ Double Attack g7 91.fxe6+ gh7 92.Qe7+ Rf7 93.Qxf7+ gh8 94.Qg7#]

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1.d4 d5 2.f3 f6 3.c4 e6 4.g3 Qe7 5.Qg2 0-0 6.0-0 dxc4 7.Qc2 a6 8.a4 Qd7 9.Qxc4 Qc6 10.Qg5 Qbd7 11.Qc3 h6 12.Qxf6 Qxf6 13.b4N
 [RR 13.Rfd1 a5 14.Qb3 Qb8 15.e3 Rd8 16.f5 Qxg2 17.Qxg2 c5

18.Qb5 cxd4 19.exd4 Qd5 20.Qf3 Qf6 21.Qg4 Rd7 22.Rac1 Qd8 23.h4 Rc8 24.Rxc8 Qxc8 25.Qc3 Qc6 26.Qe4 h5 27.Qgxf6+ Qxf6
 Lazavik, D (2567)-Giri, A (2762) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (41)]
 [RR 13.Rfd1 a5 14.Qb3 Qb4 15.f5 Qxg2 16.Qxg2 Qe7 17.Rac1 Rfd8 18.e3 c6 19.Qd3 h5 20.Qe2 Qd6 21.Qg1 g6 22.Qf3 g7 23.Qc2 Rac8 24.Qe2 Qe4 25.Qd2 Qxd2 26.Qxd2 e5 27.dxe5 Qxe5
 Grischuk, A (2732)-Dubov, D (2708) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (31)]

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1.f3 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/eNVV58l8> **1...f6 2.g3 d5 3.Qg2 e6 4.0-0 Qe7 5.c4 0-0 6.d4 dxc4 7.Qc2 a6 8.a4 Qd7 9.Qxc4 Qc6 10.Qg5 Qbd7 11.Rc1N**
 [11.Rd1]
 [RR 11.Qxf6 Qxf6 12.Qc3 Qd6 13.Rac1 Rfd8 14.Rfd1 Rac8 15.e3 Qd5 16.Qxd5 exd5 17.Qb3 Rb8 18.Qe5 c6 19.Qh3 Qc7 20.Qd3 Qd6 21.Qc2 a5 22.Qg2 Re8 23.Qc5 g6 24.Rb1 Qe7 25.Rdc1 h5 Salimova, N (2432)-Goryachkina, A (2553) Toronto, Canada 2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/eNVV58l8] 0-1 (60)]
 [RR 11.Rd1 h6 12.Qxf6 Qxf6 13.Qbd2 a5 14.Qd3 Qxf3 15.Qxf3 c6 16.Qc4 g6 17.h4 h5 18.Qg2 g7 19.Rac1 Qd5 20.Qb3 Qc7 21.e4 Qb4 22.d5 exd5 23.exd5 cxd5 24.Qxd5 Rad8 25.Qf3 Rxd1
 Lazavik, D (2566)-Eljanov, P (2704) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (34)]
 [RR 11.Rd1 h6 12.Qf4 Qd6 13.Qc3

♙xf4 14.gxf4 ♙xf3 15.♙xf3 c6 16.e4 a5 17.♖h1 ♚c7 18.e5 ♗h7 19.♖g1 ♖h8 20.♖g3 ♗b6 21.♚d3 ♗d5 22.♖ag1 ♖g8 23.f5 ♚b6 24.fxe6 fxe6 25.♙e4 ♗f8 Movahed,S (2463)-Hulka, V (2349) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (31)]

[RR 11.♗bd2 h6 12.♙xf6 ♗xf6 13.♖fc1 a5 14.e3 ♙b4 15.♚c2 ♖c8 16.♖d1 ♚e7 ½-½ (16) Mandiza,F (2367)-Paragua,M (2448) New York USA 2024]

11...h6 12.♙xf6 ♗xf6 13.♗c3 ♙d6 14.b4 ♙d5 15.♗xd5 exd5 16.♚b3 c6 17.e3 g6 18.b5 axb5 19.axb5 ♖xa1 20.♖xa1 ♚b6 21.♙f1 ♖g7 22.♚a4 c5 23.dxc5 ♙xc5 24.♖d1 ♖e8 25.♖g2 ♚d6 26.♙e2 ♙b6 27.♚a2 ♖c8 28.♚b2 ♚c5 29.♚e5 ½-½

♖ Dudin,Gleb **E05 2554**
 ♚ Dronavalli,Harika **2503**
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1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 ♗f6 4.g3 ♙e7 5.♙g2 0-0 6.0-0 dxc4 7.♚c2 a6 8.a4 h6 9.♖d1 ♗c6 10.♙f4N

[RR 10.e3 ♗b4 11.♚xc4 b5 12.♚e2 ♙b7 13.♗c3 ♗bd5 14.axb5 axb5 15.♙d2 b4 16.♗xd5 ♙xd5 17.♙e1 ♚b8 18.♗d2 ♚b7 19.e4 ♙c6 20.f3 ♙b5 21.♚e3 ♖xa1 22.♖xa1 ♖a8 23.♖c1 ♗d7 24.♙f2 e5 Sasikiran,K (2586)-Matlakov,M (2662) chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (43)]

[RR 10.e3 ♗b4 11.♚xc4 b5 12.♚e2 ♙b7 13.♗c3 ♗bd5 14.♙d2 b4 15.♗xd5 ♙xd5 16.♗e5 ♙xg2 17.♖xg2 ♚d5+ 18.f3 c5 19.e4 ♚b7 20.dxc5 ♙xc5 21.♖ac1 ♖ac8 22.♗d3 ♙e7 23.b3 ♗d7 24.♖xc8 ♖xc8 Lazavik,D (2566)-Matlakov,M (2662) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (48)]

[RR 10.♚xc4 e5 11.♗c3 e4 12.♗e5 ♙e6 13.♗xc6 ♙xc4 14.♗xd8 ♖axd8 15.♙f4 c6 16.e3 g5 17.♙e5 ♗g4 18.♗xe4 f5 19.♗c3 ♗xe5 20.dxe5 ♙b3 21.♖xd8 ♖xd8 22.♗e2 ♙c5 23.♗d4 ♙xd4 24.exd4 ♖xd4 Dominguez Pons,E (2327)-Alsina Leal, D (2495) Barcelona ESP 2024 0-1]

10...♗d5 11.♚xc4 ♗xf4 12.gxf4 ♚d5 13.♗bd2 ♚xc4 14.♗xc4 ♖d8 15.a5 ♖b8 16.e3 ♙d7 17.♗fe5 ♗xe5 18.♗xe5 ♙e8 19.♖dc1 ♙d6 20.♗d3 ♙b5 21.♗c5 c6 22.♙f1 ♙xc5 23.♖xc5 ♙xf1 24.♖xf1 ♖d5 25.b4 g5 26.fxg5 ½-½

♖ Tabatabaei,M. Amin **E06 2707**
 ♚ Suleymanli,Aydin **2621**
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1.d4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/Jm3vm88N> 1...♗f6 2.♗f3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.g3 ♙e7 5.♙g2 0-0 6.♚d3 h6N

[RR 6...a5 7.0-0 c6 8.♗bd2 b5 9.c5 ♗bd7 10.♚c2 b4 11.e4 dxe4 12.♗xe4 ♗xe4 13.♚xe4 ♙a6 14.♖e1 ♖c8 15.♚c2 ♖e8 16.a3 bxa3 17.♖xa3 ♙b5 18.♙f4 ♗f6 19.♖ea1 a4 20.b3 axb3 21.♚xb3 Bluebaum,M (2649)-Knuedel,T (2321) Karlsruhe, Germany 2024 [https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/Jm3vm88N] 1-0 (53)]

[RR 6...b6 7.cxd5 ♙a6 8.♚c2 ♗xd5 9.0-0 c5 10.dxc5 ♙xc5 11.♗g5 g6 12.a3 ♗d7 13.♖d1 ♖c8 14.e4 ♗e3 15.♙xe3 ♙xe3 16.♚a4 ♙e2 17.♗c3 ♙xd1 18.♖xd1 ♚xg5 19.♖xd7 ♙c1 20.♚c2 ♖fd8 21.h4 Karthik,V (2609)-Svane,R (2632) chess.com INT 2024 0-1]

[RR 6...a5 7.0-0 c6 8.♗bd2 b5 9.c5 ♗bd7 10.♚c2 b4 11.e4 dxe4 12.♗xe4 ♗xe4 13.♚xe4 ♙a6 14.♖e1 ♖c8 15.♚c2 ♖e8 16.a3 bxa3

17.♖xa3 ♘b5 18.♙f4 ♗f6 19.♞ea1
a4 20.b3 axb3 21.♞xb3 Bluebaum,M
(2655)-Knuedel,T (2299) Karlsruhe
GER 2024 1-0 (53)]

7.0-0 c5 8.cxd5 exd5 9.dxc5 ♙xc5
10.♙e3 ♙xe3 11.♞xe3 ♗c6 12.♞d1
♞e8 13.♞b3 ♞xe2 14.♗c3 ♞e7
15.♗xd5 ♗xd5 16.♞xd5 ♞e8 17.♞d6
♙e6 18.♞d3 ♞d7 19.♞xd7 ♞xd7
20.♞xd7 ♙xd7 21.a3 ♞d8 22.♞d1 ♗f8
23.b4 ♗e7 24.♞e1+ ♙e6 25.b5 ♗a5
26.♗e5 ♗f6 27.f4 ♞d2 28.♞c1 ♞a2
29.♞c3 ♞a1+ 30.♗f2 ♞a2+ 31.♗g1
♞a1+ 32.♗f2 ♞a2+ 33.♗g1 g5 34.♗d3
♞a1+ 35.♗f2 ♞a2+ 36.♗g1 ♞a1+
37.♗f2 ♞a2+
1/2-1/2

☐ Suleymenov,Alisher E06 2499
■ Dronavalli,Harika 2503
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1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 ♗f6 4.g3 ♙e7
5.♙g2 0-0 6.♗c3 dxc4 7.♗e5 ♗c6
8.♙xc6 bxc6 9.♗xc6 ♞e8 10.♗xe7+
White has an edge. 10...♞xe7 11.♞a4
♗d5 12.♞xc4 a5 13.♞c5N

[RR 13.f3 ♙a6 14.♞c5 ♞xc5
15.dxc5 ♗xc3 16.bxc3 e5 17.♗f2
♞fd8 18.♞b1 f6 19.♙e3 ♗f7 20.♞hc1
♙c4 21.♞b7 ♞dc8 22.♞c2 ♗e6 23.a3
♗d5 24.h4 ♗c6 25.♞b1 ♞ab8
26.♞cb2 ♞xb2 27.♞xb2 ♞d8
Sarana,A (2697)-Matlakov,M (2662)
chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (32)]

[RR 13.♙d2 ♙a6 14.♞c5 ♞d7 15.f3
♞fb8 16.b3 ♞b6 17.♞c1 ♞c6 18.♞a3!
♗b6 (18...♗b4= keeps the balance.)
19.♗e4 ♞xc1+ 20.♞xc1 ♞xd4
21.♙c3 (21.♙e3± ♞b4+ 22.♗f2)
21...♞d5 22.♗f2 ♞d8? (22...a4±)
23.♞f4 ♞b5 24.♞e1! h6? (24...♞h5
is tougher.) 25.♞g4 e5 26.a4
1-0 (26) Livaic,L (2553)-Krassowizkij,

J (2419) Austria AUT 2024]

[RR 13.♙d2 ♙a6 14.♞c5 ♞d7 15.f3
♞fb8 16.♞b1 ♞b6 17.♗f2 ♞ab8
(17...♞c6= 18.♞xa5 ♞e8 19.♗xd5
exd5) 18.♞xa5 ♗b4 (18...♞a8±
19.♞a4 ♞d8) 19.♙e3 ♗c2?
(19...♗d5 might work better. 20.b3
♙b5 21.♗xd5 exd5) 20.♞a4 ♞xa4
21.♗xa4 ♞b4 22.♗c5 ♙c8 23.b3
♞a8 24.♞b2 ♗a3 25.♞c1 ♗f8 26.g4
♗e8 27.h4 f6 Goryachkina,A (2553)-
Guichard,P (2386) Samarkand UZB
2023 1-0 (39)]

[13.♙d2 keeps more tension. ♙a6
14.♞c5 ♞d7 15.f3 ♞fb8 16.♞b1]
13...♞xc5 14.dxc5 ♗xc3 15.bxc3 e5
16.f3 ♙e6 17.♗f2 ♞fb8 18.♞d1 f6
19.g4 ♗f7 20.h4 ♗e8 21.g5 ♞d8
22.♞g1 ♞ab8 23.h5 f5 24.g6
aiming for h6. 24...h6 25.f4 ♞d5?!
Inaccuracy. a4 was best.

[25...a4 26.fxe5 ♗d7 27.♞g3 ♗c6
28.♞d3 ♞d5 29.♙e3 ♞b2 30.♞xd5
♗xd5 31.♞d1+]

[25...♗d7=]
26.♙e3!± ♞b2?! Inaccuracy. Rdd8 was
best.

[26...♞dd8 27.c6 ♞b2 28.fxe5 f4
29.♙xf4 ♞b6 30.♙e3 ♞xc6 31.♙d4
a4 32.♞ab1 (Better is 32.♞gb1±)]

[26...♗e7±]
27.♞gb1+- ♞c2 28.♞c1 ♞b2 [#]
29.♞ab1! ♞xa2 30.♞a1? Mistake. c4
was best.

[30.c4 ♞d8 [#] 31.c6! exf4 32.♙xf4
♗e7 33.♞c3 ♞d4 34.♙xc7 ♞e4
35.♞e3 ♙xc4]

[30.c6+-]
30...♞b2?? Blunder. Rxa1 was best.

[30...♞xa1]
[30...♞xa1± 31.♞xa1 exf4]

31.♞xa5 c6 32.♞a6 ♞d7 33.♞xc6
[Weaker is 33.fxe5 ♞c7+-]

33...♙c4 34.♞c8+
[Not 34.fxe5 ♞xe2+ 35.♗f3 ♞h2+-]
34...♞d8 35.♞xd8+ ♗xd8 Endgame

KRB-KRB 36.♖d1+

[Less strong is 36.fxe5 ♗xe2 37.♔g3 ♗xh5±]

36...♗e7?! Inaccuracy. Kc7 was best.

[36...♔c7 37.♖e1 ♖c2 38.fxe5 ♖xc3 39.♖a1 ♖c2 40.♖a7+ ♔c6 41.e6 f4 42.♗xf4]

37.♖d2 ♖xd2 38.♗xd2 KB-KB

38...♗d5?! Inaccuracy. Ke6 was best.

[38...♔e6 39.fxe5 ♗d5 40.♗f4 ♔d7 41.e6+ ♔xe6 42.♗e3 ♔e7 43.♗d4 ♔f8 44.♔g3]

39.c4 White is clearly winning. 39...♗xc4

40.c6 ♔d6 41.♗c3 ♔xc6 42.♗xe5

♔d7 43.♗xg7 ♔e6 44.♗xh6 ♔f6

45.♗g5+ ♔g7 [#] 46.e4! ♗e6

[46...fxe4 47.f5]

47.exf5 ♗xf5 48.♔g3 Accuracy: White = 90%, Black = 49%.

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Nikitenko, Mihail **E06 2525**
 Peralta, Fernando **2573**
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.♗f3 ♗e7

5.♗g2 0-0 6.0-0 ♗c6 7.b3 b6 8.♗b2N

[RR 8.♗c3 ♗b7 9.cxd5 exd5 10.♗b2 a6 11.♖c1 ♗d6 12.♖c2 h6 13.a3 ♖e8 14.♖fd1 ♖b8 15.e3 ♖e7 16.b4 ♗d8 17.♗e5 c6 18.♗a4 b5 19.♗c5 ♗xe5 20.dxe5 ♗d7 21.♗xd7 ♖xd7 22.f4 ♖g4 Gronlund,N (1921)-Tanni,J (1585) Finland FIN 2024 ½-½ (73)]

8...♗b7 9.♗bd2 a5 10.a3 ♗e4 11.e3

f5 12.♖c1 ♗d6 13.♖c2 ♗b8 14.♗e1

♗d7 15.♗d3 ♖e7 16.a4 c5 17.cxd5

exd5 18.♗f4 ♖ad8 19.♗f3 ♗df6

20.♖e1 ♗b8?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.

[20...g5 21.♗d3 ♗g4 22.♗fe5 ♗xe5 23.dxe5 c4 24.♗c1 ♗xe5 25.♖d4 ♖fe8 26.f4]

21.♗a3?! Inaccuracy. Nh4 was best.

[21.♗h4]

21...♗d6 22.♗b2 ♗b8 23.♗d3?!]

Inaccuracy. Nh4 was best.

[23.♗h4 ♖f7 24.♗f1 ♗d7 25.f3 ♗d6 26.♗d3 ♖c8 27.♗e5 ♖e6 28.♗h3 ♖ce8]

23...♗d7 24.♖a1 ♖c8 25.♖d1 ♖fd8

26.♗f4 ♗f8 27.♗e1 ♖f7 28.♗ed3 c4

29.♗e5 ♗xe5 30.dxe5 cxb3 31.♖xc8

♖xc8 32.e6?? Blunder. Qa3 was best.

[32.♖a3 d4]

32...♗xe6 33.♗xe6 ♖xe6 34.♗xg7?!]

Inaccuracy. Rc1 was best.

[34.♖c1 ♖c2 35.h3 d4 36.♖xc2 bxc2 37.♖a3 ♖c4 38.♖e7 c1♖+ 39.♔h2 ♖f7]

34...♖c2?! Inaccuracy. Nxf2 was best.

[34...♗xf2 35.♖e1 ♗d3 36.♗h8 b2 37.♗xb2 ♖c2 38.♗d4 ♗xe1 39.♖xe1 ♖c6 40.♗f3]

35.♗d4?! Inaccuracy. Bh8 was best.

[35.♗h8 b2 36.♗xb2 ♗xf2 37.♗d4 ♗xd1 38.♖xd1 ♖c6 39.♖d3 f4 40.gxf4 ♖c1+]

35...♗xf2 36.♖b1 ♗d3 37.♖f1 ♖c1??]

Blunder. Ba6 was best.

[37...♗a6 38.♖b1 ♗c4 39.♖d1 ♗c1 40.♖e1 ♗e2 41.♖xc1 ♖xc1 42.♖xc1 ♗d3 43.♔h1]

38.♖a3?? Blunder. Rxc1 was best.

[38.♖xc1 b2 39.♖c8+ ♗xc8 40.♖b1 f4 41.♖xd3 fxe3 42.♗f3 ♖f7 43.♖d1 ♖xf3]

38...b2? Mistake. Rc4 was best.

[38...♖c4]

39.♖xd3 b1♖ 40.♖xb1 ♖xb1 41.♖xb1

♖c6 42.♖xb6 ♖c1+ 43.♗f1 ♗c6?!

Inaccuracy. Bc8 was best.

[43...♗c8]

44.♖a6 ♗xa4 45.♖xa5 ♗c2 46.♖a1

♖d2 47.♖a2 ♖d1 48.♔f2 ♗d3 49.♗g2

♗e4 50.♗f1?? Blunder. Bxe4 was best.

[50.♗xe4 dxe4]

50...♗d3?? Blunder. Qf3+ was best.

[50...♖f3+]

51.♗g2 ♗e4 52.♖a8+ ♔f7 53.♖a7+

♔e6 54.♖a6+ ♔e7 55.♗xe4 ♖d2+

56.♔f3 ♖d1+ 57.♔f2 ♖d2+ 58.♔f3
1/2-1/2

□ Gholami Orimi, Mahdi E06 2470
 ■ Theodorou, Nikolas 2616
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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.♙g2 ♙e7
 5.♘f3 0-0 6.0-0 a5 7.♖c2 ♘c6 8.♙f4
 ♘b4N

[RR 8...dxc4 9.♖xc4 ♘d5 10.♙d2
 ♘b6 11.♖d3 ♘b4 12.♖b3 a4
 13.♖d1 c5 14.♙xb4 (White should
 play 14.dxc5± ♙xc5 15.a3) 14...cxb4
 15.♘bd2 (15.a3= keeps the
 balance.) 15...a3 16.b3 ♘d5! 17.♘c4
 ♙d7 18.♘fe5 ♙b5 (18...♘c3!≠
 19.♖d3 ♙b5) 19.♖d2 (19.♙xd5!=
 was the only way to keep the balance.
 exd5 20.♘e3) 19...♖c8? (19...♘c3!≠
 20.♙xb7 ♖a7) 20.♖fc1? (20.♙xd5!=
 and White stays safe. exd5 21.♘e3)
 20...f6 (20...♘c3!-+ 21.e3 f6)
 21.♘d3 ♙a6 (21...e5≠ stays ahead.)
 22.e4 (22.♙xd5!± exd5 23.♘e3)
 22...♘c3 23.♘f4 Rongwane, G (2021)-
 Rakotomaharo, F (2454) Accra GHA
 2024 0-1 (46)]

9.♖c1 White has an edge. 9...dxc4
 10.♘a3 b6 11.♘e5

[Worse is 11.♖xc4 ♙a6≠]

11...♘fd5 12.♘axc4?! Inaccuracy. Bd2
 was best.

[12.♙d2]

[12.♙d2±]

12...f6= 13.♘f3!↑ White is pushing.

13...c5 14.a3 ♘c6 15.dxc5 ♙xc5

16.♖d1 ♖e7 17.♙d2 b5 18.♘e3 ♙b7

19.♘xd5 exd5 20.♖c3 ♘e5 21.♙e3

♘xf3+ 22.♙xf3 ♙xe3 23.♖xe3 ♖xe3

24.fxe3 ♖ac8 25.♔f2 ♖fd8 26.♖ac1

♔f8 27.♖xc8 ♙xc8 28.♙xd5±

Endgame KRB-KRB 28...♔e7 29.♖d4

♙d7 30.♙e4 h6! 31.♔e1 ♖b8 32.♔d2

b4?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.

[32...g5 33.♔d3 ♙e6 34.♙c6 ♖b6
 35.♙d5 ♙d7 36.♔d2 ♖b8 37.♖e4+
 ♔d6 38.♙b3]

[32...♙e6±]

33.axb4 axb4 34.♙d5 g5?! Inaccuracy.
 Kd6 was best.

[34...♔d6 35.♙b3+ ♔e7 36.♙c4 ♙b5
 37.♙a2 ♙d7 38.♙b3 g5 39.♙d5 ♔d6
 40.♙c4+]

[34...♔d6±]

35.e4+- ♙e8

[♠35...♖b5 36.♔e3 ♙e6]

36.♙b3?! Inaccuracy. Ke3 was best.

[36.♔e3 ♙d7]

[36.♔e3+-]

36...♙d7?! Inaccuracy. Bf7 was best.

[36...♙f7]

[36...♙f7±]

37.♔e3?! Inaccuracy. Bd5 was best.

[37.♙d5]

[37.e5+- Threatens to win with exf6+.
 fxe5 38.♖d5]

37...♖b6? Mistake. Be6 was best.

[37...♙e6 38.♙xe6 ♔xe6 39.b3 h5
 40.♖c4 ♖a8 (40...♔e5±) 41.♖xb4
 ♖a1 42.♖b6+! ♔f7 43.e5!]

[37...♙e6± 38.♙xe6 ♔xe6]

38.♖d1 ♖a6 39.♖c1?! Inaccuracy. Rd4
 was best.

[39.♖d4 ♖b6 40.♙d5 h5 41.♖c4 ♔d6
 42.♔d4 ♙g4 43.b3 ♙xe2 44.♖c8
 ♖a6]

[39.♖d4+- is more deadly.]

39...♖a7? Mistake. Be6 was best.

[39...♙e6 40.♙d5 ♙xd5 41.exd5 ♖a2
 42.♖c2 f5 43.♔d4! b3 [#] 44.♖d2!
 ♔d6 45.♔c3]

[39...♙e6± is a better defense.]

40.♔d4 ♔d6 41.♖f1 ♔e7 42.e5 fxe5+

43.♔xe5 ♙e8?! Inaccuracy. Ra5+ was
 best.

[43...♖a5+ 44.♔d4 ♙e6 45.♖f3 ♔d7
 46.♙c4 ♙xc4 47.♔xc4 ♖e5 48.e3
 ♔e6 49.♔xb4]

44.e4 ♖a5+ 45.♙d5 ♖c5 46.♖f2 ♖c1

47.b3 h5 48.♖a2 ♖c7 49.♖a6 ♖c2?! Inaccuracy. Bf7 was best.

[49...♙f7 50.♖h6 ♙xd5 51.exd5 ♖c3 52.♖h7+ ♔f8 53.♖xh5 ♖xb3 54.♖xg5 ♖b1 55.♔d6]

50.♖a7+ ♔f8 51.♔d6 ♖xh2 52.♖a8 h4 53.gxh4 ♖xh4?! [#] Inaccuracy. gxh4 was best.

[53...gxh4 54.♙c6 ♖d2+ 55.♔e6 ♔g7 56.♖xe8 ♖a2 57.e5 h3 58.♖e7+ ♔h6 59.♙e4]

54.e5! ♖h7 55.e6 g4 56.♖a1?! Inaccuracy. Bc6 was best.

[56.♙c6 ♖e7 57.♖b8 g3 58.♖c8 g2 59.♙xg2 ♖h7 60.♙c6 ♖h6 61.♖xe8+ ♔g7]

[♭56.♙c6 ♖h6 57.♖xe8+ ♔g7 58.♖a8 ♖h3 59.e7 ♖e3 60.e8♙ ♖xe8 61.♖xe8]

56...♖h5?! Inaccuracy. g3 was best.

[56...g3 57.♖g1]
[♭56...g3 57.♖g1 ♖a7 58.♖xg3 ♖a6+ 59.♔e5 ♔e7 60.♖g7+ ♔d8]

57.♙e4? Mistake. Ra8 was best.

[57.♖a8 ♖xd5+ 58.♔xd5 g3 59.♖a1 g2 60.♖g1 ♙h5 61.♔d6 ♙f3 62.♔d7 ♔g7]

[♭57.♖a8 ♖xd5+ 58.♔xd5]

57...g3 58.♖a8 ♖h8 59.♙c6? Mistake. Rb8 was best.

[59.♖b8 ♔g7 60.♖xb4 ♖h2 61.♙d5 ♖a2 62.♖g4+ ♔f6 63.♖xg3 ♖a6+ 64.♔c7 ♖a5]
[♭59.♖b8]

59...♔g7 White should prevent ...Bxc6.

60.♙xe8? Mistake. Ra7+ was best. KRB-KR

[60.♖a7+]
[White should try 60.♙e4+-]

60...g2?? Blunder. Rxe8 was best.

[60...♖xe8 61.♖xe8 g2 62.e7 g1♙ 63.♖g8+ ♔xg8 64.e8♙+ ♔g7 65.♙e7+ ♔g6 66.♙e6+]
[60...♖xe8= 61.♖xe8 g2]

61.♖a7+ ♔f8? Mistake. Kg8 was best.

[61...♔g8 62.♙f7+ ♔g7 63.♙h5+

♔h6 64.♖a1 ♔xh5 65.♖g1 ♖d8+ 66.♔c7 ♖d2 67.e7]

62.♖a1 ♖h1 63.♙c6 ♖xa1 KR-KB

64.e7+ ♔g7 65.♙xg2 ♖e1 White mates.

66.♙c6 ♔f7 67.e8♙+ ♖xe8 68.♙xe8+

♔xe8? Checkmate is now unavoidable.

Kf6 was best. KP-KP

[68...♔f6 69.♔c5 ♔e5 70.♔xb4 ♔d6 71.♔b5 ♔d5 72.♔a5 ♔c5 73.b4+ ♔d6 74.♔b6]

69.♔c5 ♔d7 70.♔xb4 KP-K 70...♔c6

71.♔a5 ♔b7 72.♔b5 ♔c7 73.♔a6

♔c6 74.b4 ♔c7 75.b5 ♔b8 76.♔b6

Accuracy: White = 70%, Black = 56%.

1-0

E07

□ Daneshvar,Bardiya

2581

■ Sarana,Alexey

2706

Sharjah Master 2024 (1.6)

14.05.2024

1.♗f3 d5 2.c4 e6 3.g3 ♗f6 4.♙g2

♙e7 5.0-0 0-0 6.d4 c6 7.♗c3 ♗bd7

8.♙d3 b6 9.e4 ♙a6 10.b3 dxe4

11.♗xe4 b5 12.c5N

[RR 12.♗xf6+ ♙xf6 13.♖d1 (13.♙f4±) 13...bxc4 14.bxc4 ♗b6 15.♙a3 ♙xc4 16.♙c2 ♖e8 17.♗e5 ♙xe5 18.dxe5 ♙d5 19.h4

(19.♖ac1=) 19...♙c8 (Black should play 19...♗c4♠ 20.♙c5 ♗xe5)

20.♖ac1 (20.♙f1= remains equal.)

20...♙a6 (20...♗c4♠ 21.♙c3 ♙b8)

21.♙d6 h6 22.♖d4 c5 23.♖g4 ♙xg2

24.♔xg2 ♙b7+ 25.f3 (25.♔h2=)

25...♗d5 26.♙d2 ♔h8 Chigaev,M

(2622)-Sanal,V (2567) chess.com INT

2024 1-0 (52) (26...f5!? 27.♖gc4

♖ec8=)]

[RR 12.♗ed2 bxc4 13.♗xc4 c5

14.♙b2 ♖c8 15.♖ac1 ♗b6 16.♗fe5

♗xc4 17.♗xc4 cxd4 18.♙xd4 ♙c5

19.♙f4 ♙e7 20.♖fd1 ♖fd8 21.h3

♖xd1+ 22.♖xd1 ♙xc4 23.bxc4 h6

24.♙f3 ♙b6 25.♔g2 ♙c5 26.♙e2

♖c6+ Muradli,M (2550)-Sarana,A (2688) Samarkand UZB 2023 1/2-1/2 (61)]
 [12.♘xf6± ♗xf6 13.♙a3]
 12...♘xc5!= [#] Pin 13.♘xf6+ ♗xf6
 14.♖c2 ♘d7
 [Not 14...♗xd4? 15.♘xd4 (15.♖d1 ♗xa1 16.♖xd8 ♖axd8±) 15...♖xd4 16.♙e3+-]
 15.♖xc6 ♘b6 16.♙d2 ♖c8 17.♖e4 ♘d5 18.♖fc1 ♖d6 19.♘e5 b4 20.♘g4 ♙e7 21.♘e3?! Inaccuracy. Ne5 was best.
 [21.♘e5 ♖fd8 22.h4 ♙b5 23.♖xc8 ♖xc8 24.♖e1 h6 25.♖f3 ♙e8 26.♖d3 ♖d8]
 [21.♖e5= keeps the balance.]
 21...♘c3≠ 22.♙xc3 bxc3 23.♙f1 [#]
 23...f5? Mistake. Bxf1 was best.
 [23...♙xf1 24.♘xf1 (24.♖xf1≠ might work better. ♖fd8 25.♖ad1)]
 [23...♙xf1!≠ 24.♖xf1 f5]
 24.♖e5= ♖xe5 25.dxe5 ♙xf1 26.♘xf1 f4 27.♘c4 fxg3 28.hxg3 ♖f3 aiming for ...Rcf8.
 [28...♙c5!? 29.f4 g5≠]
 29.♘d6! ♖cf8 30.♘e4 ♙a3 31.♖c2! ♖3f5 32.♘d6 ♖xe5 33.♘c4 ♖h5 Hoping for ...Rh1+. 34.♘g2! ♙c5 35.♖e1 ♖hf5 36.f4 g5 37.♘e3! ♖5f7 38.fxg5 ♖f3 39.♘g4 ♖d3 White should prevent ...Rff3. 40.♘f6+ ♘g7 With the idea ...Be3. 41.♖xe6 The position is equal. 41...♖d2+ 42.♖e2!≠ White is not holding back 42...♖xe2+
 [42...♖fd8 is more complex. 43.♘e4 ♙b4 44.♖f2 ♙a5 45.♖c1 ♙b6]
 43.♖xe2 Endgame KRB-KRN 43...♙d4 44.♘h5+ ♘f7 45.♘f3 ♖c8 Threatens to win with ...c2. 46.♖c2 ♖c5 47.♘f4 ♖xg5 48.♘e2 ♙f6 49.♘e4 ♖e5+ 50.♘d3 ♖d5+ 51.♘e3 ♖g5 52.♘e4 ♖g4+ 53.♘f3 ♖g8 54.♘e4 ♖e8+ 55.♘d3 ♖d8+ 56.♘e3 ♙g5+ 57.♘f2 ♙f6 Threatening ...Rd2. 58.♘e3 ♖g8 59.♘e4

h5 60.♘xc3 ♖xg3 61.♘d5
 And now Rc7+ would win. 61...♖g4+
 Accuracy: White = 90%, Black = 90%.
 1/2-1/2

□ Ter-Sahakyan,Samvel E07 2650
 ■ Nikitenko,Mihail 2525
 Sharjah Master 2024 15.05.2024

1.d4 e6 2.c4 ♘f6 3.♘f3 d5 4.g3 ♙e7
 5.♙g2 0-0 6.0-0 c6 7.♘c3 ♘bd7
 8.♖d3 b6 9.e4 ♙a6 10.b3 ♖c8 11.♖d1 c5 12.exd5 exd5 13.♘b5 cxd4N
 White is better.

[RR 13...dxc4 13...♙xb5 0.74 14.bxc4 ♙xb5 15.cxb5 c4 16.♖c2 ♖c7 17.d5 ♘e5? (17...♙c5±) 18.♘xe5! ♖xe5 19.♙f4 ♖h5 20.d6 ♙d8 21.d7 ♖c5 22.♙d6 ♖xb5 23.♖xc4 1-0 (23) Raznikov,D (2469)-Deutsch,E (2287) Israel ISR 2024]
 14.♘fxd4 ♘c5?! Inaccuracy. Bc5 was best.

[14...♙c5]
 [14...♙c5± keeps fighting.]
 15.♖c2?! Inaccuracy. Qf5 was best.
 [15.♖f5 g6 16.♖f3! ♖d7 17.♘c3! dxc4 [#] 18.♘c6! ♖xc6 19.♖xc6 ♖xc6 20.♙xc6 ♖c8]
 [15.♖f1+-]

15...♖d7± 16.♙b2 ♘ce4 [#] 17.♘c3! aiming for Nxd5. 17...♘xc3 18.♙xc3 ♖c7? Mistake. Ne4 was best.
 [18...♘e4 19.♘e2 ♖c7 20.♖xd5 ♘xc3 21.♘xc3 ♖ce8 22.♖dd1 ♙a3 23.♖ab1 ♙c8 (23...♖e5 is a better defense. 24.♖d5 ♖b8) 24.♘b5]
 [18...g6 was necessary. 19.♘e2 ♖c7]

19.♘f5+- dxc4 20.♖d2 Qg5 is the strong threat. 20...♘h8 21.♘xe7 ♖xe7 22.♙b4 Skewer 22...♖e8 23.♙xf8 ♖xf8 24.♖ac1 h6 25.♖d6 ♖xd6 26.♖xd6 cxb3 27.♖xc8+ ♙xc8 28.axb3

Endgame Hoping for Rd8+. KRB-KBN
 28...♙e6 29.b4 g6 30.b5 ♗g7 31.♞d4
 ♗f8 32.♙c6 ♗e7 33.♞a4 ♗d6 34.♞xa7
 h5 35.f3 g5 36.h4 gxh4 37.gxh4 ♗g8
 38.♗f2 ♗h6 39.♙e8 ♙d5 40.♙d7 ♗c5
 41.♗e3 White is clearly winning. 41...f6
 42.♗f4 ♗f7 43.♙e8 ♗e5 44.♙xh5
 ♗xb5 45.♙e8+ Accuracy: White = 93%,
 Black = 42%.
 1-0

□ Can,Emre E10 2549
 ■ Sadhwani,Raunak 2654
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 h6 4.g3
 ♙b4+ 5.♙d2 ♙e7 6.♙g2 0-0 7.0-0 d5
 8.♞c2 c6 9.♙f4N

[RR 9.b3 b6 10.♙c3 ♙b7 11.♗bd2
 ♗bd7 12.e4 ♗xe4 13.♗xe4 dxe4
 14.♞xe4 ♞c7 15.♗e5 ♗xe5 16.dxe5
 ♞ab8 17.♞fd1 c5 18.♞e2 ♙c6
 19.♞d2 ♞bd8 20.♞ad1 ♞xd2 21.♞xd2
 ♞d8 22.♞xd8+ ♙xd8 23.♞d3 ♙e7
 Ohanyan,E (2489)-Esipenko,A (2702)
 Moscow RUS 2024 1/2-1/2]

[RR 9.♞d1 ♗bd7 10.b3 a5 11.♗c3
 b6 12.e4 ♙a6 13.e5 ♗h7 14.h4 ♞c8
 15.♙f1 f5 16.exf6 ♞xf6 17.♗h2 e5
 18.♙e3 exd4 19.♙xd4 ♞f8 20.cxd5
 ♙xf1 21.♗xf1 cxd5 22.♗e3 ♗hf6
 23.♞e2 ♗c5 Salem,A (2639)-
 Tabatabaei,M (2692) Samarkand UZB
 2023 1-0 (51)]

9...♗bd7 10.♞d1 a5 11.♗c3 dxc4
 12.♗d2 ♗b6 13.e4 ♙d7 14.♗f3 ♙e8
 15.♞e2 ♞c8 16.♗e5 ♙d6 17.♙e3 ♙b8
 18.♞ac1 ♞e7 19.♗xc4 ♗xc4 20.♞xc4
 ♙a7 21.h3 ♙d7 22.♞e2 ♞fd8 23.♗a4
 ♙e8 24.♗c5 ♗h7 25.e5 f5 26.f4 ♗f8
 27.♗h2 ♞a8 28.♙f3 ♗h8 29.a3 ♙f7
 30.b4?! Inaccuracy. h4 was best.

[30.h4]

30...axb4 31.axb4 ♙b6 32.♞b2 ♞ab8?!

Inaccuracy. Rdb8 was best.

[32...♞db8]

33.♞d2?! Inaccuracy. Na4 was best.

[33.♗a4 ♗d7 34.♙f2 ♙c7 35.b5
 ♞dc8 36.♞d3 ♙e8 37.b6 ♙d8 38.♞b3
 ♞f7]

33...♙e8 34.♞b3?! Inaccuracy. Rcd1
 was best.

[34.♞cd1 ♞a8 35.♞b3 ♞db8 36.♙f2
 ♞d8 37.h4 ♙xc5 38.dxc5 ♞xd2
 39.♞xd2 g5]

34...♞a8?! Inaccuracy. Bxc5 was best.

[34...♙xc5 35.bxc5]

35.♞dc2?! Inaccuracy. Rcd1 was best.

[35.♞cd1]

35...♞a7?! Inaccuracy. Bxc5 was best.

[35...♙xc5 36.dxc5 ♗g6 37.♞d1
 ♞xd1 38.♙xd1 ♞f7 39.♞d2 ♗e7
 40.♞d6 ♗d5 41.♙e2]

36.♞a2

1/2-1/2

□ Yilmazyerli,Mert E10 2522
 ■ Ivanchuk,Vasyl 2609
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 a6 4.♗c3 d5
 5.cxd5 exd5 6.♙g5 ♙e6 7.e3 ♗bd7
 8.h3 ♙d6 9.♙d3 c6 10.♙f4 ♞c7
 11.♙xd6 ♞xd6 12.0-0 0-0 13.♞c2 g6
 14.♞ad1N

[RR 14.♞fc1 ♞e7 15.♗a4 ♗e8
 16.b4 ♗d6 17.♗c5 ♗b6 18.a4 ♙f5
 19.♙xf5 ♗xf5 20.b5 cxb5 21.axb5
 a5 22.e4 dxe4 23.♞xe4 ♞xe4
 24.♗xe4 ♗d5 25.♞c5 ♗fe7 26.♗c3
 ♗xc3 27.♞xc3 ♞fc8 28.♞xc8+ ♗xc8
 Omonov,A (2401)-Shimanov,A (2578)
 Moscow RUS 2024 0-1 (59)]

[RR 14.♞fc1 ♞e7 15.a4 ♗e8 16.b4
 ♗d6 17.b5 cxb5 18.axb5 a5 19.♗a4
 ♞fc8 20.♞b2 ♗e4 21.♗e5 ♞xc1+
 22.♞xc1 ♗xe5 23.dxe5 ♞b4 24.♞a1
 ♗d2 25.♗b6 ♗b3 26.♞b1 ♗xa1

27.♖xb4 axb4 28.♘xa8 ♘b3
 Pang, T (2430)-Grover, S (2503)
 Budapest HUN 2024 1-0 (44)]
 [RR 14.♖ac1 ♕e7 15.♖fe1 ♖fe8
 16.b3 ♘h5 17.♗d2 ♗f6 18.♘h2
 ♘g7 19.♘e2 ♙f5 20.♘f4 ♙xd3
 21.♘xd3 ♘f5 22.♘g4 ♗e7 23.♘de5
 ♘xe5 24.♘xe5 ♗f6 25.e4 dxe4
 26.♖xe4 ♖e7 27.♘g4 ♗d6 28.♖xe7
 ♘xe7 Velten, P (2475)-Idani, P (2609)
 Cappelle la Grande FRA 2024 1/2-1/2
 (33)]

14...♘h5 15.b4 ♘g7 16.♗b1 ♙f5
 17.♙xf5 ♘xf5 18.a4 ♖fc8 19.e4 dxe4
 20.♘xe4 ♗d5?! Inaccuracy. Qe7 was
 best.

[20...♗e7 21.d5]

21.♘e5 ♖g7 22.♘c3 ♗d6 23.♘xd7
 ♗xd7 24.d5 ♖e8? Mistake. Nd6 was
 best.

[24...♘d6]

25.♗b2?? Blunder. d6 was best.

[25.d6]

25...f6

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E10

□ Dudin, Gleb

2554

■ Nikitenko, Mihail

2525

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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 d5 4.g3 ♘c6
 5.♙g2 ♙d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.♙g5

[RR 7.♘bd2 a5 8.a3 a4 9.♗c2 ♙d7
 10.♖d1 ♘a5 11.♘e5 ♙e8 12.♘d3
 h6 13.cxd5 exd5 14.♘f3 ♘b3
 15.♖b1 ♙b5 16.♙d2 ♖e8 17.♙c3
 ♘e4 18.e3 ♗f6 19.♘fe5 ♘xc3
 20.♗xc3 c6 21.♘d7 ♗f5
 Duda, J (2731)-Bluebaum, M (2655)
 chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (44)]

7...h6 8.♙xf6 ♗xf6 9.♘c3N

[RR 9.cxd5 exd5 10.♘c3 ♘e7
 11.♘b5 c6 12.♘xd6 ♗xd6 13.♘e5
 ♙f5 14.e3 ♘g6 15.♘d3 ♖fe8 16.h4

♖ab8 17.h5 ♘e7 18.♘f4 ♘c8
 19.♖c1 ♗f6 20.♗a4 ♖d8 21.b4 a6
 22.♗b3 ♘d6 23.a4 ♖e8
 Dubov, D (2708)-Bluebaum, M (2658)
 chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (49)]

[RR 9.e3 dxc4 10.♘bd2 e5 11.d5
 ♘a5 12.♗a4 b6 13.♘xc4 ♘xc4
 14.♗xc4 a5 15.♖fd1 ♙a6 16.♗c2
 ♗e7 17.♘h4 g6 18.♖ac1 ♖g7
 19.♙f1 ♙c8 20.a4 ♙g4 21.♙e2 ♙d7
 22.b3 f5 23.♙b5 ♙xb5 Halkias, S
 (2508)-Bluebaum, M (2649) chess.com
 INT 2024 0-1 (41)]

[RR 9.e3 dxc4 10.♘fd2 e5 11.d5
 ♘a5 12.♘c3 ♙d7 13.♖h1 b5 14.b3
 cxb3 15.axb3 ♘b7 16.♖c1 ♗e7
 17.♗e2 a6 18.e4 b4 19.♘d1 ♙b5
 20.♘c4 a5 21.♘de3 a4 22.bxa4
 ♖xa4 23.f4 b3 Martinez Alcantara, J
 (2612)-Bluebaum, M (2647) chess.com
 INT 2024 1/2-1/2]

9...dxc4 10.♖c1 ♗e7 11.♘e4 b5 12.b3
 ♙a3 13.♖b1 cxb3 14.♖xb3 ♖b8
 15.♗d3 ♙d6 16.♗c3 ♖b6 17.♖c1 ♖d8
 18.♗b2 ♙d7 19.♘fd2 ♙e8 20.♖e3?
 Mistake. Nxd6 was best.

[20.♘xd6 cxd6 21.d5 exd5 22.♖e3
 ♗f6 23.♗xf6 gxf6 24.♙xd5 a5
 25.♖f1 ♘b4]

20...♘a5? Mistake. Bb4 was best.

[20...♙b4 21.♘f3 ♖a6 22.♖d1 ♖a4
 23.♗a1 a5 24.h4 f5 25.♘c3 ♙xc3
 26.♗xc3]

21.♘xd6 ♗xd6 22.♖a3 ♘c4 23.♘xc4
 bxc4 24.♗c3 a6 25.♙f3 ♖db8 26.♖a5
 ♖b5?! Inaccuracy. Rb1 was best.

[26...♖b1]

27.♖a4 ♖b4 28.♖xb4 ♖xb4 29.♖g2?!
 Inaccuracy. d5 was best.

[29.d5]

29...♖a4 30.♖a1 ♗a3 31.♗c2?!
 Inaccuracy. Rc1 was best.

[31.♖c1 ♙b5 32.♗d2 ♗d6 33.h4 c5
 34.d5 ♖a3 35.♖d1 ♙a4 36.♖c1 c3]

31...♖b4?! Inaccuracy. c3 was best.

[31...c3 32.♖c1 ♖c4 33.♖b1 ♗a4

34.♖b3 g6 35.h4 ♔g7 36.h5 gxh5
37.♔h2]

32.♞e4? Mistake. Rc1 was best.

[32.♖c1 ♔f8 33.♞d2 ♖a4 34.♖c2
♙b5 35.h4 ♗d6 36.♞e3 ♕e8 37.h5
♖a3]

32...♞b2 33.♖f1 c3 34.♞a8 ♖b8
35.♞a7 ♞b6 36.♞xb6 cxb6 37.♖c1
♖c8 38.♔f1 b5 39.♔e1 a5 40.♔d1 b4
0-1

E10

♖ Niemann,Hans Moke

2688

♜ Sarana,Alexey

2706

Sharjah Master 2024

18.05.2024

1.d4 Stockfish 16.1 1...♗f6 2.c4 e6
3.♗f3 d5 4.g3 ♙b4+ 5.♙d2 ♙e7
6.♙g2 0-0 7.0-0 ♗bd7 8.♞c2 c6 9.a4

[RR 9.♖c1 a5 10.a3 b6 11.cxd5
cxd5 12.♙f4 ♙a6 13.♗c3 ♖c8
14.♞a4 ♖c4 15.♞d1 b5 16.e3 ♞b6
17.♙f1 ♖c6 18.a4 b4 19.♗b5 ♖fc8
20.♖xc6 ♖xc6 21.♖c1 ♗e8 22.h4 h6
23.h5 ♙b7 Carlsen,M (2893)-Firouzja,
A (2863) Chess.com 2024 [Stockfish
16.1] 1-0 (59)]

9...a5 10.♖c1 h6 11.♙c3N

[RR 11.♙f4 ♗e4 12.♗c3 g5 13.♙e5
g4 14.♗e1 ♗xe5 15.dxe5 ♗g5
16.♖d1 ♞b6 17.cxd5 exd5 18.♙xd5
♗h3+ 19.♔h1 cxd5 20.♗xd5 ♞e6
21.♗c7 ♞f5 22.♞xf5 ♙xf5 23.♔g2
♖ad8 24.f3 h5 25.♗d5 ♙g5
Liu,C (2283)-Thybo,J (2542)
Svendborg DEN 2024 0-1 (42)]

11...b6 12.♗e5 ♙b7 13.♗xd7 ♞xd7
14.♗d2 b5 15.axb5 cxb5 16.cxb5
♞xb5

1/2-1/2

E10

♖ Blohberger,Felix

2505

♜ Nihal Sarin

2680

Sharjah Master 2024

16.05.2024

1.d4 <https://lichess.org/broadcast/-/-/A6P9NTIn> 1...♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5
4.g3 ♙b4+ 5.♙d2 ♙e7 6.♙g2 0-0 7.0-0
c6 8.♞c2 ♗bd7 9.♙f4 b6 10.cxd5
cxd5 11.♖c1 a5N

[RR 11...♙b7 12.♞b3 ♖c8 13.♖xc8
♞xc8 14.♗c3 a6 15.♖c1 ♞a8
16.♗a4 b5 17.♗c5 ♖c8 18.♗xb7
1/2-1/2 (18) Dishman,S (2290)-Emms,J
(2448) Swidnica 2023 [https://lichess.
org/broadcast/-/-/A6P9NTIn]]

[RR 11...♙b7 12.♞b3 ♖c8 13.♖xc8
♞xc8 14.♗c3 ♗h5 15.♙g5 ♙xg5
16.♗xg5 ♞b8 17.e3 ♖c8 18.♙f1
♗hf6 19.a4 a5 20.♙b5 ♙c6 21.♙a6
♙b7 22.♙b5 ♞d6 23.♖c1 e5 24.♗f3
e4 25.♗d2 h5 26.♙f1 Atakishiyev,E
(2349)-Davtyan,A (2413) Moscow RUS
2024 1/2-1/2 (74)]

[RR 11...♙b7 12.♗c3 a6 13.♗a4
♖c8 14.♙c7 ♞e8 15.♞b3 b5 16.♗b6
♗xb6 17.♙xb6 ♗e4 18.♙a5 ♙d6
19.♗d2 ♗xd2 20.♙xd2 ♖c4 21.♞d3
♞d7 22.b3 ♖xc1+ 23.♖xc1 ♖c8
24.♖xc8+ ♞xc8 25.♞c3 ♞xc3
26.♙xc3 Gu,J (2105)-Chen,Y (2161)
Shanghai CHN 2024 1/2-1/2]

12.♗c3 ♙a6 13.a4 ♖c8 14.♞d1 ♗h5
15.e3 ♗xf4 16.exf4 g6 17.♙f1 ♙xf1
18.♔xf1 ♗f6 19.♞d3?! Inaccuracy. Rc2
was best.

[19.♖c2 ♗e4]

19...♞c7

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E10
 Salem,A.R. Saleh **2629**
 Tabatabaei,M. Amin **2707**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 d5 4.g3
 ♙b4+ 5.♙d2 ♙e7 6.♙g2 0-0 7.0-0
 ♘bd7 8.♚c2 c6 9.♞d1 b6 10.b3 a5
 11.♙c3 ♙b7N

[RR 11...♘e4 12.♙b2 f5 13.cxd5
 cxd5 14.♚c6 ♙b7 15.♚xb7 ♘d6
 16.♚c6 ♞c8 17.♚a4 b5 18.♚a3 ♘c4
 19.bxc4 ♙xa3 20.♘xa3 b4 21.cxd5
 exd5 22.♘e5 ♘f6 23.♘b1 ♞c2
 24.♙c1 ♘e4 25.♙e3 ♞xe2 26.♘d2
 Bok,B (2620)-Keymer,V (2738) chess.
 com INT 2024 0-1 (41)]

[RR 11...♙a6 12.♘bd2 b5 13.e4
 bxc4 14.e5 cxb3 15.axb3 ♘g4
 16.♙xa5 ♚c8 17.♞dc1 c5 18.h3 ♘h6
 19.dxc5 ♙xc5 20.b4 ♙e7 21.♚a4
 ♚e8 22.♙c7 ♙e2 23.♚b3 ♞xa1
 24.♞xa1 ♚c8 25.♞a7 ♘f5 26.g4
 Elsness,F (2436)-Urkedal,F (2525)
 Kragero NOR 2024 1-0 (56)]

12.♘bd2 ♚c7 13.♙b2 c5 14.cxd5
 exd5 15.a4 ♘b8 16.♞ac1 ♘a6
 17.dxc5 bxc5 18.♘d4 ♘b4 19.♚b1
 ♞fe8 20.♘f5 ♙a6 21.♙f1 ♚b6 22.e4
 ♙xf1 23.♞xf1 dxe4 24.♘xe7+ ♞xe7
 25.♙xf6 ♚xf6?! Inaccuracy. gxf6 was
 best.

[25...gxf6 26.♘xe4 ♞d8 27.♞cd1
 ♞d4 28.♘c3 ♞e5 29.♘b5 ♞xd1
 30.♚xd1 ♚e6 31.♚d6]

26.♘xe4 ♚g6 27.♞c4 ♘a6?!
 Inaccuracy. h6 was best.

[27...h6]

28.♞d1 ♞e6 29.♚d3 h6 30.♘xc5 ♚xd3
 31.♞xd3 ♘xc5 32.♞xc5 ♞b6 33.♞b5?
 Mistake. Rc7 was best.

[33.♞c7 ♞ab8 34.♞f3 f6 35.♞d3
 ♞6b7 36.♞xb7 ♞xb7 37.♙f1 ♞c7
 38.h4 g6]

33...♞xb5 34.axb5 ♙f8 35.♙g2 ♙e7
 36.♙f3 ♞c8 37.♙e4 ♞c5?? Blunder.

Ke6 was best.

[37...♙e6 38.b4 ♞c4+ 39.♞d4 ♞c3
 40.g4 a4 41.b6 ♞c6 42.♙d3 ♞xb6
 43.♙c3]

38.♞d5 ♞c3 39.b4 a4 40.♙d4 ♞c1
 41.♞c5 ♞b1 42.♞c7+?? Blunder. Kc4
 was best.

[42.♙c4 ♞c1+ 43.♙d4 ♞b1 44.♙d5
 ♙d8 45.b6 ♞xb4 46.♙c6 ♙c8
 47.♞e5 ♞c4+]

42...♙d6 43.♞c6+ ♙d7 44.♞a6 ♞xb4+
 45.♙c5 ♞b2 46.♞xa4 ♞xf2 47.♞f4
 ♞c2+ 48.♙b6 ♙e6 49.h4 g5 50.♞a4
 ♞c3 51.hxg5 hxg5 52.g4 f5 53.gxf5+
 ♙xf5 54.♙a6 g4 55.b6 ♞b3 56.♞a5+
 ♙e4 57.b7 ♞xb7 58.♙xb7 g3 59.♞a3
 ♙f4 60.♞xg3 ♙xg3

1/2-1/2

E10
 Ivanchuk,Vasyl **2609**
 Tabatabaei,M. Amin **2707**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (2.2) 15.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 h6 4.a3

[RR 4.♙f4 b6 5.♘c3 ♙b4 6.e3 ♙b7
 7.♙d3 ♙xc3+ 8.bxc3 d6 9.♚c2 g5
 10.♙g3 ♘bd7 11.e4 ♘h5 12.♚e2
 ♚f6 13.♞b1 ♞g8 14.c5 ♘xg3
 15.hxg3 dxc5 16.e5 ♚e7 17.♙e4
 0-0-0 18.♙xb7+ ♙xb7 Keymer,V
 (2726)-Gukesh,D (2764) Warsaw POL
 2024 0-1 (40)]

4...d5N

[RR 4...c5 5.d5 d6 6.♘c3 exd5
 7.cxd5 g6 8.♙f4 ♙g7 9.e3 0-0 10.h3
 a6 11.a4 ♞e8 12.♘d2 ♘h5 13.♙h2
 ♘d7 14.♙e2 ♘e5 15.0-0 ♚h4
 16.♘de4 ♙xh3 17.gxh3 ♚xh3
 18.♘g3 ♘f6 19.f3 Sjugirov,S (2690)-
 Dardha,D (2628) chess.com INT 2024
 1/2-1/2 (59)]

5.e3 ♘bd7 6.♘bd2 b6 7.cxd5 exd5
 8.b4 The position is equal. 8...♙d6
 9.♙b2 a6 10.g3 c5 11.dxc5 bxc5

12.♔a4 Threatens to win with Qc6.
12...0-0 13.♖c6 Double Attack **13...♗c7**
14.♗xc7
 [Don't play 14.♗xa8 ♖b6?]]
14...♗xc7 15.♗g2 cxb4 16.axb4 ♗d6
17.b5 ♖b6 18.♗d4 ♗b4 19.♗c6
♗xd2+ 20.♗xd2 ♗c4+ Double Attack
21.♗c2 And now Bxf6 would win.
21...♗xb2
 [Much weaker is 21...♗f5+?!
 22.♗b3±]
22.♗xb2 ♗b7 23.♖hc1 axb5 24.♗e7+
♗h7 25.♖c7 ♖xa1 26.♗xa1 ♗a8
27.♗h3 g6 28.♗b2 ♗g7 29.f3 ♖d8
30.♗c1
 [30.♗c8=]
30...b4
 [30...d4? 31.e4 ♗e8]
31.♖c8?! Inaccuracy. Nc8 was best.
 [31.♗c8! ♗e8 32.♖a7! ♗c6 33.♗e6
 ♗f6 34.♗h3 ♗b5 35.♖b7 ♗e2 36.f4
 ♗f1]
 [31.♗c8!= keeps the balance.]
31...♖xc8+? 32.♗xc8 Endgame [#] KBN-
 KBN **32...♗b7**
 [Better is 32...d4!? 33.e4 (33.exd4
 ♗xf3) 33...♗h7]
33.♗a7?! [#] Inaccuracy. Kc2 was best.
 [33.♗c2 d4 34.e4! ♗a6 35.♗b6!
 ♗e2 36.e5 ♗g8 37.f4 ♗e7 38.♗d7
 g5]
 [33.♗b2?]
33...d4! 34.e4 [#]
 [34.exd4? ♗xf3 35.♗b2]
34...g5?! Inaccuracy. Nh7 was best.
 [34...♗h7!]
 [34...♗h7!-+ 35.♗b5 ♗g5]
35.♗f5?? [#] Blunder. e5 was best.
 [35.e5 ♗d5 36.♗b5 d3 37.♗d2 b3
 38.♗a3 ♗b4 39.f4 gxf4 40.gxf4
 ♗e4]
 [35.e5? ♗g8 36.♗b5]
35...g4!-+ 36.e5
 [36.fxg4 ♗xe4]
36...gxf3 Hoping for ...Nd5. **37.exf6+**
♗xf6 38.♗d3 f2 39.♗f1 ♗e5 40.♗d2

b3 41.♗b5? Mistake. h4 was best.
 [41.h4? 41.♗c1 -3.38 f5 42.♗c1
 ♗e4 43.♗b5 ♗e3 44.♗d6 ♗e4
 45.♗c4+ ♗f3 46.h5 ♗xg3]
41...♗a6 42.♗d3 ♗xb5 43.♗xb5 KB-KP
43...b2 44.♗c2 ♗e4 45.♗f1 ♗e3 46.g4
 [#] **46...b1♗+!** Deflection, Promotion.
 Black mates. **47.♗xb1 ♗d2 48.♗h3?!**
 Inaccuracy. Kb2 was best.
 [48.♗b2 ♗e1 49.♗c4 f1♗ 50.♗xf1
 ♗xf1 51.♗c2 ♗e2 52.♗b3 d3
 53.♗c3 d2]
48...♗e2 Accuracy: White = 59%, Black
 = 79%.
0-1

E10

□ **Tabatabaei,M. Amin** **2707**
 ■ **Sarana,Alexey** **2706**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (7.2) 20.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗f3 d5 4.g3
♗b4+N 5.♗d2 ♗e7 6.♗g2 ♗bd7 7.0-0
0-0 8.b3 c6 9.♗c3 b6 10.♗b2 ♗b7
11.♗c3 c5 12.♗e1 ♖c8 13.♗c2
 [RR 13.♖c1 cxd4 14.♗xd4 ♗c5
 15.cxd5 exd5 16.♗f3 ♗ce4 17.♗d3
 ♖e8 18.♗d4 a6 19.e3 b5 20.♗f5
 ♗f8 21.♖fd1 ♗g4 22.♗xe4 dxe4
 23.♗xd8 ♖exd8 24.♖xd8 ♖xd8
 25.♖c7 ♗d5 26.h3 ♗f6 27.♗e7+
 ♗xe7 Chigaev,M (2617)-Guerra
 Mendez,J (2494) Barcelona ESP 2024
 1-0 (39)]
13...♗e4 14.cxd5 exd5 15.♖b1 ♗df6
16.♖c1 ♗xc3 17.♗xc3 ♗e4 18.♗a1
♖e8 19.dxc5 bxc5 20.♗xe4 dxe4
21.♗e3 ♗b6 22.♗d7 ♖cd8 23.♗g4
♗g6 24.♗xg6 hxg6 25.♖c2 ♖d7
26.♖fc1 ♖ed8 27.♗f1 ♖d2 28.♗b2
♖xc2 29.♖xc2 f6 30.♗a3 ♖c8 31.h4
♗f7 32.♗c4 ♗e6 33.♗c1 ♗a6 34.♗e3
♗b5 35.♗e1 ♗d5 36.♗d1 ♖c6 37.♗c1
f5 38.♗f4 ♗f6? Mistake. Bxc4 was best.
 [38...♗xc4 39.♖xc4]

39.♔b8? Mistake. Ne3+ was best.
 [39.♖e3+]
39...♙xc4 40.♞xc4 a6 41.♙f4 ♕d4
42.♗d2 ♞b6 43.♞a4 ♖c6 44.♙e3 ♙e5
45.♞a5 ♕d6 46.♖c2 ♖d5 47.♙d2 ♞c6
48.♙c3 f4 49.g4 f3 50.exf3 exf3
51.♖d3 ♙c7 52.♞a4 ♞e6 53.♙xg7 ♞e2
54.♞xa6?! Inaccuracy. Rc4 was best.
 [54.♞c4 ♙d8]
54...♞xf2 55.♖e3 ♞g2 56.♖xf3 ♞g3+
57.♖f2 ♞xg4 58.♙f6 c4 59.bxc4+
♞xc4 60.♙g5 ♖e4 61.♖e2 ♙e5
62.♖d2 ♞b4 63.♞c6 ♞b2+ 64.♞c2
♞xc2+ 65.♖xc2 ♖d5 66.♖d3 ♙g3
67.a4 ♖c6 68.♖e4 ♙xh4 69.♙xh4
♖b6 70.♖f4 ♖a5 71.♖g5 ♖xa4
72.♖xg6
 1/2-1/2

♣ **Blohberger,Felix** **E12**
 ♣ **Deac,Bogdan-Daniel** **2505**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2692**
 22.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3.♖f3 b6 4.a3 ♙b7
5.♖c3 ♖e4 6.♖xe4 ♙xe4 7.♙f4 d6
8.e3 ♖d7 9.♙d3 ♙xd3 10.♞xd3 ♙e7
11.♞d1 a5N
 [RR 11...0-0 12.e4 c6 13.0-0 a6
 14.e5 d5 15.♞c1 dxc4 16.♞xc4 c5
 17.♞c2 b5 18.dxc5 ♖xc5 19.♞e3
 ♞d5 20.♙g5 f6 21.exf6 gxf6 22.♙h6
 ♞fd8 23.b4 ♖e4 24.♞c7 ♖f7 25.♞e1
 ♖d6 26.♞c5 Martinovic,S (2542)-
 Blohberger,F (2513) Austria AUT 2024
 1-0 (39)]
12.e4 a4 13.0-0 ♖f8 14.c5 ♖g6
15.cxd6 cxd6 16.♙e3 d5 17.e5 0-0
18.g3 f6 19.exf6 ♞xf6 20.♞e2 h6
21.♞c1 ♙d6 22.♖e1 ♖e7 23.♖g2 ♖f5
24.♞c6 ♖e7 25.♞c2 ♖f5 26.♞c6 ♖e7
27.♞c2 ♞d7 28.♙f4 ♖f5 29.♙e5 ♙xe5
30.♞xe5 ♖d6 31.♖e3 ♞ff8 32.♞fc1
♖f7 33.♞c7 ♞xc7 34.♞xc7 ♖g5
35.♖g2 b5 36.♞1c6 ♞f7 37.♞xf7 ♖xf7

38.♞b6 ♞c8?! Inaccuracy. Ne4 was best.
 [38...♖e4]
39.♞xb5 ♞c1 40.♞b4 ♞b1 41.f3?!
 Inaccuracy. h4 was best.
 [41.h4 ♖e4 42.♖g4 ♖e8 43.h5 ♖f6
 44.♞b8+ ♖e7 45.♞b7+ ♖f8 46.♖e5
 ♖xh5]
41...e5? Mistake. Ke7 was best.
 [41...♖e7 42.h4 ♖f7 43.♖g4 ♞c1
 44.♞xa4 ♞c2+ 45.♖f1 ♞xb2 46.♞a7+
 ♖f8 47.h5]
42.dxe5 d4 43.♖f1 d3 44.f4 ♖e6
45.♖f2 ♞d1 46.♞b7+?! Inaccuracy. f5
 was best.
 [46.f5 ♖g5 47.h4 d2 48.♖xd2
 ♞xd2+ 49.♖e3 ♞g2 50.hxg5 ♞xg3+
 51.♖f4 ♞xg5]
46...♖e8 47.♞b5?! Inaccuracy. Rb8+
 was best.
 [47.♞b8+ ♖e7 48.♞b5 h5 49.♞d5
 ♖c7 50.♞d4 ♖e6 51.♞d6 g6 52.h4
 ♖c5]
47...h5? Mistake. g5 was best.
 [47...g5]
48.f5?? Blunder. Rd5 was best.
 [48.♞d5 g6 49.h4 ♖c7 50.♞d4 ♖e6
 51.♞d6 ♖c5 52.♞d5 ♞c1 53.♖d2
 ♞c2]
48...♖d4 49.♞d5 ♖xf5 50.♖e3 ♞d2+
51.♖f3 ♖xe3 52.♖xe3 ♞xh2 53.♞xd3
♞xb2 54.♖f4 ♞b3 55.♞d6 ♞xa3 56.♞a6
♞a1 57.♖g5 h4 58.♖xh4 ♞e1 59.♞xa4
♞xe5
 1/2-1/2

♣ **Suleymenov,Alisher** **E12**
 ♣ **Ivanchuk,Vasyl** **2499**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.38) **2609**
 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3.♖f3 b6 4.a3 ♙b7
5.♖c3 d5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.♙g5 ♙e7
8.♞a4+ c6 9.e3 ♖bd7 10.♙d3 h6
11.♙f4 ♖h5 12.♙e5 ♖hf6 13.h3 0-0
14.♙h2 c5 15.♞d1 ♖e4 16.♙xe4 dxe4

17.♖e5 ♖xe5 18.dxe5 ♔e8 19.♞d7 ♙c8 20.♞xa7? Mistake. Rd2 was best.

[20.♞d2 ♔xa4 21.♖xa4 f5 22.♖c3 ♙e6 23.♖b5 ♞ad8 24.♖d6 a5 25.f3 a4]

20...b5 21.♞xe7 bxa4 22.♞xe8 ♞xe8

23.♖xe4?! Inaccuracy. Kd1 was best.

[23.♖d1 ♞d8+ 24.♖c1 ♞d3 25.♙g3 ♙b7 26.h4 ♙d5 27.♞e1 h5 28.♖b1 ♞a7]

23...♞b8 24.♖xc5 ♞xb2 25.0-0 ♞c2

26.♖e4 ♙e6 27.♙g3 ♞a2 28.♖d6 ♞b8

29.f4 ♞bb2 30.♙f2 ♞xa3 31.f5 ♙b3

32.♖b5 ♞aa2 33.♖c3 ♙c4 34.♞c1 ♞a3

35.♖d1 ♞d2 36.♙e1 ♞d7?! Inaccuracy.

Rd8 was best.

[36...♞d8 37.♖c3 ♞a8 38.e6 fxe6 39.f6 ♙d3 40.♞d1 ♙g6 41.♞d7 gxf6 42.♖h2]

37.♙b4?! Inaccuracy. Kh2 was best.

[37.♖h2 ♙a6]

37...♞b3 38.♙d6 ♙d3 39.♖c3 a3 40.e4

♞d8 41.♙c5 ♞a8 42.♙d4 ♞b4 43.♙c5

♞c4

0-1

E12

□ Theodorou,Nikolas

2616

■ Yu,Yangyi

2728

Sharjah Master 2024

17.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3.♖f3 b6 4.a3 ♙b7

5.♖c3 d5 6.♞c2 ♙e7 7.♙f4 c5 8.dxc5

bxc5 9.cxd5 exd5 10.e3 0-0 11.♙e2

♖bd7 12.h3 ♞c8 Black wants to play ...

d4! 13.♞d1 d4

[13...♞b6=]

14.exd4± cxd4 15.♞xd4 ♞b6 16.♞d1

♖d5 17.♖xd5 ♞xc2 18.♖xb6 ♖xb6

19.♙e5 ♙e4 20.♖d2 ♙g6 21.♖f1 f6

22.♙d4 ♖d5? Mistake. Nc4 was best.

[22...♖c4!]

[Black should try 22...♖c4!±]

23.♙f3!+- ♖f4 [#] With the idea ...Nd3+.

24.♖e3!↑ White has strong initiative.

24...♞c7 25.g3 ♖e6 [#] 26.♙c3! ♙c5

27.♖d5 ♞cc8 28.h4 ♙f7

[28...♙c2±]

29.0-0 ♖c7 30.♖xc7 ♞xc7 31.♙a5

♞cc8 32.♞fe1 ♞fe8 33.♞xe8+ ♙xe8

34.♙d5+ ♖f8 35.♞c1 ♖e7 next ...Bxf2+

is good for Black. 36.♙d2 ♙d7 37.♙e4

h6 38.♙g6 ♞c6 39.♙e4 ♞c8 40.♙f4

♙b6 41.♞e1 Strongly threatening Bf5+.

41...♖f8 42.♙d5 ♙c7 43.♙e3

Intending Bc5+ and mate. 43...♙b6

44.♙f4 ♙c7 45.♙xc7?! Inaccuracy. Bd2

was best.

[45.♙d2 ♙d6 46.♞d1 ♖e7 47.♙e4 f5

(47...g5± is a better defense.) 48.♙b1

♙e6 49.♞c1 ♞d8 50.♙a5 ♞d7]

[⊔45.♙d2 White wants to mate with

Bb4+. ♙d6 46.♙e4]

45...♞xc7± Endgame KRB-KRB 46.♞e3

♞c5 47.♙f3 ♞c2 48.♞b3 a5 49.♞b7

♖e8 50.♖f1 g5 51.hxg5 hxg5 52.♖e1

f5 53.♙d1 ♞c5 54.b4? Mistake. Be2

was best.

[54.♙e2]

[Better is 54.♙e2±]

54...♞e5+?! Inaccuracy. axb4 was best.

[54...axb4]

55.♖d2 ♞d5+ 56.♖c1 ♖d8 57.♞b8+?!

Inaccuracy. Bb3 was best.

[57.♙b3]

[57.♙b3± ♞d6 58.bxa5]

57...♖c7= 58.♞g8 axb4 59.axb4 g4

60.♙c2 ♞d4 61.♞f8 ♖d6 62.b5 ♞b4

63.b6 ♞xb6 The position is equal.

64.♞f6+ ♖c5 65.♞xb6 ♖xb6 KB-KB

66.♖d2 Black must now prevent Ke3.

66...f4! 67.gxf4 f5 is the strong threat.

67...♖c7 68.♖e3 Hoping for f5. 68...♖d6

69.♖e4 aiming for Bd1. 69...♖e6 70.f5+

♖f6 71.♖f4 ♙c8 72.♖xg4 ♙d7 73.♖f4

♙c8 74.♙e4 ♙d7 75.♙b7 ♙xf5 76.♙e4

♙d7 77.♙b7 ♙f5 78.♙e4 ♙d7

Accuracy: White = 80%, Black = 79%.

1/2-1/2

Yakubboev, Nodirbek **E15**
 Mchedlishvili, Mikheil **2665**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2567**
 17.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 b6 4.g3 ♕a6
5.♖c2 ♖b7 6.♙g2 c5 7.d5 exd5
8.cxd5 ♘xd5 9.0-0 ♗e7 10.♞d1 ♘c6
11.a3 ♘c7 12.♘c3 0-0 13.♙f4 ♘e6
14.e3 ♘xf4 15.gxf4N

[RR 15.exf4 h6 16.♞d2 d6 17.♞ad1
 ♖e8 18.♘d5 ♞d8 19.♞e1 ♖d7
 20.♘e5 dxe5 21.♘f6+ ♙xf6 22.♞xd7
 ♞xd7 23.fxe5 ♘xe5 24.♖f5 ♙xg2
 25.♙xg2 ♞e7 26.f4 ♘g6 27.♞xe7
 ♘xe7 28.♖d7 ♘c8 29.b4 c4
 Royal, S (2483)-Duda, J (2732) chess.
 com INT 2024 0-1 (39)]

15...d6 16.♞d2 h6 17.♞ad1 ♖d7 18.h3
♞ad8 19.♘d5 ♞fe8 20.b4 ♙f8 21.b5
♘a5?! Inaccuracy. Ne7 was best.

[21...♘e7 22.♘e5 ♖c8 23.♘xe7+
 ♞xe7 24.♞xd6 ♙xg2 25.♙xg2 ♞xd6
 26.♞xd6 ♞xe5 27.fxe5]

22.a4 ♖c8?! Inaccuracy. Rc8 was best.
 [22...♞c8]

23.♙h2 c4?! Inaccuracy. Be7 was best.
 [23...♙e7 24.♞g1]

24.♞d4 ♞d7 25.♘d2 ♖d8?! Inaccuracy.
Bxd5 was best.

[25...♙xd5 26.♙xd5 ♞c7 27.♘e4
 ♙h8 28.♘g5 hxg5 29.fxg5 g6
 30.♞h4+ ♙g7 31.♖c3+]

26.♘xc4 ♘xc4 27.♞xc4 g6 28.♘c7
♞ee7 29.♙xb7 ♞xc7 30.♙c6 ♞e6
31.♙d5 ♞xc4 32.♖xc4 ♖h4 33.♙g2
♞e7 34.♞c1 g5?! Inaccuracy. Rd7 was
best.

[34...♞d7 35.♖e4 ♙g7 36.♞c8 ♖e7
 37.♖c4 ♞d8 38.♞xd8 ♖xd8 39.♙xf7
 ♖f6 40.♙d5]

35.fxg5? Mistake. Rg1 was best.

[35.♞g1 ♖h5 36.♙h2 ♙h8 37.♖c8
 ♙g7 38.♞g3 f6 39.♙g2 ♖e8 40.♖c3
 ♖g6]

35...♖xc4? Mistake. Qxg5+ was best.

[35...♖xg5+ 36.♙f1]
36.♞xc4 hxg5 37.♞c8 ♙g7 38.e4
♞e5?! Inaccuracy. Rd7 was best.

[38...♞d7 39.♙g3 ♙e7 40.♙c6 ♞d8
 41.♞c7 ♙f6 42.♙d5 ♙d4 43.♞xf7+
 ♙g6 44.♞xa7]

39.♞a8?! Inaccuracy. Kg3 was best.

[39.♙g3 ♞e7 40.♙g4 f6 41.♞a8 ♞c7
 42.f4 ♙e7 43.♞g8+ ♙h7 44.♙f5
 gxf4]

39...♞e7 40.♙f3?? Blunder. Rc8 was
best.

[40.♞c8 ♞d7 41.♙g3 ♙e7 42.♙c6
 ♞d8 43.♞c7 ♙f6 44.♙d5 ♙d4
 45.♞xa7 ♞h8]

40...♞c7 41.♙g4 ♙e7 42.♙f5 ♙f6 43.f3
♙e7 44.♙c6 ♙f6 45.f4 gxf4 46.♙xf4
♙e5+ 47.♙f5 ♙f6 48.♙g4 ♙e5 49.♙g5
♙f6+ 50.♙f5 ♞e7 51.♞c8 ♞e5+ 52.♙f4
♞e7 53.♙e3 ♙h6 54.♞g8 ♙h7 55.♞d8
♙e5 56.♙d3 ♙g7 57.♙c4 ♙g3 58.♞c8
♙h7 59.♙d5 ♙g7 60.♙d3 ♙e5 61.♞c2
♙f6 62.♞g2+ ♙f8 63.♞g1 ♞c7 64.♙c6
♞e7 65.♞c1 ♙g7 66.♞g1+ ♙f8 67.♞g3
♞e5 68.♞f3 ♙g7 69.♙d5 ♞e7 70.♙c4
♙g6 71.♙b4 ♙g7 72.♞d3 ♞e5
73.♞g3+ ♞g5 74.♞f3 ♞g1 75.a5 ♞b1+
76.♙b3 ♞e1 77.♙d5 ♞b1+ 78.♙b3 ♞e1
79.axb6 axb6 80.♙d5 ♞b1+ 81.♙c4
♞c1+ 82.♙b3 ♞b1+ 83.♙c4 ♞c1+
84.♙b3 ♞b1+ 85.♙c4
 1/2-1/2

Sadhwani, Raunak **E16**
 Sanal, Vahap **2654**
 Sharjah Master 2024 **2566**
 22.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4
 [2.c3]

2...e6 3.♘f3 b6 4.g3 ♖b7 5.♙g2 ♖b4+
6.♙d2 ♙xd2+ 7.♘bxd2 0-0 8.♖c2 c5
9.dxc5 bxc5 10.0-0 ♘c6N

[RR 10...d6 11.♞fd1 ♘c6 12.a3 ♖c7
 13.♖c3 ♞fd8 14.b4 cxb4 15.axb4 a6

16. ♖b3 ♘b6 17.c5 ♘xb4 18. ♘xb4 ♖xb4 19.cxd6 ♙d5 20. ♖c5 ♗xd6 21. ♖e5 ♗dd8 22.e4 ♙c6 23. ♗xd8+ ♗xd8 24. ♖xc6 ♖xc6 25. ♗xa6 Kurmangaliyeva, L (2230)-Ilkhomi, J (2131) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (58)]
 11. ♗fd1 ♘e7 12. ♗ac1 ♗fd8 13. ♖e4 ♖b4 14. ♖xf6+ ♘xf6 15. ♘b1 d6?! Inaccuracy. Rab8 was best.
 [15... ♗ab8 16. ♗d6 ♘e7 17. ♗cd1 h6 18. ♖e5 ♙xg2 19. ♖xg2 ♖d5 20. ♗xd7 ♗xd7 21. ♖xd7]
 16. ♖g5 ♘xg5 17. ♙xb7 ♗ab8 18. ♙g2 ♗b6 19. ♗c3 ♘f6 20. ♗a3 ♗d7 21. ♗d2 g6 22. ♘d1 ♘d8 23. ♗a5 ♘c7 24. ♘a4 ♗e7 25.h4 h5 26.e3 ♖g7 27.b3 ♖g8 28. ♖f1 e5 29.a3 ♖c6 30. ♙xc6 ♘xc6 31. ♘xc6 ♗xc6 32. ♗b5 ♖f8 33. ♖e2 a6 34. ♗b8+ ♗e8 35. ♗b7 ♗e7 36. ♗b8+ ♗e8 37. ♗b7 ♗e7
 1/2-1/2

E16

☐ Martirosyan, Haik M. **2678**
 ■ Sanal, Vahap **2566**
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3. ♖f3 b6 4.g3 ♙b7 5. ♙g2 ♙b4+ 6. ♙d2 ♙xd2+ 7. ♘xd2 0-0 8.0-0 d6 9. ♘d3 c5N
 [RR 9... ♙e4 10. ♘e3 ♖bd7 11. ♖c3 ♙b7! 12. ♘f4 ♗e8 13.e4 e5 14. ♘e3 c6 15. ♗ad1 ♘e7 16. ♖h4 g6 17. ♘g5 ♖h5 18. ♘xe7 ♗xe7 [#] 19. ♗d2 (19.d5!±) 19... ♖f8 20. ♗fd1 ♖e6 21. ♖f3 f6 22. ♙h3 ♖hg7 23.d5 cxd5 24.exd5 Vidit, S (2742)-Nakamura, H (2788) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (71)]
 10. ♖c3 ♖c6 11.e4 White is slightly better. 11...e5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13. ♖d5 ♗e8 14. ♗ae1 ♘d6 15. ♖d2 ♖d4 16.f4 ♖xd5 17.cxd5 f6 18. ♖c4 ♘d7 19.fxe5 fxe5 20. ♗f2 ♙a6 21. ♗ef1 ♘a4 22.b3 ♙xc4 23.bxc4 ♘d7 24. ♘d1 ♘e7 25. ♘g4 ♗f8 26.h4 ♗xf2 27. ♗xf2 ♗d8

[27...b5!± 28. ♙f1 a6]
 28.h5 h6 29. ♙h3 ♗d6 30. ♖g2 ♘d8 31.a4 a5 32. ♘c8 ♘xc8 33. ♙xc8± Endgame KRB-KRN 33... ♗f6 34. ♙f5 ♖f8 35.g4 ♖e7 36. ♖g3 ♗f8 37. ♖h4 ♗f6 38.g5 hxg5+ 39. ♖xg5 ♖d6 40. ♖g4 ♖e7 41. ♗g2 ♖f8 42. ♗g3 ♖e2 43. ♗e3 ♖d4 44. ♖g5 ♖e7 45. ♗h3 ♖d6 46. ♙g4 ♖e7 47. ♗h1 ♖d6 48. ♙d1 ♖e7 49.h6?! Inaccuracy. Bg4 was best.
 [49. ♙g4 ♖c2]
 [49. ♗g1±]
 49...gxh6+= The position is equal.
 50. ♗xh6 ♗xh6 51. ♖xh6 KB-KN 51... ♖f6! 52. ♖h5 [#] Hoping for Kh6. 52... ♖g7! 53. ♖g5 ♖f7 54. ♖h4 And now Kg5 would win. 54... ♖f6 55. ♖h5 Threatens to win with Kh6. 55... ♖g7! 56. ♖g5 ♖f7 57. ♖h6 ♖f6! 58. ♖h5 Strongly threatening Kh6. 58... ♖g7! Accuracy: White = 89%, Black = 92%.
 1/2-1/2

E17

☐ Narayanan S L **2695**
 ■ Sanal, Vahap **2566**
 Sharjah Master 2024 (1.11) 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3. ♖f3 b6 4.g3 ♙b7 5. ♙g2 ♙e7 6. ♖c3 ♖e4 7. ♙d2 ♖xd2 8. ♘xd2 d6N
 [RR 8...d5 9.cxd5 exd5 10. ♖e5 0-0 11.0-0 a5 12. ♗ac1 ♖a6 13. ♗fd1 ♙b4 (13...c6±) 14.a3 ♙xc3 15. ♘xc3 ♘d6 16.e3 f6 17. ♖c6 (17. ♖d3+- and White stays clearly on top.) 17... ♗f7 18. ♗c2 ♖b8 19. ♖xb8 ♗xb8 20. ♗dc1 ♗a8 21.b4 g6 22. ♘b3 ♖g7 23. ♗c3 Basso, P (2507)-Garcia Palermo, C (2407) Vasto ITA 2024 1-0 (58)]
 9. ♗d1 ♖d7 10. ♘c2 White has an edge. 10...g6 11.h4 ♙f6 12.h5 a6 13. ♖e4 ♙g7 14.d5 e5

[14...exd5± 15.cxd5 0-0]
15.h6?! Inaccuracy. b4 was best.
 [15.b4 0-0 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.♘fg5
 a5 [#] 18.b5! ♕c8 19.g4 ♘f6 [#]
 20.♘xf6+! ♙xf6]
 [15.b4±]
15...♕f8 16.b4 ♕e7! 17.c5 aiming for
 c6. **17...♘f6! 18.♘xf6+ ♕xf6 19.♕h3**
0-0 20.0-0 a5 21.a3 axb4 22.axb4
bx c5 23.bxc5 dxc5 24.♕g2 ♕a6
 [But not 24...♕xd5? 25.e4+-]
25.♙fe1 c4 26.♘d2?! Inaccuracy. Rb1
 was best.
 [26.♙b1]
26...♕b5 27.♙b1 ♙b8 28.♘xc4
 [28.♘e4±]
28...♕xc4= 29.♙xc4 ♕g5 30.e3
 Accuracy: White = 57%, Black = 69%.
 1/2-1/2

E20

□ **Erdogmus, Yagiz Kaan** **2553**
 ■ **Suleymanli, Aydin** **2621**
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♕b4 4.f3 c5
5.d5 d6 6.e4 b5 7.♘ge2 bxc4 8.♘f4
e5 The position is equal. **9.♘fe2! ♘bd7**
10.♘g3 ♘b6 11.♕e2 ♘g8 12.h4 [#]
12...f5! 13.f4N
 [RR 13.♘xf5 13.exf5 0.19 ♕xf5
 14.exf5 ♘e7 15.♕g5 0-0 16.♙c2
 ♙d7 17.♕xe7! ♙xe7 18.g4 ♙ae8
 19.0-0-0 ♕xc3! 20.♙xc3 e4 21.f4
 (21.♙de1±) 21...e3 (21...♙b8± 22.b3
 cxb3 23.axb3 c4) 22.♕f3? (Better is
 22.h5±) 22...♘a4 23.♙a3 c3
 24.bxc3? (24.♙de1 keeps fighting.
 cxb2+ 25.♙b1) 24...e2 25.♕xe2
 ♙e3+ 26.♙d2 ♘xc3 27.♕d3
 (♘27.♙c2) 27...♘e4 Navrotescu,A
 (2200)-Cosman,A (2115) London ENG
 2024 0-1 (33)]
 [13.exf5 ♘e7]
13...♘f6 Hoping for ...exf4. **14.0-0 0-0**

15.fxe5 dxe5 Threatens to win with ...
 Bxc3. **16.exf5 ♕b7 17.d6 ♕xc3**
18.bxc3 ♕d5 19.a4 a5 20.♙b1
 White wants to play Bg5. **20...♙xd6**
21.♘h5 ♘fd7 22.f6 g6
 [22...gxf6 23.♕g4±]
23.♙d2
 [23.♕g5±]
23...♙f7↑ Black is pushing. **24.♙g5?!**
 Inaccuracy. Ng3 was best.
 [24.♘g3! ♙xf6 25.♙xf6 ♙xf6 26.♕g4
 e4 27.♕xd7 e3! 28.♙xe3 ♘xd7
 29.♕a3 ♕c6]
 [24.♘g3!= keeps the balance.]
24...♕e4?! Inaccuracy. Nxa4 was best.
 [24...♘xa4]
 [24...♘xa4? 25.♙g3-+]
 [Black should try 24...♙h8± 25.♘g3
 ♘xa4]
25.♙xb6 ♘xb6 26.♘g3 ♕c2
 aiming for ...Kh8. **27.h5?** Mistake. Bf3
 was best.
 [27.♕f3!]
 [27.♕f3!±]
27...♙af8± 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.♘h5 ♙h7
30.♘g3?! Inaccuracy. Rd1 was best.
 [30.♙d1 ♙c6! 31.♙d2 ♙h8 32.f7
 gxh5 33.♙xc2 ♙hxf7 34.♙xh5+ ♙h7
 35.♙xe5+ ♙g8]
 [30.♙d1± ♙c6 31.♕e3]
30...♙h8
 [Weaker is 30...♘xa4 31.♕xc4+ ♙h8
 32.f7=]
31.♙f2 [#] 31...♕b1!
 [Don't take 31...♘xa4 32.♕xc4 ♕d3
 33.♕xd3±]
32.♘f1 ♘d7 33.♘e3 ♕d3
 [Resist 33...♙xf6 34.♘xc4 ♙e6
 35.♙xf6-+]
34.♘xc4 ♕xc4 35.♕xc4 ♙xf6 36.♙d2
♙f8 37.♙d1 [#] 37...♙f5! 38.♙xg6?
 Mistake. Rf1 was best.
 [38.♙f1 ♙xf1+ 39.♕xf1 ♙g7 40.♕d3
 ♙d6 41.♕e4 ♙h5 42.♙g4 ♘f8
 43.♕c2 e4]
 [38.♙f1 is the only way for White.

♖xf1+ 39.♙xf1]
38...♖fh5+ **39.♗xh5 ♖xh5 40.♖xd7 ♗f6** Strongly threatening ...Qh4. **41.♙e2 ♖h7 42.♖d3 ♗h4 43.♙d2 ♗h1+ 44.♙f2 ♖f7+** **45.♙g3??** Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rf3 was best.

[45.♖f3 ♗h4+ 46.♙f1 ♖xf3+ 47.gxf3 ♗xa4 48.♙e3 ♖c2 49.♙f2 a4 50.♙xc5 ♗xc3]
45...♖g7+ 46.♙g4 ♗h5 Accuracy: White = 60%, Black = 89%.
0-1

E20

♖ **Erigaisi Arjun** **2761**
 ♜ **Maghsoodloo,Parham** **2732**
 Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.f3 c5 5.d5 b5 6.e4 0-0 7.e5 ♘e8 8.f4 exd5 9.cxd5 d6 10.♘f3 c4 11.a4 dxe5 12.fxe5 ♙g4N

[RR 12...♘d7 13.♙e2 ♘b6 14.♙d2 ♙b7 15.d6 f6 16.♘xb5 ♙xd2+ 17.♗xd2 fxe5 18.a5 ♙xf3 19.♙xf3 e4 20.♙e2 ♘d7 21.0-0-0 ♙h8 22.♘c7 ♘c5 23.♗d5 ♘d3+ 24.♙xd3 ♘xc7 25.♗xc4 exd3 26.dxc7 ♖c8 27.♖hf1 Royal,S (2455)-Petrov,M (2520) Southend ENG 2024 1-0 (31)]

13.axb5 ♘d7 14.♙f4 ♘c7 15.♙xc4 ♘b6 16.♙e2 ♘bxd5 17.♙d2 ♙c5 18.♗a4 ♗d7 19.♗c4 ♙b6 20.♘a4 ♙xf3 21.♙xf3 ♖ae8 22.0-0-0 ♖xe5

[22...♖e7]
23.♖he1 ♗f5 24.♖xe5 ♗xe5 25.♖e1 ♗d6 26.♗c6 ♖d8 27.♘xb6 axb6 28.♖d1 ♘e7 29.♗xd6 ♖xd6 30.♙e3 ♖xd1+ 31.♙xd1 ♘ed5 32.♙f2 f5 33.♙d2 ♙f7 34.♙d3 g5 35.♙c4 ♙e6 36.h3 ♙e5 37.♙d4+ ♙d6 38.g4 f4 39.♙e4 h6 40.♙f3 ♙e6 41.♙g7 ♙f7 42.♙d4 ♙e6 43.♙g7 ♙f7 44.♙d4 ♙e6 45.♙e4 ♙d6 46.♙h1 ♙e6 47.♙f3 ♙d6 48.b3 ♙e6 49.♙g7 ♙f7 50.♙d4 ♙e6

51.♙g7 ♙f7 52.♙d4
 1/2-1/2

E24

♖ **Dudin,Gleb** **2554**
 ♜ **Artemiev,Vladislav** **2705**
 Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.a3 ♙xc3+ 5.bxc3 ♘c6 6.f3 b6 7.e4 h6N

[RR 7...d6 8.♘e2 (8.♙d3=) 8...♘a5 9.♘g3 ♗d7 10.♙g5 ♙a6 11.c5 (11.d5= remains equal.) 11...♙xf1 12.♘xf1 dxc5 13.dxc5 ♗xd1+ 14.♖xd1 ♘d7 15.cxb6 axb6 16.♘d2 (16.♘e3♯ keeps fighting.) 16...♘e5 17.0-0 ♘ac6 18.f4 ♘d3 19.♘c4 (19.♘f3♯ ♘b2 20.♖a1) 19...♘c5 20.f5 ♘xe4 21.♙f4 ♘xc3 22.♖de1 Badelka,O (2377)-Boyer,M (2415) chess.com INT 2024 0-1]

[RR 7...d6 8.♙d3 ♘a5 9.♘h3 ♙a6 10.♗e2 ♗d7 11.♖b1 c5 12.♙g5 h6 13.♙xf6! gxf6 14.♘f4 (14.0-0±) 14...h5 15.h4 0-0-0 16.♙f2 ♗a4 17.♙c2 ♗xa3 18.♖hc1? (18.♗d2♯ was necessary. cxd4 19.cxd4 ♘xc4 20.♗c1) 18...♗xc3 19.d5 ♙xc4 20.♙d3 ♗d4+ 21.♙f1 exd5 22.♙xc4 Caspi,I (2471)-Rasulov,V (2538) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (35)]

[RR 7...e5 7...♙a6 -0.17 8.♘e2 d6 9.♘g3 ♘a5 10.♙d3 h5 11.h4 ♗d7 12.♙g5 ♙a6 (♠12...♘h7) 13.♘f5 ♖g8 14.♙xf6 (♠14.0-0) 14...gxf6 15.0-0 0-0-0 (15...♙xc4± 16.♖b1 c6) 16.a4 ♙b8 17.♖f2 ♖de8 18.♙f1 ♙c8 19.♖d2 ♗d8 20.c5 ♙xf5! 21.exf5 dxc5 22.dxe5 Tan,J (2315)-Barbosa,E (2491) Prague CZE 2024 1/2-1/2 (45)]

8.♙d3 The position is equal. **8...♘a5 9.♘h3 d6 10.0-0 ♙a6 11.f4 ♘d7 12.e5 ♗e7 13.c5** [#] Strongly threatening cxd6. **13...♙xd3 14.cxd6 cxd6 15.♗xd3 ♘b3 16.♖b1 ♘xc1**

17.♖bxc1 0-0 18.♔b5 dxe5 19.fxe5 f6
20.exf6 ♖xf6 21.♔c6 ♖af8 22.♔c7 ♔f7
23.♖xf6

[23.♖f2? 23.♖fe1 -0.05 ♖f4??
(23...♖xf2+ 24.♔c4 ♖b2) 24.♖xf4
♗f6]

[23.♖fe1 looks sharper. a5 24.c4 ♖f5
25.♔h1 e5 26.c5]

23...♗xf6 24.♔xf7+ ♔xf7= Endgame
KRN-KRN 25.♗f4 ♖c8 26.♗d3 ♔e8
27.a4 ♗e4 28.c4 ♖d8 29.♗f4 ♔e7
30.♗e2 ♖c8 31.h3 e5?! Inaccuracy.
Nd2 was best.

[31...♗d2 32.c5 bxc5! 33.dxc5 ♗b3
34.♖c4 ♖xc5 35.♖b4 ♗a5 36.♗d4
♖c7 37.♖b8]

32.dxe5 ♔e6 33.a5! ♗d2 34.axb6
axb6 35.c5?! Inaccuracy. Re1 was best.
[35.♖e1 ♔xe5]

[35.♖e1=]

35...bxc5? 36.♖c2?! Inaccuracy. Ra1
was best.

[36.♖a1 ♖b8 37.♖a7 g5 38.♔f2
♔xe5 39.♖e7+ ♔d6 40.♖h7 ♗e4+
41.♔e3 ♖b2]

[36.♖a1? was called for.]

36...♗e4+ 37.♗d4+ ♔xe5 38.♗f3+
♔f4 39.♖c4 ♔e3 40.♗e5 intending
Ng4+. 40...♖e8 41.♗d7?! Inaccuracy.
Nf3 was best.

[41.♗f3 ♔d3 42.♖c1 ♖e7 43.♖d1+
♔c2 44.♖d5 c4 45.♗d4+ ♔b2
46.♗f5 ♖c7]

41...♔d3 42.♖c1?! Inaccuracy. Ra4 was
best.

[42.♖a4 c4 43.♗b6 c3 44.♗d5 c2
45.♗b4+ ♔c3 46.♗xc2 ♔xc2 47.♖a7
♖g8]

42...c4 Accuracy: White = 70%, Black =
87%.

0-1

□ Raja Rithvik R E32
2523
■ Seemann, Jakub 2474
Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♖b4 4.♔c2
0-0 5.e4 d5 6.e5 ♗e4 7.♗d3 c5
8.♗f3 cxd4 9.♗xd4 ♗d7 10.♗f4 ♗dc5
11.0-0 ♖xc3 12.bxc3 ♗xd3 13.♔xd3
b6 14.cxd5 ♔xd5 15.♖fd1 ♖b7 16.c4

[RR 16.f3 ♗c5 17.♔e2 ♖a6 18.♗b5
♖xb5 19.♔xb5 ♔b7 20.♖ab1 ♖fc8
21.♖d6 ♔a6 22.♔xa6 ♗xa6 23.♖bd1
h6 24.♖1d3 ♗c7 25.c4 ♗a6
26.♖3d4 ♗b4 27.♗d2 ♗c6 28.♖e4
♖c7 29.♗e3 ♗e7 30.g4 ♖ac8
Rounaiv Rana (2099)-Khripachenko, A
(2296) Belgrade SRB 2024 0-1 (55)]

16...♔a5N

[RR 16...♔d8 17.♔h3 ♔c8 18.♖ac1
a6 19.♔g4 f5 20.exf6 ♖xf6 21.f3
♗c5 22.♗b3 ♖g6 23.♔h5 e5 24.♗g3
e4 25.♗xc5 bxc5 26.fxe4 ♖xe4
27.♖d6 ♔b7 28.♖d2 ♔c6 29.♔e5
♖e8 30.♔c7 ♔xc7 31.♗xc7
Getman, T (2188)-Arabidze, M (2462)
Samarkand UZB 2023 ½-½ (42)]

17.♗b5 ♖c6 18.a4 ♔b4 19.♔d4 ♖fc8
20.♗d6 ♗xd6 21.exd6 ♗d7 22.♗h6
gxh6 23.♔g4+ ♔h8
½-½

□ Dronavalli, Harika E32
2503
■ Petrosyan, Manuel 2616
Sharjah Master 2024 (1.36) 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♖b4 4.♔c2
0-0 5.e4 d5 6.e5 ♗e4 7.♗d3 c5
8.♗f3 cxd4 9.♗xd4 ♗d7 10.♗f4 ♔h4
11.g3 ♔h5 12.0-0 g5 13.cxd5 gxf4
14.dxe6 ffg3 15.hxg3 ♗xc3?
Mistake. Bxc3 was best.

[15...♗xc3 16.bxc3 ♗xe5 17.♗xe4
♗g4 18.♗f3 ♖xe6 19.♖fe1 f5

20.♙xb7 ♖ab8 21.♚e2]
16.exd7?? Blunder. Kg2 was best.
 [16.♔g2 fxe6 17.bxc3 ♖f7 18.♞h1
 ♙xc3 19.♙xh7+ ♔g7 20.♞ad1 ♞xe5
 21.♙e4 ♖f6]
16...♙xd7 17.bxc3 ♖ac8 18.♚d1 ♚xd1
19.♞axd1 ♙xc3 20.♙f5 ♖c4 21.♙xd7
♞xd4 22.♞xd4 ♙xd4 23.♞e1N
 [RR 23.e6 fxe6 24.♙xe6+ ♔g7
 25.♔g2 ♖d8 26.♞d1 ♙b6 27.♞xd8
 ♙xd8 28.♙b3 ♙f6 29.♙e6 ♙d8
 30.♙b3 ♙f6 31.♙e6 ♙d8 ½-½ (31)
 Van Foreest,L (2512)-Ali Marandi,C
 (2516) Saint Louis USA 2024]
23...♞d8 24.e6 fxe6 25.♙xe6+ ♔g7
26.♔g2 b5 27.♙b3 ♞d7 28.♞d1 a5
29.a4 bxa4 30.♙xa4 ♞d6 31.f4 ♙c5
32.♞xd6 ♙xd6 33.♔f3 h6 34.g4 ♔f6
35.g5+
 ½-½

E32

☐ **Aravindh,Chithambaram VR.** 2670
 ■ **Krzyzanowski,Marcin** 2526
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.d4 ♞f6 2.c4 e6 3.♞c3 ♙b4 4.♚c2
0-0 5.e4 d6 6.a3 ♙xc3+! 7.bxc3 e5
8.♙d3 ♖e8 White is slightly better. **9.♞e2**
c5N
 [RR 9...♚e7 10.f3 ♞bd7 11.a4 a5
 12.♙g5 ♞f8 13.h4 h6 14.♙e3 exd4
 15.cxd4 d5 16.cxd5 ♞xd5 17.♙d2
 ♞b4 18.♙xb4 axb4 19.0-0 c6
 20.♚d2 ♖d8 21.♞fd1 ♙e6 22.a5 ♖a7
 23.♚e3 [#] (23.♞db1= keeps the
 balance.) 23...♞da8! 24.f4 Sulypa,A
 (2451)-Bernasek,J (2515) Czech
 Republic CZE 2024 0-1 (40)]

10.d5 ♞bd7 11.f3 ♞f8 12.♙e3 ♞g6
13.h4 ♞h5 14.♚d2 h6 [#] 15.♔f2! f5?!
 Inaccuracy. a6 was best.
 [15...a6 16.a4]
 [♔15...a6 16.♞ab1 ♞f6]
16.exf5+- e4 17.♙xe4

[Less strong is 17.fxg6 exd3 18.♚xd3
 ♖f6±]
 [17.fxe4 ♞e5±]
17...♞e5 18.♞f4 ♞xc4 19.♚e2 ♞xf4
 [19...♞xe3 was necessary. 20.♚xe3
 ♞xf4 21.♚xf4 ♖f6]
20.♙xf4
 [Don't take 20.♚xc4 ♞h5]
20...b5 next ...Bxf5! is good for Black.
21.g4 ♖b8 22.♚c2 ♞e5 23.g5 h5
24.♞ab1 a5 25.♞hg1 ♔h8 26.♙xe5
dx5 27.♚e2 aiming for f4. **27...c4**
28.♞g3 ♖f8 29.♚c2 ♚b6+?! Inaccuracy.
 Qd6 was best.

[29...♚d6 30.g6 ♔g8 31.♞g5 ♖f6
 32.♞xh5 ♙d7 33.♔g2 ♖bf8 34.♞d1
 a4 35.♞g5]
30.♔g2 ♚e3 [#] 31.f4! ♚xf4 32.♞f1
♚xh4 33.♞h1 ♚f4 34.♞f1
 [But not 34.♞xh5+ ♔g8]
34...♚h4 If only Black now had time for ...
 g6!... **35.♞h1 ♚f4 36.♞xh5+ ♔g8 37.f6**
 Threatening mate with Bh7+. **37...gxf6**
38.gxf6+ ♔f7 39.♙g6+ ♔xf6
 Threatens to win with ...Ke7. **40.♞f3**
♞g8?! Inaccuracy. Qxf3+ was best.

[40...♚xf3+ 41.♔xf3]
41.♞xf4+ exf4 42.♞f5+ ♙xf5 43.♚xf5+
 Double Attack **43...♔g7 44.♚f7+ ♔h6**
45.♚h7+ ♔g5 46.♚h5+ ♔f6 47.♚f5+
 Double Attack **47...♔g7 48.♔f3**
 Accuracy: White = 98%, Black = 48%.
1-0

E32

☐ **Dronavalli,Harika** 2503
 ■ **Peralta,Fernando** 2573
 Sharjah Master 2024 16.05.2024

1.d4 ♞f6 2.c4 e6 3.♞c3 ♙b4 4.♚c2
d6 5.e3 c5N
 [RR 5...e5 6.♙d3 0-0 7.♞ge2 ♞c6
 8.0-0 ♙xc3 9.♚xc3 a5 10.♞g3 d5
 11.dxe5 ♞g4 12.cxd5 ♞cxe5 13.♙e2
 ♚xd5 14.♚xc7 ♙e6 15.♞d1 ♚c6

16.♙xc6 ♖xc6 17.♕d2 ♗ge5 18.♕c3 f6 19.f4 ♗c4 20.e4 Bok,B (2620)-Martinez Ramirez,L (2442) chess.com INT 2024 1-0]
 [RR 5...♗bd7 6.♕d3 b6 7.♗ge2 ♕b7 8.a3 ♕xc3+ 9.♗xc3 e5 10.0-0 0-0 11.b3 ♖e8 12.♕b2 ♗f8 13.d5 ♗6d7 14.b4 g6 15.f4 f5 16.e4 fxe4 17.♗xe4 exf4 18.♖xf4 ♗e5 19.♗f6+ ♔g7 20.♗xe8+ Holt,C (2540)-Silva,M (2211) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (43)]
 6.♗f3 0-0 7.♕d3 d5 8.a3 ♕xc3+ 9.♙xc3
 [9.bxc3]
 9...cxd4 10.exd4 dxc4 11.♕xc4 b6 12.♕g5 ♕b7 13.♙d3 ♗bd7 14.0-0 ♖c8 15.♖ac1 h6 16.♕d2 ♗d5 17.♗e5 ♗xe5 18.dxe5 ♙h4 19.♕xd5 ♕xd5 20.♙g3 ♙h5 21.h3 ♖fd8 22.♕f4 ♕b7 23.♔h2 ♔h7 24.♖xc8 ♖xc8 25.♙d3+ ♙g6 26.♙xg6+ ♔xg6 27.♖c1 ♖xc1 28.♕xc1 ♔f5 29.♕d2 g6 1/2-1/2

E36

□ Blohberger,Felix 2505
 ■ Ter-Sahakyan,Samvel 2650
 Sharjah Master 2024 20.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♕b4 4.♙c2 d5 5.a3 ♕xc3+ 6.♙xc3 h6N
 [RR 6...c5 7.dxc5 d4 8.♙f3 e5 9.♕g5 a5 10.e3 ♗c6 11.b3 ♙e7 12.♕xf6 gxf6 13.♕d3 dxe3 14.fxe3 ♙xc5 15.♗e2 f5 16.♕xf5 ♕xf5 17.♙xf5 ♙xe3 18.♖f1 0-0 19.♖f3 ♙xe2+ 20.♔xe2 ♗d4+ 21.♔e3 Tkachyov,A (2078)-Sapenov,D (2350) Astana KAZ 2023 1/2-1/2]
 [RR 6...c5 7.dxc5 d4 8.♙c2 a5 9.♗f3 ♗c6 10.♕g5 ♙e7 11.e3 ♙xc5 12.♕e2 dxe3 13.♕xe3 ♙e7 14.b3 0-0 15.0-0 e5 16.♙b2 ♕g4 17.b4 axb4 18.axb4 e4 19.♕c5 ♙c7 20.♗d4 ♗xd4 21.♕xd4 Pesotskiy,M

(2136)-Herman,D (1927) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (43)]

[RR 6...a5 7.♕f4 c6 8.e3 0-0 9.♗f3 ♗e4 10.♙c2 b6 11.♕d3 ♕a6 12.0-0 ♗f6 13.♗e5 dxc4 14.♕xc4 ♕xc4 15.♙xc4 ♙d5 16.♖ac1 b5 17.♙xd5 cxd5 18.♖c7 ♗a6 19.♖c6 a4 20.♖fc1 b4 21.♗d3 loannidis,E (2519)-Buenafe Moya,J (2136) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (62)]

7.♗f3 0-0 8.e3 b6 9.b3 ♕b7 10.♕e2 ♗bd7 11.♕b2 ♖c8 12.0-0

[12.♔f1]

12...c5 13.♖ac1 ♗e4 14.♙d3 ♙e7 15.♖fd1 ♖fd8 16.h3 ♗d6 17.cxd5 ♕xd5 18.♗d2 ♕c6 19.♙b1 cxd4 20.♕xd4 ♗f5 21.♕b2 ♗h4 22.g3 ♗g6 23.♕f3 ♗de5 24.♕xc6 ♖xc6 25.♖xc6 ♗xc6 26.♗f3 ♖xd1+ 27.♙xd1 ♗f8 28.♙d3 ♙d7 29.♙xd7

[29.♙d5?? Blunder. Qc4 was best.

♙d6?? Blunder. exd5 was best.

(29...exd5 30.b4 ♗e6 31.h4 h5

32.a4 ♔h8 33.a5 b5 34.♕d4 ♙c8

35.♕c3) 30.♙xd6 ♗d7?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. Na5 was best.

(30...♗a5 31.♙d1 ♗b7 32.b4 a5

33.♔h1 axb4 34.axb4 f6 35.h4 ♔f7

36.e4]

[29.♙c4 ♗a5]

29...♗xd7 30.b4 f6 31.♔f1 ♔f7

32.♔e2 e5 33.e4 ♗d8 34.♔d3 ♗b7

35.♕c1 ♗d6 36.g4 b5 37.♕e3 a6

38.♗d2 ♔e6 39.h4 ♔f7 40.h5 ♔e8

41.f3 ♔d8 42.♔c3 ♔e8 43.♔d3 ♔d8

44.♔c3 ♔e8 1/2-1/2

E38

□ Erdogmus,Yagiz Kaan 2553

■ Banusz,Tamas 2623

Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♕b4 4.♙c2 c5 5.dxc5 ♙a5 6.♕d2 ♙xc5 7.e3 d5

8.a3N

[RR 8.cxd5 ♖xd5 9.♖c1 ♗c6 10.♗f3 ♘xc3 11.♙xc3 ♗xc3 12.♚xc3 ♚xc3+ 13.♖xc3 a6 14.♙e2 ♔e7 15.0-0 ♙d7 16.♖fc1 ♖ac8 17.a3 f6 18.♗d2 ♗a5 19.b4 ♖xc3 20.♖xc3 ♗c6 21.♗e4 ♖c8 22.♗c5 ♗b8 Marcolino,A (1925)-Felix,J (1703) Florianopolis BRA 2024 1/2-1/2 (49)]

8...♙xc3 9.♙xc3 dxc4 10.♙b4 ♚c6 11.♚xc4 ♚xc4 12.♙xc4 ♗c6 13.♙c3 ♗e4 14.♖c1 ♗xc3 15.♖xc3 ♔e7 16.♗f3 ♙d7 17.♔e2 ♖ac8 18.♖hc1 ♗a5 19.♙d3 ♖xc3 20.♖xc3 ♖c8 21.♖xc8 ♙xc8 22.♗e5 f6 23.b4 fxe5 24.bxa5 h6 25.♙e4 b6 26.axb6 axb6 27.♔d3 ♔d6 28.♔c4 ♙d7 29.♔b4 ♙e8 30.f3 ♙d7 31.a4 ♙e8 32.♙d3 g5 33.g4 1/2-1/2

□ Sjugirov,Sanan 2691
 ■ Mchedlishvili,Mikheil 2567
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.e3 c5 5.♙d3 ♗c6 6.♗ge2 cxd4 7.exd4 d5 8.cxd5 ♗xd5 9.0-0 0-0 10.a3 ♙d6 11.♖e1 ♚h4 12.g3 ♚h5 13.♗xd5 exd5 14.♙f4 ♙e7N

[RR 14...♖d8 15.♚d2 ♙f8 16.♙c7 ♖d7 17.♙a5 ♗xa5 18.♚xa5 ♚g5 19.♗f4 ♚d8 20.♚b5 g6 21.♙f1 a6 22.♚a4 ♙h6 23.♗d3 ♔f8 24.♙g2 ♖d6 25.h4 ♙f5 26.♗c5 ♚b6 27.b4 ♚c7 28.♚d1 b6 29.g4 Robson,R (2696)-Aronian,L (2722) Saint Louis USA 2024 1/2-1/2 (56)]

[RR 14...♖d8 15.♚d2 ♙f8 16.♙c7 ♖d7 17.♙a5 g5 18.♙b4 ♗xb4 19.axb4 ♖d8 20.♗c3 ♙xb4 21.h4 ♙g4 22.♚xg5+ ♚xg5 23.hxg5 a5 24.♖e3 ♙xc3 25.bxc3 a4 26.♖a3 ♙d1 27.♖e7 ♙b3 28.♖xb7 ♖dc8

29.♖axb3 So,W (2757)-Robson,R (2696) Saint Louis USA 2024 1/2-1/2 (50)]

15.♚b3 ♙h3 16.♙e3 ♙d6 17.♗c3 ♖fd8 18.♙e2 ♙g4 19.♙xg4 ♚xg4 20.♚xb7 ♗e7 21.♚a6 ♗f5 22.♚e2 ♚g6 23.♖ad1 ♖ab8?! Inaccuracy. h5 was best.

[23...h5 24.♙c1]
 24.♙c1 h5 25.♖d3 ♖e8 26.♚d1 h4 27.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 28.g4 ♗e7 29.h3 f5 30.♖e3 ♖f8 31.♚e2 ♖f6 32.f3 fxg4 33.fxg4 ♚f7 34.♗b5 ♙h2+ 35.♔g2 ♗g6?! Inaccuracy. Bg3 was best.

[35...♙g3 36.♖f3 ♗g6 37.♖xf6 ♚xf6 38.♗c3 ♚xd4 39.♚e6+ ♔h8 40.♚c8+ ♔h7 41.♚f5]
 36.♖e8+ ♔h7 37.g5 ♖f2+ 38.♚xf2 ♚xe8 39.♗c3 ♙b8 40.♚f3 ♚c6 41.♙e3 a5 42.♚xd5?! Inaccuracy. Kg1 was best.

[42.♔g1 ♙g3 43.♚xd5 ♚b6 44.♚f3 ♔g8 45.♚e4 ♔h7 46.♙c1 ♚b3 47.♚f5 ♚b6]

42...♚b6 43.♗d1 ♙f4 44.♚f3 ♙xe3 45.♚xe3 ♚c6+ 46.♔g1 ♚c2 47.♗f2 ♚xb2 48.♔g2 ♚b5 49.♔h2 ♚f5 50.♗d3 ♚d5 51.♗e1 ♚a2+ 52.♔g1 ♚b1 53.♔h2 ♚a2+ 54.♔g1 ♚b1 55.♚d2 ♚b3 56.♚d3 ♚e6 57.♗g2 ♔h8 58.♚f3 ♚d6 59.♚e4 a4 60.d5 ♔h7 61.♗xh4 ♚g3+ 62.♗g2 ♚xa3 63.h4 ♚a1+ 64.♗e1 ♚e5 65.♚xe5 ♗xe5 66.♔f2 ♔g6 67.♗c2 ♗c4 68.♔e2 1/2-1/2

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 ■ Aravindh,Chithambaram VR. 2670
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.e3 c5 5.♙d3 d5 6.cxd5 ♗xd5 7.♗ge2 cxd4 8.exd4 ♗c6 9.0-0 0-0 10.a3 ♙e7 11.♙e4N

[RR 11.♖xd5 ♔xd5 12.♙e3 g6
13.♗c3 ♔d8 14.♙b5 ♙f6 15.♙xc6
bxc6 16.♗f3 ♙d7 17.♗fd1 ♖b8 18.b4
♙g7 19.♗e4 ♗e7 20.♗c5 ♗fd8
21.♗ac1 ♙e8 22.♙f4 ♖bc8 23.♙e5
♗d5 24.♙xg7 ♖xg7 25.♗e4 ♗f6
Al-Blooshi,H (2200)-Piddubna,B (2005)
chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (72)]

[RR 11.♗e1 ♙f6 12.♗c2 h6 13.♗xd5
♗xd5 14.♙e4 ♗xd4 15.♗xd4 ♗xd4
16.♗d1 ♗e5 17.♖b1 ♖b8 18.g3 g5
19.b4 ♗c3 20.♗e2 ♙g7 21.h4 gxh4
22.♙b2 ♗c7 23.♙xg7 ♖xg7 24.♗g4+
♖h8 25.♗xh4 f5 Agibileg,U (2445)-
Zhukov,M (1835) chess.com INT 2024
1-0 (33)]

11...♙f6 12.♗d3 g6 13.♙h6 ♙g7
14.♙xg7 White is better. 14...♖xg7
15.♗fe1 ♗d6 16.♗b5 ♗b8 17.♙xd5
exd5 18.♗f3 ♙e6 19.♗ad1 a6
20.♗bc3 ♗d6 21.h4 f6 22.♗f4 ♙f7
23.♗fxd5 ♗ad8 24.♗e3
[24.♗b4±]

24...♗xd4= 25.♗xb7 ♗d7 26.♗b4
♗xb4 27.axb4 ♖b8 28.♗cd5↑
White has good play. 28...♗b5 29.♗f4
♗d4? [#] Mistake. Rbd8 was best.

[29...♗bd8 30.♗xd7 ♗xd7 31.♗a1
♗d6 32.♗a5 ♖f8 33.♗e2 ♗d4
34.♗c3 ♗b3 35.♗a3]
[29...♗d4= and Black stays safe.]

30.♗h5+!+- ♖f8?! Inaccuracy. Kh8 was
best.

[30...♖h8 31.♗xf6 ♖b6 32.♗xd4
♗xd4 33.♗ed5 ♖b7 34.♗a1 ♖b5
35.♗a5 ♖g7 [#] 36.♗xb5!]

[♠30...♖h8]
[30...gxh5 31.♗f5+]

31.♗xf6 ♖g7 32.♗d7 ♖b7 33.♗c5
Double Attack 33...♖b6 34.h5 ♖xb4?
Mistake. Rxd1 was best.

[34...♗xd1 35.♗xd1 gxh5 36.♖h2
♙e6 37.f4 ♙g4 38.♗xg4 hxg4
39.♖g3 ♗d6 40.♖xg4]
[♠34...♗bd6 35.♗xd4 ♗xd4 36.hxg6
(36.♗xa6 ♗d2+-) 36...hxg6 37.♗xa6

♗d2]

35.♗d7 ♗d4 36.h6+! ♖g8 37.♗g4 g5
38.♗ee7 ♙g6 39.♗e5 ♗xd7 40.♗cxd7
♗d6?! Inaccuracy. Nd4 was best.

[40...♗d4 41.♗xb6 ♗f5 42.♗a7
♗xh6 43.♗d5 ♗f5 44.♗f6+ ♖f8
45.♗f3 ♗e7 46.♗xg5]

41.♗g7+ ♖h8 42.♗f8?! Inaccuracy.
Ng4 was best.

[42.♗g4 ♗xd7 43.♗xd7 ♖g8 44.♗e5
♙e8 45.♗g7+ ♖f8 46.♗xh7 ♗d6
47.♗h8+ ♖e7]

42...♙h5 43.♗xh7+ ♖g8 44.♗ed7??
Blunder. Rg7+ was best.

[44.♗g7+ ♖xf8 45.♗d7+ ♗xd7
46.♗xd7 ♖g8 47.♗g7+ ♖h8 48.♗xg5
♙e2 49.♗g6 a5]

[44.♗g7+- ♖xf8 45.♗d7+ ♗xd7
46.♗xd7]

44...♗d4± 45.♗g7+

[45.g4+- ♙xg4 46.♗g7+ ♖h8
47.♗g6+ ♗xg6 48.♗xg6 ♙xd7
49.♗xa6]

45...♖h8 ...Ne2+ is the strong threat.

46.♗h7+

[46.♗xg5 ♗e2+ 47.♖h2 ♖xh6±]

46...♖g8 47.g4

[47.♗g7+- and White stays clearly on
top. ♖h8 48.♗h7+ (48.♗xg5 ♗e2+
49.♖h2 ♙e8±) 48...♖g8]

47...♗e2+

[47...♙xg4± 48.♗g7+ ♖h8]

48.♖f1?? Blunder. Kh2 was best.

[48.♖h2 ♙e8 49.♗g7+ ♖h8 50.♖g2
♗f4+ 51.♖f3 ♖xh6 52.♗xg5 ♗d3
53.♖g3 ♗d6]

[Better is 48.♖h2+- ♙xg4 49.♗g7+
Double Attack ♖h8 50.♗g6+ ♗xg6
51.♗xg6 ♙xd7 52.♗xa6 (52.♗xg5
♙b5±)]

48...♗f4 49.♗g7+ ♖h8 50.♗h7+ ♖g8

51.f3 ♙e8 52.♗g7+ ♖h8 53.♗h7+ ♖g8

54.♗g7+ ♖h8 [#] 55.♗e5?! Inaccuracy.

Re7 was best.

[55.♗e7 55.♖e1 1.30]

[55.♖e1!±]

55...Rhx6= The position is equal. 56.Rxe7
 ♖b5+ 57.♔e1 Black must now prevent
 Nf7+. 57...♗g8 58.♘fd7 ♕xd7
 59.♘xd7 Endgame KRN-KRN

[Avoid the trap 59.Rxd7? Re6-+]

59...Rhh1+ 60.♔d2 aiming for Nf6+.
 60...Rhh2+ 61.♔d1 Rxb2 62.♘f6+ ♗f8
 63.Ra7 ♘h3 64.♔e1 Ra2 65.♘e4 Ra3
 66.♘d2 ♘f4 67.♔f2 Ra2 68.♔e3

[68.Ra8+ feels hotter. ♗g7 69.♔e3
 ♘g2+ 70.♔e2 ♘f4+ 71.♔d1]

68...♘d5+ 69.♔e2 ♘f4+ 70.♔d1 Ra1+
 71.♔c2 Ra2+ 72.♔c3 ♘d5+ 73.♔d3
 ♘f4+ 74.♔e3 ♘d5+ 75.♔e2 ♘f4+

Accuracy: White = 77%, Black = 74%.

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E42

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■ Krzyzanowski,Marcin 2526

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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♖b4 4.e3 c5
 5.♘ge2 b6 6.a3 ♕a5 7.Rb1 ♘a6
 8.♘g3 ♖b7 9.f3 0-0 10.♕e2N

[RR 10.♕d3 d5 11.0-0 dxc4 12.♕xc4
 ♗e7 13.♘ce4 ♘d5 14.dxc5 bxc5
 15.♗e2 ♘ac7 16.♘d2 ♘b6 17.♕d3
 Rfd8 18.b4 ♘a4 19.bxa5 ♘c3
 20.♗f2 ♘xb1 21.♕xb1 ♕a6 22.Re1
 Rab8 23.♕c2 c4 24.e4 c3

Olsen,F (2440)-Vinter Schou,U (2345)
 Kolding DEN 2024 1-0 (42)]

10...d5 11.0-0 Rxc8?! Inaccuracy. Bxc3
 was best.

[11...♕xc3 12.bxc3]

12.♘b5 Ra8 13.♗c2 h5 14.cxd5
 exd5?! Inaccuracy. Nxd5 was best.

[14...♘xd5 15.e4 ♘ab4 16.♗d2 ♘a2
 17.b4 cxb4 18.exd5 ♘xc1 19.axb4
 ♘xe2+ 20.♘xe2]

15.♘f5 ♘e8 16.e4 g6 17.♘e3 dxe4
 18.d5 exf3 19.♕xf3 ♗d7 20.♕e2 ♘g7
 21.b3 Rfe8?! Inaccuracy. Rae8 was
 best.

[21...Rae8 22.♕d3]

22.Rf3?! Inaccuracy. Bc4 was best.

[22.♕c4]

22...♔h7?! Inaccuracy. Re7 was best.

[22...Re7 23.♕b2]

23.♕b2 f5 24.Rbf1 Rf8 25.Rg3 Rae8

26.♕xg7 ♔xg7?! Inaccuracy. Rxe3 was
 best.

[26...Rxe3 27.Rxe3 ♔xg7 28.♕xh5
 ♗xd5 29.Rg3 c4 30.Rxg6+ ♔h7
 31.Rg3 ♗c5+ 32.♔h1]

27.Rxf5 Rxe3 28.Rfg5 Re7?

Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rf5 was
 best.

[28...Rf5 29.Rxg6+ ♔h7 30.Rg7+
 ♗xg7 31.♗xf5+ ♔g8 32.Rxg7+ ♔xg7
 33.♗g5+ ♔f8 34.♗xe3]

29.♗xg6+ ♔h8 30.♗h6+

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E46

□ Peralta,Fernando 2573

■ Seemann,Jakub 2474

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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♖b4 4.e3
 0-0 5.♕d2 d5 6.♘f3 b6 7.cxd5 exd5
 8.♕d3 ♖b7 9.Rc1

[RR 9.♗c2 ♘bd7 10.0-0-0 c5
 11.♔b1 Rxc8 12.g4 cxd4 13.♘xd4
 ♘e5 14.♕f5 Rxc7 15.g5 ♘e4
 16.♘xe4 Rxc2 17.♕xb4 Rxc7 18.♕xf8
 ♗xf8 19.♘d2 g6 20.♕c2 ♕a6
 21.♘2b3 ♗c8 22.h4 ♘f3 23.♘xf3
 Rxc2 Nguyen Ngoc Truong Son (2633)-
 Pranav,V (2611) chess.com INT 2024
 0-1]

9...♕e7 10.0-0 c5 11.♘e5 ♕d6N

[RR 11...♘c6 12.♘e2 Rxc8 13.f4 ♕d6
 14.♕c3 Re8 15.♘g3 cxd4 16.exd4
 b5 17.♕xb5 ♗b6 18.♕xc6 ♕xc6
 19.♔h1 ♕b5 20.Re1 ♕a6 21.♗f3
 ♘e4 22.♘xe4 dxe4 23.♗xe4 ♖b7
 24.♗d3 f6 25.♘f3 ♕xf4 26.Rcd1
 Fiorito,J (2409)-Kilic,E (2439) chess.

com INT 2024 1-0 (56)]

[RR 11...a6 12.f4 ♖c6 13.♙e1 cxd4
14.♗xc6 ♙xc6 15.♗e2 ♙d7 16.♗xd4
♙e8 17.♚f3 ♗e4 18.♙xe4 dxe4
19.♚xe4 ♙c5 20.♚f3 ♙b5 21.♙f2
♙d3 22.♙c3 ♚d7 23.♙d2 ♙e4
24.♚g3 ♙f8 25.h3 f6 26.♗h2
Agasarov,B (2340)-Movahed,S (2450)

Yerevan ARM 2024 1-0 (62)]

12.♗b5 ♙e7 13.♙e1 ♗c6 14.♗xc6
♙xc6 15.dxc5 bxc5 16.♗d4 cxd4
17.♙xc6 dxe3 18.fxe3 ♙c8 19.♙xc8
♚xc8 20.♙c3 ♚e6 21.♙d4 ♗e4
22.♙xa7 ♙a8 23.♚b3 ♗d2 24.♚b7
♙xa7 25.♚xa7
1/2-1/2

E46

□ Ter-Sahakyan,Samvel 2650
■ Pranav,V 2587
Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.e3
0-0 5.♗ge2 ♙e8 6.a3 ♙f8 7.♗g3 d5
8.♙e2 b6 9.0-0 ♙b7N

[RR 9...♙a6 10.b4 ♙xc4 11.♙xc4
dxc4 12.♚e2 c5 13.♚xc4 cxd4
14.exd4 ♚c8 15.♚d3 ♚b7 16.♙g5
♗d5 17.♚f3 h6 18.♗xd5 ♚xd5
19.♚xd5 exd5 20.♙e3 ♗d7 21.♙fc1
♙ec8 22.♙xc8 ♙xc8 23.b5 ♙c4 24.a4
Drnovsek,G (2398)-Kristoferitsch,D
(2270) Austria AUT 2024 1/2-1/2 (100)]

10.b4 dxc4 11.♙xc4 ♗bd7 12.♙b1
♚c8 13.♚b3 c5 14.bxc5 bxc5
15.♙xe6 fxe6 16.♚xb7 cxd4 17.♚xc8
♙axc8 18.♗ce4 dxe3 19.♙xe3 ♙xa3
20.♙xa7 ♙c4 21.f3 ♗xe4 22.♗xe4
♗f6 23.♙b3 ♙e7 24.♗xf6+ ♙xf6
25.♙e3 ♙a8 26.♙d3 ♙c2 27.♙d2 ♙xd2
28.♙xd2 ♙d4+ 29.♗h1 ♙a2 30.♙f4
♗f7 31.h3 ♙a1 32.♙xa1 ♙xa1 33.g4
g6 34.♗g2 h5 35.♗f1 ♗f6 36.♗g2
♗f7 37.♗f1 ♗f6 38.♗g2 ♗f7 39.♗f1

♗f6

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E46

□ Vakhidov,Jakhongir 2599
■ Seemann,Jakub 2474
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.e3
0-0 5.♙d2 d5 6.a3 ♙e7 7.♗f3 b6
8.cxd5 exd5 9.g3N

[RR 9.♙d3 ♙b7 10.0-0 ♗bd7 11.♙e1
♗e4 12.♚c2 f5 13.♙ac1 ♙c8
14.♙ed1 a6 15.♚b3 ♗xc3 16.♙xc3
♗h8 17.♙e1 ♙d6 18.g3 ♚e7 19.♚c2
g6 20.♚e2 ♙a8 21.♙b4 ♙xb4
22.axb4 ♙fc8 23.♚d2 ♗g8
Tulchynskiy,F (2288)-Gatterer,F (2170)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (38)]

9...c5 10.♙g2 ♙a6 11.♗e5 cxd4
12.exd4 ♗e4?! Inaccuracy. Qe8 was
best.

[12...♚e8]

13.♗xe4 dxe4 14.♚c2 ♗d7 15.♗c6
♚e8 16.♚xe4 ♙d6 17.♙e3 ♗f6
18.♚xe8 ♙fxe8?! Inaccuracy. Raxe8
was best.

[18...♙axe8 19.♙f3]

19.♗b4 ♙b5 20.♙xa8 ♙xa8 21.♗a2
♗d5 22.♗c3 ♗xc3 23.bxc3 ♙c4 24.a4
f5 25.♗d2 ♗f7 26.♙he1 ♙c8 27.♙eb1
♙d8 28.♗c2 ♙e7 29.h4 h6 30.♙f4 g5
31.hxg5 hxg5 32.♙e5 ♙d5 33.♗d2
♙c8 34.a5 ♙d8 35.axb6 ♙xb6 36.♙d6
♙d8 37.♙b4 ♙e4 38.♙b2 ♙d5 39.♗e2
g4 40.♙ba2 ♙f3+ 41.♗d3 ♙e4+
42.♗e3 ♗g6 43.♙a5 ♙b5 44.♙xb6
axb6 45.♗f4 ♙b3 46.♙c1 ♙d5 47.♙e2
♙c4 48.♙d2 ♗f6 49.d5 ♙b5 50.♙e1
1-0

Sarana,Alexey **E46**
 Gurel,Ediz **2706**
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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♘b4 4.e3
0-0 5.♙d2 d5 6.a3 ♙e7 7.♗f3 b6
8.cxd5 exd5 9.g3N The position is equal.

[RR 9.♙d3 ♘b7 10.0-0 ♗bd7 11.♖e1
 ♗e4 12.♖c2 f5 13.♖ac1 ♖c8
 (Black should try 13...c6=) 14.♖ed1
 a6 15.♖b3 ♗xc3 16.♙xc3 ♔h8
 17.♙e1 (Better is 17.♖c2±) 17...♙d6
 18.g3 (18.♖c2±) 18...♖e7
 (Black should play 18...c5= 19.dxc5
 ♗xc5) 19.♖c2 g6 20.♖e2 ♖a8
 21.♙b4 ♙xb4?? (21...c5= and Black
 stays safe. 22.dxc5 bxc5 23.♙c3+
 ♗f6) 22.axb4? (22.♖xc7+
 is the precise move to win. ♖ab8
 23.axb4) 22...♖fc8 23.♖d2 ♔g8
 Tulchynskiy,F (2288)-Gatterer,F (2170)
 chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (38)]

9...c5 10.♙g2 ♗c6 11.0-0 ♙e6 12.♗e2
♗e4 13.♙c3 ♖d7 14.♗f4 ♖fd8
15.dxc5 ♗xc3 16.bxc3 bxc5 17.♖a4
 [17.♖b3]

17...♙f6 18.♖ac1 ♖ac8 19.♖fd1 ♗e7
20.♖a5 ♙f5 21.♗e1 d4 22.cxd4 cxd4
23.e4 ♙g4 24.f3 ♙e6 25.♗xe6→
 White attacks. **25...♖xe6 26.f4**
 aiming for e5. **26...g5 27.fxc5 ♙g7**
28.♗d3 ♗g6 29.♖c5 ♙f8?! Inaccuracy.
 Rf8 was best.

[29...♖f8 30.♖dc1]

[29...♖f8±]

30.♖f5± ♖b3 31.♖ff1 ♖xa3 32.♖f5
♖b3 33.e5 ♙g7 34.♙e4 ♖e6
35.♖xe6?! Inaccuracy. Qf3 was best.

[35.♖f3!]

[35.♖f3!±]

35...fxe6± 36.♙xg6 hxg6 37.♖a1 ♖c3
38.♖fd1! ♖d7

[38...♖d5±]

39.♖a6± ♖e7 40.♖d2 ♔h7?!

Inaccuracy. Rb3 was best.

[40...♖b3 41.♖d6 ♖e8 42.♔g2 a5 [#]
 43.♖a6! ♖b5 44.h4 ♖eb8
 (44...♙xe5± 45.♗xe5 Discovered
 Attack ♖xe5) 45.♖xe6 ♖5b6 46.♖e7
 (46.♖xb6+- ♖xb6 47.♔f3)]

41.♔g2 ♖b3 42.♖a5 ♖b6

[42...♖eb7± 43.♗c5 ♖b2 44.♖xb2
 ♖xb2+ 45.♔f3 ♙xe5]

43.♔f3+- ♖f7+ 44.♔e4 ♖b1?

Mistake. a6 was best.

[44...a6 45.♖da2]

[♠44...a6 45.♖da2 (45.♔xd4 ♖c6±)
 45...♖a7]

45.♖da2

[Resist 45.♔xd4?! ♖d7+ 46.♔e4
 ♖b3+-]

45...♖h1 46.♖a6 ♖e7 47.♖xa7 ♖xa7

48.♖xa7 ♖xh2?! Endgame Inaccuracy.

Kg8 was best. KRB-KRN

[48...♔g8 49.♖a2 ♙f8 50.♗f4 ♙e7
 51.♗xe6 d3 52.♔xd3 ♔f7 53.♗f4
 ♙xg5 54.♖a7+]

49.♗f4 ♔h8

[♠49...♔g8 50.♗xe6 Double Attack
 ♙h8]

50.♗xg6+ ♔g8 51.♗f4 Black must now
 prevent g6. **51...♖h1?** Mistake. Bh6 was
 best. If Black can now play ...Re1+ this
 consolidates a bit.

[51...♙h6 52.♗xe6 ♙xg5 53.♖a8+
 (♠53.♗xg5 d3 54.♔xd3 ♖h5 55.e6
 ♖xg5 56.♖a8+ ♔h7 57.e7 ♖e5
 58.e8♖) 53...♔f7 54.♗xg5+ ♔e7
 55.♖a7+ ♔e8 56.♔f5 d3 57.♗e4]

52.♗xe6 ♖e1+ 53.♔d5 d3??

[#] Checkmate is now unavoidable. Bxe5
 was best.

[53...♙xe5 54.g6]

54.g6!

[Less strong is 54.♖xg7+ ♔h8=]

54...♖xe5+ 55.♔d6 ♖xe6+ 56.♔xe6
♙c3 57.♖d7 d2 58.♔f5

[♠58.♖d8+ ♔g7 59.♔f5]

58...♙b4 59.g7 ♔h7?? Checkmate is
 now unavoidable. d1=B was best.

[59...d1♙ 60.♖xd1 ♗xg7 61.♖d3 ♙e1
62.g4 ♙b4 63.g5 ♗f8 64.♗g6 ♗e7
65.♗h7]

60.♗e4 Accuracy: White = 83%, Black = 63%.

[60.♗f6]
[Δ60.♗f6 ♙c3+ 61.♗f7 ♙xg7
62.♖xd2 ♗h6 63.♖d5 ♙f8 64.g4 ♗h7
65.♖h5+ ♙h6 66.♖h2 ♗h8
67.♖xh6#]

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■ Sethuraman, S.P. 2588
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.e3
0-0 5.♙d3 ♖e8 6.♗ge2 d5 7.a3 ♙f8
8.0-0 b6 9.e4 dxe4 10.♗xe4 ♙b7
11.♗xf6+N

[RR 11.♖c2 ♗xe4 12.♙xe4 ♙xe4
13.♖xe4 ♗d7 14.♖d1 e5 15.dxe5
♖xe5 16.♖f3 ♖e8 17.♗f1 ♖e6
18.♗f4 ♖e4 19.♙e3 ♙d6 20.♖d4
♖xd4 21.♙xd4 ♙xf4 22.♖xf4 ♗f8
23.♖e1 ♖c6 24.♙c3 1/2-1/2 (24)
Ganaus, H (2236)-Sadilek, P (2279)
Austria AUT 2024]

[RR 11.♖c2 ♗bd7 12.♖d1 ♙xe4
13.♙xe4 ♗xe4 14.♖xe4 c5 15.♙e3
♖c7 16.♖ac1 ♖ad8 17.h3 g6 18.♖f3
♙g7 19.♙f4 e5 20.♙h2 e4 21.♙xc7
exf3 22.♗c3 ♖c8 23.♗b5 cxd4
24.♗d6 fxc2 25.♗xe8 ♖xe8
Makhnev, D (2516)-Pichot, A (2644)
chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (74)]

11...♖xf6 12.♖c2 ♖h4 13.♙f4 ♙d6
14.♙g3 ♙xg3 15.fxc3 ♖h6 16.♖f4?!
Inaccuracy. Rae1 was best.

[16.♖ae1 ♗d7 17.♗c3 ♖ad8 18.♖f4
g6 19.♗b5 e5 20.♗xc7 ♖e7 21.♖ff1
♗f8]

16...♗d7 17.♗h1?! Inaccuracy. Nc3 was best.

[17.♗c3 e5]

17...f5?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.

[17...g5]

18.d5 ♗e5 19.♗d4 g5 20.♖ff1 ♗g4
21.h3 ♗e3 22.♖d2 ♗xf1 23.♖xf1
♖ad8 24.♗h2 ♖g7?! Inaccuracy. Bc8
was best.

[24...♙c8 25.♗xe6 ♙xe6 26.dxe6
♖f6 27.♖c2 f4 28.gxf4 ♖xe6
29.♙xh7+ ♗g7 30.♙f5]

25.♗xe6 ♖xe6 26.dxe6 ♙e4 27.♖e1
♖d6 28.♖e3 ♖e5 29.c5 bxc5 30.♖e2
♗h8? Mistake. Kg7 was best.

[30...♗g7 31.♖h5 ♖f6 32.♙xe4
♖xe6 33.♖c3 fxe4 34.♖xc5 h6
35.♖xc7+ ♖e7 36.♖c8]

31.♖f1? Mistake. Bxe4 was best.

[31.♙xe4 ♖xe6 32.♖f3 ♗g7 33.♙xf5
♖xe3 34.♙xe6 ♖xe6 35.♖c3+ ♗g6
36.♖xc5 ♖b6]

31...♗g7?? Blunder. h5 was best.

[31...h5]

32.♖xe4 fxe4 33.♖f7+ ♗h6 34.♙c4
♖d8 35.e7 ♖h8 36.♙b5 e3?!
Inaccuracy. Qxb2 was best.

[36...♖xb2 37.e8 ♖xe8 38.♙xe8
♖d4 39.♖f8+ ♖g7 40.♖xc5 ♖f6
41.♖xc7 a6 42.♙h5]

37.♗g1?! Inaccuracy. Bd3 was best.

[37.♙d3 ♖g7 38.♖e6+ ♖g6 39.♙xg6
hxc6 40.e8 ♖xe8 41.♖xe8 ♗g7
42.♖xe3 c4]

37...c6 38.♙e2 g4 39.♙xg4 ♖b8
40.♙e2 ♖xg3 41.♖f6+ ♖g6 42.♖f4+
1-0

□ Ter-Sahakyan, Samvel E47 2650
■ Mchedlishvili, Mikheil 2567
Sharjah Master 2024 19.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.e3
0-0 5.♙d3

[5.♙e2]

5...c5 6.♗ge2 cxd4 7.exd4 d5 8.cxd5

♠xd5 9.0-0 ♠c6 10.♙c2 ♙d6N

[RR 10...♙h4 11.a3 ♙xc3 12.bxc3 ♙d8 13.♙d3 e5 14.c4 ♘de7 15.d5 ♙f5 16.♙c3 ♙xc2 17.dxc6 ♙d3 18.c7 ♙d7 19.♙d1 e4 20.♙b2 ♙f6 21.♙xf6 gxf6 22.♘f4 f5 23.♘h5 ♙xc7 24.♘f6+ ♙f8 25.♘xh7+ Sevian,S (2697)-Durarbayli,V (2627) Saint Louis USA 2024 0-1 (68)]

11.♙d3 g6 12.a3 ♘xc3 13.bxc3 e5 14.♘g3 exd4 15.cxd4 ♙xg3 16.♙xg3
The position is equal. **16...♘xd4**
Hoping for ...Ne2+. **17.♙d3 ♙f5 18.♙b2 ♙xd3 19.♙xd3 ♠c6 20.♙h3 ♙d2 21.♙ab1 ♙ad8 22.♙a1 ♙d7?!**

Inaccuracy. b6 was best.

[22...b6 23.♙b3 ♘d4 24.♙a4 ♘e2+ 25.♙h1 ♙d7 26.♙b4 ♙de8 27.♙fe1 ♙f5 28.♙bd1]

[22...b6=]

23.♙h4→ And now Qf6 would win. White has compensation. White has some attack. **23...f5 24.♙c4+ ♙f7 25.♙fe1 h5 26.h3 ♙h7 27.♙bd1 ♙e8 28.♙c3 ♙xe1+ 29.♙xe1 ♙f8 30.♙e6 ♙f7 31.♙d6 ♙e7 32.♙g3 ♙g8?** Mistake. Qf7 was best.

[32...♙f7 33.♙h2 ♙e8 34.♙c3 ♘d8 35.♙f6 ♙g7 36.♙d4 ♙f8 [#] 37.♙d6! ♙e8 38.a4]

[32...♙f7±]

33.♙f6+- ♙e8? Mistake. Qf7 was best.

[33...♙f7 [#] 34.♙d3! ♘b8 35.a4 ♙e8 36.♙b2 ♙f8 37.♙d2 a6 38.♙d3 a5 39.♙d2]

[♠33...f4 34.♙xf4 ♙f8]

34.♙b3 ♙c8?? Checkmate is now unavoidable. b6 was best.

[34...b6 35.♙c3 ♘e7 36.♙d4 ♙f8 37.♙xe7 ♙xe7 38.♙d7 ♙f7 39.♙xe7 ♙xe7 40.♙h2]

[34...♙e1+- 35.♙h2 ♙e4 36.♙d7+ ♙h6]

35.♙f7+ Accuracy: White = 87%, Black = 45%.

1-0

E48

♠ **Suleymenov,Alisher**

2499

♣ **Samant Aditya S**

2499

Sharjah Master 2024 (4.44) 17.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♙b4 4.e3 0-0 5.♙d3 d5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.a3 ♙d6 8.♙c2 c6 9.♘ge2 ♙e8 10.♙d2 b6 11.f3 c5 12.g4 c4 13.♙f5 ♙xf5 14.♙xf5 g6 15.♙g5 ♠c6 16.♙h4N

[RR 16.0-0 ♙f8 17.♙h4 h6 18.♙f2 ♙d7 19.♙g2 ♙g7 20.♙h1 b5 21.♙ad1 ♙ab8 22.g5 hxg5 23.e4 dxe4 24.fxe4 ♙g4 25.♙xg4 ♘xg4 26.♙xg5 ♙h6 27.♙xh6 ♘xh6 28.♘d5 ♙g7 29.♘ec3 b4 30.axb4 ♘xb4 Deuer,M (2453)-Martinovic,S (2542) Austria AUT 2024 ½-½ (31)]

[RR 16.0-0 b5 17.♘f4 ♙xf4 18.♙xf4 b4 19.♘b5 bxa3 20.♙xa3 ♙b8 21.♘xa7 ♘xa7 22.♙xa7 ♙xb2 23.♙c3 ♙b3 24.♙a5 ♙b8 25.♙c7 ♙a3 26.g5 ♙e6 27.♙d2 ♙a2 28.♙f2 c3 29.♙xc3 ♙xf2 30.♙xf2 ♙b1 Balakrishnan,P (2500)-Pranav,V (2604) Ciutadella de Menorca ESP 2024 ½-½]

16...♙e7 17.♙f2 b5

½-½

E49

♠ **Sivuk,Vitaly**

2541

♣ **Yakubboev,Nodirbek**

2665

Sharjah Master 2024 (1.20) 14.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♙b4 4.e3 0-0 5.♙d3 d5 6.a3 ♙xc3+ 7.bxc3 dxc4 8.♙xc4 c5 9.♘f3 ♙c7 10.♙e2 b6 11.♙b2 cxd4 12.cxd4 ♙a6 13.0-0 ♙b7N

[RR 13...♙xe2 14.♙xe2 ♙b7 15.♘d2 ♘bd7 16.e4 ♙fc8 17.♙d3 ♙d8 18.♙fe1 ♙ac8 19.♙ad1 h6 20.♙a1 ♙c6 21.♙f3 ♙a4 22.♘f1 ♙c2 23.d5 e5 24.♘g3 ♙a2 25.♙d3 (Better is

25. ♖f5= ♔xa3 26. ♖e3) 25...b5
(25...♖c8≠) 26.h3 (26. ♖f5±) 26...b4
27. ♖f5 ♔h7! 28. ♖g3 Grebnev,A
(2536)-Savchenko,B (2483) Sochi
RUS 2024 1-0 (54)]

14.a4 ♖xe2 15. ♖xe2 ♖c8 16. ♖fc1
♖bd7 17. ♖d2 ♖c7

[17...♖c5?? 17...h6 -0.01 Blunder. h6
was best. 18. ♖c2?? Blunder. dxc5
was best. (18.dxc5 bxc5 19. ♖ab1
♖c7 20. ♔h1 ♖b8 21.h3 ♖d5
22. ♖g4 ♖e5 23. ♖xe5 ♖xe5;
18.dxc5+- is the narrow road to win.
♖xc5 19. ♖xf6 gxf6 20. ♖g4+ ♔h8
21. ♖h4) 18...♖c3?? Blunder. Rxc2
was best. (18...♖xc2 19. ♖a3 ♖e4
20. ♖b4 ♖df6 21. ♖d3 ♖ac8 22.f3
♖xd2 23. ♖xd2 ♔h8 24.e4;
18...♖xc2+- and life is good for Black.
19. ♖a3 ♖c7) 19. ♖xc3 ♖b8 20. ♖ac1
♖a8 21. ♖c8+?? Blunder. e4 was best.
(21.e4 ♖f8 22. ♖c7 ♖b8 23. ♖7c2
♖g6 24.g3 ♖b7 25. ♖a1 ♖d8 26.a5
h5; 21.e4+- ♖e8 22.e5) 21...♖xc8
22. ♖xc8+ ♖xc8 23. ♖c4 ♖b7 24.f3
a6 25.e4 h6 26. ♖b4 ♖c6 27. ♖c4
♖b7 28. ♖b4 ♖c6 29. ♖c4 ♖b7]
[17...h6 18.f3 a6 19.e4 ♖e8 20. ♖b3
♖xc1+ 21. ♖xc1 ♖c8 22. ♖f4 ♖c6
23.d5]
[17...h6=]

18. ♖c3

[White should try 18. ♖xc7± ♖xc7
19. ♖c1]

18...♖cc8

[18...♖xc3≠ 19. ♖xc3 ♖c6]

19. ♖cc1 ♖xc1+ 20. ♖xc1 ♖c8 21. ♖c5?
[#]

[21. ♖xc8+= ♖xc8 22. ♖c4 ♖xc4
23. ♖xc4]

21...♖c7?

[Black should play 21...bxc5+- 22. ♖c4
cxd4]

22. ♖xc7= ♖c8? Accuracy: White = 54%,
Black = 69%.

. An unexpected result.

[22...♖xc7= 23. ♖c4 ♖xc4 24. ♖xc4
♖e8]

1/2-1/2

E49

☐ Gholami Orimi,Mahdi 2470

■ Dudin,Gleb 2554

Sharjah Master 2024 (2.44) 15.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3. ♖c3 ♖b4 4.e3
0-0 5. ♖d3 d5 6.a3 ♖xc3+ 7.bxc3
dxc4 8. ♖xc4 c5 9. ♖f3 ♖c7 10. ♖e2
♖d8 11.0-0 b6 12. ♖b2 ♖b7 13. ♖e1
♖c6 14.c4N

[RR 14. ♖c1 ♖ac8 15.c4 ♖e7 16. ♖b3
cxd4 17.exd4 ♖f4 18. ♖cd1 ♖g6
19. ♖c1 ♖c7 20. ♖g5 ♖d7 21.h3 ♖e4
22. ♖e3 ♖d6 23.d5 e5 24. ♖d2 f5
25.f3 ♖d8 26. ♖a4 ♖a8 27. ♖b4
♖dc7 28.a4 ♖e7 Soriano Quispe,I
(2271)-Perez Gormaz,M (2388)
Florianopolis BRA 2024 1/2-1/2 (80)]

[RR 14. ♖c1 ♖ac8 15. ♖d3 c4
16. ♖xc4 ♖a5 17. ♖f1 ♖xf3 18. ♖xf3
♖c4 19. ♖xc4 ♖xc4 20. ♖cd1 ♖b3
21. ♖d2 ♖e8 22. ♖d1 ♖xd1 23. ♖dxd1
♖c4 24.e4 ♖d6 25. ♖d3 ♖f8 26.f3
♖e7 27. ♖f2 ♖a4 28. ♖b1 ♖c4
Royal,S (2438)-Jacobson,B (2538)
Hastings ENG 2023 1-0 (63)]

14...♖e7 15. ♖e5 ♖f5 16. ♖d3
1-0

E49

☐ Maghsoodloo,Parham 2732

■ Muradli,Mahammad 2560

Sharjah Master 2024 21.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3. ♖c3 ♖b4 4.e3
0-0 5. ♖d3 d5 6.a3 ♖xc3+ 7.bxc3
dxc4 8. ♖xc4 c5 9. ♖f3 ♖c7 10. ♖e2
b6 11. ♖b2 ♖b7 12.0-0

[12. ♖f1 12.0-0 0.25]

12...♖d8 The position is equal. 13. ♖e1

♠c6 14.♖c1 ♖ac8 15.♙f1N

[RR 15.c4 ♗e7 16.♞b3 cxd4
17.exd4 ♞f4 18.♖cd1 ♗g6 19.♙c1
♞c7 20.♙g5 ♖d7 21.h3 ♗e4 22.♙e3
♗d6 (22...h6=) 23.d5! e5
(23...exd5± 24.cxd5 ♗e4) 24.♗d2 f5
25.f3! ♞d8 26.♞a4 ♙a8 27.♞b4
♖dc7 28.a4 ♗e7 (♟28...♗b7
29.♗b3 ♞d6) 29.a5 (29.♙f1+-)
29...b5 Soriano Quispe,I (2271)-Perez
Gormaz,M (2388) Florianopolis BRA
2024 ½-½ (80)]

[RR 15.♙d3 c4 16.♙xc4 ♗a5! 17.♙f1
♙xf3 18.♞xf3 ♗c4 19.♙xc4 ♞xc4
20.♖cd1 ♞b3 21.♖d2 ♗e8 22.♞d1
♞xd1 23.♖dxd1 ♖c4 24.e4 ♗d6
25.♖d3 ♗f8 26.f3 ♗e7 27.♗f2 ♖a4
28.♖b1 ♗c4 29.♙c1 ♖a5
Royal,S (2438)-Jacobson,B (2538)
Hastings ENG 2023 1-0 (63)]

**15...♗e7 16.♗e5 ♗d7 17.♗xd7 ♖xd7
18.♞g4 ♞c6?** Mistake. f5 was best.

[18...f5 19.♞h4 c4 20.♖cd1 ♗g6
21.♞h3 ♖f7 22.♞g3 ♞e7 23.a4 ♙e4
24.f3]

[18...f5= 19.♞g3 ♞xg3 20.hxg3 c4]

19.f3?! Inaccuracy. d5 was best.

[19.d5 exd5 20.♙b5! ♞xb5 21.c4
♞xb2 22.♞xd7 ♙c6 23.♞xe7 dxc4
24.♞xa7 c3]

[19.d5!± exd5 20.♙b5! ♞xb5 21.c4
♞xb2 22.♞xd7 Double Attack]

19...♗f8?! Inaccuracy. Qc7 was best.

[19...♞c7 20.h4]

[19...♞c7±]

20.c4± f6 21.♙d3 h6 22.d5 exd5

23.cxd5 ♖xd5 24.♙e4 ♞d7 25.♙xd5

♞xg4 26.fxg4 ♙xd5 27.e4 ♙e6 28.h3

b5?! Inaccuracy. Kf7 was best.

[28...♗f7 29.♖f1 c4 30.♖f2 ♗g8
31.♙c3 ♗c6 32.♖d1 ♖c7 33.♗f1
♙d7 34.♖d6]

[♟28...c4]

29.♖ed1 ♗f7 30.♖d6 c4

[♟30...♗g6 31.♗f2 ♖c7]

31.♙c3? Mistake. e5 was best.

[31.e5! f5 32.♖a6 ♖c7 33.gxf5 ♗xf5
34.♙c3 ♗g3 35.♖e1 h5 36.♖e3 h4]

[31.e5!+-]

31...♗c6!± 32.♖b1 a6 33.♗f2?!

Inaccuracy. Rd2 was best.

[33.♖d2 ♗e5]

[33.a4±]

33...♗e7= 34.♖d2

[34.♖dd1=]

34...♗e5± 35.a4

[35.♖d4!±]

35...♗d3+= 36.♗e3 ♙d7 37.axb5 axb5

38.♖a2 ♖c7 39.h4 ♗f7 40.g5 b4

41.♙d4 gxf6 is the strong threat. **41...b3**

42.♖a5 hxg5 43.hxg5 ♗e5?!

Inaccuracy. Nb4 was best.

[43...♗b4 44.♙c3 ♗a2! 45.♙d4]

44.gxf6

[44.♙xe5 fxe5 45.♖a3 (45.♖xe5?
c3+-) 45...♙g4±]

44...gxf6 45.♖f1 ♗e7 46.♖c5 ♖xc5

47.♙xc5+± Endgame KRB-KBN **47...♗f7**

48.♙d4 Black must now prevent Bxe5.

48...♗g4+ 49.♗f4 ♙e6 50.♖a1 ♗e5

51.♖a7+ ♗g6 52.♖a6 ♗d3+

[52...♗f7!± 53.♗e3 ♗d3 54.♖a7+
♗g6]

53.♗e3± ♗f7 54.♗d2?! Inaccuracy.

Ra7+ was best.

[54.♖a7+! ♗g6 55.♗d2 ♗f4 56.♖a6
♗f7 57.♖a1 ♗e7 (57...♗g6± 58.♖a6
♗f7 59.♖a7+ ♗g6) 58.♙c3 ♗f7

59.♖f1 ♗h5]

[54.♖a7+!± ♗g6 55.♗d2]

54...♗f4 55.g3?! Inaccuracy. Ra1 was

best.

[55.♖a1 ♗g6 56.g3 ♗h3! 57.♗e3
♗g5 58.♖a6 ♗f7 59.♖b6 ♗h7
60.♖b7+ ♗g6]

[55.♖a7+± ♗g6 56.♖a6]

55...♗d3?! Inaccuracy. Nh5 was best.

[55...♗h5! 56.♖a7+ ♗g6 57.♖a1
♗g5 58.♖a6 ♙f7 59.♗e3 f5 60.♖a7
♙g8 61.exf5]

[55...♗h5±]

56.♖b6

[56.♖a7+ ♔g6 57.♖b7]
56...♗e5? Mistake. Ke7 was best.
 [56...♔e7 57.♖b7+]
 [56...♔e7± 57.♔c3 ♔d7 58.♖b7+
 (58.♙xf6 ♗c5±) 58...♔d6]
57.♔e3?? Blunder. Bxe5 was best.
 [57.♙xe5! fxe5 58.♔c3 ♔e7 59.♖a6
 ♔d7 60.♖a7+ ♔d6 61.♖g7 ♙d7
 62.♖g6+! ♔c7]
 [57.♙xe5!+- fxe5 58.♔c3]
57...♗d3? Mistake. Ng4+ was best.
 [57...♗g4+ 58.♔d2]
 [Better is 57...♔e7± 58.♙xe5 fxe5]
58.♙c3? Mistake. Rb7+ was best.
 [58.♖b7+!]
 [White should try 58.♖b7+!± ♔g6
 59.♔d2]
58...♗e5± 59.♔d4 ♗f3+ 60.♔e3 ♗e5
61.♖b7+ ♔g6 62.♖b5 ♗d3
 [62...♗g4+± 63.♔e2 ♙f7]
63.♔d4?! Inaccuracy. Rb6 was best.
 [63.♖b6 ♔f7 64.♖b7+ ♔g6 65.♖c7
 ♗b4 66.♔d2 ♗a2 67.♙a1 ♗b4
 68.♖b7 ♗d3]
 [63.♖b6± ♔f7 64.♖b7+ ♔g6
 65.♙d4]
63...♔f7?! Inaccuracy. Nc1 was best.
 [63...♗c1 64.♙a1 ♗e2+ 65.♔e3
 ♗xg3 66.♖b6 ♔f7 67.♖b7+ ♔g6
 68.♙b2 ♗h5 69.♖b5]
64.♖b6 ♗e5 65.♖b7+ ♔g6 66.♔c5
 aiming for Bxe5. **66...♗d3+ 67.♔d6 ♙f7**
68.♙d4 Strongly threatening Ke7.
68...♗e5 69.♙c3 ♗d3 70.♙d4
 Hoping for Ke7. **70...♗e5 71.♔c5 ♗d3+**
72.♔b5 ♙e6 73.♔c6 ♗e5+ 74.♔d6
♙f7 75.♔c5 ♗d3+ 76.♔b5 ♙e6
77.♖b6 ♔f7 78.♔c6 Threatens to win
 with Kd6. **78...♗e5+ 79.♔d6 ♗f3!**
80.♙b2 And now Rb7+ would win.
80...♗g5 81.♖b7+ ♔g6 82.e5 ♙f7!
83.♖b6 fxe5?! Inaccuracy. Ne4+ was
 best.
 [83...♗e4+ 84.♔e7]
 [Black should play 83...c3± 84.♙xc3
 ♗e4+ 85.♔d7 ♗xc3]

84.♔xe5+± ♔h5? [#] Mistake. Be6 was
 best.
 [84...♙e6 85.♙c1 c3 86.♔d4 b2
 87.♙f4! ♗h3 [#] 88.♙e3! ♔h5
 89.♔xc3 ♔g4 90.♔xb2]
 [84...♙e6± might work better. 85.g4
 (85.♖xe6+ ♗xe6 86.♔d5 c3=)
 85...♔f7]
85.♔f4!+- White wants to mate with g4+.
85...♗h3+ 86.♔f5 Threatening mate with
 Bg7. **86...♗f2?** Mistake. Bg8 was best.
 [86...♙g8 87.g4+ ♔h4 88.g5! ♗xg5
 89.♖h6+ ♔g3 90.♔xg5 ♔f3 91.♔f5
 ♙f7 92.♔e5]
87.♙d4 ♗g4
 [87...b2 was necessary. 88.♙xb2
 (88.♙xf2 b1♙+ 89.♖xb1 ♙g6+
 90.♔e5 ♙xb1=) 88...♙e8]
88.♔f4 ♙e8 89.♖b7 ♗h6?? Checkmate
 is now unavoidable. c3 was best.
 [89...c3 90.♖xb3 c2 91.♖c3 ♗h6
 92.♖xc2 ♗f7 (92...♔g6+- 93.♖c8
 ♙b5) 93.♖e2 ♙a4 94.g4+ ♔h6
 95.♖e6+]
90.♖h7 ♙f7 91.g4+ Accuracy: White =
 73%, Black = 62%.
1-0

E49

□ Iniyani, Pa **2493**
 ■ Ter-Sahakyan, Samvel **2650**
 Sharjah Master 2024 22.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙b4 4.e3
0-0 5.♙d3 d5 6.a3 ♙xc3+ 7.bxc3
dxc4 8.♙xc4 c5 9.♗f3 ♖c7 10.♙e2
b6 11.♙b2 cxd4 12.exd4N
 [RR 12.cxd4 ♙a6 13.0-0 ♙xe2
 14.♖xe2 ♖b7 15.♗d2 ♗bd7 16.e4
 ♖fc8 17.♖d3 ♖d8 18.♖fe1 ♖ac8
 19.♖ad1 h6 20.♙a1 ♖c6 21.♖f3
 ♖a4 22.♗f1 ♖c2 23.d5 e5 24.♗g3
 ♖a2 25.♖d3 b5? (25...♖c8±
 stays ahead.) 26.h3 (White should
 play 26.♗f5!±) 26...b4 Grebnev, A

(2536)-Savchenko, B (2483) Sochi
 RUS 2024 1-0 (54) (26...g6±)
12...♙a6 The position is equal. **13.♙xa6**
♗xa6 14.♚e2 ♗b8 15.0-0 ♗bd7 16.c4
♖ac8 17.♗d2 ♚f4 18.a4 ♚g4
 [18...♗b8 looks sharper. 19.♖fd1 ♗c6
 20.d5 exd5 21.♙xf6 ♚xf6 22.cxd5
 ♖fe8]
19.♚e3 ♖fe8 20.♖fe1 ♗f8 21.h3 ♚f5
22.g4 ♚c2 23.♙a3 h6 24.♖ec1 ♚g6
25.f4 ♗8d7 26.♖c3 ♖c7 27.♔h2 ♖ec8
 White must now prevent ...Nd5! **28.♖ac1**
a6 29.g5 ♗e8 30.♗e4 h5?!
 Inaccuracy. hxg5 was best.
 [30...hxg5 31.fxg5 e5 32.d5 f5
 33.gxf6! ♗dxf6 34.♗xf6+ ♗xf6
 35.♚xe5 ♚f7 36.♔h1]
 [30...hxg5= 31.fxg5 e5]
31.c5?! Inaccuracy. Nd2 was best.
 [31.♗d2 h4 32.♗f3 b5 33.c5 ♗b8
 34.♗e5 ♚f5 35.c6 f6! 36.♗d7 b4]
 [31.♗d2±]
31...bxc5± 32.dxc5 ♗b8 33.♖c4 ♗c6
34.♗d6 ♖b8 35.♚f3 h4 36.♚c3 ♗e7?!
 Inaccuracy. Rd7 was best.
 [36...♖d7]
37.♗xe8?! Inaccuracy. c6 was best.
 [37.c6!]
37...♖xe8 38.c6↑ White fights for an
 advantage. **38...♗d5**
 [38...♖ec8!= remains equal.]
39.♚d4
 [39.♚d2!±]
39...♚h5?? Blunder. Rb8 was best.
 [39...♖b8 40.♚e4 ♚xe4 41.♖xe4
 ♖bc8 (41...♖b3!? 42.♙d6□ ♖c8=)
 42.f5 ♖xc6 43.♖xc6 ♖xc6 44.g6 a5
 45.♖xh4]
 [39...♖b8=]
40.♚d3 ♖d8 41.♙b4
 [41.♚e4±]
41...♖cc8
 [41...♖b8= keeps the balance. 42.♙d6
 Skewer ♖b2+ 43.♖4c2 ♖xc2+
 44.♖xc2 ♖c8 45.♚xa6 ♖e8]
42.♖d4± ♚h7?! Inaccuracy. a5 was

best.
 [42...a5 43.♙e7? (43.♙a3+- ♖c7
 44.♖c2) 43...♖e8 44.♙d6 ♗b4 [#]
 45.♚e4! e5 46.fxe5 ♗xc6 47.♖xc6
 ♚xg5 [#] 48.♔h1!]
 [42...a5± 43.♙e7 (43.♙xa5 ♖d6±)
 43...♖e8]
43.f5
 [43.♚xa6 ♚f5±]
43...♚h5 44.♙d2 ♖e8 45.♚e4 ♖cd8
46.♚g4 ♚xg4 47.hxg4 ♖c8 48.♙a5
♖b8?! Inaccuracy. g6 was best.
 [48...g6 49.c7 gxf5 50.gxf5 ♔g7
 51.♖c6 ♖a8 52.♖xh4 f6 (52...exf5
 was necessary. 53.♖c5 ♗e7) 53.♖e4
 fxf5 54.♖exe6]
49.c7 ♖bc8 50.g6 ♔f8 51.♖c5 ♗e7
52.♖d8 exf5 53.gxf7 ♔xf7 54.gxf5
♗g8 55.♖cd5 ♗e7?! Inaccuracy. Nf6
 was best.
 [55...♗f6 56.♖xe8 ♗xe8 57.♖d8
 ♗xc7 58.♖xc8 ♗d5 59.♖c6 ♗e3
 60.♙c3 h3 61.♖c7+]
 [⊔55...♖xc7 56.♙xc7 ♗f6]
56.♖5d7+- Hoping for Kh3. **56...♔f6**
 Accuracy: White = 79%, Black = 48%.
1-0

	E51
☐ Gupta, Abhijeet	2601
■ Gholami Orimi, Mahdi	2470
Sharjah Master 2024	18.05.2024

1.♗f3 d5 2.d4 ♗f6 3.c4 e6 4.♗c3
♙b4 5.e3 0-0 6.♙d2 b6 7.cxd5 exd5
8.♙d3 ♙b7 9.0-0 ♙d6 10.♚b1 ♖e8
11.b4 ♗bd7
 [RR 11...♗e4 12.♖c1 a6 13.b5 ♗xc3
 14.♙xc3 axb5 15.♙xh7+ ♔h8 16.♙d3
 c6 17.♗e5 ♙xe5 18.dxe5 ♗d7 19.f4
 ♗c5 20.♖f1 ♗xd3 21.♚xd3 ♖a4
 22.♖f3 ♖e4 23.♚d1 ♔g8 24.♖g3 ♖e6
 25.f5 ♖h6 26.e6 Heberla, B (2539)-
 Seemann, J (2465) Katowice POL 2024
 1-0 (36)]

12.a4N

[RR 12.♖c1 a6 13.b5 a5 14.a4 ♘e4
15.♖c2 g5 16.♙e1 f5 17.♚a2 ♘df6
18.♘e2 ♚e7 19.♘e5 ♙xe5 20.dxe5
♘g4 21.♙xe4 fxe4 22.♖ac1 ♚xe5
23.♘g3 ♖ac8 24.h3 ♘h6 25.♙c3
♚d6 26.♙a1 c5 Daakshin,A (2332)-
Dinh Nho Kiet (2221) Al Ain UAE 2023
1-0 (34)]

12...a6 13.b5 axb5 14.♘xb5 ♙f8
15.♖c1 c5 16.♙e1 c4 17.♙f5 ♙c6
18.♚b2 ♘e4 19.♙xe4 ♖xe4 20.♙b4
♙xb4 21.♚xb4 ♖a5 22.♘d2 ♖e8 23.h3
h6 24.♘c3 ♚f6 25.♖d1 ♚e7 26.♚xe7
♖xe7 27.e4 ♘f6 28.♖db1 ♖a6 29.e5
♘d7?! Inaccuracy. Ne8 was best.

[29...♘e8 30.♖b4 ♖ea7 31.♖ab1
♘c7 32.♖xb6 ♖xb6 33.♖xb6 ♙xa4
34.♘f1 ♘e6 35.♖d6]

30.f4 ♖e8 31.♘f1 f6 32.♘e3 fxe5
33.fxe5 ♘xe5 34.♘exd5 ♙xd5
35.♘xd5 ♖a5 36.♘xb6 ♘c6 37.d5
♘e5 38.♖c1? Mistake. d6 was best.

[38.d6]

38...♖d8 39.♖ab1 ♘d7 40.♖xc4 ♖b8
41.♖c8+ ♖xc8 42.♘xc8 ♖xa4 43.♖b7
♘f6 44.♘e7+ ♘h8? Mistake. Kf7 was
best.

[44...♙f7]

45.d6 ♖d4 46.♘f5 ♖d5? Mistake. Rd1+
was best.

[46...♖d1+ 47.♙h2 h5 48.♖xg7 ♖xd6
49.♖f7 ♖a6 50.♙g3 ♘e4+ 51.♙f4
♖a4 52.♙e5]

47.g4 ♘e4 48.d7 ♘h7 49.d8♚ ♖xd8
50.♖xg7+ ♘h8 51.♖g6 h5 52.♖h6+
♙g8 53.♖xh5 ♖d2 54.♘e3 ♖e2
55.♘d5 ♘g3 56.♖g5+ ♙f7 57.♘f4 ♖a2
58.♖e5 ♙f6 59.♖b5 ♘e4 60.♖f5+ ♙g7
61.♖e5 ♖a1+ 62.♙g2 ♖a2+ 63.♙f3
♘d2+ 64.♙g3 ♖a3+ 65.♙g2 ♘f3
66.♖e7+ ♘h6 67.♖e2?? Blunder. Kf2
was best.

[67.♙f2 ♙g5 68.♘d5 ♘d2 69.♖e5+
♙h6 70.♖e2 ♘c4 71.h4 ♙g7
72.♖e7+ ♙f8]

67...♙g5 68.♘d5 ♘h4?? Blunder. Nh4+
was best.

[68...♘h4+ 69.♙h2]

69.♖e3?? Blunder. Re8 was best.

[69.♖e8 ♖b3 70.♖h8+ ♙g5 71.♖h5+
♙g6 72.h4 ♖a3 73.♘e7+ ♙g7
74.♙f2 ♘d2]

69...♖xe3 70.♘xe3 ♘e1+ 71.♙f2
♘d3+ 72.♙g2 ♘f4+ 73.♙f3 ♘xh3
74.♘g2+ ♙g5 75.♙g3 ♘f2

1/2-1/2

E54

□ Sivuk,Vitaly

2541

■ Esipenko,Andrey

2703

Sharjah Master 2024

16.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♙b4 4.e3
0-0 5.♙d3 d5 6.♘f3 c5 7.0-0 dxc4
8.♙xc4 ♘c6 9.a3 ♙a5 10.♘e2 cxd4
11.♘exd4 ♘xd4

[RR 11...♙d7 12.b4 ♙c7 13.♙b2
♚e7 14.♖c1 ♖ac8 15.♚e2 a5
16.bxa5 ♙xa5 17.♖fd1 h6 18.h3
♖fd8 19.♘b5 ♙e8 20.♖xd8 ♖xd8
21.♖d1 ♘d5 22.♙xd5 exd5 23.♘bd4
f6 24.♚c2 ♙c7 25.♚f5 ♙f7 26.♖c1
Grigoriantz,S (2535)-Caruana,F (2805)
chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (56)]

12.♘xd4N

[RR 12.♚xd4 ♚xd4 13.♘xd4 ♙b6
14.♘f3 ♖d8 15.b3 ♙d7 16.♙b2 ♙e8
17.♖fd1 ♘e4 18.♖ac1 ♘d6 19.♙e2
f6 20.♘d2 ♙c6 21.♙f1 ♙d5 22.♙f3
♙xf3 23.♘xf3 e5 24.♙e2 ♙f7
25.♘d2 ♖ac8 26.h4 h5 Bakhrillaev,B
(2298)-Lashkin,J (2449) Dubai Police
Officers Club, A 2024 0-1 (63)]

[RR 12.♚xd4 ♚e7 13.b4 ♙c7
14.♙b2 b6 15.♖fd1 ♙b7 16.♖ac1 h6
17.♘e5 ♖fd8 18.♚h4 ♖xd1+ 19.♖xd1
♖d8 20.♖xd8+ ♚xd8 21.♚d4 ♚xd4
22.♙xd4 ♙f8 23.f3 ♙e7 24.♙f2 ♘e8
25.♙b5 ♘d6 26.♘c6+ ♙xc6
Bakhrillaev,B (2325)-Faizrakhmanov,R

(2454) Moscow RUS 2024 0-1 (54)]
 [RR 12.♖xd4 ♗xd4 13.♘xd4 ♕b6
 14.♘f3 ♖d8 15.b3 ♕d7 16.♕b2 ♕e8
 17.♖fd1 ♘e4 18.♖ac1 ♘d6 19.♕e2
 f6 20.♘d2 ♕c6 21.♖f1 ♕d5 22.♕f3
 ♕xf3 23.♘xf3 e5 24.♖e2 ♖f7
 25.♘d2 ♖ac8 26.h4 h5 Bakhrillaev,B
 (2301)-Lashkin,J (2449) Dubai UAE
 2024 0-1 (63)]

12...♕c7 13.♗e2 ♕d7 14.♕d2 ♖b8
 15.h3 ♖c8 16.♖fd1 a6 17.♕e1 b5
 18.♕a2 ♖b7 19.♖ac1 ♕b6 20.♗f3
 ♗xf3 21.♘xf3 ♖xc1 22.♖xc1 ♖c8
 23.♖xc8+ ♕xc8 24.♕c3
 1/2-1/2

E54

♖ Salem,A.R. Saleh

2629

♜ Vokhidov,Shamsiddin

2591

Sharjah Master 2024

22.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♕b4 4.e3
 0-0 5.♕d3 d5 6.♘f3 dxc4 7.♕xc4 c5
 8.0-0 cxd4 9.exd4 b6 10.♕g5 ♕b7
 11.♖e1 ♘bd7 12.♕b3 ♖c8 13.♖e3 ♗c7
 Black has an edge. 14.♘b5 ♖b8
 aiming for ...Ng4. 15.♘e5 ♘xe5
 16.♖xe5 ♘d5 17.♗g4 ♖h8 18.a3 ♕d6
 19.♕xd5

[19.♘xd6 feels hotter. ♗xd6 20.♖ae1
 ♘f6 21.♗h4 ♘g8 22.♕d2]

19...♕xe5?! Inaccuracy. Bxd5 was best.

[19...♕xd5 20.♕f4 ♖fd8 21.♖xd5
 ♕xf4 22.♖xd8+ ♖xd8 23.g3 a6
 24.♘a7 ♗xa7 25.♗xf4]

20.dxe5?! Inaccuracy. Bxb7 was best.

[20.♕xb7 ♕xh2+]
 [20.♕xb7± ♕xh2+ 21.♖h1 ♗xb7
 22.♖xh2]

20...♕xd5= 21.♘d6 Intending Bf6! and
 mate. 21...♖c7 Strongly threatening ...f6.

22.♖d1? Mistake. Qh4 was best.

[22.♗h4! ♗a8 23.♕f6 ♖g8 24.♕e7
 ♖gc8 25.♘xc8 ♗xc8 26.h3 ♕xg2
 27.♕f6 ♕e4]

[Only move: 22.♗h4!]

22...f6 23.♕f4 ♗d8 24.h4 ♖d7

[24...♗e7+ Hoping for ...Rc2. 25.f3
 ♖c2]

25.♖d3 [#] 25...♕e4! 26.♖g3?
 [#] Mistake. Rd4 was best.

[26.♖d4]

[26.♖d4+ is a better defense.]

[26.♘xe4 ♖xd3]

26...♕f5!+ 27.♗f3?! Inaccuracy. Qh5
 was best.

[27.♗h5 ♗e7 28.b4 [#] ♖g8! 29.♗d1
 fxe5 30.♕xe5 ♗xh4 31.♗b3 ♖h8
 32.♗f3 ♗d8]

[27.♘xf5 exf5]

27...fxe5 28.♕xe5 ♕g6

[Weaker is 28...♖xd6 29.♕xg7+ ♖g8
 30.♕h6+ ♕g6 31.♕xf8]

[But not 28...♗xh4 29.♗c6+]

29.♗c6 ♖c7 30.♗a4 [#] 30...♖c5!

31.♘b7 ♖c1+ 32.♖h2 ♗d5 33.♗b4

♖cc8?! Inaccuracy. Rxf2 was best.

[33...♖xf2 34.♗d6 ♖g8 35.a4 ♖f5
 36.♕c3 ♗xd6 37.♘xd6 ♖f4 38.♖h3
 ♖c2 39.♖g3]

34.♖g5?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best. Black
 must now prevent Bxg7+!

[34.f4 ♗xb7 35.h5 ♕xh5 36.♖xg7
 ♗xg7 37.♕xg7+ ♖xg7 38.♗d4+ ♖g8
 39.♗d7 ♖ce8]

34...♗xb7 35.h5 ♖f5 36.♗h4 ♖xg5

37.♗xg5 ♗f7 38.h6 ♖g8 Accuracy:

White = 45%, Black = 76%.

0-1

E60

♖ Fedoseev,Vladimir

2701

♜ Salem,A.R. Saleh

2629

Sharjah Master 2024

16.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.h4 d6 4.♘c3
 ♘bd7 5.♗c2N

[RR 5.e4 e5 6.d5 ♘c5 7.♗c2 a5
 8.♘f3 ♕g7 9.♕e2 ♕d7 10.♘d2 h5
 11.♘b3 b6 12.♘xc5 bxc5 13.♕g5

♙h6 14.g3 ♔e7 15.♖d2 ♘g8
16.0-0-0 f6 17.♙xh6 ♘xh6 18.f3 ♘f7
19.g4 ♖f8 Donchenko,A (2676)-
Ragger,M (2615) Muelheim GER 2024
1/2-1/2]

5...c5 6.d5 a6 7.e4 b5

[7...♘e5±]

8.cxb5± White is better. **8...♙g7**

9.bxa6?! Inaccuracy. Nf3 was best.

[9.♘f3]

[9.♘f3±]

9...0-0= 10.h5?! Inaccuracy. a4 was best.

[10.a4 ♘e5 11.♙f4 ♘fd7 12.h5 c4
13.♖d2 ♙xa6 14.♙h6 ♙xh6 15.♖xh6
♘g4]

[White should try 10.♘f3±]

10...♘xh5 11.g4 ♘hf6! 12.g5 ♘h5

13.♙e2 ♙xa6 14.♙xh5 gxh5 15.f4! e6

With the idea ...Bxc3+. **16.♘ge2 ♖e8**

17.dxe6 fxe6 18.♘g3 ♘e5?!

Inaccuracy. Bd4 was best.

[18...♙d4 19.♘xh5]

[18...♙d4= 19.♘xh5 ♖a7]

19.fxe5± ♙xe5 20.♖g2!

[20.♘xh5? ♖xh5! 21.♖g2 ♙g3+!

22.♔d2 ♖g4-+]

20...♖b8 21.♘xh5 ♖g6 22.♙e3

Black must now prevent 0-0-0. **22...d5?!**

Inaccuracy. Bd3 was best.

[22...♙d3 23.0-0-0]

23.0-0-0!

[Reject 23.♙xc5?! ♖xb2 24.♖xb2

♙xc3+ 25.♖xc3 ♖xe4+ 26.♔d1

♖xh1+ 27.♔c2 ♖e4+ 28.♔b3 ♙c4+

29.♔b4 ♙e2+ 30.♖d4 ♖xd4+

31.♙xd4 ♙xh5=]

23...d4 Double Attack **24.♖dg1?!**

Inaccuracy. Qh3 was best.

[24.♖h3!]

[24.♖h3!± Threatens to win with Nf6+!

dx3 25.b3]

24...dxc3?? Blunder. dxe3 was best.

[24...dxe3 25.♘f6+ ♖xf6! 26.gxf6

♖xg2 27.♖xg2+ ♔f7 28.♖h6 ♙d3

29.♖g7+ ♔f8 30.♖hxh7]

[24...dxe3= 25.♘f6+ Discovered
Attack ♖xf6 26.gxf6 ♖xg2 27.♖xg2+
♔f7]

25.b3! Strongly threatening Nf6+!

25...♙d3 [#] aiming for ...Rxb3! **26.♖h3??**
[#] Blunder. Nf6+ was best.

[26.♘f6+!]

[26.♘f6+!+-

was the only winning

move. ♙xf6 27.gxf6 ♖xg2 28.♖xg2+

♔f7 29.♖g4 (29.♙xc5 ♙xe4 30.♙xf8

♙xg2±; 29.♖xh7+ ♔xf6 30.♙xc5

♖h8±)]

26...♖xb3!-+ 27.axb3 [#] 27...♖a8!→

Black has strong attack. **28.♔d1??**
[#] Checkmate is now unavoidable. Nf6+
was best.

[28.♘f6+ ♙xf6]

[28.♘f6+-+ ♙xf6 29.♖xe6+

Double Attack ♖f7 30.gxf6+ ♔h8

31.♖c8+ ♖xc8 32.♖g7 ♖xg7

33.fxg7+ ♔xg7 34.♙f4]

28...♖xh5+!! Black mates. **29.♖xh5??**

Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rg4 was best.

[29.♖g4 ♖a1+ 30.♙c1 ♙f4 31.♔e1

♖xc1+ 32.♔f2 ♖xh1 33.♖xh5 ♖xh5

34.♔f3 c2]

29...♖a1+ 30.♙c1 [#] 30...♖xc1+!

Remove Defender, Promotion. Accuracy:

White = 70%, Black = 59%.

0-1

E60

□ **Maurizzi,Marc`Andria**

2617

■ **Sevian,Samuel**

2698

Sharjah Master 2024

22.05.2024

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 c5 4.dxc5

♖a5+ 5.♘c3 ♖xc5 6.e4N

[RR 6.♙g2 ♖xc4 7.♙g5 ♙g7 8.♖c1

♘c6 9.♘h3 ♖b4 10.0-0 ♖a5 11.♙d2

♖d8 12.♘f4 0-0 13.♘cd5 ♘xd5

14.♘xd5 ♙xb2 15.♙g5 ♙xc1

16.♖xc1 d6 17.♖b2 ♙e6 18.♙h6 f6

19.♙xf8 ♔xf8 20.♖xb7 ♖c8

Iskusnyh,S (2440)-Grandelius,N (2673) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (40)]
6...d6 7.♙e3 ♖a5 8.♙g2 ♗c6 9.♗ge2 ♙g7 10.0-0 0-0?! Inaccuracy. Ne5 was best.

[10...♗e5 11.b3 h5 12.♙d2 h4 13.♗d5 ♖d8 14.♙c3 h3 15.♙h1 0-0 16.♖d2]

11.b3 ♙d7 12.♖c1 ♗g4 13.♙d2 ♖h5 14.h3 ♗ge5 15.♗f4 ♖xd1 16.♖fxd1 g5 17.♗h5 g4 18.♗xg7 ♗xg7 19.h4 f6 20.♙e3 b6 21.♗d5 ♗f7 22.♙f1 ♗f3+ 23.♗g2 ♗ce5 24.♙e2 f5 25.exf5 ♙xf5 26.♗c7 ♖ad8 27.♗b5 ♙e4 28.♗f1 ♗h2+ 29.♗e1 ♗hf3+ 30.♗f1 ♗h2+ 31.♗e1 ♗ef3+ 32.♙xf3 ♗xf3+ 33.♗e2 ♗e5 34.♗d2?! Inaccuracy. Rd4 was best.

[34.♖d4 ♙f3+ 35.♗d2 ♗c6 36.♖f4+ ♗e8 37.♖xf8+ ♗xf8 38.♗d4 ♗xd4 39.♙xd4 ♖b8]

34...♙f3?! Inaccuracy. Rd7 was best.

[34...♖d7]

35.♖e1 ♗c6 36.♗d4 ♗xd4 37.♙xd4 e5 38.♙e3 ♗e6 39.♗c3 ♖c8 1/2-1/2

E62
 ♑ Yilmazyerli,Mert **2522**
 ♒ Murzin,Volodar **2631**
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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗f3 ♙g7 4.g3 0-0 5.♙g2 c6 6.♗c3 d6 7.0-0 ♙f5 8.♖e1 ♗e4 9.♖b3 ♗xc3 10.bxc3 ♙c8 11.e4 ♗d7 12.♙a3 c5 White is slightly better.

[RR 12...♖e8 13.♖ad1 ♖c7 14.c5 dxc5 (14...♗f8± was necessary.) 15.♗g5! e6 16.e5 b6 17.♗e4 ♙a6 18.♗d6 ♖f8 19.♖a4 ♙b5 20.♗xb5 cxb5 21.♖xb5 ♖ac8 22.f4 ♖fe8 23.d5 exd5 24.♙xd5 ♗f8 25.c4 ♖cd8 26.♙b2 ♗e6 27.♖d2 Le Tuan Minh (2567)-Andreikin,D (2729) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (73)]

13.e5 dxe5N

[RR 13...♖c7 13...dxe5 0.40 14.e6! fxe6 15.♗g5 ♗b6 16.♗xe6 ♙xe6 17.♖xe6 ♗h8 18.♖ae1 ♙f6 19.dxc5 dxc5 20.♙c1 ♖ad8 21.♙f4 ♖d7 22.♙f1 g5 23.♙c1 ♗a4 24.♖6e3 ♗b6 25.♖a3 (White should play 25.♖e6) 25...♖f5 26.f3 (26.♖b3±) 26...♗d7 27.♙d3 ♖h3 28.♙f1 Vakhidov,J (2599)-Ivic,V (2582) chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (40)]

14.dxe5 ♖c7 15.e6 fxe6 16.♗g5 ♗e5! 17.f4 ♖f5 18.♖ad1 h6 19.fxe5
 And now Nf3 would win. **19...hxg5 20.♖b5 ♗f7! 21.♙e4**

[Not 21.♙xc5 ♙xe5 22.♖f1 ♙f6±]
 [White should try 21.♖xc5± ♖xc5+ 22.♙xc5]

21...♙xe5 22.♙xf5 gxf5 23.♖xc5 ♖xc5+ 24.♙xc5 ♙c7 25.♙d4±
 White is fighting back **25...♙d7 26.♙e3 ♙c6 27.♙xg5 ♖g8 28.♙e3 f4 29.♖f1 e5 30.♙xa7 ♗e6**

[Better is 30...e4±]

31.♖fe1 ffg3 32.hxg3 ♖xg3+ Double Attack 33.♗f2 ♖xc3 34.♖c1 ♖f3+ 35.♗e2 ♖a3 36.♙c5 ♖a5 37.♙b4 ♖xa2+ 38.♗d3 ♖h2 39.♙c3 ♖h4 40.♖g1

[40.♖a1±]

40...♙b6 Hoping for ...Be4+. **41.♖ge1 e4+ 42.♗c2 e3! 43.♗b3 ♖h3 44.♗b4?? [#] Blunder. Bb4 was best.**

[44.♙b4]

[44.♙b4±]

44...♗f5!-+ 45.♖cd1 ♙c7?! Inaccuracy. e5 was best.

[45...e5 46.♖f1+ ♗e4 47.c5 ♙xc5+ 48.♗xc5 e2 49.♙b2 ♖b3 50.♙a1 exd1♗ 51.♖xd1]

[45...e5-+ 46.♖f1+ ♗e4]

46.♙d4± ♙f4 47.♙c5 e5 48.♖d8?
 Mistake. Rd3 was best.

[48.♖d3 [#] ♗e4!]

[48.♖d3± might work better.]

48...♗e4-+ 49.♖f8?! Inaccuracy. Rg8

was best.

[49.♖g8 ♔f3 50.♞d8 ♕e4 51.♞f1+ ♔e2 52.♞c1 ♞h2 53.♞dd1 ♔f3 54.♞c3 ♞b2+]

49...♞h2 50.♔c3 ♞d2 51.♞f7 ♞d3+ 52.♔b4 ♔f3 53.♞h7 ♕d7 ...e2 is the strong threat. **54.♞f1+ ♔e4** Threatens to win with ...e2. **55.♞e1 ♕g4 56.♞g7 ♕f3 57.♔a4 e2 58.♕b4?!** Inaccuracy. Rxb7 was best.

[58.♞xb7 ♕d2 59.♞eb1 e1♞ 60.♞xe1+ ♕xe1 61.♞f7 ♞d2 62.♔b5 ♕f2 63.♕f8 ♞b2+]

58...♕d2 Black is clearly winning.

59.♕xd2 ♞xd2 60.♞xb7 ♞d1 61.♞b1

[♠61.♞xe2+ ♕xe2 62.♔a3]

61...♞xe1 62.♞xe1 ♔e3 63.♞a1 ♔f2

Accuracy: White = 65%, Black = 87%.

0-1

E62

□ **Aravindh,Chithambaram VR. 2670**

■ **Salem,A.R. Saleh 2629**

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1.d4 ♘f6 2.♘f3 g6 3.g3 ♕g7 4.♕g2

0-0 5.0-0 d6 6.c4 ♘c6 7.♘c3 e5 8.d5

♘b8 9.c5 ♘a6 10.cxd6 cxd6 11.♘d2

White is slightly better. **11...♘e8N**

[RR 11...♕d7 12.b3 (White should try 12.a4±)

A) 12...e4!♞ 13.♞b1 (13.♘cxe4 ♘xe4) 13...e3;

B) 12...b5 13.♕b2 ♞e7 14.a3 ♞fc8 15.b4 e4 16.e3 ♘g4! 17.♞c1 f5 18.♞b3 ♘e5 (Black should play

18...♘c7♞) 19.♘e2 ♞xc1 20.♘xc1 ♞c8 21.♘e2 ♘c7 22.♕d4 ♞f7 23.♕xa7 ♘xd5 24.♕d4 ♕e6 25.♞d1 g5 26.f3 Gagunashvili,M (2562)-Kiladze,L (2179) Tbilisi GEO 2024 1-0 (83)]

[RR 11...♕d7 12.a4 ♘e8 13.♞b3 ♞c8 14.♞a3 ♞c5 15.♞xc5 ♘xc5 16.e4 ♞c8 17.♞a3 ♘d3 18.♘e2

♘xc1 19.♞xc1 ♞xc1+ 20.♘xc1 ♕h6 21.♘cb3 f5 22.♘c4 ♞f7 23.♘ba5 ♕c8! 24.f3 ♞c7 25.b4 ♔f8 26.♕f1 Konopka,M (2346)-Michalek,J (2258) Czech Republic CZE 2024 ½-½]

12.♘c4 f5 13.a4 g5 14.♕e3 ♘ac7

15.♞b3 ♞f7 16.♘b5 b6 17.♕xg5 ♞xg5

18.♘bxd6 ♘xd6 19.♘xd6 ♞f6

20.♘xf7 ♞xf7 21.a5 ♞b8 22.♞fc1

Hoping for Rxc7!

[22.♞fd1 22.axb6 1.67]

22...e4 23.axb6 axb6 24.♞c2?!

Inaccuracy. Ra7 was best.

[24.♞a7 ♞xd5 25.♞c2! ♘e6 26.e3!

♕b7 27.♞d1 ♞c6 28.♞xc6 ♕xc6

29.♕h3 ♘g5 (♠29...♞d8 30.♞xd8+

♘xd8)]

[24.♞a7± ♞xd5 25.♞a3]

24...♕e5! =

[M u c h w e a k e r i s 24...♘xd5?!

25.♞xc8+ ♞xc8 26.♞xc8+ ♕f8

27.♞aa8±]

25.♞a7 ♕b7 26.e3 ♘b5 27.♞a4 ♕xd5

Strongly threatening ...Bb3. **28.♕f1↑**

White fights for an advantage. **28...♘d6**

And now ...Bb3 would win. **29.♞d2**

♔h8?? [#] Blunder. Kf8 was best.

[29...♔f8 30.♞b4 ♕a8 31.♕c4 ♘xc4

32.♞bxc4 ♞e6 33.♞a4 ♔f7 34.♞a7+

♔g6 35.♞b4]

[29...♞e6= and Black stays safe.]

30.♞d4!+- ♕xd4 31.♞xd4+ ♔g8

32.♞d1 ♞d8 33.♞xd5 ♞xd5 34.♞xd5

Endgame KRB-KRN **34...♔f7 [#]**

35.♕c4! Rxd6+ is the strong threat. Pin

35...♔e7 36.♕b3 b5 37.♔g2 ♞b8?!

Inaccuracy. Rd7 was best.

[37...♞d7 38.h4 ♔d8 39.h5 h6

40.♔h3 ♔c7 41.♞e5 ♞d8 42.♔h4

♞e8 43.♞xe8]

38.♞e5+ ♔f8 39.♞d5 ♞b6 40.♞e5 ♞b8

41.h3 ♞c8 42.♞e6 ♞d8 43.g4 fxg4

44.hxg4 ♞d7 45.♕d5 White is clearly

winning. **45...b4 46.♕c6 ♞d8 47.♕xe4**

b3 48.♕d5 Accuracy: White = 89%,

Black = 71%.

1-0

□ Sjugirov, Sanan

■ Assaubayeva, Bibisara

Sharjah Master 2024

E66

2691

2481

18.05.2024

1.c4 ♘f6 2.g3 g6 3.♙g2 ♙g7 4.d4
0-0 5.♗c3 d6 6.♗f3 c5 7.0-0 ♗c6
8.d5 ♗a5 9.♗d2 e6 10.♚c2 ♖b8
11.b3N

[RR 11.♖b1 exd5 12.cxd5 ♙d7 13.b3
♙f5 14.e4 ♙d7 15.♞e1 b5 16.♙b2
♚b6 17.♗d1 ♞bc8 18.♗e3 ♞fe8
19.h3 ♚d8 20.♞bc1 a6 21.♗h2 ♖b8
22.f4 c4 23.bxc4 ♗xc4 24.♗dxc4
bxc4 25.♗xc4 ♙b5 Yang,S (1901)-
Wang,P (1540) Shanghai CHN 2024
½-½ (33)]

11...exd5 12.cxd5 b5 13.♙b2 b4

14.♗d1 ♙a6 15.♞e1 ♞e8 16.a3?!

Inaccuracy. Ne3 was best.

[16.♗e3 ♚b6 17.♙f3 ♞xe3 18.fxe3
♞e8 19.♗h1 ♞xe3 20.a3 ♙b5
21.axb4 cxb4]

16...♙xe2 17.♗e3 ♙b5 18.axb4 cxb4

19.♙d4 ♗b7 20.♞xa7 ♗c5 21.♞ea1

♗fd7 22.♗f3 ♙d3 23.♚b2 ♙xd4

24.♗xd4 ♚f6 25.♞1a2 ♙b1 26.♚xb1?

Mistake. Ne6 was best.

[26.♗e6 ♚xb2 27.♞xb2 ♙d3 28.♗d4
♞a8 29.♞ba2 ♞xa7 30.♞xa7 ♗e5
31.h3 h5]

26...♚xd4 27.♚b2 ♚c3 28.♙f1 ♗e5

29.♞c7? Mistake. Kg2 was best.

[29.♗g2 ♞ec8]

29...♚xb3 30.♚xb3 ♗xb3 31.f4 ♗f3+

32.♗f2 ♗xh2 33.♙c4?! Inaccuracy. Bh3

was best.

[33.♙h3 ♗d4]

33...♗c5 34.♞aa7 ♞a8 35.♞xf7 ♞xa7

36.♞xa7 b3 37.♗d1 ♗g4+ 38.♗f3 h5

39.♞a3 ♞e1 40.♙e2 ♗g7 41.♞a7+ ♗f6

42.♞a8 ♗e4 43.♞e8?! Inaccuracy. Kxe4

was best.

[43.♗xe4 ♞xe2+ 44.♗d3 ♞g2
45.♗c3 ♞xg3+ 46.♗d4 ♗f2 47.♞f8+
♗g7 48.♞b8 ♞f3]

43...♗h2+

0-1

□ Yilmazyerli, Mert

■ Jumabayev, Rinat

Sharjah Master 2024

E67

2522

2595

16.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗f3 ♙g7 4.g3 d6

5.♙g2 0-0 6.♗c3 ♗bd7 7.0-0 e5 8.h3

♞e8 9.e4 exd4 10.♗xd4 c6 11.♖b1 a5

12.♞e1 ♗c5 13.b3 ♙d7 14.♙f4 ♚b6

15.♙e3 ♞ad8 16.♚c2 ♚c7 17.f4?!

Inaccuracy. Rbd1 was best.

[17.♖bd1 ♚c8 18.g4 h5 19.g5 ♗h7
20.♗h2 a4 21.♞f1 axb3 22.axb3
♗e6]

17...h5 18.♖bd1 ♚c8 19.♗h2 b5

20.cxb5 cxb5 21.♗dxb5 ♗cxe4

22.♞c1 d5 23.♗xe4 ♚xc2 24.♗xf6+

♙xf6 25.♞xc2 ♙xb5 26.♞c5 d4 27.♙d2

♙d3 28.♞xa5 ♗g7 29.♞d5 ♞xe1

30.♙xe1 ♞e8 31.♙f2 ♞e2 32.♗g1 ♞xa2

33.♙f3 ♞a1+ 34.♗h2 ♞a2 35.♗g1

♞a1+ 36.♗h2 ♞a2 37.♗g1 ♞e2

[37...♞a1+]

38.♙g2 ♙f5

½-½

□ Raja Rithvik R

■ Gupta, Abhijeet

Sharjah Master 2024

E70

2523

2601

17.05.2024

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 ♙g7 4.e4 d6

5.♗ge2 0-0 6.♗g3 h5 7.♙e2 a5 8.♙e3

a4N

[RR 8...e5 9.d5 ♗a6 10.h3 ♗c5
11.♚c2 h4 12.♗f1 ♗h7 13.0-0-0 f5
14.♞g1 ♙d7 15.g3 hxg3 16.♙xc5

dxc5 17.♖xg3 f4 18.♗f1 f3 19.♙d3
♖a6 20.♗d2 ♗h6 21.♔b1 ♖af6
22.h4 ♔h8 23.♗b5 Chaqryan,E
(2326)-Andriasian,Z (2570) Yerevan
ARM 2024 0-1 (86)]

9.a3 e5 10.d5 ♗bd7 11.♙g5 ♗c5
12.♙xh5 ♖e8 13.♙e2 ♗h7 14.♙e3
♗b3 15.♖b1 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.f4
exf4 18.♙xf4 ♙d4 19.♖d3 ♙d7
20.♔d1 ♙e5 21.♖f1 ♔h8 22.♔c2
♗d4+ 23.♔d2 b5?! Inaccuracy. Nb3+
was best.

[23...♗b3+ 24.♔c2]
24.♙h5 ♖d8 25.♖be1 ♙g7 26.♙d1?!
Inaccuracy. cxb5 was best.

[26.cxb5 ♖b8]
26...bxc4 27.♖xc4 ♖b8?? Blunder. Bc8
was best.

[27...♙c8 28.♙e3 ♙a6 29.♖xd4
♙xd4 30.♙xd4+ ♔g8 31.♗xf5 ♖g5+
32.♙e3 ♖xf5 33.♙xg5]

28.♔c1 ♙b5 29.♗xb5 ♖xb5 30.♖xa4?
Mistake. Kb1 was best.

[30.♔b1 ♖b8 31.♙c1 c5 32.dxc6
♗xc6 33.♖f2 ♖b6 34.♗d2 d5 35.♖e2
♗d4]

30...♖b8 31.♖f2?! Inaccuracy. Nh5 was
best.

[31.♗h5 ♖xb2 32.♗xg7 ♖b1+
33.♔d2 ♖b2+ 34.♙c2 ♖xe1 35.♖xe1
♗xc2 36.♖xc2 ♖xg7]

31...♖c5+?? Blunder. Qb7 was best.

[31...♖b7 32.♙e3 ♖c5+ 33.♔b1 ♗b5
34.♙b3 ♖a8 35.♖xa8+ ♖xa8
36.♙xc5 dxc5 37.♗xf5]

32.♔b1 ♗b5 33.♔a2?? Blunder. Bb3
was best.

[33.♙b3 ♖b7 34.♖fe2 ♗f6 35.♙d2
♖xd5 36.♙xd5 ♖xd5 37.♙b4 f4
38.♗e4 ♗g4]

33...♖b7?? Blunder. Bxb2 was best.

[33...♙xb2 34.♔xb2]

34.♖fe2?? Blunder. Re3 was best.

[34.♖e3 ♗d4 35.♗h5 ♖xd5+
36.♔b1 ♗f6 37.♗xf6 ♙xf6 38.♖d7
♖f7 39.♖xf7 ♖xf7]

34...♗f6?? Blunder. Bxb2 was best.

[34...♙xb2 35.♖xb2]
35.♙b3?? Blunder. Be3 was best.
[35.♙e3]

35...♖a8 36.♖b4? Mistake. Qxa8+ was
best.

[36.♖xa8+ ♖xa8 37.♗xf5 ♖c3
38.♗xg7 ♔xg7 39.♗d2 ♖xb3
40.♔xb3 ♗xd5 41.♙e3 c5]

36...♗xd5 37.♖e8+ ♔h7 38.♖d2??
Checkmate is now unavoidable. Bd2 was
best.

[38.♙d2 ♗xb4+ 39.♙xb4 ♖xe8
40.♖xe8 ♗d4 41.♙g8+ ♔g6 42.♖e7
♖xg2 43.♙xc5 dxc5]

38...♗xa3?? Lost forced checkmate
sequence. Nbc3+ was best.

[38...♗bc3+ 39.bxc3 ♗xc3+ 40.♔b2
♗d1+ 41.♔a2 ♖xa3+ 42.♔xa3 ♙b2+
43.♔a2 ♖a6+ 44.♖a5]

39.bxa3?? Checkmate is now
unavoidable. Rxa8 was best.

[39.♖xa8 ♖xa8 40.♙xd5 ♖xd5
41.♖e8 ♗c4+ 42.♖xa8 ♗xd2 43.♖a7
♔g6 44.b4 ♗d4]

39...♗c3+ 40.♖xc3?? Checkmate is
now unavoidable. Kb2 was best.

[40.♔b2 ♗d1+ 41.♔a2 ♖xa3+
42.♔xa3 ♙b2+ 43.♔a2 ♖a6+
44.♖a5 ♖xa5+ 45.♙a4 ♖xa4+]

40...♖xa3+ 41.♔xa3 ♖xc3
0-1

E71

□ Maghsoodloo,Parham 2732

■ Theodorou,Nikolas 2616

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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 ♙g7 4.e4 d6
5.h3 0-0 6.♙e3 ♗c6 7.d5 ♗e5 8.♖c2
e6 White is slightly better. 9.f4 ♗ed7
10.dxe6! fxe6 11.g4 ♖e7N

[RR 11...b6 12.♙g2 ♙a6 13.b3 ♗c5
14.♗d1 ♙b7 15.♗ge2 a5 16.0-0
♗fd7 17.♔h2 (♠17.g5) 17...♖e7

18. ♖g3 ♖ae8 (Black should play 18... ♗h4±) 19.g5 ♗d8 20.h4 ♗a8 21. ♖b5 ♗b8 22.h5 ♖f7 23. ♖f2 gxh5 24. ♖xh5 ♖h8 (24... ♖ef8 25.a3 ♖h8) 25. ♖c1 ♗d8 26. ♖g1 Gasanov,E (2487)-Juknis,P (2148) Hastings ENG 2023 1-0 (58)]

12. ♖ge2 ♖b6 13.b3 d5 14.e5 ♖fd7 15. ♖g2 ♖xe5?! Inaccuracy. dxc4 was best.

[15...dxc4 16.0-0 ♖c5 17.bxc4 ♖d7 18. ♖g3 g5 19. ♖h5 gxf4 20. ♖xf4 ♖e8 21. ♖xg7]

[15...dxc4± 16.0-0 c6]

16.fxe5+ ♗h4+ 17. ♖d2 ♖h6 18. ♗d3

[18.cxd5 ♖xe3+ 19. ♖xe3 ♗f2+ 20. ♖d2 ♗xg2=]

18...dxc4 19. ♗e4! ♖d5?! Inaccuracy. Bxe3+ was best.

[19... ♖xe3+ 20. ♗xe3 ♖d7 21. ♖c2 cxb3+ 22.axb3 a5 23. ♖xb7 ♖ab8 24. ♖a6 ♖c6 25. ♖hf1]

20. ♖xd5?! Inaccuracy. g5 was best.

[20.g5 ♗xe4 21. ♖xe4 ♖g7 22. ♖f6+ ♖xf6 23.gxf6 ♖d8 24. ♖g5 ♖f7 25. ♖hg1 cxb3]

20...exd5 21. ♗d4 ♖e6 22.g5 ♖xg5

Strongly threatening ...Qxd4+. 23. ♗xh4

♖xh4 24. ♖d4 ♖fe8 25.bxc4 dxc4

26. ♖xb7 ♖ad8 next ...c5 is good for

Black. 27. ♖e2 ♖d5 28. ♖xd5+ ♖xd5

29. ♖f3! Discovered Attack 29... ♖g3 [#]

30. ♖hd1!

[30. ♖xa7 ♖xe5 31. ♖xe5 ♖exe5+ 32. ♖f2 ♖f5+ 33. ♖g3 ♖g5+ 34. ♖f4 ♖gf5+ 35. ♖g4 ♖g5+ 36. ♖f4 ♖gf5+ 37. ♖e4 ♖fe5+ 38. ♖f3 ♖f5+ 39. ♖g2 ♖g5+ 40. ♖f3 ♖gf5+ 41. ♖g4 ♖g5+ 42. ♖f4=]

30... ♖xe5 31. ♖xd5 ♖xa1 32. ♖c5 ♖b8

33.a4 ♖b4 34.a5 a6 35. ♖d2 c3

36. ♖c4

[Not 36. ♖xc7 cxd2 37. ♖c6 ♖b3=]

36... ♖b2+?! Inaccuracy. Rb1 was best.

[36... ♖b1 37. ♖xc7 c2 38. ♖a3 c1 ♖+ 39. ♖xc1 ♖b3 40. ♖c2? (40. ♖c8++-

♖f7 41. ♖c6) 40... ♖c3? (40... ♖c3!= 41. ♖xc3 ♖xc3) 41. ♖c5 ♖f7 42. ♖e3]

37. ♖d3 ♖h2 38. ♖c6 c2 39. ♖xa6 c5

40. ♖a8+ ♖f7 41.a6 a7 is the strong

threat. 41... ♖d4 White must now prevent

...Bxe3. 42. ♖d2 c1 ♗ 43. ♖xc1

aiming for a7. 43... ♖xh3+ 44. ♖e3 ♖xe3

45. ♖xe3 c4+ 46. ♖xc4 ♖xe3 KR-KR

47.a7

[47. ♖h8 ♖a3 48.a7 (48. ♖xh7+ ♖g8±)

47... ♖e7 [#] 48. ♖h8! White mates.

48... ♖c7+ 49. ♖d4 ♖d7+ 50. ♖e4 ♖e7+

51. ♖f3 Accuracy: White = 89%, Black =

49%.

1-0

E73

□ Martirosyan,Haik M.

2678

■ Assaubayeva,Bibisara

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22.05.2024

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 g6 3. ♖c3 ♖g7 4.e4 d6

5. ♖e2 0-0 6. ♖e3 c5 7.d5 ♗b6 8. ♗c2

[RR 8. ♖b1 ♗a5 9. ♖d2 e6 10. ♖f3

exd5 11. ♖xd5 ♗d8 12. ♖xf6+ ♖xf6

13.0-0 ♖e8 14. ♖d3 ♖g4 15.h3 ♖xf3

16. ♗xf3 ♖c6 17. ♗d1 ♖b4 18. ♖xb4

cxh4 19.a4 bxa3 20.bxa3 b6 21.g3

♖c8 22. ♖g2 ♖c5 Nesterov,A (2584)-

Sindarov,J (2701) Samarkand UZB

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8... ♖g4 9. ♖g5N

[RR 9. ♖c1 f5 10. ♖f3 fxe4 11. ♖xe4

♗b4+ 12. ♖fd2 ♖h6 13.0-0 ♖f5

14. ♖b3 a5 15.a4 ♖d7 16. ♖g5 ♖e5

17.g4 ♖d4! 18. ♖xd4 cxd4 19. ♖xe7

d3! 20. ♖xd3 ♖f3+ 21. ♖h1 ♖xg4

22. ♖xd6 ♗b6! 23.c5 ♗d8!

Ter Sahakyan,S (2649)-Tiraturyan,D

(2258) Yerevan ARM 2024 1-0 (56)]

9...f5 White is slightly better. 10.f3 ♖f6?!

Inaccuracy. Ne5 was best.

[10... ♖e5 11. ♖xe7]

[10... ♖e5=]

11.exf5 ♙xf5 12.♚d2 ♚a5

[12...♙c8±]

13.g4 ♙d7?! Inaccuracy. Bc8 was best.

[13...♙c8 14.h4 ♘bd7 15.h5 ♘e5
16.hxg6 ♘xg6 17.♙h6 ♖f7 18.♘h3
♙xh6 19.♚xh6]

14.h4 b5 15.h5

[But not 15.cxb5?! a6±]

15...gxh5 16.gxh5 ♘a6 17.h6

[Don't take 17.♘xb5?! ♚xd2+
18.♙xd2 h6±]

17...♙h8 18.♘h3

[Don't do 18.♘xb5?! ♚xd2+ 19.♙xd2
♘b4±]

18...♖ab8?! Inaccuracy. Kf7 was best.

[18...♙f7 19.♘xb5 ♘b4 20.♘c3 ♙f5
[#] 21.♖c1! ♖ab8 22.a3 ♘a6 23.♘b5
♚xd2+ 24.♙xd2]

19.cxb5 ♘c7 20.a4↑ White has strong
initiative. 20...a6?! Inaccuracy. Bf5 was
best.

[20...♙f5 21.♘f4 ♙f7 22.♖d1 a6
23.♙d3 ♙xd3 24.♚xd3 c4 25.♚f5
♙e8 26.0-0]

[♘20...♙f5]

21.♖g1+- ♙f7 22.♙xf6! exf6 23.♚d3!

♙e8? Mistake. f5 was best.

[23...f5 24.♘g5+ ♙e7 25.♚e3+ ♙d8
26.♘e6+ ♙xe6 27.dxe6 ♖e8 28.♖g7
axb5 29.0-0-0]

[23...f5 keeps fighting. 24.♘g5+
♙e7]

24.♚xh7 Rg8 is the strong threat. 24...f5

[#] 25.♖g7! ♘xd5?! Inaccuracy. Kd8
was best. If Black can now play ...Nf6
this consolidates a bit.

[25...♙d8 26.♖xd7+ ♙c8 27.♙f1
axb5 28.♚e7 ♙xc3 29.bxc3 ♖h8
30.h7 c4 31.♘g5]

[25...♙xg7 26.hxg7]

26.♚g6+ Double Attack. Accuracy: White
= 79%, Black = 35%.

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□ Sarana,Alexey

2706

■ Vakhidov,Jakhongir

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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 ♙g7 4.e4 d6

5.♙e2 0-0 6.♙e3 a5 7.♘f3 ♘g4 8.♙g5
h6 White is better. 9.♙h4

[RR 9.♙c1 e5 10.h3 exd4 11.♘xd4
♘f6 12.♙e3 ♖e8 13.f3 ♘h5 14.g4
♘g3 15.♖g1 ♘xe2 16.♚xe2 a4
17.0-0-0 a3 18.b3 ♘c6 19.♚d2 ♙h7
20.h4 ♘e5 21.♖gf1 ♙d7 22.g5 h5!
23.♘de2 (23.f4± ♘g4 24.f5)
23...♙c6 Bronstein,O (2458)-Haldorsen,
B (2419) Orosei ITA 2024 ½-½ (93)
(23...♙h3= 24.♖f2 ♙d7)]

9...♘f6 10.h3 ♘c6N

[RR 10...♘h5 10...g5 0.44 11.♚d2 g5
12.♘xg5 hxg5 13.♚xg5 ♘f6 14.e5
(14.♖d1±) 14...♘h7 15.♚h5?
(15.♚g3± stays ahead.) 15...♘c6?
(15...dxe5!≠ 16.dxe5 ♖a6) 16.♘d5
(Better is 16.♖d1±) 16...f5 17.g4
(17.f4=) 17...♙e6? (Black should try
17...dxe5≠ 18.dxe5 ♙e6) 18.g5! ♖e8!
19.♖d1 dxe5 20.dxe5 ♘xe5 21.g6
♘f8 22.♘f4? (White has to play
22.♘xe7+!≠ ♚xe7 23.♙xe7 ♖xe7
24.0-0) 22...♚c8 23.♖g1 ♙xc4
24.♙xc4+ ♘xc4 25.♙g5 Ohanyan,E
(2456)-Ivic,V (2570) Samarkand UZB
2023 0-1 (38)]

11.d5 ♘b4 12.♚d2 ♘d7 13.a3 ♘c5?

Mistake. Na6 was best.

[13...♘a6 14.♖d1]

[13...♘a6±]

14.axb4+- ♘b3 15.♚d1 ♘xa1 16.b5!

[16.♚xa1?! ♙xh3 17.♖xh3 axb4±]

16...c5?! Inaccuracy. a4 was best.

[16...a4 17.♚xa1 a3 18.0-0 c6
19.dxc6 bxc6 20.bxc6 ♙xc3 21.bxc3
♚c7 22.♚c1]

17.♚xa1?! Inaccuracy. Na4 was best.

[17.♘a4 f5 18.exf5 ♙xf5 19.♚xa1
♚e8 20.0-0 g5 21.♙g3 ♚g6 22.♚c1]

♖ae8]
 17...f5 18.exf5 g5 19.♙g3 a4 20.♚a3
 ♚a5 21.f6 ♙xf6 22.♙d3 ♚b4
 And now ...Qxa3 would win. 23.♙d2 g4
 24.hxg4 ♙xg4 25.♙c2
 [25.♖xh6 ♙xf3 26.♖g6+ ♙f7±]
 25...♙xf3 26.gxf3 ♙xc3 27.♚xc3
 ♚xc3+ 28.♙xc3
 [28.bxc3 ♖xf3 29.♖xh6 a3+-]
 28...♖xf3 29.♖a1
 [Don't go for 29.♖xh6? a3+-]
 29...♙g7 30.♙d2 h5 31.♖a3 ♙h6
 and the idea ...Kg5 leaves Black hopeful.
 32.♙e2 ♖af8 [#] intending ...Kg5.
 33.♖a1!
 [Less strong is 33.♖xa4 ♙g5±]
 33...♖3f6 34.f4
 [Don't do 34.♖xa4 e5+-]
 34...♖g8 35.♙f3 ♖ff8?! Inaccuracy.
 Rgf8 was best.
 [35...♖gf8 36.♖e1 ♖6f7 37.f5 ♖a8
 38.♙h4 a3 39.bxa3 ♖xa3 40.♖e6+
 ♙h7 41.♙e4]
 36.♖e1 ♖f7 37.♖e6+ ♙g7 38.♙e1 ♙f8
 39.♖h6 ♖fg7 40.♙f2 ♙e8 41.♖xh5
 ♙d7 42.b6 White is clearly winning.
 42...♙c8 43.♙c2 ♖f8 44.♙xa4 ♖gg8
 45.♖h7 ♖h8 46.♖xe7 ♖h3+ 47.♙g3
 Threatens to win with Rc7+. 47...♖h1
 48.♙d7+ ♙d8 49.♖g7 Hoping for Be6.
 49...♖f1+?! Inaccuracy. Rh7 was best.
 [49...♖h7 50.♖xh7 ♖xf4+ [#] 51.♙g2!
 ♖f2+ 52.♙h3 ♖h2+ 53.♙g4 ♖xh7
 54.♙e6 ♖g7+ 55.♙f3]
 50.♙g2 White wants to mate with Bh4+.
 50...♖h8 51.♙e6 ♖b1 52.♖xb7
 Accuracy: White = 93%, Black = 54%.
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 □ Muradli,Mahammad 2560
 ■ Shankland,Sam 2671
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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 ♙g7 4.e4 d6
 5.♘f3 0-0 6.♙e2 e5 7.0-0 ♘a6 8.♖e1
 ♙g4 9.♙e3 exd4 10.♘xd4 ♙xe2
 11.♚xe2 White is slightly better. 11...♖e8
 12.f3 c6 13.♖ad1 ♘d7N
 [RR 13...♚a5 14.♘b3 ♚c7 15.♚d2
 ♖ad8 16.♙h1 b6 (16...♘d7±)
 17.♘d4 ♘c5 18.b4 ♘e6 19.b5 cxb5
 20.cxb5 d5 21.e5! ♚xe5 22.♘c6
 ♚h5 (22...♚d6±) 23.♘xd8 ♖xd8
 24.♘e2 ♙f8 25.♘f4 ♚f5? (25...♘xf4
 26.♙xf4 h6) 26.g4 ♚e5 27.♙xb6
 ♘e4 28.♙xd8 Duda,J (2732)-
 Henriquez Villagra,C (2591) chess.
 com INT 2024 1-0]
 14.♖d2 ♚e7 15.♚d1 ♖ad8 16.♘de2
 ♘e5 17.b3 ♘c5 18.♚c2 a6 19.♙f2
 [19.♘d1±]
 19...b5= 20.cxb5 axb5 21.a4 bxa4
 22.♘xa4 ♘a6 23.h3 d5 And now ...Nb4
 would win.
 [23...♘b4!? 24.♚d1□ ♙f8=]
 24.exd5?! Inaccuracy. f4 was best.
 [24.f4 ♘d7 25.♘d4 ♘b4 26.♘xc6
 ♘xc2 27.♘xe7+ ♖xe7 28.♖xc2 dxe4
 29.b4 ♖de8]
 [White should try 24.f4= ♘b4
 25.♚d1]
 24...♘b4 25.♚d1! ♘xd5 26.♙h1 ♙h6!
 27.♙c5?? Blunder. f4 was best.
 [27.f4 ♘xf4 28.♘xf4 ♙xf4 29.♖d4
 ♘g4 30.♖xe7 ♘xf2+ 31.♙g1 ♘xd1
 32.♖xe8+ ♖xe8]
 [27.f4 27]
 27...♚f6+ 28.f4?! [#] Inaccuracy. Rf1
 was best.
 [28.♖f1 ♙xd2 29.♚xd2 ♚h4 30.♚c2
 ♘b4 31.♙xb4 ♚xb4 32.♘g3 f5 33.f4
 ♘d3]
 28...♘xf4?? Blunder. Nf3 was best.
 [28...♘f3 29.gxf3 ♚h4 30.♙g2 ♙xf4

31.♖xd5 ♖xd5 32.♗xf4 ♖xe1
 33.♗xe1 ♗xe1 34.♗xd5]
 [28...♗f3!-+ 29.gxf3 ♗h4]
29.♗xf4 ♗xf4 **30.♖xd8** ♖xd8 **31.♗e2**
♖d2 **32.♗f1** Strongly threatening Be3.
32...♗g5 **33.♖e4** ♗g3→ Black wants a
 kill. **34.♖d4??** [#] Blunder. Qc1 was best.
 [34.♗c1 ♗d8 35.♗c3 h5 36.♗g1
 ♗g4 37.♖e8+ ♗xe8 38.♗xd2 ♗f6
 39.♗d3 ♗e1]
 [34.♗c1 ♗d8 35.♗c3]
34...h5?? Blunder. Nd3 was best.
 [34...♗d3 35.♖d7 ♗f2+ 36.♗xf2
 ♖xd7 37.♗c5 ♖e7 38.♗d3 ♗xf2
 39.♗xf2 ♗d5 40.♗f3]
 [♠34...♗d3! (-> ...Nf2+) 35.♖d7
 (35.♖xd3? ♖xd3 36.♗g1 ♗d5-+)
 35...♗f2+ Discovered Attack 36.♗xf2
 ♖xd7]
35.♗c3+ Black must now prevent Ne4.
35...♖xd4! **36.♗xd4** ♗d2 **37.♗d1**
 ♗xd1+ **38.♗xd1** Endgame KBN-KBN
38...♗d3 **39.♗c3** f5 **40.♗g1** ♗f7
41.♗f1 ♗e6 **42.♗e3** h4 **43.♗e2?!**
 Inaccuracy. Ne2 was best.
 [43.♗e2 ♗d5]
 [43.♗e2 might work better.]
43...♗e1 **44.♗f1** ♗c2 **45.♗e2?!**
 Inaccuracy. Bg5 was best.
 [45.♗g5 45.♗d2 -2.45 ♗d4 46.b4
 ♗c2 47.♗e2 ♗d5 48.♗g1 ♗xb4
 49.♗f3 ♗d3 50.♗e2 ♗e5]
45...♗e5 **46.♗b1** ♗xe3 **47.♗xe3**
 KB-KN **47...g5** **48.♗d3** g4?!
 Inaccuracy. Kd5 was best.
 [48...♗d5 49.♗a3 ♗d6 50.♗c2 ♗c5
 51.b4 ♗f8 52.♗d4 ♗xb4 53.♗xf5
 ♗c5 54.♗h6]
49.♗d2?! Inaccuracy. hxg4 was best.
 [49.hxg4 fxc4 50.♗e4 h3 51.gxh3
 gxh3 52.♗f3 ♗d5 53.♗d2 [#] ♗d4!
 54.♗e4 [#] h2!]
49...♗d5 **50.♗c4?!** Inaccuracy. Ke3 was
 best.
 [50.♗e3 ♗g7 51.♗c4 ♗h6+ 52.♗e2
 ♗f4 53.♗d3 ♗g5 54.♗e2 ♗e4

55.♗d6+ ♗f4]
50...♗d4 **51.♗d2** ♗a7 **52.♗c4** ♗c5
53.♗d2 ♗e5 **54.♗e2** ♗f4 **55.hxg4**
fxg4 **56.♗f1?!** Inaccuracy. Nf1 was best.
 [56.♗f1 ♗g1 57.♗d2 ♗g3 58.♗f1
 ♗d4 59.b4 h3 60.gxh3 gxh3 61.♗e2
 ♗g2]
56...h3 **57.gxh3** gxh3 **58.b4** ♗e3
 [♠58...♗a7 59.♗c4 ♗g3 60.b5 cxb5
 61.♗d6 h2 62.♗e4+ ♗f4 63.♗g2
 ♗xe4 64.♗h1 ♗b8 65.♗g2 b4
 66.♗h1 b3 67.♗g2 b2 68.♗f2 h1♗
 69.♗e2 ♗h2+ 70.♗f1 b1♗#]
59.♗c4 ♗f3 Accuracy: White = 51%,
 Black = 81%.
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♠ **Aditya Mittal** **2607**
 ♣ **Shankland,Sam** **2671**
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1.d4 ♗f6 **2.♗f3** g6 **3.c4** ♗g7 **4.♗c3**
0-0 **5.e4** d6 **6.♗e2** e5 **7.0-0** ♗g4 **8.d5**
a5 **9.h3** ♗xf3 **10.♗xf3** ♗bd7 **11.♖b1**
 White is slightly better. **11...h5** **12.♗g5**
♗e8N
 [RR 12...♗c8 13.a3 ♗h7 14.♗d2 ♗f6
 15.b4 ♗g5 16.♗e1 h4 17.♗b5 b6
 18.♗e2 ♗d8 19.♗d3 (White should
 try 19.c5±) 19...♗hf6 (19...axb4=
 keeps the balance. 20.axb4 ♗df6)
 20.♗c3 ♗h5 21.♖e1 ♗h7 22.♗e2
 ♗g7 23.♗c2 f5 24.♗f3 ♗f4 25.♗b2
 ♖f7 26.♗h1 ♗g8 27.♖e2 Aditya,M
 (2572)-Jovanovic,Z (2513) Viernheim
 GER 2024 1-0 (45)]
13.a3 ♗h7 **14.♗e3** ♗f6 **15.g3** ♗g5
16.♗xg5 ♗xg5 **17.♗g2!** ♗e7 **18.f4**
 [18.h4!? ♗h7 19.b3=]
18...♗h7 **19.f5** ♗h8 **20.♗h2** ♖g8
21.♗d2
 [Better is 21.♗b5=]
21...a4 **22.♗b5** ♗df6 **23.c5** dxc5
24.d6 cxd6 **25.♗xd6** ♖ge8 **26.♖fd1**

♖a6 27.♚d2 ♔g7 28.♖bc1 ♖c8 29.♖c4 ♖cc6 30.♚c3?! Inaccuracy. fxc6 was best.

[30.fxc6 fxc6 31.♗c3 ♖d6 32.♗d5 ♗xd5 33.exd5 b6 34.♖e1 ♗g5 35.♖e2 ♖a7]

[30.♚f2= remains equal.]

30...♗d7 Strongly threatening ...Nb6.

31.♚d2 ♗hf6 32.♙f1?! Inaccuracy. Qe2 was best.

[32.♚e2 h4 33.gxh4 ♗h5 34.♚f2 ♗f4 35.♗c3 ♗b6 36.♗d5! ♗bxd5 37.exd5 ♖cb6]

[White should play 32.♚e2]

32...♗b6 ♖ 33.♖c2 ♗xe4 34.♚e2 ♗f6

35.♙g2?! Inaccuracy. Nc3 was best.

[35.♗c3 e4]

[35.♗c3 ♖]

35...e4+ 36.♗c3 gxf5 37.♖f1?! Inaccuracy. Qe3 was best.

[37.♚e3 ♔g6 38.♙f1 c4 39.♙e2 ♚e5 40.♖cd2 ♖a8 41.♚f4 ♚xf4 42.gxf4 ♗e8]

37...♚e5 38.♚e3 [#] And now Qg5+ would win. 38...♔g6 39.♖cf2 ♗bd5

40.♚c1 ♗e7

[Don't take 40...h4 41.♖xf5 ♚xg3+ 42.♔h1+]

41.♗e2 ♖ab6 42.♗f4+ ♔h7 43.♚c4 ♔g7 44.♚xa4 h4 Threatens to win with ...hxg3+. 45.gxh4 ♗g6 46.♔g1

If only White now had time for Nh5+....

46...♖xb2 47.♗h5+

[47.♖xb2 ♚xb2 48.♗xg6 fxc6 49.♖f2]

47...♗xh5 48.♖xf5?? [#] Checkmate is now unavoidable. Rxb2 was best.

[48.♖xb2 ♚xb2 49.♖xf5 ♗xh4 50.♖g5+ ♖g6 51.♖xg6+ ♗xg6 52.♚xe4 ♗g3 53.♚e1 ♗e2+]

48...♖xg2+! Decoy 49.♔xg2 ♗xh4+

Double Attack. Accuracy: White = 52%,

Black = 85%.

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1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 ♙g7 4.e4 d6

5.♙e2 0-0 6.♗f3 e5 7.0-0 exd4

8.♗xd4 ♖e8 9.f3 c6 10.♔h1 d5

11.cxd5 cxd5 12.♙g5

[RR 12.♙b5 ♗bd7 13.♙g5 ♚b6 14.♙xf6 ♗xf6 15.♙xe8 ♗xe8 16.e5 ♚xb2 17.♗xd5 ♙xe5 18.♖e1 ♙h3 19.♗c2 ♙f5 20.♗e7+ ♔f8 21.♗xf5 gxf5 22.♖b1 ♚c3 23.♖xb7 ♖c8 24.♚d7 ♗d6 25.♚e7+ ♔g8 26.♖b3 ♚xc2 Le,Q (2731)-Firouzja,A (2760) chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (35)]

12...♗c6 13.exd5N Inaccuracy. Bb5 was best.

[13.♙b5 h6 14.♗xc6 bxc6 15.♙xc6 hxg5 16.♙xa8 d4 17.♗e2 ♙d7 18.♙d5 ♗xd5]

[RR 13.♙b5 ♙d7 14.♗xd5 h6 15.♙xf6 ♙xf6 16.♙xc6 bxc6 17.♗xf6+ ♚xf6 18.♚d2 ♖ed8 19.♚c3 c5 20.♗e2 ♚b6 21.♖fd1 ♙e6 22.b3 c4 23.bxc4 ♖xd1+ 24.♖xd1 ♖c8 25.♗f4 ♖xc4 26.♚f6 ♖c8 27.♗xe6 ♚xe6 Zemlyanskii,I (2492)-Budhidharma,N (2166) chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (42)]

[RR 13.♙b5 h6 14.♗xc6 bxc6 15.♙xc6 hxg5 16.♙xa8 d4 17.♗e2 ♚b6 18.♖c1 ♙d7 19.♙d5 ♗xd5 20.exd5 ♚xb2 21.♗g3 ♚xa2 22.d6 ♚d5 23.♗e4 ♖xe4 24.fxe4 ♚xd6 25.♚c2 ♙e5 26.♚c5 ♙xh2 27.♚xd6 ♙xd6 Dragan,K (2553)-Guseinov,G (2636) chess.com INT 2024 1/2-1/2 (95)]

[RR 13.♙b5 h6 14.♗xc6 bxc6 15.♙xc6 hxg5 16.♙xa8 d4 17.♗d5 ♙a6 18.♙c6 ♖e6 19.♚a4 ♙xf1 20.♖xf1 ♗xd5 21.♙xd5 ♖e7 22.♖c1 ♚d6 23.g3 ♔h7 24.♚c4 ♚f6 25.♚d3 ♚b6 26.b3 ♚a5 27.a4 ♙e5 Zhong,K (2036)-Wang,X (1768)]

Shanghai CHN 2024 1-0 (36)]
 13...♖xd4 14.♗xd4 ♘xd5 15.♗xd5
 ♗xd5 16.♘xd5 ♖xe2 17.♖ae1 ♖xe1
 1/2-1/2

□ Gurel,Ediz E94 2578
 ■ Assaubayeva,Bibisara 2481
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1.c4 ♘f6 2.♘c3 g6 3.e4 d6 4.d4 ♙g7
 5.♙e2 0-0 6.♘f3 e5 7.0-0 exd4
 8.♘xd4 ♘c6 9.♘c2 ♖e8 10.f3 ♘h5
 11.♘d5

[RR 11.♔h1 ♗h4 12.♗e1 ♗xe1
 13.♖xe1 ♙xc3 14.bxc3 b6 15.♘b4
 ♙d7 16.♘d5 ♖ec8 17.g4 1-0 (17)
 Navara,D (2679)-Gokerkan,C (2523)
 chess.com INT 2024]

11...f5N

[RR 11...♙e6 12.♖f2 a6 13.a4 a5
 14.♖a3 ♘b8 15.f4 ♘f6 16.♘xf6+
 ♙xf6 17.f5 ♙d7 18.♖af3 g5 19.h4
 gxh4 20.♖f4 ♘c6 21.♘e3 ♔h8
 22.♘d5 ♙e5 23.♙h5 ♖f8 24.♖g4
 ♘e7 25.♘f4 ♖g8 26.♙xf7 Chigaev,M
 (2621)-Gokerkan,C (2523) Samarkand
 UZB 2023 1-0 (35)]

12.g4 ♘f6 13.gxf5 gxf5 14.♙g5 ♘e5
 15.f4?! Inaccuracy. Kh1 was best.

[15.♔h1 ♔h8 16.♘d4 c6 17.♘e3
 fxe4 18.fxe4 h6 19.♙h4 ♘g6
 20.♙xf6 ♙xf6]

15...♘f7 16.♙xf6 ♙xf6 17.♙h5 ♖f8
 18.♔h1 ♘h6 19.e5 dxe5 20.fxe5
 ♙g7?? Blunder. Bxe5 was best.

[20...♙xe5]

21.♗e2 ♙e6 22.♖ad1 ♙xd5+?!
 Inaccuracy. Kh8 was best.

[22...♔h8 23.♘f4 ♗e7 24.♘d4 ♙g8
 25.e6 ♘g4 26.b3 c5 27.♘f3 ♙h6
 28.♖d7]

23.♖xd5 ♗e7 24.e6 ♖ad8 25.♖fd1 ♖d6
 26.♖xd6 cxd6 27.c5 ♙e5 28.cxd6
 ♗xe6 29.d7 ♖d8 30.♘d4 ♗e7

31.♗c4+ ♔h8 32.♘e6 ♖xd7 33.♗c8+
 ♘g8 34.♖xd7 ♗h4 35.♗xg8+ ♔xg8
 36.♖d8+ ♗xd8 37.♘xd8 ♙xb2
 38.♘xb7 ♔g7 39.♔g2 ♙a3 40.♘a5
 ♔f6 41.♙e2 h6 42.♔f3 ♔g5 43.♘c4
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 f4 47.♘g2
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