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Games

(01) Carlsen,M (2872) - Gelfand,B (2777) [D78]
Zurich Chess Challenge Zurich SUI (1), 30.01.2014
[IM Sitnikov, A]
1.c4 g6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 c6 5.Bg2 d5 Roundabout way rivals came to a very popular nowadays Gruenfeld defence.
6.Qa4 White inventing new tricks to get off the main paths, because the main options developed very deeply...
15.g4!! Commentators immediately dubbed this throw by the move of the tournament! Boris long thought, but it is very difficult to understand arise complications...
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(02) Nakamura,H (2789) - Carlsen,M (2872) [E20]
Zurich Chess Challenge Zurich SUI (3), 01.02.2014
[IM Sitnikov, A]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.f3 d5 5.a3 Be7
New world champion can play almost any debut and every its branch. [In the World Championship match against Anand, Magnus preferred 5...B:c3+ 6.b:c3 c5 7.c:d5 e:d5 8.e3 c4! and black initiative on queenside further outweighed white attack on the opposite side of the board] 6.e4 d:e4 7.f:e4 e5 8.d5 Bc5 9.Bg5 0–0

And again versatile castlings! But we must recognize that the white having space advantage, two bishops, as well as the half-open line f, will be much easier to attack. Interestingly, what has eluded the world champion in preparation for the game, because the whole concept of black in this option clearly does not inspire confidence...

13...Bd4 14.Ne2! Multifaceted move! White attacks enemy bishop, at the same time the knight is ready to go on through g3 to f5 or h5, unnerving black king or his closest courtiers...

14...c5 15.g4 a5 Black problem that he can't develop offensive, while white's attack is "like clockwork". [Both when 15...a6 16.Kb1 Qb8 17.Ng3 b5 18.Rh2! b4 19.a4! black "attack" dead-locked before it's begun] 16.Kb1 Ra6 17.Ng3 g6 18.h4 a4 19.Rh2!++

It is surprising, but black's position is already lost, although he made no big mistakes. White's attack develops inexorably: h4–h5, doubling heavy pieces vertically h and defeat the enemy defensive redoubts. With this understanding, Magnus starts incomprehensible pieces dance, trying to distract the opponent to the queenside...

19...Qa5 [19...Rb6] 20.Bd2 [20.Bc1!? Rb6 21.h5 Rb3 22.Rd3] 20...Qc7 21.g5 Ne8
22.h5 Rb6 23.Bc1 Rb3 24.Qg4! Nb6
25.Be2 Nd6 26.Rdh1?! White's attack develops naturally and easily. But here he begins to complicate the achievement of victory. [Won direct 26.h:g6 f:g6 (26...Nb:c4 27.B:c4 N:c4 28.g7! Kg7 29.Nh5+ Kh8 30.Nf6++) 27.Rdh1 Rf7 28.Qe6 Kf8 and here the spectacular jump completes the rout 29.Nf5! g:f5 30.g6] 26...B:b2 Although this move objectively leads to defeat, still after a piece sacrifice going "revival" in the black camp. 27.B:b2 Nb:c4 28.B:c4 N:c4 29.h:g6 Qb6
30.g7 Once "on the spot" won [30.g:f7+! R:f7 31.Nh5! R:b2+ 32.Ka1! Qb3 33.Qc8+ Rf8 34.Nf6+ with checkmate in two moves] 30...Rd8 31.Qh4 R:b2+ 32.Ka1 R:h2 33.R:h2 Qg6 34.Nf5 Re8 35.Qg4 Qb6 36.Qh3 Qg6


52.Qa8+ Kg7 53.Q:a4 h3 54.Qb3 h2 55.Qd5 e4 56.Qh5 e3 57.Nf3 e2 58.Kb3 f6 59.Ne1 Qg3+ 60.Ka4 Qg1 61.Q:e2 Qa7+ 0-1

(03) Gelfand,B (2777) - Anand,V (2773) [D11]
Zurich Chess Challenge Zurich SUI (4), 02.02.2014
[IM Sitnikov, A]
The most significant chess event in February, certainly, became the tournament in Zurich – the strong competition in chess history by average rating of players! 1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 Recently white is increasingly resorting to such "tricks" on the 4th move in the Slav Defense. White's idea is to avoid as "Czech" defence arising
after [4.Nc3 d:c4 (and well-studied Meran constructions, where the c3 knight falls under the "roll forward" b7–b5–b4: 4...e6 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 d:c4 7.B:c4 b5 8.Bd3 Bd6!? – according to the theory, black is all right)]

4...Bg4
Understandable desire to develop the bishop through pawns stockade, but this bishop will be exchanged for white knight soon. [Safer, perhaps 4...e6 and if 5.Nbd2 then possible even 5...c5!? stressing that the best place for queen's knight in Slav defense still on c3.]

5.Nc3 e6 6.h3!
Starting hunting!.. 6...Bh5 7.g4 Bg6 8.Nh4
[In the meeting Caruana – Anand, held the day before, the white chose to determine the situation in the centre immediately: 8.c:d5 N:d5?! 9.Ne5 Bb4 10.Bd2 Nd7 11.N:g6 h:g6 12.a3 Ba5 13.Bg2 g5 14.Qc2 Rc8 15.Rd1 Bc7 16.Ne2 Nf8 17.Qb3 Rb8 18.e4 Nf4 and now white, instead of exchanging dark-squared bishop for knight, after which the game finished a draw, could exchange knights and reach advantage: 19.N:f4 B:f4 20.d5±] 8...Bb4

12.c:d5
Unnecessarily white to relieve tension in the center. [It was better just to continue development: 12.Bg2 B:c3 13.Q:c3 Ne4 14.B:e4 d:e4 15.0-0-0]
31.Rh1? That h4–pawn weakness is beginning to affect. White's last move – absolutely "child" mistake. It is clear that such "stinginess" lead to no good and he had to fight for the only open line f. [31.Rf1! Q:h4 32.Qf4 Qe7 black can't make progress – his pawns g7 and g6 impaired] 31...Rf8! 32.h5 Qf7 33.h6 Qf3!+ Black queen introduced into the enemy camp, and the enemy pawns begin to "crumble". 34.Re1 g:h6 35.e6 [35.Q:h6 Qd3+ 36.Kc1 Rf2 and black mates] 35...Re8 36.g5 Qf5+ 0–1

(04) Moiseenko,A (2710) - Alekseenko,K (2459) [D20]
Moscow Open A Moscow RUS (6), 06.02.2014
[IM Sitnikov, A]

10.0-0N White pretends blundered central pawn. However, he gets strong initiative:
10...N:e5 11.Bb5! Qe6 [If we follow the principle "ate and back": 11...Nc6 12.Rc1 e6 13.Ne4 Kb8 14.f3 Bf5 15.Nc5 then white has more than enough compensation, which can turn into a strong attack. But maybe black should play so.] 12.Qc1? Carelessness! It was necessary "to frighten" the bishop: [12.h3! Bh5 (12...Nf3+?? 13.g:f3 B:f3 14.Nf4; 12...B:h3?? 13.Nf4) 13.Qc1±] 12...B:e2? Going towards opponent's intentions. [If calculate options a little, tactic works on the black side! 12...Nf3+! 13.g:f3 (13.Kh1 g5! 14.B:g5 N:g5 15.Q:g5 Bh6 16.Qh4 Qg6 , and black obviously better) 13...B:f3 14.Rd1 Qh3 15.Nf4 Qg4+ 16.Kf1 g5 17.Nf2 e5!?, and complications develop in black favor due to unreliability of the white Commander] 13.B:e2± Here it is necessary to speak not about compensation for the pawn, but the great advantage of white, because black has low development... 13...Nc6 14.Rd1 Nb4 [14...g6?? 15.d5 N:d5 16.Bc4] 15.Nb5 Double blow, and white wins back the pawn... 15...N:d5 16.N:a7+ Kb8 17Nb5 Rd7 18.Rd3 Qc6 19.Nc3 e6 20.a4! Position of the knight on b6 – serious irritant for a2 pawn... 20...Bb4 21.a5 Nc8 22.Bd2 Be7
23.a6 Regardless of material equality, black’s position is very bad. His king is in serious violence... 23...b6 24.Qd1 Na7 25.N:d5 e:d5 26.Bg4 Rdd8 27.Bf4 Qf6 28.Be5 Qh6 29.Qf3 Rhf8 30.Rc3 Nb5 31.Rac1 Rd6

32.g3 "Wicket" certainly can not hurt, but white could enchanting finish the game:

[32.R:c7! N:c7 33.R:c7 K:c7 34.Qc3+ Kb8 35.Qc6!] 32...N:c3 33.Q:c3 Bd8 34.a7+ Ka8 35.Ra1 f5 36.Bf3 Rd7?

[Ideological struggle! Black tries to prevent the standard d2–d4, but white adds to this the possibility of b2–b4. Position met in practice 30 years ago in the famous grandmasters duel. Below, we present the]
full text of the memorable battle... 4...Nf6
Nb6 12.Rc2 Qd8 13.Qg4 g6 14.Bg5 Be7
15.Bh6 Bd7 16.0-0 Ba4 17.Rc3 a6 18.Rfc1
22.Nf3 Nc6 23.B:f8 K:f8 24.Qh6+ Kg8
25.h4 Qf8 26.Qf4 h6 27.h5 g5 28.Qf6 Qg7
29.g4! Qf6 30.e6 f:e6 31.Ne5 Ke7 32.B:a6 Nc5
33.Bc4 Na4 34.b3 N:d3 35.a4 N:b5 36.B:b5 N:b5
37.a5 Qb6 38.Qd3 Qa7 39.Bf4 Bd6 40.Bg5 Be7
41.Bh6 Bd7 42.Bh7 and white soldiers tear opponent to
pieces / Sveshnikov, E (2515) – Kupreichik, V (2480) / URS Cup 1984] 5.e5
Nd5 6.Bc4N Nb6 7.Ba2 Bishop came to
strike abroad, simultaneously renewing
crown threat... 7...c4 8.d4 d6 [Black would
be a bit crowded when 8...c:d3 9.b4 Qa6
10.0-0 Nc4 11.Re1 d6 12.e:d6 N:d6 13.a4
17.Nab5 N:b5 18.a:b5 Qb6 19.Qd3 – it is
difficult to find good move, because cas-
tling is not possible due to Nh5 with defeat]

12.Ng5 Such simple way white confront
rival hard tasks... 12...0-0 0 13.N:e6 Re8
14.0-0 Re6 [In case of 14...f:e6 15.Qg4
19.Bf4 easy to see how worn black basti-
ons exposed organized hostile army assau-
l] 15.Qf3 Bd6 [Not helped the attempt
to organize a defence: 15...Nd8 16.b3 c:b3

20.B:c4 and white rapidly developing at-
tack on the king] 16.Q:f7 Rf6 17.Q:g7 Rff8
18.Qh6 Now, white must implement mater-
ial advantage... 18...Bc7 19.Nf3 Qa4

22...Ne7 Without this move, the queen
could not go back. However, immediately
comes another problem – the major routes
overlap. 23.Ne5! Ng6 24.f4 B:e5 25.f:e5
R:f1+ 26.K:f1 Qd7 27.Be3 Qg4 28.Re2
Rf8+ 29.Ke1 Qe4 30.Bg5?! Qf5

31.e6? This ram was better to launch a bit
earlier. Inaccuracies could significantly
complicate the life of white monarch...
31...Qf1+ 32.Kd2 Rf2 33.Qh5 Q:g2? [The
correct capture 33...R:g2 34.R:g2 Q:g2+...
35.Kc1 Qf1+ 36.Qd1 Qf5 37.Qg1 Q:e6
38.Bb1 black leaving the opponent only a positional advantage] 34.R:f2 Q:f2+
35.Qe2 Qf5 36.h4 Nc8 37.e7 Nc:e7
38.B:e7 N:e7 39.Q:e7 Qd3+ 40.Ke1

(06) Artemiev,V (2595) - Bajarani,U (2504) [C14]
Moscow Open F Moscow RUS (7), 07.02.2014
[IM Sitnikov, A]
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 [Option 3...Bb4
4.e5 c5 5.a3 B:c3+ 6.b:c3 Ne7 where the play "general considerations" doesn't work, and better not to go here without extensive knowledge and practice] 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5
Nfd7 6.B:e7 White exchanges dark-squared bishops, and then expose pawns on black squares – competent strategy. If black manages to move Bc8–d7–e8–g6 (or h5), then no problems for black... 6...Q:e7
7.f4 0–0 8.Nf3 c5 9.Qd2 Nc6 10.d:c5 a6 Preventing white knight maneuvers through b5. 11.Bd3 N:c5 12.0-0

12...f6 13.e:f6 Q:f6 14.g3 [If 14.Ne5!? N:e5!? 15.f:e5 Qe7 16.R:f8+ Q:f8 17.Rf1 Qe7 18.Ne2 Bd7 19.Nd4 N:d3 20.c:d3 Be8 white has only minimal advantage] 14...Bd7 15.Rae1 Rae8? Serious inaccuracy. After all, black cannot push e6–e5 because of his neighboring soldier d5 is under fire. [Suggests continue planned bishop route: 15...Be8! and further exchange it for any white piece – d3–bishop or knight f3 – will lead to complete equal chances] 16.Qf2?! [Probably more accurate to send the rook to f2: 16.Rf2! and black probably would have to change for his knight for bishop: 16...N:d3 (16...h6

53.Kc2 Elegant solution: white sacrifice his disgraced bishop, then the black queen gets into the trap! 53...Q:a2 54.h5 b4
55.a:b4+ Kb6 56.Qe6+ Kc7 57.Qe7+ Kc8
58.Qc5+ Kb8 59.Qa5 1-0

King easily hidden from prosecution...
40...Qg3+ 41.Ke2 Qd3+ 42.Kf2 Qc2+
43.Qe2 Qf5+ 44.Ke1 Qh3 45.Qe5+ Kc8
46.Qh8+ Kc7 47.Q:h7+ Kb6 48.Qg6+ Ka5
49.Qg5 b5 50.Qd2 Qf3 51.Qe2 Qh1+
52.Kd2 Qa1

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214.Qf3N Queen can move to f3 or to b3. It seems that Qf3 is nice novelty: covering the king and looking forward... 14...g5

21.d5 After careful preparation white blows up the centre, resulting the gaps in the opponent camp... 21...Ke7 22.Ne2 c5 23.Rd2 Possible is f2–f4, but white hopes to undermine the enemy defense even in the closed position... 23...e5 24.Ng3 b6 25.Nf5+ Kd8 26.Rh1 Kc7 27.Bc4 Nf8

Besides a possible attack on the pawn f7, looming threat of a breakthrough d5–d6. Protection by Ng6–h8 can only be seen as a joke... 44...f5 45.g:f5 Rg2 46.d6+ K:d6 47.K:b6 R:b2+ 48.Bb5 Nc8+ 49.Kb7 Rb3 50.Bh6 1-0

(08) Girya,O (2438) - Goryachkina,A (2428) [A37]
Moscow Open B (9), 09.02.2014

[IM Sitnikov, A]


28.h4 The second front is opened!! 28...g:h4 29.R:h4 R:h4 30.N:h4 Ne7
17.d3N As a result of the opening, the situation is calm. Black can try to seize the initiative, but it should be done very carefully, because after going pawn "e" – the king isn't as reliable as his counterpart... 17...Rfd8 18.h4 h6 19.Be3 c4 Evidence of aggressive intentions. 20.d:c4 b:c4 21.Bd5 Rdc8 22.b5 c3 23.Qb3 c2 24.Rbc1 e4 25.b6

25...Be5? After mutual mileage – appeared some candidates for promotion. In this situation, every tempo weight in gold. Thoughtless bishop move is a severe error. [Should prevent the compound of enemy infantry, as well as support own one – the goal was achieved by 25...B:d5 26.Q:d5 Qe8! (26...Bb2 27.Qd2 B:c1 28.R:c1 Qe6]

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50...Q:f5  51.Q:f5+ Kg7  52.Qe5+ Kf7  
53.Qf5+ Kg7  54.a7 Qa4  55.Qe5+ Kg6  
56.Qd6+ Kg7  57.Qc7+ Kg6  58.Qd6+ Kg7  
59.Qc7+ Kg6

60.Kf3 All subjects are under heavy guard, and the leader rushes into triumphal procession...  
60...Qd1+  61.Ke4 Qe2+  62.Kd5 Qf3+  63.Kc5 Qe3+  64.Kb5 Qb3+  65.Ka6 Qf3  66.Qb6+ Kf5  
67.Kb1+ Kg4  68.Qg6+ Kh3  69.Qd6 Kg2  70.Kb6 Qe3+  71.Kb7 Qb3+  72.Kc7 1-0

(09) Artemiev,V (2595) - Belous,V (2569) [E17]  
Moscow Open F (9), 09.02.2014  
[IM Sitnikov, A]  
1.c4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7 5.0-0 Be7 6.d4 0-0 7.d5 e:d5 8.Nh4 Ne4  

B:c3 13.b:c3 Nc5N

the board arose a curious position where the pawn wall completely cut off the black  
bishop from the kingside – white easily throw his troops and win a direct assault /  
Fier, A (2573) – Iturrizaga, E (2656) / Latin Cup 2011]  
14.Qc2 Qf6  15.Nd4 Rfe8  
16.Rfe1 Ba6  17.Rad1 Qg6 In the endgame black could freely use the outposts  
and numerical superiority on the queenside.  
18.Qc1 Bc4 19.a3 a5 20.B:d6 The black cavalry has many ways for attack, so white decides to neutralize it...  
20...Q:d6  21.Nf5 Qf6  22.Ne3 Nb3    [Also gives a good play 22...Bb3  23.Rd4 b5 – but black tries positional sacrifice]  
23.Qc2
23...R:e3!? 24.f:e3 d6? Serious error – the pawn overlaps highway which could be useful for the black queen to attack weak pawns. [The situation called for concrete action: 24...Re8 25.Rf1 Qe7! 26.Kh1 (26.d6 Q:e3+ 27.Kh1 c6 28.Rf4 Q:e2 29.Q:e2 B:e2 30.Re1 Kf8=) 26...Q:a3 27.Rf4 b5 28.Qf5 Qe7 29.Re4 Qd8 and the black passed pawn is already going to awards] 25.Rf1 Qe5 26.e4 g6 27.Rf4 Rf8 28.Rdf1 Now things are moving according to the scenario of game Fier – Iturrizaga ...

[More gripping defence: 32...B:d5 33.h:g6 B:e7 34.g:h7 Qc5 35.Q:c5 N:c5 36.Rb1 Bd7 37.e5 d:e5 38.Rh4Rh8 39.c4 although there white gradually undermines the enemy bastions] 33.h:g6?! [White passes by quick and impressive victory: 33.h6+ Kg8 34.Rf5! Qe7 35.Qd4 f6 36.Rf6 R:f6 37.R:f6 Nb3 38.Qf2 Nc5 39.Bh3 a4 40.Be6+ N:e6 41.R:e6 Qf8 42.R:g6+ h:g6 43.h7+] 33...h:g6 34.Rh4 Kg8 35.Kf2 Re8 36.Rfh1 Of course, here the black monarch days are numbered... 36...Kf8 37.Rh7 Ke7 38.Rh4 Nd7 39.Rf4 Rf8 40.Bh3 Nf6 [40...Nc5 41.Qf3 Kd8 42.Qg4 f5 43.Q:g6 N:e4+ 44.R:e4 Q:e4 45.Qg7+++] 41.Qa7

41...g5 42.Q:c7+ Ke8 43.Qc8+ Ke7 44.Qb7+ Ke8 45.R:f6 Q:f6+ 46.Bf5 1-0

(10) Negi,P (2633) - Ragger,M (2646) [B19]
International Casino Open Graz (5), 17.02.2014
[IM Sitnikov, A]

18. Be3 Be7 19. Bd4 Qg6 20. Rg3 Qf5
21. Rg7 Rf8 22. Qg4 and white won soon / Adams, M (2740) – Khenkin, I (2605) / 41st GM 2013] 14...c:d5 15. Ne2!? Interesting idea – to seal black pieces on kingside starting lines... 15... g6?! [Better yet 15...f:e6 16. Nf4 Nf6 17. Ng6 Rg8 18. Bf4 and to release the black can bring back the pawn by e6–e5 at right moment, and then develop the bishop] 16. Nf4 d4 17. Bd2 Bg7
18. Rh3!


25. Bc3 White chooses the most elegant of several ways to win, pounding the opponent army to outskirts... 25... Bf6 26. Nc7 Rc8 27. d5! Kg8 28. B:f6 e:f6 29. d6 Rd8 30. Rfe3

30... Ne5 [Rook activation didn't help: 30... Rh7 31. Re8+ R:e8 32. R:e8+ Kf7 33. Rd8 Ne5 34. f4 Nc6 35. Rd7+ Kg8 36. R:h7 K:h7 37. Ne6 – pawn unstoppable] 31. f4 Nc6 32. Re8+ Kf7 33. R1e7+ N:e7 34. R:e7+ Kg8 35. Ne6 1-0
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