ChessProblems.ca 2010 Series Tourney Award

It was a privilege to judge such an eclectic series array for the 2010 tourney. I thank Cornel for the invitation and for his proficient work as director, and I applaud the composers for their thought-provoking efforts! With so many less-familiar (to me) features like grid boards, Marine pieces, Cage Circe, Extinction Chess, Madrasi, etc. there was plenty to digest.

There were 33 entries in total. After my initial review, I decided to parse the tourney into 2 awards: one for "length-centric" problems, and another for "other" series types. That produced a reasonably balanced 19-14 split.

Section 1: Series Records & Long-movers

This section featured 19 problems where length was the primary focus. Indeed, a number of these establish new category or sub-category records. I weighted problems in this group by 3 main factors: (1) How does it compare to its predecessor(s), if any exist?; (2) How long has a given record stood, if one exists?; and (3) How specialized is the stated 'task'?

The following were excluded from the award:

T2 (Pacurar) - Huge task, but Wazir+Grid (2 solutions) has been done in even lengthier form, **(A)**.
T4 (Pacurar/Tüngler) - Usurps the ser-x record, **(B)**, by a move, but that task has only stood for a year.
T9 (Krätschmer/Pacurar) - Ralf has solo work in the *ifaybish.com* 5th TT, which covers the essential points of T9.
T16 (Sibinović) - Self-anticipated by a similar item, **(C)**, which appeared concurrently in *StrateGems*.
T22 (Tomašević) - The twin repeats the first 84 moves, so doesn't boost the problem much. The different finales do not compensate for the lengthy repetition.
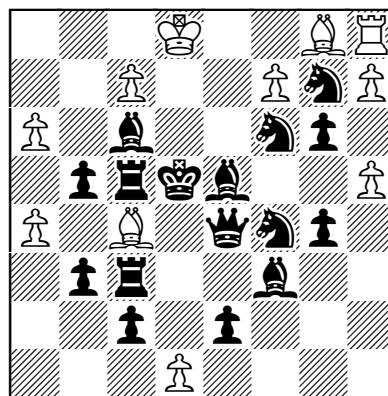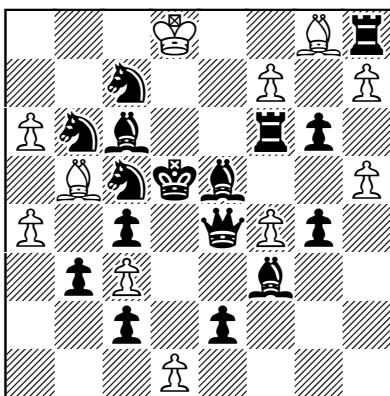**T24 (Tüngler)** - I prefer the Marine+Circe logic in T30. The "S" and "2" routes are an interesting personal touch, but do not add aesthetic value.
T26 (Krätschmer) - In my opinion, T30 is a superior presentation of Marine+Circe effects.

=**1ˢᵗ/2ⁿᵈ Prize: T6**
Alexandre Leroux & François Labelle, Canada
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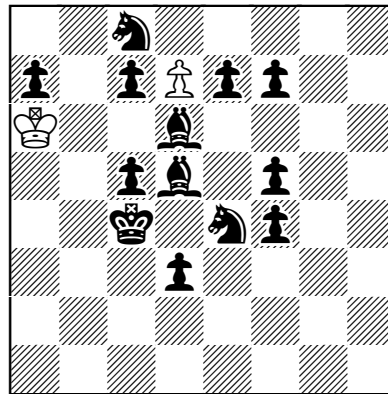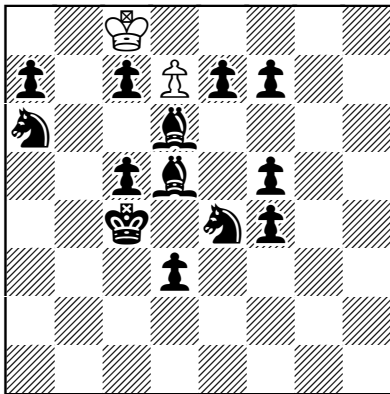
(Position A)   C+   11+16   (Position B)   11+16
ser-A=>B 1034   PWC
b) Position A: ♞b6→♖g7, Position B: ♞g7→♖b6

(Position A)   C+   2+13   (Position B)   2+13
ser-A=>B 505   PWC

=1st/2nd Prize, T6 (Leroux/Labelle)
Four times the King serves as courier, shipping the needed cargo to an awaiting Pawn which, in turn, prepares the next delivery. The ingenious twin reverses the logistics while maintaining the precise length. A staggering achievement!

(a) 16.Ka5xSb6 [Sa5] ... 205.Kg5xSh4 [Sg5] 206.f4xSg5 [Sf4] 207.g5xRf6 [Rg5] 208.Kh4xRg5 [Rh4] ... 360.Kb4xRa3 [Rb4] 361.c3xRb4 [Rc3] 362.b4xSc5 [Sb4] 363.Ka3xSb4 [Sa3] ... 553.Kg7xSh6 [Sg7] 554.f6xSg7 [Sf6] 555.g7xRh8=R [Rg7] 556.Kh6xRg7 [Rh6] ... 784.Kb6xRa5 [Rb6] 785.c5xRb6 [Rc5] 786.b6xSc7 [Sb6] 787.Ka5xSb6 [Sa5] ... 1015.Kg7xSh6 [Sg7] 1032.Kd8 1033.Bb5xc4 [Pb5]+ A=>B
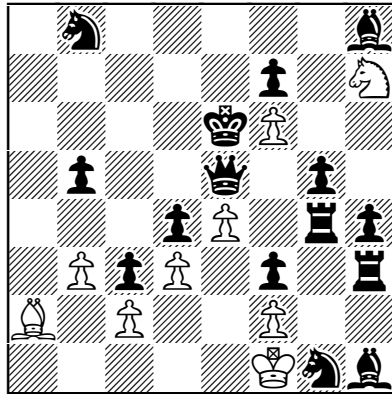
(b) 17.Kh6xRg7 [Rh6] ... 207.Kb4xRa3 [Rb4] 208.c3xRb4 [Rc3] 209.b4xSc5 [Sb4] 210.Ka3xSb4 [Sa3] ... 362.Kg5xSh4 [Sg5] 363.f4xSg5 [Sf4] 364.g5xRf6 [Rg5] 365.Kh4xRg5 [Rh4] ... 555.Kb6xRa5 [Rb6] 556.c5xRb6 [Rc5] 557.b6xSc7 [Sb6] 558.Ka5xSb6 [Sa5] ... 786.Kg7xSh6 [Sg7] 787.f6xSg7 [Sf6] 788.g7xRh8=R [Rg7] 789.Kh6xRg7 [Rh6] ... 1017.Kb6xRa5 [Rb6] 1032.Kd8 1033.Bb5xc4 [Pb5]+ A=>B
(No solutions in 1034 moves!)

=1st/2nd Prize, T17 (Golha)
The logic of this amazing PWC is effortlessly extended to 505 moves despite the modest difference between "a" and "b" positions (exactly 2 units switch places). A supreme display of chess artistry, and a model for future a=>b exploration!
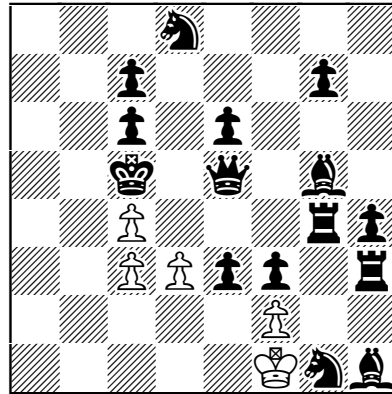
18.Ka5xa6 [Sa5] 19.Ka6xa7 [Pa6] 38.Ka4xa5 [Sa4] 39.Ka5xa6 [Pa5] 59.Ka3xa4 [Sa3] 60.Ka4xa5 [Pa4] 79.Kb2xa3 [Sb2] 83.Kc1xb2 [Sc1] 85.Ka3xa4 [Pa3] 103.Kd1xc1 [Sd1] 106.Ka2xa3 [Pa2] 124.Ke1xd1 [Se1] 145.Kf1xe1 [Sf1] 165.Kg2xf1 [Sg2] 169.Kh3xg2 [Sh3] 189.Kh4xh3 [Sh4] 210.Kh5xh4 [Sh5] 231.Kh6xh5 [Sh6] 251.Kg7xh6 [Sg7] 254.Kh8xg7 [Sh8] 265.Ka3xa2 [Pa3] 286.Ka4xa3 [Pa4] 306.Ka5xa4 [Pa5] 326.Ka6xa5 [Pa6] 346.Ka7xa6 [Pa7] 366.Kb8xa7 [Pb8] 386.Kc8xb8 [Pc8] 406.Kd8xc8 [Pd8] 424.Kg7xh8 [Sg7] 427.Kf8xg7 [Sf8] 445.Kc8xd8 [Pc8] 447.Ke8xf8 [Se8] 466.Kb8xc8 [Pb8] 468.Kd8xe8 [Sd8] 486.Ka7xb8 [Pa7] 488.Kc8xd8 [Sc8] 505.Ka5-a6 A=>B

3rd Prize: T21
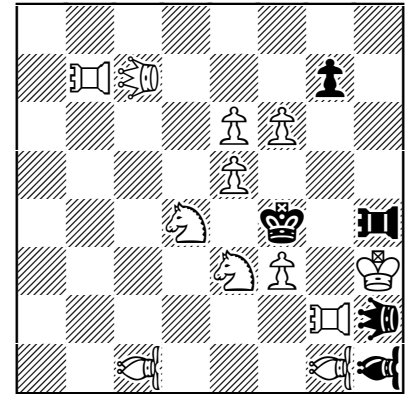**Zoran Sibinović**, Serbia
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1st Honorable Mention: T18
Zoran Sibinović, Serbia
ChessProblems.ca 2010

2nd Honorable Mention: T30
Miodrag Mladenović & Arno Tüngler, Serbia & Germany
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ser-# 117   C+   9+15

ser-= 111   C+   5+15

ser-h!= 148   C+   12+5
Circe
Sirene (🧜) c7, h2, Triton (🔱) b7, g2, h4, Nereïde (🧜) c1, g1, h1

3rd Prize, T21 (Sibinović)
This crafty Kemp-matrix shatters the old record (for ser-#n with S-mate), **(D)**, by 16 moves -- a quantum leap forward! That alone is worth the price of admission.

1.Kf1-e1 5.Kb1-a1 6.Ba2-b1 18.Kg8xh8 22.Kh5xg4 36.Ka2-a1 37.Bb1-a2 43.Kf1xg1 49.Kb1-a1 50.Ba2-b1 65.Kg4xh3 80.Ka2-a1 81.Bb1-a2 88.Kg1xh1 95.Kb1-a1 96.Ba2-b1 111.Kg4xf3 112.Kf3-g4 114.f4xe5 115.Kg4xg5 116.Kg5-f4 117.Sh7-f8 #

1st Honorable Mention, T18 (Sibinović)
Again, Zoran manages to topple another task, **(E)**, in grand fashion -- upping the series-stalemate (with B-mate) stakes by 14-ply.

18.Kh5xg4 37.Kf1xg1 57.Kg4xh3 78.Kg1xh1 99.Kg4xf3 103.f5xe6 105.e7xd8=B 106.Bd8xg5 107.Bg5xh4 109.Bf6xg7 110.Bg7xe5 111.Be5xc7 =

2nd Honorable Mention, T30 (Mladenović/Tüngler)
An extension of Misha's predecessor, **(F)**. The initial captures are easy-to-guess but well chosen. The complex finale is especially fine. A great Marine+Circe find.
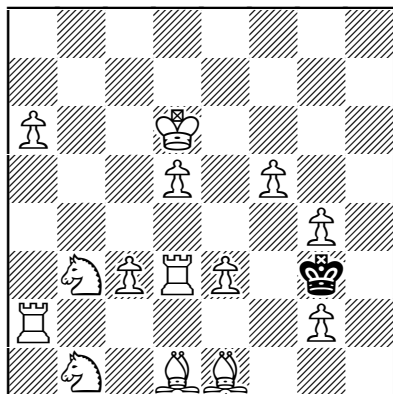
1.g7-g6 18.Kb1xc1 [NDc8] 27.Kb8xc8 36.Kf4xe3 58.Kf1xg1 [NDg8] 75.Kf8xg8 81.Ke3xd4 [Sg1] 104.Kf1xg1 126.Kf4xf3 [Pf2] 127.Kf3-e2 128.NDh1xg2-f3 [TRg8] 129.Ke2xf2 135.Kh7xg8 140.Kc8-b8 141.NDf3xb7-a8 142.NDa8-c6 143.Kb8xc7 [SIc8] 144.Kc7xc8 146.NDd5xe6-f7 [Pe2] 148.Kd7-e6 e2-e4 !=

3rd Honorable Mention, T13 (Janál/Tüngler)
Surpasses the predecessor **(G)** by five moves, while setting new standards for minimal stalemated force and for ser-h=n (15 units). Two notables in one beautiful package.

4.Kf1xe1 21.Kc4xd3 39.Ke1xd1 57.Kc4xb3 77.Kc1xb1 97.Kc4xc3 99.Kd3-e4 Ra2-a3 =
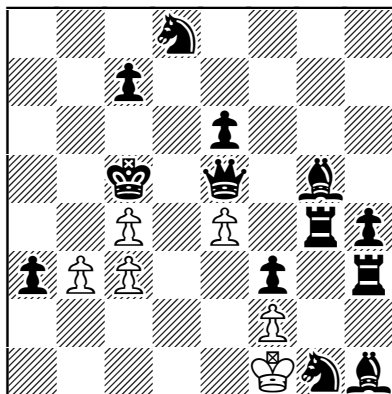
3rd Honorable Mention: T13
Vladimír Janál & Arno Tüngler,
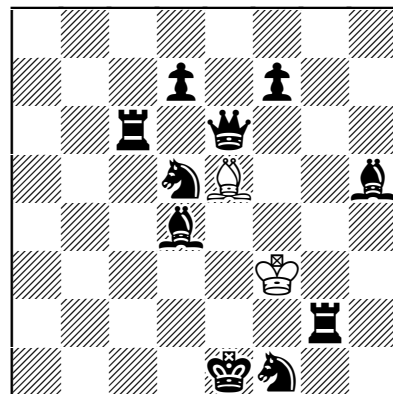Czech Republic & Germany
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4th Honorable Mention: T19
Zoran Sibinović, Serbia
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Commendation: T1
Arno Tüngler, Germany
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ser-h= 99   C+   14+1

ser-= 115   C+   6+13

ser-!# 65   C+   2+10

4th Honorable Mention, T19 (Sibinović)
No previous record had been logged for series-stalemates with King moving last. This tidy bundle sets a lofty bar.

6.Ka2xa3   20.Kh5xg4   40.Kf1xg1   61.Kg4xh3   83.Kg1xh1   105.Kg4xf3 108.f4xe5 109.Kg4xg5 110.Kg5xh4 114.Ke7xd8 115.Kd8xc7 =

Commendation, T1 (Tüngler)
A predecessor by Arno, **(H)**, reaches 75 moves, but this setting saves eight(!) units.

2.Ke4-d3 4.Bd6-c5 6.Kc4-b5 7.Bc5-b6 9.Ka6-b7 10.Bb6-c7 12.Kc8-d8 14.Bd6-e7 16.Ke8-f8 17.Be7-g5 19.Kg8-h7 20.Bg5-f6 22.Kh6×h5 24.Kh6-h7 25.Bf6-g5 27.Kg8-f8 28.Bg5-e7 30.Ke8-d8 32.Bd6-c7 34.Kc8-b7 35.Bc7-b6 37.Ka6-b5 38.Bb6-c5 40.Kc4-d3 42.Bd6-e5 45.Kf3×g2 48.Ke4-d3 50.Bd6-c5 52.Kc4-b5 53.Bc5-b6 55.Ka6-b7 56.Bb6-c7 58.Kc8-d8 60.Bd6-e7 63.Kf8-g8 64.Be7-f8 65.Kg8×f7 !#

Commendation, T3 (Koludrović)
Shorter than the author's quoted predecessor, **(I)**, (232 moves with 5 promoted units), this slight 'reduction' seems noteworthy as only one promotee is required.
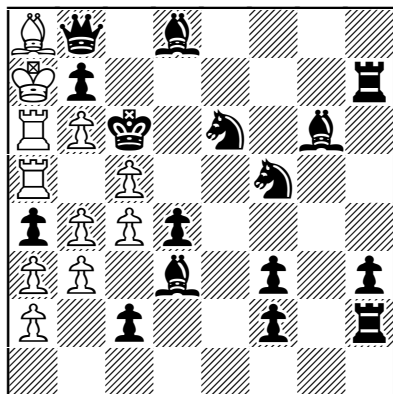
1.Ka7xb8 2.Ra5-b5 3.Ra6xa4 [Pa7] 4.Ra4xa7 8.a6xb7 9.Ra7-a3 13.Ka5-a4 15.Ra5-a7 17.Ka5-a6 19.Ra5-b5 26.Kd2xd3 [Bc8] 44.Kb8xc8 65.Ke5xe6 [Sg8] 87.Kc8xd8 [Bf8] 110.Kg5xg6 [Bc8] 132.Kb8xc8 152.Ke4xf5 175.Ke8xf8 176.Kf8xg8 202.Kg3xh2 [Rh8] 213.Ka5-a6 215.Ra5-a3 217.Ka5-a4 219.Ra5-b5 222.Ka6-a7 223.Ra3-a6 225.a4-a5 !=

Commendation, T10 (Pacurar/Tüngler)
Bumps the 16-unit ser-h+ record, **(J)**, by a move, a mark that has stood for 18 years. The method for containment and release seems highly original.
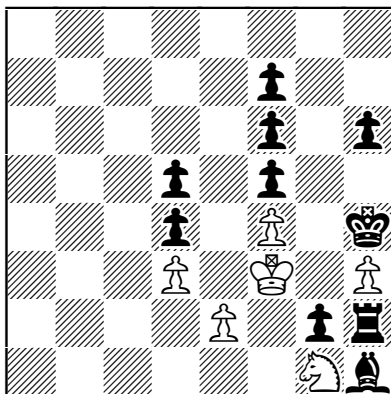
13.Kf1xg1 27.Kh4xh3 30.Kh5-g6 32.Rh5-g5 33.h6-h5 34.Kg6-h6 f4xg5 +

Commendation: T3
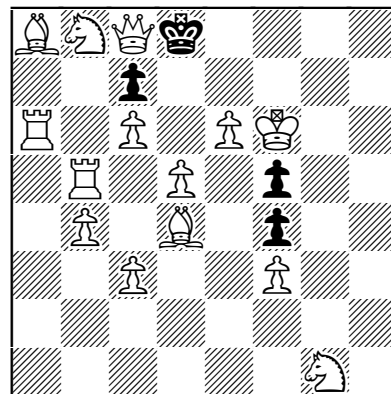**Branko Koludrović**, Croatia
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Commendation: T10
Cornel Pacurar & Arno Tüngler, Canada & Germany
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Commendation: T20
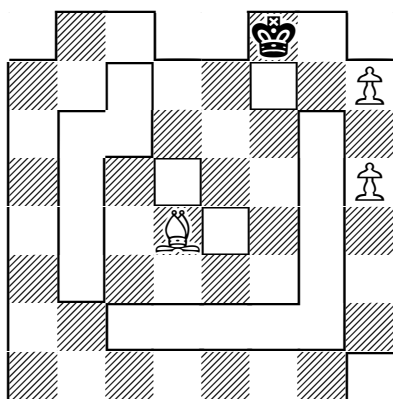**Radovan Tomašević**, Serbia
ChessProblems.ca 2010

ser-!= 225   C+   11+16
Circe

ser-h+ 34   C+   6+10

ser-h# 104   C+   14+4

Commendation: T25
Ivan Skoba & Ján Golha,
Czech Republic & Slovakia
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ser-h# 702   C+   3+1
PWC
Hole h1, c2, d2, e2, f2, g2, b3, g3, b4, e4, g4, b5, d5, g5, b6, c6, g6, c7, f7, a8, d8, e8, h8

Commendation, T20 (Tomašević)
Another sub-niche (ser-h#n with K-battery mate, **(K)**) is advanced, this time by four moves.

1.Kd8xc8   17.Kc4xb5   34.Kc8xb8   52.Kb5xa6   71.Kb8xa8   89.Kc4xd5   90.Kd5xc6   91.Kc6-d6   92.c7-c5
93.c5xb4   96.b2-b1=B   98.Ba2xe6   103.Kg8-h8 104.Be6-g8 Kf6-g6 #

Commendation, T25 (Skoba/Golha)
The Bishop cannot be touched, so the King must nudge the Pawns to adjacent squares (a5/a6) before pushing them back to the h-file. The length impact is diminished due to the customized board.

19.Kh4xh5 [Ph4] 21.Kh6xh7 [Ph6] 41.Kh3xh4 [Ph3] 43.Kh5xh6 [Ph5] 63.Kh2xh3 [Ph2] 65.Kh4xh5 [Ph4]
85.Kg1xh2 [Pg1] 87.Kh3xh4 [Ph3] 107.Kf1xg1 [Pf1] 109.Kh2xh3 [Ph2] 129.Ke1xf1 [Pe1] 131.Kg1xh2 [Pg1]
151.Kd1xe1 [Pd1] 153.Kf1xg1 [Pf1] 173.Kc1xd1 [Pc1] 175.Ke1xf1 [Pe1] 195.Kb1xc1 [Pb1] 197.Kd1xe1
[Pd1] 217.Ka2xb1 [Pa2] 219.Kc1xd1 [Pc1] 239.Ka3xa2 [Pa3] 241.Kb1xc1 [Pb1] 261.Ka4xa3 [Pa4]
263.Ka2xb1 [Pa2] 283.Ka5xa4 [Pa5] 285.Ka3xa2 [Pa3] 305.Ka6xa5 [Pa6] 307.Ka4xa3 [Pa4] 328.Ka7xa6 [Pa7]
330.Ka5xa4 [Pa5] 352.Ka6xa7 [Pa6] 374.Ka4xa5 [Pa4] 375.Ka5xa6 [Pa5] 396.Ka3xa4 [Pa3] 397.Ka4xa5 [Pa4]
418.Ka2xa3 [Pa2] 419.Ka3xa4 [Pa3] 440.Kb1xa2 [Pb1] 441.Ka2xa3 [Pa2] 462.Kc1xb1 [Pc1] 463.Kb1xa2
[Pb1] 484.Kd1xc1 [Pd1] 485.Kc1xb1 [Pc1] 506.Ke1xd1 [Pe1] 507.Kd1xc1 [Pd1] 528.Kf1xe1 [Pf1]
529.Ke1xd1 [Pe1] 550.Kg1xf1 [Pg1] 551.Kf1xe1 [Pf1] 572.Kh2xg1 [Ph2] 573.Kg1xf1 [Pg1] 594.Kh3xh2
[Ph3] 595.Kh2xg1 [Ph2] 616.Kh4xh3 [Ph4] 617.Kh3xh2 [Ph3] 638.Kh5xh4 [Ph5] 639.Kh4xh3 [Ph4]
660.Kh6xh5 [Ph6] 661.Kh5xh4 [Ph5] 682.Kh7xh6 [Ph7] 683.Kh6xh5 [Ph6] 702.Ke7-f8 Bd4-c5 #

Section 2: General Series-Movers

The 14 problems in this section centered more around thematic content rather than sheer length. It was a
challenge to pare the awards down to normal levels due to the high quality. The result is a slightly top-heavy
ranking.

Three entries were withdrawn at their authors' request: T5, T28 and T32. The following were also excluded:
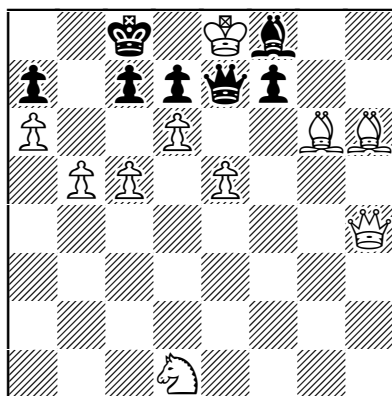
T11 (Răican) - Reasonable use of Cage Circe, but "consequent" is only present in one solution. The Chameleon
echoes and good economy are not enough to yield an award.
T15 (Bakcsi) - Surpassed by B. Kozdon, *Die Schwalbe* 1969 (v), **(L)**, which has four black Rook promotions on
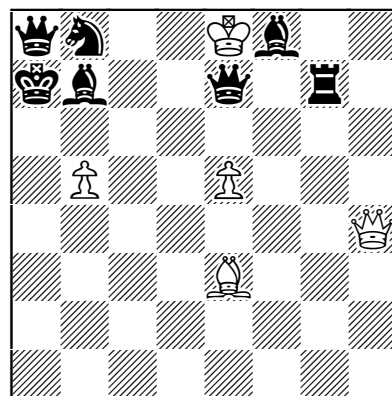a single square with just Kings and Pawns in the diagram.
T31 (Croitor) - A pleasant lightweight, but lacks originality.

1st Prize: T27v
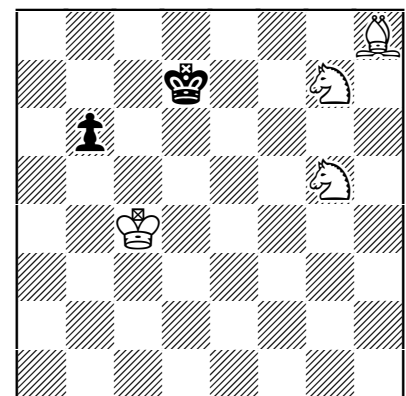**Ivan Skoba**, Czech Republic
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2nd Prize: T7
Ion Murăraşu[†], Romania
ChessProblems.ca 2010

(Position A)   C+   10+7
ser-hA=>B 35
Madrasi

(Position B)   10+7

ser-h# 34   C+   4+2
PWC

1st Prize, T27v (Skoba)
A brilliant Madrasi construct showing 4 temporarily-paralyzed Pawns, 4 excelsiors and an AUW -- plus a rare
mating finale! The author searched for years to obtain this C+ setting, and challenges readers to achieve the
same in ser-h#n form.

1.f7-f5 2.Kc8-b8 6.f2-f1=R 7.Rf1xd1 8.Rd1xd6 9.Rd6xa6 10.Ra6xg6 11.a7-a5 12.Kb8-a7 16.a2-a1=S 17.Sa1-b3 18.Sb3xc5 19.Sc5-a6 20.c7-c5 21.Sa6-b8 25.c2-c1=Q 26.Qc1-c6 27.Qc6-a8 28.d7-d5 29.Rg6-g7 33.d2-d1=B 34.Bd1-f3 35.Bf3-b7 Bh6-e3 #
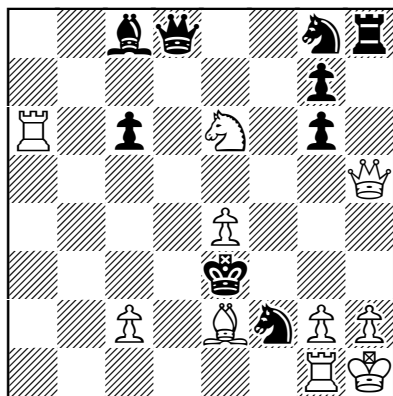
2nd Prize, T7 (Murăraşu[†])

A deceptively simple plan places Se8/Sf8/Bf7. Highlights include clever snippets such as moves 16-18, 22-24 and 28-30. A bittersweet farewell from "Magic John".

3.Kf6xg5 [Sf6] 6.Kf7xf6 [Sf7] 9.Kf8xf7 [Sf8] 11.Kg8xh8 [Bg8] 12.Kh8xg7 [Sh8] 16.Ke8xf8 [Se8] 17.Kf8xg8 [Bf8] 18.Kg8xh8 [Sg8] 22.Kf7xe8 [Sf7] 23.Ke8xf8 [Be8] 24.Kf8xg8 [Sf8] 28.Ke7xe8 [Be7] 29.Ke8xf7 [Se8] 30.Kf7xe7 [Bf7] 34.Kb7-c6 Bf7-d5#
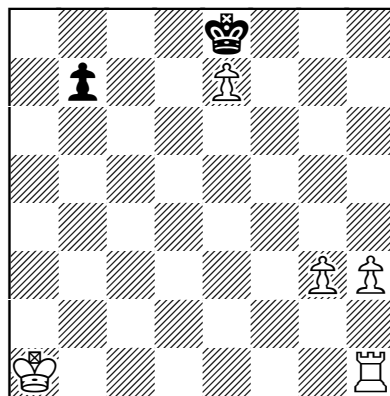
Special Prize: T12
Paul Răican, Romania
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1st Honorable Mention: T23v
Vlaicu Crişan & Cornel Pacurar, Romania & Canada
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2nd Honorable Mention: T29
Bojan Bašić, Serbia
ChessProblems.ca 2010

pser-hdia 41	10+9

Dedicated to D. Meinking & G. Donati

ser-h# 10	C+ 5+2

b) ♙ e7→h7, pser-h!= 10
Cage Circe

ser-s+ 10	12+4

Extinction Chess
No White Captures

Special Prize, T12 (Răican)

A tremendous Valladao task with numerous promotions, in parry-PG form. Obviously, such a feat requires many captures for uniqueness. Can this really be sound?

1.b2-b4 2.b4-b5 3.b5-b6 4.b6xa7 5.a7xb8=S 6.Sb8xd7 7.Sd7xf8 8.Sf8xh7 9.Sh7-f6+ Ke8-f8 10.Sd5 11.Sxe7 12.Se7-g6+ fxg6 13.Bc1-a3+ Ra8xa3 14.Sb1xa3 15.Sb1 16.a4 20.a8=Q 21.Qa3+ c7-c5 22.Qf3+ Ke8 23.Qc6+ bxc6 24.f4 27.f7+ Kd7 28.f8=S+ Kc7 29.Ra7+ Kb6 30.Ra6+ Kb5 31.e4+ c4 32.Sc3+ Kc5 33.d2-d4+ c4xd3 ep. 34.Qh5+ Kd4 35.Sge2+ d3xe2 36.Se6+ Ke3 37.Sd1+ exd1=S 38.Be2 39.0-0 40.Kh1 41.Rg1 Sf2#

1st Honorable Mention, T23v (Crişan/Pacurar)

A fantastic mini with Anti-Excelsior in one twin and Excelsior in the other! And let's not overlook the Cage+parry try in a), plus the lovely wK switchback in b). The only flaw is the need for unit-shift and stipulation-change for twinning.

a) 1.Ke8xe7 [Pe6] 2.Ke7xe6 [Pe5] 3.Ke6xe5 [Pe4] 4.Ke5xe4 [Pe3] 5.Ke4xe3 [Pe2] 6.Ke3xe2 [Pe1] 7.Ke2-f3 8.Kf3xg3 [Pa8=wB] 9.Kg3xh3 [Ph2] 10.Kh3-g2 Ba8xb7 [Ph3] # (*9.Kg3-g2 Ba8xb7 [Pg3]#? 10.Kg2xh3 [Ph2]!*)

b) 1.b7-b5 2.b5-b4 3.b4-b3 4.b3-b2+ Ka1xb2 [+bPh4] 5.h4xg3 [Pe7] 6.g3-g2 7.g2xh1=Q 8.Qh1xh3 [Pe6] 9.Qh3xh7 [Pe5] 10.Qh7-c2+ Kb2-a1 !=

2nd Honorable Mention, T29 (Bašić)
The pointed play in the solution is elevated by two thematic tries. A superb Extinction Chess exploit!

1.Qe8-f7 2.Rc8-f8 3.Sc6-d8 4.Qa6-f6 5.Kd5-d6 6.Qf7-b3 7.Kd3-c4 8.Be4-b1 9.Sf2-d3 10.Rh2-c2 Ra1xa2, Ra1xb1, Rc3xb3, Rc3xc2, Rc3xc4, Rc3xd3, Bh7xg6, Bh7xg8, Be7xf6, Be7xf8, Be7xd6, Be7xd8 + (*1.Rc8-b8 2.Rb8-b3 3.Kd3-c4 4.Be4-b1 5.Sf2-d3 6.Rh2-c2 7.Qe8-f8 8.Sc6-d8 9.Qa6-f6 10.Kd5-d6?; Bg8-b3, Kd3-c4, Be4-b1, Sf2-d3, Rh2-c2, Qe8-g8, Rc8-f8, Sc6-d8, Qa6-f6, Kd5-d6?*)
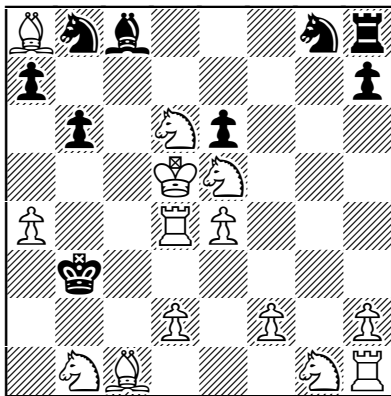
Special Honorable Mention: T8v
Paul Răican, Romania
ChessProblems.ca 2010

Commendation: T14
Itamar Faybish & Cornel Pacurar, Belgium & Canada
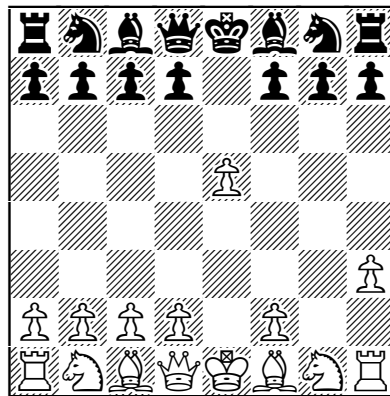*ChessProblems.ca* 2010

Commendation: T33v
George P. Sphicas, USA
ChessProblems.ca 2010
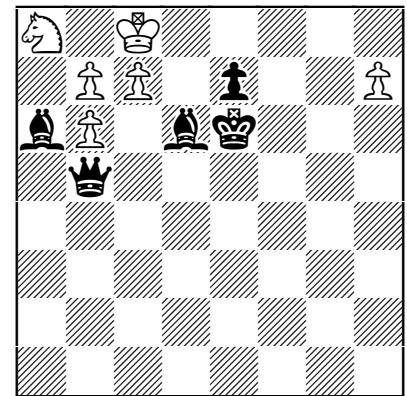
pser-hdia 33   14+9

phser-dia 14   C+   15+15

ser-!xz 11   6+5

Special Honorable Mention, T8v (Răican)
Awesome technical skill is needed to arrange the timely arrivals of both Kings. The promoted force is certainly palatable, especially in light of the "pure mate".

1.a2-a4 2.Ra1-a3 3.Ra3-g3 4.Rg3xg7 5.Rg7-g4 6.Rg4-d4 7.g2-g4 8.g4-g5 9.g5-g6 10.g6-g7 11.g7xf8=S 12.Sf8xd7 13.Sd7-c5 14.Sc5xb7 15.Sb7-d6+ Ke8-d7 16.Bf1-h3+ Kd7-c6 17.Bh3-g2+ Kc6-b6 18.Bg2xa8 19.e2-e4 20.Ke1-e2 21.Ke2-d3 22.Kd3-c4 23.Kc4-d5 24.c2-c4 25.Qd1-b3+ Kb6-a5 26.Qb3-b6+ c5xb6 27.b2-b4+ Ka5xb4 28.c4-c5+ Kb4-b3 29.c5-c6 30.c6-c7 31.c7xd8=S 32.Sd8xf7 33.Sf7-e5 e7-e6 dia

Commendation, T14 (Faybish/Pacurar)
The wS+bK returns are enjoyable if somewhat predictable.

1.Sb1-c3 2.Sc3-d5 3.Sd5xe7 4.Se7-d5 5.Sd5-f6+ Ke8-e7 6.Sf6-d5+ Ke7-e6 7.Sd5-f4+ Ke6-f5 8.g2-g4+ Kf5xg4 9.h2-h3+ Kg4-f5 10.e2-e4+ Kf5-f6 11.e4-e5+ Kf6-e7 12.Sf4-d5+ Ke7-e8 13.Sd5-c3 14.Sc3-b1 dia
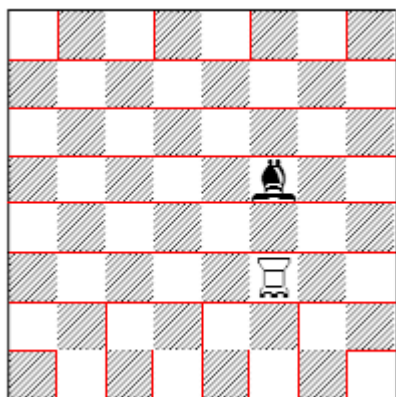
Commendation, T33v (Sphicas)

A crisp white AUW presentation in auto-CapZug form. Having all promotes present in the finale is a bonus.

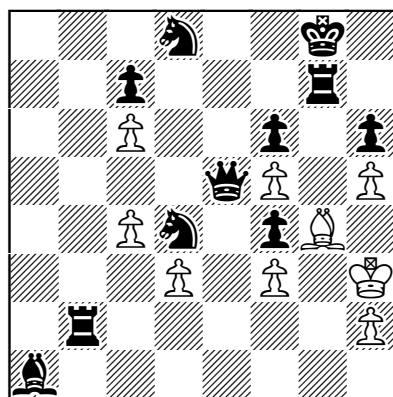1.h7-h8=Q 3.Qa1xa6 4.b7-b8=B 5.b6-b7 6.Sa8-b6 7.Qa6-a8 8.Bb8-a7 9.b7-b8=R 10.Kc8-b7 11.c7-c8=S !xz

-- Dan Meinking / Cincinnati (USA) / May, 2011

(A)
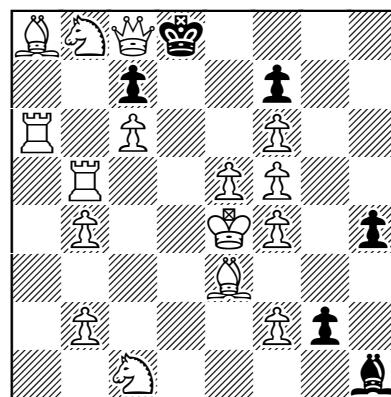Cornel Pacurar & Arno Tüngler
1st Prize, DSK 61 TT 2010

ser-sZb7 2016   C+   1+1
PWC, Grid Chess
Wazir (🨂) f3   2 Solutions

(B)
Arno Tüngler
feenschach 2009

ser-x 60   C+   9+11

(C)
Zoran Sibinović
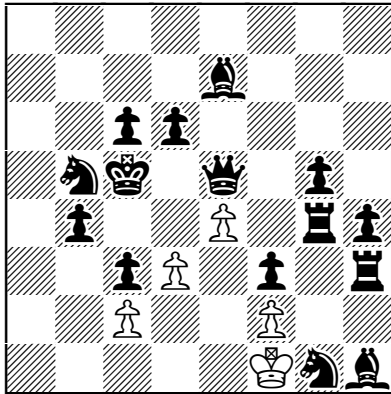*StrateGems* 2010

ser-h# 114   C+   16+6

(A)   1.WEf3-f4 2.WEf4xf5 [Bf4] 3.WEf5-f6 … 65.WEf3xf4 [Bf3] … 128.WEf2xf3 [Bf2] … …
1892.WEa7xa6 [Ba7] … 1955. WEa8xa7 [Ba8] … 2016.Web6-b7 Ba8xb7 z

1.WEf3-f2 2.WEf2-g2 ... 62.WEf6xf5 [Bf6] 63.WEf5-f4 … 125.WEf7xf6 [Bf7] … 188.WEf8xf7 [Bf8] … …
1952.Web8xb7 [Bb8] … 2015.WEa8xb8 [Ba8] 2016.Web8-b7 Ba8xb7 z

(B) 1.Kh3-h4   12.Be8-g6   13.Kh4-g4   14.h2-h4   15.Kg4-h3   22.Ba4-c2   24.Kh2-h1   31.Be8-g6   33.Kg1-f1
41.Bd1-e2   44.Kd1-c1   46.Bd1-c2   48.Kd2-c3   49.Bc2-b3   51.Kb4-a3   53.Ba4-b5   60.Kc8*d8 x
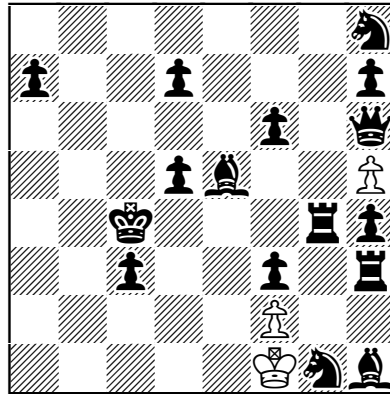
(C) 1.Kd8xc8   17.Kc2xb2   20.Kc4xb5   39.Kc8xb8   59.Kb5xa6   80.Kb8xa8   101.Kb5xc6   102.Kc6-d7   103.c7-c5
104.c5xb4   107.b2xc1=B   109.Bb2xe5   110.Be5xf6   111.Bf6-d8   113.Ke7-f6   114.Bd8-e7 Be3-d4 #
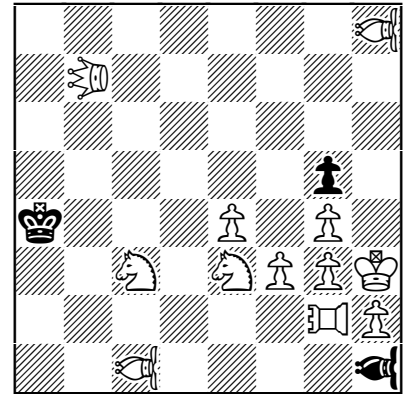
(D)
Vladimír Janál
YouTube 2008

(E)
Vladimír Janál
(after M. & R. Tomašević)
Blog zlínského probl. 2010

(F)
Miodrag Mladenović
4th Place, A1 *ifaybish.com* TT6
2010

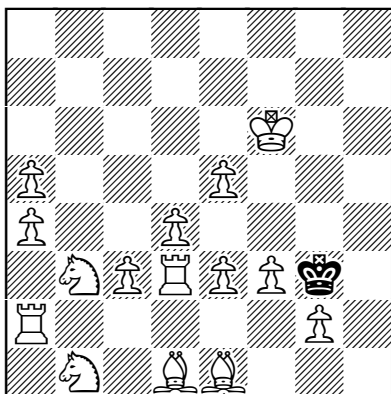ser-# 101   C+   5+15

ser-= 97   C+   3+16

ser-h!= 118   C+   11+3
Circe
Sirene (♘) b7, Triton (♖) g2,
Nereïde (♗) c1, h8, h1

(D) 17.Kh5xg4 35.Kf1xg1 54.Kg4xh3 74.Kg1xh1 94.Kg4xf3 95.Kf3-e3 100.f7-f8=S 101.Sf8-d7 #

(E) 10.Ka6xa7 13.Kc8xd7 16.Kf5xg4 31.Kf1xg1 47.Kg4xh3 48.Kh3xh4 65.Kg1xh1 82.Kg4xf3 83.Kf3-e2 85.f4xe5 86.e5xf6 88.f7-f8=Q 89.Qf8xh8 90.Qh8xh7 91.Qh7xh6 92.Qh6-b6 95.h7-h8=B 96.Bh8xc3 97.Bc3-d4 =
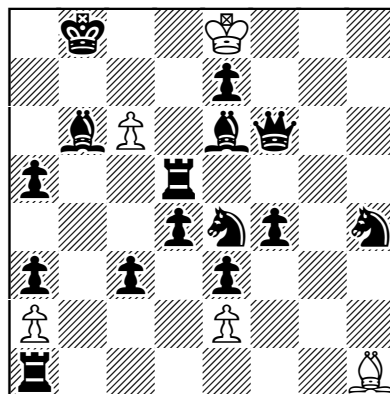
(F) 10.Kg8xh8 16.Kd4xc3 [Sg1] 35.Kb1xc1 [NDc8] 44.Kb8xc8 54.Kd4xe3 77.Kf1xg1 101.Ke3xf3 [Pf2] 102.Kf3-e2 103.NDh1xg2-f3 [TRg8] 104.Ke2xf2 106.Ke3xe4 [Pe2] 111.Kh7xg8 116.Kc8-b8 117.NDf3xb7-a8 118.NDa8-e4 e2-e3 !=

(G)
Vladimír Janál
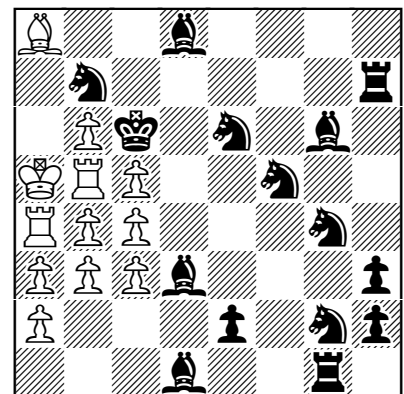Special Prize, *Šachová skladba*
2001-2002

(H)
Arno Tüngler
feenschach 2009

(I)
Branko Koludrović
Problemkiste 2007

ser-h= 94   C+   15+1
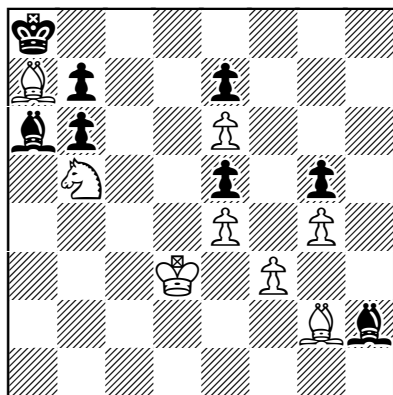
ser-!# 75   C+   5+15

ser-!= 232   Circe   12+15

(G) 4.Kf1xe1 20.Kc4xd3 37.Ke1xd1 54.Kc4xb3 73.Kc1xb1 92.Kc4xc3 94.Kc4-d5 Ra2-c2 =

(H) 3.Bh5-f7 6.Kg8-h7 12.Bc4xd5 18.Be8-g6 20.Kh6-h5 21.Bg6-f5 24.Kh3-h2 31.Bd3-b1 37.Kc2-d3 40.Bb3-d5 43.Kb5xb6 46.Kc4-d3 49.Bc2-b1 55.Kg1-h2 62.Bg6-f5 65.Kg4-h5 66.Bf5-g6 68.Kh6-h7 69.Bg6-f7 73.Ke8-d8 74.Bf7-e8 75.Kxe7
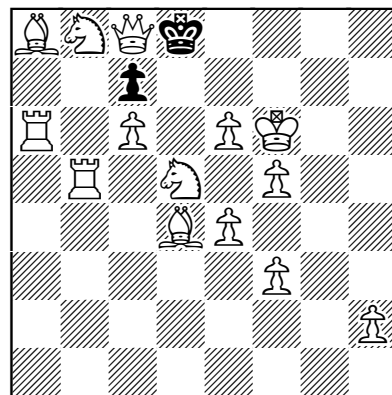
(I) 3.Ka7-b8 4.Ra4-a7 8.a6xb7 [Sg8] 9.Ra7-a3 13.Ka5-a4 15.Ra5-a7 17.Ka5-a6 19.Ra5-b5 26.Kd2xd3 [Bc8] 33.Ka5-a6 35.Ra5-a3 37.Ka5-a4 39.Ra5-b5 44.Kb8xc8 49.Ka5-a4 51.Ra5-a7 53.Ka5-a6 55.Ra5-b5 65.Kf3xg4 69.Ke5xe6 79.Ka5-a6 81.Ra5-a3 83.Ka5-a4 85.Ra5-b5 91.Kc8xd8 [Bf8] 97.Ka5-a4 99.Ra5-a7 101.Ka5-a6 103.Ra5-b5 115.Kg5xg6 [Bc8] 127.Ka5-a6 129.Ra5-a3 131.Ka5-a4 133.Ra5-b5 138.Kb8xc8 143.Ka5-a4 145.Ra5-a7 147.Ka5-a6 149.Ra5-b5 158.Ke4xf5 167.Ka5-a6 169.Ra5-a3 171.Ka5-a4 173.Ra5-b5 181.Ke8xf8 182.Kf8xg8 191.Ka5-a4 193.Ra5-a7 195.Ka5-a6 197.Ra5-b5 208.Kg3xh2 209.Kh2xg1 [Rh8] 220.Ka5-a6 222.Ra5-a3 224.Ka5-a4 226.Ra5-b5 229.Ka6-a7 230.Ra3-a6 232.a4-a5 !=
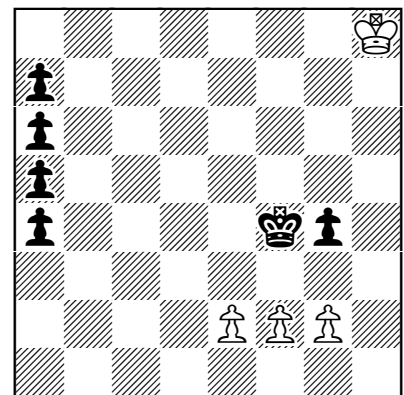
(J)	**(K)**	**(L)**
Tomislav Petrović	Miloš Tomašević, version	Baldur Kozdon
Mat 1992	Vladimír Janál, *Blog zlínského problemisty* 2010	*Die Schwalbe* 1969 (version)

ser-h+ 33 C+ 8+8	ser-h# 100 C+ 14+2	ser-h# 25 4+6

(J) 5.Bb8xa7 13.Kf6xe6 24.Kf2xg2 25.Kg2xf3 26.Kf3xg4 27.Kg4-f3 31.g2-g1=R 33.Rc1-c4 Sb5-d4 +

(K) 1.Kd8xc8 16.Kc4xb5 32.Kc8xb8 49.Kb5xa6 67.Kb8xa8 85.Kb5xc6 86.Kc6-d6 88.c6xd5 89.d5xe4 90.e4xf3 92.f2-f1=B 94.Bc4xe6 99.Kg8-h8 100.Be6-g8 Kf6-g6 #

(L) 3.a2-a1=R 5.Ra4-e4 9.a2-a1=R 11.Ra5-g5 16.a2-a1=R 17.Ra1-a5 18.Ra5-f5 23.a2-a1=R 24.Ra1-a5 25.Ra5-e5 g2-g3 #