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Kasparov

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Mephisto LONDON 68000 [ps] £369

NEWS AND RESULTS FROM THE CHESS COMPUTER WORLD

The CONTENTS of this Issue are affected quite considerably - as readers would expect and, I trust, want - by the 1999 World Chess Computer Championships.

A full report with photographs, games, comments and results takes pride of place in this Issue and will, I trust, keep my readers fully occupied for quite a while!

For those who didn't know, the WIN-NER of the 1999 event as announced on our front cover will have been quite a surprise - but it is not out of place to say here and now, that **SHREDDER** fully deserved its win, with some great chess... and it was playing on a comparatively standard PC against some theoretically stronger opponents playing on multi-processors and other faster hardware!

In the meantime the 2nd, instalment of our "History of the World Computer Championships", which was due to look at the 1977 Event and the games of Duchess, Kaissa, Chaos, Belle and Chess4.6 (analysed by the stars of 1999: Fritz, Hiarcs and Junior) has been held over until the next Issue.

I apologise for this, as from the appreciative comments made, I know that many readers greatly enjoyed our 1st. instalment. Promised for SS/84.

EXCITING TIMES

These are exciting times for computer chess people! Oh. I know that there's an area of disappointment in that those wonderful days of the dedicated chess computer are being replaced by PC programs.

I feel that more than anyone, and not just because of the pleasure of playing computer chess on a 'proper' board. Whilst the topend dedicated machines maintained a playing strength advantage over PC programs, they were the financial foundation for the business I am in. There's not much profit in software at £44.95 a go, I can tell you!

But never before have we been able to watch 'our' computer programs seriously able to challenge the world's top players! There's some evidence of that in this Issue.

FRITZ v Judit POLGAR

The excellent and comprehensive FRITZ win over Polgar by 5½-2½ created quite a few ripples - inevitable I suppose.

There are still a significant number of folk who do not accept that computer programs have arrived, and CAN play winning chess! Who is right?

Mikhail Golubev (GM) posted a game of his on the Internet, under an insistent heading: "Fritz is Weak".

He says 'I was surprised with the J.Polgar-Fritz result because my own experience was very successful. E.g. in the last round of Melle (Germany) rapid tournament I won the following game when Fritz5 made a really stupid mistake'.

You'll want to see the game after a comment like that!

Fritz5 - Golubev E98. Melle G/25, 1999

1.d4 වf6 2.c4 g6 3.වc3 ĝg7 4.e4 d6 5.වf3 0-0 6.ĝe2 e5 7.0-0 වc6 8.d5 වe7 9.වe1 c5 10.dxc6 bxc6 11.b4 d5 12.ĝg5 d4 13.ĝxf6 ĝxf6 14.වa4 ĝg7 15.වc5 h5 16.f4 exf4 17.වed3 h4 18.፰xf4 a5 19.b5 cxb5 20.cxb5 a4 21.፳b1 ĝh6 22.፰f1 ĝe3+ 23.Φh1 f5?!

Fritz may have already had a small advantage – now I'm sure it does. 23...h3 was better

24.单f3 fxe4 25.单xe4 勾f5!?



This is the moment! The trap is set. What would you play? Also please test your program! Golubev doesn't think Fritz will fall for it, but he just wonders if those old materialistic instincts will over-rule. Is it easy to see the danger?

26. **单xa8**??

The 'really stupid mistake'! Can readers easily see why?! You have to be able to see the h-file open and Black's h4 pawn on g3. Notice that the square g1 is covered by Black's bishop, so White's king is trapped. Therefore when the Black queen exchanges on f8 and goes to h6 with check, White must be able to safely play Qh5 to avoid mate. At the moment he can't, because of the pawn on g6 (the key)! Thus White's bishop on e4 must be able to play Bxg6 which only then enables the saving move Qh5.

Please note that, on a K6/300, today's Fritz<u>532</u> would choose 26. 2e5 within 1 minute, keeping White ahead. Hiarcs732 chooses 26.b6 望b8 27.b7 单d7 28.40e5 which is equally winning for White

26... ②g3+ 27.hxg3 hxg3 28. 🗵xf8+ 營xf8 29.皇d5+ 含h8 30.營h5+ gxh5 0-1

The well-known GM Andras Adorjan ("Black is o.k!" books and articles, and 3-times Hungarian champion) insisted that the level of the chess was 'suspiciously and

ridiculously low'.

The 'suspicious' comes from a theory that a return match was already put in place, but thankfully Adorjan is not actually associating himself with that nonsense, though he does maintain Polgar's chess was poor - and compares that of Fritz to 'a Russion-type vacuum cleaner - not so strong, but so noisy!'

'Anyway' he continues, 'I feel a moral obligation to try to take revenge for this shame on Hungarian glory, and I am challenging Mr. Fritz532 for a match about August preferably this year because in 2020 I'm going to be 70 years old with much less ambition to give a lesson cheap.

'I have to warn my longtime friend Fred Friedel, unless something radical is going to be done with his 'young Fritzenstein' I shall not only beat, but also humiliate this perfect production of German precision.'

Adorjan's challenge is for 4 games at G/1hr with the GM taking Black in all games!

He also gives some light analysis for the 8 Polgar-Fritz games, in which his notes describe some of Polgar's play as 'patzer' moves' !?!

We will let **Fritz** have the last say, at least for now, by giving the result of the program's most recent success:

> The Frankfurt Chess Classic Master Rapid Tournament, G/25

		Title	Elo	Score/14
1	Fritz		?	91/2
2=	Leko, Peter	GM	2694	9
	Topalov, Veselin	GM	2700	9
4	Svidler, Peter	GM	2713	71/2
5=	Polgar, Judit	GM	2677	6
	Lutz, Chris	GM	2610	6
7	Morozevich, Alex	GM	2723	51/2
8	Adams, Michael	GM	2716	31/2

Pretty exalted company... the average grade of the GM's is 2690, against whom Fritz scores 67.8%. There's an English expression: "Put that in your pipe and smoke it!"

I suppose I should add a bit of perspective

by noting that Fritz was on its Siemens Primergy 4 x 500MHz multiprocessor system. The alert will also notice I refer to it as Fritz and not Fritz 532 - it's a sort of Fritz 5½... part-way to the Fritz 6 upgrade, with a program containing more knowledge than in the current Fritz 5.



For next year Fritz is rewarded with promotion to the GIANT CLASSIC event, which this time is being contested by Kasparov, Kramnik, Anand and Karpov! Presumably Karpov will have to drop out to make room for Fritz!!

Before that it will have a 4 game re-match with Vishy Anand, who beat it by 1½-½ in a 2 game challenge last year. The games from this will be reported on in the next issue of SS of course.



Frank HOLT's latest scores

Frank sent in a very positive and complimentary report on Hiarcs 732 for our last Issue - it had easily beaten his previous 'favourite' Nimzo 98, and scored 8-4 against

Fritz 532 on its normal setting.

But Frank has just about all of the top programs, so new challenges were bound to come thick and fast!... he was especially looking forward to watching it play **Rebel 10**. Long-time readers will know that for some 2-3 years, probably until Nimzo 98's appearance, Frank had always preferred the Schroder programs for playing style and their range+ease of features.

Hiarcs 701 nor	6½-5½	Genius 5 act
Hiarcs 701 agg	8-4	Genius 5 risky
Hiarcs 701 sol	7-5	Genius 5 sol ´

As always, only the results with the programs on their default settings go into the Rating List, so the 6½-5½ entered helped Genius 5 more than Hiarcs!

Hiarcs 701 nor	71/2-41/2	Rebel 10 nor
Hiarcs 701 agg	51/2-61/2	Rebel 10 agg Rebel 10 sol
Hiarcs 701 sol	61/2-51/2	Rebel 10 sol

This time only rating the default settings

favoured Hiarcs!

"Although ANTI-GM=SMART is a good improvement against strong players," says Frank, "it's not against computers... but then Ed Schroder already knew this! I hope to prove it by turning REBEL's anti-GM OFF and putting HIARCS' anti-human ON for another match!"

Hiarcs	701	nor	6-6	Fritz 516
Hiarcs	701	agg	6½-5½	Fritz 516
Hiarcs	701	sol	41/2-71/2	Fritz 516

There are only default settings on Fritz 516 - Hiarcs on solid didn't appreciate this it would seem! It is very interesting to compare this result with the one we had from Frank in SS/83:

Hiarcs	701	nor	8-4	Fritz 532
Hiarcs	701	agg	31/2-81/2	Fritz 532
Hiarcs	701	sol	61/2-51/2	Fritz 532

In that match it was Hiarcs on aggressive which suffered. Notice that overall, Fritz 516 did better than Fritz 532 - Frank had something to say about this, which we will look at in a moment!

Hiarcs 701 nor 5½-6½ Genius 4 act Hiarcs 701 agg 7½-4½ Genius 4 risky

Highers 701 sol 6-6 Genius 4 solid Although Highers edged the match as a whole, the Rating List only gets the defeat! Notice also that, overall, Highers went +2 against Genius 4, but +7 against Genius 5!

Frank sent a selection of the best games, but there's so much chess in this Issue, I'll save them for another day. Right now it's time for Frank's closing remarks!...
"So the OLDIES! are playing better than

"So the OLDIES! are playing better than the UPGRADES - of course this excludes

the improved Hiarcs 701.

"Genius 4 did better in the POSITION TEST SS/81 than Genius 5, so you could predict that. And I have read that in some cases the Fritz 516 was playing better than

its new brother.

"So what can we deduce from this? I dread to think! Are the LOOKAHEADS going so far ahead, that they get lost in all the information coming in? Or is it that too much info comes in to make a decision either way, and the TIME ELEMENT forces it to make a move in the middle of its work?"

Good stuff, Frank - thanks!

PC RAGE

The term 'ROAD RAGE' has become quite well



known in Britain.

I expect our foreign readers have a similar expression but, in case you don't, it refers to incidents when the driver of a car has completely lost his temper and done something totally aggressive, dangerous and stupid.

Perhaps he or she is caught up in a motorway traffic jam, or another driver has cut in front of him, or beeped his horn at him for no apparent reason... whatever - it's made him *M-A-D!* So, he's rammed his car into something or someone else, or got out of his car and hit someone... or worse. 'ROAD RAGE'.

Well now we have PC RAGE, also known as COMPUTER RAGE! Or so says a recent MORI poll.

Mmmm. Maybe MORI polls are also a

unique speciality of 'the English', requiring another brief explanation!? In the UK we apparently like to know what everybody else thinks about certain issues. So various companies such as MORI and GALLUP employ staff to trot around the country and ask 1,000 'average people' what they think about a particular issue, and then they tell the rest of us that 65% 'of us!' think this, and 30% think that, and the other 5% must be weird.

Thus, for example, we always know the results of our General Elections before we even go to vote, because 1,000 'average people' have been interviewed to find out how we all will vote. Since <u>I</u> have never been interviewed on any of these subjects, important or otherwise, <u>I</u> am presumably not average - a possibility which I can confirm by admitting that I often don't agree with or vote the way these 1,000 'average people' do anyway!

Whatever, this recent MORI poll says that of 1,250 'average business PC users' - and the number interviewed has grown, so the findings must be more reliable than ever! - of these 1,250 an amazing, over-worked shell-shocked 23% have their workflow interrupted by PC problems at least once a day (!?), with the figure rising to 33% in the financial sector. Can you believe these numbers?

And when that PC crashes, and we are forced to use the 3-fingered salute better known as <Ctrl-Alt-Delete>, we become part of the high-pressure rage which is sweeping the country - yes, it's all the rage - PC RAGE!

Shut down, re-boot, count to 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and put the kettle on.

Gladly I am not (so far) in this 23% - certainly not on a daily basis. But I know what they mean, and can confirm that Sod's Law applies: it's when I have an urgent deadline, when I'm really unbelievably busy, and when I've too much to do to even press [S]ave... that's the exact moment when my PC decides to do something it shouldn't.

The MORI respondents concur - 20% claim to miss an average of 3 deadlines a month through computer crashes (?!). So readers should realise that \$\S\$/84\$ may well not be out on time, despite my hitherto 100% successful deadline-beating record

stretching back over 14 years!

Of course I love my Laptop - I really do. The power, the speed, the crushing moves at chess, Windows 98, multi-tasking, surfing the net, keeping everything in zipped space-saving files so that I never have any papers lying on my desk. I love the way new software always works first time and never interferes with settings for other programs, and especially I just love the string of meaningless gobble-de-gook that greets me when I open my Windows dialogue box for explanatory details concerning its latest General Protection Fault or Fatal Error, because if I knew what they meant, I'd only worry more.

Yes, I *love* my PC and working on its knife-edge - especially the fact that I now get twice as much work done, which looks twice as good as it ever used to, and it only takes me three times as long to do it all!

And when things go wrong, and the magazine's late, of course, *it's really NOT MY FAULT!*

It's okay, I'm not shouting, or getting angry - it's just that my cup of tea is going cold!

UPGRADES on DISK

Various FILES and UP-GRADES are available for download off the Internet. For readers who are not yet connected, I can supply them on disk for £5 each - send cheque to



Eric Hallsworth, Postal Orders, Cash (please register it), or Credit Card no.

Don't forget, for the chess program upgrades you MUST have the original before the upgrade can work!

- Hiarcs 7 DOS to 7.01
- Rebel 10 to 10c
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- Novag Universal Board drivers for Fritz 532, Hiarcs 732 and Rebel 10. £5 for one driver, or £10 for all three.

Junior Festival in Tel Aviv

Electioneering and Chess!?

On May 10, 1999 at its opening, the Kasparov Chess Academy (a superb building in Tel Aviv) hosted a major event.

Junior, the chess software program by Israel's Amir Ban and Shay Bushinsky, and current World Microcomputer Chess Champion, played matches against Natan Sharansky (Minister of Industry & Trade), the Israel Olympic Team, and top GM Boris Gelfand (currently world no. 13).

The event had a political background: Natan Sharansky, Minister of Industry and Trade, is chairman of the party Yisrael Ba'aliya representing the interests of Rus-

sian immigrants.

Sharansky was a leading dissident in the Soviet Union and spent nine years from 1977 to 1986 in various KGB prisons. While in solitary confinement he played blindfold chess against himself in a small cell, and so reportedly achieved candidate master strength (2300).

He originally studied Physics, graduated in Mathematics and Cybernetics and, as part of his thesis, described an algorithm to

solve simple chess endgames.

Prime Minister Netanyahu joins in

To mobilize votes from one million Russian immigrants, a week before the general election Sharansky organized a chess tournament with all strong Israeli players and the three man vs. machine matches.

This drew the interest of other politicians (you can't miss a photo opportunity if everyone else is there!?): General Ehud Barak, the opposition leader, and in particular the then Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

A day before the match, there was a massive invitational open air simul against players from the national team. Barak appeared and got mated in seven moves by Sharansky! His political rival, PM Netanyahu, chose instead to come the next day and visit the Junior event.

Normally you would expect a prime minster before an election to rush in hurriedly, shake a few hands, give a friendly opening speech and vanish again to the next photo

opportunity. Not Netanyahu. He sat down at the board with Sharansky, took a phone call from Garry Kasparov, and played a game!

Netanyahu vs. Sharansky

To everybody's surprise he took it absolutely seriously and fought hard. The game had to be declared a draw (correctly so) after 45 minutes because the organizers and the Prime Minister's aides got nervous about the big delay in the schedule, though he himself wanted to play on! Since his rival Barak had lost heavily the day before. this draw was a moral victory.



Sharansky (left) v Netanyahu, whilst Junior programmer Shay Bushinsky looks on!

In his opening speech, Netanyahu announced that chess is to be officially introduced in Israel's schools, and specifically cited Junior as a symbol of Israeli high-tech

Then, in his phone call with Kasparov, Netanyahu challenged him to visit Israel to play Junior for the World 'overall' Champion Title. In the event Shredder, the new WCC Champion, and Karpov, still the official FIDE Champion, have beaten them to it... or to be 100% correct, I suppose, Deep Blue2 did it, and retired, 2 years ago!

Junior vs. Nathan Sharansky

Sharansky chose a sharp opening in his 30min game against Junior - an update of J5, but for this game playing only on a 166MHz notebook. Politically it might have been nice to select some kind of handicap

or friend mode, but Junior's authors Amir Ban and Shay Bushinsky were taking their opponent seriously and wanted nothing less than a win.

The Minister ran into a nice but rather PCobvious tactical blow (9... Nxe4!) and the game ended rather quickly.

Sharansky, N - Junior 5 P/166
D01 QP Richter Veresov. G/30 Exhibition.

1.d4 包f6 2.包c3 d5 3.皇g5 包bd7 4.f3 A risky choice against a computer! 4...c6 5.e4 營b6 6.幫b1?! dxe4 7.fxe4 e5 8.d5?! 8.dxe5 was better 8...包xe5 9.營d2 8...皇b4



9.dxc6? 9.âd2 was best 9...①xe4!
10.cxd7+ âxd7 11.營e2?? To have any chance of surviving for a while, Sharansky needed to play 11.âh4 though after 11...營e3+ 12.營e2 âxc3+ 13.bxc3 營xc3+ 14.內d1 âg4 15.句f3 âxf3 16.gxf3 營d4+ 17.內c1 ②c3 he hasn't got much to look forward to! 11...âxc3+ 12.內d1 ②xg5 0-1

Junior vs. Israeli Olympic Team

Playing a whole olympic team is a first in man v machine events. Junior's authors were nervous about the outcome despite obtaining a fast P3/450 machine for it!

The time control of G/60 min makes human tactical errors less likely, so the match was expected to be fought on a more positional level. Remember, the Israeli team had finished 3rd. in the last Olympiad and were promised good incentives by the chess federation for wins against the program.

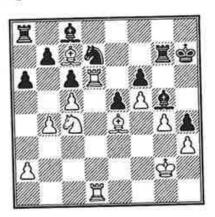
Indeed, Yona Kosashvili on board three managed to beat Junior with White in a convincing strangle based on shutting out the bishop on c8.

Kosashvili, Y - Junior 5 P2/450 A26 English Sicilian Attack. G/60

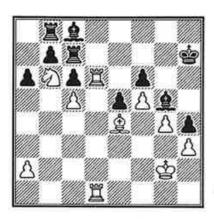
1.c4 句f6 2.包c3 e5 3.e4 d6 4.g3 g6 5.皇g2 包c6 6.d3 皇g7 7.包ge2 0-0 8.骂b1 包h5 9.皇e3 包d4 10.0-0 c6 11.閏d2 皇g4?! Allows Kosashvili to obtain a small initiative which he gently pursues, constantly making small positional gains 12.f3 皇e6 13.f4 a6 14.b3 莒e8 15.內h1 包xe2 16.包xe2 包f6 17.f5 gxf5?! 18.exf5 皇c8 19.皇g5



19... 查f8 This seems to have no purpose. Better was 19... d7 a developing move. 20. Ah6 Axh6 21. 图xh6 d5 22. 公c3 d4 23. De4 Dxe4 24. 2xe4 20. Dc3 Eb8 21. 国bd1 空h8?! Again there is no apparent purpose in this. Computers can admit their mistakes more easily than humans, so 21...邑e8 putting it back where it probably belongs was better. 22.d4 曾e7 23.dxe5 dxe5 24. De4 Dxe4 25. 2xe4 2f6 26.h4 ೨xg5 27.hxg5 22.ᡚe4 d5 23.ᡚc3 dxc4 24.dxc4 營xd2 25.鼍xd2 鼍g8 26.皇e3 h5 27.c5 2g4 28.gg1 2f6 29.2a4 2d7 30.Ee2 Ee8 31.h3 &f6 32.ef3 h4 33.g4 호e7 34.\Xid1 ☆g7?! 35.호e3 취f8 36.호f2 ᡚd7 37.並g2 皇g5 38.皇d4 莒a8 39.皇c3 皇f4 40. 2a5 2h6 41.2c7 2f4 42.b4 2h8 43. 2b2 f6 44. 2c4 불g8 45. 호e4 호h7 46.료d6 호g5 47.료e1 료g7 48.료ed1!



48...公xc5? You'd have to expect the computer to play this but, in retrospect 48...也g8 was better: 49.a4 單f7 50.心b6 包xb6 51.皇xb6 罩g7 52.罩d8+ 也h7 53.罩e8 罩g8 54.罩dd8 罩xe8 55.罩xe8 49.bxc5 罩xc7 50.心b6 罩b8



51. 空f3! 空g7 52. 罩d8 食h6 53. 罩e8 空f7 54. 罩dd8 The rest of the game just about plays itself 54. ... 食d7 55. 罩xd7+ 罩xd7 56. 罩xb8 罩c7 57. 包c4 全f8 58. 包a5 全xc5 59. 罩xb7 罩xb7 60. ②xb7 全e7 61. 全xc6 全b4 62. 空e4 空e7 63. 空d5 全a3 64. 全a4 全b2 65. 全c2 全c3 66. 全d3 a5 67. 空c4 全e1 68. 空b5 a4 69. 空xa4 全f2 70. 空b5 全d4 71. 空c6 空f8 1-0

Boris Alterman on board one had opened with a cautious Reti, and all sixteen pawns remained on the board for a long time. Junior defended precisely and Alterman finally offered a draw.

The French defence of Lev Psakhis on board two was not unexpected and, to avoid the unfriendly blocked centers, the exchange variation was activated before the game. White had the initiative, but one piece exchange followed the other until a technically drawn rook ending was reached.

Young Boris Avrukh (2603) on board four lured the program into the dreaded classical King's Indian and mounted a devastating attack in convincing style. Junior was actually dead lost, but Black missed the final stab and Junior's king escaped, quickly turning the tables. The game is very exciting and Avrukh deserves credit for a terrific effort and attack.

Junior 5 - Avrukh, B E99 Pirc transp KIndian G/60

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.c4 ଦିf6 4.ଥିc3 ଛୁg7

5.월f3 0-0 6.皇e2 e5 7.0-0 包c6 8.d5 包e7 9.包e1 包d7 10.皇e3 f5 11.f3 f4 12.皇f2 g5 13.a4 a6 14.a5 當f6 15.包d3 當h6!? 15...營e8 16.皇e1 h5 is theory 16.c5 包f6 17.cxd6 cxd6 18.包a4 營e8 19.包b6 營h5 20.h4 當b8 21.營c2 g4!

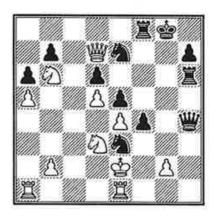


Avrukh has obtained a dramatic attack!

22.fxg4 22.營c7? wont work: 22...g3

23.宣fc1 營xh4 24.蛰f1 營h1+ 25.皇g1 宣h2
26.②e1 皇h3-+ 22...皇xg4 23.皇xg4 ②xg4

24.營c7 莒e8 25.營d7 皇f6 26.宣fe1 26.g3
doesn't look much better after 26...fxg3
27.皇xg3 ②e3! 28.宣fe1 (28.宣fc1?? 營f3)
28...②c2 26...宣f8 27.蛰f1 The best defence 27...皇xh4 28.皇xh4 ②e3+ 29.蛰f2
營xh4+ 30.蛰e2



This is where Avrukh starts to let Junior's 空 slip away to safety 30... 曾g5? He needed to continue with 30... 公c2! 31. 里ac1 f3+32.gxf3 營h2+33. 公f2 公d4+34. 全d3 營xf2 31. 全d2! 星h2 32. 全c3 星xg2 33. 營xd6 公c2 34. 公d7 星c8+35. 全b3 公xa1+36. 星xa1 全g7 37. 公7xe5 星g3 38. 全a2 Safety is reached, and the advantage is now all White's! 38... 星f8?! Probably not best, though Black was in trouble anyway. If 38... 星c2 39. 公c5 4.13 39. 營d7! 星xd3 40. 公xd3+¬; or 38... 營f6 39. 營d7 and now 39... 星g5 (or 39... 宣f8 though 40.d6 looks pretty good for White; 39... 全h8 40. 星f1 星f8 41. 星xf4 also leaves

White on top) 40.閏f1 閏xe5 41.閏xf4 wins; finally, if 38...f3 39.閏f1 閏f6 40.閏d7 and White's chances certainly look better 39.台c5 Threatening a triple fork at e6, so Black resigned 1-0

Final score: Junior 2, Olympic Team 2.

Deep Junior vs. Boris Gelfand

The opposition got even tougher in the evening! Boris Gelfand has recently immigrated from Minsk to become Israel's strongest player - indeed he is currently rated at no. 13 in the World!

However (fortunately?!) machine and software were also considerably upgraded for this match: a multiprocessor version of Junior was playing on a big Compaq Proliant server, which consisted of 4 x 450 MHz Xeon processors, as would be used in the WCCC in June (thus the name coined for it: "Deep Junior").

Drawing of lots gave Gelfand White in the first game.

He tried an unusual queens pawn opening, a typical anti-computer idea which can lead to strategical attacks against the Black king, often underestimated by even the fastest programs.

Junior was soon out of Book, but defused the kingside dangers by fianchettoing the Bf8. It then pushed its a-pawn a7-a5-a4-a3. The move 12.. a3 however was critized by the grandmasters supplying live comments. Gelfand then secured the c5 square and Junior had to suffer positionally for a very long time.

But as grandmaster Alexander Huzman put it: "Against humans, it is easy to win such a position: You shuffle around your pieces until the opponent gets tired and depressed, then you open up the game and win. Unfortunately, the computer neither tires nor gets depressed and is always happy if you open up the position".

So Junior held the draw in 70 moves.

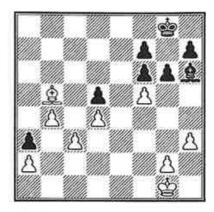
Gelfand, B - Deep Junior D02. G/30 + 20secs per move

1.d4 包f6 2.包f3 d5 3.单f4 c6 4.c3!? In this already fairly rare line, you would normally

expect 4.Nc3, or 4.e3 here 4...g6 5.e3 皇g7 6.皇e2 0-0 7.h3 ②bd7 8.0-0N a5 9.②bd2 a4 10.皇h2 b5 11.皇d3 豐b6 12.豐e2



12...a3 13.b4 單d8 14.句b3 桌h6 15.句e5 句xe5 16.桌xe5 句d7 17.桌g3 罩e8 18.f4 句f6 19.句c5 營c7 20.桌h4 營b8 21.營f3 營c7 22.罩ae1 罩a7 23.桌xf6 exf6 24.e4 桌d7 25.罩e2 營d6 26.f5 桌g7 27.罩fe1 罩aa8 28.exd5 cxd5 29.句xd7 營xd7 30.罩xe8+罩xe8 31.罩xe8+ 營xe8 32.營e2 營xe2 氢h6 34.魚xb5



The passed pawn on b4 will quickly become a dangerous weapon, but never quite enough to beat Junior! 34...gxf5 35.皇c6 皇d2 36.b5 皇xc3 37.皇xd5 皇xd4+ 38.全f1



ชf8 39.ውe2 ውe7 40.ውd3 ይe5 41.ውc4 h6
42.ውc5 f4 43.ውc6 f5 44.b6 f6 45.ይf3 ውd8
46.ውb7 ይd4 47.ይd1 ውd7 48.ይc2 ውd6
49.ይxf5 ይg1 50.ይg4 ይc5 51.ይf3 ይf2
52.ውa6 ይe3 53.ውb5 ይd4 54.b7 ውc7
55.ውb4 ይb2 56.ውc4 ይe5 57.ውb3 ይd6
58.ውc4 ይe5 59.h4 ውb6 60.h5 ይc7 61.ውd3
f5 62.ውd4 ይb8 63.ውd5 ውxb7 64.ውe6+
ውc7 65.ውxf5 ውd8 66.ውg6 ውe7 67.ውxh6
ውf6 68.ውh7 ውg5 69.ይd1 ይd6 70.ውg7
ይe5+ ½-½

In the second game, Gelfand defended Junior's Ruy Lopez with the Berlin Defence.

This was probably inspired by the Siemens-Duel in Frankfurt 1998, where Anand had mercilessly defeated a multiprocessor Fritz in this very opening.

However Junior played better. It secured the king side pawn majority and gained a space advantage by finding the strong plan h4-h5, which Gelfand praised afterwards. The pawn majority transformed into a winning pair of passed pawns for the endgame!

Deep Junior - Gelfand, B C67. Ruy Lopez, Rio de Janeiro. G/30+20s

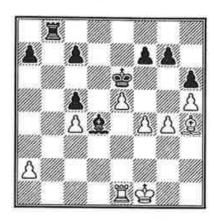
1.e4 e5 2.ଡିf3 ଡିc6 3.ଛb5 ଡିf6 4.0-0 ଡିxe4 5.d4 ଡିd6 6.ଛxc6 dxc6 7.dxe5 ଡିf5 8.ଞxd8+ ชxd8 9.ଡିc3 ଫ୍ରେ8 10.ଡିe2 ଡିe7 11.h3 ଡିg6 12.ጀd1 ଛୁe6 13.ଡିed4 ଛୁd5 14.h4



14…皇c5 15.h5 包e7 16.b3 罩d8 17.皇g5 h6 18.皇h4 罩d7 19.c4 皇xf3 20.包xf3 包f5 21.昱ab1 包d4 22.包xd4 罩xd4 23.罝xd4 皇xd4 24.罩d1 c5 25.b4 b6 26.bxc5

A new push on the kingside with 26.g4 also looks interesting: 26... 堂d7 27. 堂g2 堂e6 28.f4 c6 29.a4 f6 30.exf6 堂xf6 31. 全xf6 堂xf6±

26...bxc5 27.蛰f1 蛰d7 28.f4 盘e6 29.g4 罩b8 30.罩e1



30...g6?!

This helps to turn the e+f pawns into a formidable pair. Probably 30... 型b4 is better, looking for queenside counter-play: 31.f5+ 全d7 32.e6+ fxe6 33.fxe6+ 全e8 34.全g2 至xc4 35.全f3 至c3+36.全f4 至a3 37.至e2 c4=

31.hxg6 fxg6 32.皇g3 h5 33.gxh5 gxh5 34.空e2 閏h8 35.閏h1



35...h4?

43. 2d2 1-0

This final game of a long day proved that Junior is able to beat the strongest grandmasters in queenless positional chess.

The time control of 30 min per game plus 20 secs bonus per move is a nice compromise for machine and human. Gelfand never got into time trouble, but lost 1½-½.

THE 1999 World COMPUTER CHESS Championships

The 1999 WORLD COMPUTER CHESS CHAMPION-SHIPS were held during June at the Heinz Nixdorf Museums Forum in Paderborn, Germany.

EVENT: 7 round Swiss-system
ENTRANTS: 30 programs
TIME CONTROL: 40/2, 30/1, G/30 finish.
NARDWARE: The programs were not all on the same hardware, this being an open event, and some had a quite helpful speed advantage. The details, as I have them, were:-

POWERSTUFF:

ZUGZWANG was using 512 x 300MHz Alpha's = power equivalent of a P2 at 156,300MHz!

 PCONNERS was on a multi-processor set-up of 186 PII 450 machines. P2 Power equivalent = 83,700MHz

CILKCHESS is a parallel program and ran on 240 processors held at NASA each running at 250MHz = 60,000MHz P2 power. It performed between 5 and 11 million nodes per second.

FRITZ and JUNIOR were on the same multiprocessor hardware, 4 x Xeon 500MHz as used by 'Deep' Junior in its successful match against Gelfand. P2 Power equivalent is 2,000MHz, so they ran some 3-4 times faster than most of the commercial players.

■ FERRET was also on a multi-processor, achieving almost the same speed being 4 x 450MHz = P2 at 1.800MHz.

■ DIEP was on a multi-processor system, 4 x 400MHZ = P2 at 1,600MHz.

XXXX2 was on a dual set-up, a 400MHz + a 450MHz = 850MHz P2 equivalent.

PC STUFF:

 DARK THOUGHT was on a 500MHz Alpha - I am not sure of the PC power equivalent, but it is probably around a P2 at 1000MHz I think.

Although out-speeded 3 times by the multiprocessor entries, REBEL and CHESS TIGER were on new K6-III 650MHz machines which gave them something like a 50% speed-up over the remainder, according to Rebel's Home Pages. P2 Power equivalent 950MHz

Mark Uniacke tried desperately to get the same K6 for HIARCS, but the manufacturers were unable to release a third machine. Anyway a new Xeon P3/550 became available at the last minute, so Hiarcs gained about 5% over the standard P3/550 because of its faster cache. Power equivalent a P2 at 585MHz.

- SHREDDER also ran on a P3/550 = approx equivalent of a P2 at 585MHz.
- ARTHUR is using a 420MHz MAC G3 = approx 575MHz P2 equivalent.
- All of NIMZO, MCHESS and ISICHESS were on P3/500MHz machines = P2 at 525MHz equivalent.
- Of the remainder most were on standard P2/450 machines: CENTAUR, EUGENE, FRANCESCA, GROMIT, IKARUS, LAMBCHOP, NEUROLOGIC, PATZER, RUY LOPEZ, SOS and VIRTUA. All = 450MHz.
- On P2/400's were: MINI and NOW

SEEDINGS:

- 1 FRITZ
- 2 JUNIOR
 - ► this pair placed 1+2 because of their known high ratings on standard PC's, and at Paderborn they had a 3-4x speed advantage over other commercial set-ups
- 3 REBEL
 - ► its impressive performance v Anand, and the speed advantage of the K6/650 machine gained Rebel 3rd seed placing
- 4 HIARCS
 - ▶ in its new ChessBase version considered by many to be the strongest engine when on equal hardware. Though outpaced by some of the power units at Paderborn, was still expected to figure strongly
- 5 NIMZO
- 6 CILKCHESS
 - massive processing power
- 7 FERRET
 - ➤ a very strong program; has performed well in the past, and is on a very useful hardware set-up!
- 8 ZUGZWANG
 - ▶ using the most powerful hardware of all
- 9 DARK THOUGHT
- 10 VIRTUA CHESS
- 11 MCHESS
- 12 SHREDDER

ROUND 1: Comment, top Games & Results

The first round is supposed to be easy for the top seeds, so the HIARCS team were quite concerned that 4th. seeding still found them playing CHESS TIGER, a strong 4= in Irazoqui's tourny (see SS/81). Most games went as expected, only NIMZO, ZUGZWANG & VIRTUA of the seeds shown above failed to score the full point!



Shredder v Neurologic

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3. ②c3 d×e4 4. ②×e4 单f5 5. ②g3 鱼g6 6. 鱼c4 e6 7. ②f3 ②d7 8.O-O ②gf6 9. 鱼b3 鱼d6 10. ②h4 ②d5 11. 豐g4 豐b6 12.c4 ②5f6 13. 豐h3 O-O-O 14.c5 ②×c5 15.d×c5 鱼×c5 16. ②h1 鱼h5 17. 鱼f4 鱼d4 18. ②f3 鱼×b2 19. 罩ab1 鱼×f3 20. 豐×f3 豐d4 21. 罩fe1 豐c3 22. 罩e3 豐d4 23. 罩e2 鱼c3 24. 罩c1 罩d7 25. 罩ec2 ②e4 26. 罩×c3 ②×c3 27. 罩×c3 e5 28. 罩c4 豐d6 29. 鱼e3 罩hd8 30. ②g3 �b8 31. 罩a4 c5 32. 罩h4 h6 33. 罩c4 b6 34. 罩c1 豐e7 35.a4 罩c7 36.a5 f6 37.a×b6 a×b6 38. 罩b1 罩a7 39. ②e4 罩b7 40. 鱼c4 罩dd7 41. 鱼a6 1-0

XXXX2 v MChess

Hiarcs v ChessTiger

1.e4 e5 2.包含 包含 3.0×e5 d6 4.包含 ②×e4 5.d4 d5 6.复d3 ②c6 7.O-O 鱼e7 8.罩e1 鱼g4 9.c3 f5 10.豐b3 O-O 11.②bd2 會h8 12.豐×b7 罩f6 13.豐b3 罩g6 14.豐c2 a6 15.b4 鱼d6 16.g3 鱼h5 17.鱼e2 罩f6 18.鱼b2 豐e8 19.a3 罩e6 20.c4 ②×d2 21.豐×d2 罩e4 22.c×d5 ②e7 23.②e5 鱼×e2 24.罩×e2 罩×e2 25.豐×e2 ②×d5 26.罩e1 f4 27.鱼c1 f×g3 28.f×g3 會8 29.鱼d2 ②b6 30.豐g4 豐c8 31.豐g5 豐b7 32.②g4 豐f3 33.③h6+ 會h8 34.②f5 鱼f8 35.鱼f4 ②c4 36.罩e7 豐d1+ 37.含g2 h6 38.豐g6 ②d2 39.鱼×d2 豐×d2+ 40.含h3 豐g5 41.豐×g5 h×g5 42.罩×c7 g6 43.②e7 含g7 44.②d5+ 含h8 45.含g4 鱼g7

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56.\$\textit{\textit{z}}c7+ \$\pi\$g8 57.h5 \$\textit{\textit{d}}d6 1-0

Stefan Meyer-Kahlen can hardly believe his

|bottom | program SHREDDER is World Champion

Centaur v Fritz

1.e4 c5 2.包f3 ②c6 3.d4 c×d4 4.②×d4 ②f6 5.②c3 e5 6.②db5 d6 7.②g5 a6 8.②a3 b5 9.②d5 ②e7 10.②×f6 ②×f6 11.c3 O-O 12.③c2 ②g5 13.a4 b×a4 14.基×a4 a5 15.②c4 含h8 16.O-O f5 17.e×f5 ②×f5 18.②ce3 ②e6 19.豐d3 置b8 20.b3 豐d7 21.置d1 豐f7 22.置a2 豐h5 23.②c7 ②xc4 24.②xc4 置×b3 25.②d5 ②b4 26.③xb4 置xc3 27.豐xd6 ②e7 28.豐d2 ②xb4 29.③xa5 置c5 30.豐d8 豐f7 31.②b3 置c3 32.豐g5 置xb3 33.置c2 ②c5 34.豐d2 e4 35.豐e2 置f3 36.置f1 豐f5 37.豐e1 ②d6 38.置e2 豐h5 39.g3 ③c5 40.置c2 e3 41.豐a5 e×f2+ 42.含g2 豐d5 43.含h3 置3f5 44.豐a4 置h5+ 45.豐h4 置×h4+ 46.含xh4 豐e4+ 47.含h3 置f6 48.g4 豐e3+ 49.含h4 置h6+ 0-1

Ikarus v Nimzo

1.d4 d5 2.包f3 包f6 3.c4 c6 4.包c3 e6 5.e3 包bd7 6.息d3 d×c4 7.息×c4 b5 8.息d3 息b7 9.O-O a6 10.e4 c5 11.d5 c4 12.d×e6 c×d3 13.e×d7+ 營×d7 14.息g5 息e7 15.e5 包d5 16.營×d3 ②×c3 17.營×c3 息×g5 18.②×g5 營f5 19.營g3 O-O 20.f4 萬ad8 21.萬ac1 萬d2 22.萬f2 萬fd8 23.包f3 萬xf2 24.含×f2 h6 25.營h4 g5 26.營×h6 兔×f3 27.g×f3 營×f4 28.萬c2 萬d2+29.萬xd2 營×d2+30.含g3 營f4+31.含g2 營×e5 32.b3 營e2+33.含g3 營e5+34.含g2 f6 35.h4 營e2+36.含g3 g×h4+37.營×h4 營×a2 38.營g4+含h8 39.營e6 營a1 40.營e8+1/2-1/2

Centaur-Fritz	0-1
Junior-Eugen	1-0
Arthur-Rebel	0-1
Hiarcs-Chess Tiger	1-0
Ikarus-Nimzo	draw
Cilkchess-Patzer	1-0
Diep-Ferret	0-1
Zugzwang-Isichess	draw
Francesca-Dark Thought	0-1
Virtua Chess-SOS	0-1
XXXX2-MChess	0-1
Shredder-Neurologic	1-0
LambChop-P.ConNerS	1-0
Mini-Now	draw
Gromit-Ruy Lopez	1-0
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ROUND 2: Comment, top Games & Results

HIARCS' reward for beating TIGER was a match with another seed, and old arch-enemy, MCHESS! There were 2 other really key games already: SHREDDER had a tough draw as Black against the multi-processor FRITZ, whilst JUNIOR was also Black against the strong DARK THOUGHT!

Rebel v LambChop

1.e4 ②f6 2.e5 ②d5 3.d4 d6 4.②f3 息g4 5.息e2 e6 6.h3 息h5 7.c4 ②b4 8.豐a4+ ②8c6 9.a3 息×f3 10.兔×f5 ②d3+ 11.含d2 豐d7 12.兔×c6 b×c6 13.兔×d3 d×e5 14.②d2 e×d4 15.簋e1 息e7 16.簋e4 c5 17.豐×d7+ ��×d7 18.b4 置ab8 19.②b3 罩hd8 20.兔d2 ��e8 21.②×c5 兔×c5 22.b×c5 罩b2 23.兔e1 罩d7 24.罩×d4 罩e7 25.c6 e5 26.罩d5 f6 27.罩d1 a5 28.�e4 罩b6 29.兔×a5 罩×c6 30.兔b4 罩×c4+ 31.�d3 罩×b4 1-0

DarkThought v Junior

1.d4 d5 2.c4 d×c4 3.e4 e5 4.包f3 e×d4 5.鱼×c4 包c6 6.O-O 鼻e6 7.鼻b5 鼻c5 8.鱼×c6+ b×c6 9.豐c2 鼻b6 10.豐×c6+ 鼻d7 11.豐c4 c5 12.b3 包e7 13.包e5 O-O 14.鼻a3 包g6 15.包×g6 h×g6 16.萬c1 萬c8 17.包d2 萬e8 18.豐d3 豐h4 19.萬c2 梟c6 20.f3 豐h5 21.萬ac1 兔b7 22.ψh1 萬c6 23.包f1 萬d8 24.世g1 豐e5 25.h3 a5 26.ψh1 豐c7 27.包d2 鼻a7 28.包c4 鼻a6 29.豐d1 兔b5 30.包b2 d3 31.萬d2 豐f4 32.e5 豐×e5 33.包c4 豐f4 34.萬xd3 萬xd3 35.豐×d3 魚b8 36.世g1 豐h2+ 37.世f1 兔g3 38.豐e3 兔f4 39.豐g1 豐×g1+ 40.齿×g1 兔×c1 41.兔×c1 兔×c4 42.b×c4 爲d6 43.兔e3 爲d1+ 44.齿h2 爲a1 45.兔×c5 爲xa2 46.f4 爲c2 0-1

Fritz v Shredder

1.e4 e5 2.包f3 包c6 3.息b5 a6 4.息a4 包f6 5.O-O 鱼e7 6.罩e1 b5 7.息b3 O-O 8.a4 b4 9.d3 d6 10.a5 鱼e6 11.包bd2 罩b8 12.鱼c4 豐c8 13.包f1 包d4 14.包×d4 e×d4 15.鱼f4 包d7 16.包d2 鱼×c4 17.包×c4 b3 18.c×b3 包c5 19.b4



置×b4 20.直a3 響e6 21.魚d2 ②×d3 22.罩×d3 置×c4 23.b3 置c5 24.置×d4 魚f6 25.置d3 置b8 26.h3 魚b2 27.豐e2 置cb5 28.置d5 兔e5 29.豐c4 c5 30.b4 c×b4 31.罩×b5 罩×b5 32.豐c6 h6 33.豐×a6 豐d7 34.星c1 b3 35.豐c8+ 豐×c8 36.萬×c8+ �h7 37.萬c1 b2 38.萬b1 置b3 39.兔c1 b×c1=豐+ 40.萬×c1 �g6 41.g3 f5 42.e×f5+ �xf5 43.星c6 置a3 44.�g2 買a2 45.畳a6 �e4 46.畳a8 d5 47.瓦c8 d4 48.鼍c4 鼍×a5 49.鼍b4 g5 50.畳c4 温a1 51.畳b4 兔d6 52.畳b6 �d5 53.�f3 d3 54.萬×d6+ �xd6 55.�e3 0-1

Fritz-Shredder	0-1
Dark Thought-Junior	0-1
Rebel-LambChop	1-0
MChess-Hiarcs	0-1
SOS-Cilkchess	0-1
Ferret-Gromit	1-0
Nimzo-Mini	1-0
Now-Zugzwang	0-1
Isichess-Ikarus	draw
Chess Tiger-Virtua	0-1
PConNerS-Diep	1-0
Ruy Lopez-Francesca	0-1
Patzer-Centaur	1-0
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Eugen-XXXX2	1-0

Leaders after Round 2

- 2 Junior, Shredder, Ferret, Hiarcs, Rebel, Cilkchess
- 1½ Nimzo, Zugzwang

ROUND 3: Comment, top Games & Results

FRITZ would now get a couple of easier games after its unexpected loss, but all those on maximum points were scheduled to meet each other: SHREDDER v REBEL! HIARCS v FERRET (a great game!) and JUNIOR against NASA's CILKCHESS. Every game had a decisive result! The big surprise of the round would be FRANCESCA v MCHESS - MChess seemed to be winning but messed-up the endgame!

Hiarcs v Ferret

Francesca v MChess

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.ᡚc3 Ձb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 ② xc3+6.bxc3 ② e77. 豐g4 豐c78. 豐xg7 罩g8 9. 豐×h7 c×d4 10. ②e2 ②bc6 11.f4 息d7 12. 豐d3 d×c3 13. 2e3 d4 14. 0×d4 0×d4 15. 2×d4 2c6 16.豐×c3 包d5 17.豐d2 以g4 18.魚e2 以xg2 19.\(\mathbb{I}\)g1 \(\mathbb{I}\)xg1+ 20.\(\mathbb{L}\)xg1 O-O-O 21.\(\mathbb{I}\)d1 \(\mathbb{I}\)g8 ②d5 26.豐f3 ②e7 27.罩b4 息c6 28.豐e3 b6 29. 曾b3 曾d7 30. 曾c2 勾f5 31.c5 b5 32. 曾d1 豐e8 33.豐c2 豐d7 34.豐a2 息b7 35.豐c2 豐c6 36.皇f1 豐f3 37.c6 包e3 38.c×b7+ �b8 39.鼻×e3 豐×e3+ 40.豐e2 豐c1+ 41.�f2 ��d2 42.h3 46. 查g3 b4 47. 罩e1 a5 48. 罩d1 響c7 49. h4 查a7 50.h5 a4 51.h6 f6 52.罩d4 豐e7 53.罩c4 f×e5 54.罩c8 豐×b7 55.鼻×b7 1-0

Shredder v Rebel

②e4 30. **息**e2 會f7 31. **息**d3 息d5 32.g4 \$\delta\$g6 33.h4 f5 34.**奧e2 會f**6 35.g5+ �e6 36.**\$**h2 a5 37.**⊈**g1 a4 38.b×a4 ≗×a2 39.a5 **Qd**5 40. **Qa**3 **公c**3 41. **Qh5 Qc6** 42.g6 h×g6 43.皇×g6 ②d5 44.h5 **₫**f6 46.曾f1 息f3



47. \$\alpha\$ b6 \$\alpha\$g4 48. \$\alpha\$d8+ \$\alpha\$g7 49. \$\alpha\$c7 \$\alpha\$f6
50. \$\alpha\$g2 \$\alpha\$d5 51. \$\alpha\$d8+ \$\alpha\$g7 52. \$\alpha\$g3 \$\alpha\$\times 63
53. \$\alpha\$h4 \$\alpha\$d5 54. \$\alpha\$g5 \$\alpha\$h3 55. \$\h6+ \$\alpha\$g8 56. \$\alpha\$e8
\$\alpha\$f4 57. \$\alpha\$d7 \$\alpha\$g4 58. \$\alpha\$c8 \$\alpha\$h7 59. \$\alpha\$c7 \$\alpha\$h3+
60. \$\alpha\$f6 \$\alpha\$f2 61. \$\alpha\$\times b7 \$\alpha\$e4+ 62. \$\alpha\$\times e2
63. \$\alpha\$6 \$\alpha\$a6 64. \$\alpha\$\times a6 65. \$\h7\$ \$\alpha\$\times h7 66. \$\alpha\$\times 5
\$\alpha\$c5 67. \$\alpha\$c4 \$\alpha\$d7 68. \$\alpha\$b5 \$\alpha\$c5 69. \$\alpha\$b6 1-0

Junior v Cilkchess

1.e4 e5 2.ᡚf3 ᡚc6 3.d4 e×d4 4.ᡚ×d4 ᡚf6 5.ᡚ×c6 b×c6 6.e5 豐e7 7.豐e2 ᡚd5 8.c4 ቧa6 9.b3 g6 10.ቧb2 ቧg7 11.g3 O-O 12.ቧg2 ፱ae8 13.O-O ቧ×e5 14.豐×e5 豐×e5 15.ቧ×e5 ፱×e5 16.f4 ፱h5 17.c×d5 ቧ×f1 18.៤×f1 c×d5 19.ᡚd2 c6 20.፱e1 f6 21.ᡚf3 ፱d8 22.h4 ቀf8 23.b4 ፱e8 24.ᡚd4 ፱×e1+ 25.៤×e1 ඓe7 26.ඓd2 ቍd6 27.ቧf3 ፱h6 28.a3 ቍc7 29.ቧg4 ቍd8 30.a4 ቍc7 31.a5 ቍd6 32.ቍd3 ⇔c7 33.b5 c5 34.b6+ ቍb7 35.ᡚb5 a×b6 36.ᡚd6+ ቍa6 37.ᡚf7 ፱h5 38.ቧ×h5 g×h5 39.a×b6 ⇔xb6 40.ᡚh6 ቍc7 41.ᡚg8 f5 42.ᡚe7 d4 43.ᡚ×f5 ቍc6 44.ቍc4 d6 45.ᡚg7 d5+ 46.ቍd3 ቍd6 47.ᡚ×h5 ቍe7 48.f5 ቍd6 49.f6 ቍe6 50.g4 ቍf7 1-0

Zugzwang v Nimzo

1.e4 c5 2.心f3 d6 3.d4 c×d4 4.心×d4 心f6 5.心c3 a6 6.兔g5 e6 7.f4 兔e7 8.豐f3 豐c7 9.O-O-O 心bd7 10.g4 b5 11.兔xf6 ②xf6 12.g5 ②d7 13.f5 ②c5 14.h4 b4 15.fxe6 fxe6 16.②ce2 g6 17.�b1 兔b7 18.心g3 罩f8 19.豐e3 e5 20.�b3 �c6 21.罩h2 a5 22.兔b5+ 兔c6 23.豐e2 a4 24.豐c4 兔xb5 25.豐xb5+ 豐d7 26.豐xd7+ �xd7 27.�d2 罩ac8 28.�e2 �f4 29.�c1 罩h8 30.�d3 h6 31.�f3 ②xd3 32.罩xd3 �e6 33.gxh6 罩xh6 34.a3 bxa3 35.罩xa3 罩f8 36.罩h3 罩f4 37.罩xa4 g5 38.�d2 罩hxh4 39.罩xh4 gxh4 40.罩a3 罩g4 41.b4 兔g5 42.�f3 兔h6 43.b5 罩xe4 44.罩b3 �cd7 45.b6 �c8 46.b7+ �cb8 47.罩b6 h3 48.罩xd6 兔f4 49.罩d1 罩e3 50.罩f1 e4 51.�d4 h2 0-1

Junior-Cilkchess Shredder-Rebel Hiarcs-Ferret Zugzwang-Nimzo Ikarus-Fritz Patzer-Dark Thought Virtua-Isichess Francesca-MChess Gromit-PConNerS	1-0 1-0 1-0 0-1 0-1 1-0 1-0
Patzer-Dark Thought	0-1
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Francesca-MChess	1-0
Gromit-PConNerS	0-1
LambChop-Eugen	1-0
Arthur-SOS	0-1
Mini-RuyLopez	draw
Centaur-Now	1-0
XXXX2-Chess Tiger	0-1
Diep-Neurologic	draw
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Leaders after Round 3

- 3 Shredder, Junior, Hiarcs
- 2½ Nimzo
- 2 Fritz, Ferret, Rebel, Cilkchess, Dark Thought, LambChop, Virtua, Francesca, PConNerS, SOS

ROUND 4: Comment, top Games & Results

The really tough one was HIARCS v multi-processor JUNIOR; SHREDDER v NIMZO would be on almost equal hardware. FRANCESCA's reward for beating MChess was the chance to play NASA's CILKCHESS - if ever a lot was asked of an amateur program!... and it drew! FRITZ, REBEL and FERRET and the others on 2/3 all needed wins to get back into contention - in a 7 round event you've got to aim for 5½ or 6 points.

Ferret v SOS

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.包d2 c5 4.e×d5 營×d5 5.包gf3 包c6 6.象c4 營h5 7.象e2 營g6 8.包b3 營×g2 9.萬g1 營h3 10.包×c5 包f6 11.象f1 營h5 12.萬g5 營h6 13.象b5 a6 14.包×a6 萬×a6 15.d5 萬b6 16.d×c6 b×c6 17.象e3 c×b5 18.象×b6 包d5 19.象d4 f6 20.萬g1 象d7 21.營d2 營×d2+22.包×d2 每f7 23.c4 b×c4 24.包×c4 象b5 25.b3 象b4+26.含e2 萬c8 27.萬gc1 e5 28.a3 包f4+29.含e3 萬d8 30.a×b4 萬×d4 31.萬d1 包d5+32.含f3 萬f4+33.含g3 包c3 34.包d6+含g6 35.包×b5 包×b5 36.萬d3 萬×b4 37.萬a4 萬d4 38.萬d×d4 包×d4 39.b4 h6 40.萬a7 包e2+41.含g2 包c3 42.富b7 h5 43.f3 包d5 44.b5 包e3+45.含f2 包c4 46.萬c7 包b6 47.萬c6 包d7 48.含e3 含g5 49.含d3 含f4 50.萬d6 1-0

Nimzo v Shredder

1.e4 e5 2.句f3 勾c6 3.鱼b5 a6 4.鱼a4 勾f6 5.O-O **Qe7** 6.**Ee1** b5 7.**Q**b3 d6 8.c3 O-O 9.h3 Ձb7 10.d4 ፲e8 11.ᡚbd2 ዿf8 12.a4 h6 13.ዿc2 e×d4 14.c×d4 Øb4 15.Ձb1 c5 16.d5 Ød7 17.罩a3 f5 18.e×f5 匂f6 19.匂e4 息×d5 20.匂×f6+ 豐×f6 21.罩ae3 罩×e3 22.罩×e3 b×a4 23.豐×a4 罩b8 24.豐a3 魚f7 25.罩e2 罩b7 26.勾h2 豐d4 27.罩e1 罩e7 28.臭e3 罩e8 29.罩c1 營h4 30.包f3 34. **a**c3 **a**f6 35. **a**d2 **a**xc3 36. bxc3 **a**d5 37.c4 公f6 38. ad3 曾b6 39. ae2 曾b4 40. 曾c1 a4 曾d4 45. 2a3 2be4 46. 曾e3 曾b4 47. 皇c4 皇xc4 48.豐×e4 息f7 49.豐a8+ 含h7 50.豐a7 豐×a3 51. 豐×行 豐a1+ 52. 雪h2 豐e5+ 53. 雪g1 a3 54. g4 빨e1+55.합g2 빨e4+56.합g1 빨b1+57.합g2 豐b6 58.豐d5 豐a6 59.豐e4 豐f6 60.豐a8 豐b2 64.f6 費b7+ 65.含g1 費b1+ 1/2-1/2

Hiarcs v Junior

1.d4 d5 2.c4 d×c4 3.句f3 ᡚf6 4.e3 e6 5.ዿ×c4

c5 6.O-O a6 7.皇b3 公c6 8.公c3 皇e7 9.d×c5 豐×d1 10.簋×d1 皇×c5 11.皇d2 皇a7 12.簋ac1 �e7 13.公e2 皇d7 14.公ed4 罝hc8 15.公×c6+ 皇×c6 16.皇b4+ �e8 17.皇c3 皇×f3 18.g×f3 皇c5 19.�g2 皇e7 20.f4 g6 21.�f3 b5 22.a4 公d7 23.皇c2 公c5 24.a×b5 a×b5 25.�g3 h5 26.�g2 �f8 27.h3 �g8 28 �f3 皇f8



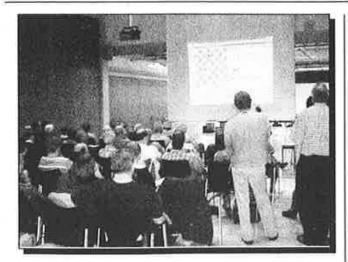
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Fritz v Virtual_Chess_X

1.e4 e5 2.包f3 包c6 3. \$b5 a6 4. \$a4 包f6 5.O-O 鼻e7 6.罩e1 b5 7.臭b3 d6 8.c3 O-O 9.h3 息b7 10.d4 罩e8 11.包bd2 息f8 12.a4 h6 13.息c2 e×d4 14.c×d4 ②b4 15.象b1 c5 16.d5 ②d7 17.罩a3 f5 18.e×f5 匂f6 19.匂e4 匂b×d5 20.a×b5 a×b5 21. 曾b3 皇c6 22. 罩×a8 豐×a8 23. ②×f6+ 奧×d5 27.豐×b5 息f7 28.皇d2 豐c8 29.g4 豐a8 30.b4 c4 31.豐a5 豐e4 32.豐a7 含g8 33.豐e3 皇d5 34.豐×e4 皇×e4 35.f3 皇c6 36.曾f2 d5 37. \$\delta\$e3 \$\delta\$d6 38. \$\delta\$d4 \$\delta\$h7 39. \$\delta\$c2 \$\delta\$e5+ 臭b8 44.b6 曾g7 45.匂b4 d4 46.曾×d4 c3 47.曾×c3 息d6 48.包d3 息e4 49.h4 息e7 50.皇c5 54. 公d6 **\$a6+ 55. \$d4 \$e7 56. \$d5 \$g8** 57.**\$**e6 1-0

Cilkchess v Francesca

1.e4 e5 2.1f3 10c6 3.1c4 d6 4.d4 1g4 5.c3 豐d7 6.d5 ②ce7 7.h3 魚×f3 8.豐×f3 f5 9.O-O fxe4 10.豐xe4 包f6 11.豐f3 c6 12.dxc6 bxc6 13. **a**b3 d5 14.c4 e4 15. **e**2 d4 16. **a**g5 d3 20. 曾×e4+ 會d8 21. 公c3 罩e8 22. 曾f4 皇e5 23. 實f3 d2 24. Zad1 ②d4 25. 實h5 ②xb3 30.f5 罩e7 31.f6 g×f6 32.豐×h6 罩e2 33.豐×f6 置g8 34. 曾f4+ 由b7 35. 曾f3 置g×g2+ 36. 粤×g2 賞×g2+37.含×g2 曾g7+38.含f2 曾×c3 39.章g1 豐×c4 40.其g4 豐d3 41.其g3 豐d6 42.其b3 豐h2+ 43. af1 ac7 44. Id3 曾h1+ 45. ae2 曾e4+ 49.罩c3 豐e2+ 50.含c1 a4 51.罩dd3 豐e4 52.\$b2 \$b6 53.\$e3 \$\dagger d4 54.\$ed3 \$\dagger f6 55.\$f3 豐d4 56.含a3 c5 57.罩c1 豐b4+ 58.含a2 豐d2+



59.會b1 營b4+ 60.會a1 會c6 61.置c2 會d5 62.置d3+ 會e5 63.置dc3 會d6 64.會a2 會e6 65.h4 營×h4 66.寬×c5 營b4 67.置2c3 營d4 68.曾a3 營d1 69.會b4 營a1 70.置c6+ 曾d7 71.置6c4 會d6 72.置a3 營d1 73.罩h3 曾d5 74.置c5+ 會d6 75.置cc3 營g4+ 76.會a5 曾d5 1/2-1/2

Rebel v P.ConNerS

1.d4 f5 2.g3 白f6 3.皇g2 e6 4.白f3 皇e7 5.c4 O-O 6.包c3 d6 7.O-O 豐e8 8.b3 豐h5 9.豐c2 c6 10.皇a3 包a6 11.罩fd1 包e4 12.e3 包×c3 13.豐×c3 罩b8 14.c5 d×c5 15.d×c5 罩d8 16.皇b2 罩×d1+ 17.罩×d1 豐f7 18.包e5 豐f8 19.b4 皇f6 20.豐b3 豐e8 21.e4 f×e4 22.皇×e4 豐h5 23.g4 豐e8 24.a3 罩a8 25.豐h3 g6 26.包×g6 皇×b2 27.包e5 1-0

MChess v Zugzwang

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.\(\text{\Odd}\)2 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 4.e5 \(\text{\Odd}\)7 5.f4 c5 6.c3 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 7.\(\text{\Odd}\)63 \(\text{\Wb}\)6 8.g3 c×d4 9.c×d4 \(\text{\Left}\)e7 10.\(\text{\Deft}\)h3 \(\text{\Left}\)b4 + 11.\(\text{\Deft}\)6 O-O 12.\(\text{\Odd}\)e2 \(\text{\Left}\)e7 13.\(\text{\Left}\)e1 \(\text{\Odd}\)b8 14.\(\text{\Odd}\)c3 \(\text{\Left}\)d7 15.f5 \(\text{\Left}\)d8 16.\(\text{\Left}\)e2 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 17.\(\text{\Left}\)6 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 27.\(\text{\Udd}\)6 b4 22.\(\text{\Udd}\)*×a6 \(\text{\Odd}\)×a6 23.\(\text{\Odd}\)b1 b×a3 24.b×a3 \(\text{\Odd}\)c7 25.\(\text{\Udd}\)b2 \(\text{\Odd}\)8 26.\(\text{\Udd}\)5 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 27.\(\text{\Odd}\)b42 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 28.\(\text{\Udd}\)b6 27.\(\text{\Odd}\)b42 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 28.\(\text{\Udd}\)b5 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 23.\(\text{\Udd}\)6 24 31.\(\text{\Udd}\)5 28.\(\text{\Udd}\)6 5 32.\(\text{\Udd}\)5 \(\text{\Odd}\)6 33.\(\text{\Udd}\)6 3 43.\(\text{\Udd}\)5 246 \(\text{\Udd}\)6 33.\(\text{\Udd}\)6 3 38.\(\text{\Udd}\)6 24 43.\(\text{\Udd}\)6 \(\text{\Udd}\)6 3 0-1

Hiarcs-Junior Nimzo-Shredder Fritz-Virtua Rebel-PConNerS Cilkchess-Francesca Ferret-SOS Dark Thought-LampChop MChess-Zugzwang Chess Tiger-Mini Ikarus-Centaur	draw 1-0 1-0 draw 1-0 draw 0-1 1-0
	1-0 1-0

Isichess-Arthur	1-0
Now-Gromit	0-1
RuyLopez-Diep	0-1
Neurologic-XXXX2	0-1

Leaders after Round 4

- 3½ Junior, Hiarcs, Shredder
- 3 Fritz, Ferret, Rebel, Nimzo
- 2½ Cilkchess, Dark Thought, LambChop, Francesca, Zugzwang

ROUND 5: Comment, top Games & Results

HIARCS had drawn with one joint leader, now it had the chance to play another: SHREDDER. On equal hardware this was a great game, in which Shredder defended cleverly against the Hiarcs attack. The ChessBase team knew that their 2 multi-processor entries would have to meet sometime, and this was the round for FRITZ v JUNIOR. NIMZO v REBEL was another critical meeting, but FRANCESCA was finally over-matched against the very strong FERRET.

GromitChess v ChessTiger

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.包f3 包f6 4.包c3 d×c4 5.g3 e6 6.a3 b5 7.魚g2 包bd7 8.魚g5 魚b7 9.O-O h6 10.魚d2 a6 11.e4 c5 12.d5 e×d5 13.e×d5 魚d6 14.罩e1+ 含f8 15.魚c1 豐c7 16.包h4 包e5 17.魚f1 罩d8 18.包f5 包g6 19.f4 豐d7 20.包×d6 豐×d6 21.f5 包e7 22.魚f4 豐d7 23.魚h3 包e×d5 24.魚e5 含g8 25.包×d5 包×d5 26.魚×g7 包f4 27.g×f4 豐×d1 28.罩a×d1 含×g7 29.罩×d8 罩×d8 30.罩e7 罩d1+ 31.含f2 罩d2+ 32.罩e2 罩d4 33.魚g4 含f6 34.h3 罩×f4+ 35.含g3 罩d4 36.含h4 b4 37.a×b4 c×b4 38.含h5 b3 39.h4 a5 40.罩e8 c3 41.b×c3 罩×g4 0-1

Francesca v Ferret

1.c4 e5 2.ወc3 ወf6 3.g3 Ձb4 4.Ձg2 O-O 5.e4 鱼×c3 6.d×c3 d6 7.豐e2 鱼g4 8.f3 鱼d7 9.匂h3 ②a6 10.O-O ②c5 11. e3 a5 12. ad1 h6 13. Id2 Ib8 14. 公f2 b6 15. Ifd1 息a4 16.b3 皇c6 17.幻d3 皇d7 18.h4 響e7 19.皇f2 皇e6 20.\$\psih2 @fd7 21.g4 a4 22.\$\Db4 axb3 23.\$\Dc6 豐f6 24.②×b8 罩×b8 25.a×b3 ②×b3 26.罩b2 ②a5 27. Lb4 c5 28. Lb2 ②×c4 29. La2 b5 30.罩b1 d5 31.e×d5 臭×d5 32.罩a7 勾f8 33.罩d1 ፬c6 34.፬c7 ፬a8 35.፬a7 幻e6 36.፬dd7 幻f4 37. 曾d1 罩f8 38. 罩×f7 罩×f7 39. 罩×a8+ 罩f8 40.罩×f8+ 豐×f8 41.鱼f1 含h8 42.豐d7 e4 43. &×c4 b×c4 44.f×e4 包e2 45. 豐f5 豐×f5 46.g×f5 ᡚ×c3 47.e5 ᡚe4 48.Ձe3 c3 49.e6 c2 50.含h3 h5 51.e7 公d6 52.食f4 公e8 53.含g2 ቁg8 54.ቁf3 ቁf7 55.ቁe2 ଉd6 56.ቁd2 ወ×f5 57. 雪×c2 ②×h4 58. 皇d6 ②f5 59. 皇e5 雪×e7 60. \(\textit{a} \) f4 h4 61. \(\text{d} \) d3 h3 62. \(\text{d} \) e2 c4 63. \(\text{d} \) f1 c3 64. gg5+ ee6 65. ef2 c2 66. gc1 2 d4 0-1

Nimzo v Rebel

1.句f3 d5 2.b3 勾c6 3.臭b2 臭g4 4.e3 勾f6 5. **___e2** e6 6.O-O **___eb4** 7. **___e**×f6 **__ees***f6 8.d4 O-O 9.a3 &d6 10.0c3 a6 11.h3 &h5 12.b4 b5 13. 曾d2 ��ab8 14. 句d1 奧×f3 15. 奧×f3 匂e5 23. ②e3 罩bd8 24. ②×c4 息e7 25. 罩ad1 f5 罩×d1 30.罩×d1 h4 31.g×h4 息×h4 32.罩d5 f4 33.罩e5 罩×e5 34.匂×e5 皇f6 35.匂c6 會行 36.公b8 **\$\rightarrow\$b2 37.公**×a6 **\$\rightarrow\$xa3 38.b5 \$\rightarrow\$d6 39.c5** ፬e5 40.b6 c×b6 41.c×b6 \$f6 42.b7 \$g5 43.b8=ዿ ዿ×b8 44.ᡚ×b8 e3 45.f3 �f5 46.ᡚd7 ቁg5 47. ወb6 ቁh5 48. ወd5 g5 49.h4 ቁ×h4 50.公f6 e2 51.曾f2 e1=豐+ 52.曾×e1 曾g3 53. ්pe2 g4 54. බxg4 \psih4 55. \psid3 \psig3 1-0

Shredder v Hiarcs

1.d4 句f6 2.c4 e6 3.包c3 **2**b4 4.e3 O-O 5.**2**d3 c5 6.d5 b5 7.d×e6 b×c4 8.e×f7+ **2**h8 9.**2**×c4 d5 10.**2**d3 包c6 11.句f3 d4 12.a3 **2**a5 13.e×d4 c×d4 14.b4 ②×b4 15.a×b4 **2**×b4 16.O-O **2**×c3 17.**2**a3 **2**g4 18.**2**e2 **2**d5 19.h3 **2**f5 20.包g5 **2**ac8 21.**2**×a7 h6 22.**2**f3 **2**g6 **2**3.**2**a3 h×g5 24.**2**a4 g6 25.**2**a6 **2**g7 26.**2**d6 **2**g6 27.g4 **2**xf7 28.g×f5 **2**xf5 **2**xf7 **2**s.**2**xf7 **2**s.**2**xf5 **3**xf7 **2**s.**2**xf5 **3**xf7 **4**xf7 30.**3**b6 **2**s.**3**b6 **2**s.**3**b6 **2**s.**3**b6 **3**s.**3**b6 **3**s.**3**b6 **3**s.**3**b6 **3**s.**3**b6 **3**s.**3**b5+ **3**s.**3**b6 **3**s.**3**b6 1/2-1/2

Junior v Fritz

1.e4 c5 2.公c3 ②c6 3.f4 g6 4.公f3 皇g7 5.息b5 ②d4 6.O-O ②xb5 7.②xb5 d6 8.豐e1 a6 9.公c3 b5 10.d3 息b7 11.曾h1 豐d7 12.息d2 ②f6 13.e5 ②d5 14.②e4 f5 15.②eg5 h6 16.②h3 O-O 17.豐h4 ②b4 18.皇xb4 cxb4 19.②hg1 罩ac8 20.罩f2 罩c7 21.罩e2 罩fc8 22.罩c1 兔d5 23.豐f2 a5 24.豐b6 a4 25.豐a5 b3 26.axb3 兔xb3 27.②e1 dxe5 28.fxe5 g5 29.豐b6 e6 30.豐f2 b4 31.罩a1 兔d5 32.豐e3 罩c5 33.豐d2 罩b8 34.豐e3 罩a5 35.d4 兔f8 36.②d3 a3 37.罩b1 罩aa8 38.罩f2 罩c8 39.罩c1 兔e4 40.bxa3 bxa3 41.罩d2 豐c6 42.豐e1 罩d8 43.c3 a2 44.罩a1 豐xc3 45.②e2 豐c4 46.豐d1 罩db8 47.②b2 豐c6 0-1

Shredder-Hiarcs	draw
Junior-Fritz	0-1
Nimzo-Rebel	1-0
Francesca-Ferret	0-1
LambChop-Cilkchess	0-1
Zugzwang-Dark Thought	0-1
Virtua-Ikarus	1-0
PConNerS-Isichess	0-1
SOS-Eugen	draw
Gromit-Chess Tiger	0-1
Diep-Mini	1-0
Arthur-MChess	draw

Centaur-XXXX2 1-0
Patzer-Neurologic 1-0
Now-RuyLopez draw

Leaders after Round 5

- 4 Hiarcs, Shredder, Ferret, Fritz, Nimzo
- 3½ Junior, Cilkchess, Dark Thought
- 3 Rebel, Chess Tiger, Virtua, Isichess

ROUND 6: Comment, top Games & Results

HIARCS had been 1st= with one program or another since the beginning, and would meet its 4th. consecutive joint leader in FRITZ. The multi-processor proved too strong, and GM Altermann's view that Hiarcs knew it was losing better than Fritz knew it was winning was of little consolation. FERRET v SHREDDER was equally a big one; Ferret, also on a multi-processor, was looking a strong candidate for the title. The games JUNIOR-NIMZO, and CILKCHESS-DEEP THOUGHT would decide who else remained in with a chance as 5½ or 6 now seemed certain to win.

Ferret v Shredder

bxc6 13. 2xb4 ②×b4 14.豐a4 曾d6 15.公c3 2)d3 16.d5 ②c5 17.豐×c6+ 豐×c6 18.d×c6 \$e7 19.₺fe1 包d3 20.單e3 ②b4 21. ②d4 單hd8 22.單d1 \$f6 23.a3 외d5 24.මe4+ ුe7 25.ℤee1 **⊉**g4 26.f3 息c8 27.包c5+ 會f6 28.幻b5 息e6 29. ②a6 耳ac8 30.包b×c7 h5 31.h3 h4 32.a4



②xc7 33.罩xd8 罩xd8 34.②xc7 罩c8 35.②xe6 fxe6 36.罩c1 e5 37.當f2 當e6 38.g3 hxg3+39.含xg3 當d6 40.罩d1+ 含e6 41.罩d7 罩xc6 42.罩xg7 罩c3 43.罩g4 含f5 44.h4 罩c1 45.h5 混c6 46.罩g7 罩a6 47.罩g4 罩c6 48.罩g7 罩a6 49.罩g8 罩b6 50.全h4 罩b4+51.全g3 罩b6 52.全h4 罩b4+53.罩g4 罩b2 54.全g3 罩b6 55.a5 罩d6 56.罩g7 罩a6 57.罩g8 罩d6 58.全h4 罩d4+59.含g3 罩d6 60.罩b8 含g5 61.罩e8 罩d5 62.a6 罩a5 63.罩e7 e4 64.罩xa7 罩a3 65.含f2 罩xf3+66.全e2 含xh5 67.罩a8 罩f7 68.全e3 罩e7 69.罩b8 含g6 70.罩b6+ 含f5 1/2-1/2

GromitChess v Centaur

1.c4 e6 2.包f3 d5 3.g3 包f6 4.皇g2 皇e7 5.包c3 O-O 6.b3 b6 7.O-O 皇b7 8.包e5 包bd7 9.f4 包xe5 10.fxe5 包e4 11.皇b2 皇g5 12.e3 c5 13.包xe4 dxe4 14.罩f2 豐d3 15.豐h5 h6 16.h4 豐c2 17.hxg5 豐xb2 18.gxh6 豐xa1+ 19.皇f1 f5 20.hxg7 含xg7 21.豐g5+ 含f7 22.罩h2 含e8 23.罩h7 1-0

Rebel v Virtual Chess X

1.d4 ②f6 2.c4 e6 3.②c3 &b4 4.豐c2 O-O 5.a3 &xc3+ 6.豐xc3 b6 7.兔g5 &b7 8.f3 h6 9.兔h4 d5 10.e3 ②bd7 11.②h3 c5 12.cxd5 cxd4 13.豐xd4 e5 14.豐d1 g5 15.兔g3 ②xd5 16.豐d2 置c8 17.罝d1 f5 18.e4 fxe4 19.fxe4 ②5f6 20.②f2 置f7 21.兔b5 置c5 22.兔a4 &xe4 23.②xe4 ②xe4 24.豐d3 ③xg3 25.豐g6+ 置g7 26.豐e6+ 置f7 27.罝xd7 豐f6 28.豐xf6 置xf6 29.hxg3 罝c1+ 30.罝d1 茑xd1+ 31.兔xd1 曾g7 32.罝f1 罝c6 33.龄d2 a5 34.兔h5 罝c5 35.罝f7+ 曾g8 36.罝f2 曾g7 37.曾d3 g4 38.兔xg4 曾g6 39.兔f5+ 曾f6 40.龄e4 疍c4+ 41.龄d5 罝c5+ 42.龄d6 曾g5 43.兔e4 曾g4 44.罝f3 a4 45.龄e6 罝c8 46.b4 axb3 47.罝xb3 罝b8 48.�f6 疍f8+ 49.蜍xe5 罝e8+ 50.龄d5 罝d8+ 51.ጵc6 1-0

Junior v Nimzo

1.d4 ②f6 2.c4 e6 3.②f3 b6 4.a3 ②b7 5.②c3 d5 6.③g5 d×c4 7.e4 ②e7 8.②×f6 ②×f6 9.②×c4 O-O 10.e5 ②e7 11.O-O c5 12.d5 e×d5 13.②×d5 ②c6 14.豐d3 b5 15.②a2 c4 16.豐e4 ②c5 17.②f6+ g×f6 18.③b1 罩e8 19.豐×h7+ 每f8 20.豐h6+ 查e7 21.豐×f6+ 母f8 22.豐h6+ 查e7 23.②e4 豐b6 24.e6 罩ad8 25.e×f7 罩h8 26.豐g7 罩hf8 27.②f5 罩×f7 28.罩fe1+ 1-0

Fritz v Hiarcs

1.e4 e5 2.ወf3 ወc6 3.Ձb5 a6 4.Ձa4 ወf6
5.O-O Ձe7 6.ጄe1 b5 7.Ձb3 d6 8.c3 O-O 9.h3
Ձb7 10.d4 ወa5 11.Ձc2 c5 12.ወbd2 c×d4
13.c×d4 ጄc8 14.d5 ወh5 15.ወf1 豐c7 16.ወe3
ወf4 17.b3 Ձa8 18.Ձd2 ወb7 19.a4 ጄfe8
20.a×b5 a×b5 21.ጄa2 豐d8 22.ወf5 Ձf6
23.೩×f4 e×f4 24.ᡚ3d4 g6 25.ᡚh6+ �f8
26.ᡚc6 豐c7 27.豐g4 Ձe5 28.豐h4 �g7
29.ᡚg4 h5 30.ᡚg×e5 d×e5 31.ᡚa7 ጄcd8
32.ᡚ×b5 豐b6 33.ᡚa3 ᡚd6 34.ᡚc4 ᡚ×c4
35.b×c4 豐b4 36.ጄaa1 豐×c4 37.Ձa4 ጄf8
38.豐e7 豐d4 39.Ձd7 ጄb8 40.ጄa6 �g8
41.豐g5 �ah7 42.ጄf6 ጄb2 43.ጄf1 ጄb6 44.Ձe6
豐b4 45.ጄc1 豐e7 46.豐×e5 豐d6 47.豐g5 豐e7
48.e5 ೩×d5 49.೩×d5 ጄ×f6 50.e×f6 1-0

Fritz-Hiarcs	1-0
Ferret-Shredder	draw
Junior-Nimzo	1-0
Cilkchess-Dark Thought	draw
Rebel-Virtua	1-0

Chess Tiger-Isichess	1-0
Francesca-Zugzwang	draw
Eugene-Diep	draw
SOS-LambChop	0-1
PConNerS-Patzer	1-0
Gromit-Centaur	1-0
MChess-Ikarus	1-0
RuyLopez-Arthur	0-1
XXXX2-Now	0-1
Mini-Neurologic	1-0

Leaders after Round 6

- 5 Fritz
- 4½ Junior, Shredder, Ferret
- 4 Hiarcs, Rebel, Cilkchess, Dark Thought, Nimzo, Chess Tiger
- 3½ LambChop

ROUND 7: Comment, top Games & Results

The ChessBase team had been looking at Hiarcs for their winner in rounds 1-5. Now FRITZ had burst through with 4/4 and just needed a draw with FER-RET for at least a play-off for the Title. Their 2nd. runner was now JUNIOR, also in with a chance on its multi-processor if it could beat SHREDDER. Their hopes were high. No others could win. HIARCS had a nasty last-round shock, choosing a non-top line from its book against the unusual opening by CILKCHESS.

Ferret v Fritz

1.e4 c5 2.ඛf3 d6 3.d4 c×d4 4.ᡚ×d4 ᡚf6 5.ᡚc3 a6 6.Ձe3 e5 7.ᡚb3 Ձe6 8.f3 Ձe7 9.d2 ᡚbd7 10.g4 h6 11.h4 b5 12.O-O-O ᡚb6 13.Ձe2 b4 14.ᡚb1 ᡚfd7 15.×b4 d5 16.a5 d4 17.Ձf2 c7 18.f4 Ձ×b3 19.a×b3 罩c8 20.c3 ᡚc5 21.彙c2 ᡚ×e4 22.敻g1 f6 23.Ձd3 ᡚc5 24.Ձg6+ ਊf8 25.f×e5 f×e5 26.b4 ᡚcd7 27.a2 კc4 28.×c4 ᡚ×c4 29.�b3 a5 30.Ձf5 彙e8 31.b×a5 ᡚ×a5+ 32.՚�a2 ᡚc6 33.c×d4 ᡚb4+ 34.�b3 罩b8 35.ᡚc3 ᡚd3+ 36.彙c2 ᡚ×b2 37.罩a1 ᡚc4 38.罩a7 罩d8 39.ᡚb5 ቧf8 40.彙c3 ᡚd6 41.ᡚc7+ ৡf7 42.d×e5 ᡚ×f5 43.g×f5 ৡg8 44.Ձd4 罩h7 45.e6 h5 46.՚�c4 罩c8 47.�d3

置d8 48.曾e4 g6 49.f×g6 罩×d4+ 50.雪×d4 罩g7 51.包d5 包×e6+ 52.曾e5 皇d6+ 53.雪×d6 1-0



Nimzo v ChessTiger

1.e4 e5 2.句f3 句c6 3.息b5 a6 4.息a4 句f6 5.O-O b5 6.息b3 息c5 7.a4 罩b8 8.c3 d6 9.d4 息b6 10.句a3 O-O 11.a×b5 a×b5 12.ᡚ×b5 e×d4 13.c×d4 息g4 14.罩e1 d5 15.e×d5 ②×d5 16.h3 息h5 17.g4 息g6 18.句c3 句db4 19.息g5 豐d7 20.d5 句a5 21.息a4 豐d6 22.堂g2 f6 23.息d2 句d3 24.罩e6 豐c5 25.息e3 豐b4 26.息b5 ②×b2 27.豐e1 息×e3 28.罩×e3 ②ac4 29.息×c4 豐×c4 30.豐d2 c5 31.罩a7 句d3 32.罩ee7 罩f7 33.句h4 罩×e7 34.罩×e7 句f4+ 35.堂g3 罩b3 36.d6 罩×c3+37.f3 罩d3 38.豐b2 h5 39.豐b7 息f7 40.豐c8+ 全h7 41.豐f5+ 堂g8 42.豐c8+ 全h7 43.豐f5+ 堂g8 44.豐c8+ 1/2-1/2

Arthur v GromitChess

1.d4 e6 2.c4 b6 3.包f3 **2**b7 4.e3 包f6 5.**2**d3 **2**e7 6.包c3 d5 7.b3 d×c4 8.**2**×c4 包c6 9.**2**b2 包a5 10.**2**b5+ c6 11.**2**d3 O-O 12.包a4 **2**d5 13.**2**c3 **2**fd8 14.**2**e2 **2**ac8 15.**2**c2 c5 16.d×c5 **2**h5 17.b4 e5 18.e4 **2**×d3 19.**2**×d3 **2**×e4 20.**2**a6 **2**b7 21.**2**×a7 **2**a8 22.**2**×b6 包d5 23.**2**×a5 **2**4.b×a5 e4 25.**2**d2 e×f3 0-1

Shredder v Junior

1.e4 e5 2.句f3 勾c6 3.負b5 a6 4.負a4 勾f6 5.O-O 息e7 6.豐e2 b5 7.息b3 d6 8.c3 O-O 9.d4 皇g4 10.罩d1 e×d4 11.c×d4 d5 12.e5 원e4 13.包c3 包xc3 14.bxc3 息f5 15.息f4 包a5 16.皇c2 豐c8 17.皇g5 皇×g5 18.匂×g5 h6 19.匂f3 ②c4 20. 皇b3 曾e6 21. ②h4 皇e4 22.f3 皇h7 27.f6 g6 28.罩ad1 豐g4 29.包f3 豐f4 30.罩c1 a5 31. 曾e1 曾e3+ 32. 其f2 曾×e1+ 33. 其×e1 其a6 34.心d2 心×d2 35.罩×d2 b4 36.c×b4 罩×b4 37.罩c1 a4 38.臭d1 罩c4 39.罩×c4 d×c4 40.罩e2 並d3 41.罩b2 罩b6 42.罩×b6 c×b6 43.d5 单e4 44.d6 @c6 45.@f2 @d7 46.@e3 b5 47.@d4 少f8 48. 息f3 かe8 49. 息d5 h5 50.h4 かf8 51.a3 එe8 52. එc3 එf8 53. එb4 එg8 54. එe4 එf8 55.e6 f×e6 56. 2×g6 e5 57. 2×h5 e4 58.g4 2c8 1-0



DarkThought v Rebel

1.c4 e5 2.②c3 ②f6 3.②f3 ②c6 4.g3 d5 5.c×d5 ②×d5 6.彙g2 ②b6 7.O-O 鱼e7 8.d3 O-O 9.a3 鱼e6 10.b4 a5 11.b5 ②d4 12.②d2 a4 13.鱼×b7 置a5 14.置b1 豐d7 15.②f3 ②×b5 16.②×e5 ②×c3 17.②×d7 ②×d1 18.③×f8 鱼b3 19.②×h7 罩a7 20.鱼f3 ②c3 21.罩a1 ⑤×h7 22.鱼b2 ②a2 23.置fb1 ②d5 24.鱼×d5 鱼×d5 25.鱼e5 c6 26.罝b2 f6 27.鱼d4 罝d7 28.罝b8 鱼×a3 29.罝a8 鱼b3 30.鱼×f6 g×f6 31.罝×a2 鱼×a2 32.罝×a4 罝e7 33.⑤f1 鱼e6 34.罝×a3 鱼h3+ 35.⑤e1 觅b7 36.罝a1 ⑤g6 37.f3 鱼d7 38.h4 ⑥h5 39.e4 觅b2 40.罝a5+ ⑥h6 41.g4 ⑥g6 42.h5+ ⑥f7 43.e5 罝b5 44.罝×b5 c×b5 45.e×f6 ⑤xf6 46.d4 ⑥c6 47.f4 ⑤g1 48.g5+ ⑤g6 49.⑥d2 ⑥xh5 50.⑤c3 ⑤f5 51.⑥b4 ⑥ge8 52.⑥c5 1/2-1/2

MChess v SOS

1.e4 c5 2.心ß ②c6 3.d4 c×d4 4.②×d4 g6 5.②c3 全g7 6.全e3 ②f6 7.全c4 O-O 8.全b3 d6 9.f3 全d7 10.豐d2 a5 11.a4 ②×d4 12.全×d4 全e6 13.O-O-O 急×b3 14.c×b3 ②d7 15.h4 急×d4 16.豐×d4 ②c5 17.查b1 ②×b3 18.豐e3 h5 19.g4 h×g4 20.h5 g×f3 21.h×g6 f×g6 22.置h8+查f7 23.豐f4+ 查g7 24.豐h6+ 1-0

Hiarcs v Cilkchess

1.d4 e6 2.c4 c5 3.句f3 句f6 4.e3 c×d4 5.e×d4 d5 6.句c3 句c6 7.皇g5 皇e7 8.c5 O-O 9.皇b5 皇d7 10.O-O b6 11.句a4 b×c5 12.皇×f6 皇×f6 13.句×c5 置e8 14.置c1 置c8 15.皇a6 置b8 16.b3 豐a5 17.a4 置b4 18.句d3 置b6 19.皇b5 置×b5 20.a×b5 句×d4 21.句×d4 皇×d4 22.豐c2 皇×b5 23.置fd1 豐b6 24.句c5 皇e5 25.豐d2 豐b8 26.g3 皇f6 27.置c2 豐a8 28.f3 a5 29.置dc1 皇e7 30.豐d4 皇g5 31.f4 皇f6 32.豐d2 d4 33.句d3 皇e7 34.其d1 豐f3 35.句e5 豐e4 36.其a2 d3 37.豐g2 豐d4+ 38.皇h1 皇b4 39.豐b7 豐c5 40.豐e4 d2 41.壹g2 豐b6 42.其c2 置d8 43.g4 f6 44.句c6 豐b7 45.豐×e6+ 壹f8 46.壹f2 其e8 47.豐d5 皇×c6 48.罩×c6 豐a7+ 0-1

Diep v Francesca

1.②f3 d5 2.d4 ②f6 3.彙f4 c5 4.c3 c×d4 5.c×d4 豐b6 6.豐b3 豐×b3 7.a×b3 ②c6 8.e3 e6 9.②c3 彙d7 10.②e5 ②xe5 11.②xe5 ②b4 12.③d3 ②g4 13.②xg7 置g8 14.②e5 ③xe5 15.d×e5 置xg2 16.⑤e2 置g5 17.②a2 ②f8 18.③xh7 置xe5 19.⑥d3 d4 20.爲hg1 ②c6 21.爰g3 O-O-O 22.爰c1 ⑤b8 23.爰cg1 f5 24.f4 爰a5 25.〇c1 d×e3 26.爰f1 ②c5 27.b4 ③xb4 28.爰xe3 爲h8 29.h3 ②g2 30.爰f2 ②d5 31.爰f1 爰a1 32.爰g3 爰c8 33.爰g1 ③c5 34.⑤d2 ②xg1 35.爰xg1 爰a4 36.爰f1 爲b4 37.b3 爲h8 38.⑤c3 a5 39.⑥c4 〖xh3+ 40.②d3 ②e4 41.爰d1 ⑤c7 42.②xe6 爲b6 43.②c4 爲d6 44.爲a1 ⑤b6 45.爰d1 ⑤c6 46.爰c1 0-1

Virtual_Chess_X v P.ConNerS

1.e4 c5 2.\(\Delta\)f3 e6 3.d4 c×d4 4.\(\Delta\)×d4 a6 5.\(\Delta\)d3
\(\Qquad \text{2}\)c5 6.\(\Delta\)b3 \(\Qquad \text{2}\)a7 7.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)e2 \(\Delta\)c6 8.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)e3
9.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)×e3 d6 10.\(\Delta\)c3 \(\Delta\)f6 11.O-O-O O-O 12.f4
\(\Qquad \text{2}\)c7 13.\(\Delta\)f1 b5 14.g4 b4 15.g5 \(\Delta\)d7 16.\(\Delta\)e2
a5 17.\(\Delta\)bd4 \(\Delta\)×d4 18.\(\Delta\)×d4 \(\Delta\)c5 19.\(\Delta\)b5 \(\Qquad \text{2}\)b6
20.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)d8 21.f5 \(\Qquad \text{2}\)d6 22.g6 f×g6 23.\(\Delta\)×g6
h×g6 24.f×g6 \(\Delta\)b3+ 25.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)×b3 \(\Qquad \text{2}\)f2 26.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)×e6+
\(\Delta\)f8 27.\(\Delta\)c7 \(\Qquad \text{2}\)f4+ 28.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)b1 \(\Delta\)a7 29.\(\Delta\)×a6 \(\Delta\)e7
30.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)d2 \(\Qquad \text{2}\)d3.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)d3 1.\(\Qquad \text{2}\)d3 1-0

Ferret-Fritz Shredder-Junior Dark Thought-Rebel Hiarcs-Cilkchess Nimzo-Chess Tiger LambChop-Zugzwang Virtua-PConNerS Isichess-Eugene Diep-Francesca Arthur-Gromit MChess-SOS Centaur-Mini Ikarus-Now Patzer-XXXX2	1-0 draw 0-1 draw draw 1-0 0-1 0-1 1-0 0-1 1-0 draw
Neurologic-RuyLopez	draw

7rds	FINAL TABLE
5 ½	Shredder, Ferret
5	Fritz, Cilkchess
41/2	Junior, Dark Thought, Rebel, Nimzo, Chess Tiger
4	Hiarcs, LambChop, Francesca, Virtua, Gromit, Eugen
3½	Zugzwang, MChess
3	PConNerS, Isichess, Diep, Patzer, Mini, Now
21/2	SOS, Arthur
2	Ikarus, Centaur
11/2	Ruy Lopez
1	XXXX2, Neurologic

Could they separate the two winners? Shredder had the better tie-break score, so Ferret on its 4 x 450MHz multi-unit (visible in picture in bottom right corner, behind Bruce Moreland) had to win!

Shredder v Ferret - play-off game
1.c4 e5 2.으c3 외f6 3.외f3 외c6 4.g3 d5 5.c×d5 외×d5 6.皇g2 외b6 7.O-O 皇e7 8.d3 O-O 9.a4
a5 10.皇e3 필a6 11.필c1 皇b4 12.필e1 f6 13.皇d2
皇e6 14.외e4 외d7 15.皇×b4 a×b4 16.e3 皇d5
17.외ed2 빨e7 18.b3 필aa8 19.d4 e4 20.외h4 f5
21.皇h3 g6 22.필f1 빨e6 23.외g2 g5 24.빨h5
빨e7 25.외e1 빨g7 26.빨e2 외b6 27.외c2 皇e6
28.皇g2 외a5 29.외a1 외d5 30.필fe1 외c3



31.響f1 c6 32.罩c2 雪h8 33.勾b1 勾×b3 34.勾×c3 b×c3 35.罩×c3 響f7 36.g4 f×g4 37.匂×b3 臯×b3 41.罩1c2 罩fa8 42.罩b2 桌c4 43.豐c1 桌e6 44.豐f1 息c4 45.豐c1 嶌a1 46.嶌b1 嶌×b1 47.豐×b1 息e6 48.罩e5 罩f8 49.豐b2 豐f6 50.罩a5 曾g8 51. Za7 皇c8 52. Za8 響e7 53. 皇b1 皇e6 54. La7 Lb8 55. Ld3 豐c7 56. 豐b1 Lf7 57. Le2 雪g7 58. &×g4 &g6 59. 響b3 &f7 60. 響b4 &h8 61. 点f5 由g8 62.e4 由g7 63.智b2 由g8 64.智a3 g7 65. 響a1 g8 66. 響a4 響d6 67.e5 響d8 68.e6 点h5 69.曾c4 曾f6 70.e7+ 由g7 71.曾c5 奧e8 72.皇g4 響f4 73.皇f3 查f6 74.皇e2 皇d7 75. \$\doldo\ \doldo\ \ 79. 曾b4 皇d7 80. 罩a3 罩e8 81. 罩e3 含g7 82. 皇e2 響f6 83. ad3 罩b8 84. 罩e5 b5 85. af5 a×f5 86.e8=①+ 罩×e8 87.罩×e8 臭g6 88.罩e7+ **\$**g8 92.含g2 h3+ 93.含g3 響g1+ 94.含f4 響×f2+ 95.含×g4 曾g2+ 96. ch4 曾f2+ 97. ch3 曾f3+ 98.含h4 響f4+ 99.含h3 響f3+ 100.含h4 響f4+ 101.含h3 曾f3+ 1/2-1/2

Many CONGRATULATIONS to SHREDDER. Playing on a standard PC - 'under-powered' compared to multi- processor & other systems in use by many - makes this a deserved win and a fine performance.

<u>S/S ISSUE 84</u> - some of the best games analysed, and the TOP FOUR play FOUR GM'S!

Also 40/2 CHALLENGE GAME: FIDE Champ Karpov v WCCChamp Shredder!



THE REBEL CHALLENGE NO.1! REBEL 10.5 V MICHAEL ROHDE

The "CHESS IN 2010" article which appeared in SS82 was very largely based on an Internet article by Schroder BV, and

subsequent discussions there.

Ed Schroder also announced that his company would introduce a new initiative: The Monthly GM Challenge, this to be a single game at 40/2 with LIVE Internet coverage, offering the GM \$500 for a win, and \$250 for a draw (nothing for a loss).

Challenge #1 - the Participants

The first such game was played at the end of May between REBEL 10.5 and GM Michael ROHDE.

Rohde, who became a GM in 1988, and won the strongest ever U.S. OPEN in 1991, has an aggressive style. He does not play so often nowadays, though he is still in the U.S 'top 20', but in chess matters devotes himself more to journalism, writing the "GAME OF THE MONTH" column in Chess Life, and authoring two opening books: 'The Great Evans Gambit Debate' and 'Play the Sveshnikov'. His main occupation is as a New York attorney.

Rohde is certainly well-known to those connected with computer chess from his appearances against computers in the much-missed Harvard Cup events, where he was the top human player on more than one occasion. I should add that he is also PC and Internet 'literate', and runs his own site.

Rebel ran in its 10.5 'Paderborn' version, and on a Pentium2/450MHz machine.

To ensure there was no repeat of the Deep Blue Controversy (did resident GM's change its moves sometimes, to beat Kasparov?), a copy of the Rebel 10.5 program was sent to arbiter Enrique Irazoqui before the match, so that all moves could be checked.

Rebel 10.5 - Rohde, M (2335) E00 Catalan. Challenge 40/2, 1999

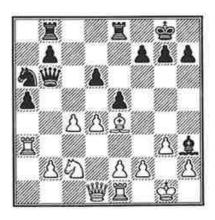
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New!? 12... 当b6 13.c5 dxc5 14. 公c4 当c7

was Tregubov-Zoler, Berlin 1995 and Khenkin-Drasko, Tilburg 1994. Both games were drawn

13.至xa3 至b8 14.包e4 ②xe4 15.全xe4 皇h3
The purpose here is not particularly to dislodge the 邑, but to threaten Rebel with long-term back-rank problems

16.国e1 凹b6!



17.e3?!

Marked by Ed Schroder as Rebel's first real mistake. His point is that this move blocks Rebel's pieces - a3邑, e1邑, c2句 -

from getting to the kingside.

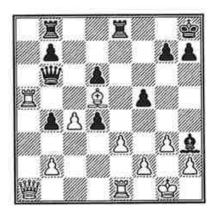
In Rohde's after-match analysis he says he thinks the self-criticism here is a little harsh, though he suggests that 17.營d3 would have been sharper. Apparently 17.e3 was a last moment decision by Rebel, as it did show 營d3 until then!

17...f5 18.全d5+ 空h8 19.曾a1

Rohde comments that, whilst this is a natural enough move, it is very commital

19... 4 b4 20. 4 x b4 a x b4 21. 里 a 5

"Backing off with 21.\(\mathbb{Z}\)d3 gives Black the advantage after 21...e4" says Rohde 21...exd4



22. 罩b5!?

Rebel decides to go for the pawn. It is interesting to note that it <u>did see</u> the attack Rohde can now generate – its evaluation dropped from +0.7 to +0.3 as it saw Black's

go to d8, exchange on e8 and then get to e2 – but this figure still underestimates the danger and remains too high to dissuade Rebel from going for the pawn!

22...增d8 23.exd4?!

23.\(\mathbb{Z}\)xb4!? is the Hiarcs choice, and I haven't found any really good line for Black, so maybe it is better. E.g. 23...dxe3 24.\(\mathbb{Z}\)xe3 \(\mathbb{Z}\)xe3 \(\mathbb{Z}\)xe3 \(\mathbb{Z}\)show which I would put as fairly equal, though the PC programs tend to show White as +=

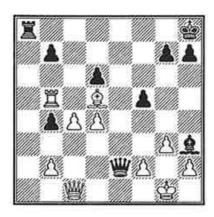
23... 里a8 24. 里xe8+?!

"The main positional mistake" says Ed -

"it gives away the crucial e-file."

"24. 營d1 is better", he says, though Rohde doesn't believe the move actually played is so bad! He says 24. 營c1? was the move which had to be avoided: 24... 選xe1+ 25. 營xe1 營e7!

24...曾xe8 25.曾c1 曾e2!



26.f4?

"I don't know why Rebel played this move," says Ed. "Analysis with the current Rebel 10.5, \(\mathbb{Z}\)xb7 is the first move to appear as the principal variation, and this is replaced in ply 10 by the best move, which is \(\hat{g}2\). 26.f4? clearly loses material in the short term" he concludes.

26. 全g2, Ed's 'best move', was also chosen by Hiarcs when I analysed the game, then 26... 当c2 27. 当f1 (27. 当e1 当xc4 28. 全f1) 27... 当xb2 28. 全xh3 三a1 29. 三xf5 三xf1+ 30. 全xf1 中g8 31. 三d5 b3 32. 三xd6章

Interestingly Rohde gives 26.皇g2 a ?! and suggests that 26...豐d2 27.豐f1 罩e8 would win 豐 for 罩+皇, and leave Black with a winning endgame. However after

28.\(\mathbb{Z}\)xb7! Black cannot play \(\mathbb{Z}\)e1 because of his own back-rank problem!

26...豐d3

26... 置e8! also looks very strong: 27. 異xb7 h5 28. 異b5 置e4

27.室xb7 室e8! 28.垫h1?!



Hiarcs proposed that 28. Exb4!? would have retained some slender chances for White: 28... 世xd4+ (or 28... h6 straight away?) 29. 空h1 皇g4 30. 空g2 至e2+31. 空h1 至e8=. The '=' comes from Hiarcs!?

28...**營**c2

An obvious but rather unpleasant mate threat, which leads to a win. But Rohde feels he had something better here.

28... 營xd4 is not that strong: 29. Exb4 h6 30. Ea4!

But 28... 2g4! really is good, by-passing the back-rank theme for a direct attack. This is it!... the awesome threat is 2d1! then 2f1 mate but, says Rohde, "for some reason I couldn't work out the forced win, and didn't want the White 2f2 to escape, so played my 2f2"

29.營e3 營b1+ 30.營g1 營xb2 31.選b6 h6
Putting any back-rank 'forgetfulness'
fears behind him. It's also a little trap!
32.因a6

Not 32.ጃxd6? 쌀c3! threatening the deadly 또e1!

32...₩c2 33.c5 dxc5 34.dxc5?

34.宣c6 is no better: 34...b3 (34...營e2) 35.豈xc5 營d3 (35...營d2) 36.豈c1-+ 34...營c3-+ 35.豈a1 b3 36.豈c1 營d3 37.豈d1 營e2 38.豈b1 b2 39.營d1 營xd1+ 40.岂xd1 閏d8 0-1

"I guess I have some homework to do!" said Ed Schroder after the game. "All-in-all this has been very valuable for me, showing up several weaknesses which I now have the possibility to put right." The next match is v GM Sorin of Argentina - get SS84!

HIARCS 732 programmed by Mark Uniacke.

A Brief 'SS' REVIEW AND GAME

The following details are much as they appear on the ChessBase web pages.



HIARCS 732 is a 32-bit chess program, based on the Fritz 532 user interface. The super-strong engine is a 32-bit implementation of Mark Uniacke's famous Hiarcs 7 DOS engine. It has all the functions of Fritz 532, is completely self-sufficient, will run the other ChessBase engines such as Fritz, Junior5 and Nimzo99, and runs smoothly analysing within ChessBase 7.

The CD also contains Eric Hallsworth's latest version of his original Hiarcs 7 opening book, and software to generate tablebases, which drastically improve endgame playing strength.

HASH TABLE Method

Hiarcs is the first ChessBase-compatible engine to fully retain hash tables between searches. This improves performance in practical games.

Even more important for some will be the effect this has on game analysis: since

all full game analysis in Fritz is being done backwards (for good reason), hash table retention and positional learning propagates knowledge about the game continuation into the investigation of the earlier positions, thus giving 'outcome awareness' and deeper, more accurate analysis.

Other PROGRAMS on the CD

Also on the CD are the earlier 16-bit engines Hiarcs4 and Hiarcs6, as well as the latest 32-bit engines of Crafty 16.6, Comet B02 and EXchess 2.51.

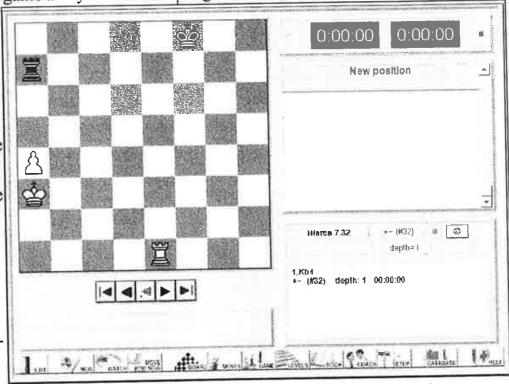
TABLEBASES!

The ENDGAME TABLEBASES in Hiarcs 732



are databases similar in idea to the big Opening Book databases which you get with all programs nowadays. In Hiarcs' case they cover endgame positions with 4 or 5 pieces, and the appropriate shortest routes to the win or draw are stored so that the programs can play them perfectly.

The ChessBase Tablebases were written by Eugene Nalimov, who works for Microsoft. Whereas most programs can 'only' make use of the Tablebases when they reach a position covered by them (a useful enough benefit anyway!), Hiarcs (and Crafty) can access the Tablebases during their search from a current position which might have 6, 7, 8 or more pieces on the board. If the engine sees a Tablebase position ahead during calculations involving exchanges, it



Hiarcs announces an immediate m/32! The power of TABLEBASES!

Eugene Nalimov

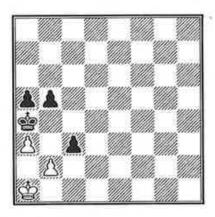
knows the value of the position immediately. This leads to a tremendous increase of effective search depth in all endgames where



piece tradings occuring in the search lead to 4 or 5 men positions.

Here's a good example:-

Grigoriev, 1925 Study

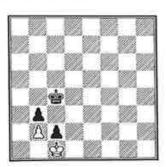


White to play. It takes all the programs forever yet still showing this seven-piece study -400 or worse... they're sure that Black wins. With KPP-KP tablesbases Hiarcs needs just 5 seconds to show it correctly as drawn. The info box shows that the Tablebases were accessed 2003 times during the search.

11.Ka2 b4 12.axb4 c2 13.b3+ Kb5 14.Kb2 c1D+ 15.Kxc1 = (0.00) Tiefe: 27/30 00:00:05 310kN, tb=2003

1. da 2 b4 2.axb4 c2

2...axb4 3.空a1 空b3 4.空b1 空c4 5.空c2 b3+ 6.空b1 c2+ 7.空c1



Now it is clear that Black's king must move away to avoid stalemating White, whose king can shuttle between c1 and d2 forever.

3.b3+ and it's a draw!

The Tablebases will help the program get maximum endgame points possible, winning 'won' games etc. as well as ensuring it defends the most difficult ones with stubborn resistance!

On the Hiarcs 732 CD there is a Windows program which will generate all the 5-piece TABLEBASES on the users hard disk - but be warned as they can take up from 4-8 Gigabytes!

However all the 4-piece Tablebases and the endgames for KPP-KP, KRP-KP, KBP-KP, KRB-KR, KRN-KR have already been generated on the CD and can be copied to your hard drive.

If you have a fast CD drive, Hiarcs can easily access the files from the CD itself during the search, thanks to Nalimov's efficient caching algorithm.

The OPENING Book

This includes the latest version of my work for HIARCS DOS, updated to include some of the latest theory from 1999 Tournaments such as Wijk aan Zee and Hastings.

In addition it has the added advantage of having been merged with the Fritz 'General Book', which makes it even more comprehensive and reliable. The Hiarcs preferences and width of opening choice is retained, so 1.b3 and 1.f4 can appear from time-to-time (for better or worse), and users can be almost guaranteed to find some coverage of their own favourite lines, however weird rare! But if/when the Hiarcs book runs out in a line, the Fritz book clicks in if it has moves in place, which can be very useful in some critical Sicilian lines, for example.

Users can check this by playing through the following line: 1.d4 c6 2.e4 d5 3.e×d5 c×d5 4.c4 公c6 5.c×d5 營×d5 6.公f3 e5 7.公c3 急b4 8.急d2 ≜×c3 9.≜×c3 e4

10. වe5 වxe5 11.dxe5 වe7.

Here folk with Hiarcs7 DOS will find #a4-6 #e2-5 #c2-4 #h5-4, but no mention of £e2. This is faithfully represented on the Hiarcs 732 screen, if you've followed these moves. But if you now play 12. £e2, book moves appear on screen

immediately, because the Fritz General book has clicked in, enabling Hiarcs to stay with theory!

To finish, here's an example of **Hiarcs 732** in play. The opponent is **Junior 5** and both programs were on their own AMD K6 machines, running at 266MHz I believe, with a time control of 40/2½ hours.

Junior wastes a little time between moves 15 and 17, and that's all Hiarcs needs!

Hiarcs732 - Junior5

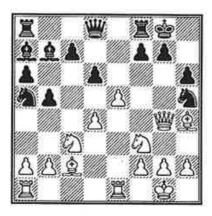
C78, Ruy Lopez. 40/2

1.e4 e5 2.包f3 包c6 3.臭b5 a6 4.臭a4 包f6 5.0-0 兔c5 6.c3 b5 7.兔b3 d6 8.罩e1 0-0 9.d4 兔a7 10.兔g5 h6 11.兔h4 兔b7 12.營d3 exd4 13.cxd4 包a5 14.兔c2 包c6 15.營d2 罩c8

15...፰e8 16.ሷc3 ᡚb4 17.Ձb3 c5 18.a3 c4 19.Ձxc4 bxc4 20.axb4 is a touch better **16.**ᡚ**c3 ᡚa5?**

This appears to have little purpose. Asking the bishop to decide which diagonal it wants with 16... 心b4 might have been better, though H7 would play 17. 全b1! c5 18.d5 c4 19.a3 心d3 20. 全xd3 17. 對f4 單a8?

18.e5 �h5 19.≌g4



19... 鱼xf3 20.gxf3 營b8?!

Challenging White's queen with 20...豐c8 was better, though after 21.皇f5 豐b7 22.豐xh5 皇xd4 23.皇e4 c6 24.exd6 心c4 25.莒ad1 White still has a big advantage

21.句d5! 罩e8

21...f5 22.exf6

22.ᡚf6+ ∯f8

22... 位xf6? 23. 全xf6 g5 24. 營e4! and mate follows

23. 2d7+ \$\dot{\phi}g8 24. 2\dot{\phi}xb8 \dot{\dot{\dot{\dot{axb8}}} 25.exd6 1-0

Novag UNIVERSAL Board

NEW DRIVERS available for Fritz 532, Hiarcs 732 and Rebel 10!

I've reviewed the 15" x 15" wood, auto-sensory UNI-VERSAL board in a past Issue, but have been encouraging readers that software would become available to enable some of the newer PC Programs to work with it. After some months of hard work Novag's *Wayne Chow* has completed the work on Fritz 532, Hiarcs 732 and Rebel 10.



I have the drivers on disks now with printed instructions for Fritz and Hiarcs - Rebel's instructions are on its disk. They are all quite easily set-up, but the instructions do need to be followed in exact order for everything to work. Once done, the relevant PC settings can be saved to make the link work more automatically on future occasions.

In the case of Fritz and Hiarcs, the set-up zip file includes self-installers. The Rebel method merely involves copying the files from disk to the Rebel 10 directory and starting the program using the new .exe file. The instructions cover all this!

<u>Selective Search readers</u> buying their BOARD (£279) and PROGRAM (£44.95) from Countrywide will get the appropriate driver/s free at the time of purchase (don't forget there's also a 10% <u>discount</u> off the board and 5% off the PC program if you mention SS).

If you are just buying a PRÓGRAM, you will need

to pay £2 extra for the disk, or

 if you already have board and program, £5 for a driver DISK ALONE, payable to me, to cover my costs: disk, copying, plus p&p.

Advanced Chess Match ANAND V KARPOV

The uniqueness of "Advanced Chess" is that both players are allowed to use computer assistance during the games! The first such match last year, which attracted rather negative media attention, and received a lukewarm press, saw Kasparov draw 3-3 with Topalov, only settling affairs by playing 2 extra games without the computers!

Nevertheless a repeat of the format with 2 new participants took place in June 1999, in a superb theatre in Leon, Paris. Both players had access to ChessBase7 and a choice of programs from Fritz532, Junior5, Nimzo99 and the brand-new Hiarcs732. There was plenty of pre-Match publicity, and an enormous and exciting stage arrangement was designed to give the spectators a unique view of the chess.

After some careful testing Anand chose Hiarcs 732, whilst Karpov started the match with Fritz 532 but changed to Hiarcs later. The change didn't help him, however, as he was beaten easily, with Anand overwhelming him right from the start.

The size (5-1!) of Anand's win was remarkable, but cannot be put down solely to the players' chess-playing abilities. Although I know my photograph at the top of the page wont show the stage clearly, readers can probably imagine the real treat spectators had at the Match as, on the two giant display screens, they were able to see every idea each GM tried on his PC. The games they extracted from the databases, the positions being evaluated and analysed by the PC programs, were there for all to watch! Not surprisingly the theatre was packed all the time, with many people standing in the





isles. The schedule was 2 games every day, using a time control of Game in 1 hour for each player.

It was obvious from the outset to all observers that **Anand** is a supreme expert with the PC! He first used a ChessBase program back in 1987 when it was running on the old Atari ST computer, and handled the modern ChessBase7, its databases, and the Hiarcs732 program with ease. Quickly extracting the games he wanted to view, and getting Hiarcs at work on positions he was considering or wanted checking, he built giant trees of variations. This was the perfect team and the games repeatedly reached the very positions which the Indian Super-GM had been studying on screen.

In contrast **Karpov** struggled with his PC research, and kept finding himself horrifyingly short of time, having to blitz out moves without computer assistance.

In game 3, for example, both players ended up with the game Agdestein v Karpov, Gjovik 1991 on their screens, with the difference that Anand had spent only a few minutes getting there whilst Karpov had used up more than half of his time - and it was a game that he'd played originally!

While Karpov struggled to defend the position, Anand had Hiarcs on screen checking all the attacking lines well in advance, and the audience knew exactly what was coming many moves before the end.

G/60	1	2	3	4	5	6	Tot
Anand	1	1/2	1	1/2	1	1	5
Karpov	0	1/2	0	1/2	0	0	1

The games will appear on a ChessBase Magazine CD. Kasparov said he was 'delighted by the result' and intimated he'd be optimistic in a similar match with Anand, despite the latter's obvious PC expertise! In a major European city, with big TV coverage, that would be something - and show how exciting this new form of chess can be!

DEED Blue JUNIOR COMMERCIAL POSSIBILITIES?

Rumours of a commercial version of the famous Kasparov-beating **DEEP BLUE2** have surfaced from time-to-time during the past couple of years.

Reference to the existence of a slightly more movable but still multi-processor 'JUNIOR' version was made in *Selective Search* at the time of 'The BIG MATCH'.

A new DEEP BLUE for consumers

Recently programmer Feng-hsiung Hsu wrote an 11 page article which appeared in the Mar-Apr 1999 issue of *IEEE Micro*, discussing the possibilities more openly.

He indicated that he is forming a new independent group to create 'a consumer chess chip for desktop machines', and claimed 'this could defeat the World Champion in a formal match as early as the year 2000... such a chip might make it possible to defeat the World Chess Champion with a desktop PC or even a laptop'.

At present **DEEP BLUE JUNIOR** uses multiple chips on a single workstation, with each RS/6000 controlled by up to 16 chess chips. How strong is it?

Hsu's camp has always claimed that a deliberately slowed down (to around 15% normal speed) version of DEEP BLUE1/2 scored 10-0 in matches against 'two of the top commercial programs, running on the Pentium Pro PC'. It was further claimed that DBJUNIOR had scored 38-2!

The implication from these (alleged) scores then put forward by some has been that, if DEEP BLUE2 is 2800 Elo, and DBJnr no more than 2700 Elo, the TOP PC PROGRAMS cannot be above 2400.

However the accuracy of the claims has often been hotly debated, as frequent requests for a sight of the game scores has never been forthcoming.

On the other hand the results during 1998/9 of various PC programs - Fritz, Rebel, Hiarcs and Junior spring readily to mind - strongly suggest that they are close to 2600, plus or minus say 50 Elo, depending whose camp you're in. Or at least 2700 at Blitz - read Rebel v Anand, or Fritz v Polgar etc. If so, then DEEP BLUE is 3100+!? Hardly.

In further support of its position, the Hsu camp has also said that 'In training games against Grandmasters with average FIDE ratings in the high 2500's, DEEP BLUE JUNIOR scored at a 3-1 ratio, for a performance rating over 2700'. It sounds convincing, but do the micros really lose 38-2?

DEEP BLUE evaluation functions

In the *IEEE Micro* article there is also useful discussion of the DEEP BLUE evaluation function, which is certainly of interest!

It includes: trapped pieces; development; restraint; colour complexes; blockade; square control; king safety; pawn structure; outposts; passed pawns; pawn majority; rook on the 7th; x-rays and ray control; pins etc. etc!

For each of these headings, the subheadings make the mind boggle yet further. For example under king safety we find: types of attacking pieces; soundness of king shelter; presence of attacking pawns; colour complexes, square control and ray control around the king.

It all looks and sounds very impressive, and I might have considered approaching my bank manager for some vast loan... if it hadn't been for news which emerged during June's World Computer Chess Championships of the Ed Schroder and Christophe Thieron pair, REBEL and CHESS TIGER playing 3 Blitz games each against the all-conquering 20 million positions a second 38-2 PC crusher and mini-monster!

v Deep Blue JUNIOR

Here is Ed's announcement: 'During the 9th WCCC (June 1999) REBEL and CHESS TI-GER each played 3 Blitz games against DEEP BLUE JUNIOR.

DBJnr was connected to the Internet in the hall of the museum near to the Tournament Hall used for the Championship.

You can play any time control - for the TIGER games DBJnr was set to 2 secs per move average and TIGER (on a 150MHz Pentium laptop) to 15 mins for the whole game. For the REBEL games we were even more bold: DBJnr was on 5 mins Blitz, and

REBEL (the WCCC version 10.5, on a 333MHz PC searching 100,000 positions a second) was set to just 10 mins Blitz.

If the 38-2 claims were true, this was a big risk. Read on.... we start with **TIGER**'s match.

The notes are based on those by **Jeroen Noomen**, with thanks to Schroder BV for their permission to use them.

Chess Tiger 11.9 - Deep Blue Junior [B01] Blitz match Paderborn (1)

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 包f6 3.d4 包xd5 4.c4 包f6

5.包f3 e6 CT out of book 6.包c3 c5 7.d5 exd5 8.包xd5 兔e7 9.包xf6+ CT plays too often with this knight, Be2 is better 9...兔xf6

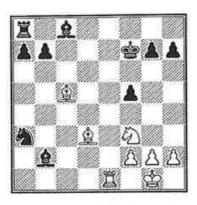
10.營xd8+ 兔xd8 11.兔e3 兔e7 12.兔d3 包c6

13.0-0 包b4 Although this looks a bit premature, it appears to be quite strong

14.兔e4 f5 15.兔b1 兔f6 16.鼍e1 兔f7 17.兔c1 鼍e8 A human would play Be6 here, but DBJ wants to win a pawn 18.鼍xe8 ९xe8

19.a3 包c6 20.兔c2 包a5 21.兔e3 兔xb2

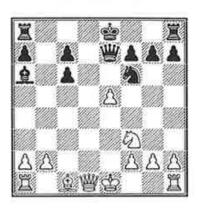
22.鼍e1 兔f7 23.兔xc5 包xc4 24.兔d3 包xa3



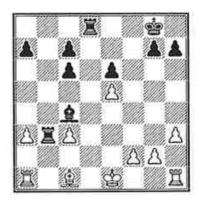
This puts the knight in dire straits, but CT already had lots of compensation for the pawn 25.至e2 ②c1 26.②d4! b6 27.③d6 a5 28.至a2 This wins the kinght. The ending is simply lost for DBJ 28...②e6 29.②xe6 ②xe6 30.③xa3 ④xa3 31.至xa3 至c8 32.每f1 g6 33.④e2 互c6 34.⑤d2 互d6 35.互b3 h6 36.⑤c3 The game was stopped here due to an operator mistake. DB Jr does not allow any takeback. But the position looks like a win for Chess Tiger, whose score was at that time over +2.00. So we give TIGER 1-0!? Not the start most had expected!

Chess Tiger 11.9 - Deep Blue Junior [C46] Blitz match Paderborn (2)
1.e4 e5 2.包f3 包c6 3.包c3 鱼b4 DBJ loves to play bad opening lines 4.包d5 包f6
5.包xb4 包xb4 6.c3 包c6 7.d4 exd4 8.e5

₩e7 9.cxd4 d6 10.\(\frac{1}{2}\)b5 dxe5 11.\(\frac{1}{2}\)xc6+
This gives big problems. I like the pawn sac
11 0-0! with a good position for white
11...\(\text{bxc6}\) 12.\(\text{dxe5}\)\(\frac{1}{2}\)a6

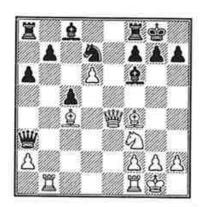


Now CT has a problem: where to put the king? 13.營a4 全b5 14.營h4 營e6 15.h3?! 0-0 16.全e3 公d5 17.全c5 营fb8 18.營e4 公f6 19.營e3 公d5 DBJ wants a draw by repetition! CT better had to take it 20.營e4 公f6 21.營c2 CT appears to think it has the advantage, as it avoids the repetition 營e3 21...莒d8 22.全e3 全d3 23.營c3 公e4 24.公d4 公xc3 25.公xe6 fxe6 26.bxc3 莒ab8 DBJ has complete control 27.全c1 全c4 28.a3 莒b3



29.h4 選xc3 30.還h3 還c2 31.還e3 還d4 32.g3 c5 33.a4 象d5 34.a5 c4 35.象a3 還dd2 36.還b1 h5 37.象c5 選xf2 38.還c3 還fe2+ The rooks on the 2nd rank are devastating and DBJ has no trouble to win this position 39.內d1 還cd2+ 40.內c1 還a2 41.還b8+ 內h7 42.還b2 罩exb2 43.還a3 還c2+ 44.內d1 還d2+ 45.內e1 罩e2+ 46.內d1 罩ad2+ 47.內c1 罩c2+ 48.內d1 罩ed2+ 49.內e1 罩h2 50.內d1 罩cd2+ 51.內c1 罩dg2 52.象f2 罩xf2 53.罩d3 cxd3 54.內d1 罩f1# 0-1

Chess Tiger 11.9 - Deep Blue Junior [B01] Blitz match Paderborn (3)
1.e4 d5 2.exd5 包f6 3.d4 包xd5 4.c4 包f6
5.包f3 e6 6.包c3 c5 7.d5 exd5 8.包xd5
包xd5 Deviating from the first game, where

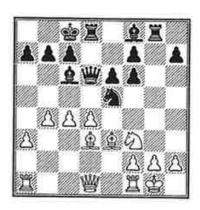


CT has a lot of compensation for the pawn minus 17... 图b8 18. 全c1 皆a5 19. 全d3 g6 20.皇h6 皇g7 21.皇xg7 空xg7 22.豐e7 豐xa2 Another pawn is lost, but I don't see how CT The queens come off the board, after which it is clear CT has to struggle for a draw 26.≝xe6 fxe6 27.≝xb7 ≝xb7 28.⊈xb7 ⊈b5 32. Ed1 @a4 33. Ed6 @b3 34. Eb6 @d5 35.f3 c4 36. df2 c3 This looks obvious, but the pawn on c3 is more of a weakness than a strength 37. 空e3 罩a7 38. 空d3 罩c7 39. 空c2 空f6 40.思b4 g5 41.息d3 h6 42.h4 置c5 43. 當g4 空e7 44.hxg5 hxg5 45. 當a4 空f6 46.里a3 空e5 47.里a4 里c7 48.里g4 空f6 49. 24 2c5 50. 2a3 de5 51. 2a4 2c8 52. 国g4 由f6 53. 国a4 Here the game was stopped because the notebook's battery was exhausted and the notebook turned itself off automatically. It was not been possible to resume the game because we needed some time to charge the battery and the Tournament Hall was about to close. It is not thought DBJnr would have been able to improve its position anyway. so $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$, and $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ total in all probability.

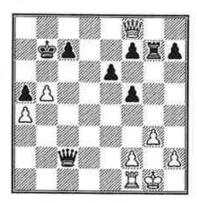
A somewhat surprising start. **Chess Tiger** is highly rated, but not a *'no.1'* - either <u>it's</u> better than we think... or DBJnr isn't!?

So we come to the 3 games played between **Rebel 10.5** and **DBJnr**. Here is game 1:

Rebel 10.5 - Deep Blue Junior [C10] Paderborn (1). [G/10 v G/5] 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.එc3 dxe4 4.එxe4 එf6 5.එxf6+ gxf6 As usual DBJ chooses an offbeat opening line 6.包f3 单d7 7.单d3 单c6 8.0-0 曾d6 9.皇e3 包d7 10.c4 0-0-0!? Castling right into it, but there is also a threat 11.a3 国 12.b4! 12.皇xh7?! 国h8 eyeing h2, so 13.d5 to block the attack on 包f3 (it protects h2). Now 13...国xh7。 12...包e5



With some nasty tactics coming up! 13.d5
Countering the DBJ stroke and entering a
very interesting tactical phase 13....皇xd5
14.cxd5 曾xd5 15.皇e2 曾e4 16.皇d2 皇h6
17.g3 曾f5 18.鼍a2 名xf3+ 19.皇xf3 皇xd2
20.鼍xd2 鼍xd2 21.皇xb7+ 含xb7 22.曾xd2
End of the tactics. Black is a pawn up, but
Rebel owns the d-file and DBJ'rs king is not
very safe 22...曾g5 23.曾d7 鼍g7 24.曾e8 a6
25.a4 曾d5 26.b5 a5 27.鼍e1 曾c4 28.鼍d1
曾c2 29.鼍f1 Not very convincing, but as
DBJ refuses to get activity instead of giving
up a pawn, no harm is done by this unfortunate rook manoeuvre 29...f5 30.曾f8



30...營c3 Bad, as now the white rook enters the scene. 30... Rg4 looks okay for black 31.鼍d1! h5 32.鼍d8 營e1+ 33.蚕g2 營e4+ 34.f3 營e2+ 35.內h3 Checks are running out, leaving Rebel with a winning attack 35...翨xg3+ Desperation! 36.內xg3 營e1+ 37.內h3 營f1+ 38.內h4 營xf3 39.內g5 內a7 40.營c5+ 內b7 41.內f6 營d5 42.翨xd5 exd5 with a mate announcement 43.內e7 1-0

The final pair of games between **REBEL** 10.5 and **DBJunior** in *SS/84*. Don't miss!

RATING LISTS and NOTES

A brief guide to the purpose of each of the HEADINGS should prove helpful for everybody.

BCF. These are British Chess Federation ratings. They can be calculated from Elo figures by (Elo - 600) /8, or from USCF figures by (USCF - 720) /8. Elo. This is the Rating figure which is in popular use Worldwide. The BCF and Elo figures shown in SE-LECTIVE SEARCH are calculated by combining each Computer's results v computers with its results v humans. I believe this makes the SS Rating List the most accurate available for Computers and Programs anywhere in the world. +/-. The maximum likely future rating movement, up or down, for that particular machine. The figure is determined by the number of games played and calculated on standard deviation principles. Games. The total number of Games on which the computer's or program's rating is based. Human/Games. The Rating obtained and total no. of Games in Tournament play v rated humans.

A guide to PC Gradings:

386-PC represents a program running on an 80386 at approx. 33MHz with 4MB RAM. **486-PC** represents a program run-

486-PC represents a program run ning on an 80486 at between 50-66MHz with 4-8MB RAM.

Pent-PC represents a program on a Pentium at approx. 100-133MHz, with 8-16MB RAM.

PPro-PC represents a program on a Pentium Pro/200-233, or a Pentium MMX//200-233.

Users will get slightly more (or less!) if the speed of their PC is significantly different. A doubling or halving in MHz speed = approx. 50 Elo; a doubling or halving in MB RAM = approx. 5 Elo.

Approx. guide if Pentium/133 = 0

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Pent Pro2/MMX/233	+60	Pentium/166	+20
Pentium/133	0	Pentium/100	-20
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486DX-SX/33	-160		-220
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