

29th Sabra Composing Tourney – 68th WCCC, Magdeburg 2026

An orthodox H#2 is required with the following theme::

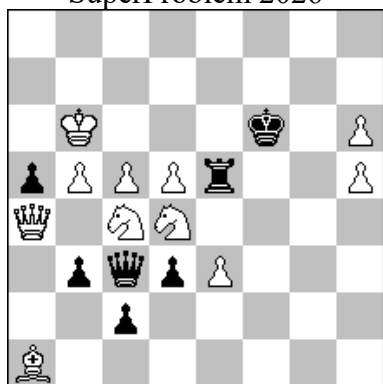
Black, on its first move, captures a white piece (pawns included) found on line A. On black's second move, the same piece clears line A.

White on its first or second move also clear a line. This can be line A or another line.

Judge: Menachem Witztum

Examples:

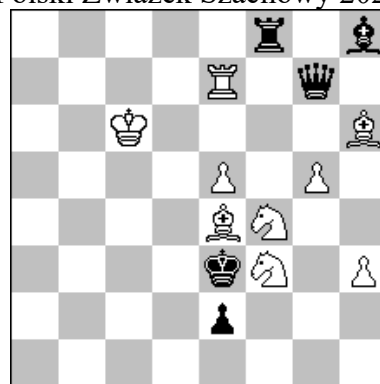
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SuperProblem 2026



H#2 2.1.1.1 11+7

1. ♖xd4 ♜d6 2. ♖h4 (♖~?) ♖xh4#
1. ♖xc4 ♜c6 2. ♖f4 (♖~?) ♖xf4#

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H#2 b) ♗e2→f2 11+7

a) 1. ♖xe5 ♜d3 2. ♖f6 + gxf6#
b) 1. ♖xg5 ♜d5 2. ♖f6 + exf6#

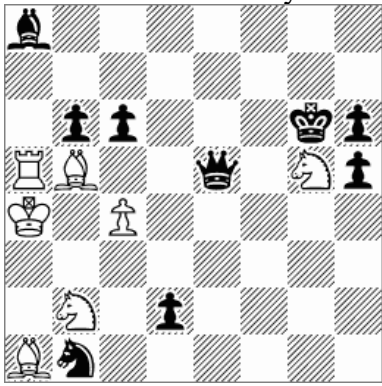
A total of 62 problems by 54 composers took part in the competition – I received them anonymously from the tourney director, **Paz Einat**. Anticipation search was done on all problems that were prize candidates. The overall level was high.

Participants list:

Ioannis Kalkavouras, Kostas Prentos, Federico Pruneri, János Csák, Lkhundevin Togookhuu, Béla Majoros, Anatoly Stepochnik, Gábor Tar, Valery Gurov, Emanuel Navon, Mario Parrinello, Ralf Krätschmer, Dieter Werner, Shaul Shamir, Jean Haymann, Maryan Kerhuel, Francesco Simoni, Velko Alexandrov, Marco Guida, Sven Trommler, Antonio Garofalo, Vladislav V. Nefyodov, Abdelaziz Onkoud, Ovidiu Crăciun, Paz Einat, Rainer Kuhn, Gerold Schaffner, Dimitris Liakos, Hannu Harkola, Zoran Gavrilovski, R. Praggnanandha, K. Seetharaman N. Shankar Ram, Ioannis Kalkavouras, Michel Caillaud, Evgeny Gavryliv, Johan de Boer, Vlaicu Crisan, Eric Huber, Oleksandr Semenenko, Valery Semenenko, Ingemar Lind, Fadil Abdurahmanović, Marko Klasinc, Predrag Žuvić, Ricardo Vieira, Nikita Kravtsov, Bruno Garcia Perez, Chris Natsis, Dr Phanibhushan R, Hans Uitenbroek, Jorma Paavilainen, Emil KLEMANIČ, Matei-Maria Uță

Shaul Shamir

1st Prize 29th Sabra Ty 2026



H#2 b) bRe5 c) bSe5 7+9

Three harmonious solutions on three different lines with Forsberg twins. Black, on its second move, makes impressive hideaway moves.

a) 1.Qe5*b2 Bb5*c6 2.Qb2-c1 Bc6-e8 #

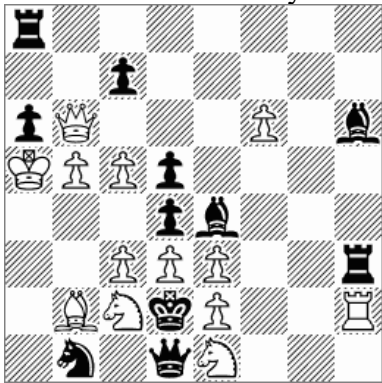
b) 1.Re5*b5 Sb2-d3 2.Rb5-b3 Sd3-f4 #

c) 1.Se5*c4 Sb2-d1 2.Sc4-a3 Bb5-d3 #

Marco Guida, Mario Parrinello

Francesco Simoni

2nd Prize 29th Sabra Ty 2026



H#2 3.1.1.1 13+11

Three harmonious solutions using three lines for the mating moves by the queen. A black piece opens the line and is then pinned on e2. Rich content.

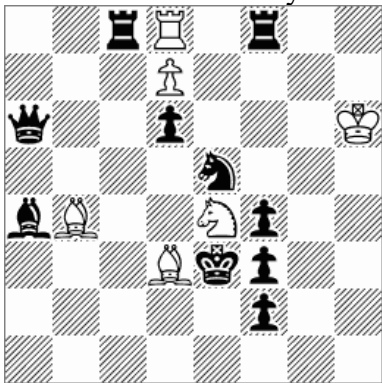
1.Sb1*c3 b5*a6 2.Sc3*e2 Qb6-b4 #

1.Rh3*e3 f6-f7 2.Re3*e2 Qb6*h6 #

1.Be4*d3 c5-c6 2.Bd3*e2 Qb6*d4 #

Paz Einat

3rd Prize 29th Sabra Ty 2026



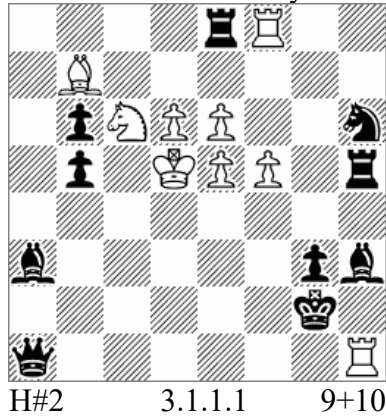
H#2 2.1.1.1 6+10

Full harmony and conceptual symmetry between white and black: both sides perform the same thematic mechanism required for black. This is done with dual avoidance and unpin on the 6th row, producing a cohesive and high-quality problem.

1.Ba4*d7 Bb4*d6 (Sxd6?) 2.Bd7-c6 (Be6?) Bd6-c5 #

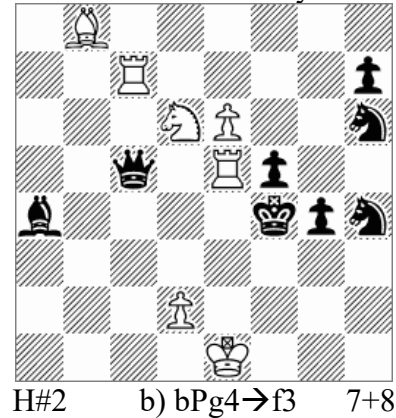
1.Se5*d7 Se4*d6 (Bxd6?) 2.Sd7-f6 (Sb6?) Sd6-f5 #

Mario Parrinello
4th Prize 29th Sabra Ty 2026



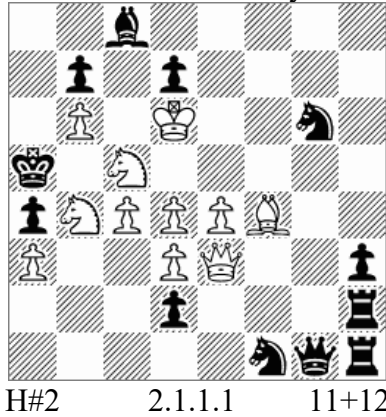
- 1.Bh3*f5 Sc6-e7 2.Bf5*e6 + Kd5*e6 #
1.Rh5*f5 Sc6-d4 2.Rf5*e5 + Kd5*e5 #
1.Sh6*f5 Sc6-b4 2.Sf5*d6 Kd5*d6 #

Dimitris Liakos
5th Prize 29th Sabra Ty 2026



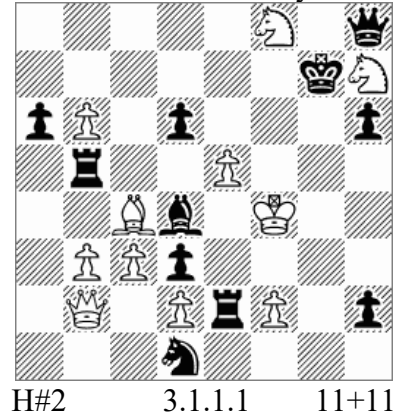
- a) 1.Qc5*c7 Re5-e3 2.Qc7-f7 Sd6*f7 #
b) 1.Qc5*d6 Rc7-g7 2.Qd6*e6 Re5*e6 #
c) 1.Qc5*e5 + Sd6-e4 2.Qe5-c3 + Rc7*c3 #

Valery Semenenko
6th Prize 29th Sabra Ty 2026



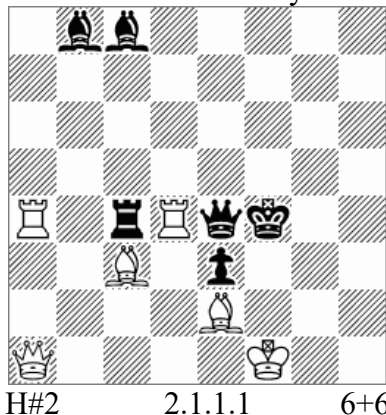
- 1.Sxe3 Sd5 2.Seg2 Bxd2#
1.Sxf4 Sxd7 2.Sfg2 Qg5#

Marco Guida
7th Prize 29th Sabra Ty 2026

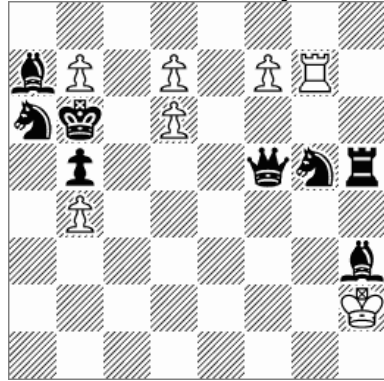


- 1.Re2*d2 f2-f3 2.Rd2-g2 Qb2*g2 #
1.Bd4*c3 e5*d6 2.Bc3-f6 Qb2*f6 #
1.Rb5*b3 b6-b7 2.Rb3*b7 Qb2*b7 #

Ioannis Kalkavouras & Kostas Prentos
8th Prize 29th Sabra Ty 2026

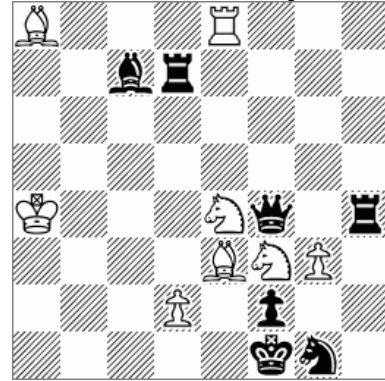


- 1.Rc4*c3 Rd4-d5 2.Rc3-c7 Qa1-e5 #
1.Rc4*d4 Bc3-e1 2.Rd4-d7 Qa1-f6 #

Federico Pruneri1st HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026

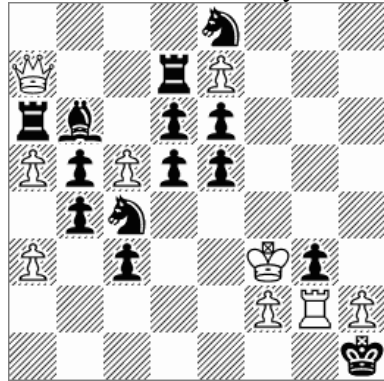
H#2 3.1.1.1 7+8

- 1.Qf5*d7 f7-f8=Q 2.Qd7*d6 + Qf8*d6 #
 1.Qf5*f7 d7-d8=S 2.Qf7*b7 Rg7*b7 #
 1.Sg5*f7 d7-d8=R 2.Sf7*d6 Rd8*d6 #

Zoran Gavrilovski2nd HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026

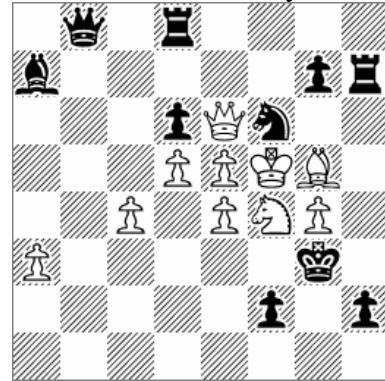
H#2 2.1.1.1 8+7

- 1.Qf4*e3 Sf3-d4 (Sxh4?) 2.Qe3*d2 Se4*d2 #
 1.Qf4*f3 Be3-f4 (Bd4?) 2.Qf3*g3 Se4*g3 #

Evgeny Gavryliv3rd HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026

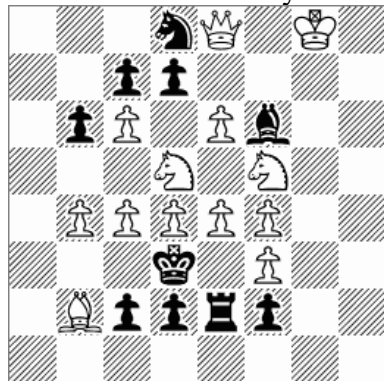
H#2 3.1.1.1 9+14

- 1.Rxa5 axb4 2.Ra1 (R~?) Qxa1#
 1.Rxe7 hgx3 2.Rh7 (R~?)Qxh7#
 1.Bxc5 fxg3 2.Bg1 (B~?) Qxg1#

Hans Uitenbroek4th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026

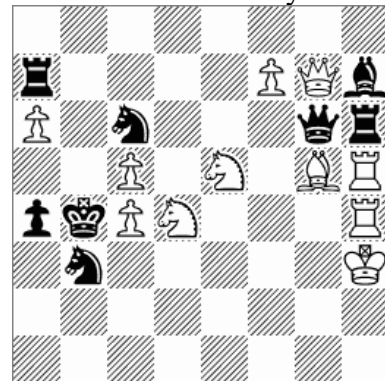
H#2 3.1.1.1 10+10

- 1.Sf6*d5 c4-c5 2.Sd5-b6 Qe6-b3 #
 1.Sf6*e4 e5*d6 2.Se4-c5 Qe6-e3 #
 1.Sf6*g4 Kf5-g6 2.Sg4-h6 Qe6-h3 #

Emanuel Navon5th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026

H#2 4.1.1.1 13+10

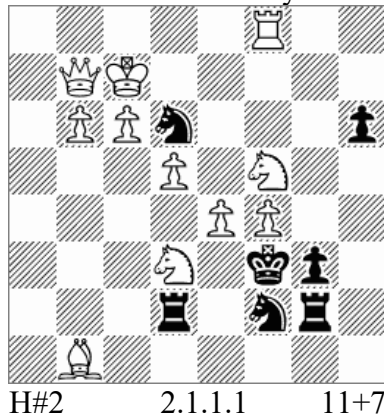
- 1.Re2*e4 Qe8-g6 2.Re4-e2 Sf5-e3 (xb6?) #
 1.Bf6*d4 Qe8*d7 2.Bd4-e3 Sd5*e3 (d6?) #
 1.d7*c6 c4-c5 2.c6*d5 Qe8-b5 #
 1.Sd8*e6 Qe8-f7 (xSa8?) 2.Se6*f4 Sd5*f4 #

Oleksandr Semenenko6th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026

H#2 2.1.1.1 11+8

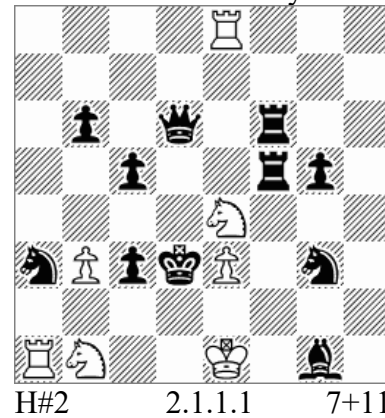
- 1.Scxd4 Bc1 2.Se6 Sc6#
 1.Sxe5 Bd8 2.Sd3 Sc2#

Abdelaziz Onkoud
7th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026



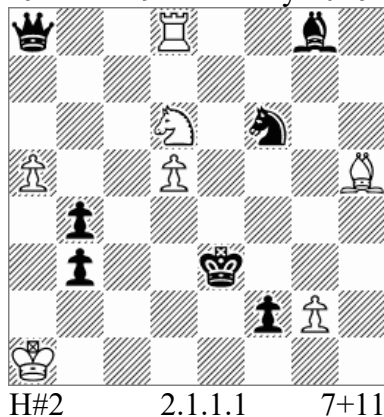
1.Rxd3 (Rd2?) Qc8 2.Re3 Sd4#
1.Sxf5 (Sc4?) Qa6 2.Se3 Se5#

Anatoly Stepochkin
8th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026



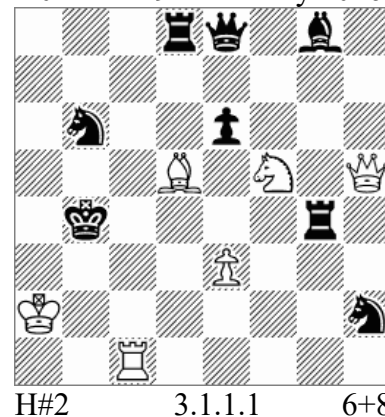
1.Sa3*b1 Se4*g3 2.Sb1-a3 0-0-0 #
1.Sg3*e4 Sb1*a3 2.Se4-g3 Ra1-d1 #

Francesco Simoni
9th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026



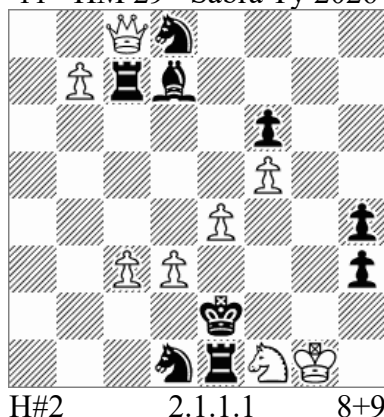
b) bKe3→c5
a) 1.Sf6*d5 Bh5-f3 2.Sd5-f4 Sd6-f5 #
1.Bg8*d5 g2-g3 2.Bd5-e4 Sd6-c4 #
b) 1.Kc5*d5 Sd6-e4 + 2.Kd5-c4 Bh5-e2 #
1.Qa8*d5 Bh5-e8 2.Qd5-c4 Sd6-b7 #

Velko Alexandrov
10th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026



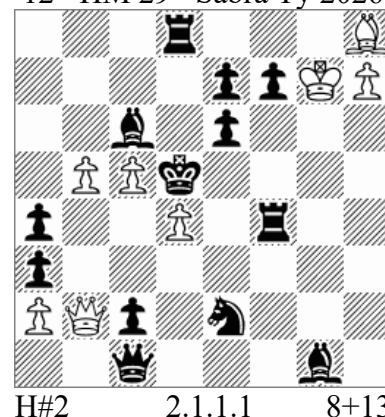
1.Sb6*d5 Sf5-d6 2.Sd5-f4 Rc1-c4 #
1.e6*f5 Bd5-b3 2.f5-f4 Qh5-c5 #
1.Rd8*d5 Sf5-d4 2.Rd5-d7 Qh5-b5 #

Marco Guida
11th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026

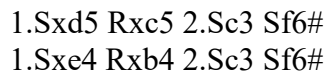
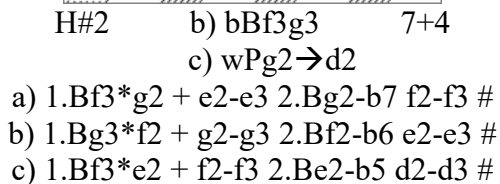
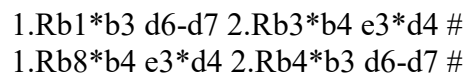
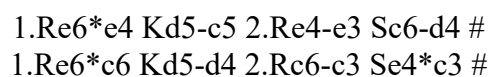
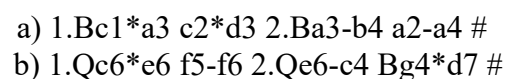


1.Rc7*c3 d3-d4 2.Rc3-f3 Qc8-c2 #
1.Bd7*f5 e4-e5 2.Bf5*d3 Qc8-g4 #

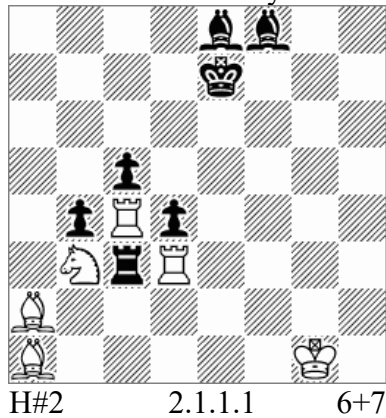
Rainer Kuhn
12th HM 29th Sabra Ty 2026



1.Rf4*d4 Kg7*f7 2.Rd4-c4 Qb2-e5 #
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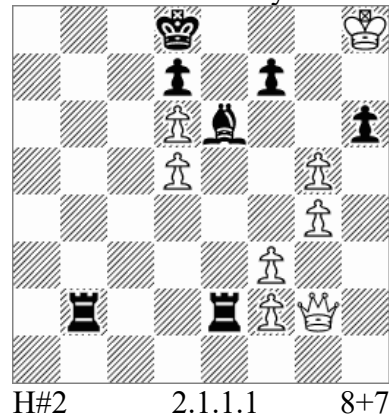
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Valery Gurov
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026



- 1.Rc3*b3 Rc4*d4 2.Rb3-a3 Rd4-e4 #
1.Rc3*c4 Sb3*d4 2.Rc4-c2 Sd4-f5 #

Ralf Krätschmer
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026



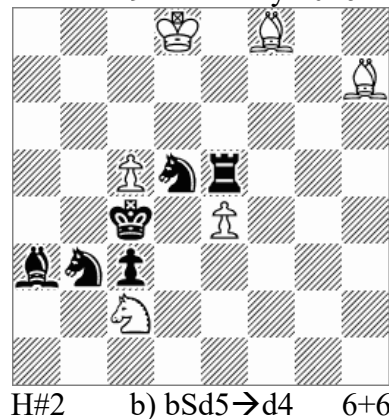
- 1.Be6*d5 f3-f4 2.Bd5-b3 Qg2-a8 #
1.Be6*g4 g5*h6 2.Bg4-e6 Qg2-g8 #

Shaul Shamir & Jean Haymann
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026



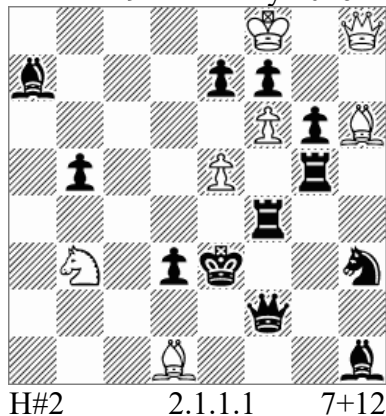
- a) 1.Sd4*e6 Bh5-f7 2.Se6-f4 Se5-c6 #
b) 1.Sd4*f5 Bh5-g6 2.Sf5-g3 Se5-c4 #

Maryan Kerhuel
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026



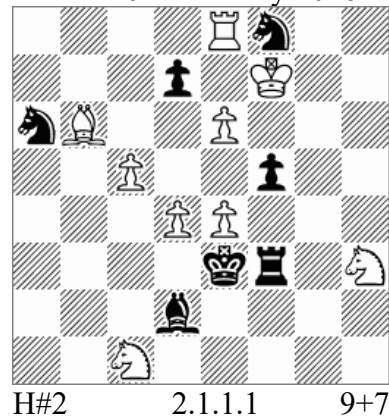
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b) 1.Re5*c5 e4-e5 2.Rc5-b5 Sc2-e3 #
c) 1.Ba3*c5 e4*d5 2.Bc5-d4 Bh7-d3 #

Paz Einat
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026

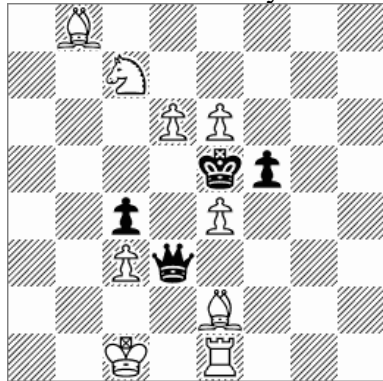


- 1.Rf4*f6 e5-e6 2.Rf6-f3 Qh8-e5 #
1.Rg5*e5 f6*e7 2.Re5-c5 Qh8-d4 #

Gerold Schaffner
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026

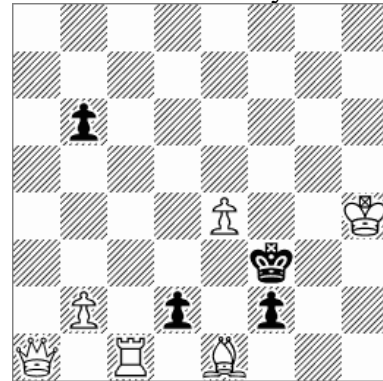


- 1.Sa6*c5 e6*d7 2.Sc5*e4 d4-d5 #
1.Sf8*e6 c5-c6 2.Se6*d4 e4*f5 #

Hannu HarkolaCom 29th Sabra Ty 2026

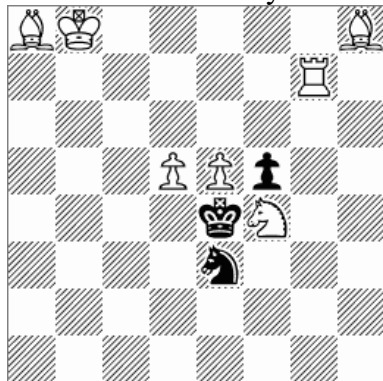
H#2 b) wPc3→g5 9+4

- a) 1.Qd3*e4 Sc7-d5 2.Qe4-f3 Be2*f3 #
 b) 1.Qd3*d6 Be2*c4 2.Qd6*e6 Sc7*e6 #

Michel CaillaudCom 29th Sabra Ty 2026

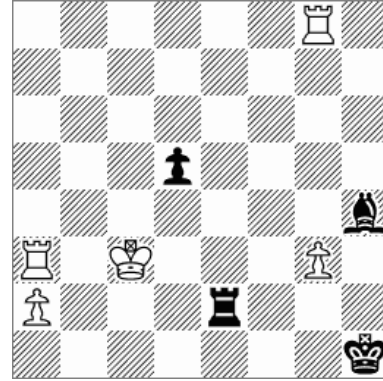
H#2 2.1.1.1 9+4

- 1.d2*c1=S Be1-d2 2.Sc1-e2 Qa1-h1 #
 1.f2*e1=R Rc1-c4 2.Re1-e3 Qa1-f1 #

Matei-Maria UțăCom 29th Sabra Ty 2026

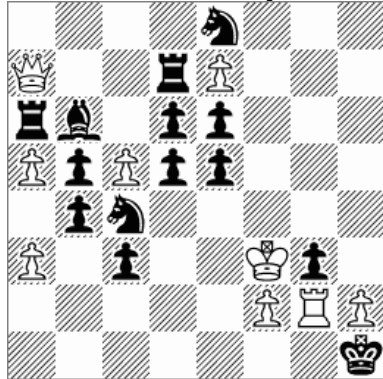
H#2 2.1.1.1 7+3

- 1.Se3*d5 Rg7-b7 2.Sd5-e3 Rb7-b4 #
 1.Ke4*e5 d5-d6 2.Ke5-d4 Rg7-c7 #
 1.Ke4*f4 Kb8-c7 2.Kf4*e5 Rg7-g4 #

R. Praggnanandha, K. Seetharaman**N. Shankar Ram**Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026

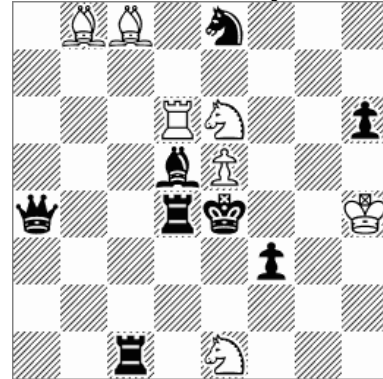
H#2 2.1.1.1 5+4

- 1.Rxa2 gxh4 2.Rh2 Ra1#
 1.Bxg3 Kb4 (Kd4?) 2.Bf2 Rh3#

Evgeny GavrylivCom 29th Sabra Ty 2026

H#2 3.1.1.1 9+14

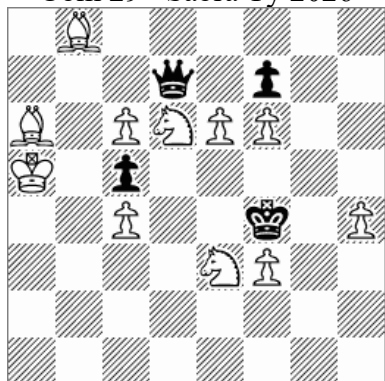
- 1.Rxa5 axb4 2.Ra1 (R~?) Qxa1#
 1.Rxe7 hxg3 2.Rh7 (R~?)Qxh7#
 1.Bxc5 fxg3 2.Bg1 (B~?) Qxg1#

Abdelaziz OnkoudCom 29th Sabra Ty 2026

H#2 2.1.1.1 7+8

- 1.Bxe6 Sc2 2.Bc4 Rxd4#
 1.Sxd6 Sg2 2.Sc4 Sc5#

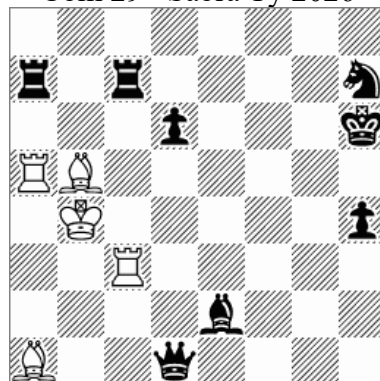
Jean Haymann
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026



H#2 b) wPh4→g2 11+4

- a) 1.Qd7*c6 Ba6-b7 2.Qc6*f3 Sd6-f5 #
b) 1.Qd7*e6 Ba6-c8 2.Qe6*e3 Sd6-e4 #

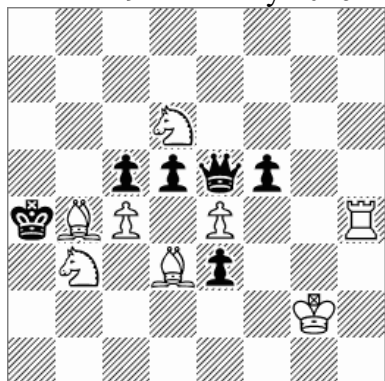
Vlaicu Crisan & Eric Huber
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026



H#2 2.1.1.1 5+8

- 1.Be2*b5 Rc3-g3 2.Bb5-d7 Ba1-g7 #
1.Rc7*c3 Bb5-e8 2.Rc3-f3 Ra5-h5 #

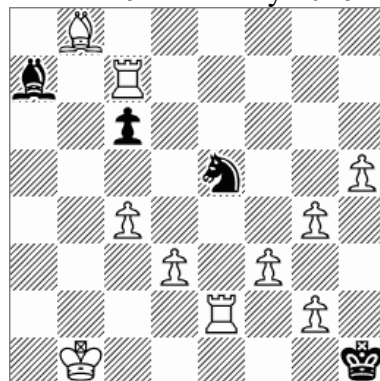
Abdelaziz Onkoud
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H#2 2.1.1.1 8+6

- 1.dxc4 exf5 2.cxb3 Bb5#
1.fxe4 cxd5 2.exd3 Sxc5#

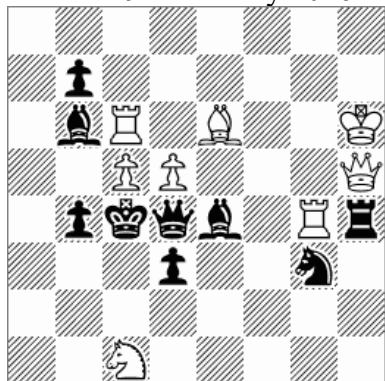
Ingemar Lind
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026



H#2 2.1.1.1 10+4

- 1.Se5*c4 Rc7*c6 2.Sc4-b6 Rc6-c1 #
1.Se5*d3 Rc7-d7 2.Sd3-c5 Rd7-d1 #
1.Se5*f3 Rc7-f7 2.Sf3-d4 Rf7-f1 #
1.Se5*g4 Rc7-g7 2.Sg4-f2 Re2-e1 #

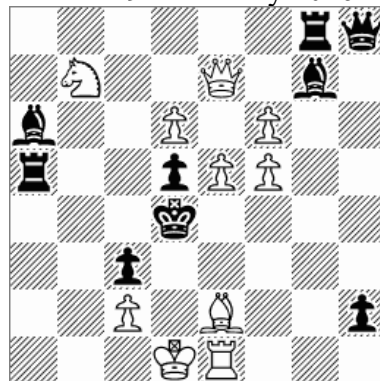
Fadil Abdurahmanović & Marko Klasinc
Com 29th Sabra Ty 2026



H#2 2.1.1.1 8+9

- 1.Qxc5 Se2 2.Qxc6 dxc6 #
1.Bxd5 Rc7 2.Bxe6 cxb6 #

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- 1.Ba6*b7 Be2-b5 2.Bb7-a6 Qe7-a7 #
1.Bg7*f6 Be2-h5 2.Bf6-g7 Qe7-h4 #