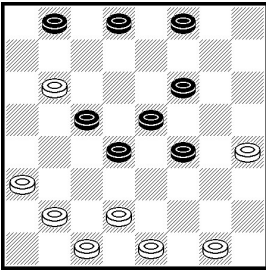


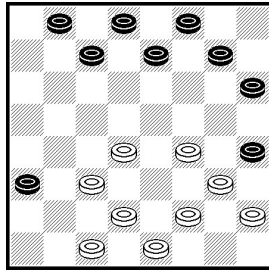
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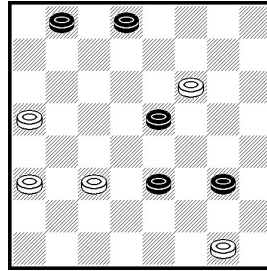
26-22* draw

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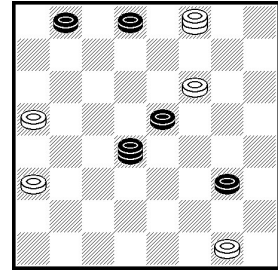
22-17?* WW, 18-14? dr

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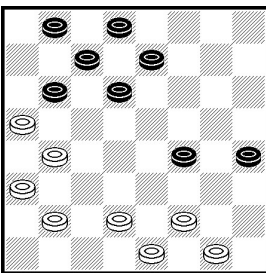
11-8* draw

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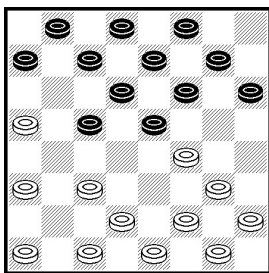
3-8* the only draw

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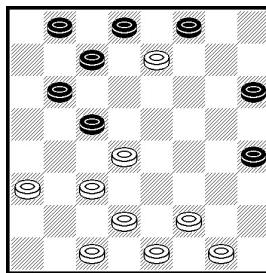
White to move

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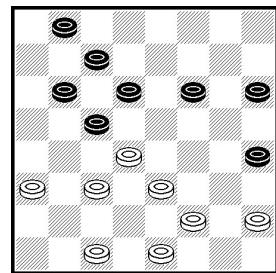
14-17? earlier loss

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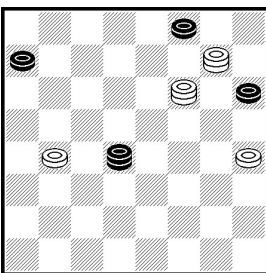
3x10 dr, 2x11? loss

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22-17? loses, 28-24 dr

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5-9?, 20-16* WW

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41. S. Scarpetta vs I Karny, RD5, G1

32-28? here loses by 3-7 as played in game. Instead, waiting 26-22* would be correct response keeping draw in hands. Continue after 32-28?, 3-7, 26-22, 7-10, 22-17, 18-22, 25x18, 15x22 **RW**

42. I. Karny vs S. Scarpetta, RD2, G2

Another strategic dilemma – which one works better: aggressive 18-14 or waiting 22-17? In this particular situation waiting 22-17* should win, but 18-14? allows red to play 6-10* and escape after 22-17, 1-6, 26-22, 7-11 etc **Draw**. In real game after 18-14 red played 7-11? and lost after 27-23, 20x27, 31x24, 11-16, 24-20, 8-11, 22-17 etc **WW**

43-44. L. Kondlo vs D Oliphant, RD5, G1

From **diagram 43**: another critical ending where hard to calculate anything: according to database 11-8* draw, 22-17? as played in game, loses! However, after 22-17? only 24-27 wins, but 23-26 as played in game, drawn. Program shows that after 22-17? on **diagram 43** red has to proceed 24-27-31-26-22!

On **diagram 44** another strategic dilemma: 3-8* is the only drawn move here. After white played losing 32-28?, red didn't miss anything and played it right to the end of game.

45. D. Oliphant vs L Kondlo, RD5, G2

Red position is critical here: 9-14 or 10-15 is still a draw, but 19-24? (as played in game), loses.

46. T. Hehn vs D. Mwaboti, RD5, G1

14-17? here as played in game, is earlier loss. 15-18 is considered best, some "advantage lovers" play 14-18

47-48. D. Mwaboti vs T. Hehn, RD5, G2

In position on **diagram 47** scientific course of game changed twice! – red jumped here losing 2x11 instead correct 3x10, and after 2x11 white missed a winning continuation 22-17* and played drawn 26-23.

Soon players reached position on **diagram 48** where white made a final mistake by playing losing 22-17? and after 11-16* concede soon. Instead 22-17? white can play 28-24*, 10-15, 30-26, 6-10, 22-17, 15x22, 24-19* (17-13? loses after 22-25, 13x6, 10-15, 6-2, 11-16 **RW**), 11-15, 17-13, 15x24, 26x17* **Draw!**

49. R. King vs. L. Dyanibokwe, RD5, G2

Sometimes checkers is very painful business – position on **diagram 49** looks a bit uneventful, but 5-9?? (18-22 or 12-16 is correct), 20-16* and game over!