17th Meijin-sen on IGS

Kobayashi Koichi, Meijin
versus
Otake Hideo, 9 dan

The 1st game

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1 Introduction

The week of the 30th of August till the 10th of September was a special one for the International Go Server (short: IGS).
First of all we had the pleasure of a visit on the server of Nagahara Yoshiaki, 6th dan professional. He was willing to play a game with *lzy, 6d*. It was a three stone handicap game which, despite the jet-lag of Nagahara sensei and the rather high handicap became an exciting contest. The game was eventually won with 8 points by *lzy*, thanks to some accurate fighting of the latter.
Please see **appendix D** for the game record.

Next, on monday the 5th of September, Ishida Yoshio, 9 dan professional, was invited to Jan and Kishiko van der Steen's place to have a drink and to take a look at the IGS go club. We were observing a game played by *dong, 6d* and Ishida was visibly impressed by *dong's* strength: *"He's really strong, I want to play with him, handicap 3"*. Of course *dong* was quickly informed about this and willing to oblige. Five minutes later (after his game finished) they took off. Ishida was sitting next to the computer behind a Kaya board and I had the pleasure to enter his moves and to place *dong's* moves. I will never forget the game. I have great respect for *dong's* Go, but the way Ishida analysed and evaluated the positions and fights during the game was even more impressive! *"Now he will play there, planning this and that…"*, or *"There is a 15 points gap now, that move costed black 3 points"*, and later: *"It's now within 3 points (…)"*. Eventually, after a typo of *dong* (which he didn't feel to take back!) he resigned the game a few moves later.
Please see **appendix E** for the game record.

Finally, on the 9th and 10th of September we had a premiere on the Go server: a *live* professional game of a Japanese top title: the *Meijin - Sen*. This was the first time in the history of professional Go in Japan (and whole Asia for that matter) that a professional game was broadcast worldwide. The sponsor of the Meijin Sen, the Japanese newspaper *Asahi Newspaper* took a risk (emitting the moves before they could use their exclusive rights for publishment) which has proofed to be a great succes. Actually, the newspaper was so enthousiastic of the server (also thanks to verbal reports made by Ishida sensei and Nagahara sensei) that they decided to make an article about IGS in their Japanese newspaper. Equiped with camera and notebook they even payed us a special visit for this article.

The Meijin game started at 9 o'clock AM on the 9th and continued till around 4 o'clock PM on the 10th. The playing schedule on both days was about the same:

morning	09:00	12:00
afternoon	13:00	17:00

In the first chapter I would like to give an impression of this special event by using a report of the Go server itself: the record of the game including the comments made by the 113 (!) different Go players observing the game throughout those two days. The game is shown in diagrams with most of the time only one move. This enables you to see the actual situation on which the observes commented. It will also allow you to replay the game without a Go board available.

In the next chapter you will get a report on the analysis of the Japanese professional Takagi Shoichi, 9 dan, who analysed the game on the evening of the 10th in the European Go Centre in Amsterdam.

The final chapter pays credits to all people who made the event work in the first place.

The appendices will give the observers sorted in four different ways: alphabetically (A), by rank (B), by number of comments (C) and by amount of comments (D). The appendix also reports about the before mentioned games of Nagahara and Ishida on the Go server.

I hope you will enjoy the report of these special events. The report will be announced on rec.games.go and made available on the Go archive:

ftp.u.washington.edu
directory: public/go/doc

A copy of it will be sent to the sponsor of the Meijin Sen, the Asahi Shinbun, Tokyo, Japan.

2 The Game

Black: Kobayashi Koichi, Meijin
White: Otake Hideo, 9 dan
Date: 9th & 10th of September 1992
Place: IGS: Albuquerque, NM, USA
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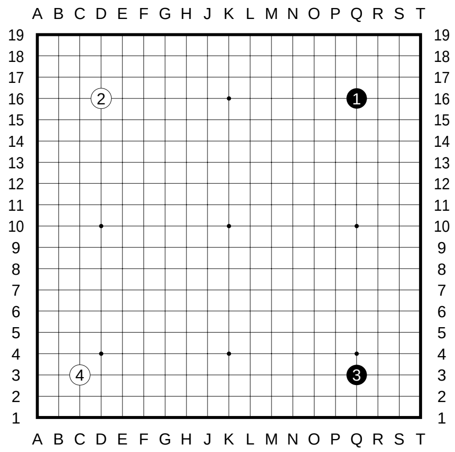
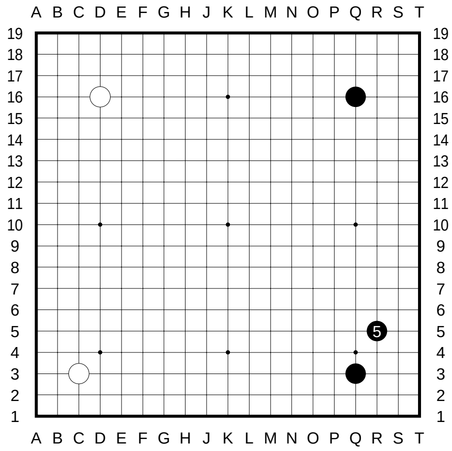
Result: B+resign



Black 1 – **White** 4

godok(1k) my kind of fuseki (otake's) :–) star and 3,3
jjs(NR) never practice this before
cty(1d) otake changed his style?
kobayashi(9p) This is the up–to–date position
zhong(NR) changed style?
zhuge(NR) hmm, i thought Kobayashi likes 3–3 too. :)
alright folks, time to guess next move :)
phd(NR) jansteen, give us some background information
jjs(NR) maybe he keeps his style when plays Black
godok(1k) next b p9?
jonathan(8k) when was the last time you saw a 3–3 opening – any comments?
talie(NR) kobayashi talks while playing?
dagge(1d) next move R5
kolian(4k) next will be r5,a?
zhuge(NR) you mean q9, godok?
godok(1k) yes q9
kolian(4k) look kobaiachis games:)
godok(1k) or r9?
zhuge(NR) this kobayshi is in fact jansteen, who's typing for him.
fighter(3d) i prefer D4
for B now
mike(NR) that is why he didnt asnswer my greetings :)
godok(1k) jansteen cannot hear these kibitzs...so tell him if you want to tell
zhong(NR) what a surprising fuseki?

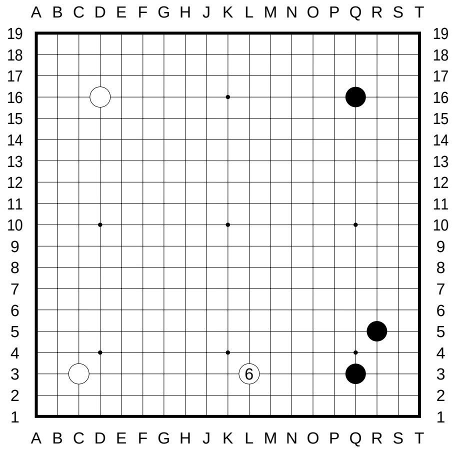


Black 5

AlexG(NR) I bet on Chinese style.
lyu(???) so pros are very patient
LinLi(6d) why, zhong?
zhuge(NR) alright: kolian 10 points.
kolian(4k) You see?
Xiong(10k) o17?
JW(NR) hahaha, you are wrong, AlexG.
jjs(NR) next l3?
godok(1k) they prefer simple start. side expanding will be important
fighter(3d) k3
Maaniker(9k) no, no l1
mike(NR) i bet r17
kobayashi(9p) Some background information:
zhong(NR) what the heck. i guess o17
zhuge(NR) i agree, o17.

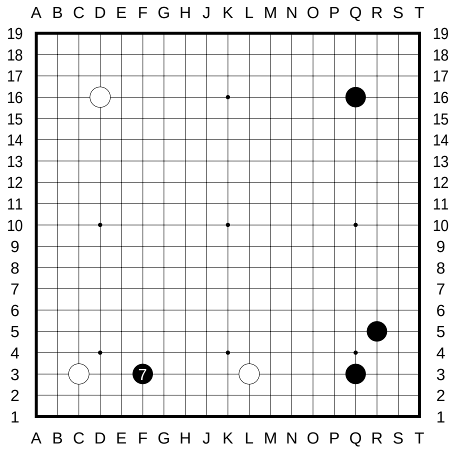
kobayashi(9p) referee: Ishida Yoshio, 9p
jjs(NR) what is I Y 's name in Chinese?
kobayashi(9p) TV commentator: Kiyonari, 9p
mike(NR) how does the referee performe his duty?
zhuge(NR) in case people don't know, Mr. Ishida played last Fri on IGS.
JW(NR) I Y is shi tian fang fu, jjs.
zhuge(NR) sorry, Monday.
mike(NR) kobayashi is jan who is otake then?
phd(NR) who is kiyonari?
ajiko(NR) kakari at the top
JW(NR) with dong.
talie(NR) to whom, zhuge?
kobayashi(9p) Audience commentator: Takagi, 9p
phd(NR) who is takagi?
AlexG(NR) will we see his comments?
kompella(7k) Why a referee for 9dan pros?
godok(1k) it is an honor to be a referee, i guess
zhuge(NR) oh well, referee is always needed.
kobayashi(9p) Takagi will only comment tomorrow evening
phd(NR) so in case the voliator does not agree, two 9p can show him some color
godok(1k) next move will take long time....
JW(NR) in case that... :)
zhuge(NR) wow! (too bad i failed to reach Jiang)
ajiko(NR) Takagi played Otake in the final of the lightning tournament in S.F.
kobayashi(9p) Live comment in Go centre: Guo Juan, 5p
zhuge(NR) ah, Guo Juan played here too! :)
kompella(7k) Will Guo Juan's commentary be broadcast on IGS?
LinLi(6d) Takagi's full chinese name is: gao1 mu4 xiang2 yi1
phd(NR) thanks LinLi
mike(NR) guys any one knows the chinese names of these two big guys?
zhuge(NR) thanks Lin Li.
Kobayashi = xiao lin guang yi.
kobayashi(9p) r5 is kobayashi style
zhuge(NR) Otake = da zu ying xiong
phd(NR) so i guess the remaining 9p is Yan Ben Xuen?
mike(NR) thanks zhuge
JW(NR) xiao lin guang yi and da zhu ying xiong are the two, mike.
mike(NR) wow these are two of my favorite!
zhuge(NR) i think phd is right.
jonathan(8k) how about a bit of commentary to liven things up a bit? anyone?
phd(NR) Yan Ben is old. I saw his game with Wu Qing–yan
zhong(NR) iwamoto is the 9p phd mentioned
jjs(NR) which will be b's move if w o17 ? k16?
tsand(2k) nothing much to say, i suppose
ajiko(NR) I concur whole–heartedly, yes.
zhuge(NR) sure! so far the openning is the same as the one between kolian and me. :)
jjs(NR) what if w l3?
willfor(8k) why are they thinking for so long already? They must have seen this exactly this position many times before.
kolian(4k) zhuge: But we don't get bucks for it huh?
mike(NR) i have just talked to da zu ying xiong on igs!!! :)
Maaniker(9k) they are not thinking the are discussing yesterdays party
AlexG(NR) They can't decide between o17 and l3
jjs(NR) k16 and l16, which is preferable?
zhuge(NR) but that was not the real one, minke. :)
phd(NR) is him the real da zu?
kobayashi(9p) This match will continue till 11th of november
zhuge(NR) he must mean this series.
jjs(NR) is there any other alternatives around l3?
phd(NR) boy! i am going to sleep. i can't stay up 2 days.
AlexG(NR) neither k16 nor l16 but q14
kobayashi(9p) That is, if it takes 7 games...

LinLi(6d) w will play k3 or l3 next
cty(1d) l4 maybe the choice for otake.
AlexG(NR) l3 is better than k3
zhong(NR) i am sleepy too.
zhuge(NR) i am fresh.
i just slept. :)
AlexG(NR) l4 looks fine too
JW(NR) should go to bed and come back later on.
LinLi(6d) u can tell whether l3 is better or k3 is better
jjs(NR) i dont think b will go q14 if w o17.
phd(NR) have class tomorrow morning.
when they adjourn tomorrow?
zhuge(NR) i like k3 better.
they will adjourn 7:40 from now.
AlexG(NR) k3 allows good extension for black
jjs(NR) l3 is from textbook, right?
zhuge(NR) sorry 7 hours 20 min.
JW(NR) they will adjourn at 10:00 in the morning.
phd(NR) so 10 am CST?
kobayashi(9p) Five more moves coming...
jjs(NR) but w is at c3 not d3 or c4?
CDT?
JW(NR) yes.
godok(1k) so this is semi–on line game :–)
jjs(NR) i have a class 1pm
m0184(6d) on
JW(NR) cdt=central daylight time.
phd(NR) thanks folks. but this is really a great fun here.
zhong(NR) moves come in burst. you should know that.
zhuge(NR) can't you cut that classs, jjs? :)
AlexG(NR) black is low, so white can keep low as well
cty(1d) don't go to class.
Maaniker(9k) b has already won
phd(NR) jansteen is enjoying the next 5 moves :)
tsand(2k) black low?



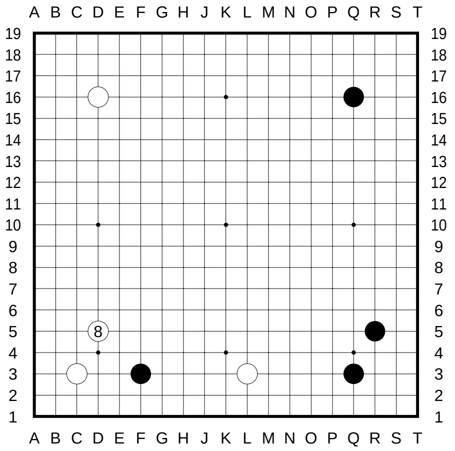
White 6

zhuge(NR) okay, L3.
jjs(NR) yeah, but i have oddive hour at 2pm



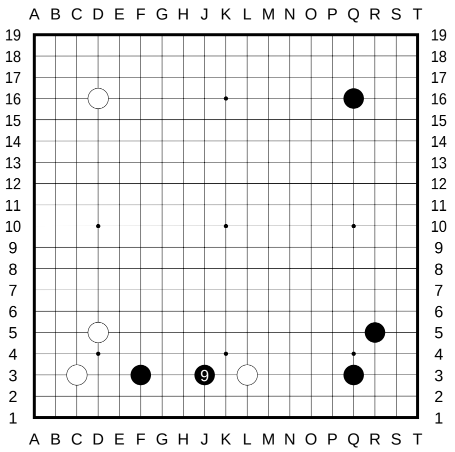
Black 7

jjs(NR) my l3!



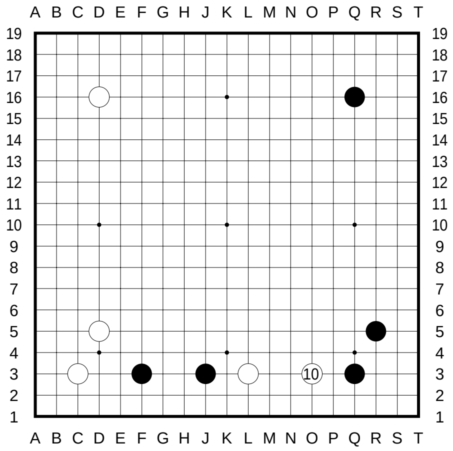
White 8

tsand(2k) f3?
AlexG(NR) f3 took me by surprise



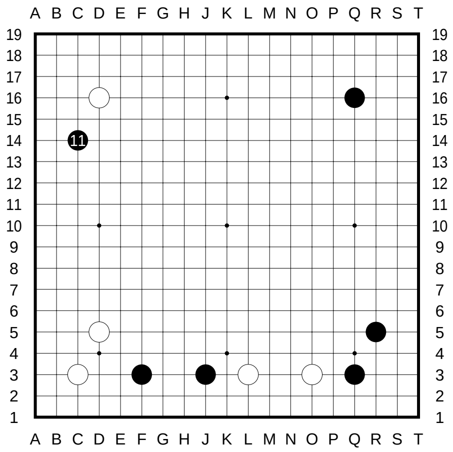
Black 9

zhuge(NR) jansteen is slow. :)
jjs(NR) hey, zhuge, where is my credit?
phd(NR) o3



White 10

zhuge(NR) i don't know: Visa or MasterCard?
tsand(2k) fun is over..
LinLi(6d) calm down jjs
zhuge(NR) gee this is like Dang Hu games. :)
jjs(NR) *gandalf*: can't u keep ur commentary on the game?

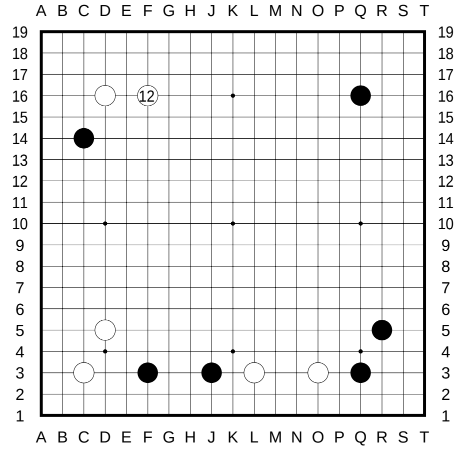


Black 11

jjs(NR) c10
zhuge(NR) if W C9 next, then it's really Dang Hu Games. :)
but i prefer c10 here.

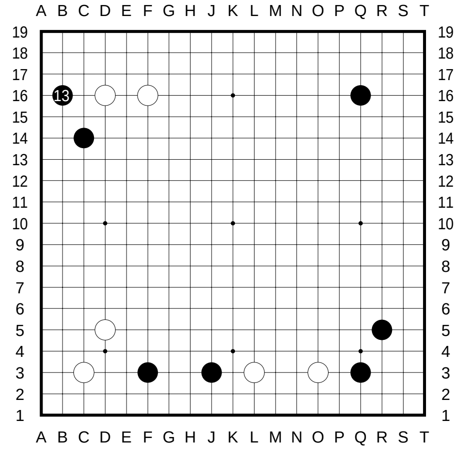
gandalf(1k) soory that was intended private
jjs(NR) sorry, gandalf
LinLi(6d) next move will be half hour later
gandalf(1k) c10?
jonathan(8k) what sort of follow up toc c10?
tsand(2k) what else?
gandalf(1k) maybe even c11?
AlexG(NR) c10 looks probable, but why didn't black play it?
gandalf(1k) err, c12
jjs(NR) f17 follows c10?
lyu(???) f17 or f16
zhuge(NR) i am afraid we will have a hard time to spend these hours if we don't even talk about anything else. :)
sara(4k) zhuge what is the japanese name of shi tian fang fu?
zhuge(NR) Ishida Yoshio.
godok(1k) Ishida Yoshio
kobayashi(9p) Guo Juan gives comment now
zhuge(NR) good!
ysp(6d) are they real otake and kobayashi?
sara(4k) thanks
jjs(NR) and there will problem to replay it if you mail the game to yourself, tons of comments
JW(NR) let's see it.
kobayashi(9p) After w l3, b n3 is too small
Therefore B entered on f3
Maaniker(9k) me to understand that
zhuge(NR) thanks.
gandalf(1k) what w 13?
zhong(NR) is that all?
Maaniker(9k) why not f16 now?
jjs(NR) what is your move, zhong?
Xiong(10k) what's the idea of c14?
Maaniker(9k) Does these big giuys ever loose on time
zhong(NR) f17 for w.
tsand(2k) I don't like f16
AlexG(NR) white f16 would be clearly the wrong direction
phd(NR) let's have two 6d here play out the rest of the game see who wins
kobayashi(9p) After B f3, if W pincers with h3 then B will play d4
zhuge(NR) good idea, phd.
gandalf(1k) can u pll adjust ur raings, pls?
jjs(NR) why g17 is not good?
kobayashi(9p) The continuation will make B strong and enable B n3 too
gandalf(1k) it's nice to know the source of commentary a little better?.
jjs(NR) what is raings?
willfor(8k) lear
zhuge(NR) that's from Guo Juan 5p.
gandalf(1k) garbage : ratings/ranks/grades
Maaniker(9k) what about c12?
AlexG(NR) c12 is too tight
LinLi(6d) i am going to bed
Maaniker(9k) I want to see some other game, please (some 6 dans) start play
gandalf(1k) i'd still go for c10.
zhong(NR) i think if kobayashi played w, he would not go to f17 or f16, but for otake, he may just do that.
kobayashi(9p) The kakari c14 is Kobayashi style again
It will make the game small−scale
Maaniker(9k) C10 is meak
sara(4k) Kobayashi likes territories?
zhuge(NR) yes, sara.
tsand(2k) and to simplify
AlexG(NR) discretion is the better part of valor
kobayashi(9p) An alternative for small−scale game is c10
tornado(2d) perhaps it's the old question: what's the Chinese names of these tow, sorry for repeating the wquestion
sara(4k) and Otake likes potential?
gandalf(1k) maaniker: it's solid, not meek
barry(4d) otake is Daju yingxiong
kobayashi(9p) B c14 is more aggresive than B c10
zhong(NR) otake likes good shape 1st.
barry(4d) kobayashi is xiaolin guanyi
sara(4k) i'd like to see a game kobayashi playing white and otake playing black

hx(5d) right comment on Otake, zhong
zhuge(NR) that will be game 2, sara, but we dont' know if it will be live here.
barry(4d) Otake's go is more beautiful but Kobayashi knows how to win.
sara(4k) english name for otake's "space current"?
jjs(NR) so f16 is next move
cty(1d) d11 could build up potentials.
JW(NR) otake=da zhu and kobayashi=xioa lin
AlexG(NR) Are they still thinking, or are we just waiting for a clump of moves?
zhong(NR) i think kobayashi likes fight a lot in recent games.
barry(4d) watching professional go is like watching paint drying.
AlexG(NR) d11 doesn't seem to work well with the enclosure in the lower left
jjs(NR) kobayashi makes Su Shou a lot, but get good results.
blowfish(5k) yes, buts is very >nice< paing :)
phd(NR) sort of symmetric here, twisted to the right little
blowfish(5k) what is weak about c10?
kolian(4k) what's Su Shou?
LinLi(6d) wrong, jjs!
gandalf(1k) folx, make statsa otake and stats kobayashi
lyu(???) what is the defination of su shao , jjs?



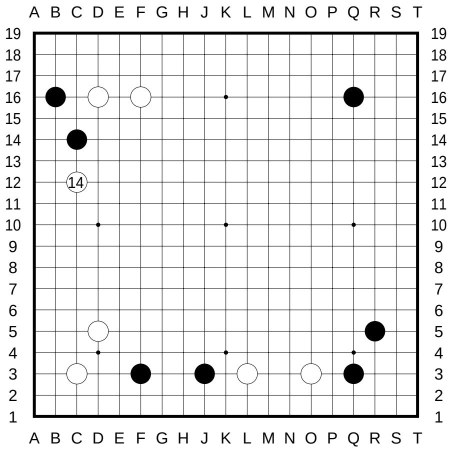
White 12

kompella(7k) If B gets sente after top left corner, will he go for Q10?
jjs(NR) wrong? what is the right comments, LinLi?
zhuge(NR) Su Shou = modicre move, kolian.
gandalf(1k) the chinese names hsould be included



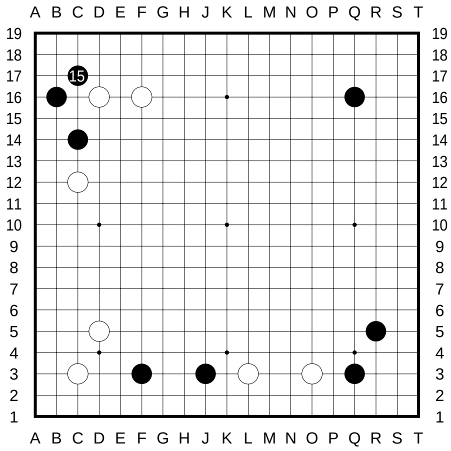
Black 13

dai(NR) suprise
jjs(NR) thank, zhuge
AlexG(NR) surprise indeed



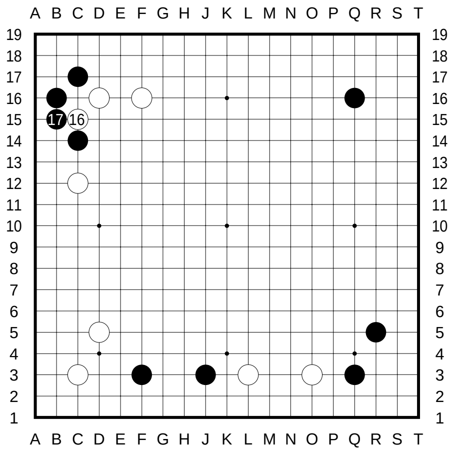
White 14

khuang(7d) c12?
lyu(???) Otake wants potential now.
jjs(NR) next is easy, c17?
LinLi(6d) that's thickness
zhuge(NR) c17 is expected, i would say.
jonathan(8k) Go OTAKE!!! ;^)
AlexG(NR) c12 looks good. Don't want to let black extend along the left side
fighter(3d) I prefer this joseki...
Maaniker(9k) C10 is attack!
kolian(4k) why then such a strange order?
Maaniker(9k) When you can cut,CUT!!
jonathan(8k) Takemiya doesn't care for white c17 much ...
jjs(NR) is c13 ok?
phd(NR) this is not so good for w. w can't capture the ladder



Black 15

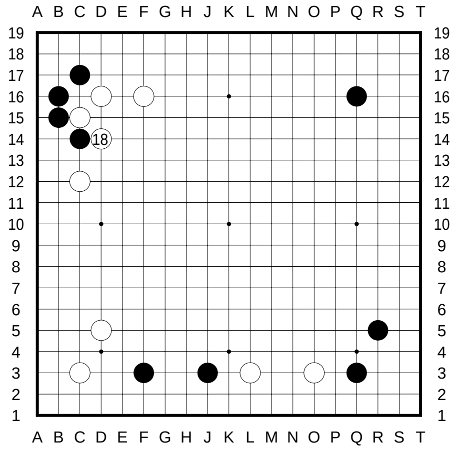
hx(5d) come on, folks. restrict ur comments to whenever necessary please :–)
Maaniker(9k) D14
Kills him outright!



White 16 – **Black** 17

Maaniker(9k) Oh, any heavier!!!
zhuge(NR) Maaniker sounds very excited.
godok(1k) otake's style is thick
jjs(NR) if w d14, can b d13?
gandalf(1k) jjs the ladder is bad for b, so: no
phd(NR) this is kobayashi's style. easy for

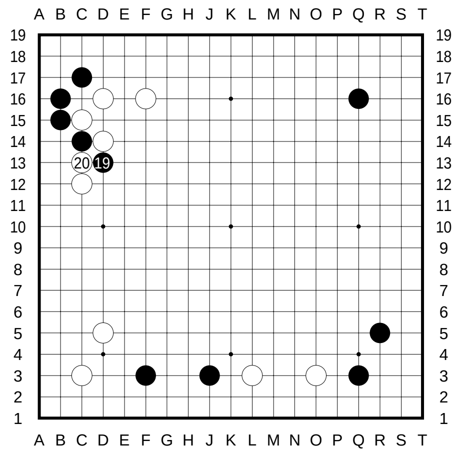
him.
Thor(NR) w d14 , b d15 ?
tsand(2k) d15??



White 18

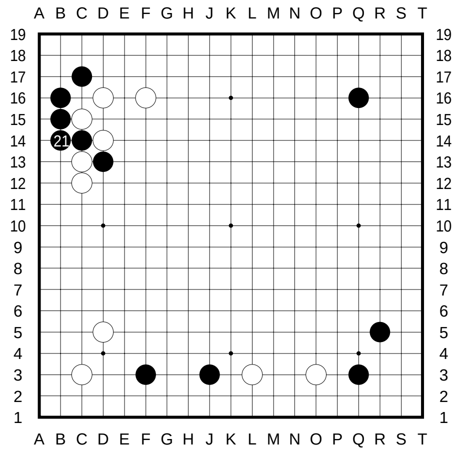
godok(1k) lower side is kobayashi's style, IMO
Maaniker(9k) Now it came!
khuang(7d) b14?
Thor(NR) sorry i mean w c15 , bd15?
Maaniker(9k) B13
phd(NR) nie said kobayashi's style too greedy.
tsand(2k) no
jjs(NR) b still can go c7 later
dagge(1d) which nie?
phd(NR) nie 9p
hx(5d) actually Nie himself, to :)
sara(4k) anyone knows where the two players are?
hx(5d) too
zhuge(NR) yes, agree with hx.
barry(4d) You can hrdly call it too greedy. Just greedy enough I would say.
gandalf(1k) sara, amsterdam
sara(4k) both of them?
ivan(2k) yes
phd(NR) nie is more flexiable.
AlexG(NR) I like Kobayishi's position
tsand(2k) yes
zhuge(NR) yes they are facing to each other.
sara(4k) i thought otake is in Louven
phd(NR) thisgame now is in kobyashi's style. 3 corners.
sara(4k) belgium
AlexG(NR) where is the 3rd corner?
sara(4k) right upper corner is not decided yet
Maaniker(9k) But it WILL be.
phd(NR) he is going to tale upper corner most likely.
AshaiRey(8k) Leuven, not Louven :–)
AlexG(NR) I forgot the joseki, what's the next move for black?
zhuge(NR) but b already has more stones there.
tsand(2k) b14
sara(4k) sorry AshaiRey thanks
lzy(???) d13 for b
phd(NR) b play D13, then W can't E13
hx(5d) d13 only
barry(4d) w's thickness in ul combines well with pressing moves at bottom.
phd(NR) L3 group too weak.
barry(4d) I like w's position.
jjs(NR) b14 maybe better than d13
kobayashi(9p) If you want to play W c12 the stone at f16 should be high (not f17)
phd(NR) w left empty even fater taking D13 stone
gandalf(1k) d13 isn't any good as the ladder works for white
asme(5d) c u guys. have fun here :–)
jjs(NR) if b goes d13, the left w may become stronger,?
zhuge(NR) i see. so C12 was planned when w played F16.
AlexG(NR) b14 looks proper, but I'd hate to play there
phd(NR) left too big. b can live.
jjs(NR) but b should consider the liveness of d13 group at the same time, phd?
phd(NR) maybe play some test moves now before deciding
kobayashi(9p) W c12 is important
If W c 17 instead, B c11 and the

left edge is only interesting for B
phd(NR) d13 is sacrified.
kobayashi(9p) No continuation for w on the left edge
AlexG(NR) pretty fat sacrifice
khuang(7d) before f16, otake took long time to think about how to deal with yin zhen at the bottom. i think
kobayashi(9p) Another reason for f16 (instead of f17):
tsand(2k) yin zhen?
phd(NR) no, b can play M4 kind of move, plus he can invade left.
kolian(4k) what yin zhen is?
gandalf(1k) what's yin zhen???
kobayashi(9p) The follow up move at W d18
hx(5d) ladder
zhuge(NR) yin zhen = set up ladder.
sara(4k) guys please i want read the standard comments!
gandalf(1k) thanx
zhuge(NR) don't worry sara, we have translators here. :)
gandalf(1k) sara: fat chance
sara(4k) my screen just keep rolling and i could hardly read anything!
jloup(8k) sara is right. please speak only if you have something to say. thanks.
JW(NR) you might want to log on france too.
zhuge(NR) could b play C13 next; i might.
jjs(NR) no, zhuge
zhuge(NR) why not good?
m0184(6d) why black stop play, d 13 seems obvious
tsand(2k) c13 is bad, no?
barry(4d) c13 just helps w becomre strng
zhuge(NR) i see. thanks.
hx(5d) do u guys know who is Guo Juan?
Maaniker(9k) B13
jjs(NR) who is she?
tsand(2k) b–13–c13. not good
barry(4d) Guo Juan is an ex Chines pro living in Holland
cty(1d) how about h17?
dai(NR) b d17?



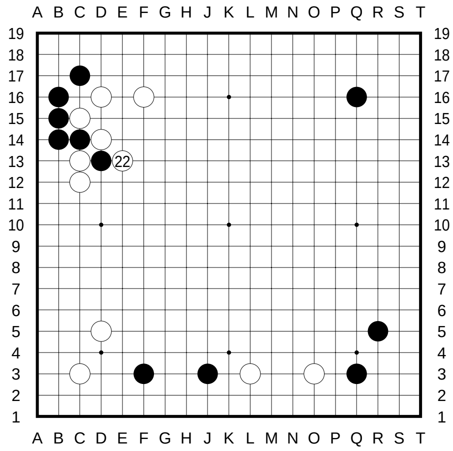
Black 19 – **White** 20

Maaniker(9k) This will work!
hx(5d) the comments given by kobayashi is actually by Guo Juan



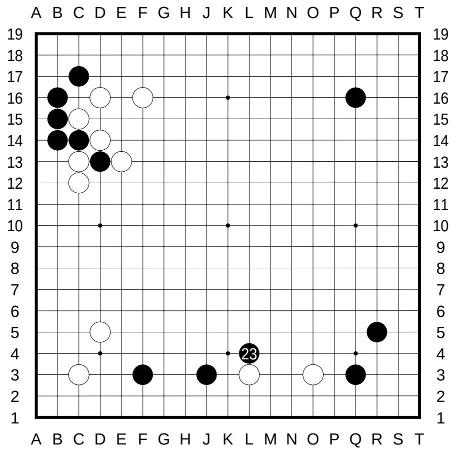
Black 21

jjs(NR) sb needs sente
LinLi(6d) e14
Maaniker(9k) e13



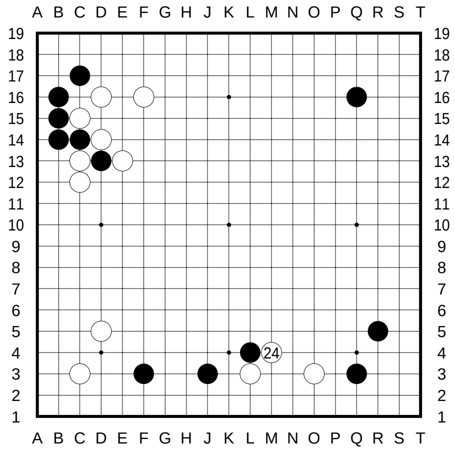
White 22

m0184(6d) now m 4 for black
hx(5d) i just asked kobayashi. so we may pay more attention to what he says, instead of saying too much ourselves?
khuang(7d) n4?
godok(1k) w will d12
kobayashi(9p) A possible fight may start after B m4
zhuge(NR) sigh... i thought this is IGS. :)
m0184(6d) m4 is better, i think
AlexG(NR) after m4 m3, the latter still works
tsand(2k) l4?
LinLi(6d) if b n4, w will answer l5
Maaniker(9k) D11, and w will be scared STIFF!!!
phd(NR) i like b's position.
zhuge(NR) i love Maaniker's capital words.
m0184(6d) it is not only ladder also the thickness
AlexG(NR) n4 l5 m2 looks bad for white
jjs(NR) i like w here
cty(1d) d6?
barry(4d) b will play at top next.
phd(NR) c7
jjs(NR) top?
tornado(2d) yi zheng
LinLi(6d) c7 is suicidal
barry(4d) w left territory is open at edge.
leave it for later.
Maaniker(9k) as E14 would have neeb
jjs(NR) if b goes to top, w may attack f3 group
and make a bigger moyo
Maaniker(9k) why not R11?
m0184(6d) this move will take a long time
barry(4d) I would worry about such a moyo but Kobayashi seems not to.
AlexG(NR) how about j5 to break the latter, and then attack
lzy(???) this move will take some time
m0184(6d) now the game reached a critical stage
Maaniker(9k) If you wish to attack the left, first attack the right!!! 8–)

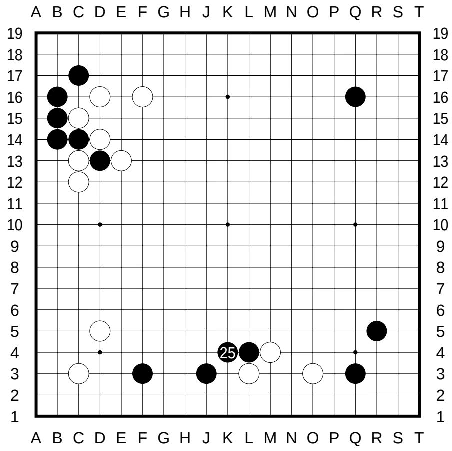


Black 23

phd(NR) k5



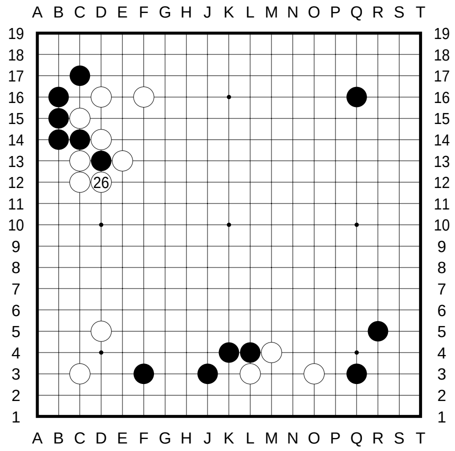
White 24



Black 25

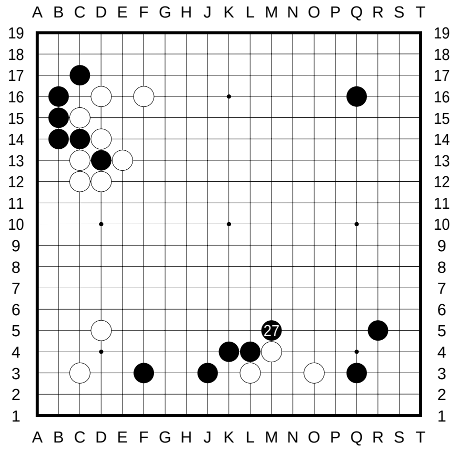
jjs(NR) k4
LinLi(6d) tough move
m0184(6d) l 5
andrewr(9k) Arent they moving quickly??
m0184(6d) why this move so slow ? should be planned before the l 4 move
LinLi(6d) why stop here?
zhuge(NR) hard to penetrate pro's mind.
AlexG(NR) n4 is a possibility now
Maaniker(9k) Because of the psycologial effetct
tornado(2d) i've seen a move takes 3 hrs before
m0184(6d) k4
zhuge(NR) hopefully we don't see one (3 hrs) today. :)
Maaniker(9k) did he win (the 3 h guy)?
m0184(6d) w k4, b d12, w n4
barry(4d) k4 is obvious followed by w d12 and b l2
godok(1k) w m4 very nice..

jjs(NR) why Guo Juan not doing commenting?
LinLi(6d) if b k4, w can m5
barry(4d) kobayashi has slowed down. He started much faster than otake.
Maaniker(9k) yes he's getting tired now!
hx(5d) because Guo thinks that we will make enough noise anyway, jjs :–)
jjs(NR) seems should m5?
zhuge(NR) already tired?
Maaniker(9k) do they have liquid controls?



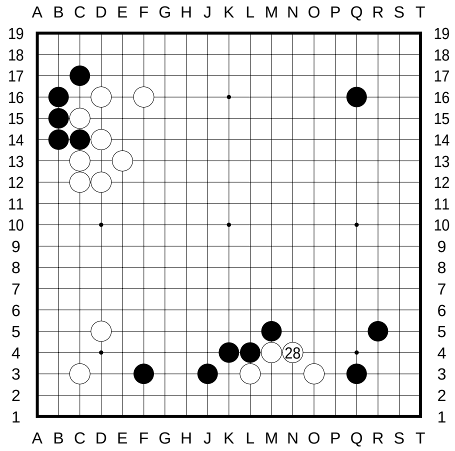
White 26

godok(1k) w d12, otake style, IMO
m0184(6d) if w d 12, b can n4



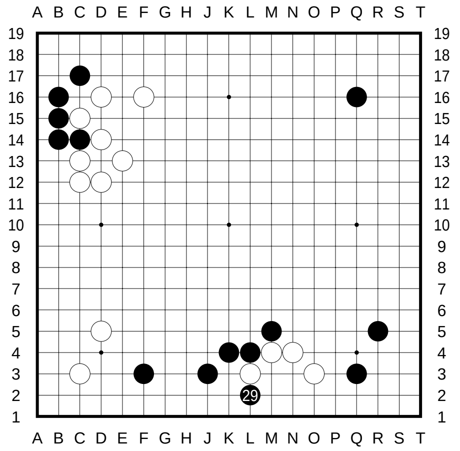
Black 27

lzy(???) b is ahead now.



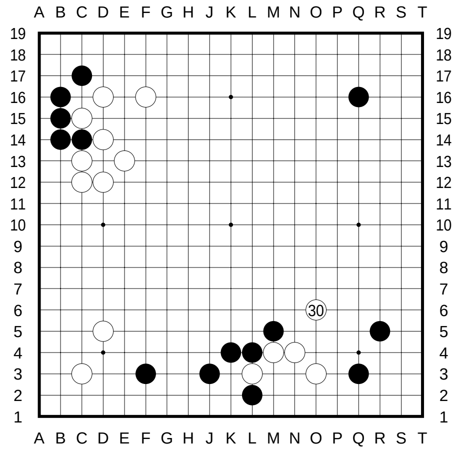
White 28

zhuge(NR) i like m5.
godok(1k) don't think so...w is good
ajiko(NR) ladder break follow–up at N4!
m0184(6d) i think white is better
jjs(NR) enter left or break w's moyo
Maaniker(9k) Now drop that F*kin goup and play R11
hx(5d) n5 follows
AlexG(NR) black has more points but while is very thick.
m0184(6d) black did not get much out of the ladder
barry(4d) Too early to say that either has advantage.



Black 29

barry(4d) L2 ios Kobayashi style.
lzy(???) typical kobayashi move.
LinLi(6d) l2 digs the root of w
kompella(7k) What does L2 thraten?
AlexG(NR) nothing to do with style
everybody would play it
jjs(NR) w m2, b k2, w o6? this is not bad for w?
andrewr(9k) everything is style.
lzy(???) w will take big adventage of this group.
m0184(6d) Q 2, timing
hx(5d) u mean b, lzy?
barry(4d) wm2 b will k3 then tenuki if w connects



White 30

AlexG(NR) q2 looks interesting
lzy(???) takamiya may not play at l2
jjs(NR) who is takamiya?
lzy(???) w more confortble now.
zhuge(NR) takemiya = wu gong.
barry(4d) takemiya is Wugong
Maaniker(9k) A very orinetal dish
zhuge(NR) takemiya masaki. :)
AlexG(NR) l2 was important because it had to do with strength of groups
hx(5d) different styles. b l2 exchange with w o6, i think w better, IMHO
jjs(NR) w got o6, good
andrewr(9k) Agreed (even humbler)
lzy(???) o8 possible next b move.
barry(4d) KObayashi would reason that he got the substance.
tornado(2d) w is more interesting, wm2 will lose the aji
jjs(NR) i guess o6 is too much
sorry, o8
AlexG(NR) I don't think white is too happy about having to play o6
LinLi(6d) o8 is very risky
barry(4d) m6 is an excellent follow up for w
zhuge(NR) i didn't imagine o8.
jjs(NR) what about n7?
tornado(2d) that's right m6 is so good for w

but b would be reluctant to play in the m areaa

sara(4k) will b play q7?

AlexG(NR) n7 pushes white in the wrong direction

LinLi(6d) next move seems very difficult

Maaniker(9k) Q7 won't kill w

lzy(???) if b play here , could be o8. if not o8, b may play someewhere else

AlexG(NR) q8 looks kobayashi style

sara(4k) get territory while attacking... not necessarily kill

cty(1d) so many minds' q8 looks good.

jjs(NR) maybe b will go to left side

jomar(5k) q8 looks quit good

lzy(???) b will not go to the left. left is not important now.

barry(4d) b could play l6 aiming at o5

jjs(NR) agree with barry

tornado(2d) this is professional go, every move leaves two alternatives for the player himself

kobayashi(9p) According to Guo Juan l6 is too solid for B

lzy(???) aroud o17 very big now.

kobayashi(9p) Guo Juan proposes B q8

zhuge(NR) that agrees with a few IGSer here.
now we have only 65 people watching this game. :)

gc(29k) she is a IGSer

khuang(7d) how about r7?

blowfish(5k) bq8, wm6?

os(3k) Why ist the left not important (area around F6 looks important to me)?

barry(4d) presumably kobayashi can't read our comments.

jjs(NR) so, it seems that d13 was not a good move for b

m0184(6d) why w doesn't play Q 2 fisrt?

LinLi(6d) r7 is Kitani's style

andrewr(9k) I doubt that K would be interested :–)

AlexG(NR) I think black's doing fine

lzy(???) because invation in to the left does not threaten the white.

LinLi(6d) Kitani is both players teacher

tornado(2d) otake's own principle: he'd rather lose beautifully ranther win ugly. Lokking at his games, his stone shapes are admirable

jjs(NR) b q8, w o8, b where?

zhuge(NR) really? also otake's?

barry(4d) white won't answer q8 at o8

LinLi(6d) Kitani= mu4 gu3

tornado(2d) only otake i think 'da zhu'

jjs(NR) w may consider somewhere around e6?

andrewr(9k) Is c7 big?

barry(4d) forget about the left side for now.

m0184(6d) move will be at the right side

kompella(7k) Is K/L 9/10 big for both?

jjs(NR) ask lzy about k10

AlexG(NR) no

zhuge(NR) already too late, lzy would say :)

cty(1d) B is deciding how to lead the game.

kompella(7k) Well, lzy?

AlexG(NR) counting influence white is ahead by a couple points, but he

tornado(2d) if b moves right, after w m6, w lose the attacking target. Otake wrote a book with the similar pattern

jjs(NR) what about q6?

AlexG(NR) has a weak group
q6 too modest

m0184(6d) i think maybe P 16
the white group already too rich in eye shape

AlexG(NR) p16??

nic(14k) u mean o16?

cty(1d) p16?

m0184(6d) i think p 16, since the lower side white is too rich in eye shape

AlexG(NR) p16, really?

jjs(NR) how about k16?
is Guo Juan watching our kibitzing?

kobayashi(9p) According to Guo Juan: B q8 is direction of play

JW(NR) don't think so.

andrewr(9k) would o2 threaten eye shape?

kobayashi(9p) Black should avoid being forced in a low position on the right edge

lzy(???) l2 coost black so much time!

cty(1d) so l2 is a slow move.

AlexG(NR) it didn't cost anything, white responded.
l2 was a vital point

jjs(NR) so b o6 instead of l2 would be better?

andrewr(9k) W response created problems, though, didn't it?

kobayashi(9p) Kobayashi is studying the game record
Also "Kobayashi style"

andrewr(9k) Wants to take a move back :–)

barry(4d) if b had played o6 it would be a totally different game. but not necessarily better.

jjs(NR) is Kobayashi playing or studying?

kompella(7k) Wants to know whose move it is :–)

kobayashi(9p) They show pictures of Amsterdam!

sara(4k) yours! :–)

barry(4d) he likes to look at the game upside down.

andrewr(9k) yoga. :–)

cty(1d) zen.

kobayashi(9p) You're right barry

cty(1d) kobayashi likes zen.

kompella(7k) Where would W answer Q8?

barry(4d) w will answer q8 at m6

jjs(NR) b will answer m6 at l6?

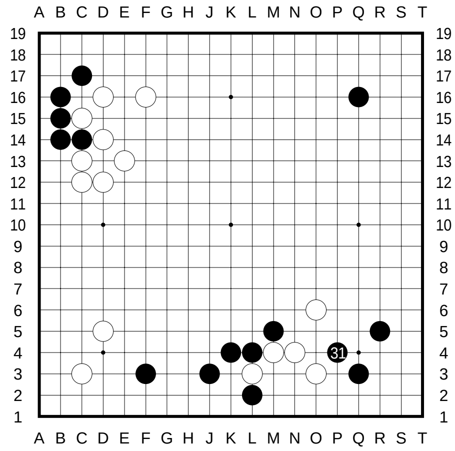
AlexG(NR) yes

tsand(2k) how long has B thought now?

jjs(NR) and then m7, l7, m8?

andrewr(9k) half an hour

cty(1d) if w m6, then b doesn't need to respond.



Black 31

jjs(NR) b got to responce, i guess

kobayashi(9p) Guo: say undo

tsand(2k) heh

kobayashi(9p) undo

tsand(2k) ?

jjs(NR) ? Guo

nic(14k) no undo's in a pro game! :–)

zhuge(NR) undo?

kobayashi(9p) undo

godok(1k) Guo made mistake?

magnus(2k) refresh

kobayashi(9p) I made a typing mistake (!)

kompella(7k) In that case, B should go for it.

sara(4k) who are you?

nic(14k) that's what they all say...

cty(1d) jansteen?

jjs(NR) so its q7?

andrewr(9k) check the stats.

tsand(2k) well, somebody undo!

kompella(7k) Where's the mistake?

sara(4k) have to be otake to undo it

jjs(NR) who is typing for otake?

kobayashi(9p) Yes, jansteen

wurzel(NR) hi folks

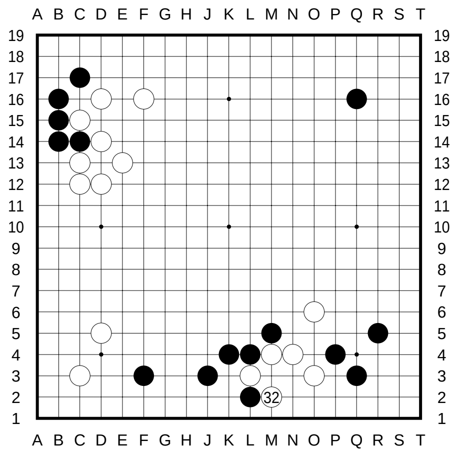
sara(4k) he types for himself i think

tsand(2k) ' nah

kobayashi(9p) q8 is typing mistake, should be p4
otake will "undo" soon...

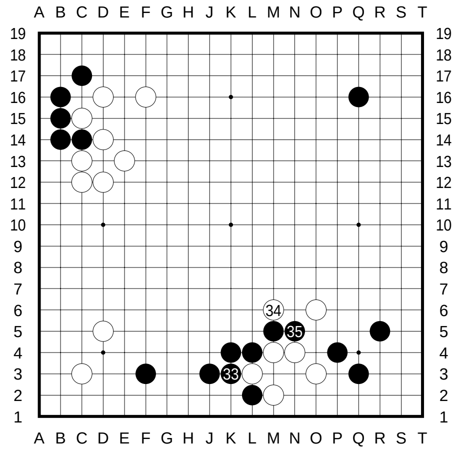
tsand(2k) some typing mistake..

cty(1d) '
andrewr(9k) I make _those_ typing mistakes frequently.
zhuge(NR) someone named Frankenstein is typing for otake i think.
khuang(7d) who's typing for otake?
cty(1d) jansteen in in GO center?
kobayashi(9p) AshaiRey
lzy(???) i' who
sara(4k) why was i kicked out without noticing it myself?
jjs(NR) u r sleepy
zhuge(NR) connection problem, sara?
sara(4k) most of us were kicked out
wurzel(NR) my impression is that kobayashi is doing fine
barry(4d) perfect chance for w to play m6.
cty(1d) p4 gets some benefit?
barry(4d) p4 look too slow to me.
godok(1k) protecting the corner?
AlexG(NR) kobayashi is trying to attack.
godok(1k) if p4 is sente, no problem
kolian(4k) it's sente
hx(5d) with p4, q2 would not be a good exchange for w to make eyes, i think
jjs(NR) continueing attacking



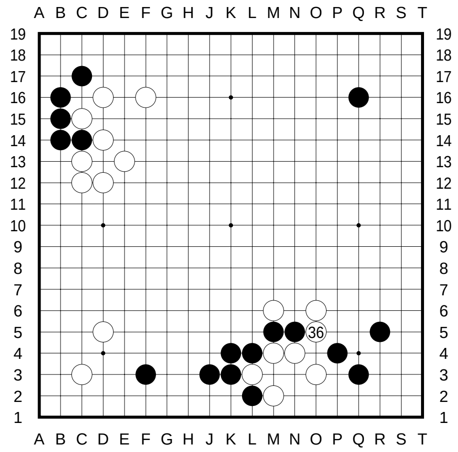
White 32

hx(5d) kobayashi wants to keep this w team floating as a target



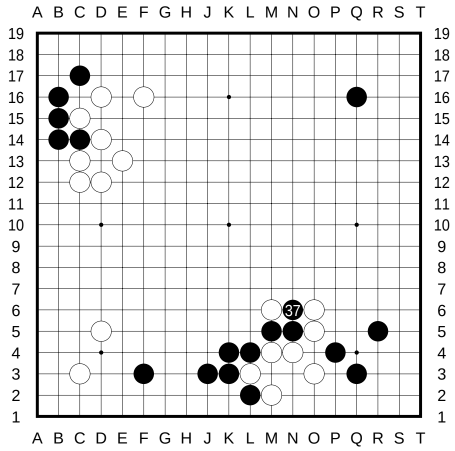
Black 33 – **Black** 35

fang(1d) o5
khuang(7d) b will cut at o7
lzy(???) if w o5, black n6.
jjs(NR) u mean n6?
cty(1d) l5 first?



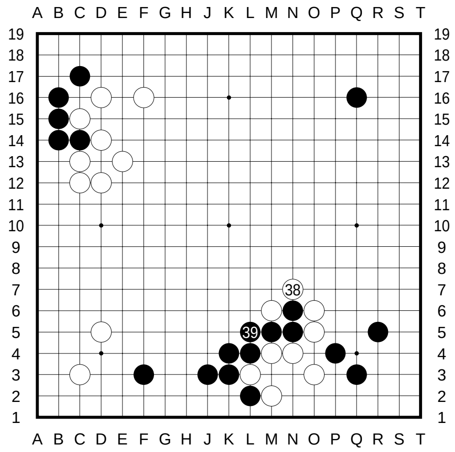
White 36

cty(1d) l5 doesn't work.



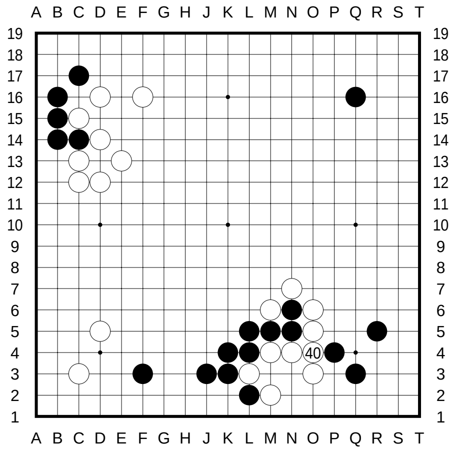
Black 37

fang(1d) l5 is bad
sara(4k) n7 then o4 for w?
fang(1d) n7



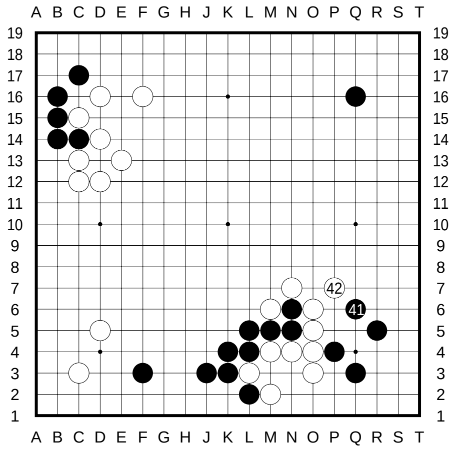
White 38 – **Black** 39

lzy(???) b got o7
tsand(2k) lightning go
zhuge(NR) the kibitzers are doing fine. :)



White 40

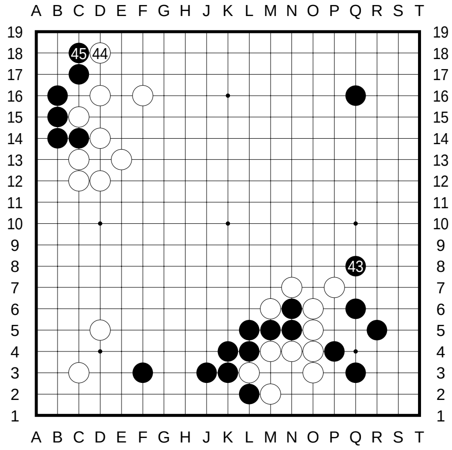
jjs(NR) why do the exchange m2, k3?



Black 41 – **White** 42

lzy(???) surprise
hx(5d) q6?
zhuge(NR) surprise indeed.
kobayashi(9p) this is the position
sara(4k) q6 too weak?
fang(1d) m2 got an eye in sente.
cty(1d) q6 too solid?
khuang(7d) if b07, then wq6
lzy(???) q6 seems not consistents with n6.
fang(1d) i don't like q6

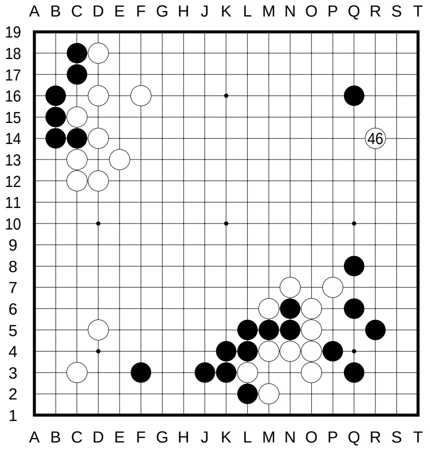
barry(4d) black could have cut at o7.
fighter(3d) i too
AlexG(NR) once white became so thick, q6 looks reasonable
jjs(NR) is q6 a typo?
kobayashi(9p) no, q6 is correct
magnus(2k) maybe blacks corner is to thin if he cuts (IMHO)
blowfish(5k) would q7 have been better?
sara(4k) there are still lots of people not watching, somebody do a shout?
jjs(NR) b l4 stones shape is funny
barry(4d) they don't listen to shouts.
wurzel(1k) don't disturb the players
lzy(???) I do not understand b n6 if b ddo not want to cut.
zhuge(NR) no we are not disturbing the players; we can't.
they are in a small room without computers, i guess. :)
fang(1d) sure.
sara(4k) they are actually listening to every word we say here
wurzel(1k) Hi thomas
sara(4k) they are using xigs
magnus(2k) if black dont play n6 after m6 white could play there
fang(1d) they would here nothing.
AlexG(NR) a threat of cut is better than it realization
sara(4k) hmmm sounds like philosophy... :–)
lzy(???) n6 helps white as a result.
AshaiRey(8k) Well, in fact Jan uses a simple ascii terminal, and I use xgospel :–)
AlexG(NR) if q7 then p7 is sente for white
sara(4k) AshaiRey are you typing for otake?
AshaiRey(8k) Yes, I do.
zhuge(NR) yes he is.
thanks AshaiRey!
sara(4k) then I wastalking to you? :–)
andrewr(9k) you've been giving hints !?
AshaiRey(8k) Yes sara, you were :–)



Black 43 – **Black** 45

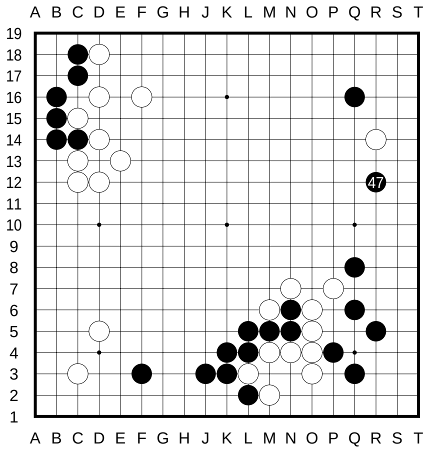
sara(4k) so you were just kidding me? right AshaiRey? :)
jjs(NR) o17?
zhuge(NR) sara, use 'tell' please.
tsand(2k) I doubt Kobayashi or Otake would give a damn about our hints
khuang(7d) n16?
fang(1d) i like r14
barry(4d) loaclly blacks best move is q9 but probably the top is bigger.
JW(NR) i like n16.
AshaiRey(8k) Since Jan's machine only has a single task, he uses tell to send me otake's moves
cty(1d) n16 looks ffine.
AshaiRey(8k) Which I then enter.
lzy(???) n16 not white's style.
AlexG(NR) if black's stone were at q7, white could get eye shape
lzy(???) o9 is necessary to me.
cty(1d) what if b o8?
kobayashi(9p) Guo would play W r14
JW(NR) Go Seigen loved n16.
os(3k) Maybe tewari analysis is possible now B has played Q8?
wurzel(1k) O 16 coming now ?
khuang(7d) w09, bq10, wo16?
lzy(???) o9 seems necessary

kobayashi(9p) Congrats Guo!



White 46

zhuge(NR)	??
jjs(NR)	w r14, b o17, w m17 ?
AlexG(NR)	I guess 09 wasn't so necesary
fang(1d)	that's right play!
cty(1d)	b still got q8.
AlexG(NR)	it was high time for white to make some point generating moves
kobayashi(9p)	Guo proposed w r14
barry(4d)	b will probably pincer at r12.
fang(1d)	bq8 is not important.
jjs(NR)	br12, w will r17?
fang(1d)	br12 w p 14 definitely.
os(3k)	But this allows B pincer+extension R12
sara(4k)	if b r12 will w o17?
barry(4d)	no b r12 w r17 b r16
khuang(7d)	r11?
kobayashi(9p)	if B r12 W o16
fang(1d)	i bet w would never play r17
fighter(3d)	B Q12



Black 47

zhuge(NR)	we have 4 hours and 30 min more to go for today.
sara(4k)	waht is the difference between o16 an o17 Guo?
kobayashi(9p)	Someone asked some more background information so... The players are playing in the Royal suite of hotel Okura, Amsterdam The Go centre is situated in Amstelveen, an Amsterdam suburb
jjs(NR)	is q12 possible now?
kobayashi(9p)	We have a full–time television connection with the hotel We get the same images which are braodcast to Japan
fighter(3d)	q12 only?
kobayashi(9p)	That's why sometimes we see the city instead of the game :)
lzy(???)	I like 016
zhuge(NR)	and weather is fine over there. :)
jjs(NR)	if w o16, b would go o15?
kobayashi(9p)	Yes, it is!
sara(4k)	what is the purpose of this game?
blowfish(5k)	to win!
tsand(2k)	purpose?
barry(4d)	the purpose is to surround more territory than your opponent

tsand(2k) earn money!
zhuge(NR) this is the first game of anual Meijin series.
AshaiRey(8k) Earn lots of money :–)
zhuge(NR) best of seven.
os(3k) Wow, does the game get live TV coverage in Japan? Amazing!
zhuge(NR) yes, live in Japan and on IGS. :)
barry(4d) No it doesn't get live TV coverage (even in Japan)
deadly(NR) what's Meijin in Chinese, I am novice to these jargons.
sara(4k) ok let me rephrase it : is there any special purpose for this game?
barry(4d) Meijin = mingren
zhuge(NR) Meijin = ming2 ren2.
AlexG(NR) r10?
kobayashi(9p) The Japanese television station NHK does several live transmissions from Amsterdam
blowfish(5k) btw– if y'all over there get the chance, profusely thank the sponsers for us for allowing this to be broadcast over IGS.
barry(4d) They are not going to sell any newspapers to us anyway.
zhuge(NR) Meijin is one of 3 major (super major) titles among Japanese pros; this is the first game of Meijin.
blowfish(5k) true, but it is a rare opportunity to watch a live pro–match.
sara(4k) what are the other two zhuge?
kobayashi(9p) We thanked the sponsors Asahi serveral times
zhuge(NR) Honinbo and Kisei.
kobayashi(9p) Actually, they are very enthoussiastic about IGS themselves
zhuge(NR) good.
jjs(NR) i guess the question is why they are playing in the Netherland, not in japan
kolian(4k) zhuge: what about Judan?
kobayashi(9p) Two days ago we had a reporter and photographer to make a report about IGS
sara(4k) zhuge chinese?
kobayashi(9p) They might publish this article in the Japanese newspaper
barry(4d) Judan ranks numvber 4 but only has a best of 5 final
zhuge(NR) there are 4 more major titles: Judan, Tengen, Oza, and Gosei. teh 3 super–majors are best of 7, teh other 4 are best of 5.
barry(4d) Kobayashi holds Kisei and Chasllenged for Honinbo. he also
jjs(NR) the newspapaer must say some words of zhuge, he is great kibitzer and interprator here
barry(4d) holds gosei
zhuge(NR) thanks jjs; they shouldn't miss you either if so. :)
cty(1d) so quiet. tired?
deadly(NR) what's the Chinese name for Sakata
jjs(NR) its w's turn for long thinking?
AlexG(NR) no ideas on r10?
barry(4d) Sakata=bantian
deadly(NR) i thought so, i saw a lot of scary 'Zhi Gu' in his games
sara(4k) half day?
barry(4d) no sloping field
jjs(NR) what is Zhi Gu?
zhuge(NR) BTW, zhi gu = rescure lone stones.
cty(1d) b gains about 15 points by attacking.
zhuge(NR) where?
cty(1d) right.
jjs(NR) wrong
sara(4k) he meant right side?
zhuge(NR) that much? how much were belong to him originally?
jjs(NR) ' 19 pts were belonging to him
cty(1d) ca 12 ponts?
lzy(???) I understand q6 is an excelent move now.
fang(1d) what about r11 for white?
jjs(NR) and 21pts are belonging to him
cty(1d) depending on how w deals with r14.

rr(1k) can u explain it more detail, lzy(rr)
AlexG(NR) point counting is difficult, it all depends on how Otake gets out of this situation
barry(4d) the right side is not territopry yet. There is baslots of potential
lzy(???) (q6+q8−p70 better than (q8)
cty(1d) seems b is easier to move than w.
barry(4d) p7 −q6 exchange looks even
sara(4k) if b simply q8 what would w go?
zhuge(NR) q6?
AlexG(NR) white could force p7 q6 exchange after q8
so this couldn't be bad for black.
jjs(NR) but the force of p7 to q6 is not so good to w?
khuang(7d) o16? or q12?
lzy(???) o16
AlexG(NR) black didn't give him the choice ... it's always good to limit
the opponents choices
deadly(NR) there are two choices as khuang just said. Both appeared in pro games before
jjs(NR) q12
magnus(2k) IMVVHO q12 might destroy the aji round q8
sara(4k) aji?
barry(4d) aji = duwei or potential
lzy(???) q12 seems greedy for b.
jjs(NR) central potentail is much more impotant
kobayashi(9p) Guo slightly favors o16
zhuge(NR) or one surface, aji = remaining taste.
kobayashi(9p) The other move she considered is q12
lzy(???) q 12 wants both sides.
kobayashi(9p) It's difficult to reach a conclusion which is best
magnus(2k) the potential of invading at r10 or cutting with wq5 bR7 wR8
deadly(NR) Rin (Lin Hai Feng) played q12 against the holder of Kisei (Teng Zhe) the moves were: b w q12 b q11 w q13 b r10 and then w o16
AlexG(NR) the upper side seems most impotant right now
lzy(???) the upper side is bigger.
because it is the emptiest place.
kobayashi(9p) Guo seems to agree with you lzy
magnus(2k) is the whole board the same in the Rin−game?
AlexG(NR) Nobody likes r10?
zhuge(NR) lzy better shake hands with Guo if you can. :)
magnus(2k) I do but it is too early, (I think)
deadly(NR) how can a whole board be the same in any two games, magnus?
kobayashi(9p) White takes his time, position is difficult...
sara(4k) there are two other games now :)
jjs(NR) if w o16, it will following order: o15,,n15, p15,, m16, ...?
magnus(2k) A sequence in one game will not work in another if the
POSITION is different.
zhuge(NR) well, it might work or it might not.
jjs(NR) then b o17?
magnus(2k) agree
deadly(NR) i can accept this question, the answer is i think so, if you want the question q12, go read the game record.
zhuge(NR) think about joseki
khuang(7d) w o16, b q14, w r17, b r15, w q17; then b m17?
lzy(???) if white o16, b likely q14.
deadly(NR) that's right, think about joseki,
jjs(NR) b maybe still want to attack o6 group, and
cty(1d) isn't m17 too risky or deep?
khuang(7d) i did not like w r14. now, it's hard for w to play.
sara(4k) where did you like then?
lzy(???) me too .
I did not like it at the begining.
jjs(NR) he liked n16
zhuge(NR) they liked n16/o17
lzy(???) r14 seems ' hate territory'.
khuang(7d) w 09, b q10; then w 016. before w r14

deadly(NR) won't be difficult for Cho though
AlexG(NR) if you play o16 now the exchange r14 r12 isn't bad for white
jjs(NR) can b ignore if w played o9?
barry(4d) .36 minutes so far on this move
lzy(???) ' exchange is not good for white.
zhuge(NR) longest move so far?
jjs(NR) i will go home after next move
sara(4k) me too
barry(4d) me too
zhuge(NR) BTW, they will have a lunch break.
gandalf(1k) how far do the server ti (thinking time) refelct reality?
sara(4k) now i think pro games are not fun at all :_)
gandalf(1k) when is the lunch break scheduled?
barry(4d) just think if you were in the room with them and had to be quiet
zhuge(NR) we have 4 hours 45 min left today.
kobayashi(9p) We are not sure, but they might be gone for the lunch break at this moment
RubberDoll(NR) On TV they say Otake has fallen asleep.
kobayashi(9p) I will phone the hotel to ask From the screen (board) it's not clear to us
kolian(4k) he meditates:)
RubberDoll(NR) Now a functinear is shaking his shoulder..
kobayashi(9p) It's 12.15 here
RubberDoll(NR) What a confused look
jjs(NR) its 5:16am here
zhuge(NR) it's 3:17 am here. :)
sara(4k) Wed Sep 9 06:18:22 EDT 1992
barry(4d) its 10:15 pm herre
weiz(6k) can anyone tell me what otake and kobayashi in chinese?
khuang(7d) it's 6:20 at florida
cty(1d) stats them.
kobayashi(9p) Great you guys are watching at those impossible times!
sara(4k) are they having break or not?
zhuge(NR) impossible? what are you talking about? :)
weiz(6k) thanks zhuge
blowfish(5k) at 4:20 am? Thats not impossible :)
cty(1d) we are night fighters.
sara(4k) usual time for us :)
kobayashi(9p) Jan iscalling the hotel to find out about the break
zhuge(NR) i am an early bird; i got up at 0:00 am. :)
lzy(???) it is 5:27 am here in texas.
sara(4k) me at 1pm :)
gandalf(1k) how many ppl are there in amsterdam at the EGCC?
jjs(NR) i am an astronmer, but i got to go home now
fighter(3d) pm
sara(4k) ppl? EGCC?
zhuge(NR) back soon, jjs, please. :)
jjs(NR) astronomer
oh, icant, i got to get up at 11:am
gandalf(1k) EGCC European Go and Cultural Centre
kobayashi(9p) about forty peolple i count in this room, there may be more playing somewhere else in the building
zhuge(NR) okay, see you tomorrow then.
kobayashi(9p) Hi, some updates:
gandalf(1k) the place where the transmission comes from
barry(4d) time for me to go too bye.
kobayashi(9p) The players played last move at 11:40 (i.e. 40 minutes ago)
sara(4k) thanks guys
jjs(NR) c u guys, bye
kobayashi(9p) At that moment it was clear that the next move would take some time
That's why lunch break started half an hour ago
gandalf(1k) r they having the break then?
kobayashi(9p) They will continue in half an hour (about)
gandalf(1k) ok, answered
lzy(???) when will they be back to the game?
sara(4k) when will the game resume then?

kobayashi(9p) Some comments from the pro–analyse room:
According to the pro's white is better, reasons:
w group below can live easily starting with q2
white could make a ponnuki with d12
white could invade the last big area on the right with r14
zhuge(NR) d12?
kobayashi(9p) These three reasons mean: w is better
sara(4k) ponnuki?
kobayashi(9p) That's it for now...
tsand(2k) d13=ponnuki
gandalf(1k) ponnuki shape after capturing 1 stone
christie(2d) Have they gone to lunch ?
kobayashi(9p) Play will be resumed in 35 minutes from now
gandalf(1k) guo, keep up the good work
zhuge(NR) yes adn they'll be back in about half an hour.
thanks jansteen.
cty(1d) one game length for IGSers.
sara(4k) thanks guys
you guys have been a lot of fun
gandalf(1k) u r worth u weight (which isn't much anyway) in shell stones, guo!!! :–)
sara(4k) i will go back home to get some sleep
see you guys
hope i can catch the end :)
nic(14k) me too... g'night everybody
zhuge(NR) later, sara.
cty(1d) anyone start a fast game for us to watch?
blowfish(5k) cool, then I gota a chance to finich my work :)
kobayashi(9p) good idea cty, here players are playing ligthning tournament
cty(1d) what's lighting?
zhuge(NR) too bad i am using a slow modem... otherwise i'd like a game with cty –– long time no play. :)
kobayashi(9p) a quick game (10min or so)
we will leave the terminal for 20 min., se u later!
cty(1d) i see. my modem is slow too.
takes 15 sec to type in a move.
or anyone can mimic the game to the end fast.
zhuge, can you give us a beep when game is resumed?
zhuge(NR) sure. i will shout loud. :)
cty(1d) thanks.
AlexG(NR) any word on what's up?
zhuge(NR) lunch break now. back in 15 min.
ruebezahl(???) is r12 really the last move ?
weiz(6k) hi, could anyone translate the title: Meijin, Kisei and Gosei in chinese to me?
jive(4k) come on, dans, we know you can say something
bn(2k) the dans are using another channel to talk. :–)
kobayashi(9p) still lunchbreak
magnus(2k) for how long?
ruebezahl(???) kobayashi = guo juan ?
weiz(6k) sorry, i lost my connection just after i typed my question. so i didn't get the answer.
zhuge(NR) what was your question?
weiz(6k) could anyone answer me again?
what are the titles: Meijin, Kisei, and Gosei in chinese?
ruebezahl(???) my 1kyu impression is, that kobayashi is doing well here
bn(2k) Meijin=Ming Ren, Kisei=Qi Sheng
ruebezahl(???) has there been any professional comment yet ?
bn(2k) but Gosei is actually QiSheng too.
weiz(6k) thanks
zhuge(NR) Kisei is the 'big' QiSheng, Gosei the 'small' one. two different Chinese character.
bn(2k) Or Gosei is (wei)qi sheng. :–)
zhuge(NR) yes. good translation.
weiz(6k) i see, thanks bn and zhuge

kobayashi(9p) there has not been a live prof comment yet. The profs in the analysis room had the impression white is ahead. Reasons: the w group on the lower side can make n easy live with q2.
Furthermore the w ponnuki on the left is very strong and w has played first on the right side.
Lunch is over; the players sit down again.

lzy(???) is the game resumed?

cty(1d) zhuge. will this game be finished today?

zhuge(NR) it should.

fang(1d) i think it's a 2 days game.

kolian(4k) No! It will be next session tomorrow

kobayashi(9p) As far as we have seen on tv, someone has taken a place at the board. We presume it's Otake The real operators at this place know how to addtime, but we're not sure yet.

zhuge(NR) eight hours today, eight more plus byo−yomi tomorrow.

fighter(3d) otake's thinking begin.... next move will takes time

tsand(2k) addtime x

jive(4k) did they eat on otake's time?

kobayashi(9p) Time will be added as soon as the real operators are back.

fighter(3d) otake saw R12 after resume the game.

zhuge(NR) i see −− R12 was the 'sealed move'?

fighter(3d) yes, in my guess

zhuge(NR) what if otake logged on IGS during lunch break? :)

lzy(???) I bet not.

fang(1d) break is a break. time all 0

zhuge(NR) i guess the next move by otake is the sealed move.

lzy(???) agree.

zhuge(NR) so no sealed move for the break or what?

bn(2k) what is the move that takes the longe' what is the move that takes the longest time? how long? so far, i meant.

kobayashi(9p) fot lunch no move has been sealed

zhuge(NR) according to IGS, this coming W move has taken the longest time...but it was a move before lunch break.
before that, B P4 took awful long time.

AlexG(NR) what's the consensus? o16? q12?

fang(1d) C'mon...

zhuge(NR) hurry up! pro's are sloooowwww. :)

cty(1d) that's pro's pro. pro one thing all day.

fang(1d) Otake may need a dice for help?

zhuge(NR) a dice?

AlexG(NR) probably no more than a coin

gandalf(1k) why not guessing even or odd?

blowfish(5k) Ahh, the pros. Gotta love 'em :)

zhuge(NR) what are they doing? brushing teeth?

AlexG(NR) just be glad Fisher doesn't play go

kobayashi(9p) They're thinking zhuge!

kolian(4k) AlexG is right:)

zhuge(NR) they are?

blowfish(5k) but the possibilities would be highly amusing, to be sure :)

kobayashi(9p) I hope so zhuge

blowfish(5k) No! Its all Fixed! Kobayashi is a lowly dog! >I'm< the Meijin Champion!!! :)

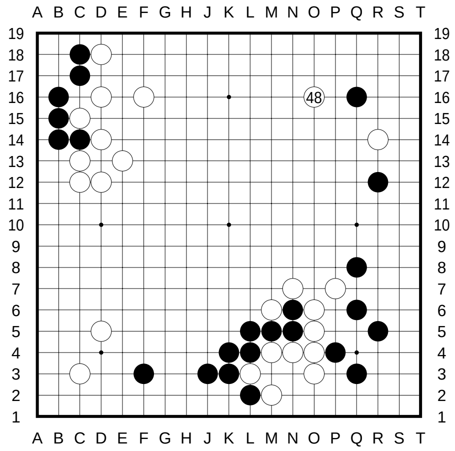
zhuge(NR) you know, jansteen, the real zhuge did stand for wisdom. so it would be good if they are thinking zhuge. :)

AlexG(NR) SO when do we see, GO the musical?

kolian(4k) zhuge: tell who was zhuge?

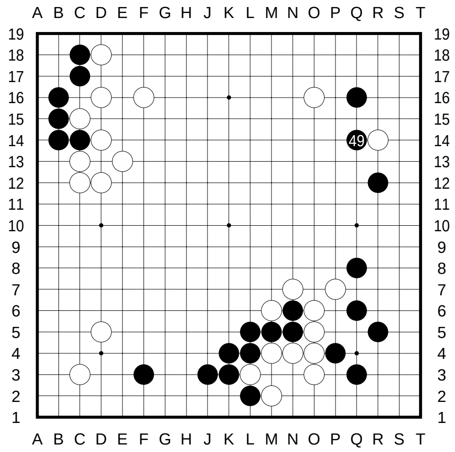
kobayashi(9p) phufff, he, he...

zhuge(NR) Zhuge Liang, born 181 AD ('died' 234 AD) was a great strategist during a period called Three Kingdomes.



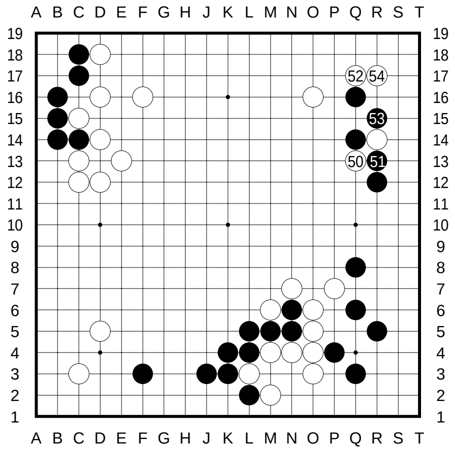
White 48

cty(1d) if is a gamble, how many of you would bet kobayashi will win?



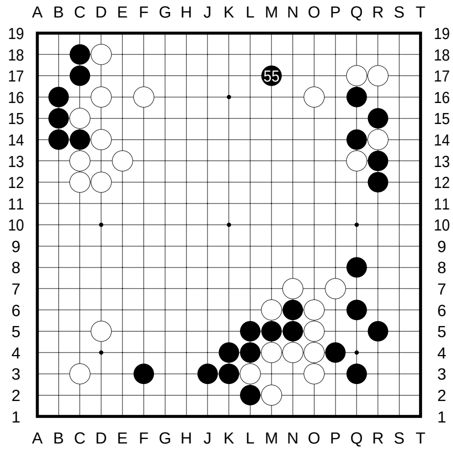
Black 49

AlexG(NR) I could have told him that hours ago!



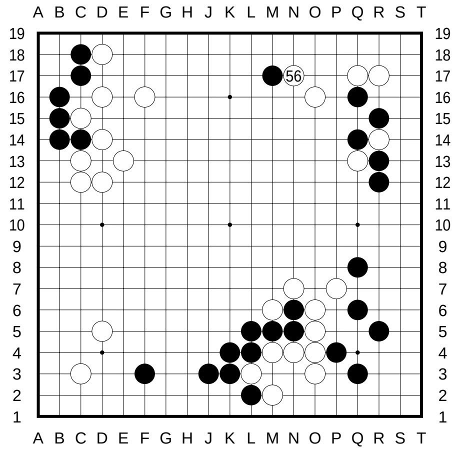
White 50 – **White** 54

kobayashi(9p) pro's think otake is better
cty(1d) q13 is a surprise. nobody here guessed that.
camillo(1k) Do you think kobayashi is the best player in Japan?
godok(1k) any comment about r15?
AlexG(NR) it looks like otake found exactly what he needed
zhuge(NR) to say 'one of the best' is safe.
andrewr(9k) "best" is very ill–defined :–)
kobayashi(9p) r15 is only move according to Guo
deadly(NR) best according the titles he holds
gandalf(1k) r15???
kobayashi(9p) I was answering godok, gandalf
gandalf(1k) , ok .–)



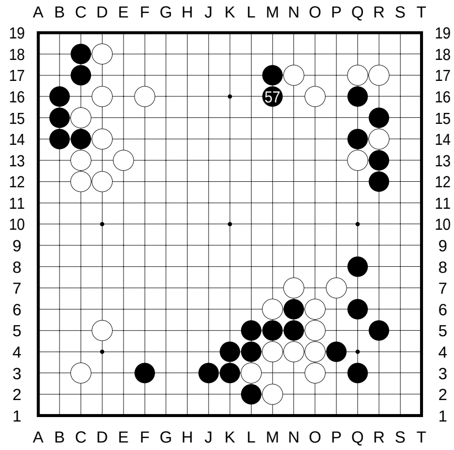
Black 55

cty(1d) khuang guessed m17!
deadly(NR) he should, khuang is about pro 4–5d
or 4–5p
o18?
AlexG(NR) if it weren't for m17, black would be very unhappy
Ilike o18
fang(1d) o18 is too slow
kobayashi(9p) we prefer n17
deadly(NR) Rin's classical book 'Shape and Tesuki' has the exact display and the right answer was o18
ruebezahl(???) k17 ?
kolian(4k) after m17 is w upper right corner in danger?
deadly(NR) because o18 is too good for b
kolian(4k) I'd prefer k16
ruebezahl(???) locally, i'd play o18, but the upper side seems important
kobayashi(9p) k17 is answered by p17
AlexG(NR) I'm persuaded that n17 is good.



White 56

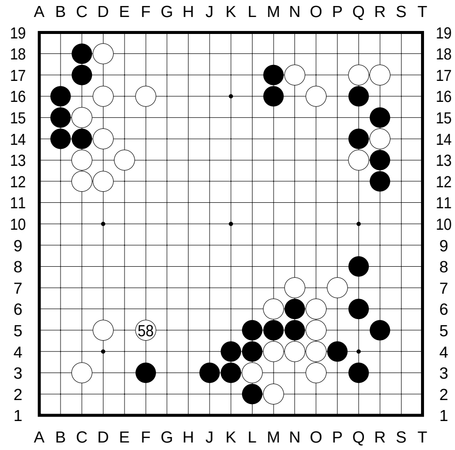
kobayashi(9p) one–zero for Amsterdam (!)
deadly(NR) so it is



Black 57

kobayashi(9p) How about next move boys?
AlexG(NR) k16?
fang(1d) is p14 the right time?
kobayashi(9p) we propose p14
blowfish(5k) k17
cty(1d) p14
AlexG(NR) after p14 black lives easily
gandalf(1k) and after p14? b s14 and then what?

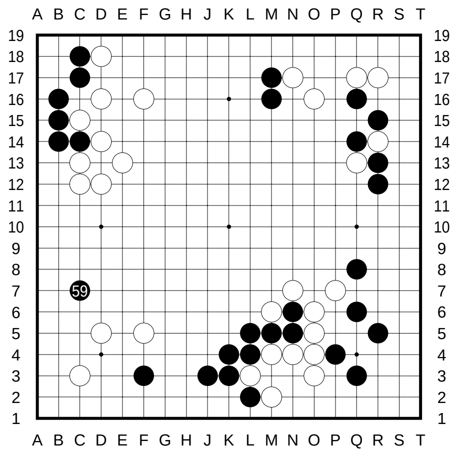
fang(1d) then k16
weiz(6k) k17
gandalf(1k) would j/k 17/16 be wrong direction)?
ruebezahl(???) j17
AlexG(NR) it's not clearly the wrong direction
kobayashi(9p) When playing around k16, then k16 is better than k17
deadly(NR) emotionally, i'd play k16, only speaking for myself though
cty(1d) if only w can catch m17 group.
kobayashi(9p) It can get complicated after:
AlexG(5d) no chance
kobayashi(9p) W p14 , B s14 , W k16 ...
For example: B n16 , W o17 , B o15 , W n15 ...
AlexG(5d) I didn't realize p14 forces s14
gandalf(1k) oi oi oi
AlexG(5d) sorry, my coordinate were off by one ..
kobayashi(9p) So maybe: W p14 , B s14 , W k16 , B m14
Therefore the kikashi at p14 bight (might) be bad
lzy(???) neither of the two players is moyo oriented.
kobayashi(9p) The p14 move costs a lot of (endgame) points
AlexG(5d) what about k17 after k16?
andrewr(9k) might b answer p14 at p15?
lzy(???) they seems not like moyo.
gandalf(1k) a ko fihght is the lawst b wishes for, andrewr
cty(1d) what's the mening of moyo?
AlexG(5d) I agree about the KO fight
lzy(???) I do not like w q17
deadly(NR) kibitz moyo='Da Du Pi'
cty(1d) i see. thks.
zhuge(NR) moyo = mo2 yang2 (even same characters in Chinese and Japanese)
sorry, mo2 yang4.
lzy(???) why white not q15 after b r13?
cty(1d) like dialect.
lzy(???) kobayashi style is realy solid.
AlexG(5d) I was thinking about that,
apparently otake thought this was a better
way to take the corner
Oh no Otake's thinking again!
zhuge(NR) is that scary? :)
kolian(4k) maybe they eat supper nw:)
nw=now
fang(1d) long thinking made foul move.
zhuge(NR) not so fast. they got to digest the food. :)
cty(1d) food makes them sleepy.
AlexG(5d) I see no way to attack really effectively
lzy(???) I think M16 makes b very happy.
AlexG(5d) you bet
deadly(NR) i agree with lzy, perhaps o18 was a 'tai ji'
cty(1d) m14?
AlexG(5d) after m14 black lives along the side



White 58

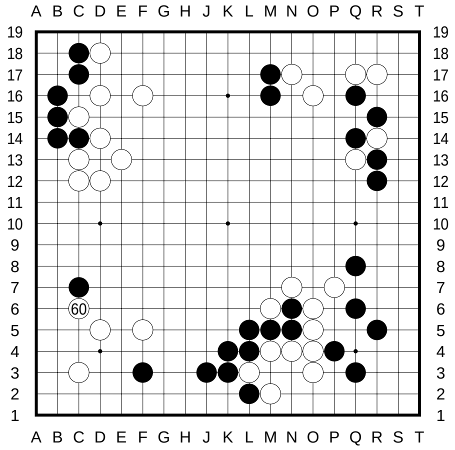
blowfish(5k) fooled us all :)
kobayashi(9p) Yes you might say so!
weiz(6k) to see how b start at top?
AlexG(5d) if you can't find a ood move, tenuki
deadly(NR) like they say, 'Yin Bu Hao de Di Fang Bu Yin'
blowfish(5k) 'When in doubt, Tenuki'. I like it :)

tsand(2k) i c
zhuge(NR) sorry what happened? i tried to each someone else how to play. :)
AlexG(5d) time to count points
kobayashi(9p) Sorry right now there is no prof commenting; I hope soon they will resume
kolian(4k) f5 happend, zhuge
zhuge(NR) wow
lzy(???) I like f5
confortable move.
zhuge(NR) has a winning−move look.
AlexG(5d) about 46 for black ...
deadly(NR) 'red ear' move
zhuge(NR) which ear, deadly? :)
kolian(4k) AlexG: I bet they are close in points.
deadly(NR) red ear = 'Er Chi Zhi Shou'
lzy(???) got to go, c u later. go friends!
AlexG(5d) and 42 + komi for white
magnus(2k) must black reduce now
deadly(NR) eager to see some good fight
zhuge(NR) yes yes.
AlexG(5d) not in this game
zhuge(NR) where is Kato Masao 9p? :)
Thor(NR) anyone knows how big is the saved game now ? :)



Black 59

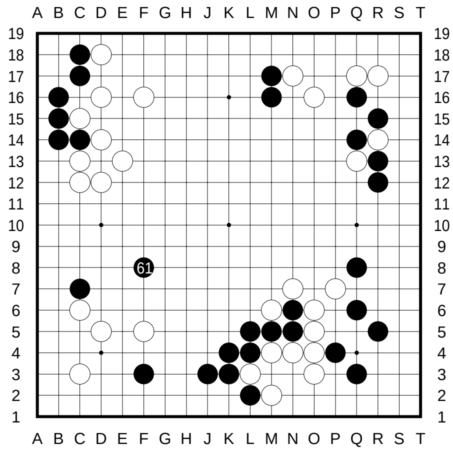
AlexG(5d) maybe f8
zhuge(NR) talking about Gigabytes. :)
cty(1d) decide win or lose.



White 60

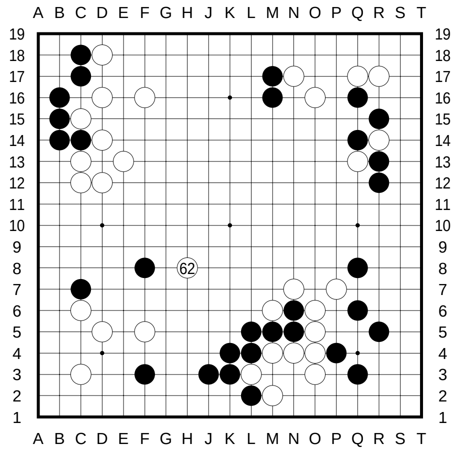
Thor(NR) Giga ? :)
zhuge(NR) yeah, 0.000... Gigabytes. :)
kobayashi(9p) maybe here we will have the fight!
kolian(4k) Thor: I think it will be less then 100k
:)
AlexG(5d) kobayashi might treat this stone lightly
Thor(NR) how can u say that ?
deadly(NR) no fighting?
Thor(NR) i can make it more than 100k , kolian :)
AlexG(5d) too deep to live
fang(1d) must live for b.
magnus(2k) f8?
kolian(4k) sure. we all can make it ever 1M:)
deadly(NR) sakata would starting thinking in c7. Any higher places would be according to him ' no pain and no itch'
zhuge(NR) and hey, this is only Day 1.
AlexG(5d) we are in for some serious end game tom.!
zhuge(NR) sure.
cty(1d) i don't understand c7.
AlexG(5d) f8 looks possible, but what if d8?
magnus(2k) f8 d8 f10 ?
AlexG(5d) i don't like f10, d7 maybe

deadly(NR) e9
AlexG(5d) possible
how about j16 now?
magnus(2k) ' f8 d8 d7 e7 e8 d9 ? seems to be dangerous
weiz(6k) d10?
kolian(4k) magnus: e8 falls in atari
AlexG(5d) after d9 e6
magnus(2k) tell kolian no have tou mixed the colors somehow
AlexG(5d) once again: f8 d8 d7 e7 e8 d9 e6, b escapes
weiz(6k) or b6 first?
kolian(4k) magnus: yu'r right.
deadly(NR) kibitz b e9, if w g9 then b e7 w has to g7 and then f10 and b10?



Black 61

zhuge(NR) here we go...
still no pro comments?
magnus(2k) if d8 now and black ecapes with d7 then d8 will be lost and white dominates the ceter?
center
AlexG(5d) very expensive
zhuge(NR) according to IGS clock, otake has used 30 min more.
AlexG(5d) Otake should combine attacking the two groups, but I don't know how.
kobayashi(9p) Guo will comment on current position
ponuki e 13 succes for white
B had to get a strong atack on o4 gr to compensate, but that group had to good eyeshape
andrewr(9k) Time to be elsewhere – Thansk for the comments!
kobayashi(9p) so it was a diappointment for b
zhuge(NR) gee it sounds b has to work hard to recover.
Thor(NR) so W leads a lot ??
kobayashi(9p) The position just after w n4 was a problem for b
AlexG(5d) according to my previous count, white was ahead by 1.5 points
zhuge(NR) not a lot. according to the previous comment, w leads by komi?
AlexG(5d) the 1.5 lead included komi
Thor(NR) thanks all of u heros :–)
kobayashi(9p) After W o6 Guo would have played either B q6 or B q8
kobayashi choose the attacking move: B p4
blowfish(5k) q8 the move we were discussing.
login(4d) who is kobayashi, the commentator?



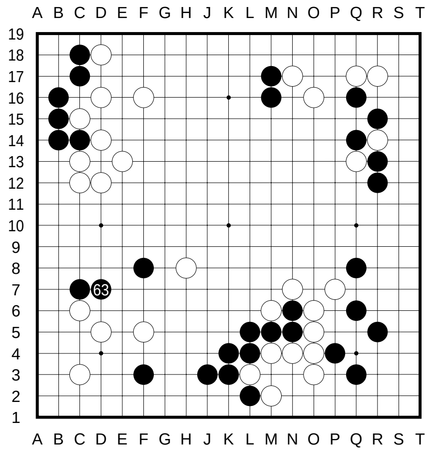
White 62

zhuge(NR) no, kobayashi is playing, but the person who types for him (using the accoutn kobayashi) also shows us some pro commentation. something exciting is coming up, it seems.

tsand(2k) I assume Kobayashi didn't make his move menwhile..

zhuge(NR) difficult situation.

magnus(2k) B g7 W 6?



Black 63

Gene(4d) can everyone get a record of this nippon match?'

zhuge(NR) hmmm.

lzy(???) black like and has confidence in invading.

blowfish(5k) we in for a manly battle here?

AlexG(5d) looks awfully dangerous
why not g6?

tsand(2k) looks heavy

lzy(???) but safe.

magnus(2k) d10 and g6 MIAI ?

AlexG(5d) apparently kobayashi is either going to live by c10 of escape by g6

Gene(4d) lzy how much time initially they have?'

ruebezahl(???) hey are slow thinkers

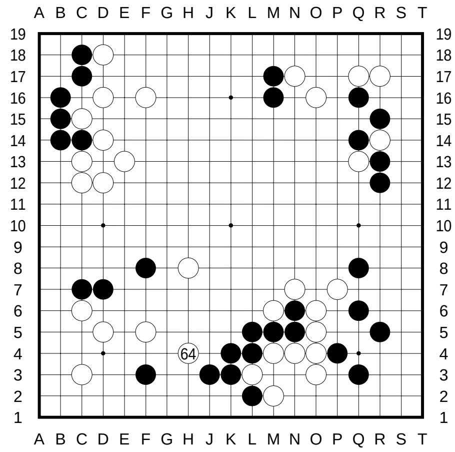
zhuge(NR) they are given 8 hours (480 min) each.

lzy(???) Gene I forget sorry. ask kobayashi if you like.

kobayashi(9p) kobayashi can hear you (!)

Gene(4d) is kobayashi himself seatting in a computer room?'

tsand(2k) I thought it's 9 hrs



White 64

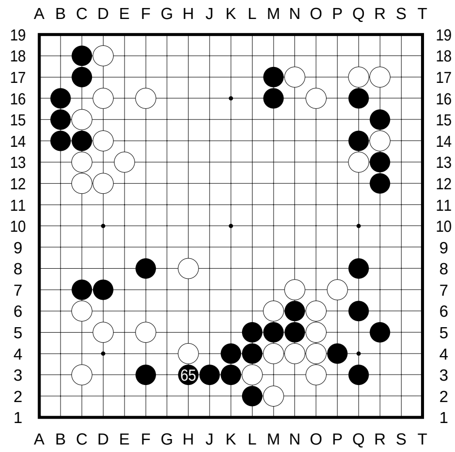
ruebezahl(???) hey changed to 8 hours recently

kobayashi(9p) thanks to a marvelous trick by AshaiRey...

lzy(???) Gene surely not.

zhuge(NR) it's new rule i guess.
what trick?

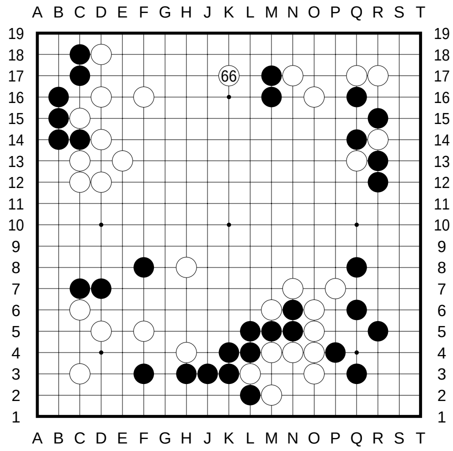
AlexG(5d) cut off the escape



Black 65

deadly(NR) w is perhaps planning some shape desturction job on b at around d9
ruebezahl(???) tats deadly
AlexG(5d) d9 looks good
I think g6 still escapes
lzy(???) white maybe play to block the b way out. not around d9.
h6 looks possible.
zhuge(NR) kobayashi is playing much faster today.
godok(1k) what is the purpose of h6?
AlexG(5d) d9 g6 f6 looks possible
Gene(4d) i
zhuge(NR) folks, two more hours, i think.
Gene(4d) i think the differecne between pro and us is that they can have 2 huor for considering one move'
kobayashi(9p) Sorry, yes, two more hours to play before they adjourn
How about w d9 now?
klooster(12k) any idea of the real time they used?
magnus(2k) if d9 g6 f6 black maybe can sacrifice c7–d7 and attack white on right side???
ruebezahl(???) tell Caddy hab schon gesehen, 1h idle time
deadly(NR) i advocate d9
godok(1k) i would play there :–)
zhuge(NR) close to what is shown.
kobayashi(9p) That's true zhuge
lzy(???) if w d9, b can get out easily.
kobayashi(9p) how lzy?
ruebezahl(???) ho
lzy(???) g7 may work for black.
ruebezahl(???) sls
est
ho
tsand(2k) ?
ruebezahl(???) orry
Gene(4d) if i were w i would play sonewhere else'
ruebezahl(???) orry, i'm fighting with the client
AlexG(5d) d9 looks necesary
kobayashi(9p) after W d9 , B g7 white has the cut at e7 left, but maybe attacking with j6 first?
Gene(4d) thanks, i like like to attack m17 something.
zhuge(NR) whose words kobayashi is showing?
jansteens?
kobayashi(9p) mars's words :)
zhuge(NR) really?
nates(14k) i think so, both players are typed by jansteen?
kobayashi(9p) really!
AshaiRey(8k) kobayashi is typed by jansteen, otake by me.
kobayashi(9p) Otake is pondering deeply now
AshaiRey(8k) Jan tells me the move that otake should do and I just enter it.
kobayashi(9p) He is moving to and fro and playing with his fan all the time
AshaiRey(8k) Easy job :–)
nates(14k) and Guo is nearby to make comments?
kobayashi(9p) Guo Juan gives public commentaries every now and then
lzy(???) if w d9, black may makes some movess first before trying to get out.
kobayashi(9p) She also answers questions, and plays teaching games
AlexG(5d) like what?
lzy(???) I do not know.
magnus(2k) can anyone see a good move for black after d9 g6 f6 ?
AlexG(5d) I don't either, c9 doesn't look too productive
resign?
godok(1k) w may not play d9
zhuge(NR) resign? on Day 1?
godok(1k) possible but not this game, IMHO
ruebezahl(???) i wonder if otake has a splitting attack in mind
AlexG(5d) He definitely does
Gene(4d) i supposed'
nates(14k) there is something about f5–h8 thats looks a little thin
lzy(???) my feeling is that this group is safe and white maynot ploay at d9.

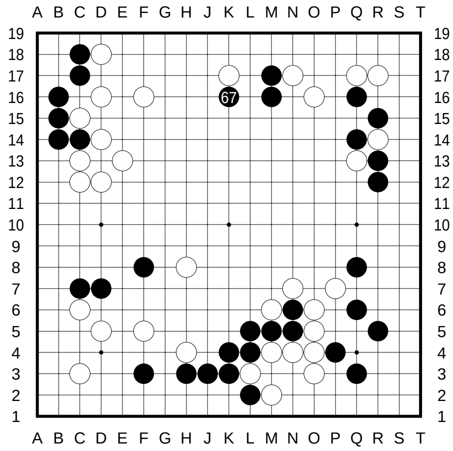
godok(1k) otake is thinking of attack top and left b stones together, IMO
Gene(4d) is that true, otake?'
kobayashi(9p) already 21 minutes for this move...
godok(1k) very important place....
barber1k(1k) off
godok(1k) need lots of thinking....
zhuge(NR) otake has used one hour more than kobayashi.
otake(9p) I always consider all possibilities :–)
zhuge(NR) it's amazing both kobayashi and otake can see our kibitzes (i mean the two accounts)
lzy(???) but there are too many possibilites , right?
Gene(4d) that is the reason he took so much time.'
kobayashi(9p) This seems a critical possition
zhuge(NR) right: there are nearly 300 empty points on the board. :)
USA(1k) execuse me, who support this game?
klooster(12k) zhuge: simple.. use 3 terminals
zhuge(NR) three? that many?
klooster(12k) don't know.. just guessing..
otake(9p) Essentially right klooster. The problem is that not all three are at the same place.
Gene(4d) may be w s14 b s15 wp14 then attack m17?'
zhuge(NR) who support this game? i suppos i guess everyone here is supporting the game (i.e. IGS is supporting the game.)
AlexG(5d) possibly
USA(1k) Mr. kobayashi said that As
zhuge(NR) but we cannot see it without jansteen and AshaiRey.
oops. you mean the game played in teh hotel?
AshaiRey(8k) Who has the goban on his back ? :–)
kobayashi(9p) The game is sponsored by Asahi Shinbun, Japanese newspaper
Hi Xuegen Hurston!
zhuge(NR) gee kobayashi now knows pinyin! :)
hurston(1d) kobayashi is jansteen
zhuge(NR) when did he learn Chinese Pinyin?
jmb(NR) who is otake
zhuge(NR) AshaiRey is typing moves played by otake.
kobayashi(9p) Otake looks really busy finding the next move
tsand(2k) busy?
nates(14k) watching this game: 53, including of course AshaiRey
ding(1k) are you guys going to watch for next 12 hours?
USA(1k) doesn't m6 come today?
kobayashi(9p) Yes, busy, moving, playing with his fan, drinking...
ruebezahl(???) it will not last that long
zhuge(NR) next 12 hours? not necessay.
klooster(12k) game will be adjourned in 1 1/2 hours
zhuge(NR) it will adjourn in an hour and half.
drinking? tea, water, or sake? :)
ding(1k) so you will watch an unfinished game... :)
kolian(4k) Holland beer:)
zhuge(NR) kobayashi's time advantage has increased to about 80 min.
ruebezahl(???) thinking of holland...



White 66

ruebezahl(???) i'd really liken a frikandel special ow

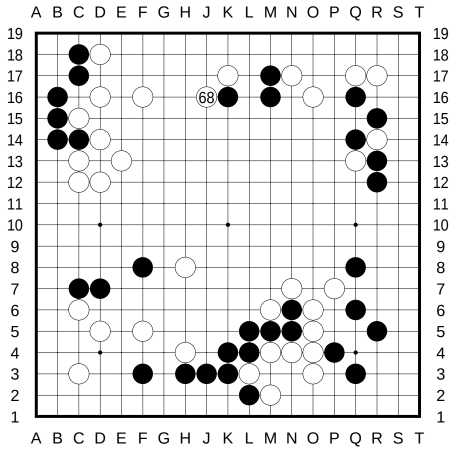
Gene(4d) if i were otake i would have resigned. 8 hours is not enought for him'



Black 67

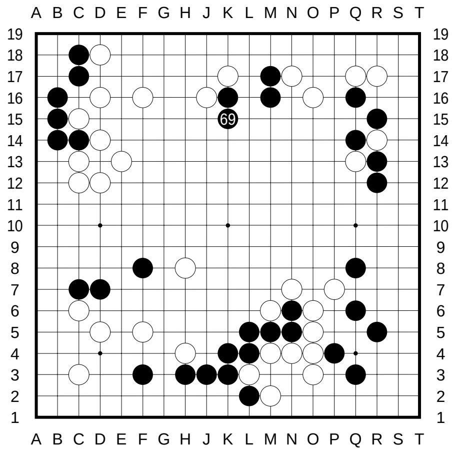
ruebezahl(???) kobayashi is always playing fast

Gene(4d) k17 is not like a pro move.'



White 68

AlexG(5d) I'm sure otake was so surpised he'll have to think for awhile now ;)



Black 69

AlexG(5d) oh well, no cross cut

Gene(4d) w lost sente i hnk'

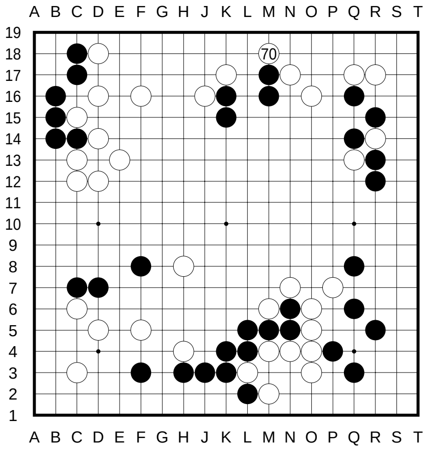
panx(10k) are they real?

AlexG(5d) I don't think white lost sente

zhuge(NR) i think panx wants to make a long–waited come back speech. :)

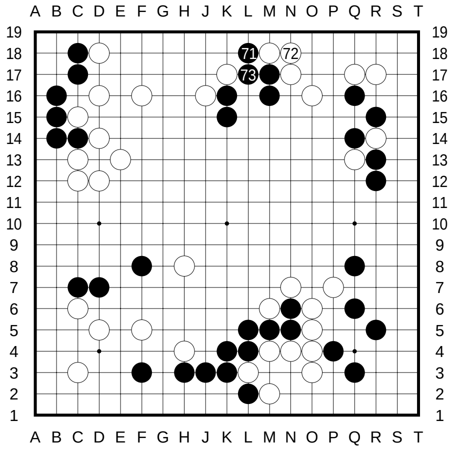
m6(IGS92) w needs sente to do what?

AlexG(5d) The strategy of the attack is clear, but I can't find the exact variation



White 70

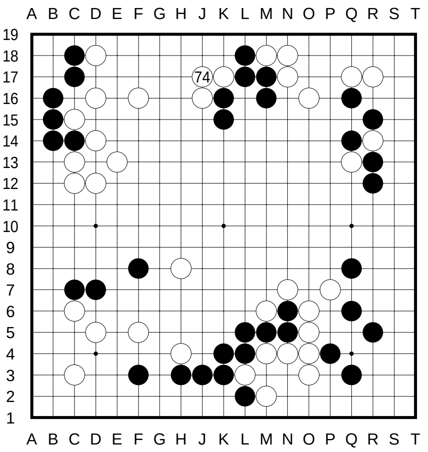
AlexG(5d) white needs sente to continue the splitting attack
m6(IGS92) r they at amsterdam?
zhuge(NR) yes.
m6(IGS92) so ishida 9p is with them?
kobayashi(9p) Ishida is referee, and in the hotel
lzy(???) I think w wants territory now.
zhuge(NR) ishida 9p is the refereee today.
m6(IGS92) thanks, kobayashi :—)
so thats why ishida played here 2 days ago
panx(10k) i wonder what's happening with the 3 b stones on the left
kobayashi(9p) right
magnus(2k) I dont understand the last move why anyone???
tsand(2k) really?
Gene(4d) who is ishida z 1/tiny?
AlexG(5d) gain territory and remove eye—shape
m6(IGS92) maybe after w j17, m18 will become gote
kobayashi(9p) ishida = "stone field"
zhuge(NR) no, ishida is not ztiny.
lzy(???) the last move looks realy like pro ones.
Gene(4d) the man who smels good?'
m6(IGS92) the america's name of city is really like those in japan



Black 71 – **Black** 73

Gene(4d) then b j17
LinLi(6d) b has two weak groups
AlexG(5d) the group on the upper side is not too weak?
kobayashi(9p) He didn't smell bad Gene :)
LinLi(6d) my feeling is otake will win this game
m6(IGS92) the monitor of pro's match is really nice
Gene(4d) thanks kolian
LinLi(6d) kobayashi seldom won a game overseas, out of japan
m6(IGS92) if we can see other matches in japan, that will be really excellent
kolian(4k) You're welcome,Gene
AlexG(5d) I think the game will depend on the resolution of the left side
m6(IGS92) j17 is a hard move for a pro, i guess
LinLi(6d) isn't j17 the only move
panx(10k) gote
lzy(???) I think j17 is the only move locolly.
zhuge(NR) how about j18?
m6(IGS92) but hard
AlexG(5d) maybe d9 now
m6(IGS92) if j18, b j15 is almost sente

lzy(???) j18 not as good as j17.
zhuge(NR) i see.
ychen(6d) what? no comments! nobody dare to (?)
lzy(???) j18 give b sente at j15.
hurston(1d) so , White better play J15?
zhuge(NR) ychen can't hear us :)
m6(IGS92) r3 is a potential move, both w and b remembers this, imo
AlexG(5d) I thought r3 didn't work
m6(IGS92) r3 wont work now, i mean the corner is not completed
klooster(12k) CU all later.. have fun, and go for the 2 MegaBytes :–)
lzy(???) white really like slow moves.
ychen(6d) thanks all. someone turns my kibitzs off. :)
LinLi(6d) usually, otake plays very fast
Gene(4d) p16 for b get connection'
panx(10k) how about attacking left b stones first
Gene(4d) sorry mis reading'
AlexG(5d) my estimate white 23+komi black 28
m6(IGS92) i think its little bit hard for w now
Gene(4d) p16 is ok for b'
m6(IGS92) if w cant attack b successfully, w will lost
AlexG(5d) i agree
zhuge(NR) so W is thinking hard.
LinLi(6d) w is not bad, IMHO
AlexG(5d) my count was based on white's destroying the right side while attacking
m6(IGS92) especially, f5 and h8 is not very thick
AlexG(5d) escape through g7 is not easy
m6(IGS92) but i guess w wont let this move to be the last move today
LinLi(6d) i really want to know what they are thinking now, i mean the content of their thinking
m6(IGS92) h8 is not thick, doesnot means b has to escape from g7
lzy(???) b d7 c7 two stones maybe abandonable if black get something outside.
zhuge(NR) IGS should set up a monitor to show their brain waves. :)
LinLi(6d) good idea, zhuge!
m6(IGS92) because b has b14, i think all c7d7f8 r abandonable
lzy(???) why pros is never tired?
LinLi(6d) because they can get big money in such a match
zhuge(NR) they love the game.



White 74

kolian(4k) because they get used
m6(IGS92) but pro lose their bodyweight very significantly
lzy(???) j17 is the abviously only move!!!
zhuge(NR) so?
nates(14k) but it was hard to swallow....
m6(IGS92) although chaochigun said he didnt lose body weight during kisei hon in bo match
lzy(???) but still took so much time.
zhuge(NR) wow already 74 moves... :)
LinLi(6d) it's much shorter than in the old days
zhuge(NR) pro's way to show off (spending long time on obvious moves)
m6(IGS92) if w do j17 first, m18 wont be sente
deadly(NR) one has to admire/hate pros 'Chang Kao Gong'

LinLi(6d) in the old days, such a game would last at least one month

m6(IGS92) i guess this mv was hard for ootake
cu guys

zhuge(NR) what's kobayashi's impulse now, i wonder.

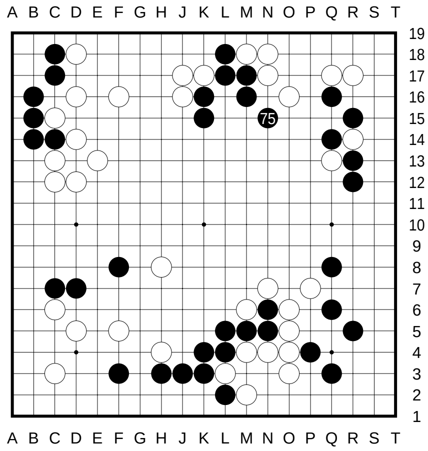
LinLi(6d) i think 99/min

zhuge(NR) i guess 360/min.

AlexG(5d) black might be able to play c10 now

deadly(NR) kobayashi is probably thinking how to make h8 a bad move

ruebezahl(25k) is it possible to play at f9 now ?



Black 75

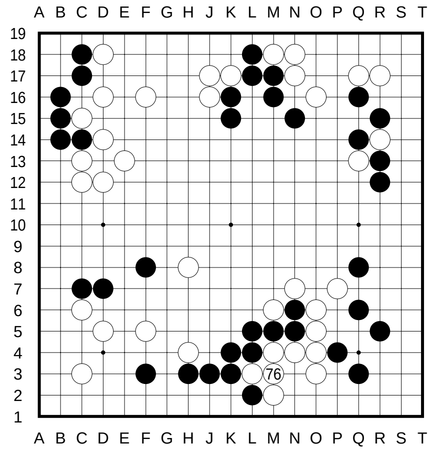
panx(10k) good move

kolian(4k) fooled you, huh?

Gene(4d) o9 may become very big.

zhuge(NR) is d9 really a bad move? w seems not interested.

lzy(???) it is so hard to attack kobayashi's weak group!



White 76

panx(10k) if b becomes strong in the center, left group will survive

zhuge(NR) surprised me.

deadly(NR) what a pachtient move

LinLi(6d) w wants to make another b group weak

deadly(NR) i mean patient

kolian(4k) bye all

Gene(4d) this move is improtant'

zhuge(NR) but never thought he'd make it now.

LinLi(6d) w is accumulating strength

nates(14k) n15 sort of prompted it....

deadly(NR) pro often say that this is one of difference between amt and pro players, they know wait and see

LinLi(6d) then w wants to give out a fatal blow

hurston(1d) W wants to get thicker by attack this group in order to catch the left 3 B stones

lzy(???) b c9 or c10.

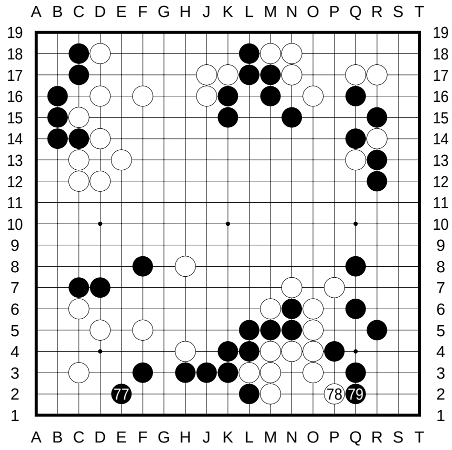
hurston(1d) then W E2 sth

magnus(2k) I think that if white get the left side black can play m3 because of N15

lzy(???) or b d2 first

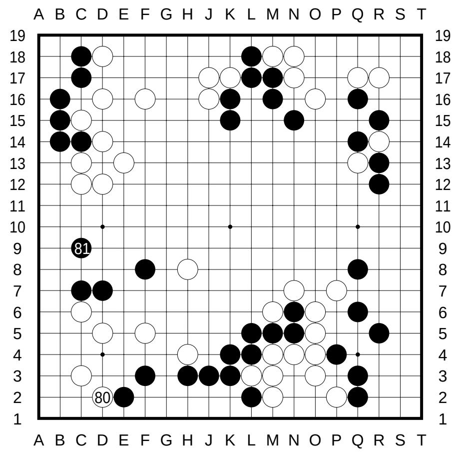
ychen(6d) m3 doesn't appear to be aggressive enough (to me :)),

yes, i may like to c9
hurston(1d) no, the upper black gruop is un−attackable now
lzy(???) before defennding the left groud.
gandalf(1k) are the 'times' given on the server about accurate?
zhuge(NR) yes.
godok(1k) where is b's weakness?
zhuge(NR) but you have to type 'time 0' to see more accurate clock.
kobayashi(9p) I think this is a nicetell hurs
sorry...
Maybe this is an appropriate moment to thank some people who made the pro game possible on IGS
First of all the sponsor: Asahi Shinbun
zhuge(NR) yes please!
gandalf(1k) quite right, go ahead , guo yuan
kobayashi(9p) Next, the system administrator of IGS: tweet
godok(1k) and of course jansteen himself
Gene(4d) cobayashi next
kobayashi(9p) Next, the pro commentator of today: Guo Juan
Next, the enormously useful otake: AshaiRey
Next, the system administrator of IGS, france: fmc
zhuge(NR) don't be so modest, jansteen. :)
kobayashi(9p) Next, the person who made my live with my client very convenient: opdorp
It was opdorp who had the idea in the first place (!)
tsand(2k) btw, are the times remotely correct?
kobayashi(9p) The players are entering the moves now
I mean, setting up the position
zhong(NR) is c10 for b next?
kobayashi(9p) From this position we lost connection yesterday
AlexG(5d) c10 looks good
tof(NR) thanks, kobayashi san
ychen(6d) i guess c9 maybe better than c10
:)
kobayashi(9p) Another 7 moves have been played since...
magnus(2k) but he will play e2
AlexG(5d) c10 allows follow up w/ b11
Cheng(6d) how can you guys make kibitz to this Meijin game?
itoh(3d) a
magnus(2k) the last seven moves was shown on cnam.cnam.fr
tof(NR) who is commenting from Amsterdam, kobayashi?



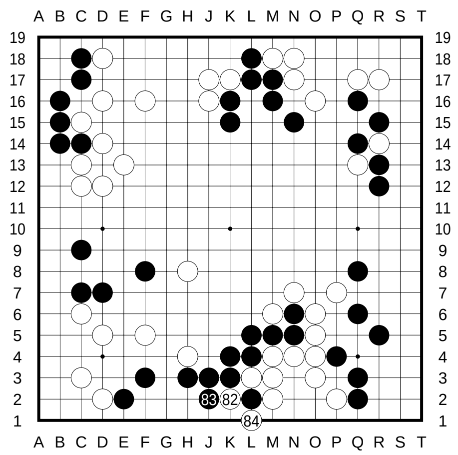
Black 77 – **Black** 79

vic(3d) s moves
zhong(NR) haha, undo?
watanabe(4d) didn't know professional could undo moves
tof(NR) yeah, g2 looked weird :)
good point, watanabe :−)
jjs(NR) why so fast today?
fanl(4k) new record
Cheng(6d) so tey playing on computer
magnus(2k) moves from yesterday



White 80 – **Black** 81

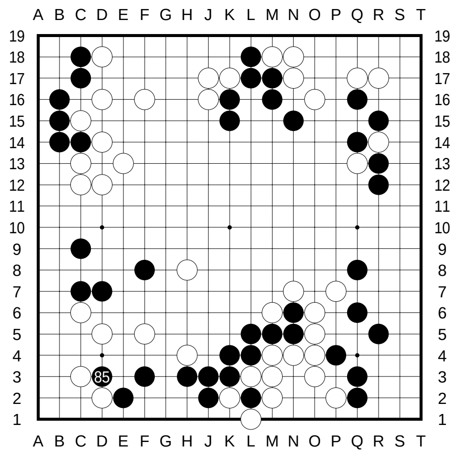
gandalf(1k) do we have now the actual position?
tof(NR) thanks for the news report, magnus. for those who were not aware of...
kobayashi(9p) I'll inform you about actual position
zhong(NR) now g2 makes sense



White 82 – **White** 84

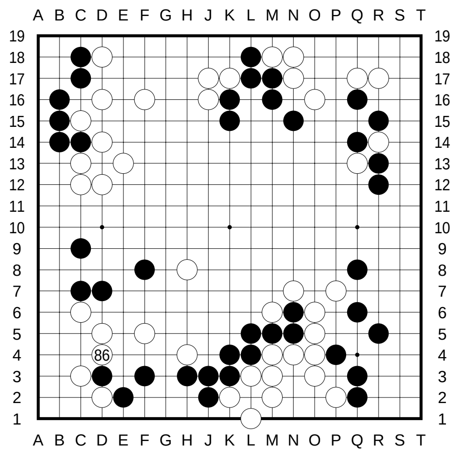
kobayashi(9p) This was the adjourned position yesterday
gandalf(1k) ok, thanx.

kobayashi(9p) general opinion in Amsterdam is that it's a close game
gandalf(1k) now we know where we are standing :–)
kobayashi(9p) White is slightly better though
jjs(NR) is Guo Juan there today?
Cheng(6d) they speak good english!
pspace(6d) should go see her, jjs :)
kobayashi(9p) Guo Juan is not here today
We will continue...



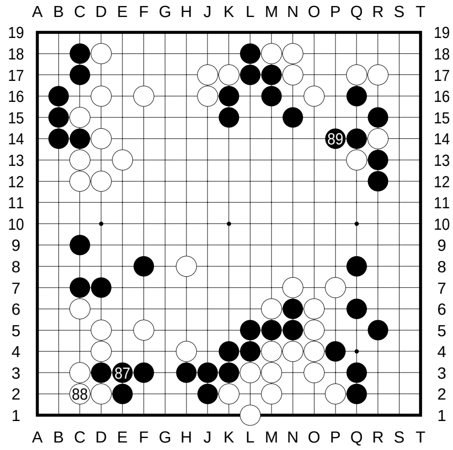
Black 85

gandalf(1k) guo, why is the opion



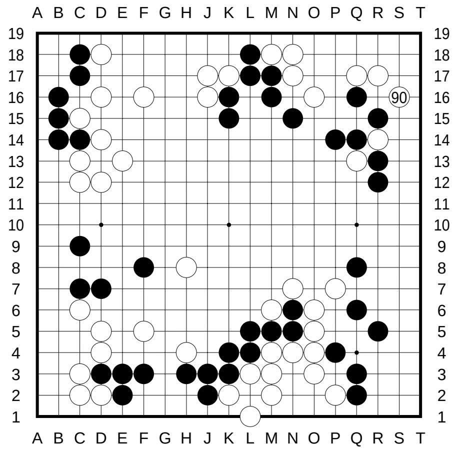
White 86

gandalf(1k) sorry, restart. why do they think white ahead?



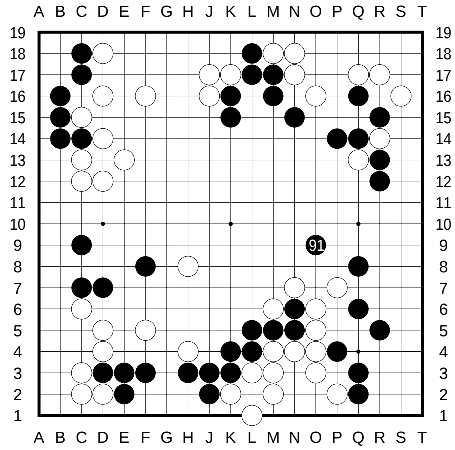
Black 87 – **Black** 89

gandalf(1k) the black territory to the right looks quite impressive ...



White 90

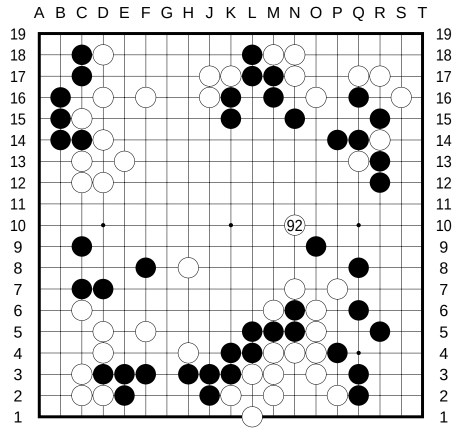
kobayashi(9p) This is the actual position
jjs(NR) u mean this is the up–to–date position?
kobayashi(9p) Yes, up–to–date position
JW(NR) when can we get the record of the game?
tof(NR) we got only 42 onservers
watanabe(4d) how long will they play for?
tof(NR) try *time*, watanabe
fanl(4k) is Kibitz copyright?
zhong(NR) a better question, where is zhege?
blowfish(5k) type 'moves 4'. it will list all the moves to date
kobayashi(9p) They play as long it takes
jjs(NR) who is zhege?
zhong(NR) zhuge
kobayashi(9p) First regular time, then byo–yomi if necessary
zhong(NR) how about b o9 next
mk(3d) endgame already?
tsand(2k) are the times correct?
tof(NR) they started with 8 hrs apiece
gandalf(1k) guo yuan, can u pls explain why they think white ahead?
UFO(30k) finally, I catch a big game. :–)
gandalf(1k) i don't see white getting enough territory to match black's side.
zhong(NR) me neither.
jjs(NR) can w do something to b c9 or j2 group?
watanabe(4d) two of black's groups aren't alive yet



Black 91

zhong(NR) good move
tof(NR) good comment, zhong :–)
Cheng(6d) how can u commen next move ? is it the rule?

jjs(NR) u can say anything, Cheng
mk(3d) w has as much territory as b's right side + w is thicker
zhong(NR) kobayashi won't mind your comments. :–)
jjs(NR) u r back, UFO?
tof(NR) we only need to avoid saying bad things against jansteen here :–)
kobayashi(9p) right!
Cheng(6d) is it real Meijin game?
nic(14k) jan who? :–)
tof(NR) hahaha
UFO(30k) got to go. :–(:–(
tof(NR) just come, go?
fanl(4k) jansteen enjoys 9p rank.:–)
zhong(NR) w will need some time to think next move.
tof(NR) stay here, UFO :)
AlexG(5d) I think that by sheer point count b. is ahead
watanabe(4d) n13?
khuang(7d) i did not like w's s16. i peerfprefer o9.
tof(NR) what is sheer point count, AlexG?
AlexG(5d) but w. has more potential
zhong(NR) i would guess j6 for w
jjs(NR) what about k7?
watanabe(4d) wouldn't white play m8 before j6?
zhong(NR) w has to attack b now.
watanabe(4d) then doesn't white have to connect m6 first?
chuck(4d) C'mon, it does't seem interesting to watch quietly, any comments from high h Ds?
zzzy(6d) iit is like a game between two amutuer
watanabe(4d) why?
why?
AlexG(5d) white 38+komi, black 47
chuck(4d) or has someone admonished that we keep quiet here?
jjs(NR) what was the move after r12?
zzzy(6d) because nothing special
zhong(NR) this is a typical title game.
watanabe(4d) nothing special because they can't trick their opponent
zhong(NR) nothing special. :–)
magnus(2k) after r12 came o16 q14 q13 r13 q17 r15 r17 m17
jjs(NR) thanks, magnus
Cheng(6d) i belieave B will win the game



White 92

mk(3d) can w attack left b group first?
magnus(2k) i waited a very long time for that move yesterday...
tsand(2k) . kas
sorry
jjs(NR) me too, magnus, and i left without the next move
cty(1d) n 10 perparing for attack?
zhong(NR) is this good?
watanabe(4d) wants to connect m6 I think
jjs(NR) o10?
Cheng(6d) too strong?
watanabe(4d) cutting point at n14
n10 looks like a good move
zzzy(6d) w has less chance to win
tof(NR) seems to far from connection with own stones, to me
too far
watanabe(4d) but white group below is absolutely alive
mk(3d) b n9?
watanabe(4d) n10 looks like reducing move but also attacking
Cheng(6d) is b c7 team alive?
jjs(NR) what would be a good move to

attack c7 hroup?

cty(1d) B has 3 groups which haven't been alive though.

JW(NR) c7 group is safe, because b has b8.

jjs(NR) i can only see 2, cty?

AshaiRey(8k) three groups ?

cty(1d) h3 group/

weiping(NR) m8?

zhong(NR) b will conterattack

kobayashi(9p) we're live on Japanese TV again

blowfish(5k) everybody wave!

kobayashi(9p) windmills, cows, musea...

watanabe(4d) hi mom!

cty(1d) m

zhong(NR) hi mom?

weiping(NR) larry's family still in japan?

tof(NR) is watanabe from japan?

watanabe(4d) mother–in–law – my parents are in Canada

zhong(NR) should say, hi obason!

jjs(NR) Jan is on TV, it that what u meant?

watanabe(4d) ok, hi obasan!

weiping(NR) :)

tweet(NR) obachan

weiping(NR) obachan sensai

zhong(NR) okey, which one is the right one? come on weiping

kobayashi(9p) Kishiko is on TV now (!)

ychen(6d) and what's that anyway ? :)

zhong(NR) obachan bansai

tof(NR) cheese! kishiko

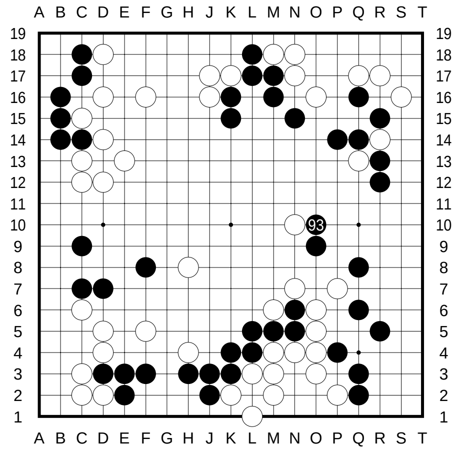
weiping(NR) what is kishiko?

gandalf(1k) come on folks, keep somewaht near to the game, pls

chuck(4d) almost everybody here thinks w is losing, Is that really so'

watanabe(4d) I don't think so – but I'm an otake fan :)

magnus(2k) Go for it OTAKE !!!!!



Black 93

zhong(NR) i am an otake fan too.

tof(NR) i bet kobayashi would never want to read the record of this ggame from igs

chuck(4d) . if so, is the difference large?

tsand(2k) he'd be bored to death

zhong(NR) good move from kobayashi

chuck(4d) tof it is not meant for him kibitz IS for USSSSS

tof(NR) chuck, my comment is not meant for u, either :)

Cheng(6d) how can kobayashi has time to kibitz while he is playing?

tof(NR) sorry u missed my joke :–)

cty(1d) i can see kobaayashi doesn't waste any stones.

tof(NR) answer Cheng, chuck :–)

zhong(NR) kobayashi is good at kibitz. :–)

watanabe(4d) well, there's an empty triangle at f2

chuck(4d) I don't know ask Kobayashi himself

gandalf(1k) should one establish a FAQ for thsi game?

blowfish(5k) what is is white by about 2.5–3.5?

zhong(NR) o10 means b has enough territory

jjs(NR) another at k4, watanabe

chuck(4d) Kobayashi must be god if he

kibitzing while playing

kobayashi(9p) :)

zhong(NR) a smiling god.

tof(NR) r u also on TV to Japan from time to time, kobayashisan? :–)

Cheng(6d) u mean someone else r kibitzing?

ajiko(NR) apparently there are no deadly attacks on black

Cheng(6d) this is first time i watch the game

jjs(NR) so, which would be the loosing move for w, if u think w is losing?

ajiko(NR) it should be interesting to see how white gets some points in the middle

kobayashi(9p) No, they're not interested in me tof :(

gandalf(1k) guo yuan: which really is a pity :–)

tof(NR) to sad. send us ur photo, i will spread the copies of it in the US :–)

jjs(NR) what is guo yuan?

kobayashi(9p) :)
Guo Juan is 5p from China
She lives in Holland and attended the game in the Go centre yesterday

jjs(NR) someone said q6 was a bad move, but later he realized that q6 is a really great move

zhong(NR) w may want to get n10 back introduce undo to him

ajiko(NR) E,F, or G10 look like good attacking plays.

AlexG(5d) now b. is threatening with n11 or even m10

weipingsan(NR) hard for white get territory in middle. hard to ind next move.

zhong(NR) weipingsan?

jjs(NR) ur name is too long, weipingsan

weipingsan(NR) is it the right wording?

tof(NR) ok, weipingsansan?

watanabe(4d) because you graduated?

zhong(NR) weipingkun is more proper. :–)

martti(15k) off

weipingsan(NR) yeap :)

ychen(6d) no weipingnie is better :)

mk(3d) no comments from pro?

tof(NR) come on jansteen. be a 9p once. give us some clue

kobayashi(9p) No, not really

ycai(12k) who won the Minren in China?

Maaniker(9k) Is w ahead?

barry(4d) w is conceding so much territory on right.

zhong(NR) w is in trouble>

kobayashi(9p) Kyonari, 9p, gave some comments but low–level ones (for TV)

blowfish(5k) we ain't all dans here, what were they? :)

tof(NR) another 9p there!

gandalf(1k) never mind, give us an idea ...

AlexG(5d) w. has to conjure a few points

barry(4d) Who is Kyonari. never heard of him.

lounela(3d) How much is black's lead? I gettell tsand . Eikun itse asiassa 8.5

kobayashi(9p) Kyonari is the NHK TV commentator for the match
He has a weekly program on Japanese TV (sundays)

lounela(3d) How much is black's lead? I get a bit less than 10 points.

jjs(NR) both w's moyos(left and up) are no longer there

barry(4d) w probably has to play at n11 aiming to cut a t top.

kobayashi(9p) K(yonari) said that maybe b–d13 would have been better just connect at b14

weipingsan(NR) n10 is questionable. if b counterattack, w can do something (not sure what).

AlexG(5d) black's lead is no more than four points

weipingsan(NR) but now hard to continue.

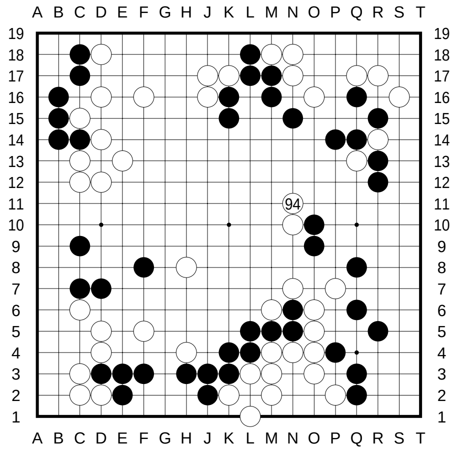
ruebezahl(25k) is n12 possible now ?

weipingsan(NR) if w n12, b probably will l10

kobayashi(9p) W s16 is extremely big
A black move here would damage the w group in the upper–right

zhong(NR) i don't understand kyonari comments. isn't d13 joseki?

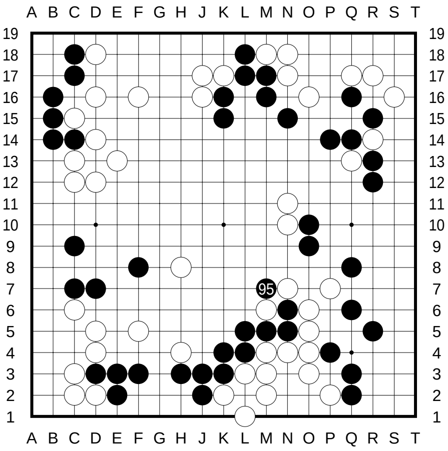
kobayashi(9p) d13 is joseki, but b14 too :)
tof(NR) b14 is also a joseki
kobayashi(9p) B couldn't utilise the ladder aji
barry(4d) d13 is joseki. but so is b14. White doesn't become so thick if b14
jjs(NR) i would prefer b14 too at yesterday's case
ajiko(NR) black groups are weak. White certainly will get some points in the middle
zhong(NR) could not? i think b had utilized it already
mk(3d) he may have said that b's utilization is not better than w's thickness
zhong(NR) then that makes more sense.
jjs(NR) b is better now, if b was at b14, he is even better?
barry(4d) If black gets to hane at N11 he can't possibly lose.
kobayashi(9p) After W r14 the opinion of the pro's in Amsterdam was:
White is better because (3 reasons)
ajiko(NR) I though so
kobayashi(9p) White has a ponnuki
White's group O3 is alive
jjs(NR) how b got a chance to go c7?
kobayashi(9p) White could enter the right side first (with W r14)
tof(NR) what's ponnuki?
kobayashi(9p) ponnuki = shape after one stone capture
zhong(NR) w is at r14
ruebezahl(25k) the proverb says, the ponnuki is worth 30 points
tof(NR) thanks, kobayashi and gandalg
magnus(2k) look at d13 tof!
ruebezahl(25k) so otake has a lead in territory
jjs(NR) ponnuki is KaiHua
watanabe(4d) the dan players here probably didn't count that 30 points
tof(NR) sorry gandalf
zhuge(NR) my goodness! finally got it.
i meant finally got in here.
cty(1d) hard to login?
jjs(NR) zhuge, u r late for one hour today
zhuge(NR) which was the sealed move yesterday?
tweet(NR) you took 1.5 hours to get here.
AlexG(5d) the indication of wqhiyte's usccess is his ability to play s16
zhuge(NR) it was more like 1.5 days to me. :)
kobayashi(9p) the sealed move was: B d3
jjs(NR) zhuge is in San F?
tweet(NR) you have to take me to lunch now.
zhong(NR) one and half month
tof(NR) confused, AlexG
zhuge(NR) again, anyone knows which was the sealed move?
tsand(2k) d3
zhuge(NR) i see. thanks
i am in berkeley but using an account in S.F.
gandalf(1k) guo yuan. can u give an estimate of the size of the propestive territories?
AlexG(5d) s16 was the first mutually large pure endgame move
gandalf(1k) ... prospective ...
zhuge(NR) who's better now?
kobayashi(9p) Guo is not here today (she has a course)
zhong(NR) guys, enough is enough :–). bye.
tof(NR) when did u move to berkeley, zhuge? i thought u are a wildcat in Chicago :)
jjs(NR) perspactive?
zhuge(NR) a course?



White 94

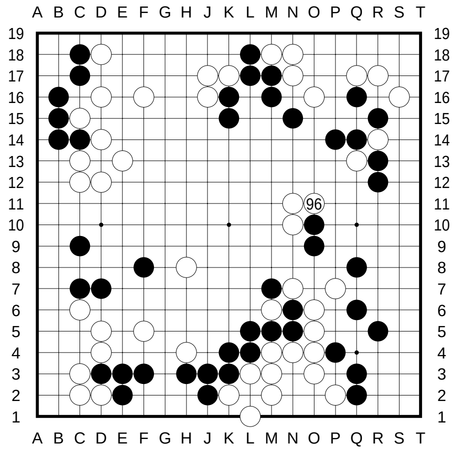
gandalf(1k) who is commenting then?
tweet(NR) school
kobayashi(9p) a computer course
zhuge(NR) oh yeah, home in berkeley, school in chicago.
tof(NR) a course means a dish sometimes
ajiko(NR) Nice and simple
kobayashi(9p) At this moment no comments yet in the centre
lounela(3d) Oh, wonder.
tof(NR) dish is an attemping word to me right now...
gandalf(1k) pity
kobayashi(9p) Later, Frank Janssen, 6d, will give analysis here
barry(4d) N11 threatens (future) cut at O15
AlexG(5d) is o15 that‘ dangerous?
mk(3d) b o12 can prevent the cut
gandalf(1k) when will frank janssen be there?
magnus(2k) does the cut o15 make a move like j14 or something sente?
barry(4d) O15 not dangerous unless combined with attack on left. How dangerous is a move like Q11?
kobayashi(9p) maybe in one hour
ajiko(NR) b needs to defend the left soon, huh?
zhuge(NR) i wouldn't say it's safe.
gandalf(1k) let's hope ...
jjs(NR) m8?
AlexG(5d) q11 doesn't seem to work
watanabe(4d) white may get some center territory
barry(4d) I f white gets to play at G10 makes lots of territory while attacking.
lounela(3d) Is there a possibility of double attack?
jjs(NR) b at h9?
ajiko(NR) I think white will just make territory in the middle.
watanabe(4d) I agree
I wonder what is REALLY going on
Cheng(6d) o12?
zhuge(NR) what do you mean, watanabe?
ajiko(NR) H9 = overplay (i think)
gandalf(1k) everybody is taken for granted that black leads, if at all, only by a little
AlexG(5d) I like o12
barry(4d) b will play at h9?
gandalf(1k) but where's white's territory?
zhuge(NR) what do you REALLY mean? :)
watanabe(4d) maybe we have completely wrong ideas
find out that person we thought was leading,
was actually far behind and game was hopeless
blowfish(5k) Amsterdamn pros think White is ahead, we Kibitzers call it Black ahead...
kobayashi(9p) Ishida Yoshio explains that when W gets thicker in the center...
lounela(3d) Black has more territory, but w has lots of potential attacks.
kobayashi(9p) W will attack the lower-edge with W g2
ajiko(NR) B H9 gets cut off and B cant manage both H9 and his group on left.
m0184(6d) b next move, n 9 ?
zhuge(NR) ishida 9p is the referee right? and he made comments too?

jjs(NR) so how about f10?
kobayashi(9p) Yes, several people appear on TV
tof(NR) and i bet he would only let one of the players know, zhuge :)
Cheng(6d) long thinking
kobayashi(9p) Ishida, Takagi, Kyonari, ...
watanabe(4d) next move is o11 or p12?
tof(NR) translate please, zhuge. maybe i know some of them, as in Chinese
zhuge(NR) ishida = shi2 tian2 fang fu
kompella(7k) B seems way ahead time−wise ... are the times accurate?
jjs(NR) next move is n9 or
tof(NR) good. computer program. manyfaces
zhuge(NR) manyfaces?
magnus(2k) I have a feeling that this is when Kobayashi will use all his extra time ...
AlexG(5d) j14 is important so o12 is good because it makes j14 no longer kikashi
zhuge(NR) i feel taht your feeling is right, magnus.
otake(9p) We have not compensated for the time that berkely was down yesterday.
kobayashi(9p) The time is just indication I'm afraid
tof(NR) Ishida was nicked as computer since he got No.1 calculation for the judgement of the situation
kobayashi(9p) Sometimes it takes some time to be able to see the next move...
tof(NR) no matter how complex it may be
zhuge(NR) well we'll have another lunch break today right?
tsand(2k) you can use addtime



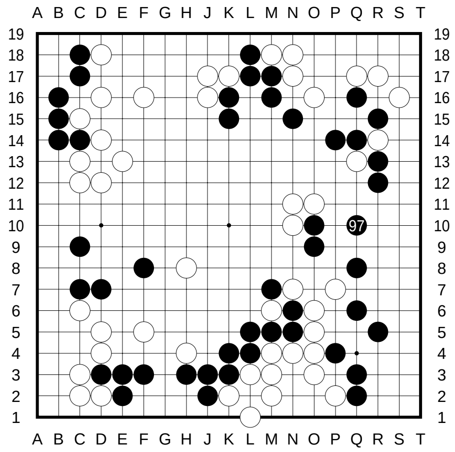
Black 95

jjs(NR) no one guessed m7
kobayashi(9p) The lunch break is 1:45 hours from now
magnus(2k) surprised? I am
tof(NR) who r the other two, zhuge? please?
blowfish(5k) why surprised? isn't it a chance to break into the white center while creating more eye potential?
AlexG(5d) I am
zhuge(NR) i missed the name −− jan, who were the other two 9p's appeared on TV?
watanabe(4d) I'm not so surprised − make group safe
AlexG(5d) kikashi means a threat
barry(4d) I am surprised but looking at it . ity looks good.
kobayashi(9p) Kyonari, 9p and Takagi, 9p
watanabe(4d) but black loses territory on right
barry(4d) others were Kyonari and Takagi.



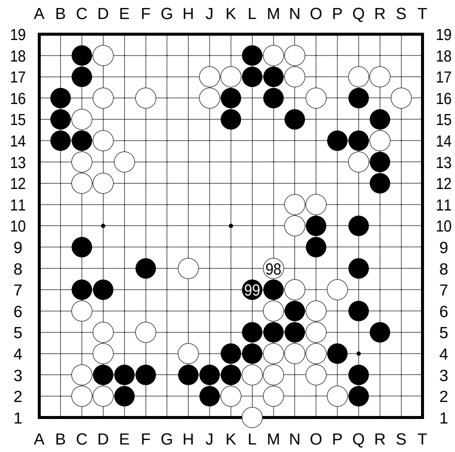
White 96

jjs(NR) my feeling is that b should separate n12 stones



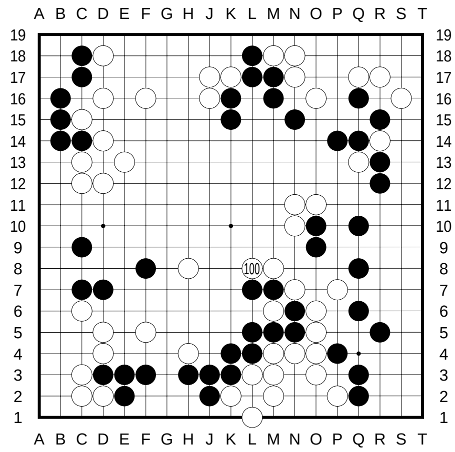
Black 97

zhuge(NR) takagi = gao mu4 (high bridge :)
tof(NR) i like q10
Gao Mu Xiang Xiong?
mk(3d) now w n11 group is thin
tof(NR) he is only demonstrating or narrating lately, i guess
watanabe(4d) I think q10 is necessary
zhuge(NR) not sure: gao mu xiang yi?
m0184(6d) black is only trying to safety play
barry(4d) W n11 group is not thin.
tof(NR) maybe u r right, zhuge :)
ajiko(NR) B is taking care of weak groups. What kind of play is that ?! –
AlexG(5d) w. is caught up on points now
barry(4d) w s14 may become sente later.
jjs(NR) q10 is requied



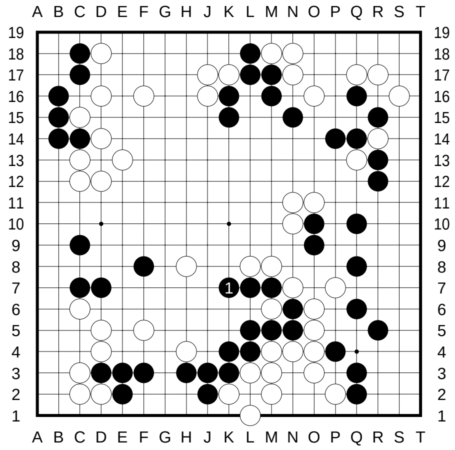
White 98 – **Black** 99

zhuge(NR) i don't know how kyonari is :(
tof(NR) reduced one weak group already
zhuge(NR) i am checking the dictionary :)
barry(4d) kyo could be today.



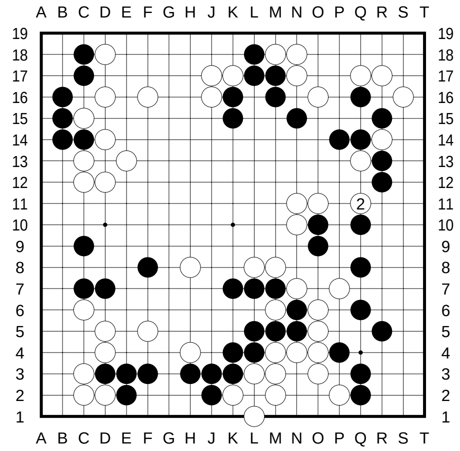
White 100

tof(NR) tell me the page no. and i will try it myself :)
jjs(NR) zhuge needs a dict.? just check the sky
ajiko(NR) Making points in the middle.
watanabe(4d) white doing well
zhuge(NR) well, i guess kyonari is qu3 li4 qi3.
barry(4d) l8 is a very thick moove typical of otake.
zhuge(NR) kyonari = qu3 (bent shape)
barry(4d) I would find it a bit too slow.



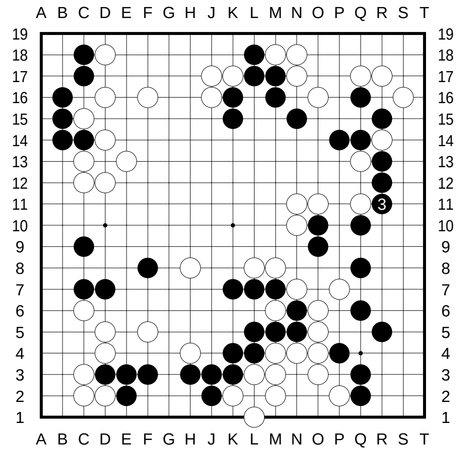
Black 101

AlexG(5d) s14 could be nasty
jjs(NR) k8
gandalf(1k) hey, no we see some development
tof(NR) thanks, zhuge
zhuge(NR) yes, k8 would be my move made in 2 seconds. :)
my pleasure.
AlexG(5d) k8 is thick but it could be slow
kobayashi(9p) (locally) how about W j9 instead of W k8
lugq(2d) g10
g10
tof(NR) show more authority, kobayashikun :–)
zhuge(NR) he's not the real kobayashi, tof san. :)



White 102

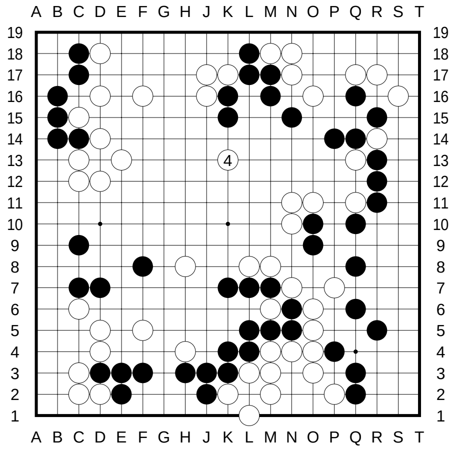
os(3k) Has there been a professional opinion of the position?
zhuge(NR) ah.
tof(NR) u r telling the wrong guy, zhuge san :)



Black 103

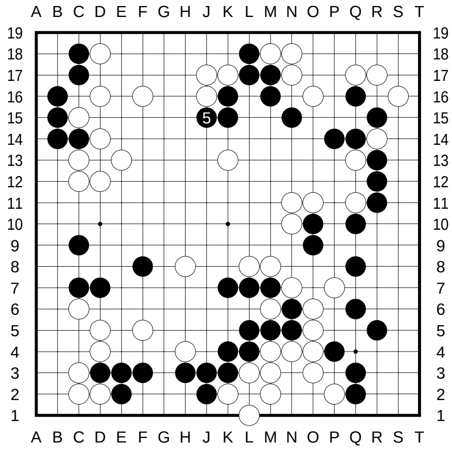
os(3k) I am surprised how black managed to put two groups in the face of the white thickness
barry(4d) At least b rll was totally obvious.
kobayashi(9p) I guess that Kishiko will come back with some opinions from the

pro's
AlexG(5d) guess b. couldn't play p11
tof(NR) great, kobayashi. but i didn't know that kobayashi's wife is kishiko before... :–(
kobayashi(9p) Interesting isn't it:)
tof(NR) sorry if a bad joke "–)
jjs(NR) some one is younger than his wife?
zhuge(NR) kishiko = an4 zi3 i guess :)
Cheng(6d) k13?
zhuge(NR) an4 = river bank.
Vampire(NR) k13 is good
AlexG(5d) I like k13
jjs(NR) l14?
Watch(NR) if k13 b m13?
Cheng(6d) so my kibitz make a sense
ajiko(NR) B K8 is severe
barry(4d) j13 is a n interesting idea for w
lounela(3d) w k13 should put w in the lead on points.
watanabe(4d) I think w has to play k8
kobayashi(9p) zhuge: Takagi = high tree
zhuge(NR) you're right –– i said high bridge? WRONG! :(
barry(4d) w wants to play g10 but needs a strong followup on left.
magnus(2k) k13 makes miai of j15 and k8 IMHO
zhuge(NR) although my Chinese Pinyin was right. :)
kobayashi(9p) zhuge: Kyonari = clear + becoming
lounela(3d) j15 not that big.
zhuge(NR) oops.
AlexG(5d) i agree with magnus
tof(NR) where did u get those, kobayashi? Kishiko back?
blowfish(5k) how big would h7 be for black?
lugq(2d) g10 after q11 and r11
Vampire(NR) k13 also for o15
zhuge(NR) then i couldn't recognize who Kyonari is.
kobayashi(9p) Kishiko is back
tof(NR) no wonder
zhuge(NR) and more comments?
kobayashi(9p) According to the pro's W will loose if he doesn't do anything special
tof(NR) now please
AlexG(5d) s14 rather than o15?
ding(1k) how about f9
zhuge(NR) honto? (that is, 'really?' :) W is losing?
nic(14k) we remain out of sync with the pros
kobayashi(9p) White has no time to relax...



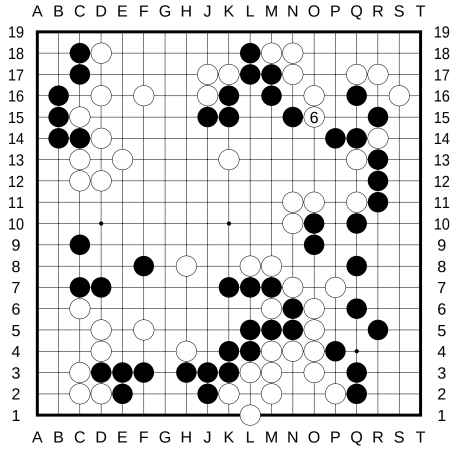
White 104

AlexG(5d) f9 is strengthening b.



Black 105

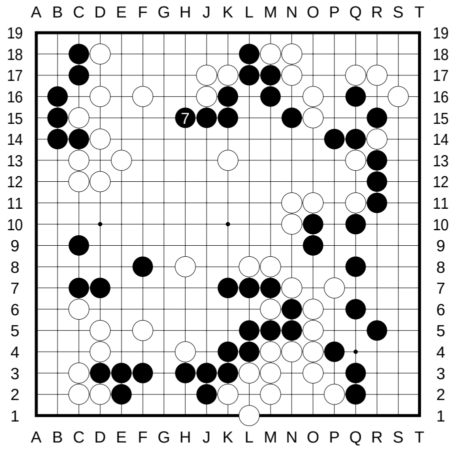
watanabe(4d) good guess



White 106

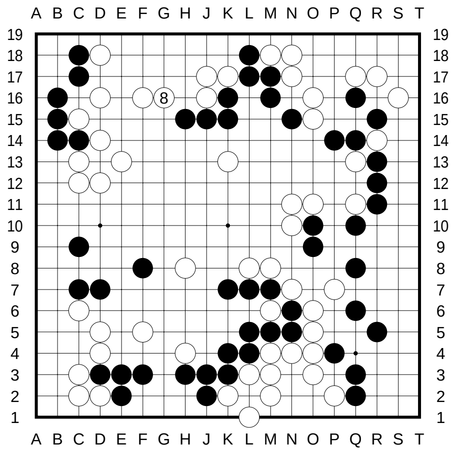
barry(4d) b j125 was very quick. I would think for hours about that.
jjs(NR) from j15, j15 is big?
watanabe(4d) reason I don't like k13 is because j15 affects 3 stones above
gandalf(1k) hmm the cut now? looks intersting
watanabe(4d) but looks like an overplay
AlexG(5d) j15 was amust
watanabe(4d) I agree – black had to play j15 but now 3 white stones have only 4 liberties
may make it easy for black to settle himself
then white looks very think
I mean thin
barry(4d) Black has a small lead in territory. W still has good thickness.
magnus(2k) after the cut is s14 sente now?
barry(4d) W must be careful not to fall behind.
AlexG(5d) if w. gets pts. inthe center he wins?
watanabe(4d) I don't think white will get points in the center now
zhuge(NR) are we looking at a 0.5–point game?

jjs(NR) w wants m13 and k8?
watanabe(4d) not after black thrashes around in there
willfor(8k) what is black's next move?
ajiko(NR) if stone at Q13 gets safe then w has plenty of territory.
AlexG(5d) s14 is a cente and the game is close



Black 107

zhuge(NR) b is threatening w's center.

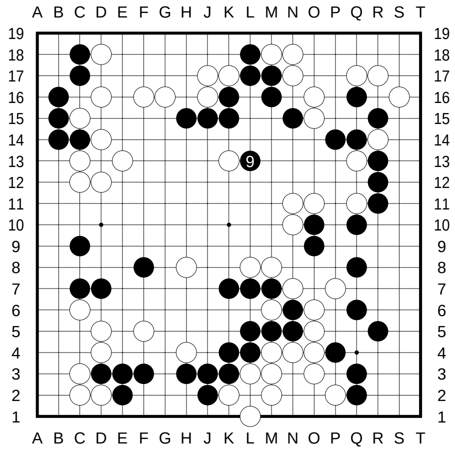


White 108

barry(4d) will w sacrifice his 3 stones at top?

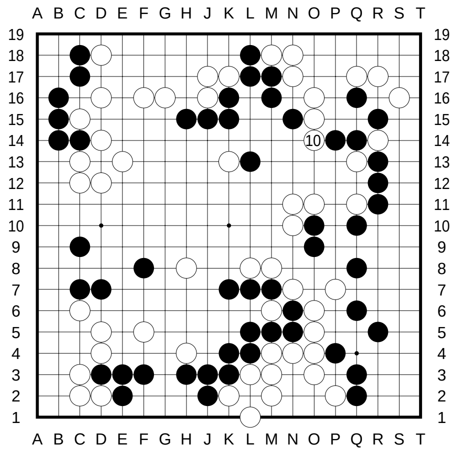
ajiko(NR) I think b will lose a group.
barry(4d) no
nic(14k) h13
zhuge(NR) okay a typo.
barry(4d) surely b has to play at o14.
AlexG(5d) w. is forced to defend an open−ended position
zhuge(NR) if b insists to get in the center, will that influence his left team?
ajiko(NR) YES
zhuge(NR) so maybe f10 is better than h13?
ruebezahl(25k) the tree stones around j16 ? never!
lugq(2d) b wants to survive well goes to the center
AlexG(5d) o14 may be unneeded
ajiko(NR) b might play a neighboring point later for eyes.
lugq(2d) o14 thretten the b in the upper side
watanabe(4d) black probably wants to work out in detail
how he is going to live now before playing
barry(4d) b has to think of the overall result and how he is going to win.
ajiko(NR) Do all group run toward ponukis
AlexG(5d) b. has 46 points
zhuge(NR) folks, what an experience to think along with the pros!
Vampire(NR) b l13
jjs(NR) b's right and d−r are too big
AlexG(5d) w. has 34+komi+the center
zhuge(NR) really? so if w gets 10 points at the center, he will surely win?
AlexG(5d) yes
lugq(2d) m13
JW(NR) k18 will give w another 6 pts at least.
AlexG(5d) Ilike m13
jjs(NR) lunch time again?
zhuge(NR) not yet; maybe in an hour.
kobayashi(9p) lunch break is 1:10 from now
Cheng(6d) o14 may havas to go
zhuge(NR) i hope kobayshi will report what they eat for lunch. :)
jjs(NR) i huess zzzy's kinitz is off guess
AlexG(5d) there are larger moves than k18
jjs(NR) kibitz
JW(NR) w may save k18for later
kobayashi(9p) According to "mars" it's still very close
gandalf(1k) who is 'mars'?
kobayashi(9p) W = 48.5
zzzy(6d) who is mars
kobayashi(9p) B = 52
zhuge(NR) hmm that *is* close.
kobayashi(9p) "mars" didn't calculate any points for the white center
jjs(NR) why k18? d17 is less than k18?
tof(NR) he is also there, jansteen?
AlexG(5d) I was more conservative in the pt count
kobayashi(9p) Yes, mars is in Amsterdam
daniel(3k) b j13?
zhuge(NR) so w needs to make at least 5 points at the middle; doesn't look difficult. :)
zzzy(6d) how do you know w 28.5 at this moment
ajiko(NR) I think the last B−W exchange was premature.
tof(NR) u guys r really having fun :)
gandalf(1k) again. who is 'mars'?
zhuge(NR) mars is a good German player. type 'stats mars' to see his stats.
tof(NR) a 5d in Germany, for those who don't know
mk(3d) mars = jupzup?
zhuge(NR) yes.
tof(NR) mk=? :)
mk(3d) mk < mars
jjs(NR) tof=?
kobayashi(9p) Wer bisst du dann?
nic(14k) stats mars: address − none, info − none.
tof(NR) if k=kilo, then mk >>>>> mars :−)
zzzy(6d) see you
zhuge(NR) okay what's jansteen talking about?
barry(4d) Ta shuo le "Ni shi shui?"
zhuge(NR) kobayshi has spent 15 min on this

move now.
AlexG(5d) I think there is a consensus about how much w. needs in the center
zhuge(NR) i see. thanks barry.
kobayashi(9p) Sorry zhuge, should be "tell"
ajiko(NR) B has to get a couple more points just to have eyes.
zhuge(NR) does everyone konw what happened yesterday at the end? (i mean to the net)
nic(14k) no, what?
AlexG(5d) you don't count those pts.
zhuge(NR) how to say: berkeley local net is blocked from outside, so only bpeople in berkeley was able to log on IGS (a total of 3).
ajiko(NR) If you dont then the score is not relevent (the group dies)
zhuge(NR) hopefully it won't happen again today.
Vampire(NR) seems that there is no blood today :)
nic(14k) there's the French server too.
AlexG(5d) are u sure it's not the lunchtime
kobayashi(9p) No, Kobayashi is pondering deeply now
zhuge(NR) yes: how was the server in France at that time?
JW(NR) Vampire is so thirsty now... :)
AlexG(5d) thanks
kobayashi(9p) Lunch break is one hour from now
barry(4d) It is hard to find a good way to attack the 4 b stones on left.
os(3k) The French server was ok, but only 10 people on. They showed a few more moves of the game
Vampire(NR) kobayashi think what to eat for his lunch?
JW(NR) blood, i geuss.
barry(4d) If b gets to play b6 then d6 and f6 he can live easily.
zhuge(NR) if the players like fried rice i can cook some and send it to them thru SuperExperss :)
jjs(NR) blood is for drink
barry(4d) so w must attack with b7 if stronger in centre.
zhuge(NR) better yet, i can send the fried rice thru e—mail. :))
watanabe(4d) you mean b8
blowfish(5k) { |||||||||||||||||| }
barry(4d) b8 would be an attempt to kill.
JW(NR) why not through Fax machine?
jjs(NR) use tell is faster
watanabe(4d) well, then b6 is better than b7 I think
wonder what the players are thinking
barry(4d) Ok so how does b answer b6?
AlexG(5d) g10
barry(4d) I f black plays on edge then probably at b8 but b10 is dangerous.
g10 might not work if w becomes a bit thicker in centre.
watanabe(4d) I agree — I think white needs more stones toplay b8
JW(NR) agree with barry.
lzy(???) e10 seems a good point for black.
JW(NR) can b settle k15 group in sente then play f10?
barry(4d) So if w gets to play in centre (say g10) then b6 is good attack?
watanabe(4d) but I think black has another way out — what about g7?
AlexG(5d) I think the group on the upper side is weaker
barry(4d) I was assuming b would play at O14 to look after other group.
kobayashi(9p) b has to do sthing for the upper group (may not be sente) (mars)



Black 109

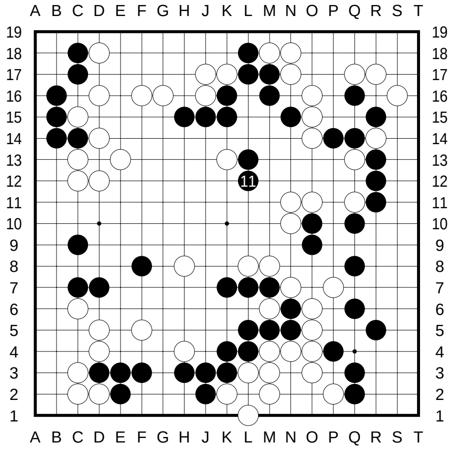
AlexG(5d) o14 is slow
barry(4d) If b plays g7 he is connecting on dame. w must be happy with that,
Vampire(NR) :)
watanabe(4d) but means he can let group sit while takes points elsewhere



White 110

watanabe(4d) o14
if otake did not play o14 he would not be otake
barry(4d) o14 is fighting spirit. If b doesn't play there w shows why o14 was threat.
zhuge(NR) otake made this move fast, or did two moves came at the same tiem?
JW(NR) s14 becomes w's sente now.
jjs(NR) good for w
watanabe(4d) also o12 is sente
zhuge(NR) and p13 is severe.
AlexG(5d) I don't understand o14
JW(NR) plus k15—group still not settled yet.
AlexG(5d) too costly in the center
watanabe(4d) very costly
barry(4d) w is definitely behind on territory now.
Vampire(NR) w could not make many points in the center
barry(4d) must catch up through attacking.
watanabe(4d) not costly if black stones captured :)
zhuge(NR) that's must be what otake has in mind.
AlexG(5d) what stones?
JW(NR) but b j9 has always been there.
watanabe(4d) k15
barry(4d) b must play in centre possibly k12.
jjs(NR) no sotones
lzy(???) I think w is ahead now.
AlexG(5d) capturing k15 is science fiction
jjs(NR) w wants to gain something through attacking b's 2 weaks
zhuge(NR) 45 min from lunch break –– i am hungry now. :)
watanabe(4d) o14 looks like a stake through a vampire's heart
jjs(NR) w might thinking that he cant make a big center, why not get s14 sente?
lugq(2d) bye guys. its 2:30 a.m. canada pacific time
JW(NR) it is 4:20 CDT here in Texas now.
zhuge(NR) gee you got up early JW. :)
deanr(3d) it is o530 EST – I just got up.
barry(4d) I have a much more reasonable 9:30 pm

mk(3d) what is b's next move?
JW(NR) hahaha can never be early.
kolian(4k) and here is like in Holland:) 11:30
jjs(NR) its 4:20am here, i just had my lunch
watanabe(4d) k12 I guess
mk(3d) j13 and then?
watanabe(4d) didn't think that far :)
lzy(???) l12 is strongest move for b
jjs(NR) if b k12, w would go j13
lzy(???) but very risky.
jjs(NR) b still got to strugle for survival
lzy(???) white is interested in capturing now.
JW(NR) i can see otake smiling now.
deanr(3d) I doubt white can capture the center group – but how about the small group on the upper right?
magnus(2k) for real or in your imagination?
jjs(NR) while there some w stones around h12, c9 will be the target
zhuge(NR) and kobayshi asks him, 'what's so funny?' :)
AlexG(5d) who will have the last laugh?
JW(NR) 'cause you are suffering....
lzy(???) the problem is b has two weak groups, not one.
watanabe(4d) but group on left is not so weak
kobayashi(9p) Sorry, somehow lost connection
barry(4d) what no moves while youwere away?
kobayashi(9p) However, nothing happened yet om the board
watanabe(4d) didn't miss much ...
kobayashi(9p) This is the up–to–date position
zhuge(NR) didn't miss a bit.



Black 111

AlexG(5d) no kidding
jjs(NR) will the game stored when finished?
zhuge(NR) yes... but i am afraid you have to wait for a while before mail it to yourself.
jjs(NR) i would like mail it to myself later. cant stay longer
zhuge(NR) copyright has to be considered.
AshaiRey(8k) Near the end you can do a moves command to get the log.
kompella(7k) I thought mail was disabled?
fmc(7k) mail is disabled, both here and on cnam, while waiting for the copyright
AlexG(5d) l12 seems rather soft, is b. complacent?
zhuge(NR) yes i think tweet did that (disable the mail)
tornado(2d) if u use xigs, u can save the moves on ur disk
AshaiRey(8k) A bit silly I think. now you just could write down the moves and kibitzes...
tsand(2k) heh
jjs(NR) the problem is : got to go
os(3k) What about mail *after* Asahi Shimbun has published the game?
zhuge(NR) that will be okay i guess.

watanabe(4d) thanks for telling me about teh save moves !!
gandalf(1k) why don't u read the message of the day?
barry(4d) probably better to put it on R.g.g to save the mailer too much work.
kobayashi(9p) That's right, but we'll ask Asahi to be sure about it
gandalf(1k) try 'help motd'
deanr(3d) I think black wishes quiet settlement for his center group so that he can save group on left. Upper right is also at risk
willfor(8k) copyright can't stop me from remembering the game and I doubt there's any copyright on the kibitzes here on IGS. :–)
zhuge(NR) that will be the copyright of IGS! :)
watanabe(4d) but it's not in xgoban format :(
os(3k) What does 'local time' mean in the motd?
deanr(3d) tell willfor The issue is not remembering...the professionals were kind enough to permit us access; we should respect the copyrights
zhuge(NR) if Asahi Shinbum is interested in our kibitzing, they have to ask us. :))
gandalf(1k) local–server time
sorry local time = server time
try 'uptime'
tornado(2d) It's a pity that it's not in smart–go format
zhuge(NR) i think Smart–Go can read mgt fromat.
tornado(2d) however, easy to write a script to convert it into smart–go
barry(4d) smart go and mgt use the same format.
os(3k) Ahem. They got the GMT wrong in 'uptime', it's 9:40 GMT :–)
zhuge(NR) i might be wrong (wrong diretion
tornado(2d) smart–go==mgt
jjs(NR) xgoban too
zhuge(NR) how come i see 10:40 GMT?
tornado(2d) but the moves saved by xigs is not in the mgt format.
kobayashi(9p) because it's wrong zhuge... :)
jjs(NR) its in no format
k12 next?
AlexG(5d) any thoughts of what w. is thinking about?
jjs(NR) will go after seeing next move
tornado(2d) however, easy to get around.....
deanr(3d) perhaps s14 and a move near n13...
barry(4d) w would like to play at l14. needs a bit more strength in area first.
zhuge(NR) the next move will take 2 hours. jjs. :)
watanabe(4d) anyone got a conversion file to convert from save moves format to mgt format?
AlexG(5d) I don't see the point of k12
what is n13 for?
zhuge(NR) s14 is sente, gains territory too.
Vampire(NR) s14 too early... how about h13?
AlexG(5d) I take it back, n13 might be needed after s14
deanr(3d) h13 looks interesting for w
kobayashi(9p) A though position it seems
zhuge(NR) yes indeed. but i don't see why h13. tutoring please. :)
deanr(3d) is kobayashi receiving our kibitz messages, or is that someone else entering??
jjs(NR) n13 does nothing to help s14
zhuge(NR) jansteen is entering for him.
kobayashi(9p) No, kobayashi can read ur minds :)
deanr(3d) n13 may help place pressure on the top group.
AlexG(5d) Ithink b. is safe on the top
Vampire(NR) if not h13, w can play j12
deanr(3d) after additional pressure on the top group, the stone at q13 beomes stronger and s14 becomes huge
Moffen(16k) Are the other games to be played in Japan?
barry(4d) a black move at j9 would be decisive>

kobayashi(9p) That's right, the other games will be played in Japan
deanr(3d) barry had found an excellent move
watanabe(4d) what excellent move?
Vampire(NR) this is w's turn
deanr(3d) barry suggested b J9
yes, it is white's turn. Barry is suggesting a lurking threat
AlexG(5d) maybe it's time for b6
ruebezahl(25k) do they have a break now ?
zhuge(NR) wish someone in japan can do the same work as jansteen and AshaiRey.
kobayashi(9p) No, no break yet
Yes, zhuge, that would be great!
zhuge(NR) break is 10 min away?
Vampire(NR) w may want to put stones around e9/f10 while attackting upper b
barry(4d) The problem with that is that they travel around Japan.
zhuge(NR) maybe ishida 9p is interested. :)))
kobayashi(9p) :):):)
jjs(NR) '7 minutes to the break, cant see the next move before leave
barry(4d) In Japan there is a gonet which is acommercial operation.
zhuge(NR) poor jjs. :) class today?
jjs(NR) no class, office hours at 11
zhuge(NR) TA or RA?
deanr(3d) I need to wake my children and prepare them for school soon.
JW(NR) i think a game 'ishida–khuang' on the server would be interesting.
jjs(NR) Ta
who is ishida?
AlexG(5d) I've a poker game tonight
JW(NR) otake will just leave for break without playing next move.
billf(10k) how long is the lunch break?
Vampire(NR) TA = Talking Assistance
zhuge(NR) an hour i guess.
barry(4d) I think w will play at j12.
kobayashi(9p) Lunch break is one hour, 5 min from now it starts
jjs(NR) good guess, Vampire
deanr(3d) Bye. Thanks for the company
JW(NR) he certainly does not want to give w extra time to think
nic(14k) so next w move will be sealed?
zhuge(NR) that's still better than RA, the running assistant. :)
barry(4d) they don't seal a move for lunch
zhuge(NR) no they don't.
kobayashi(9p) They just left for the break
zhuge(NR) bye jjs. :)
JW(NR) are you a good runner, zhuge?
jjs(NR) bye, folks, bye zhuge
barry(4d) good bye all. I can't wait that long
JW(NR) bye–bye everybody.
nic(14k) going to bed... bye
zhuge(NR) not a very good one, i use whellwheelchair like i used to.
willfor(8k) how long is the break?
Vampire(NR) bye now, i will see you in your nightmare :)
zhuge(NR) hour break.
okay i will take a break too. :)
tornado(2d) is there a smart–go manual on ftp.u.washington.edu....i browsed through the directory couldn't find any...poor man wanna to break to copy right law
AshaiRey(8k) there is some doc in mgt.zip
Together with an example mgt file this is enough info to understand it completely.
tsand(2k) did lunch break start?
AlexG(5d) yes
tornado(2d) thanks, ashairey.
kolian(4k) silence?
fmc(7k) lunch time :)
harec(22k) If black play p12, could he then take q13
AlexG(5d) before s14 is played there is no need to take q13
kolian(4k) AlexG: what's your counting?
AlexG(5d) give me a moment
b. 37
w. 32+komi
kolian(4k) c. Thank you Alex.
Alex, btw aren't you from

xUSSR?
jon(4d) How much did you count for white in the center?
AlexG(5d) in the center I counted nothing
yes I am originally from the USSR
Leningrad
How about you?
AshaiRey(8k) Been there once. Nice city.
kolian(4k) Moscow:)
AlexG Do you know Matvey Sokolovsky?
AlexG(5d) I do know him
kolian(4k) AlexG I was his disciple:)
zhuge(NR) some chess player?
kolian(4k) zhuge: xSoviet Go player. My teacher:)
AlexG(5d) thanks ,AshaiRey
zhuge(NR) i see. where is he now?
kolian(4k) AlexG: Do you know some former xSoviet players, who moved to Israel?
zhuge(NR) and where is AlexG? Israel?
AlexG(5d) No, I don't
kolian(4k) zhuge: NO:(
AlexG(5d) I am in Chicago
zhuge(NR) AlexG: really? which school?
kolian(4k) Alex: Is Matvey still in Moscow?
AlexG(5d) I am in UFC, don't know about Matvey
zhuge(NR) UFC?
AlexG(5d) Where are you colian
kolian(4k) Very pity. I've nobody to play in Israel:(
zhuge(NR) i see, just saw your stats. U of C.
kolian(4k) In Israel
AlexG(5d) Which city
kolian(4k) Alex: I once knew one Gurevich in Leningrad. His name was Maksim. He changed his surname to Frolov after.
Alex: Beer–Sheba, but Israel is very small.
AlexG(5d) I don,t know who is Maxim
kolian(4k) Alex: Do you know Vadik av Vadik Havin!
zhuge(NR) why do you ask all these quetions about Russian people to Alex, kolian?
AlexG(5d) btw how did you figure my last name?
kolian(4k) zhuge: should ask you?
Alex: Your login is gurevich:)
zhuge(NR) ask me? the answer will always be 'NO' :)
kolian(4k) Alex: So do you know Havin Vadik(Vadim). he is Matvey pupil too.
AlexG(5d) I thought it was my friend who was logged in
I don,t know him either
kolian(4k) Who?
AlexG(5d) whyte
kolian(4k) pity. zhuge: I ask Alex, because his answers aren't always 'no'
AlexG(5d) I met Matvey when he was supervising
jon(4d) What is the latest comment from the game site?
kolian(4k) when?
AlexG(5d) Moscow team on the Russian Youth championship
kolian(4k) cool. If could be a member of it:(
sorry if=I
zhuge(NR) then why didn't you kolian?
you were in Israel already?
kolian(4k) because I've been in Israel for 2 years:):(
AlexG(5d) that was 5 years ago
zhuge(NR) kolian: is it possible for you to form an Israel national team all by yourself? :)
kolian(4k) zhuge: why not:)
jon(4d) It takes two to make a team.
kolian(4k) Ahh. 5 years ago I didn't play:)
kobayashi(9p) Break is over...
AlexG(5d) great
kolian(4k) Ok. Let's stop.
zhuge(NR) oops –– my local system will have an 'automatic shutdown in 5 min' :(
don't know if it will be back. :(
AlexG(5d) ???
kolian(4k) I'll e–mail you a game record,

zhuge.
lixj(NR) game record + tons of kibitz:–)
zhuge(NR) what did the players had for luc lunch?
kobayashi(9p) I have *no* idea :)
sxc(6k) curried egg sandwich ... sente
zhuge(NR) what was that? Holland roast duck? :)
AlexG(5d) is Otake still thinking?
jon(4d) How much time do they really have left?
kobayashi(9p) Yes, after he drunk a cup of thea, he bend over and ponders again...
lixj(NR) another 5m for sushi:)
AlexG(5d) thanks
kobayashi(9p) Otake is 50 years old, and Koba is 40 years old
xux(NR) p13
fmc(7k) shutdown in gote zhuge :) ?
zhuge(NR) yes but i got another account. :) is the clock 'correct' now?
kolian(4k) no
fmc(7k) don't think so as they didn't adjourn the game during lunch–break...
kobayashi(9p) I just addtime 60 for otake, try "refresh"
zhuge(NR) i see. thanks jansteen. hey if any of them 'forfeits on time' on IGS. :))))))
AlexG(5d) they,ve plenty of time still
kolian(4k) And Jan will phone in hotel after to say who lost:)
kobayashi(9p) Kobayashi looks very confident
lixj(NR) that is the trick:–) he always looks confident even if he is behind.
zhuge(NR) sure: kobayashi says that kobayshi looks very confident :)
AlexG(5d) doesn,t he always
christie(2d) What do people think about the position ?
zhuge(NR) how about otake. smiling?
AlexG(5d) very close
zhuge(NR) very close.
kobayashi(9p) Otake is very busy with his fan, in his ear, on his head, below his elbow, in his mouth (!)
jon(4d) Close, but w is ahead.
zhuge(NR) in his mouth?! i thought he had lunch. :)
AlexG(5d) how much?
sxc(6k) curried egg sandwich!!
zhuge(NR) really? they had that? the next move should be a crucial one. IGSers had proposed h13 and s14 i think.
xux(NR) and p13
kobayashi(9p) mars: maybe b10
zhuge(NR) okay. hope these will help otake. :)
xux(NR) am I right to think that n11 group is disconncted from p7 group?
gandalf(1k) as i've had lunchbreak as well: what the consensus on the score?
zhuge(NR) close.
AlexG(5d) close
otake(9p) Won't help me. I don't see these kibitzes...oops.
gandalf(1k) adnavantage?
zhuge(NR) hahaha..
gandalf(1k) black or white?
blowfish(5k) who's ahead depends on who you ask
kolian(4k) AlexG have counted: Black–37, White–32+komi
ruebezahl(25k) otake shall we help you with some analysis ?
gandalf(1k) hhmmmmm, sounds rather close
kolian(4k) Right Alex?
zhuge(NR) boy isn't that a 0.5 point game?
AlexG(5d) that's what I think
zhuge(NR) we will see a serious ending game today.
gandalf(1k) alex, can u elabotate a little? how many points whrer for whom?
AlexG(5d) b. upper right 8
blowfish(5k) I still see black ahead by about 1.5 points. Its tight no matter how you count it.
AlexG(5d) bottom 8, top 3 right28, oops off by 10
zhuge(NR) okay that gives you 37 for black.

AlexG(5d) w. upper right 13−14

tsand(2k) no, 47

zhuge(NR) no right side is 18 not 28.

blowfish(5k) b= 8+3+8+28=47

AlexG(5d) upper left 5−6
lower left 10

gandalf(1k) zhuge the right is even bigger than 28

tsand(2k) I don't understand how u can get only 18

zhuge(NR) why only 18 on right Alex?

AlexG(5d) bottom7

zhuge(NR) sorry, it *is* 28?

kolian(4k) b=8+3+28!

AlexG(5d) It was 28, sorry

xux(NR) bigger than 28

AlexG(5d) b. has 47

blowfish(5k) and you only count 37 white? hmm.

zhuge(NR) okay so b has 47+

tsand(2k) komi..

gandalf(1k) thanx alex so w would need some ten points in the middle without giving banything. tough

zhuge(NR) so tough for w now.
does that mean w O14 was questionable?

AlexG(5d) w. has also 2 captives and komi

kobayashi(9p) Otake is extremely restless, and seems uncomfortable

zhuge(NR) what's the sum for w now?

blowfish(5k) so black, 47, white 37+2+5.5=44.5.

AlexG(5d) I didn't like o14

zhuge(NR) hmm, but it's w's turn. very clse.

gandalf(1k) blowfish. but thats assuming white get s14

lixj(NR) white is not so bad.

AlexG(5d) b. has no more than 28 on the right

nic(14k) w 43.5 according to Alex' enumeration

gandalf(1k) alex: well if white gets s14, or am i misstaken there?

zhuge(NR) w S14 would be sente, but w probably won't make it now.

kobayashi(9p) agree, at this moment it would be aji keshi

xux(NR) doesn't w have to worry about o11 group being cut from o14 group?

tsand(2k) how long has ws been thinking?

AlexG(5d) s14 should be played soon

blowfish(5k) and does the count make something like j/k17 big? I know its early, but is it big enough?

kobayashi(9p) On this move: over one hour

SteveC(2k) − does p10 make s14 much bigger − i.e. black must take s14, white plays p9

zhuge(NR) o11 group could either connect oto o14 or m9 i think.

mk(3d) b cannot cut because w o12 is sente

zhuge(NR) over an hour? must be the longest move of the game.

kobayashi(9p) Yes, i think so too

mk(3d) that's why w should save s14 until the attacking of b's middle groupd is finished

blowfish(5k) its agreed that white has to pull off >something< spectacular this move :)

gandalf(1k) white seems to be in for a tough endgame.

AlexG(5d) don't forget that it's w. to play , while counting

lixj(NR) that could be worth 5pts.

AlexG(5d) Otake might be 3 pts behind but he surely has 6= pt. moves

kobayashi(9p) who's from Berkeley here on IGS?

zhuge(NR) me :)

tsand(2k) 6pt _sente_ moves?

AlexG(5d) no, gote

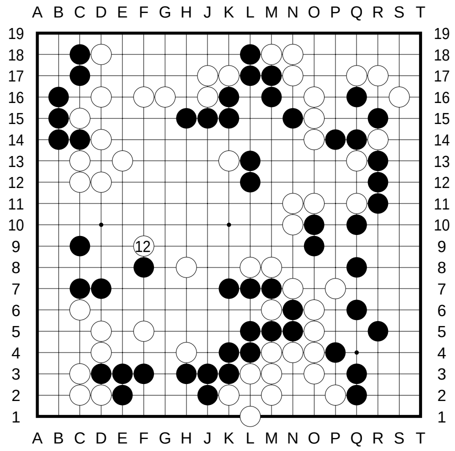
xux(NR) what would w do after b o13 w o12 b n13?

zhuge(NR) anyone else?
from berkeley?

mk(3d) w n13 for b o13

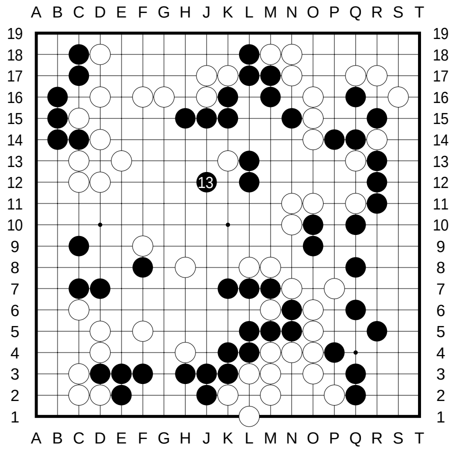
AlexG(5d) the sequence is unlikely

zhuge(NR) be back soon, folks.



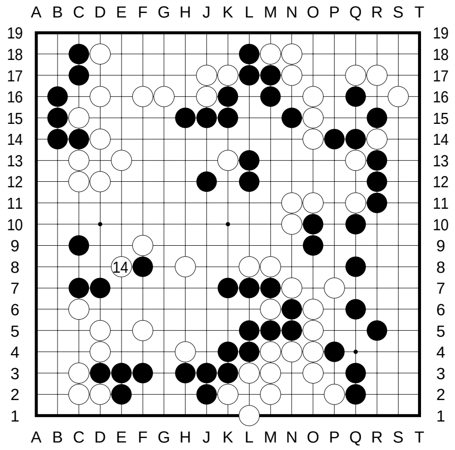
White 112

blowfish(5k) white is trying to salvage some center points while attacking left?
AlexG(5d) surprise...
mk(3d) this is for attacking b h15 group
AlexG(5d) e9 f10 j12?
zhuge(NR) otake is trailing the clock by 100 minutes.
AlexG(5d) so what about e9 f10 j12?
zhuge(NR) is b safe after e9 f10 so he can play j12?
AlexG(5d) b. can escape at g7 or live at b8
fang(1d) W b8 possible?



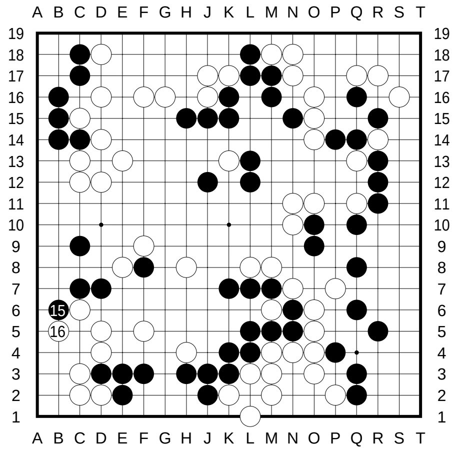
Black 113

AlexG(5d) w. b8 is costly



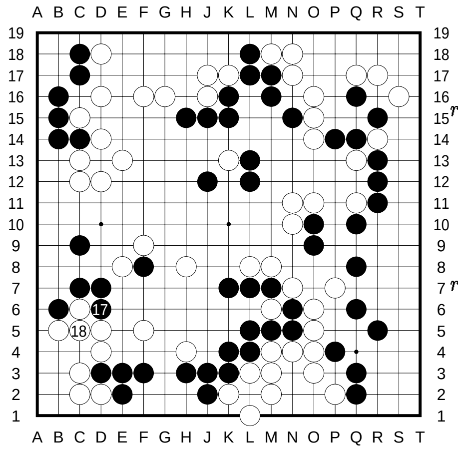
White 114

zhuge(NR) b j12 directly?



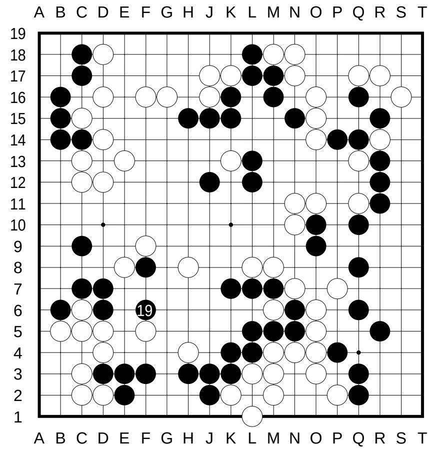
Black 115 – **White** 116

zhuge(NR) so b is confident he can live here.



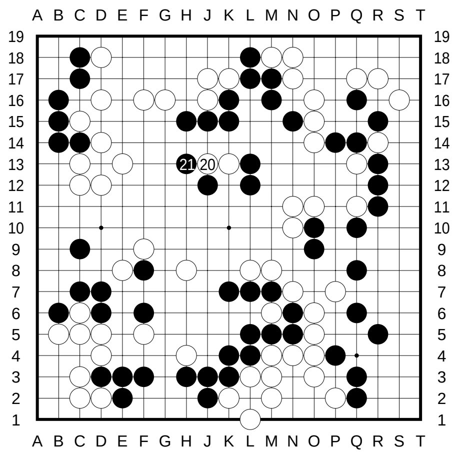
Black 117 – **White** 118

AlexG(5d) could be ko
lixj(NR) not so easy. J12 maybe too early.
tsand(2k) b10?
nimmox(6k) Can it be that the black group on the left side is dead ?



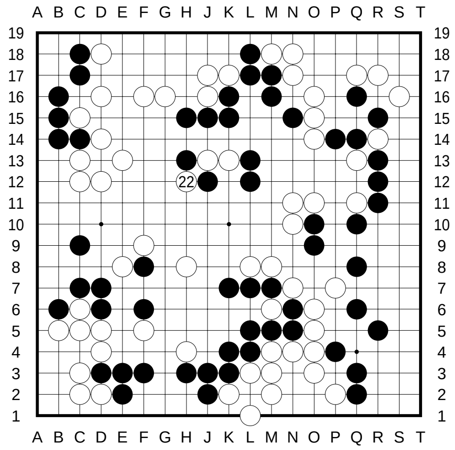
Black 119

zhuge(NR) if it's dead then it's over, i think.
mk(3d) not dead. at least ko
lixj(NR) not so easy, neither:–)
AlexG(5d) Kobayashi'll manage...
kobayashi(9p) I think so AlexG
ruebezahl(25k) if Kato would play those white stones
we would probably see a semai here
ishi(3k) is this 'kobayashi' the 'kobayashi' who is playing?
ruebezahl(25k) Kato in his old 'Killer' days of course...
mk(3d) b alive if w g6 b f7 w h7 b d8 w e 9 b b10 w b 11 b b8
zhuge(NR) w's shape does look alive.
ishi(3k) white?
zhuge(NR) i meant black.
AlexG(5d) I agree the sequence giben by mk is a good example



White 120 – **Black** 121

zhuge(NR) w j13?



White 122

nimmox(6k) Why ?
Does white play these moves ?

gandalf(1k) when is the next tv–transmission? otake will time his resignation in accordance.

AlexG(5d) What the hell is w. doing?

zhuge(NR) saving those two stone might not get the amount of territory he needs.

kobayashi(9p) mars: false eye after B k12, W h14, B g13, W g14...

mk(3d) i guess w is trying to make some points around f11 by playing g13 and f7

lixj(NR) definitely not saving two stones.

nimmox(6k) is it an attack at the left side ?

zhuge(NR) i see.

lixj(NR) u think 9p is playing the way we play:–)?

zhuge(NR) he should. once in a while. :)

kobayashi(9p) Another note: B j11, W h14, B g13, W g14, B g12 ladder is blocked by W f9 (!)

mk(3d) i see now why w played f9

zhuge(NR) so otake did find something in that hour.

kobayashi(9p) right zhuge, we don't mind anymore the waiting

lixj(NR) exciting!

zhuge(NR) where does otake put his fan now? :)

kobayashi(9p) They show the board now zhuge :)

zhuge(NR) jansteen, were those two sequences seen by mars?

kobayashi(9p) right

lixj(NR) who is mars?

zhuge(NR) okay thanks mars then. :)

nimmox(6k) Dutch ?

AlexG(5d) b. might have too give up the 4 stones on upper right

kobayashi(9p) mars: my pleasure

zhuge(NR) German 5d. an IGS'er.

lounela(3d) What's his real name?

mk(3d) yes 5d, but he won 10(?) straight games against 6ds in IGS

zhuge(NR) something like that.

lixj(NR) there is a rumor that he is Shen Kuang–ji

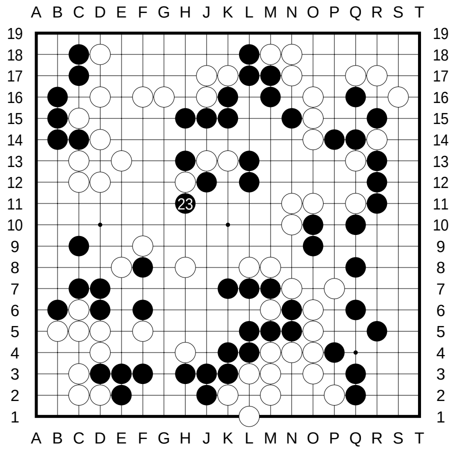
zhuge(NR) no i don't think so.

kolian(4k) but he isn't on Server. Is he there?(In Go Club?)

os(3k) So IGS ranks play weaker than European ranks? I find it easy here as 3 kyu too

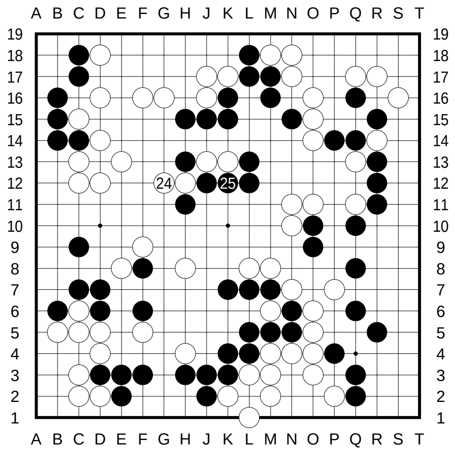
lounela(3d) Sheng Gruang–ji? He's no 5 dan, he's 6 dan.

kobayashi(9p) mars: I'll take two stones from Sheng
zhuge(NR) well the ranks on IGS are not official, so you can't compare them with other ranks.
nimmox(6k) what is IGS ?
tsand(2k) what!?
mk(3d) yeah, jansteen 3d also looks more than 3d
zhuge(NR) give me a break –– don't know IGS?
kolian(4k) nimmox: IGS?
kobayashi(9p) Internet Go Server
os(3k) Don't dan players use their official ranks on IGS?
zhuge(NR) he's joking; i saw nimmox shouting played 49 games on IGS. :)
now 50 games.
nimmox(6k) That was 49 on the server. And it is more now
zhuge(NR) IGS is the name of the server!!!
nimmox(6k) American kyu players are weaker than european
mk(3d) so b upper group in a big trouble?
zhuge(NR) could be.
ruebezahl(25k) is sheng on now ?
lounela(3d) Black had better have something good up his sleeve.
blowfish(5k) now o14 is worth something :)
zhuge(NR) that fact is, some players on IGS use their offical ranks, some don't, and some don't have official ranks (like me :)
nimmox(6k) What is wrong with k 12
kobayashi(9p) shall i give you one zhuge?
jon(4d) And some have two official ranks, like me.
zhuge(NR) what is it? i have to be satisfied first. :)
kobayashi(9p) maybe 29k?
SteveC(2k) why do you need an "official" rank – can't you just give us a hint?



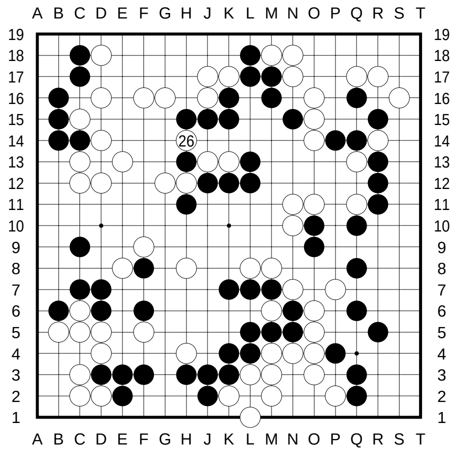
Black 123

zhuge(NR) no, 29k is not serious enough.
kobayashi(9p) Then we have to play first...
gandalf(1k) who cares for 'official rankings' just allow a fair games by indicating ur strength
blowfish(5k) make him a lowly 5k, so I don't feel as bad :)
zhuge(NR) okay mars showed that b k12 or j11 wouldn't work...
nimmox(6k) I must have missed that (I have a tvi925 here)



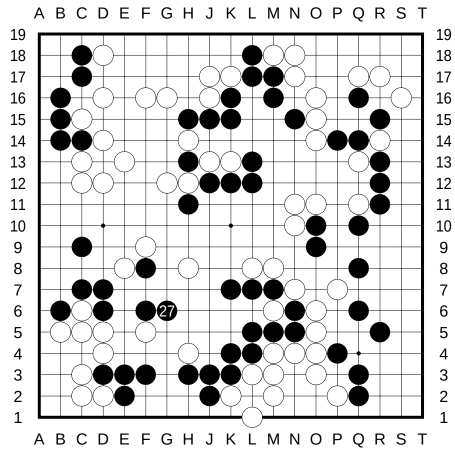
White 124 – **Black** 125

kolian(4k) Is it kidding?
gandalf(1k) btw: has anyone an idea whether there will be a break in case they get into byoyomi/domeau?
or better before they get into it?
tsand(2k) is this for real?
SteveC(2k) IGS is listed on "who" – check stats
AlexG(5d) l15 will bring b. eyes
SteveC(2k) sounds like a prank
tsand(2k) i did
lixj(NR) b is seeking connection. but I think w will not take H12 immediately.
tsand(2k) not helpful
mk(3d) b k12 h14 g13kibitz w h14 b j10 then b l10 and j8 is miami?
weiz(6k) b is aiming j9



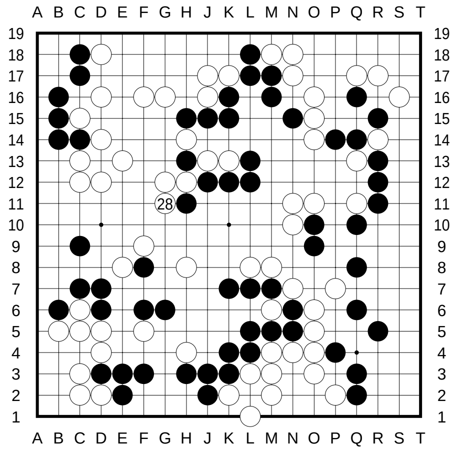
White 126

lixj(NR) oops. blow this one:(
nimmox(6k) Why did white think so long. What was the alternative ?
klooster(12k) how much time do they have left?
kobayashi(9p) we don't know, can't see the clock
christie(2d) 137 and 224 mins
kobayashi(9p) We will inform you when one of the players enters byo–yomi
nimmox(6k) Are we permitted to load the game down afterwards ?
How much time did they start with ?
klooster(12k) thanks..
zhuge(NR) they had 8 hours (480 min) apiece at the beginning.
os(3k) I think mailing the game is allowed after 20:00 GMT
kobayashi(9p) Asahi newspaper owns the copyright "os", see "help motd"
mk(3d) i think b o10 was bad after all. it makes no territory while allowing w n11
AlexG(5d) i think o10 was necessary
m6(IGS92) b needs to help d7 team sometime
weiz(6k) b g11, then j9, then n8 or e10 get 1 of them?
m6(IGS92) i guess b is thinking about if n13 is sente or not
if n13 sente for b, g11 is sente too.
AlexG(5d) g11 is risky b. might need k14
m6(IGS92) if n13 is sente, b may move g11 without n13
aps(2k) what about k8 for b?



Black 127

m6(IGS92) k8 cant connect b
nimmox(6k) :) This is professionals for you
m6(IGS92) anyway b needs to help this team
SteveC(2k) white's response to n13 might make s14 very big
m6(IGS92) that s not a big problem now, i think



White 128

m6(IGS92) but the disadvantage of n13 is, b loses a cut from o13, so n13 is hard
but to defense m14, n13 must be sente

kobayashi(9p) mars: B can live any time with B k14, W g13, B n14 if he wants

m6(IGS92) w wants during attack upper team, connect h8 and L8 strongly, then attack left b team

kobayashi(9p) mars: But probably he's looking for a more interesting way to live :)

christie(2d) no need for g13 ?

mk(3d) why b g11 no way to kill b?
i mean w g11?

m6(IGS92) pretty hard for w now

zhuge(NR) for w?

ruebezahl(25k) tengen ?

m6(IGS92) b wants to avoid any move around tengen
if possible

gandalf(1k) m6: why?

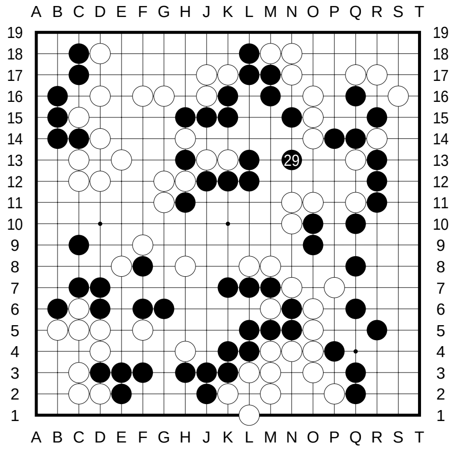
AlexG(5d) i think w. is fine since he can gain some pts by g15

ruebezahl(25k) but if b h10 then w tengen ?

m6(IGS92) any move around tengen will influence left b GROUP.

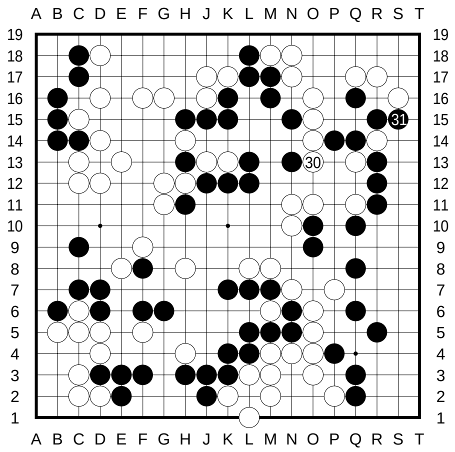
tsand(2k) eh?

gandalf(1k) m6 : isn't that group connected to b bottom?



Black 129

m6(IGS92) now if b can make both group alive, he can win, so.

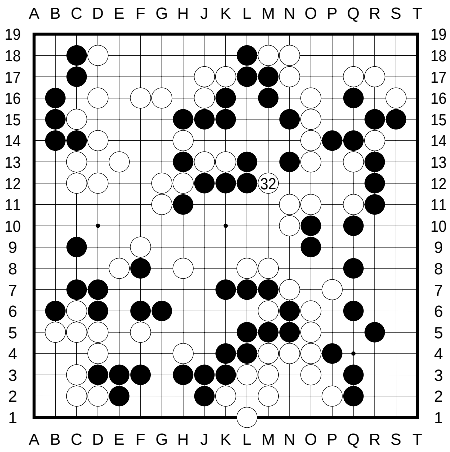


White 130 – **Black** 131

m6(IGS92) b's left group is connected to the botton NOW, but if w have k8, j8, g8 during attacking upper, h6 will cut b
n12 is sente, almost alive now (not completely)

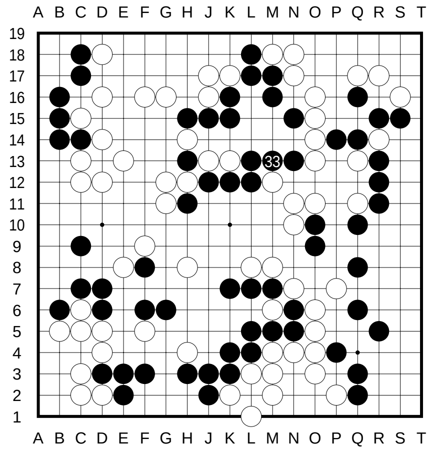
cty(1d) if w l14, will b alive?

wjh(2d) why is s15 bigger than (say) g5
AlexG(5d) after s15 it's make or break for w.
m6(IGS92) k14 is sente, so L14 wont work
kobayashi(9p) Some news from the pro's:
cty(1d) i mean m14.
kobayashi(9p) According to Takagi, 9p, black is better
According to Ishida, 9p, white is better
zhuge(NR) interesting!
kobayashi(9p) They both agree however that this is a very difficult game
gandalf(1k) endless are the quarrels of the por's' :–)
kobayashi(9p) They think that this game will still take a while...
kolian(4k) reasonz?
zhuge(NR) boy my eyelips are getting heavey. :)
ding(1k) wipe lipstick out :)
m6(IGS92) the purpose of s15 is, if not, o12 will be sente
aps(2k) and now b threatens o12?
m6(IGS92) another word, s15 is to make n12 to be almost sente
now 012 is not sente for w



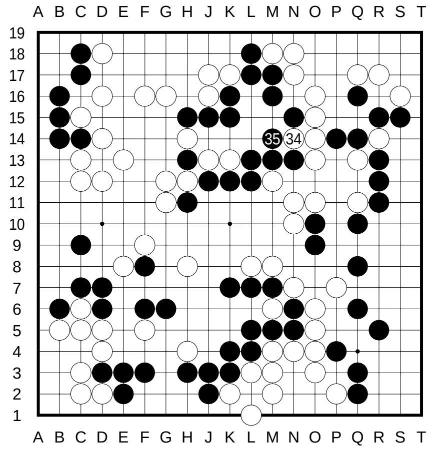
White 132

m6(IGS92) anyway, b has to live without moves around tengen, if possible



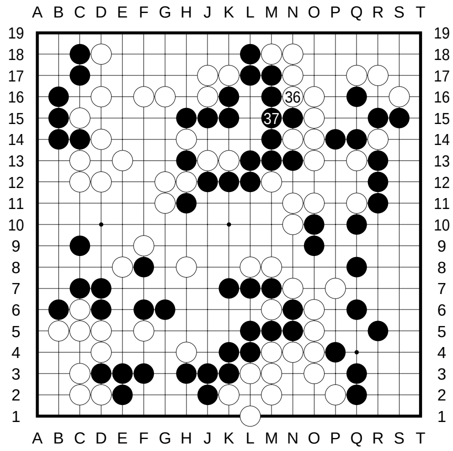
Black 133

ruebezahl(25k) after s15, must otake kill one of those b groups now ?
ding(1k) what is tengen?
zhuge(NR) K10
ding(1k) thks
m6(IGS92) now the problem is if w can make both j9 and g8 to be sente during attacking
so w has to do something to let b makes eye around tengen
k10 is a choice for w



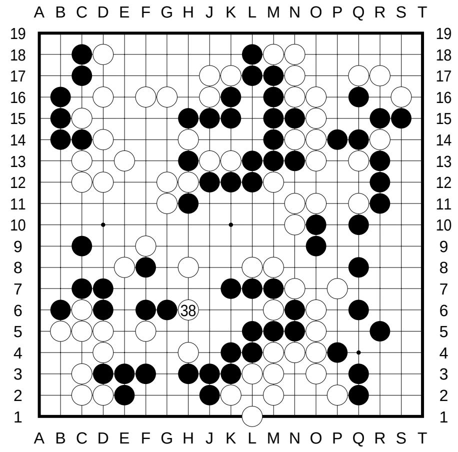
White 134 – **Black** 135

m6(IGS92) so surposingly w is thinkink n14
or g13



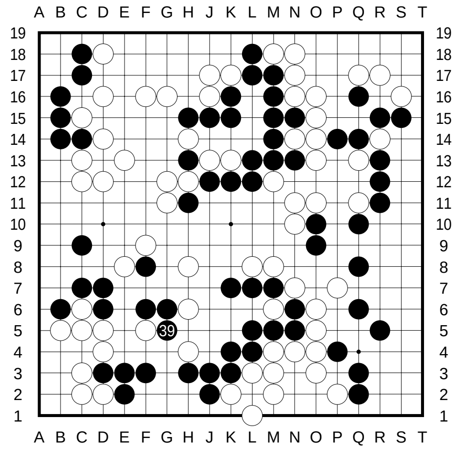
White 136 – **Black** 137

m6(IGS92) n13
g13
AlexG(5d) g13?
g13 k14
christie(2d) g14 better ?
m6(IGS92) if g13 k14, w k14 is much better
g14 not good
tornado(2d) w k14?
AlexG(5d) k14 l14
m6(IGS92) if k14, b wont move l14 now
AlexG(5d) forgetting about this fight, do
you realize
how nasty is b. g18
m6(IGS92) pretty hard for w now
looks like difficult for w to make
both g8 and j9 (or j8 or k8) sente
IGS(NR) a move at l15 seems impossible
m6(IGS92) next move should be k14, w is
thinking about later moves
ding(1k) k10
m6(IGS92) k10 is after b j9
if now k10, b will make upper
alive, then w cant kill left w
group
AlexG(5d) w. kill what?
m6(IGS92) undo :–) . kill b



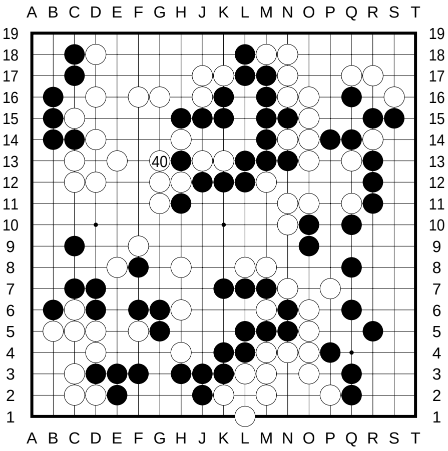
White 138

tsand(2k) surprise!
ding(1k) no



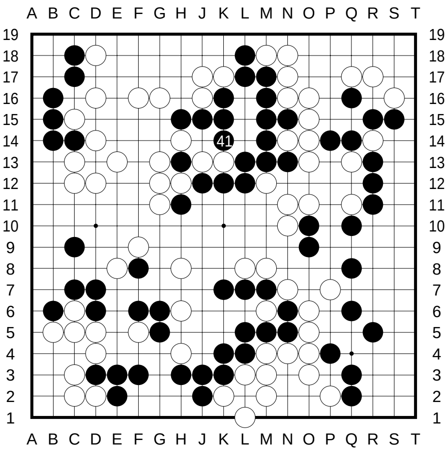
Black 139

m6(IGS92) hard for w
a shape to resign?



White 140

m6(IGS92) b k10 can make one eye, cant it? next move should be the most important move for b
ding(1k) followed by resign
m6(IGS92) agree
zhuge(NR) maybe not immediately. still early. :)



Black 141

m6(IGS92) this is not the "next move" :–)
zhuge(NR) he made it so quick!
lounela(3d) Just how much is white behind?
ding(1k) seems b is confident
zhuge(NR) maybe 5 points?
m6(IGS92) dont know how much, but w is behind if he cant get left b
diff of 5 is huge
zhuge(NR) huge to them.
m6(IGS92) the k14 and w l15 r promised
kolian(4k) I think 10 points since s15 was made by black
lounela(3d) Not that much.
I got a bit less than 10 w/o komi.
m6(IGS92) if w could cut left and bottom b, he will win
AlexG(5d) b. can gain some points on the bottom
zhuge(NR) but b's left and bottom seems connected.
m6(IGS92) if cu
agree, w may just make a shape to resign
nic(14k) for aesthetics?
yu(1d) why to have a better shape to resign?
zhuge(NR) otake's style :)
lounela(3d) Otake is known for it.
zhuge(NR) aesthetics above win–loss. :)
kolian(4k) w is about 43 with komi,and b–50
gandalf(1k) otake has resigned half–pointers in the past
m6(IGS92) not onece
gandalf(1k) for example the 1. meijin match in '90 in frankfurt
suwei(NR) How w make an eye around k10?
gandalf(1k) was thought to have been 1/2 point
this way or other ...
suwei(NR) I meant b make an eye...
zhuge(NR) k10?
m6(IGS92) after b k10, b has the choice of h10, m11 then m10,
zhuge(NR) along with m11.
m6(IGS92) difficult to defence both for w
gandalf(1k) wouldn't W perfer to make b live with m15?
ding(1k) and choice of k8
Jetson(NR) so white absolutely has no chance now?

gandalf(1k) maybe by playing somewhere around k10 himself'

m6(IGS92) y no news from amsterdam? jansteen or mars: u should know what takagi is saying, let us know some.

kobayashi(9p) After W h14 the pro's thought:
Ishida: W better

m6(IGS92) thanks!

kobayashi(9p) Takagi: B better
Both: anyway close game

m6(IGS92) what did they say after that?

zhuge(NR) still arguing i believe.

Jetson(NR) kobayashi , thanks,r u always very so modest?

kobayashi(9p) Maybe I can ask Kishiko to call again...

m6(IGS92) ic, u r not at the hotel
sorry

kobayashi(9p) No, we're in the Go centre

m6(IGS92) the center that iwamoto made?

zhuge(NR) i wonder if computers in the hethotel have any net access.

tornado(2d) modem

kobayashi(9p) Yes, well, he didn't build it but paid it :)

ding(1k) modem will do

tornado(2d) who's paying the phone bill

ding(1k) that's small if connect to local host

kobayashi(9p) phone bill is low (local tarif)

tornado(2d) true...

zhuge(NR) jansteen says the phone is $1,000,000 and he wants us to help him. :))

m6(IGS92) will w resign now?

zhuge(NR) possible.

nic(14k) even if a 9p still considers W ahead?

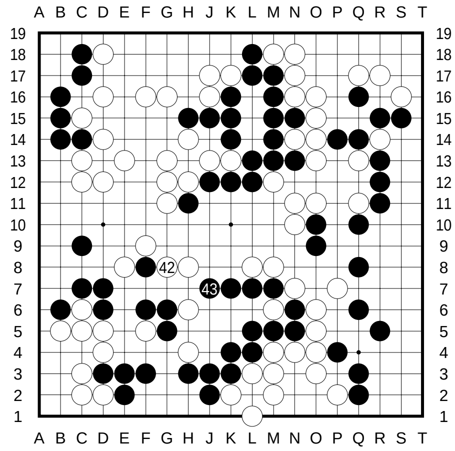
AlexG(5d) could be not so simple

lounela(3d) After thinking this long?? Not before a few more moves, surely.

kent(3d) very close. w has several sents to make more points. less than 2–3pts leading with b.

zhuge(NR) that was 10 moves ago.

m6(IGS92) looks like a big diff without counting

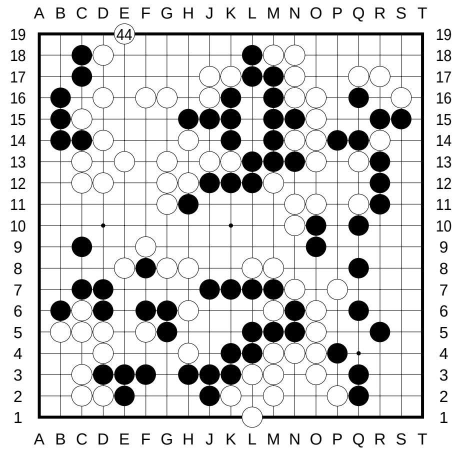


White 142 – **Black** 143

zhuge(NR) sorry 15 moves ago, ishida 9p said W better.

gandalf(1k) now the start of the endgame?

tornado(2d) Otake's endgame's got good name



White 144

ding(1k) p5 strange

zhuge(NR) here we go. hope they play faster now. :)

Gene(4d) j11 big for b

m6(IGS92) f7

kobayashi(9p) Stay awake zhuge

gandalf(1k) they 've gto plenty of time left ..., especially B

ding(1k) why p5?

zhuge(NR) i am okay now –– i am so fresh i need a sleeping pill. :)

nic(14k) yeah, it's just getting light outside around here

ding(1k) i saw you guys in 4:00AM and now..

zhuge(NR) it's 6:40 am here.
my normal time to get up. :)

Jetson(NR) is w aiming at E6?

m6(IGS92) its 9:10 here

zhuge(NR) really? 9:10? i didn't know there is 2.5 hour differential in U.S.

m6(IGS92) not cut , just yose

ding(1k) its 9:43 EST

m6(IGS92) sorry, wrong clock. 10 to 9:00

kobayashi(9p) and 13:43 GMT
and 15:43 local time (Amsterdam)

AlexG(5d) bye everybody

kolian(4k) strange. here is 15:43 too.

m6(IGS92) p5 is yose, w had to do some yose like q7

magnus(2k) Who cares about clocks ? What did p5 threaten?

ding(1k) no idea on p5

m6(IGS92) p5 is only yose

Jetson(NR) P5 threats to go q7 and cut

m6(IGS92) ' endgame

ding(1k) what is yose?

Gene(4d) i guess shuguan.

m6(IGS92) in chinese shou guan

kent(3d) the gamefile will be filled with kibitzing chat up to 3/4 of total. |–)

nimmox(6k) What does shou guan mean ?

ding(1k) endgame

m6(IGS92) shou guan means yose :–)

Gene(4d) final bargain

ding(1k) no one understand m6 :)

sara(4k) My God this is the first game? :)

m6(IGS92) u r wrong, ding :–)\

Gene(4d) they had 8 hours each preson.
person'

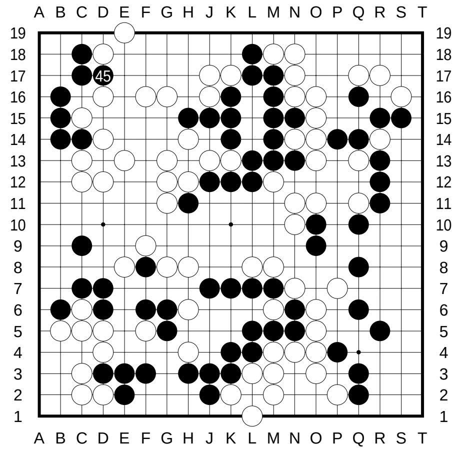
sara(4k) is this so between pro players?

Jetson(NR) if sara is playing,this is possible
the tenth game now

ding(1k) m6 can go fast than that :)

m6(IGS92) if my opponent plays fast

zhuge(NR) right –– 3 min vs. 8 hours....



Black 145

os(3k) By the way, how did the players cope with jet lag?

m6(IGS92) not 8 hrs, but 16 hrs

sara(4k) by two days you mean gandalf 8 hrs?

zhuge(NR) they pretend there isn't any. :)

sara(4k) by reading game records :)

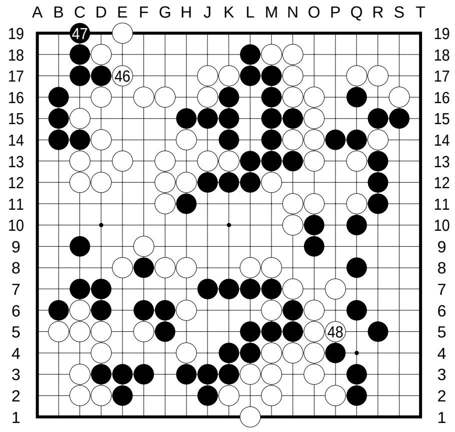
m6(IGS92) see, b will do nothing from now

sara(4k) who is leading?

zhuge(NR) b slight lead.

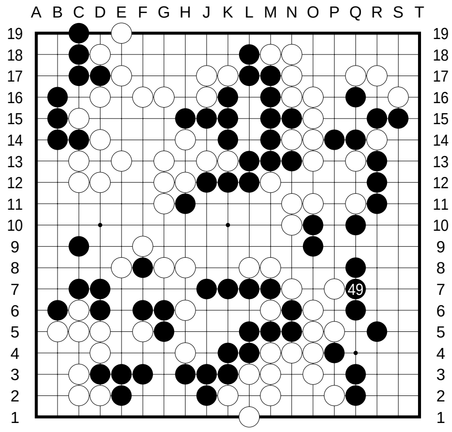
Moffen(16k) off

m6(IGS92) players have been complaining that jet game at aboard will reduce the quality.



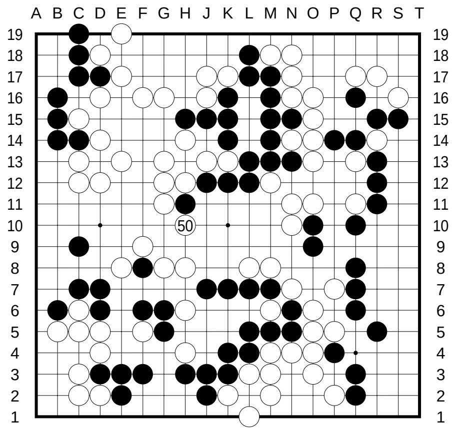
White 146 – **White** 148

zhuge(NR) e19 —– is that the way for this shape?
m6(IGS92) if u have a lot of ko threat
zhuge(NR) i see.
magnus(2k) now white has c19. Clever move
sara(4k) b55 w45 approximately?
kolian(4k) m6: why it'll reduce quality?
m6(IGS92) because jet lag
zhuge(NR) players don't feel comfortable as usual.
kolian(4k) ahh
I c
m6(IGS92) in japan the use weeks to make condition
zhuge(NR) also, their mind might be on the sightseeing as well. :)
ding(1k) f7 is sent?
nimmox(6k) On the hashish :)
m6(IGS92) f7 is sent to whom? :–)
ding(1k) w , e6 cut
no
Gene(4d) w f4 before f7.
tsand(2k) no way
nimmox(6k) Cannabis Sativa
os(3k) B gains a lot by w f7 b e5



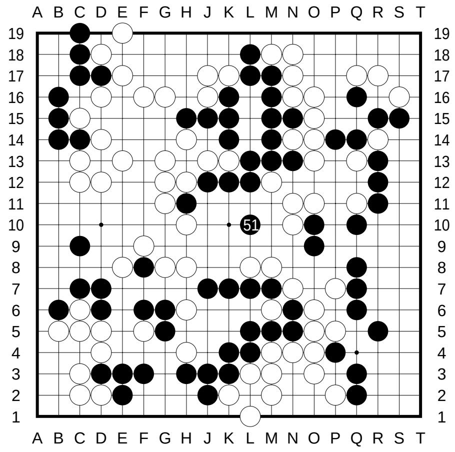
Black 149

nimmox(6k) isn't h7 a big move ?
m6(IGS92) h7 is promised for w
Gene(4d) lose sente.
m6(IGS92) j19
Gene(4d) i think j11 bigger.
m6(IGS92) b7 is big
os(3k) j11 sente?
m6(IGS92) j10 is sente, dont know j11
Gene(4d) suppsoe so.



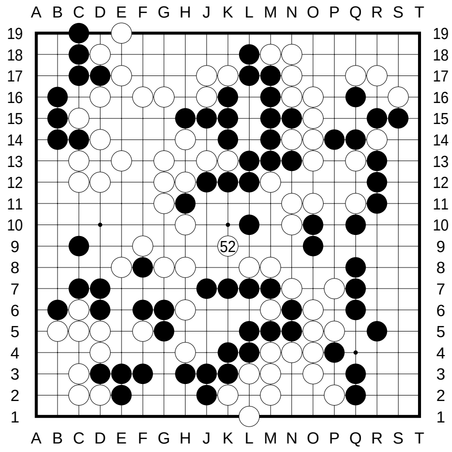
White 150

os(3k) surprise



Black 151

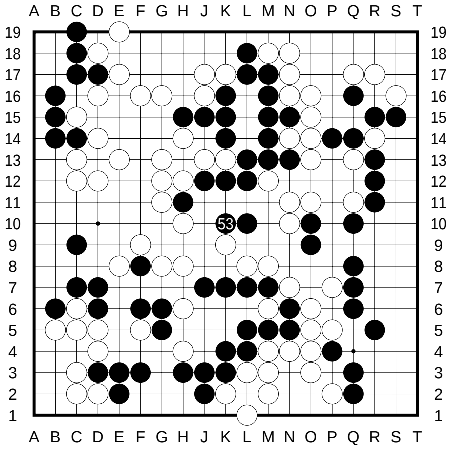
m6(IGS92) forgot its w s turn
Gene(4d) sente
m6(IGS92) l10 big now
os(3k) Yes but wasn't j11 sente also, and bigger?
Gene(4d) l10 strange to me.
m6(IGS92) l10 is yose
ding(1k) is yose English?
m6(IGS92) j11 is not a clear sente
zhuge(NR) Japanese.
m6(IGS92) sente is japanese, too
sxc(6k) but sent is english



White 152

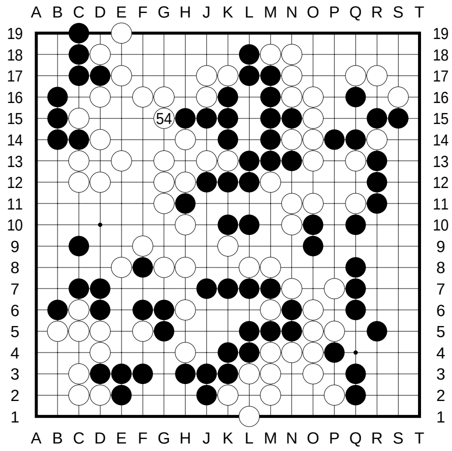
m6(IGS92) unfortunately european and americans dont use chinese for go words
k10
Gene(4d) japanese words are more pronunciable i think.
gandalf(1k) unfortunately there aren't proper english words for some go−concepts −....
m6(IGS92) maybe
ding(1k) tesuji need no explanation to Chines
Jetson(NR) no,japanese is more involved in popularize go worldwide
m6(IGS92) GO is a japanese word, too
zhuge(NR) more importantly, japanese pros did the pioneer work (populize Go).
Jetson(NR) zhuge is my buddy
magnus(2k) and all the english litterature are written by japanese pros
Gene(4d) go is english word :)
m6(IGS92) i mean GO
zhuge(NR) no, go is root from Japnese too.
yu(1d) go is a Chinese word used by Japanese
m6(IGS92) k10
Jetson(NR) if there were no chinese, there would be no japanese

zhuge(NR) ??? i am not your buddy here. :)
Gene(4d) japanese killed a lot of chinese.



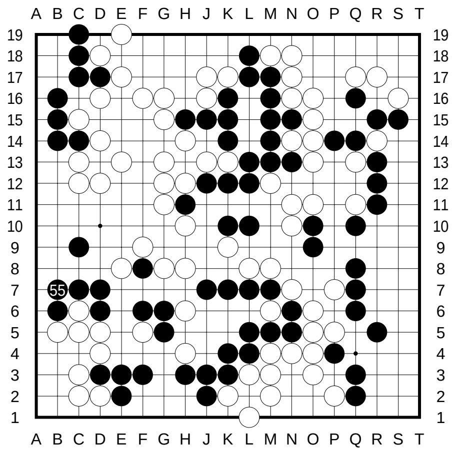
Black 153

kolian(4k) ok. maybe enough?
tornado(2d) u never know how a conversation can degenerate like this!
Jetson(NR) so we are trying to kill japanese on go board
jrm(16k) ..and americans killed a lot of japanese. what has to do with go??
zhuge(NR) STOP :)
m6(IGS92) b7
kolian(4k) and..... Follow zhuge!
ufo(NR) Red light now, everybody :)
Jetson(NR) white has to worry about N8?
Gene(4d) kill stones now.
m6(IGS92) n8 is worried
Jetson(NR) who's the guy leading to all these,the guy whoasked about yose?
m6(IGS92) b7 is 8–9 pts.
LinLi(6d) b is leading a little, right?
IGS(NR) the game is still undecided
Jetson(NR) B has sth like 60 points, white has no more than 50,right?
LinLi(6d) my calculation: b will win 1.5 or 2.5pts
m6(IGS92) surposingly w will resign



White 154

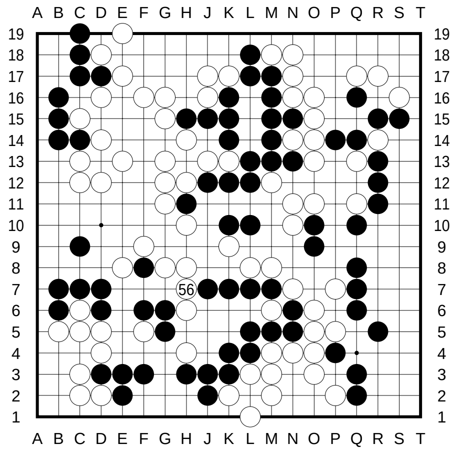
zhuge(NR) i am afraid thee clock is not accurate and otake might be in byo–yomi soon.
m6(IGS92) e5 or b7



Black 155

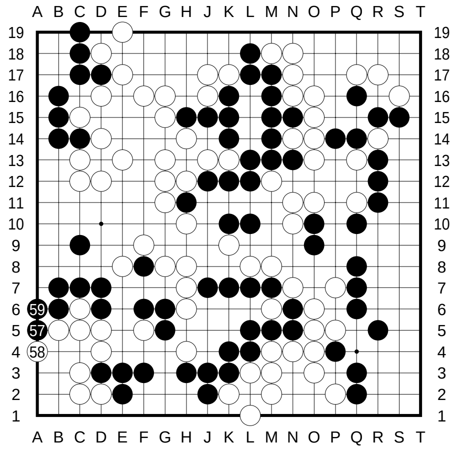
zhuge(NR) how big was h7?
m6(IGS92) h7 is about 8–9 pts
Jetson(NR) about 10points?
nimmox(6k) ? 7 ?
m6(IGS92) unfortunately h7 is not sente
Gene(4d) b7 at least 8–9 pts.
tornado(2d) h7 10–11pts

h7 ain't sente either
m6(IGS92) the exchange of h7 and b7 were promised
Gene(4d) but a5 snte.



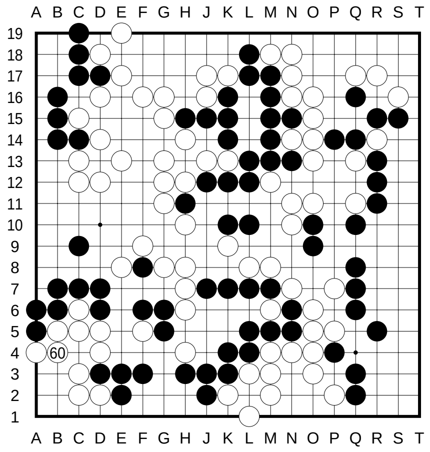
White 156

tornado(2d) h5 sente



Black 157 – **Black** 159

tornado(2d) h5 none



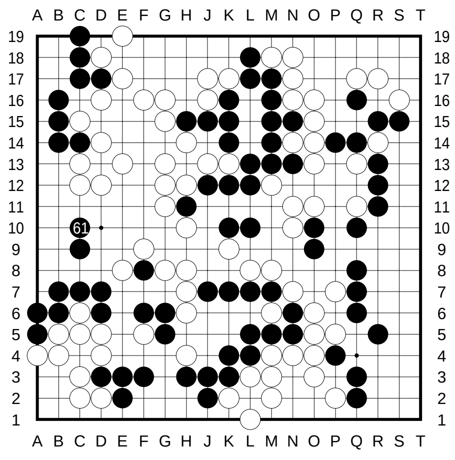
White 160

m6(IGS92) g15 is 6 pts
a5 is 6 pts too
zhuge(NR) so they are doing 'fair trading'
tornado(2d) k18 is also big (Ni Guan Zhi)
os(3k) But B H19 is huge
m6(IGS92) sorry, maybe a5 bigger
j19 next
Jetson(NR) B B11?
tornado(2d) h19 not sente here
Gene(4d) h19 is not sente so they don't play there.
nimmox(6k) why is it not senter ?
tornado(2d) but j19 sente 5–6pts
Gene(4d) w h18
ufo(NR) a5's value should have been counted on for B b7
so b7 was about 10 points
m6(IGS92) no, j19 is sente 2 pts
what i mean about a5 is it also makes eye for b
ufo(NR) B gain 5 there, and W reduced 5, yes.
Gene(4d) so w f4 is not sente?
m6(IGS92) d10 is big
os(3k) B h19 is not sente because B g18 does not catch W g19
m6(IGS92) h19 is bad move
kobayashi(9p) mars: B h18 works...
m6(IGS92) tell yz no

h18 makes two more pts than j17, and its not sente

os(3k) Oops. Isn't B11 better?
Gene(4d) c10 pro move?
ben shou?'
IGS(NR) koichi seems confident
zhuge(NR) c10 looks deep. :)
kolian(4k) what's ben shou?
tornado(2d) what j19 sente 2pts? if w goes k18 he get 3pts more territory if b goes b goes
zhuge(NR) text (book) move.
m6(IGS92) first of all, b cant b11, so c10
Gene(4d) proper move.
m6(IGS92) usually b11 is bigger
zhuge(NR) not exact 'proper' move, Gene: sometime ben shou is not proper. :)
m6(IGS92) but if b11, w has c10 and d9, so b moved c10
tornado(2d) stop w making some territority in the midde
Gene(4d) nice person play benshou zhuge :).
zhuge(NR) anyway, kolian, hard to translate.
Gene(4d) b is leading more than 10 moves ago i think.
kobayashi(9p) Otake Hideo just resigned the game...
kent(3d) b c10 very good. usually people think about B11 and D11.
not D11, D10.
m6(IGS92) b leads more than 2.5 pts
zhuge(NR) so otake resigned.
m6(IGS92) no way for w to win
zhuge(NR) we ask otake what he feels :)
Gene(4d) he wasted a lot of time.
zhuge(NR) and congratulations to kobayashi!
otake(9p) (reaction censored)
sara(4k) why resigne so early?
gandalf(1k) sara: so late
kent(3d) if u take b, otake will win for sure from now, m6?
m6(IGS92) i cant find diff among c10 and d10, which is bigger?
IGS(NR) poor otake, lost again
Gene(4d) not early at all otake used 7 hors.
m6(IGS92) i never be involved with money
sara(4k) the game is not finished and 2−3 pts are not big deal :)
gandalf(1k) can we hope for some reaction from the pro's here?
ufo(NR) for pro's 0.5 points would fix the game 20 moves earlier,
kobayashi(9p) In 1 1/2 hour Takagi, 9p will come over here and analyse the game
zhuge(NR) wow, shall we all stay here?
Gene(4d) what is takagi?
kobayashi(9p) We will keep this game open and try to transmit those analysis to you
ufo(NR) but for playing with me, u don't have to resign if u r 10 points behind :)
nimmox(6k) Will hiscommments be available on the net ?
zhuge(NR) good!
m6(IGS92) but the timeing of resign is very difficult
gandalf(1k) that'll be 6.00pm loacal time?
ufo(NR) u will still have chance, believe me :−)
m6(IGS92) so may ootake play untill finish
kolian(4k) kobayashi: in 1.5 hours or after 1.5?
zhuge(NR) takagi = gao mu4 in chinese (high wood/tree)
nimmox(6k) Which pro's are there ?
Gene(4d) gao mu xiang ye?
LinLi(6d) is the game over?
zhuge(NR) ges, xiang yi.
sara(4k) how come you know so much zhuge? :)
ww(3k) who's leading
m6(IGS92) jansteen or mars: teach them the igs
kobayashi(9p) In one_and_a_half hour
gandalf(1k) ok folx, see u later then.
zhuge(NR) because i am zhuge, sara. :)))
tweet(NR) i tought him.
kobayashi(9p) Many pro's here, are people interested in a listing...
sara(4k) see you gandalf

yu(1d) why not
m6(IGS92) teach the pros how to use igs
kobayashi(9p) We did m6, both Nagahara and Ishida played on IGS last week
jmb(NR) yes, give us a listing ofthe pros on iste
m6(IGS92) thanks
nimmox(6k) list them (and their strength)
tornado(2d) type best
m6(IGS92) zhuge, r u iamsterdam?
zhuge(NR) no i am not.
sara(4k) zhuge you watch teenis too?
LinLi(6d) no fighting in the openning game
zhuge(NR) once in a while.
m6(IGS92) is ootake really resigned?
tweet(NR) he watches chinese soap operas.
zhuge(NR) once in a while.
nic(14k) jansteen: don't forget to addtime to keep game open
ufo(NR) haha, master :–). what a hobby!
sara(4k) how about you tweet?
tweet(NR) everyday.
never
zhuge(NR) thanks nic.
ufo(NR) good tweet. me neither :)
nic(14k) ok bedtime. g'night!
nimmox(6k) is the game downloadable ?
ufo(NR) u should study Sun Zi a bit more, why watch Chinese soap opera instead?
tweet(NR) not yet
jassy(3d) who resign?
zhuge(NR) i tried to apply stategies everywhere. :)
sara(4k) like kibitzing?
zhuge(NR) yes.
ufo(NR) but empty city can be played only once... :–)
tweet(NR) he reads chinese martial arts novels too (everyday).
jrm(16k) zhuge NR
ufo(NR) that i know. i don't care as long as the supplies come on time :–
sara(4k) do you have a top ten kibitzing stategies zhuge?
nimmox(6k) I once read a book called mushashi masjiru (or something) wonderfull
jrm(16k) (sorry, typo/mouse–o
Gene(4d) how to get into the best list?
tweet(NR) type best
Gene(4d) i meant how to get oneself in the best list, set 9d?
nimmox(6k) is the Guojuan there the Dutch one ?
tweet(NR) only i can do that.
zhuge(NR) no Gene, you can't do that.
jmb(NR) why doesn't mail my@address otake–kobayashi work??
LinLi(6d) is there anyone who followed this game from beginning to the end?
jrm(16k) Gene: type best 1000, you're there
tweet(NR) game is not over.
zhuge(NR) mail is disabled.
IGS(NR) i did
zhuge(NR) tweet, would you estimate the size of the file so far?
tweet(NR) i can tell you exacty, but jnot now.
ufo(NR) what do u mean game is not over, tweet?
zhuge(NR) if it's over, hoow can you kibitz?
jmb(NR) does anyone have a list of the cast "tweet, zhuge, m6 etc. no info or mail address in you stats
ufo(NR) :–)
zhuge(NR) the IGS game is not over, although the real one was.
nimmox(6k) what is your rating, zhuge ?



Black 161

3 The Tagaki analysis

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4 Credits

For the credits I gladly use the message written by *zhuge* which was displayed as *motd* ("message of the day") in the week after the game had finished. I have added one paragraph to give him the credit he deserves.

This is the first time ever that a professional game is shown live on IGS. The completeness of the coverage and the enthusiastic reactions of IGS'ers made this event a great success, thus an excellent start that will lead more such live coverages on professional games in the future.
When every excited soul calms down, the following people are to be thanked:

* *Asahi Shinbun, the sponsor of Meijin Sen (match).*

* *The two players, Kobayashi Meijin (also Kisei) and Otake 9 dan, two of the best Go players in the world.*

* *Other professionals, notably Ishida 9 dan, Takagi 9 dan, and Guo Juan 5 dan, whose commentary throughout the game was helpful.*

* *The two "actors",* jansteen *and* AshaiRey, *who entered the moves for Kobayashi and Otake, respectively. Especially* jansteen, *whose direct contact with Japanese professionals (in the Netherlands, site of this Meijin game) helped to make a giant step of IGS toward a wider Go world.* jansteen *also managed to show IGS'ers the commentary and reactions of professionals in the game room. Thus a special thanks to Jan and his wife, Kishiko.*

* opdorp, *who first conceived the idea to show Meijin game live.*

* *The writers of the server, Tim Casey and Chris Chisolm, whose creature, this very IGS, has become a significant chapter in Go history.*

* *The keepers of the server,* tweet *of the Berkeley site and* fmc *of the France site. Without them, IGS is like a family without parents.*

* zhuge *for assisting* tweet *in IGS system management, writing this message, and keeping the spirit high amongst the observes of the Meijin game during the long hours of waiting for moves.*

* *At last but certainly not the least, EVERY IGS'er who joined watching and talking during the game. Their support and love of the game was what it was all about: we didn't care who would win. :-)*

A Observers sorted alphabetically

AlexG	5d
AlexG	NR
AshaiRey	8k
Cheng	6d
Gene	4d
IGS	NR
JW	NR
Jetson	NR
LinLi	6d
Maaniker	9k
Moffen	16k
RubberDoll	NR
SteveC	2k
Thor	NR
UFO	30k
USA	1k
Vampire	NR
Watch	NR
Xiong	10k
ajiko	NR
andrewr	9k
aps	2k
asme	5d
barber1k	1k
barry	4d
billf	10k
blowfish	5k
bn	2k
camillo	1k
christie	2d
chuck	4d
cty	1d
dagge	1d
dai	NR
daniel	3k
deadly	NR
deanr	3d
ding	1k
fang	1d
fanl	4k
fighter	3d
fmc	7k
gandalf	1k
gc	29k
godok	1k
harec	22k
hurston	1d
hx	5d
ishi	3k
itoh	3d
ivan	2k
jassy	3d
jive	4k
jjs	NR
jloup	8k
jmb	NR
jomar	5k
jon	4d
jonathan	8k
jrm	16k
kent	3d
khuang	7d
klooster	12k
kobayashi	9p
kolian	4k
kompella	7k
lixj	NR
login	4d
lounela	3d
lugq	2d
lyu	???
lzy	???
m0184	6d
m6	IGS92
magnus	2k
martti	15k
mike	NR
mk	3d
nates	14k
nic	14k
nimmox	6k
os	3k
otake	9p
panx	10k
phd	NR
pspace	6d
rr	1k
ruebezahl	25k
ruebezahl	???

sara	4k
suwei	NR
sxc	6k
talie	NR
tof	NR
tornado	2d
tsand	2k
tweet	NR
ufo	NR
vic	3d
watanabe	4d
weiping	NR
weipingsan	NR
weiz	6k
willfor	8k
wjh	2d
wurzel	1k
wurzel	NR
ww	3k
xux	NR
ycai	12k
ychen	6d
ysp	6d
yu	1d
zhong	NR
zhuge	NR
zzzy	6d

B Observers sorted by rank

kobayashi	9p
otake	9p
m6	IGS92
khuang	7d
Cheng	6d
LinLi	6d
m0184	6d
pspace	6d
ychen	6d
ysp	6d
zzzy	6d
AlexG	5d
asme	5d
hx	5d
Gene	4d
barry	4d
chuck	4d
jon	4d
login	4d
watanabe	4d
deanr	3d
fighter	3d
itoh	3d
jassy	3d
kent	3d
lounela	3d
mk	3d
vic	3d
christie	2d
lugq	2d
tornado	2d
wjh	2d
cty	1d
dagge	1d
fang	1d
hurston	1d
yu	1d
USA	1k
barber1k	1k
camillo	1k
ding	1k
gandalf	1k
godok	1k
rr	1k
wurzel	1k
SteveC	2k
aps	2k
bn	2k
ivan	2k
magnus	2k
tsand	2k
daniel	3k
ishi	3k
os	3k
ww	3k
fanl	4k
jive	4k
kolian	4k
sara	4k
blowfish	5k
jomar	5k
nimmox	6k
sxc	6k
weiz	6k
fmc	7k
kompella	7k
AshaiRey	8k
jloup	8k
jonathan	8k
willfor	8k
Maaniker	9k
andrewr	9k
Xiong	10k
billf	10k
panx	10k
klooster	12k
ycai	12k
nates	14k
nic	14k
martti	15k
Moffen	16k
jrm	16k
harec	22k
ruebezahl	25k
gc	29k
UFO	30k
AlexG	NR
IGS	NR
JW	NR
Jetson	NR
RubberDoll	NR

Thor	NR
Vampire	NR
Watch	NR
ajiko	NR
dai	NR
deadly	NR
jjs	NR
jmb	NR
lixj	NR
mike	NR
phd	NR
suwei	NR
talie	NR
tof	NR
tweet	NR
ufo	NR
weiping	NR
weipingsan	NR
wurzel	NR
xux	NR
zhong	NR
zhuge	NR
lyu	???
lzy	???
ruebezahl	???

C Observers sorted by frequency

zhuge	NR	428
kobayashi	9p	295
AlexG	5d	189
jjs	NR	173
m6	IGS92	151
barry	4d	104
gandalf	1k	96
lzy	???	82
kolian	4k	79
AlexG	NR	73
sara	4k	72
watanabe	4d	66
cty	1d	61
tof	NR	60
tsand	2k	56
Gene	4d	55
zhong	NR	48
LinLi	6d	41
magnus	2k	39
JW	NR	36
blowfish	5k	35
deadly	NR	34
phd	NR	33
tornado	2d	33
Maaniker	9k	32
godok	1k	30
ding	1k	27
mk	3d	27
nimmox	6k	27
ajiko	NR	25
fang	1d	23
m0184	6d	22
ruebezahl	???	22
os	3k	21
nic	14k	18
AshaiRey	8k	17
khuang	7d	17
Cheng	6d	16
andrewr	9k	16
hx	5d	16
lounela	3d	15
Jetson	NR	14
deanr	3d	14
lixj	NR	14
ruebezahl	25k	14
tweet	NR	14
ufo	NR	14
Vampire	NR	13
weiz	6k	13
kompella	7k	12
fighter	3d	11
jon	4d	11
weiping	NR	11
Thor	NR	8
chuck	4d	8
mike	NR	8
klooster	12k	7
lugq	2d	7
bn	2k	6
nates	14k	6
panx	10k	6
weipingsan	NR	6
xux	NR	6
ychen	6d	6
zzzy	6d	6
IGS	NR	5
SteveC	2k	5
christie	2d	5
fmc	7k	5
hurston	1d	5
jonathan	8k	5
kent	3d	5
otake	9p	5
willfor	8k	5
jmb	NR	4
jrm	16k	4
lyu	???	4
RubberDoll	NR	3
USA	1k	3
fanl	4k	3
sxc	6k	3
wurzel	1k	3
yu	1d	3
Moffen	16k	2
UFO	30k	2
Xiong	10k	2
aps	2k	2
dagge	1d	2
dai	NR	2

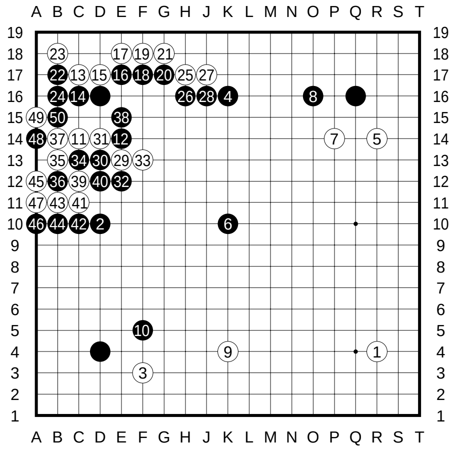
ishi	3k	2
jive	4k	2
suwei	NR	2
talie	NR	2
wurzel	NR	2
Watch	NR	1
asme	5d	1
barber1k	1k	1
billf	10k	1
camillo	1k	1
daniel	3k	1
gc	29k	1
harec	22k	1
itoh	3d	1
ivan	2k	1
jassy	3d	1
jloup	8k	1
jomar	5k	1
login	4d	1
martti	15k	1
pspace	6d	1
rr	1k	1
vic	3d	1
wjh	2d	1
ww	3k	1
ycai	12k	1
ysp	6d	1

D Observers sorted by bytes of comments

zhuge	NR	19376
kobayashi	9p	15867
AlexG	5d	7159
m6	IGS92	6488
jjs	NR	6184
barry	4d	5511
gandalf	1k	4757
AlexG	NR	3356
lzy	???	3241
watanabe	4d	3089
kolian	4k	3030
sara	4k	2858
tof	NR	2638
blowfish	5k	2038
Gene	4d	2004
cty	1d	1999
magnus	2k	1981
deadly	NR	1962
tornado	2d	1860
zhong	NR	1763
LinLi	6d	1652
phd	NR	1432
JW	NR	1419
tsand	2k	1409
ajiko	NR	1311
os	3k	1208
mk	3d	1192
nimmox	6k	1191
Maaniker	9k	1181
godok	1k	1149
deanr	3d	1031
AshaiRey	8k	936
ruebezahl	???	911
m0184	6d	868
lounela	3d	783
ding	1k	766
hx	5d	762
ufo	NR	726
Jetson	NR	703
ruebezahl	25k	698
nic	14k	679
fang	1d	656
andrewr	9k	654
khuang	7d	627
Cheng	6d	607
lixj	NR	602
weiz	6k	599
jon	4d	572
kompella	7k	563
Vampire	NR	540
weiping	NR	461
chuck	4d	451
tweet	NR	446
mike	NR	375
willfor	8k	346
klooster	12k	339
kent	3d	330
weipingsan	NR	326
nates	14k	325
fighter	3d	324
otake	9p	320
ychen	6d	318
SteveC	2k	308
bn	2k	306
Thor	NR	289
jonathan	8k	288
hurston	1d	258
panx	10k	253
xux	NR	253
jmb	NR	238
fmc	7k	229
lugq	2d	228
zzzy	6d	207
christie	2d	186
jrm	16k	172
IGS	NR	156
RubberDoll	NR	152
lyu	???	144
USA	1k	112
yu	1d	108
sxc	6k	101
jive	4k	95
wurzel	1k	90
fanl	4k	90
jloup	8k	82
ishi	3k	79
wurzel	NR	79
suwei	NR	77

Moffen	16k	73
UFO	30k	72
talie	NR	69
camillo	1k	65
aps	2k	64
harec	22k	54
Xiong	10k	53
rr	1k	46
dagge	1d	46
login	4d	46
ysp	6d	44
billf	10k	41
wjh	2d	41
ycai	12k	40
pspace	6d	38
asme	5d	38
dai	NR	33
jomar	5k	30
Watch	NR	25
gc	29k	24
jassy	3d	23
ww	3k	22
daniel	3k	19
vic	3d	18
barber1k	1k	18
martti	15k	17
ivan	2k	14
itoh	3d	12

E The Nagahara-Lzy encounter



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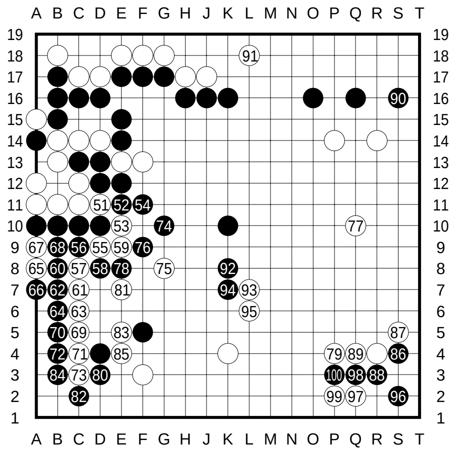

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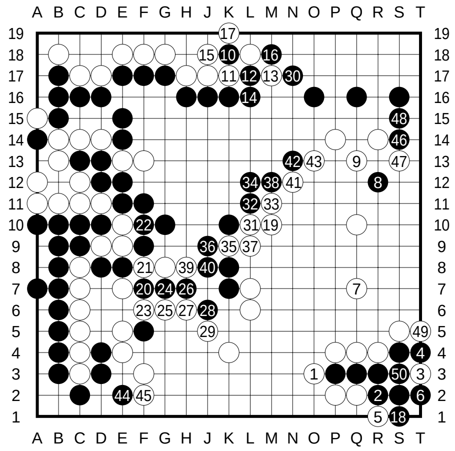

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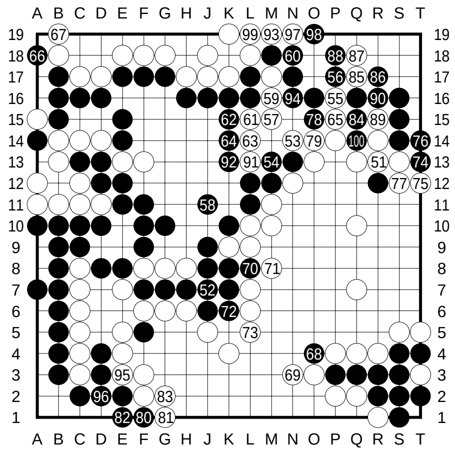

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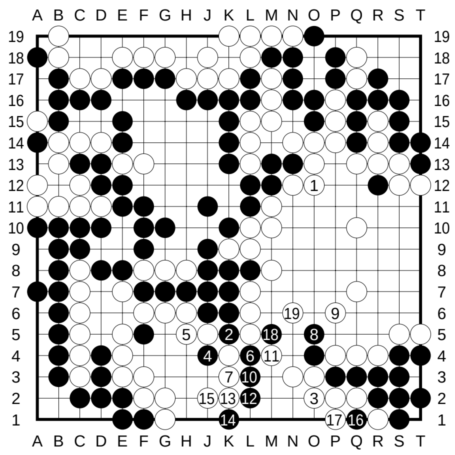

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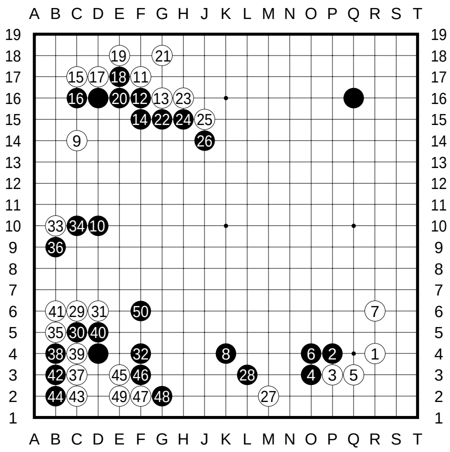
F The Ishida-Dong encounter



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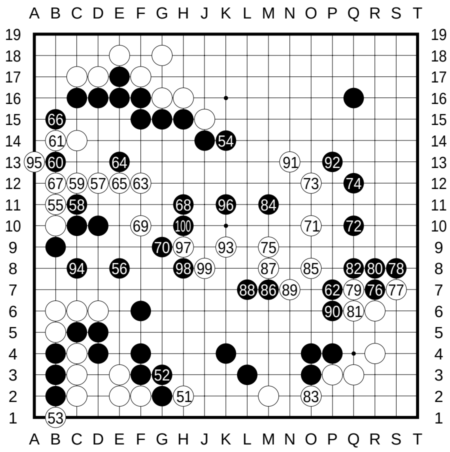

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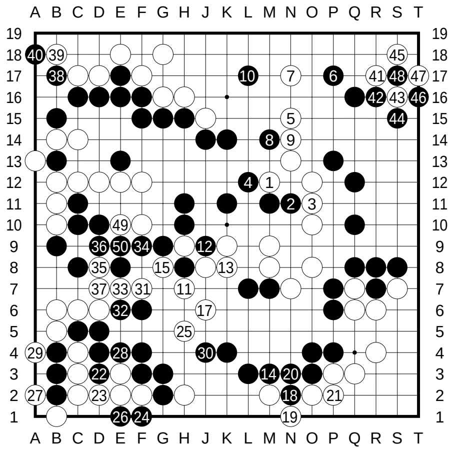

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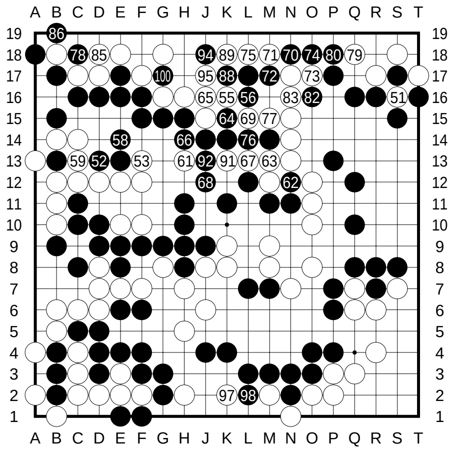

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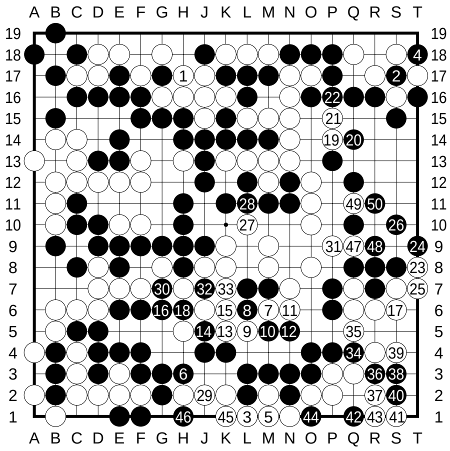

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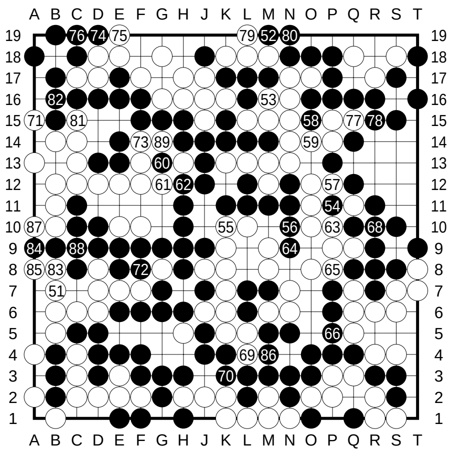

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