TACTICS

"I missed a tactic"

- Know the basic sorts of tactic

- Look and find tactics
  - Clues: I smell a tactic!
  - Checks and captures
- EXERCISES
  - Discoveries
  - Hit Miss or Trap?

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"A knowledge of tactics is the foundation of positional play. This is a rule that has stood its test in chess history and one which we cannot impress forcibly enough upon the young chess player.
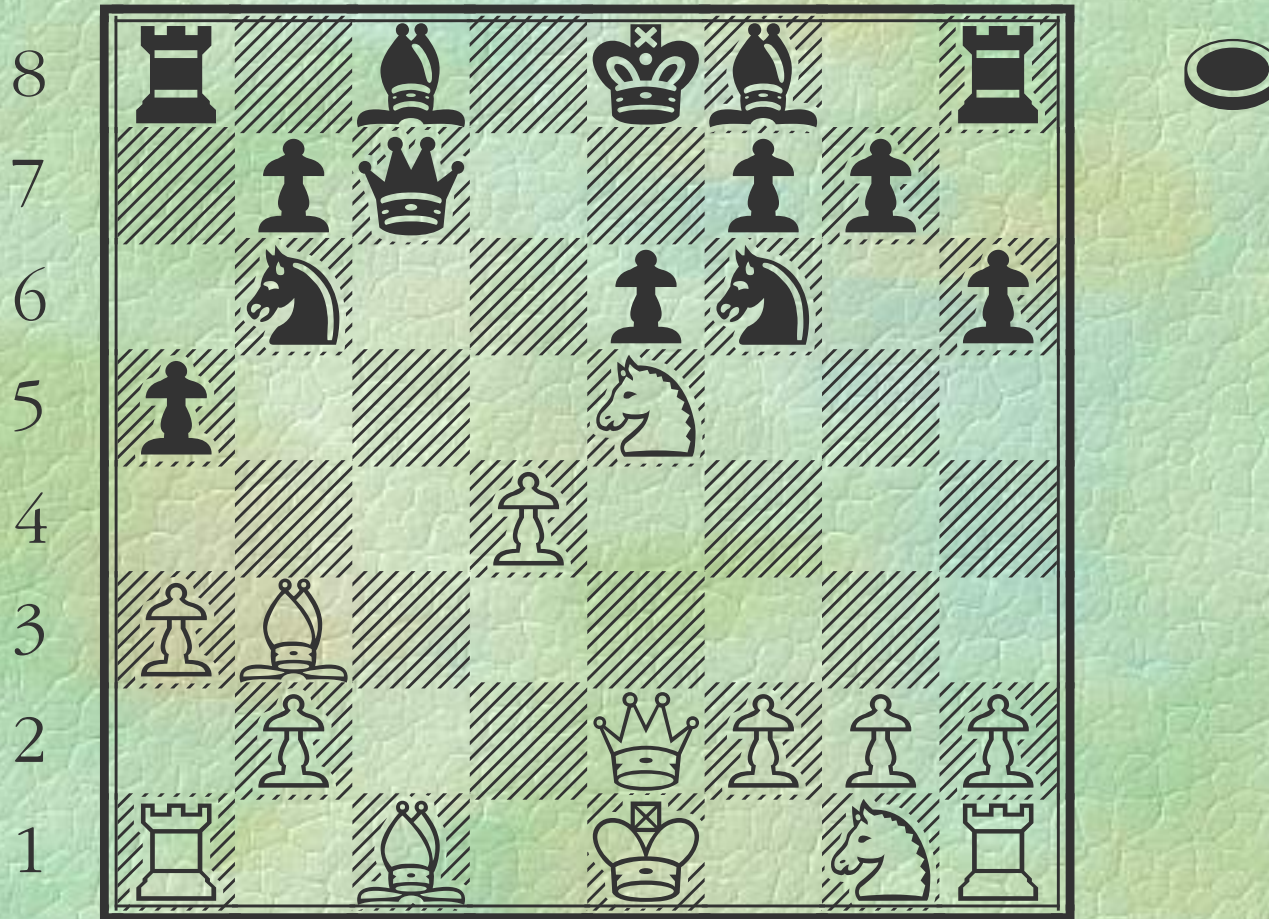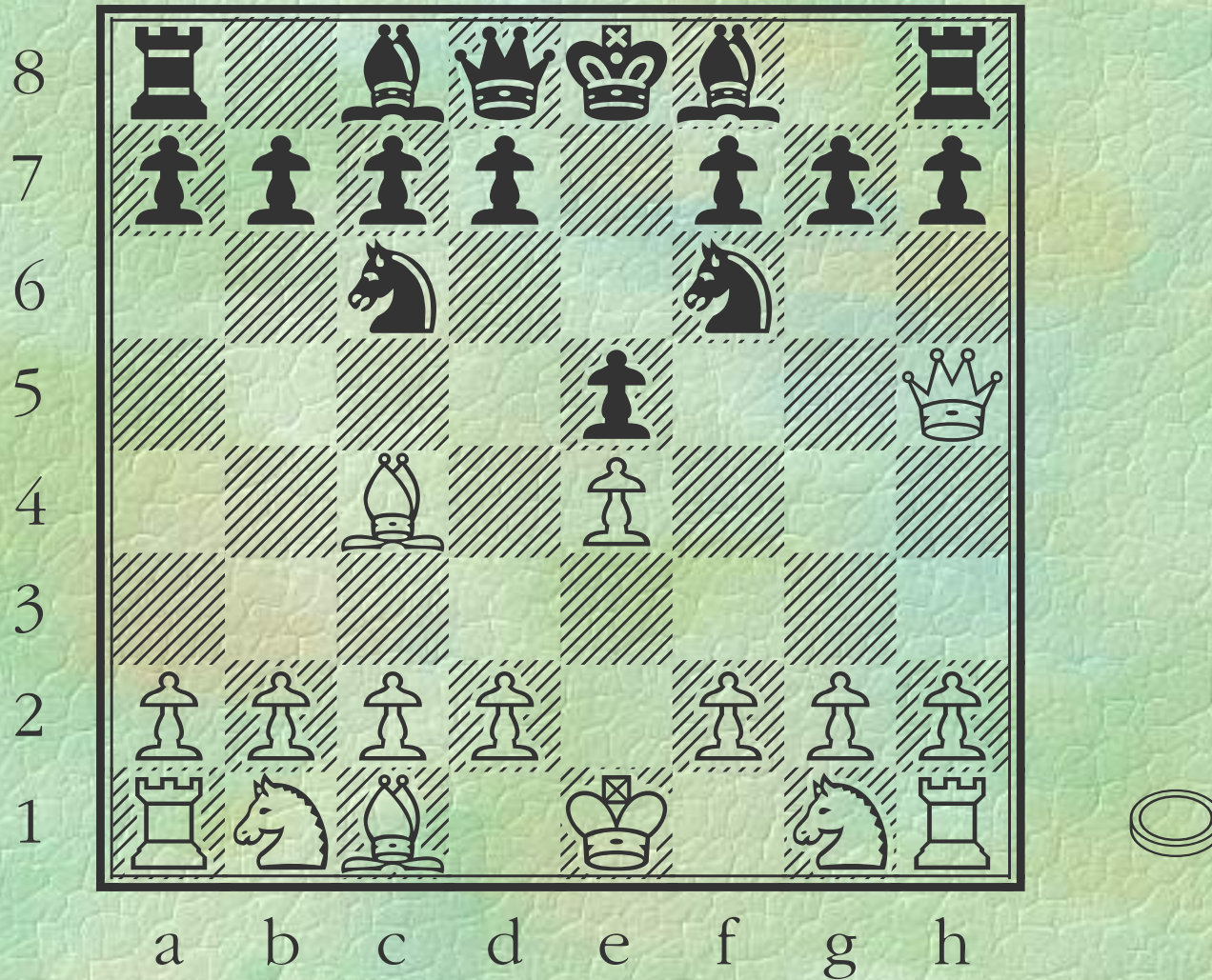
6 basic sorts of tactic

- Mates

- Forks

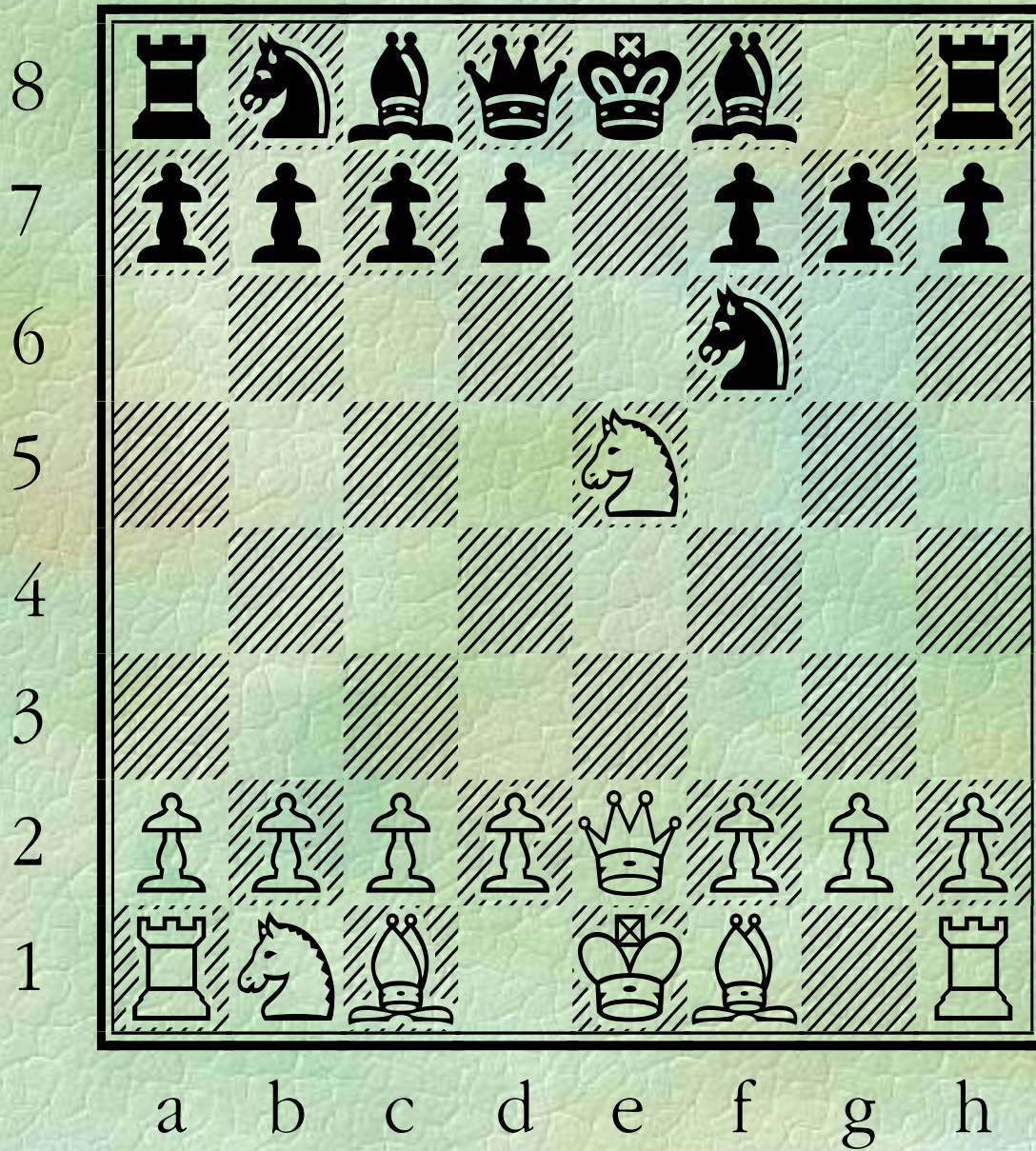- Pins

- Nets

- Jumps

- Ties (undermining/overloading)

An introduction to combinations...

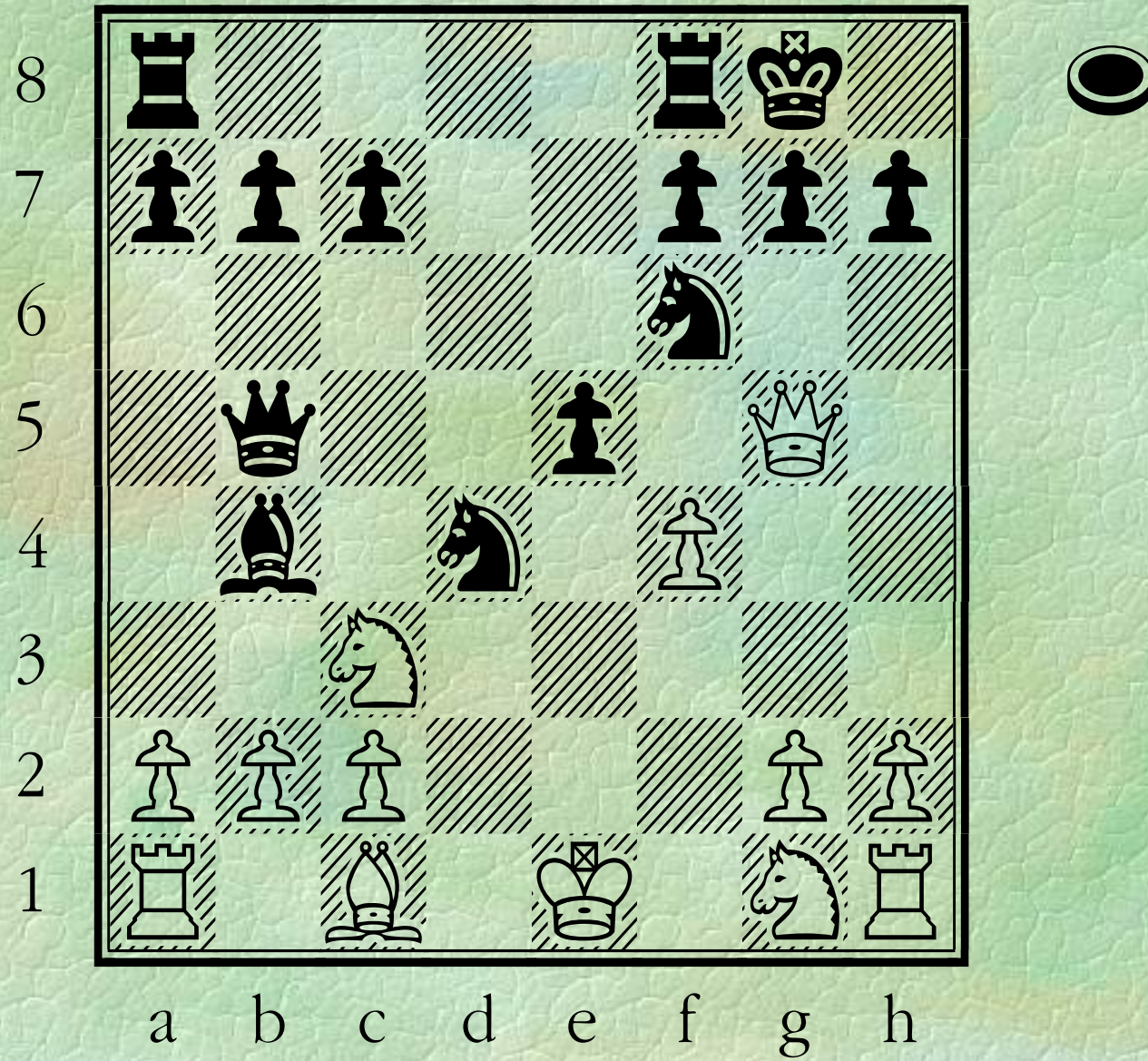# Mate

Jump

Fork

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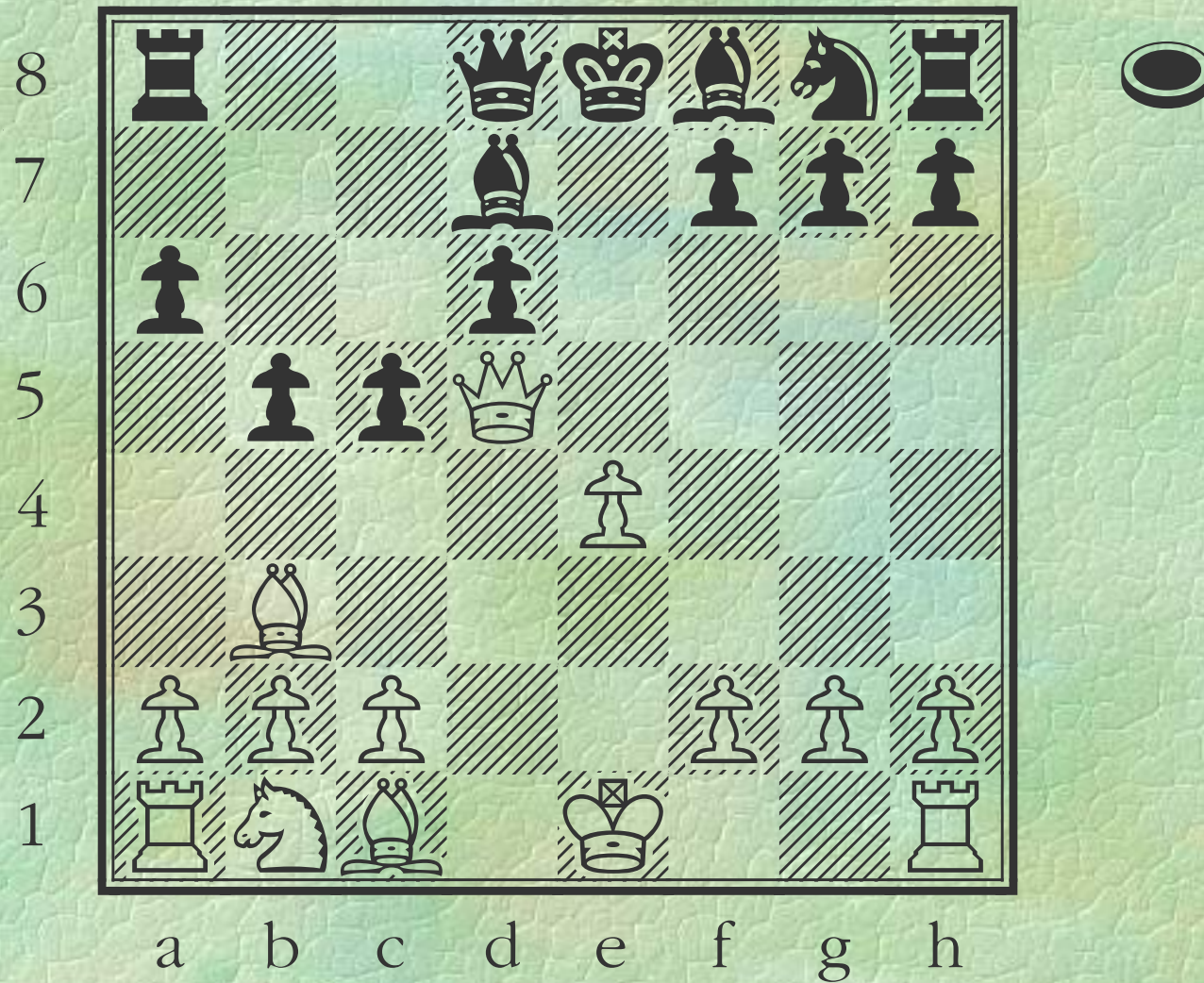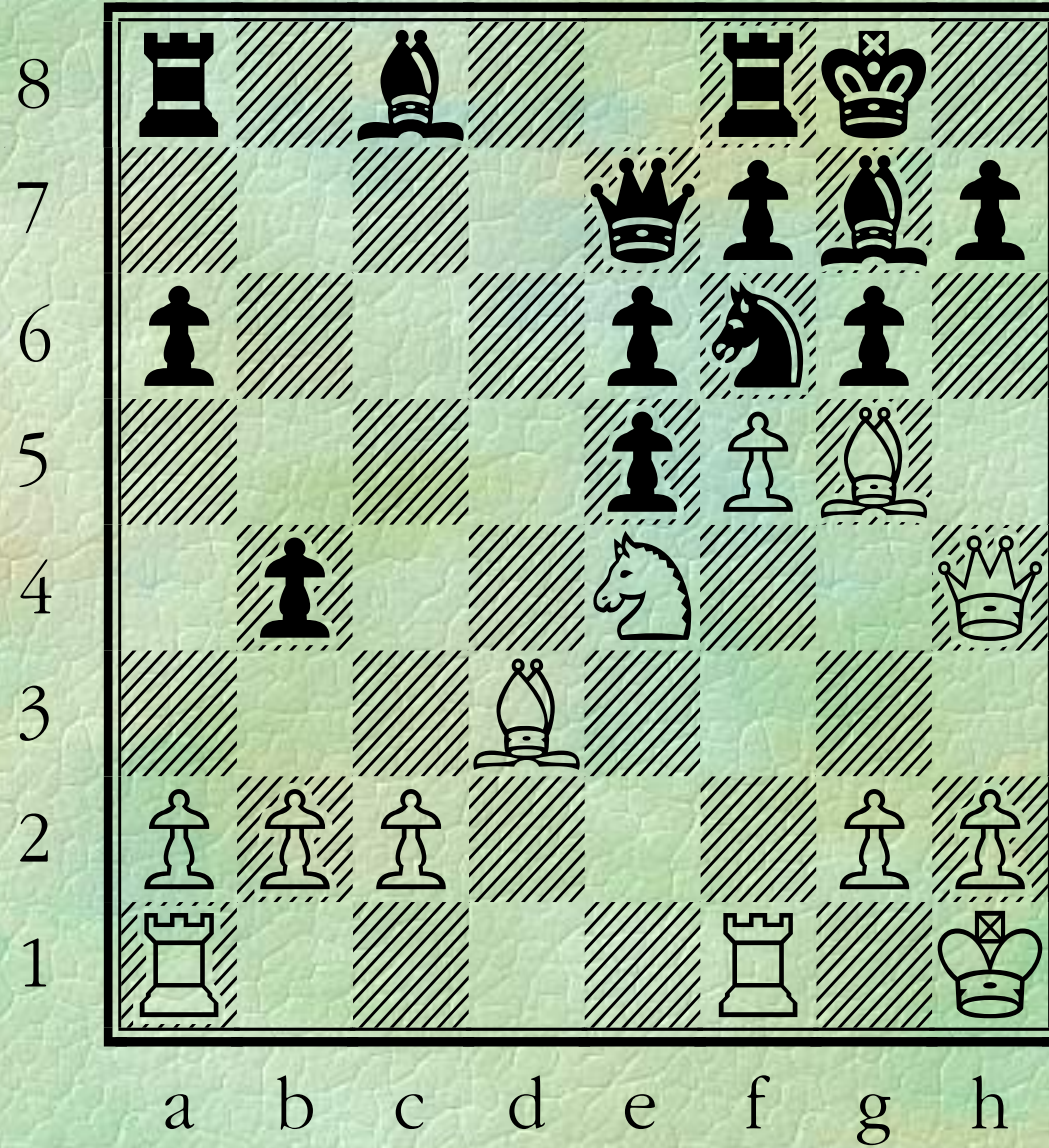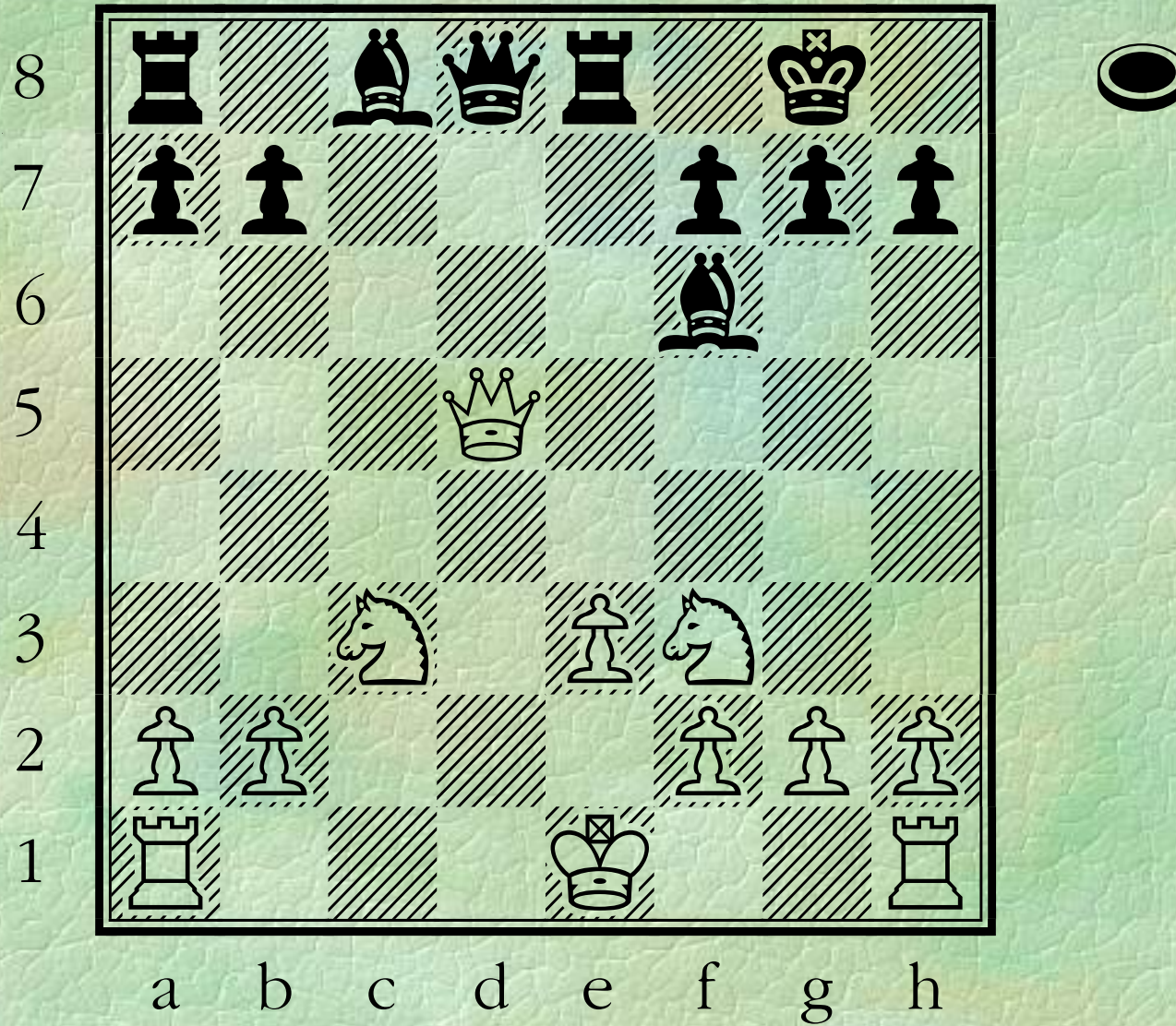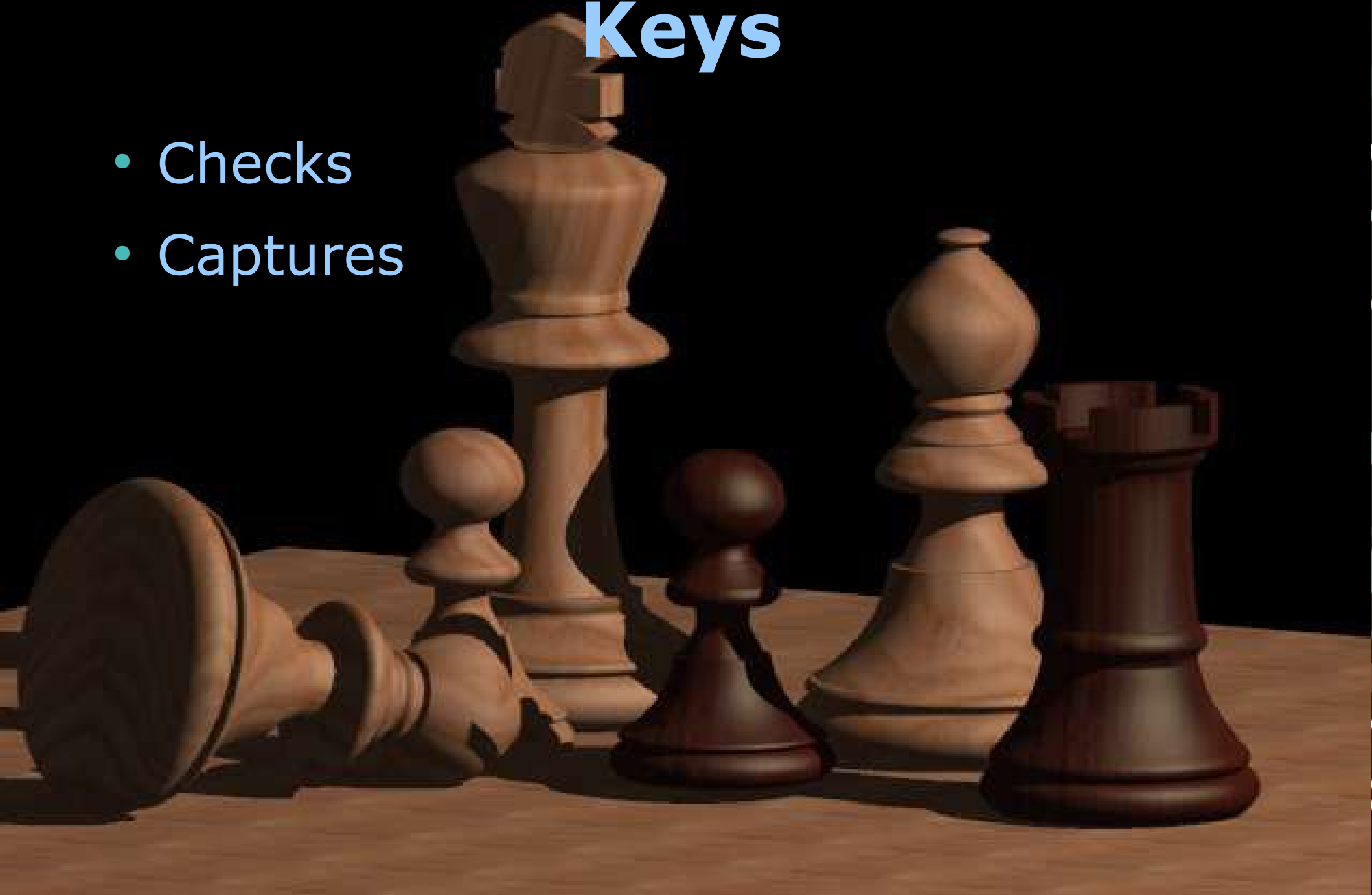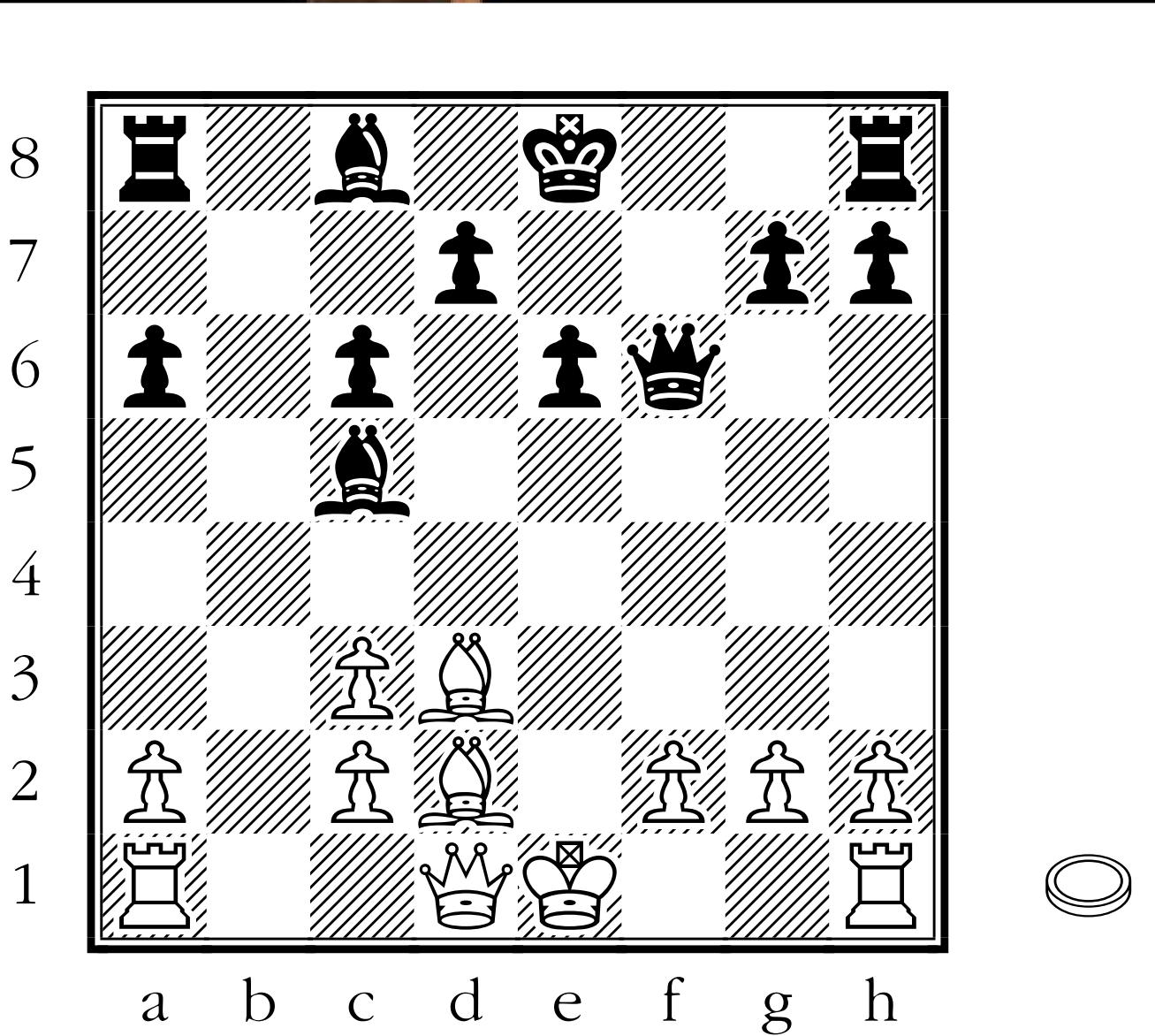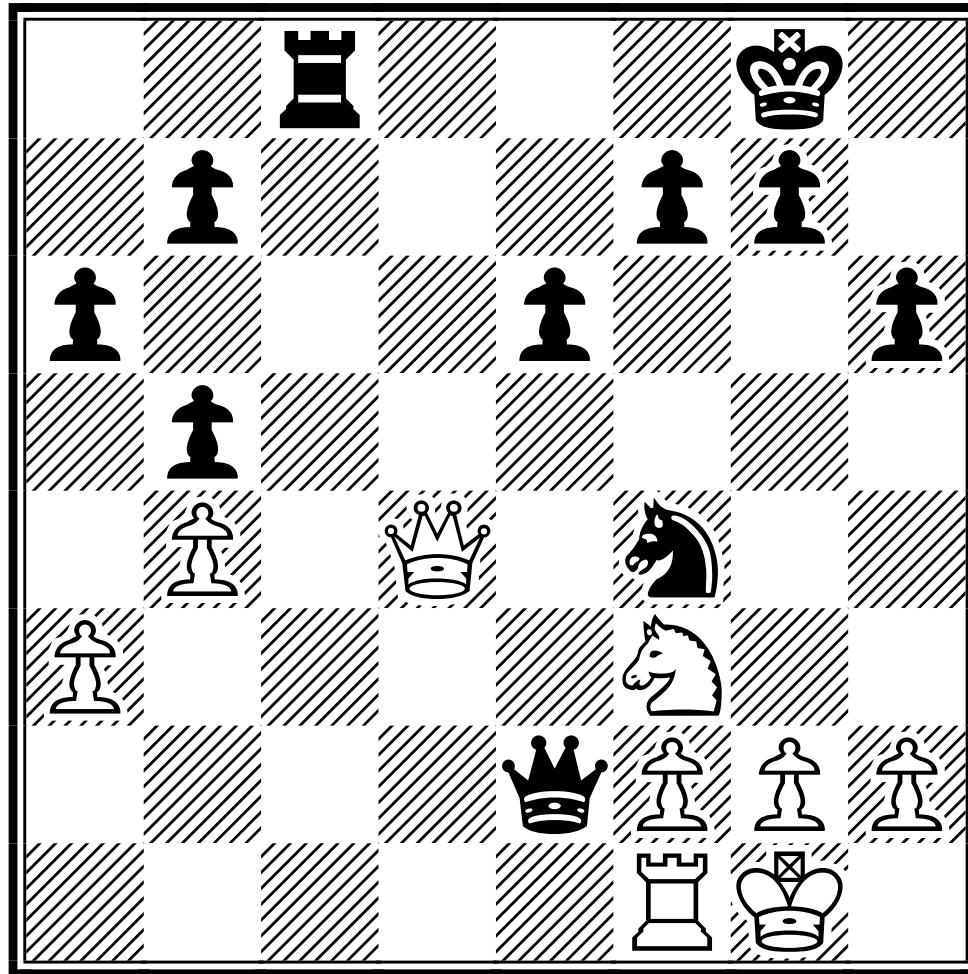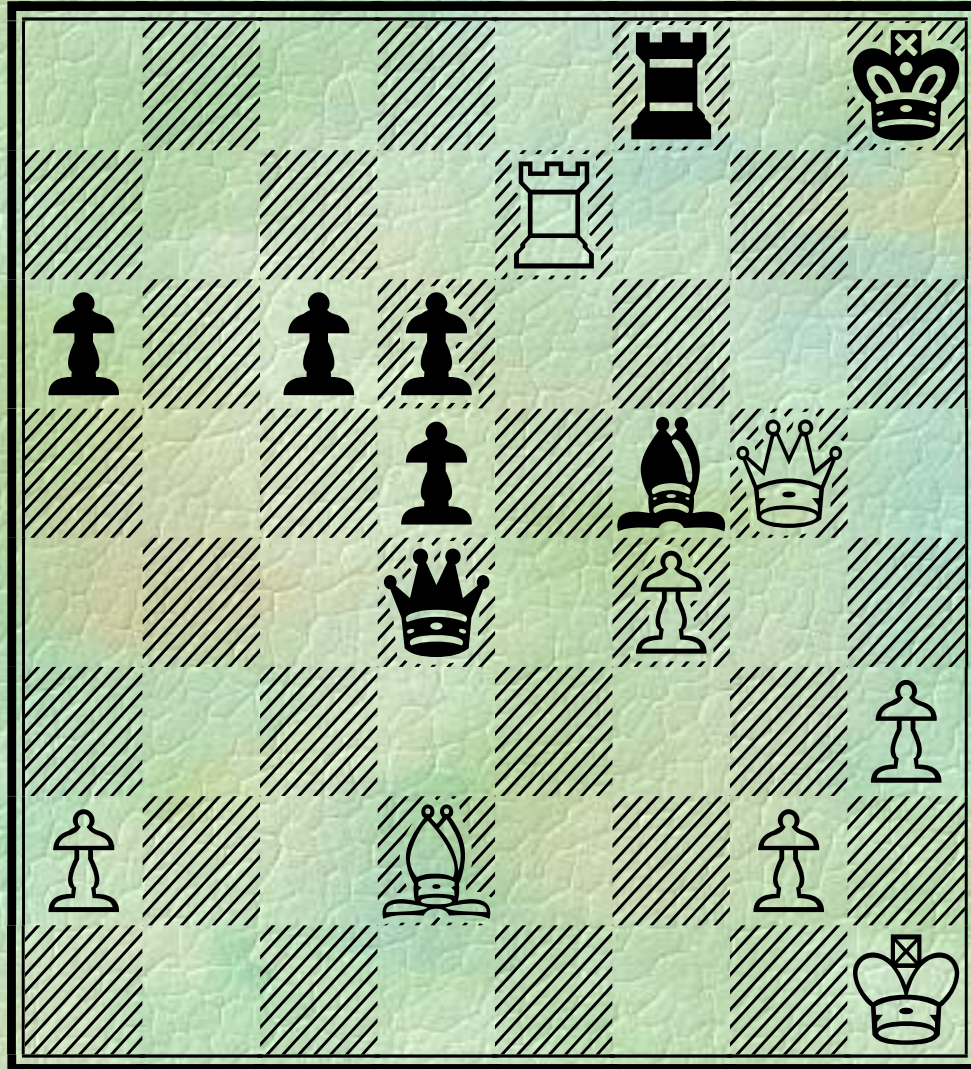
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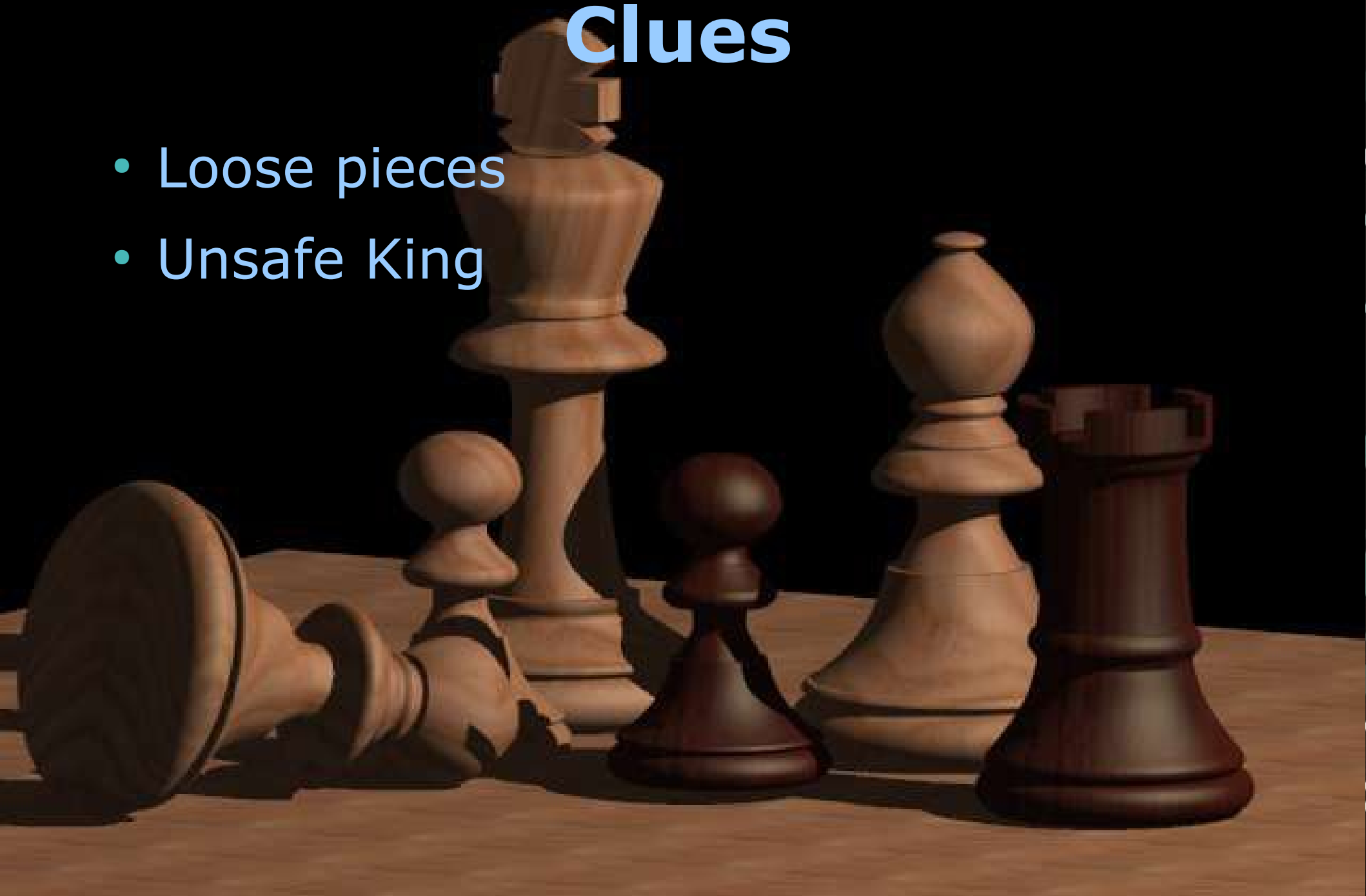
Keys

- Checks
- Captures

Key: check

Key: captures
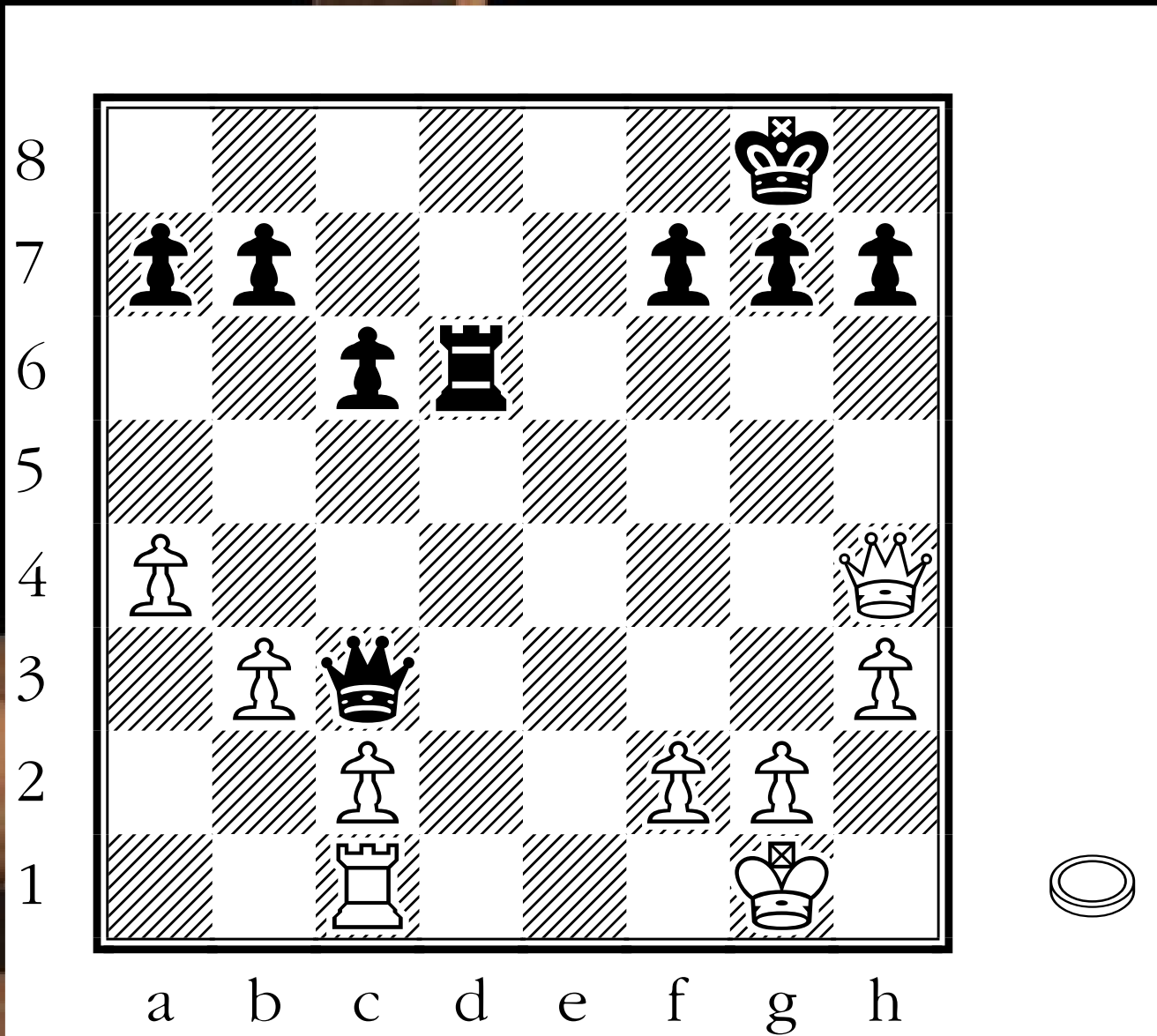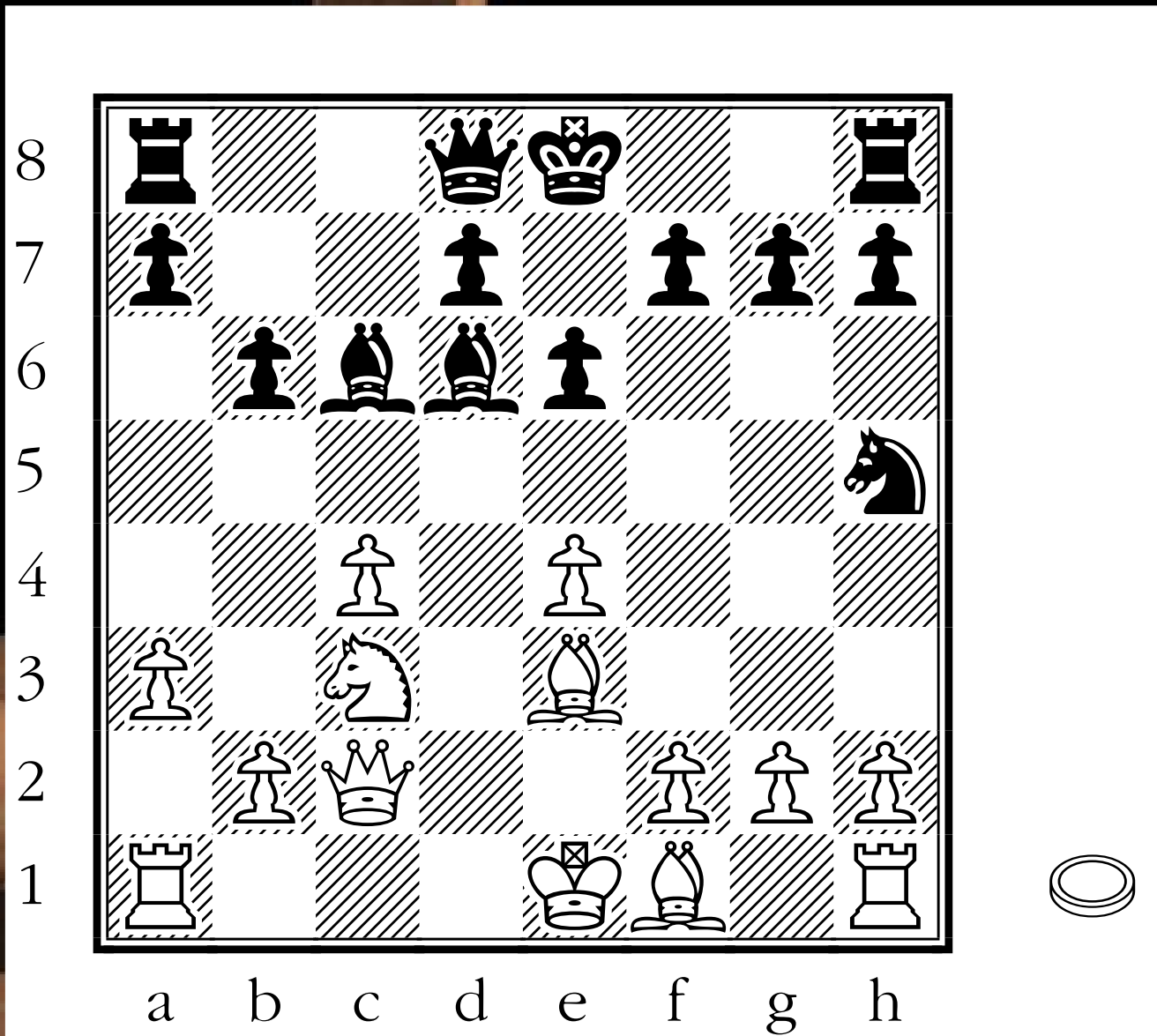
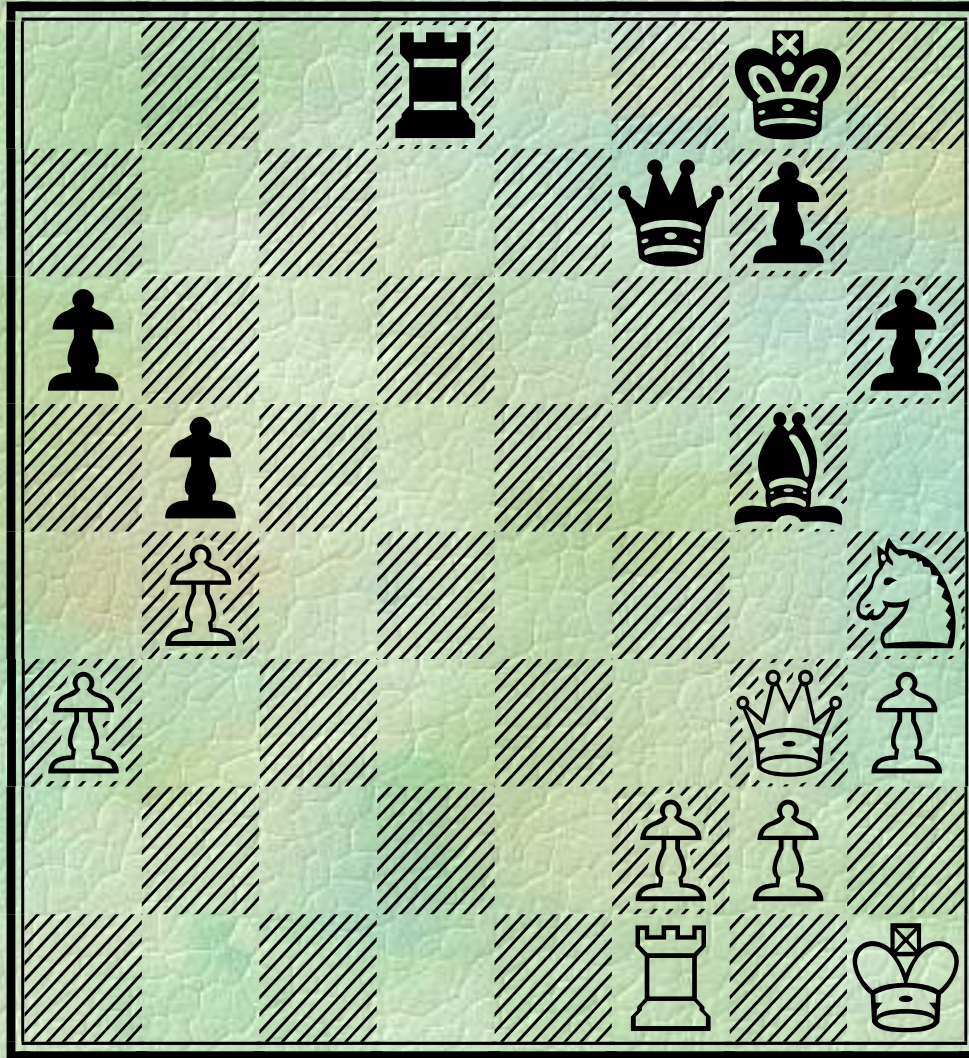# Making combinations work: checks

Clues

- Loose pieces
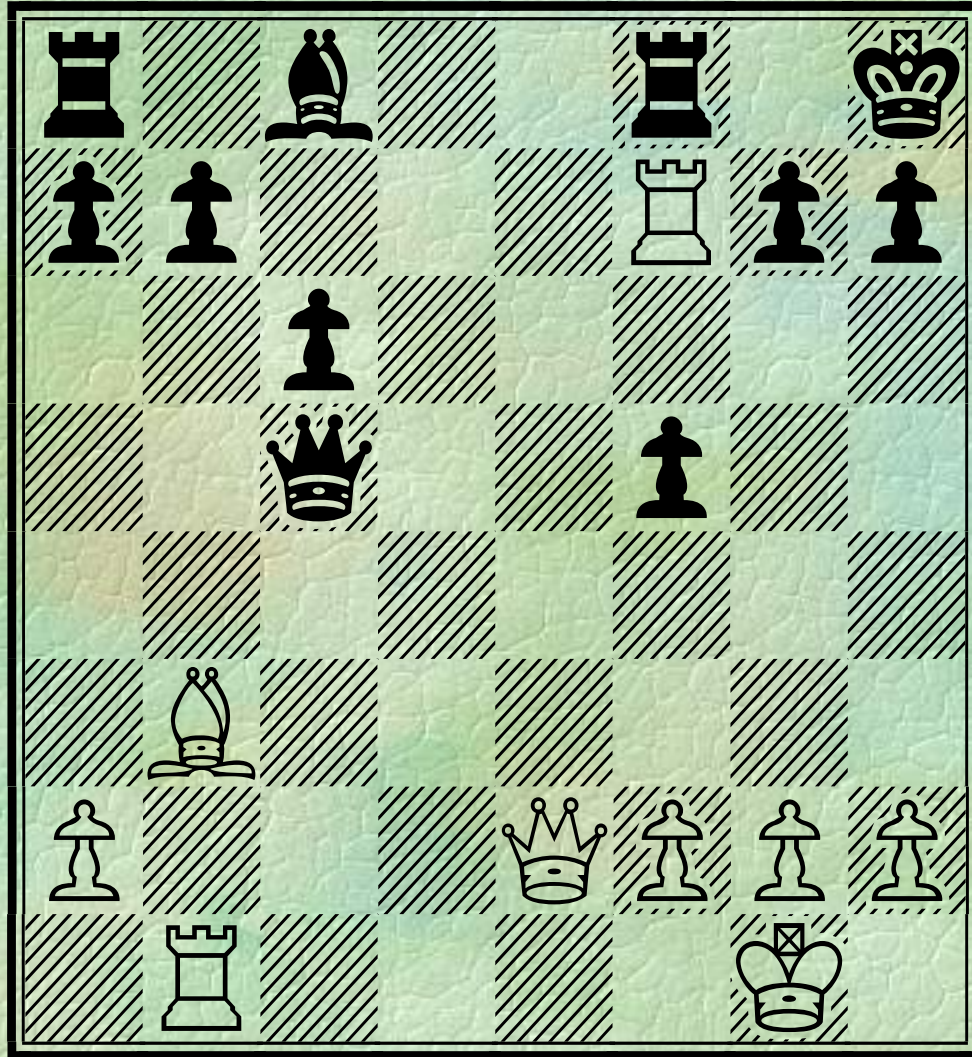- Unsafe King

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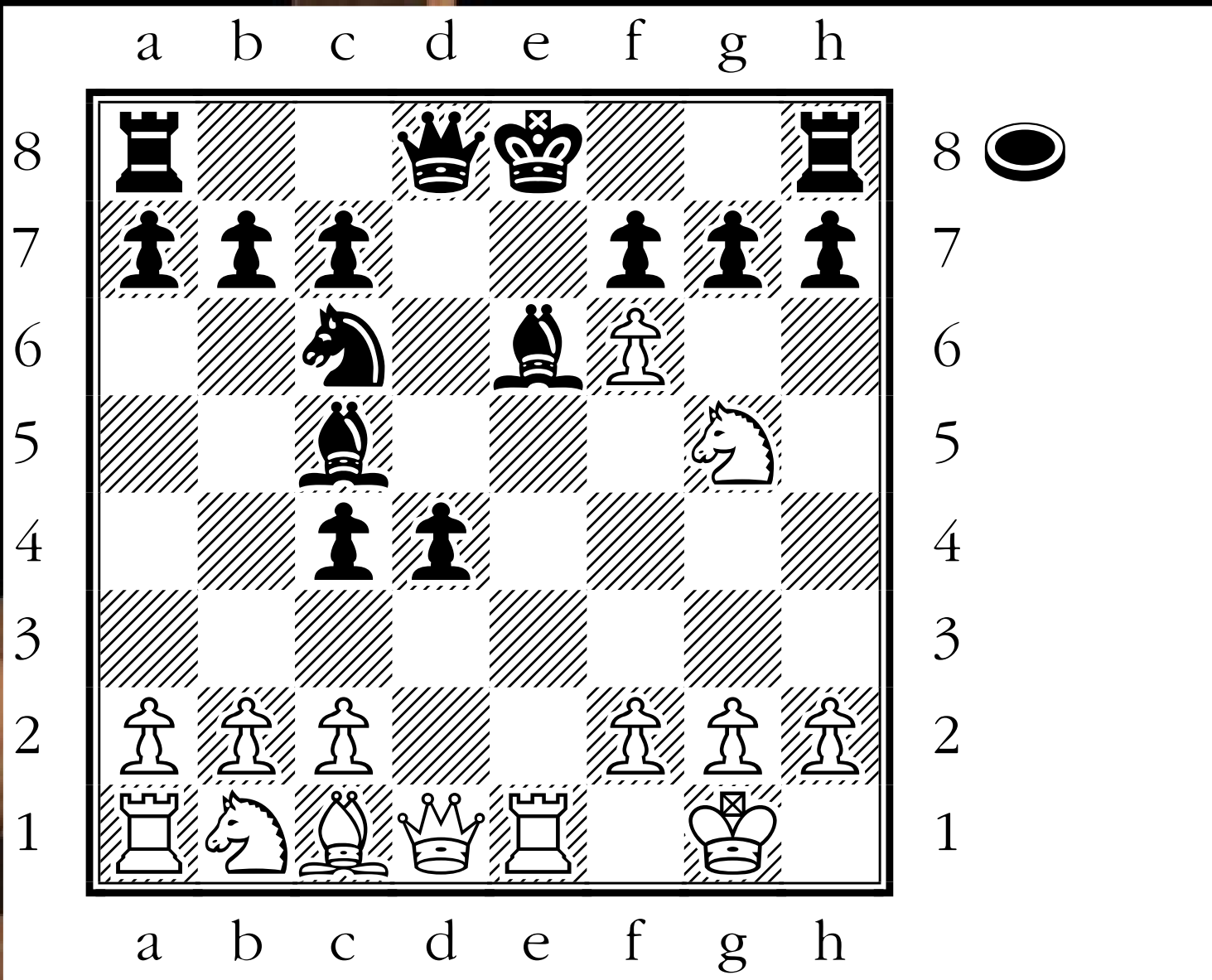
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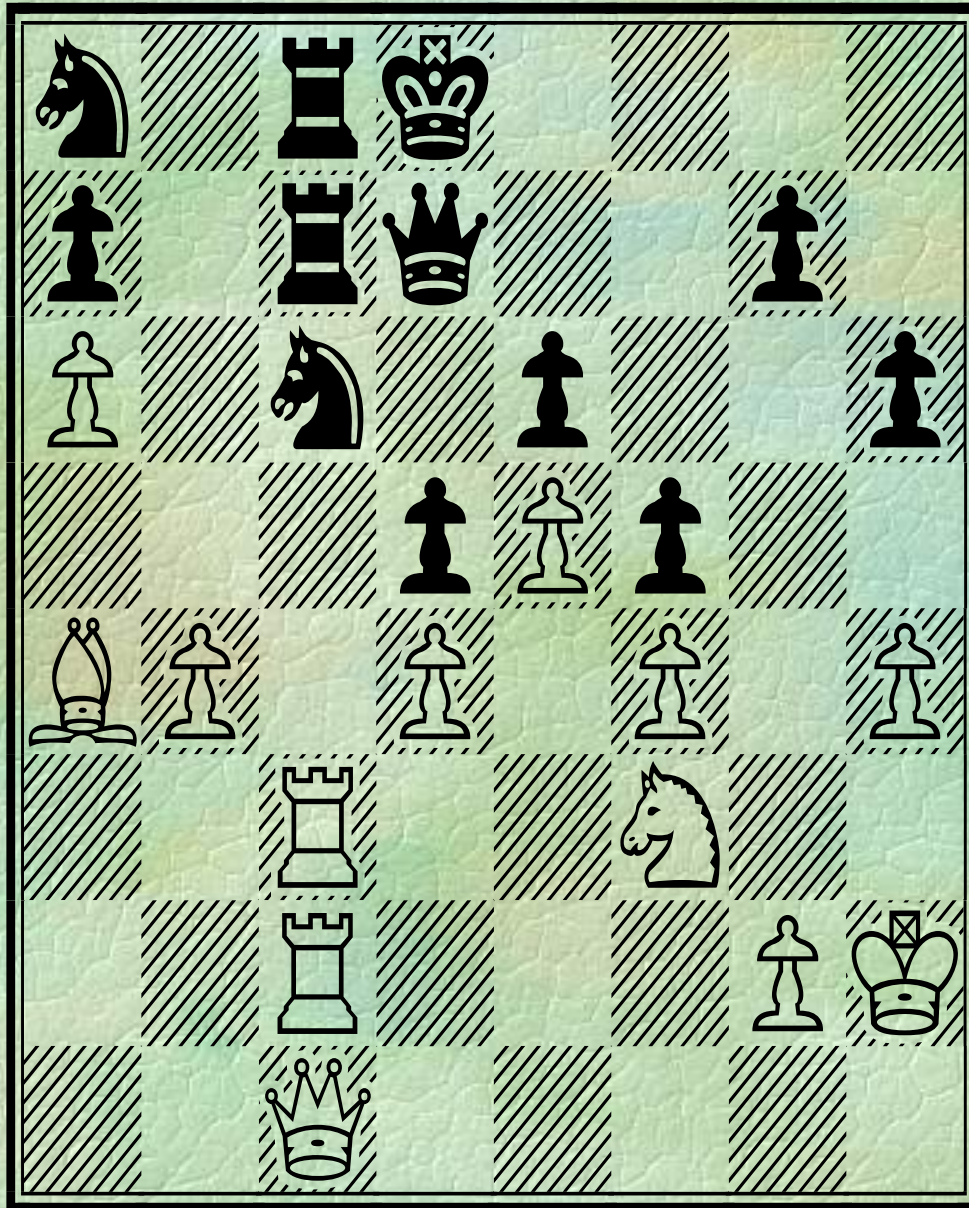
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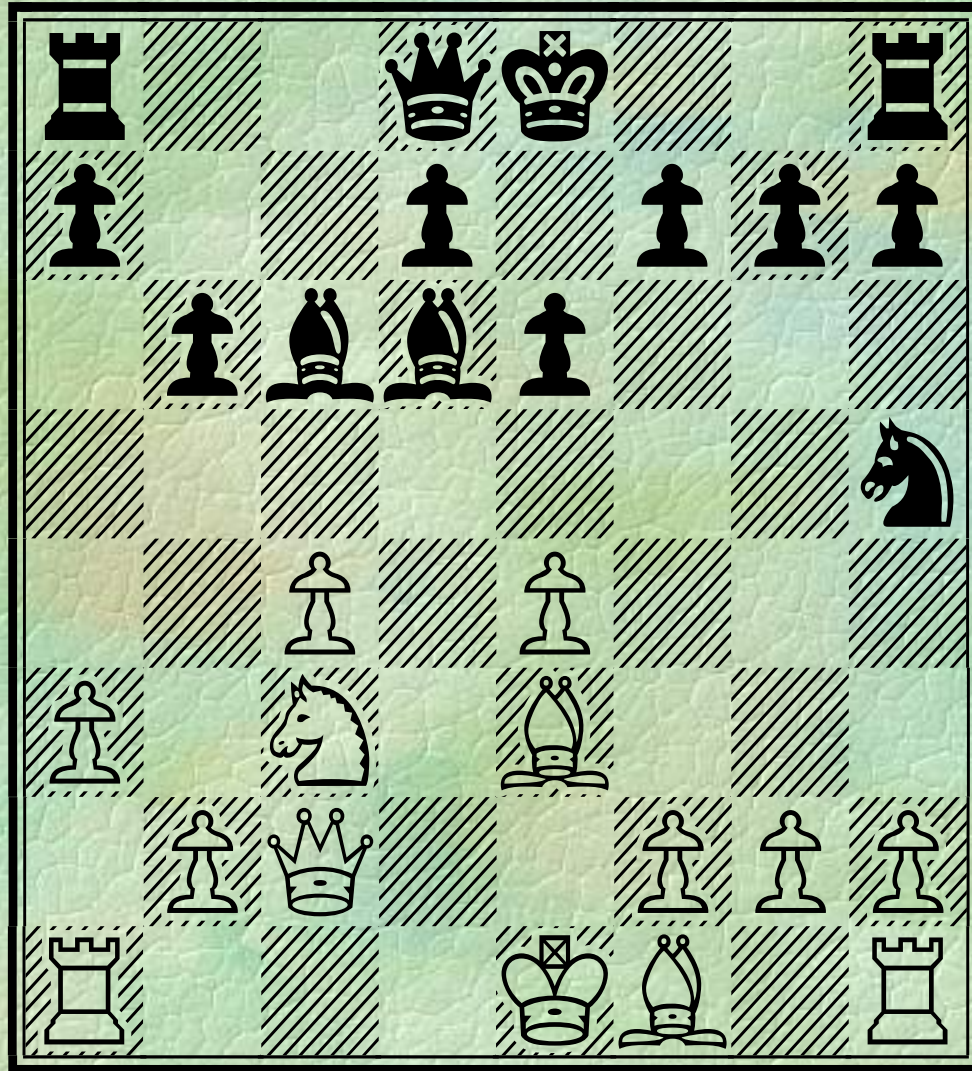
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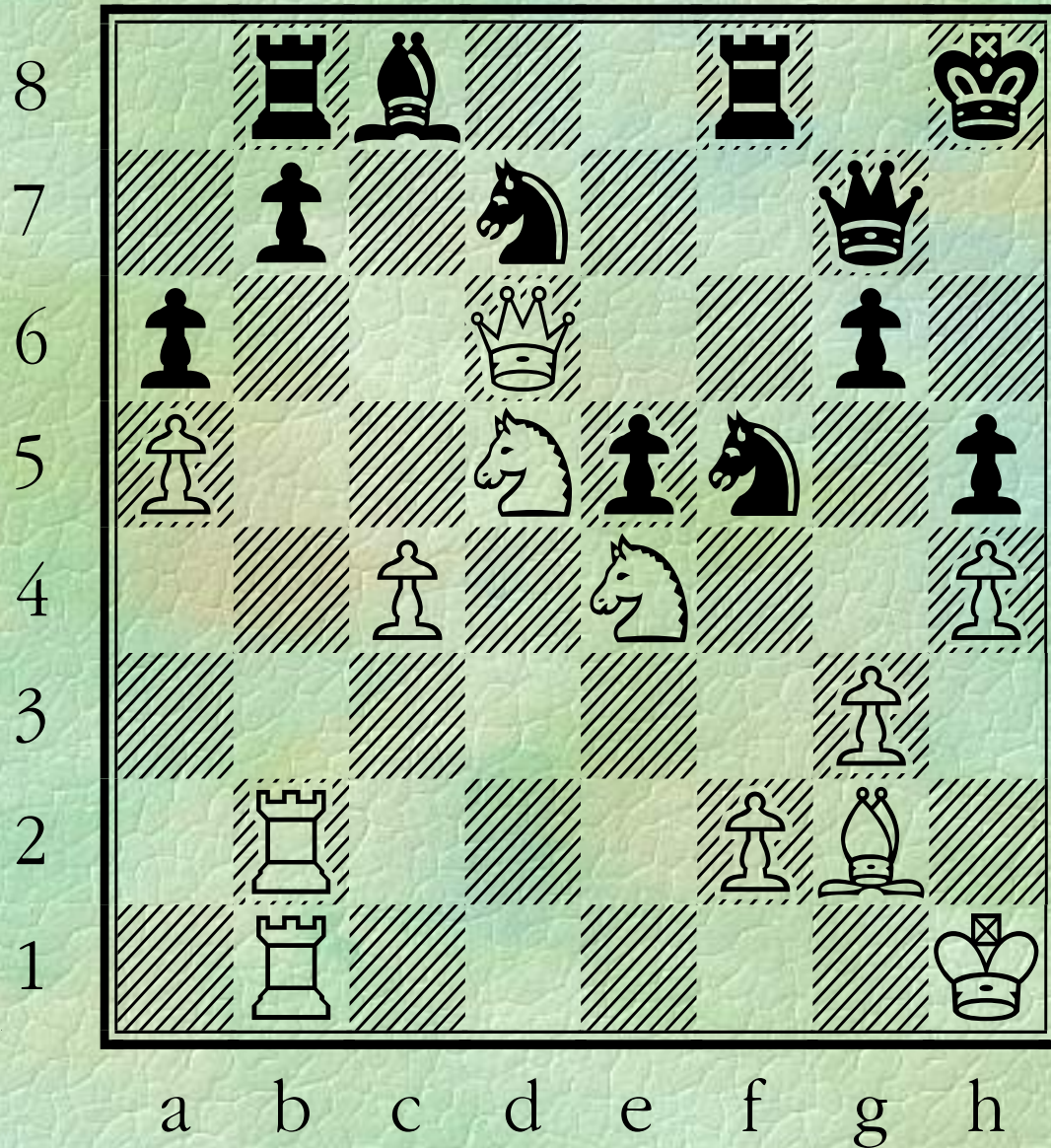
Keys: force against a fixed point

Keys: double attack

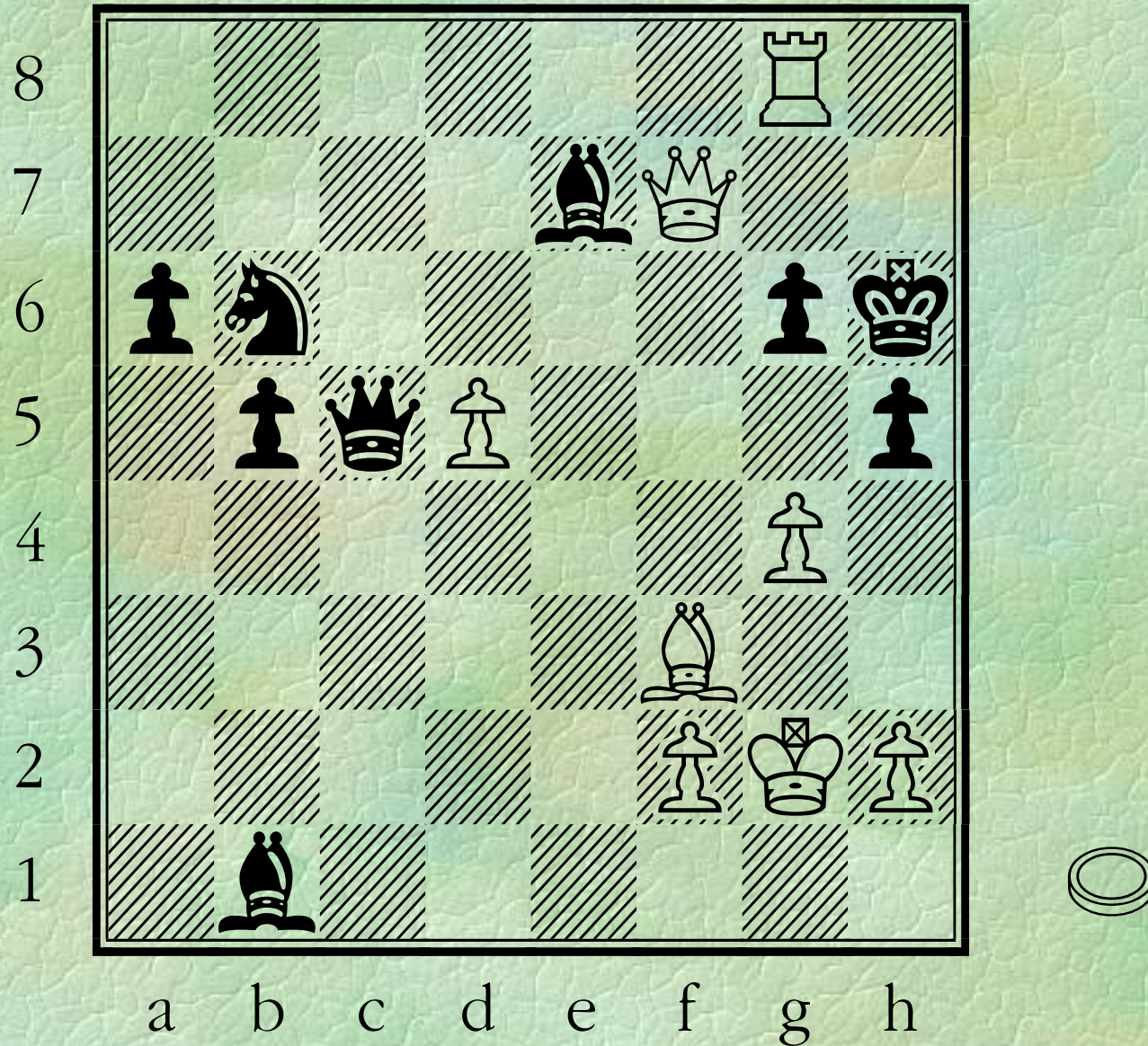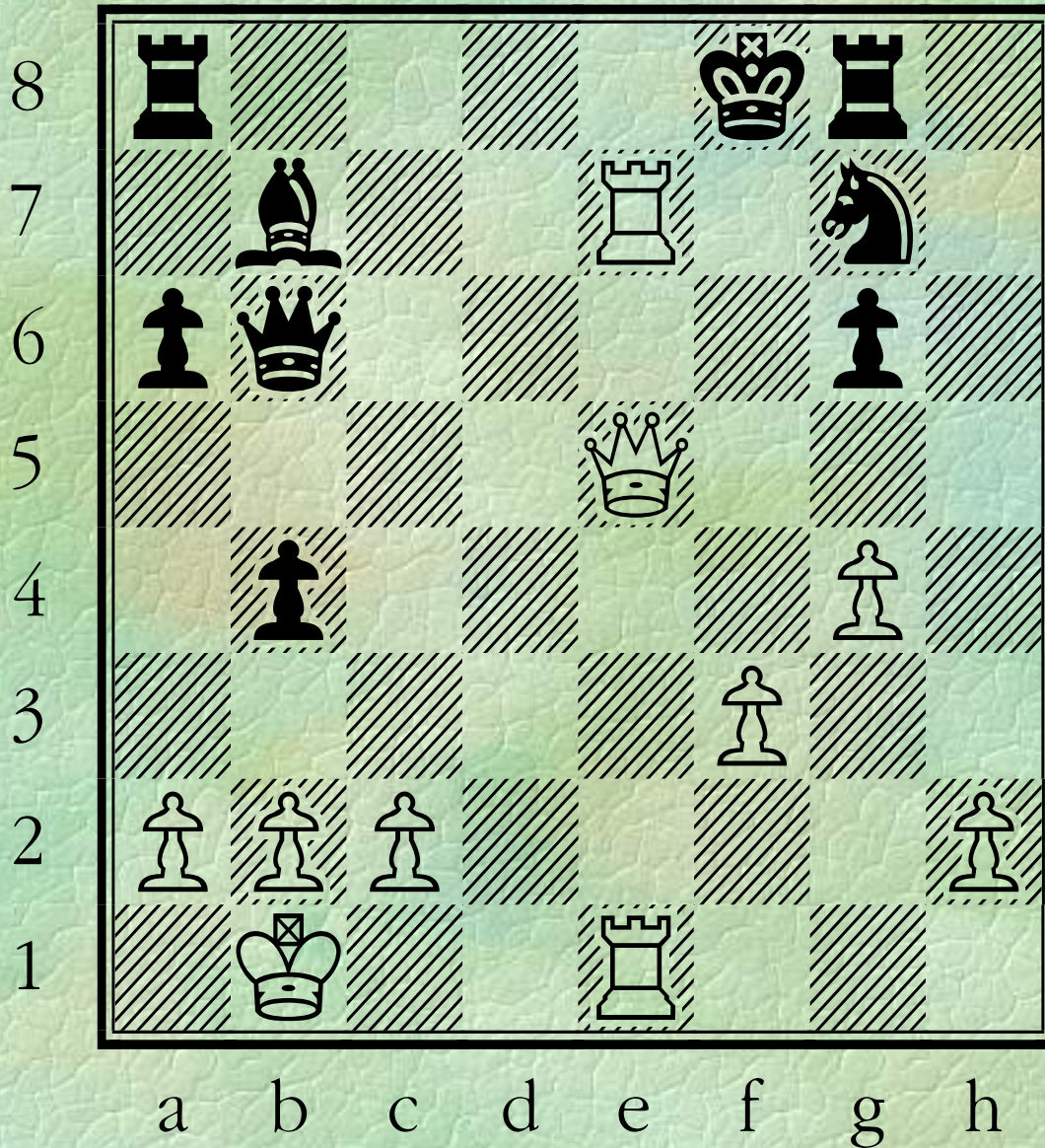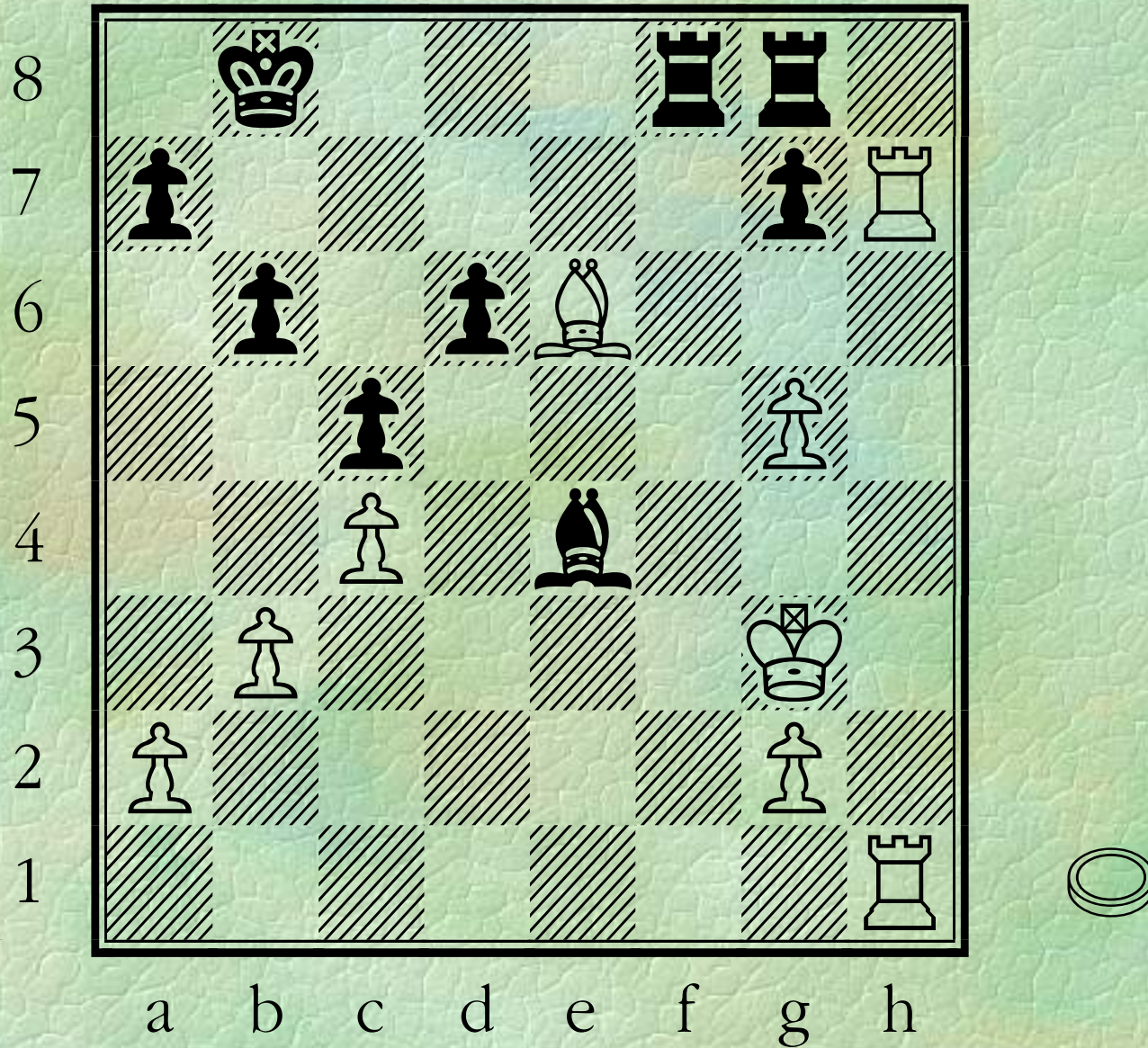# Hard moves to spot:

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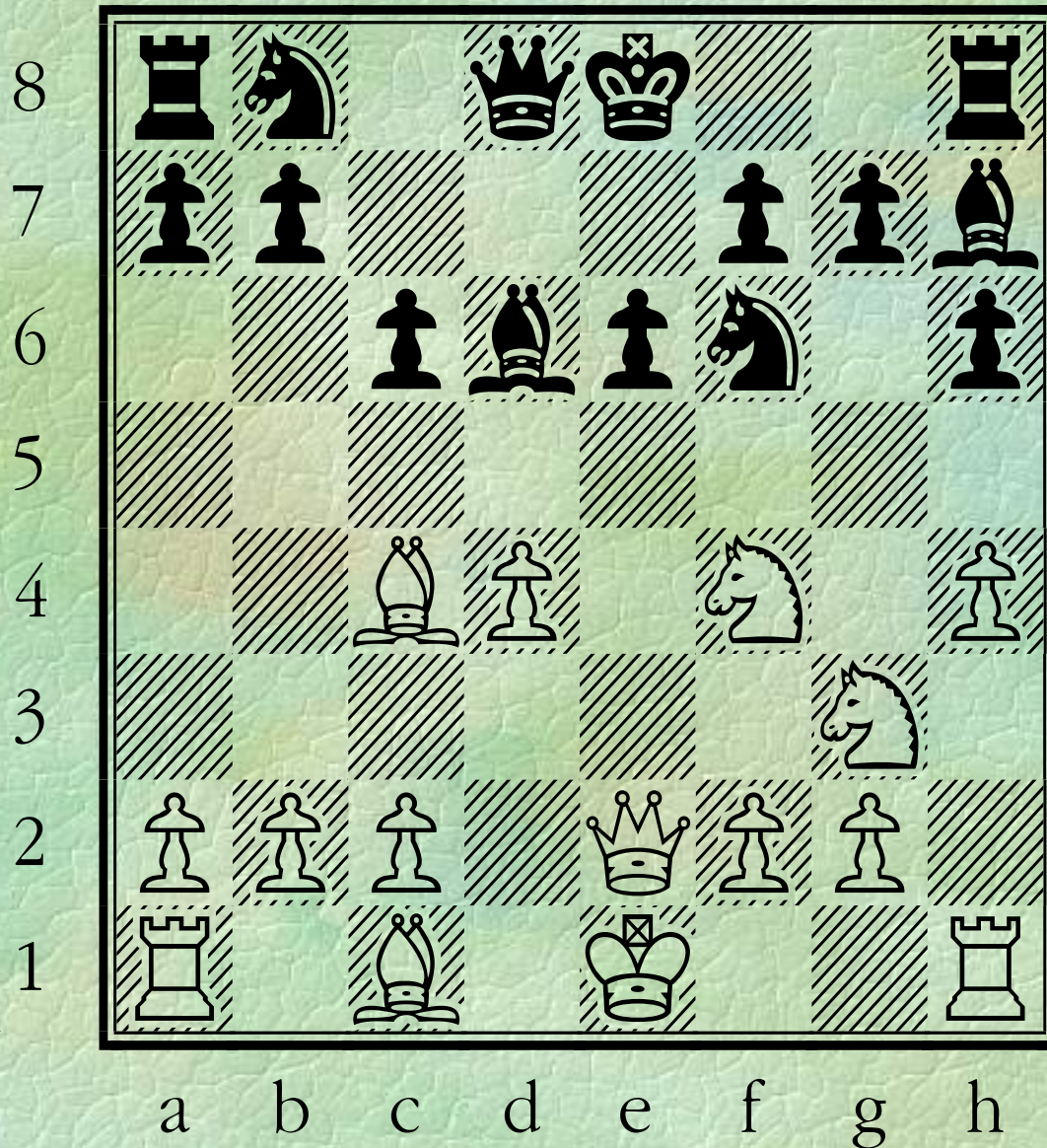
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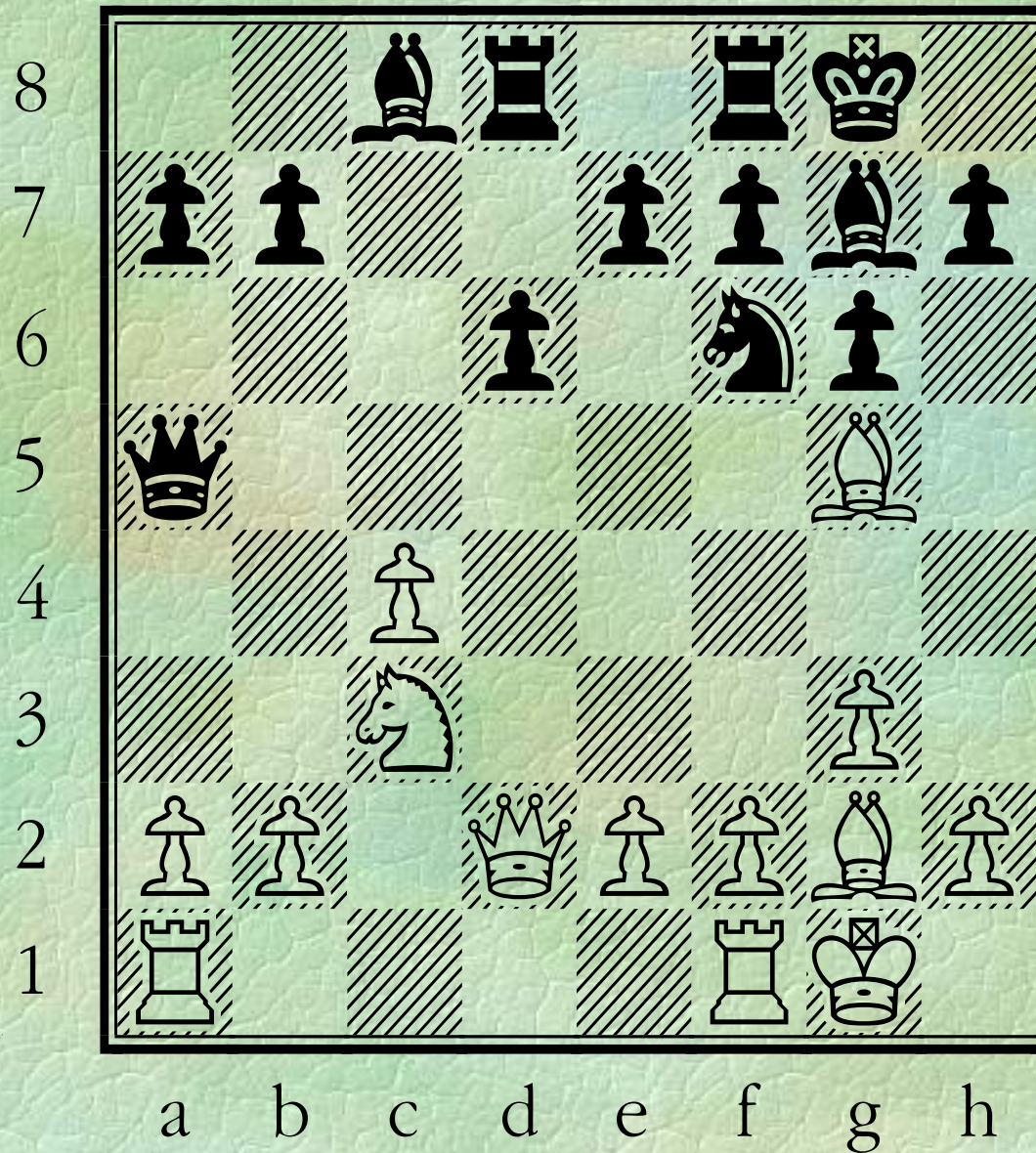# Hard moves to spot

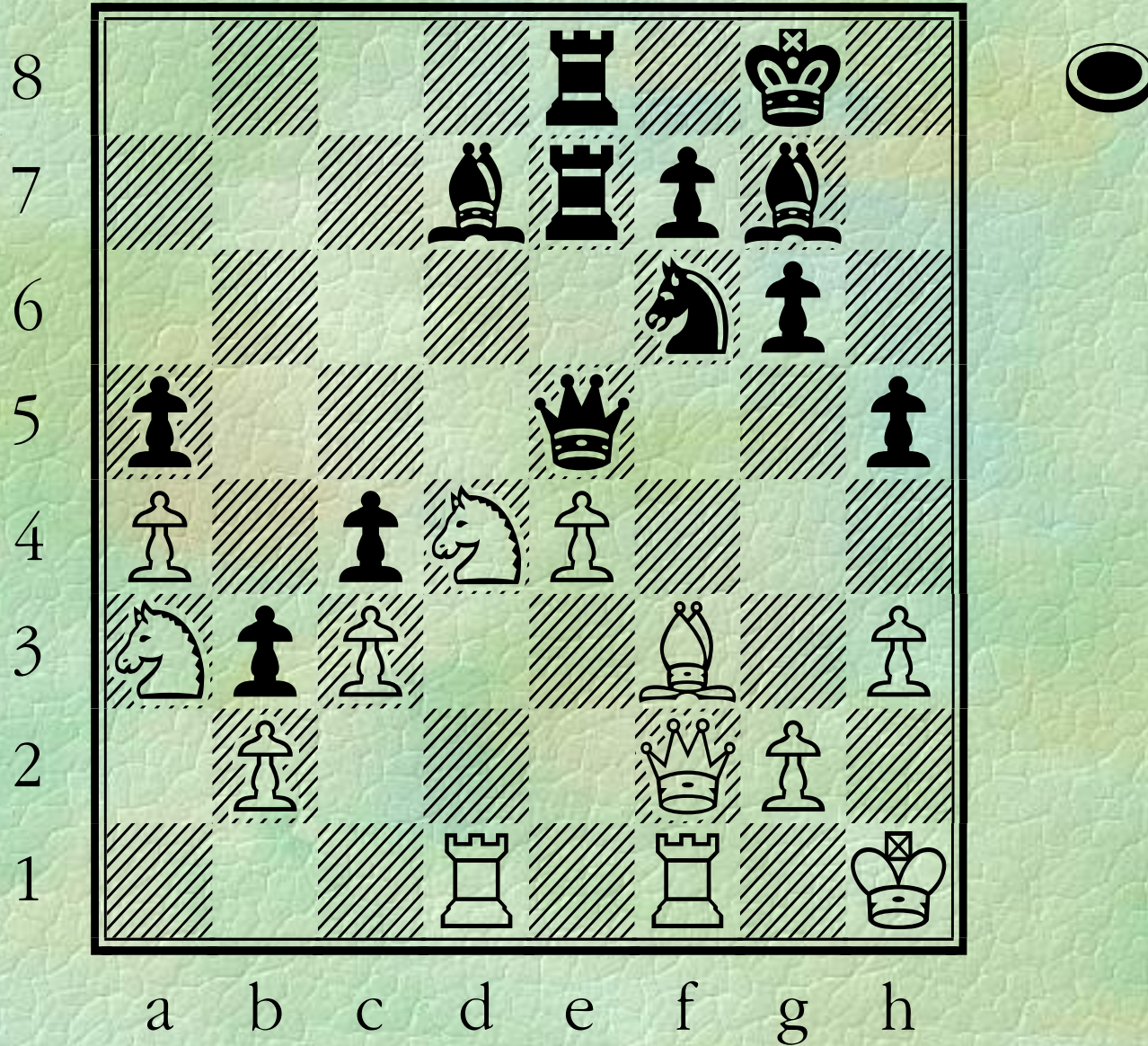# Hard moves to spot
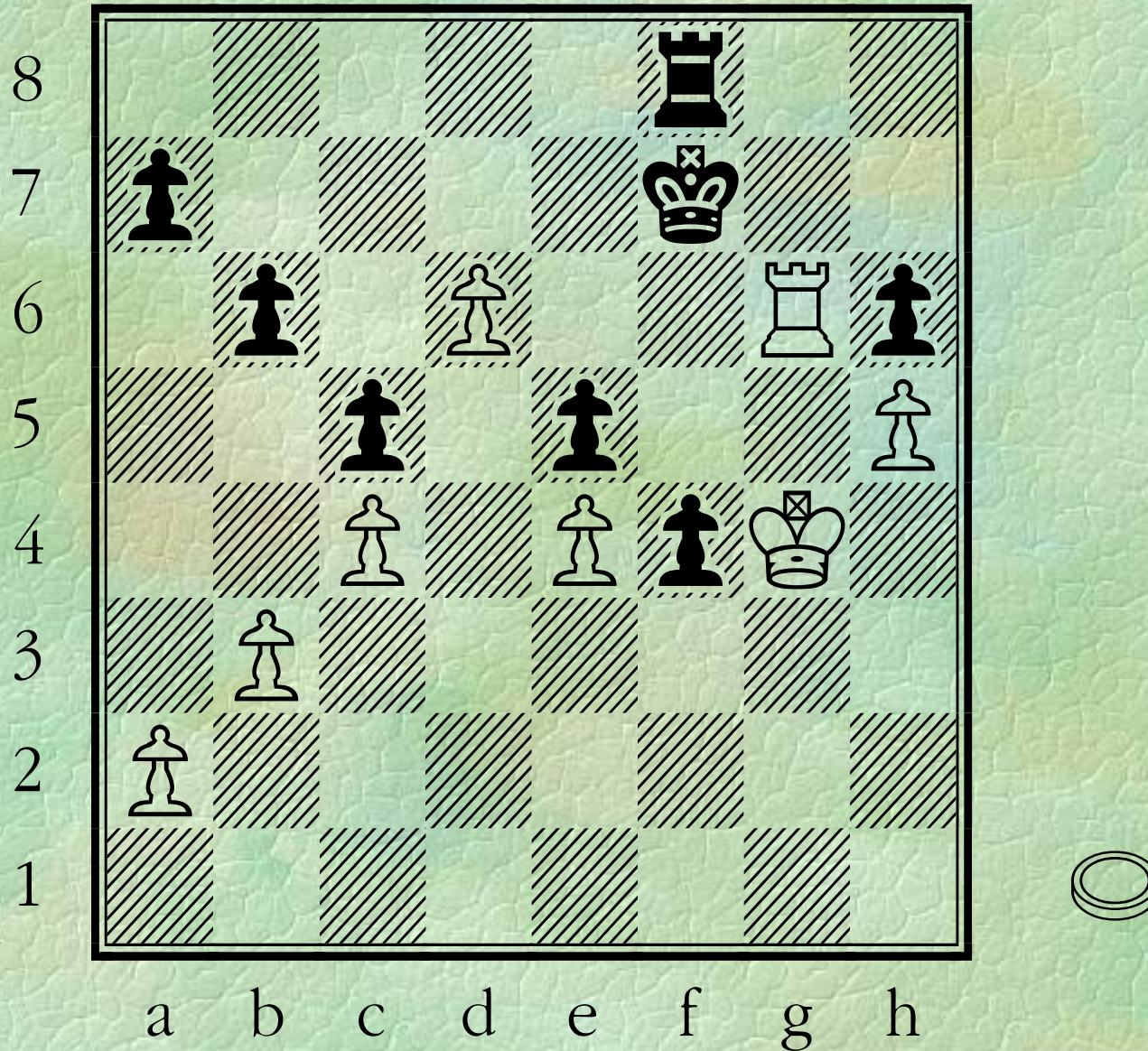
New

Hard moves to spot

12.Bxe6!?

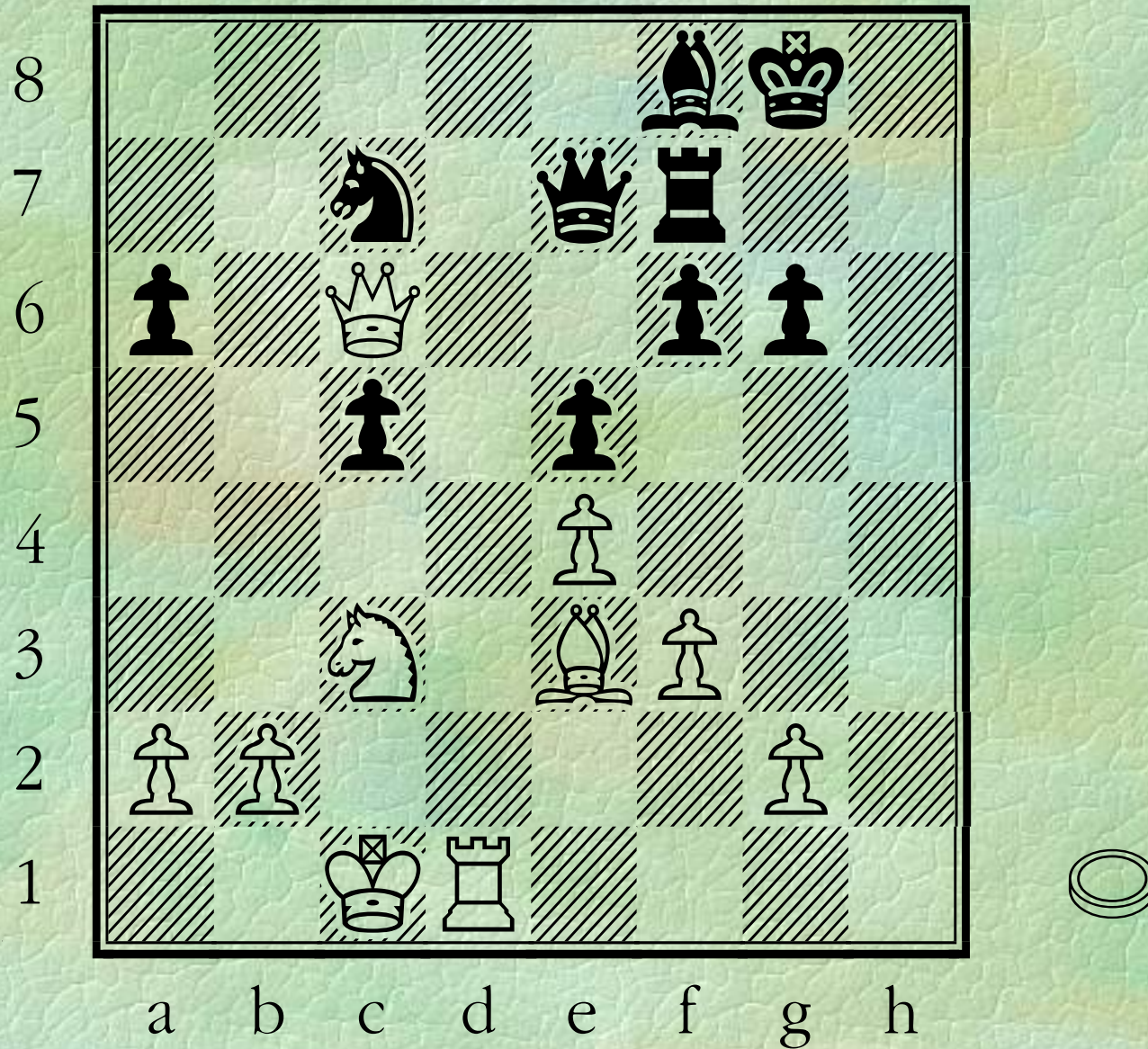12.Bxe6?
O-O!

Hard moves to spot: zwischenzug
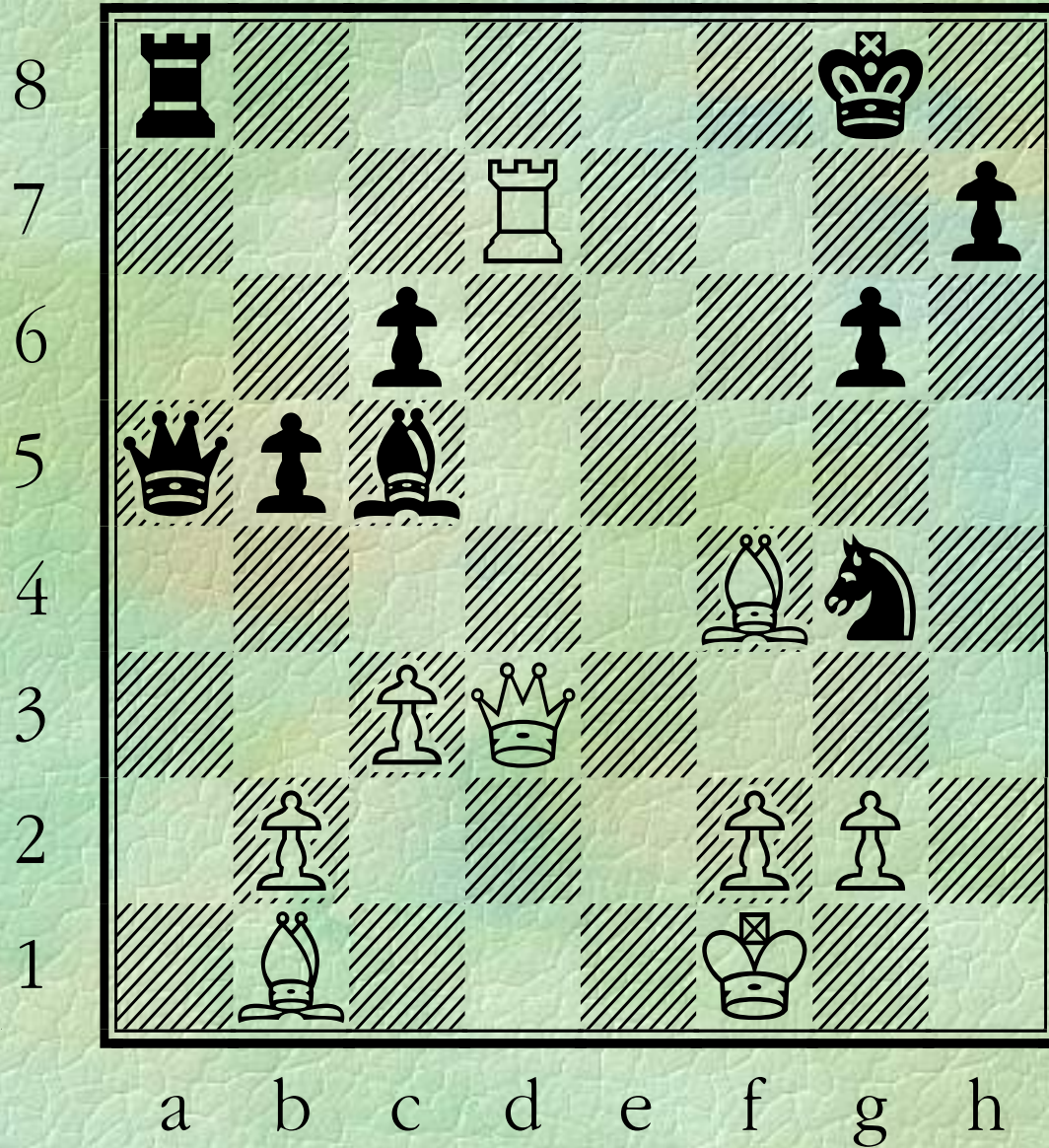
Hard moves to spot: false ending

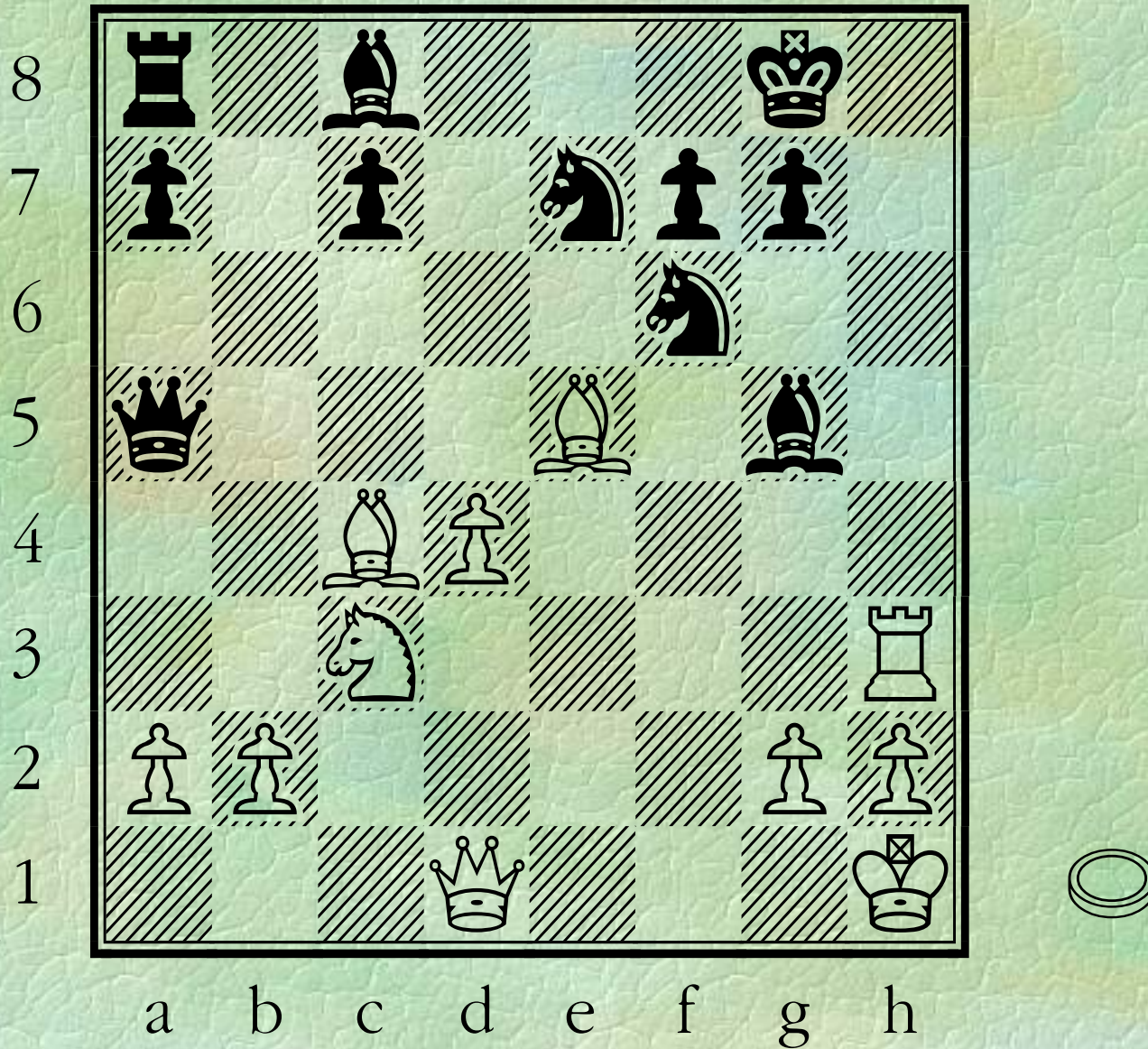# Hard moves to spot: back from the dead

Hard moves to spot: creeping move

Hard moves to spot: switchback

Hard moves to spot: hesitation

Hard moves to spot: collinear move