

## 6. Double attack (Difficulty level: Easy)

The double attack is one of the most commonly used tactics. It can successfully be applied by every chessman. The double attack is a position when one piece attacks two unprotected pieces simultaneously only one of those threatened pieces can save itself. It always helps the player to gain a material advantage over the opponent.

**There are 3 types of double attacks:**

### 1. Check + 1 Unprotected piece.

It's a position when one piece delivers a check to the king and simultaneously attacks one unprotected piece of the opponent

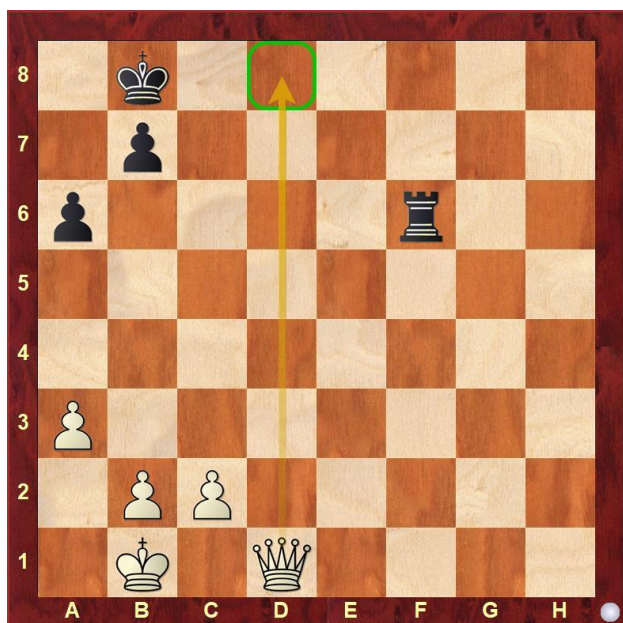


Diagram 6.1



Diagram 6.2

In the above diagram 6.1, we can observe that the Black rook on f6 is unprotected. Later, in fig. 6.2 white queen moved to d8 and performs a double attack by giving a check to the black king on b8 and simultaneously attacking the unprotected rook on f6. Therefore, the black needs to save the king, and the white queen can easily capture the rook and gain material advantage.

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### 2. Attacking two unprotected pieces.

It's a position when one-piece attacks two unprotected pieces simultaneously.

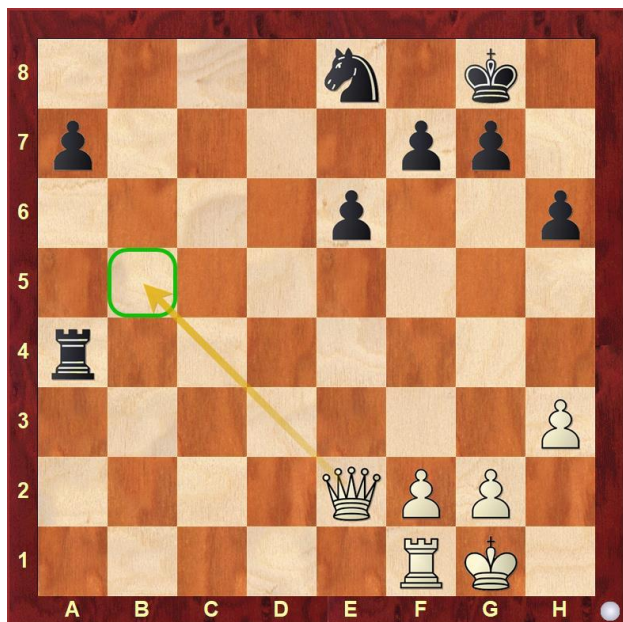


Diagram 6.3

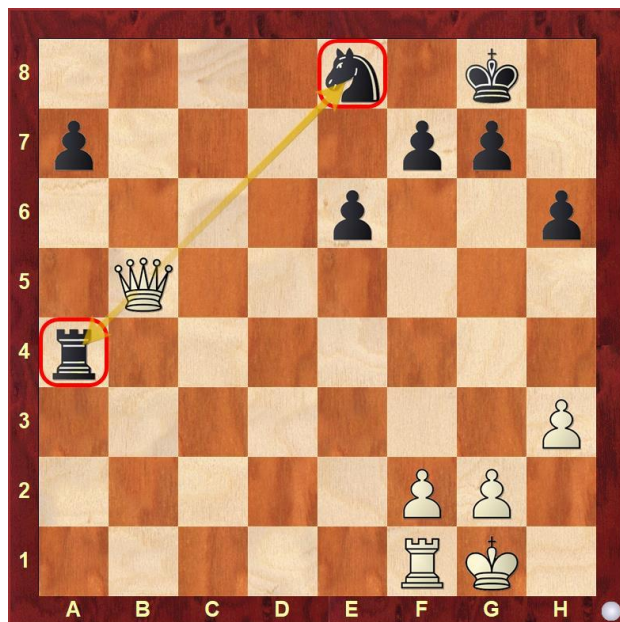


Diagram 6.4

In the above diagram 6.3, we can observe that the Black rook on a4 and the knight on e8 both are unprotected. Later, in fig. 6.4 white queen moved to b5 and performs a double attack by attacking both the unprotected piece simultaneously. Therefore, the black needs to save the rook, and the white queen can easily capture the knight and gain material advantage.

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### 3. Checkmate square + 1 Unprotected Piece.

It's a position when one piece threatens the checkmating square (a specific square where a piece can do a checkmate) and simultaneously attacks one unprotected piece of the opponent.



Diagram 6.5

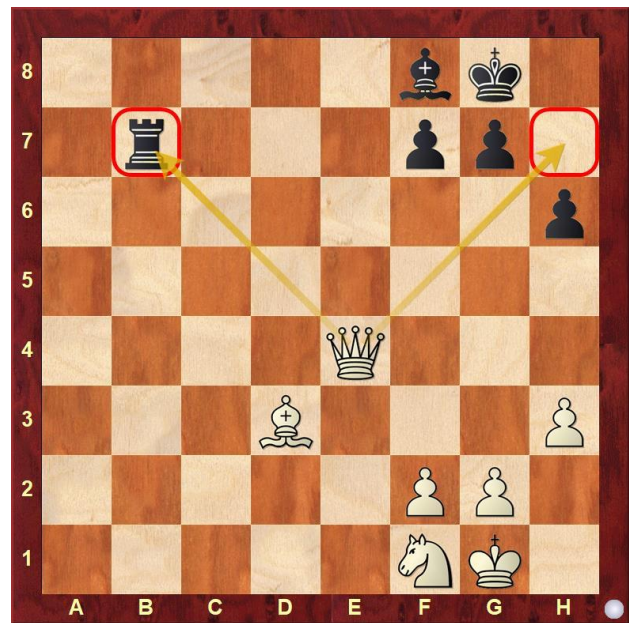


Diagram 6.6

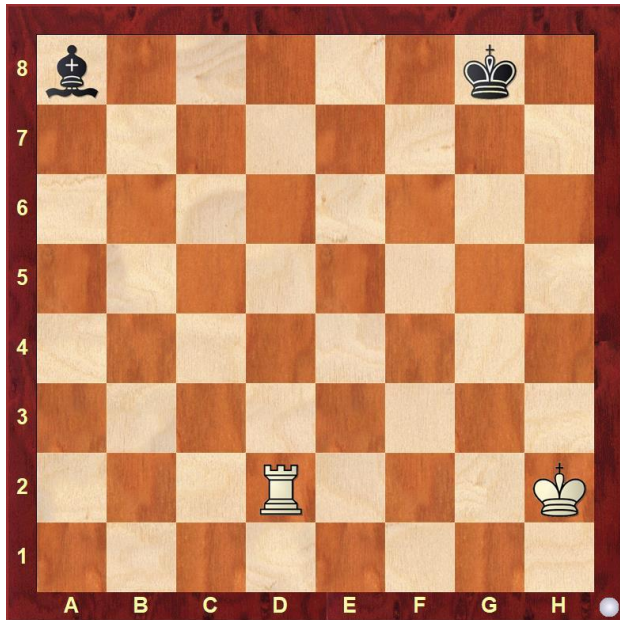
In the above diagram 6.5, we can observe that the Black rook at b7 is unprotected and h7 square is the checkmating square. Later, in fig. 6.6 white queen moved to e4 and performs a double attack by attacking the unprotected rook and the checkmating squares simultaneously. Therefore, the black needs to save the king from getting checkmated, and the white queen can easily capture the Rook and gain material advantage.



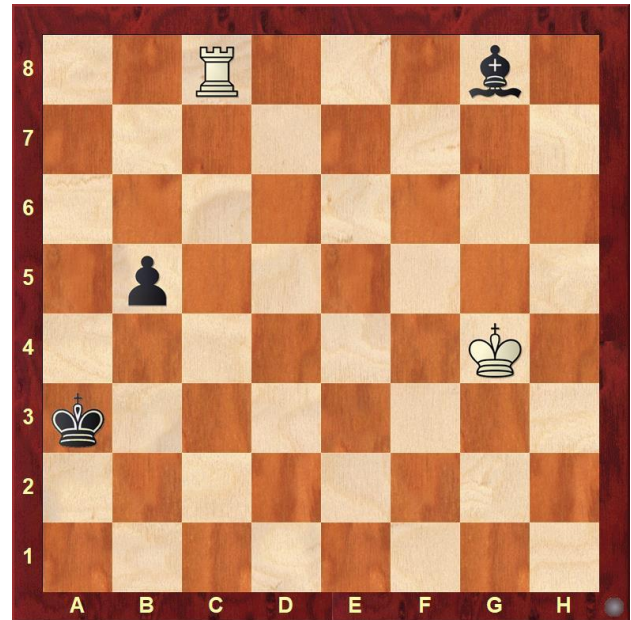
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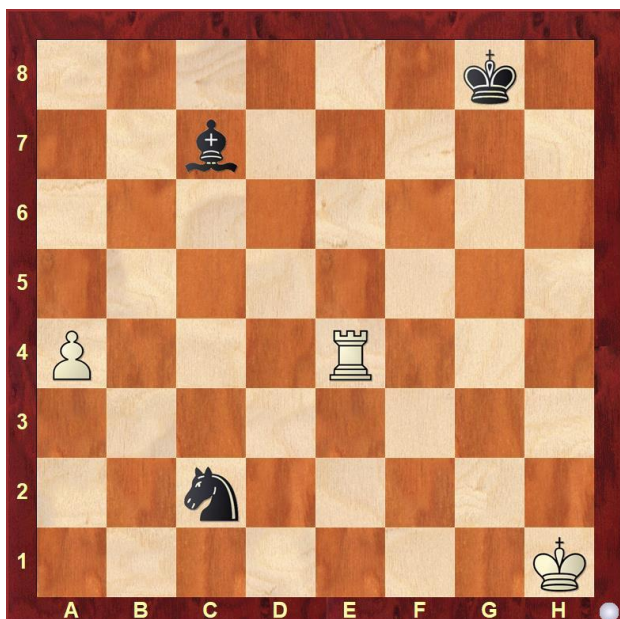
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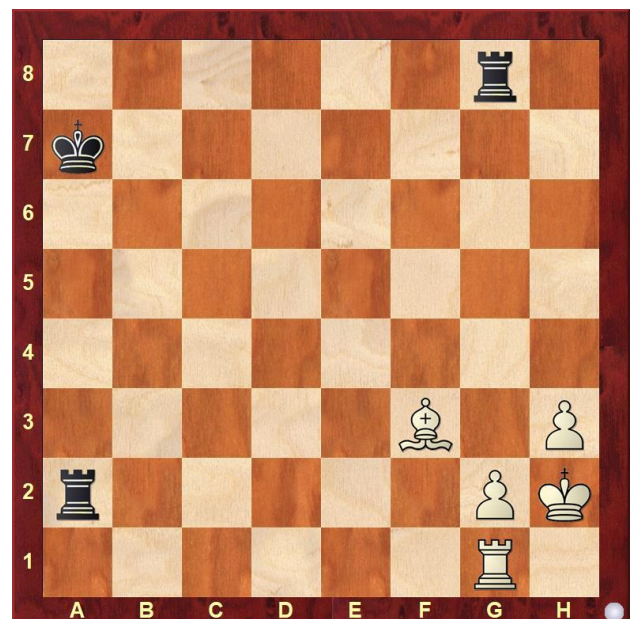
2. Black to play and find the double attack



3. White to play and find the double attack



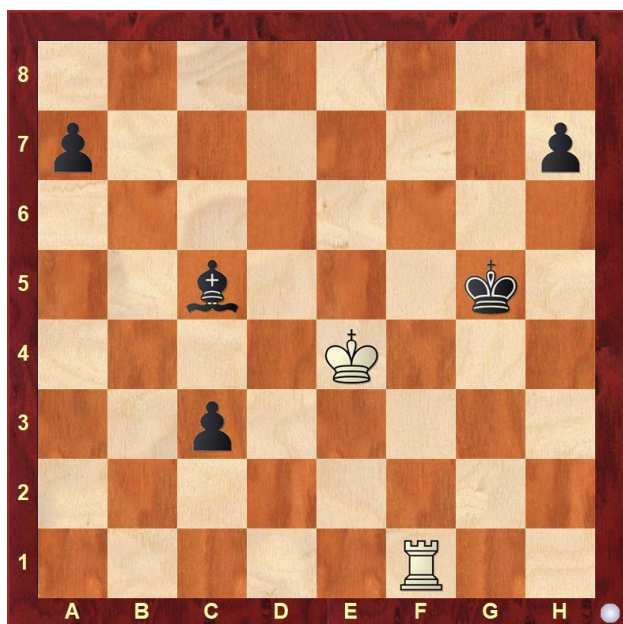
4. White to play and find the double attack



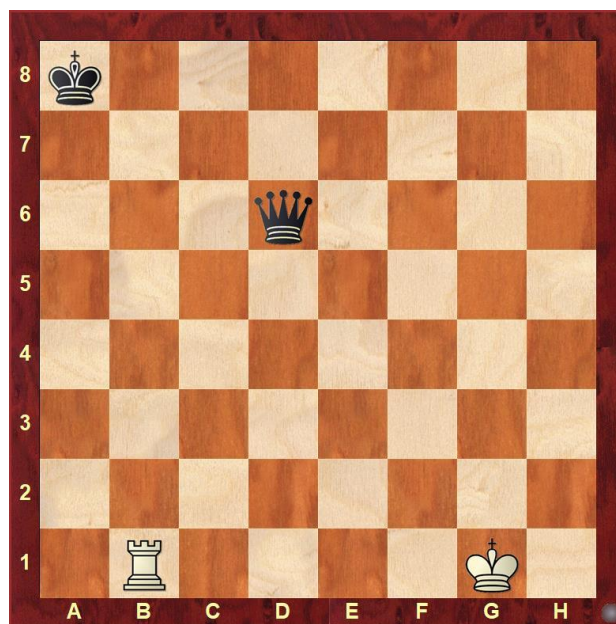
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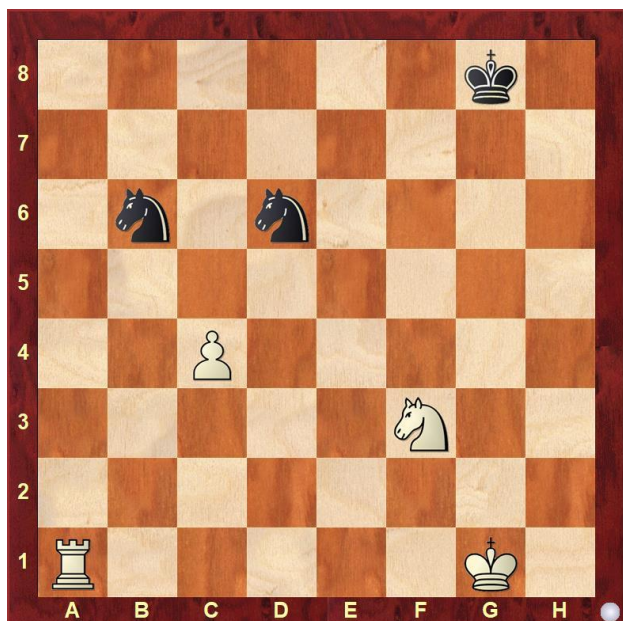
5. White to play and find the double attack



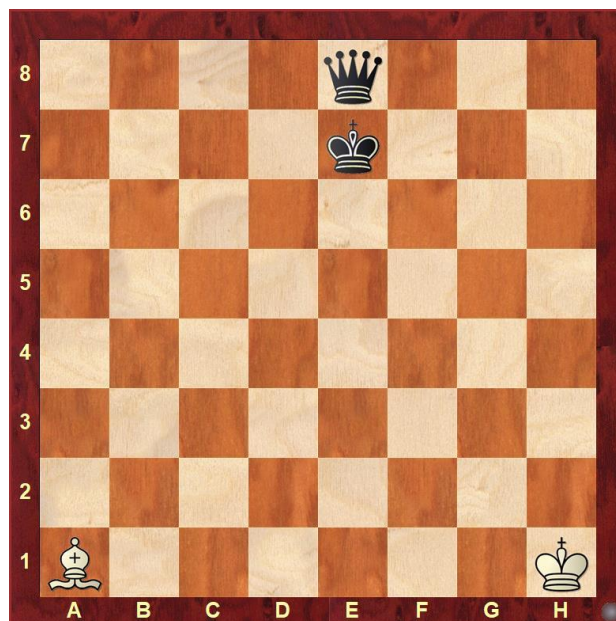
6. Black to play and find the double attack



7. White to play and find the double attack



8. Black to play and find the double attack

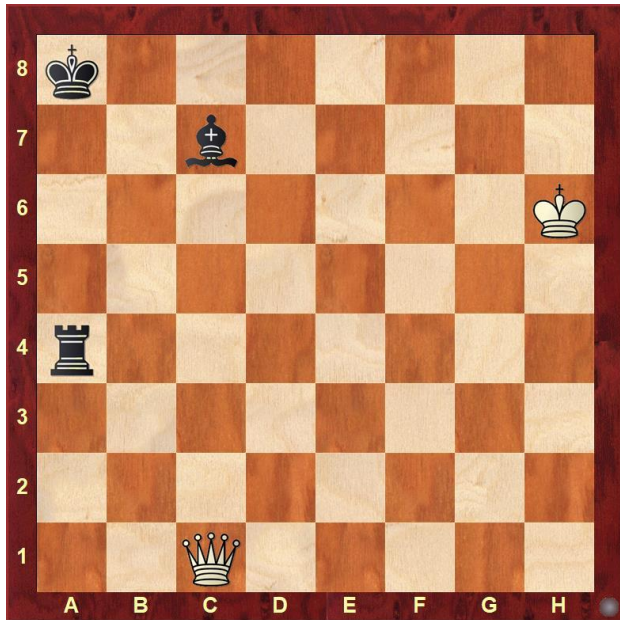




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9. Black to play and find the double attack



10. White to play and find the double attack

