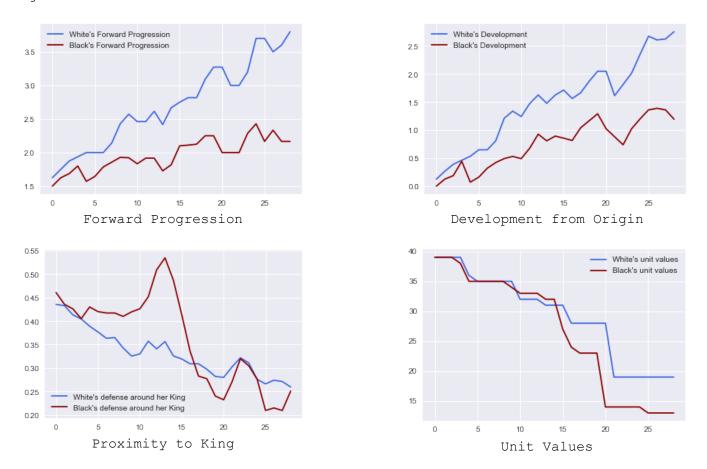
Welcome to my Chess World! Let's begin our analysis.

Today we observe game1\_long, a 29-turn game resulting in White's victory. The players' forward progression, development, king's guard, and unit values throughout the game are illustrated below.



This game began with a classic **Philidor's Defense (C41)**. This opener is defined as: 1. e4 e5 2. Ng1 d6

The game has begun.

### 1. Moves# 1, 2:

- a. White advances pawn to e4. This is the most common opening move played by white in chess today.
- b. Black advances pawn to e5. This is the second most common opening move played by black in chess today.

#### 2. Moves# 3, 4:

- a. White knight to f3, threatening pawn at e5, wanting to control the center.
- b. Black pawn to d6, protecting pawn at e5. Opening detected: Philidor's Defense (C41).

### 3. Moves# 5, 6:

- a. White pawn to d4, threatening pawn at e5, but also threatened by pawn at e5.
- b. Black bishop to g4, **pinning** knight at f3 with queen at d1, **lining** it up with queen at d1. This knight is **protected** by pawn at g2.

# 4. Moves# 7, 8:

a. White pawn from d4 captures pawn at e5!, threatening pawn at d6, but also threatened by pawn at d6. White queen is discovered to pin pawn at d6 with queen at d8. White's pawn structure breaks at the d-file.

b. Black bishop **captures** knight at f3!, and threatens a **forked attack** on queen at d1, pawn at e4, and pawn at pawn at g2, **lining** it up with queen at d1, but also threatened by pawn at g2.

### 5. Moves# 9, 10:

- a. White queen captures bishop at f3!, pinning pawn at f7 with bishop at f8.
- b. Black pawn from d6 captures pawn at e5! Black's pawn structure breaks at the d-file.

### 6. Moves# 11, 12:

- a. White bishop to c4, pinning pawn at f7 with knight at g8.
- b. Black knight to f6, threatening pawn at e4, wanting to control the center. White queen now skewers knight at f6 with pawn at f7.

## 7. Moves# 13, 14:

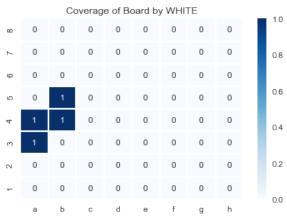
- a. White queen to b3.
- b. Black queen to e7, lining it up with king at e1.

#### 8. Moves# 15, 16:

- a. White knight to c3, wanting to control the center. This is risky for White, as White's queen is a high-value target with limited mobility.
- b. Black pawn to c6. This move appears to be a wasted.

# 9. Moves# 17, 18:

- a. White bishop to g5, **pinning** knight at f6 with queen at e7, **lining** it up with queen at e7. The **midgame** begins here, as most of White's minor units have developed.
- b. Black advances pawn to b5, threatening bishop at c4, but also threatened by knight at c3, but also threatened by bishop at c4, but also threatened by queen at b3. This is risky for White, as White's queen is a high-value target with severely limited mobility. Observe the heatmap below:



White queen's safe mobility

### 10. Moves# 19, 20:

- a. White knight **captures** pawn at b5!, threatening pawn at a7, but also threatened by pawn at c6. This pawn is **protected** by rook at a8.
- b. Black pawn from c6 captures knight at b5!, threatening bishop at c4, but also threatened by bishop at c4.

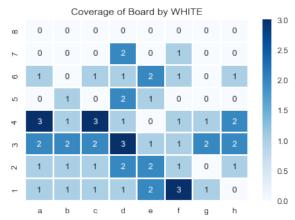
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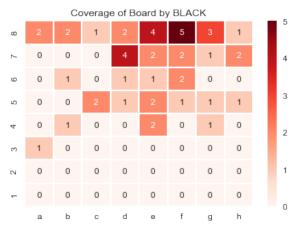
a. White bishop **captures** pawn at b5!, also **checking** the king at e8!, **lining** it up with king at e8. White queen is **discovered** to attack pawn at f7.

- b. Black knight to d7, wanting to control the center, protecting king at e8, but also threatened by bishop at b5. This is risky for Black, as Black's queen is a high-value target with limited mobility.
- 12. Moves# 23, 24:
  - a. White rook to d1, threatening knight at d7.
  - b. Black rook to d8, protecting knight at d7.
- 13. Moves# 25, 26:
  - a. White advances pawn to f4, threatening pawn at e5. This pawn is **protected** by queen at e7.
  - b. Black pawn from e5 captures pawn at f4! Black queen is discovered to (absolute) pin pawn at e4 with king at e1. Here, Black reached its highest defense around her king, illustrated below:

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White's loose and spread out defense around her king on this turn.



Black's tight defense around her king on this turn.