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Go vs Fujisawa

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Preface

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Acknowledgments

Thanks to everybody for making this happen.

Here are some "Quotes" and an em-daesh: —.

A short intro to the book.

This was the second game in a ten game match between Fujisawa Hosai 9p and Go Seigen 9p. It was played on February 25 and 26, 1943.

Go Seigen is regarded as the greatest Go player in the history of Go. We refer to him as a 'living legend' in Korea.

He was born on June 12, 1914, so next year (in 2014), he'll celebrate his 100th birthday. By the way, according to the way age is counted in some Asian cultures, Go Seigen will turn 100 this year (in 2013).

His style of play was so different from other top pros at the time, and he won nearly all of his ten game matches (jubango).

The only ten game match Go Seigen lost was this series against Fujisawa Hosai (4-6 in Fujisawa's favor). However, Fujisawa was taking black in all games and there was no komi. They played with a handicap called 'josen' (black in all games) because Go Seigen was 8 dan and Fujisawa was 6 dan at the time.

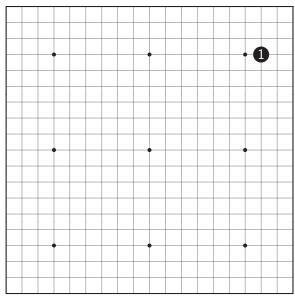
Fujisawa Hosai was very famous for his mirror Go. He kept experimenting with mirror Go because he wanted to learn all about it.

He didn't just mimic though, he spent more time than his opponents did, and he often got into byo-yomi situations (was short of time) in the middle game. He played with the sort of full concentration that Cho Chikun 9p does.

There were two famous players named Fujisawa in the Japanese Go world. Fujisawa Shuko (Hideyuki) 9p was the uncle of Fujisawa Hosai,

even though he was 6 years younger.

Fujisawa Hosai was also the first professional player to be promoted to 9 dan under the Japanese Oteai system (Go Seigen was the second). They played two more ten game matches on even terms when they were both 9 dan (the only two 9 dans at the time) and Go Seigen won both of them.



Fujisawa plays black. There's no komi in this game.

Diagram 1 (Move: 1)

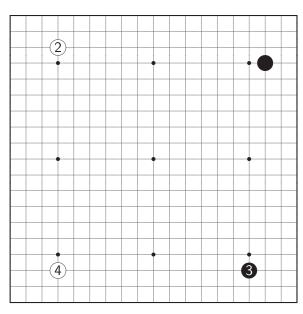
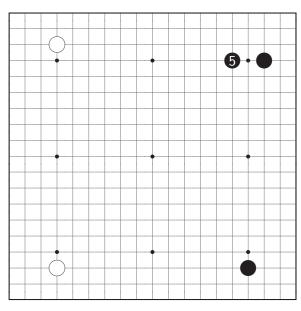


Diagram 2 (Moves: 2-4)

Even though many players, including (notably) Go Seigen and Kitani Minoru, had experimented with different openings in the 1930s (the shin fuseki period), the star point still wasn't especially popular during this period (1940s).

Compared to today's games, star point openings appeared much less often back then.



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{\textit{Diagram 3}} \\ (\textit{Move: 5}) \end{array}$

This opening seemed to be popular at the time.

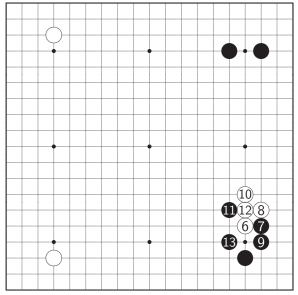
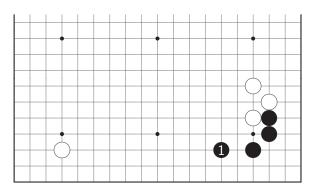


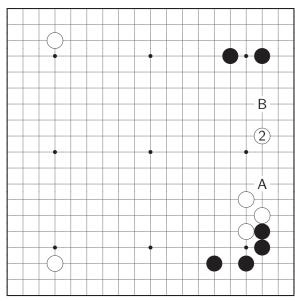
Diagram 4
(Moves: 6-13)

Even though it makes white's stones heavy, the peep at A is "aji keshi" — reduces black's future opportunities. Peeping like that is uncommon in modern games.



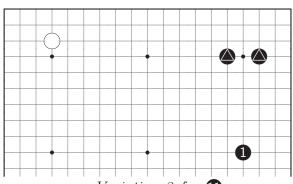
This is more common.

Variation 1 for 1



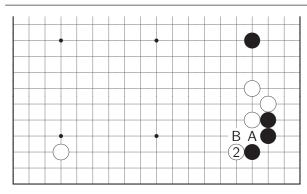
Black can aim to invade at A later. For example, after approaching at B.

Variation 2 for **1**



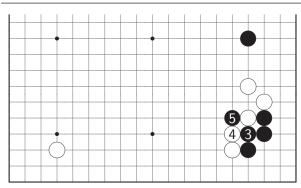
Variation 3 for **11**

Black might also consider pincering here, to make his stones in the top right corner work effectively.



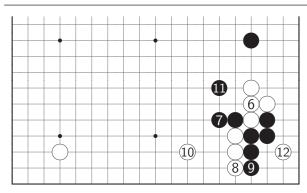
Variation 4 for **1**

It used to be that white would play here now, and this leads to fighting after black cuts with A or B.



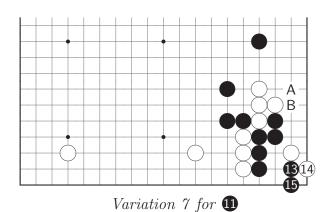
Variation 5 for **1**

Black might cut and fight like this.

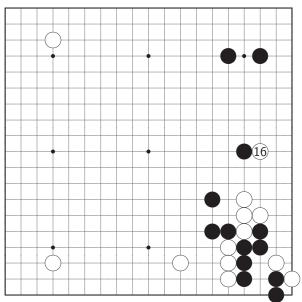


Variation 6 for 11

White should create some aji in the corner first.

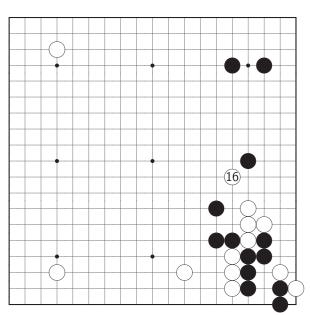


Now moves like A and B will be sente for white later and white can use them to help his out four stones on the right side.



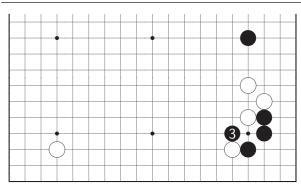
White could settle his group like this.

Variation 8 for **1**



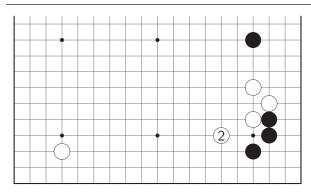
White could also choose play here.

Variation 9 for **1**



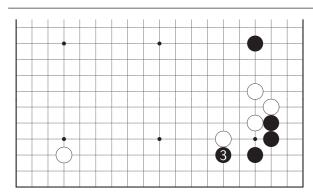
Black could play here instead, which is also severe. I normally tell my students to play like this.

Variation 10 for **1**



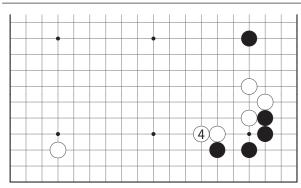
Variation 11 for **1**

I think it's better for white to press more gently like this.



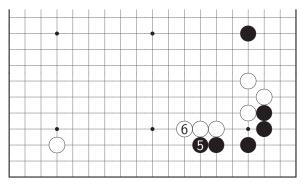
If black attaches,

Variation 12 for 11



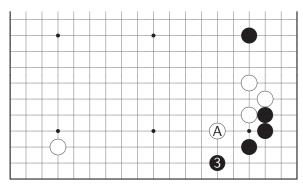
White can just extend.

Variation 13 for **1**



This result is satisfactory for white.

Variation 14 for **11**



Variation 15 for **1**

If black plays here, then white A becomes a forcing move and white's happy.

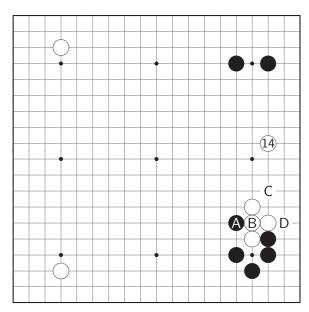


Diagram 5 (Move: 14)

If black hadn't exchanged A for B, he could aim to invade at C, planning to connect under at D or run away later. The forcing move at A reduced black's future potential for invading.

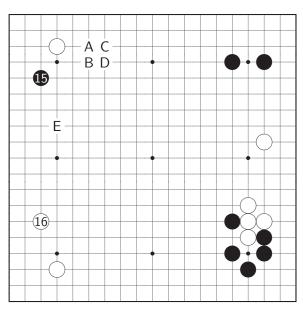
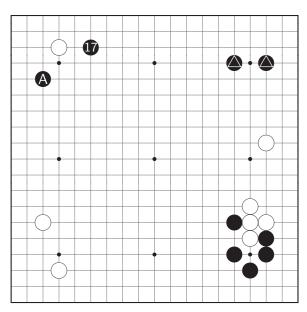


Diagram 6 (Moves: 15-16)

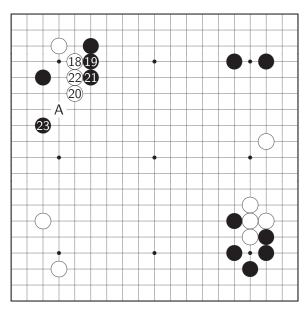
This large knight's enclosure was G_0 Seigen's favorite. You can see this enclosure a lot in his games. Since there's no komi, white should play actively, more to lead things towards a complicated game.

Black should double approach in the top left next and there are several options (A-D). If black plays elsewhere, white can play a pincer extension at E, creating a good relationship with his enclosure in the lower left.



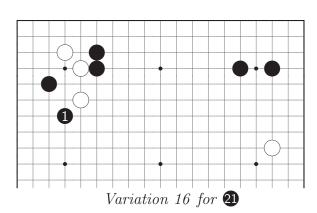
Black chose this double approach. This is the most common move in this situation. Black aims to develop the top area while also helping his stone at A.

Diagram 7 (Move: 17)

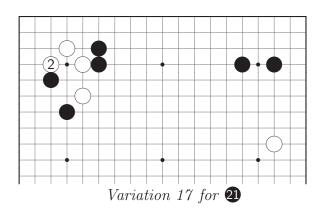


In this case, this extension is better than A, because white's stones are more solid now.

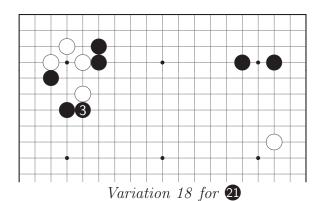
Diagram 8 (Moves: 18-23)



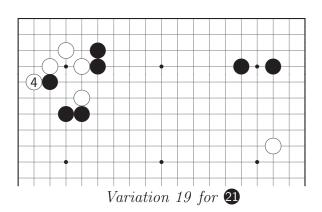
This is also conceivable.



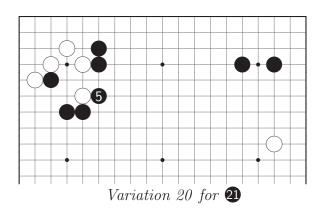
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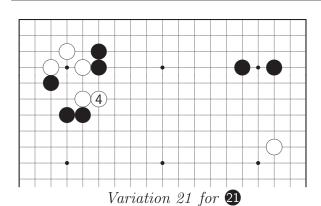
Pushing up here is good.



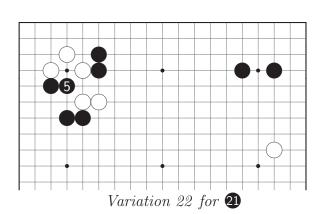
This hane is the right move for white.



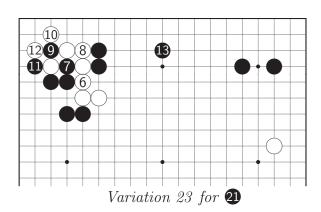
It's another game.



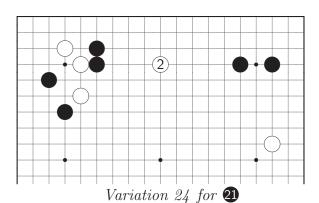
White shouldn't play here, because



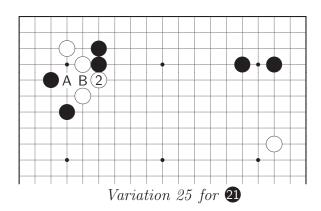
This is painful.



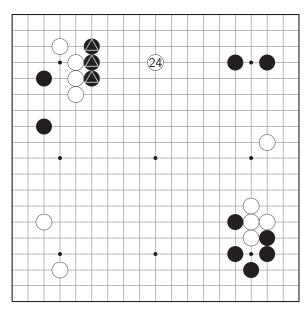
The result it better for black.



White would pincer here, and it's similar to the game.

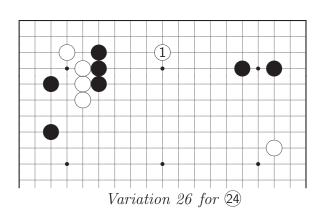


If white plays here, white will have bad shape after black exchanges A for B.

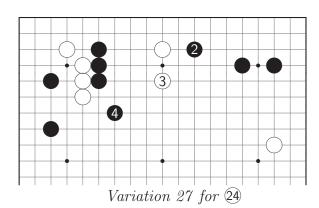


This move is to split the top area and pincer black's marked stones at the same time.

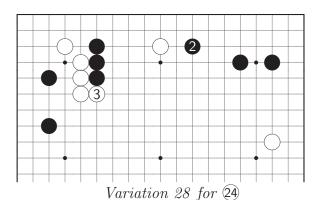
Diagram 9 (Move: 24)



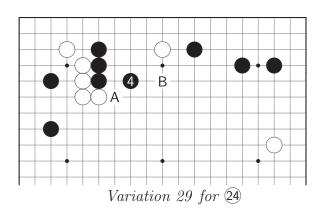
White could also play here, but the 4th line pincer can move into the center more quickly and easily.



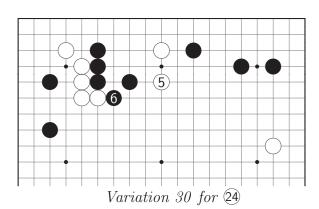
The game might continue like this now.



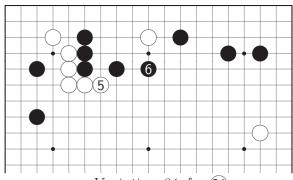
If white still plays here,



Black would choose this shape now, which makes miai of A and B.

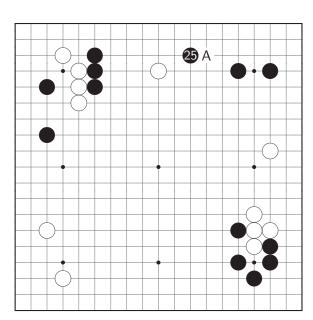


Black moves out with good shape.



Variation 31 for 24

Black can jump here and it's not easy for white.



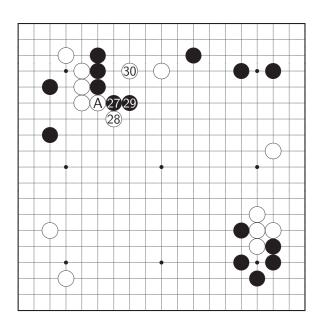
This is the right move. If black doesn't play here, white's approach at A will be very good.

Diagram 10 (Move: 25)

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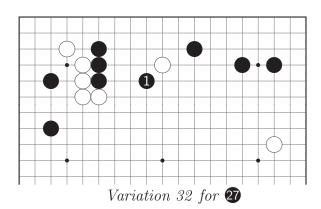
This is a vital point.

Diagram 11 (Move: 26)

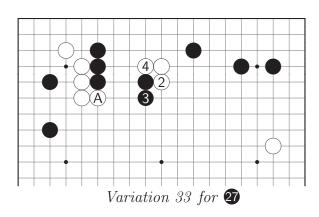


White hits another vital point. This has been white's plan since playing at A.

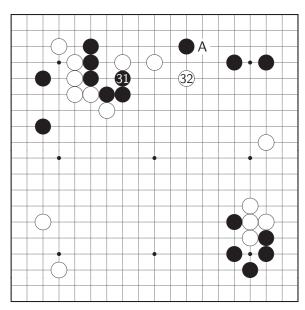
Diagram 12 (Moves: 27-30)



Sometimes it's good to move out by leaning on the pincer stone, with a shoulder hit like this. However, in this case,

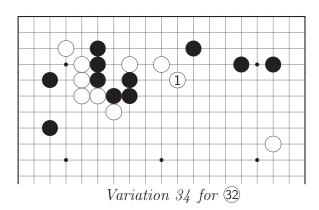


Black's shape becomes awkward after white plays like this and it's hard for black to find a good move now.

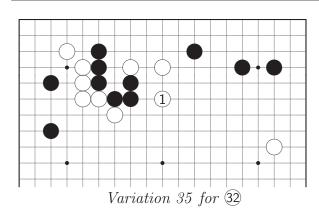


This move was fast and flexible. It shows Go Seigen's style. White's aiming at the attachment at A.

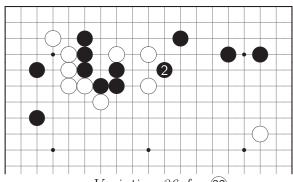
Diagram 13 (Moves: 31-32)



White could also move out more carefully like this, but it's slower and Go Seigen thought the move he played in the game was better.

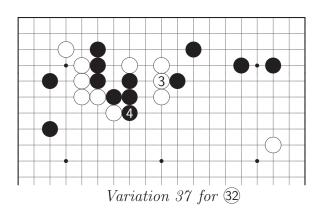


If white jumps like this,

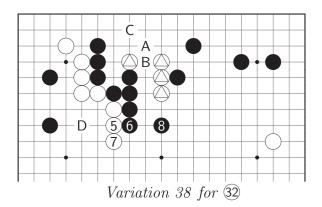


Variation 36 for 32

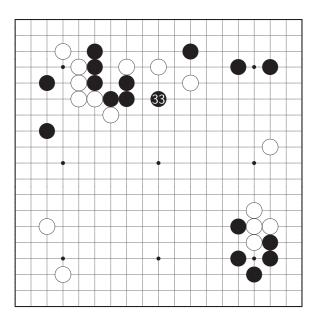
Black will peep first, to make white heavy, then



Lean against this group to build power.

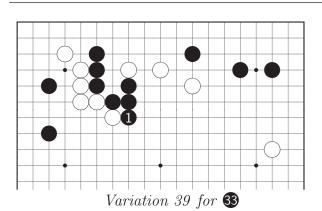


And cap here. Black's attacking in good form and white's group is heavy. Black still has the sequence A-C in reserve, so he can connect under or live easily if he has to later. There's also a vital point at D now.

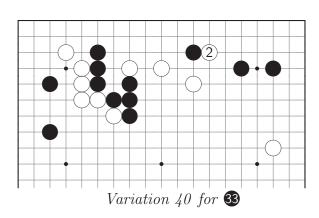


This jump struck at a vital point in white's shape. Now black can aim to cut.

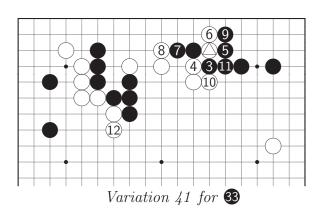
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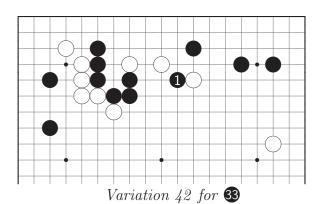
If black pushes here now,



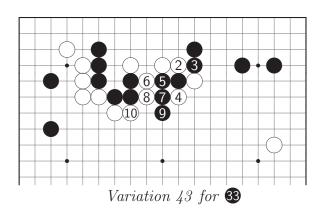
This attachment is good.



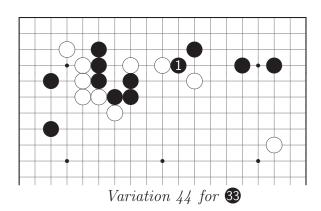
White's made good shape by sacrificing the marked stones.



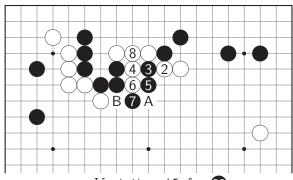
You might worry that black will cut here, but



This would be a disaster for black.

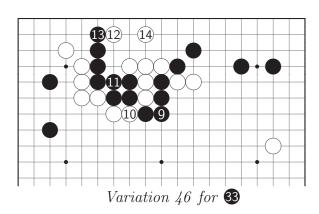


Cutting here isn't a good idea either.

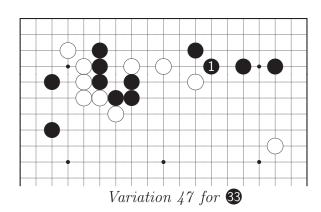


Variation 45 for 33

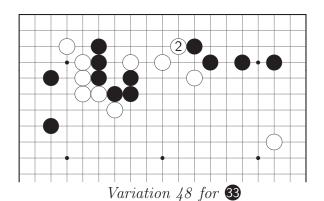
The ladder at A favors white, so A and B are miai.



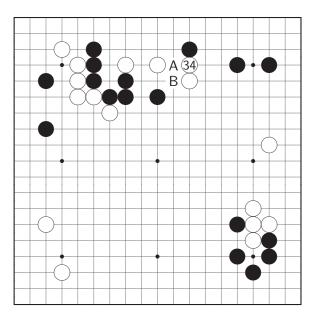
White will win this capturing race.



If black plays solidly like this,

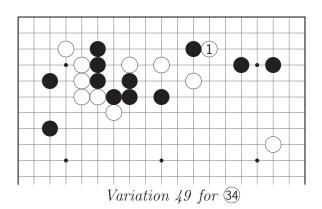


White can start making shape by playing here.

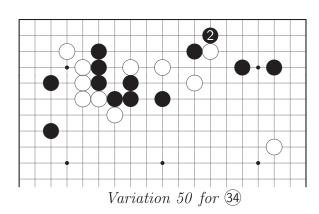


This head-butt is a good response for white. It stops black from cutting at A or B.

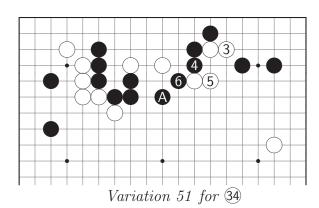
Diagram 15 (Move: 34)



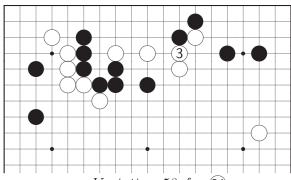
If white attaches here now,



This hane is a good response.

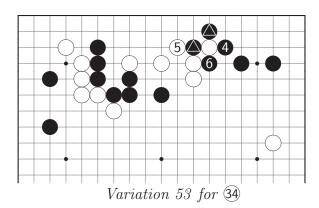


White's in trouble. A is really helping black a lot.

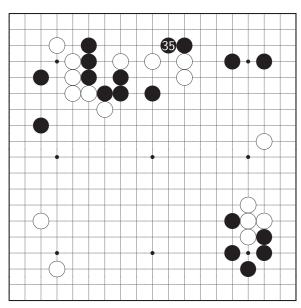


Variation 52 for 34

If white comes back here,



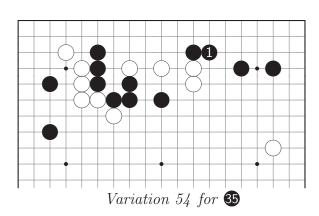
Black's shape in the corner is very solid and strong. This is bad for white, even though white has sente.



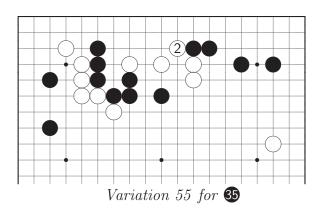
with fighting spirit, but it was greedy.

Black extended here,

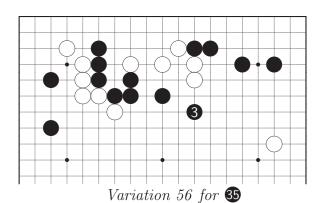
Diagram 16 (Move: 35)



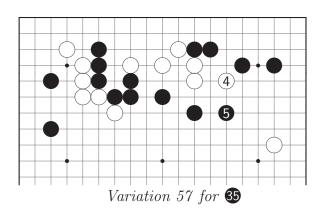
Black should have pulled back.



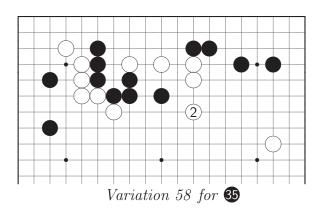
If white blocks here,



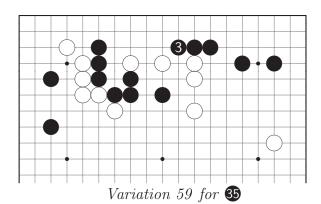
Capping here is nice.



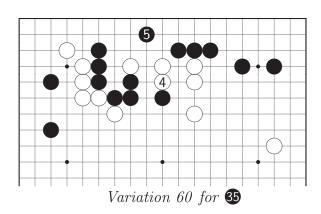
The flow of the stones is good for black.



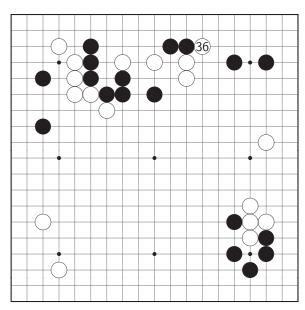
If white jumps here,



Now black can extend here and there are no problems for black.

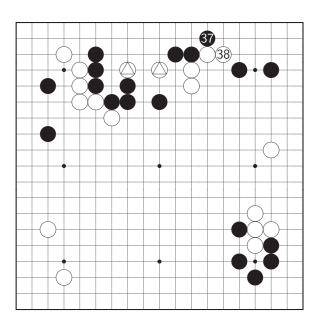


Black can connect under like this.



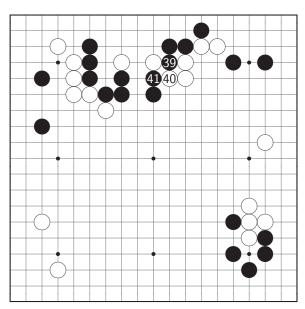
White can hane here now. Go Seigen's play is very lively and sharp. He likes ko fights and trades.

Diagram 17 (Move: 36)



White's willing to sacrifice the marked stones, because he knows he can get compensation in the corner.

Diagram 18 (Moves: 37-38)



This was black's plan, but

Diagram 19 (Moves: 39-41)

The Brilliant Peep

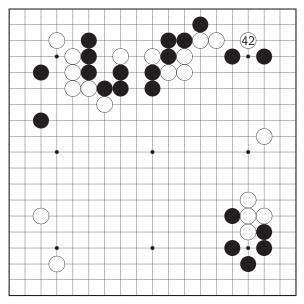
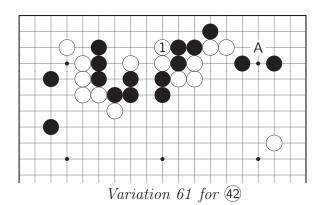
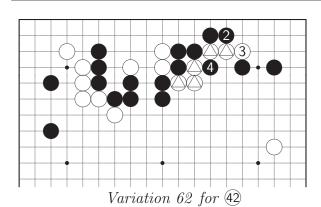


Diagram 20 (Move: 42)

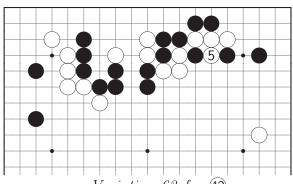
This peep was brilliant!



If white blocks here, without peeping at A first,

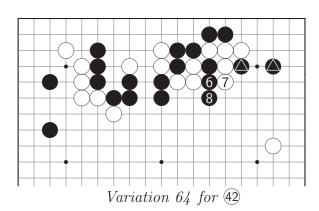


Black can cut here now. White seems to be in trouble, but it's very complicated.

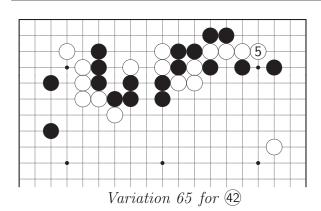


Variation 63 for (42)

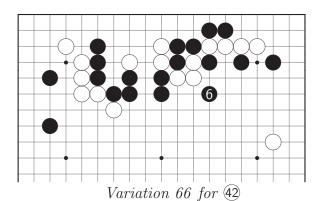
If white plays here,



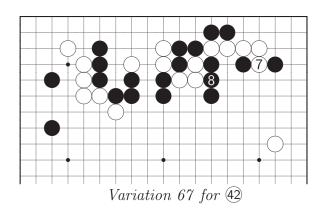
It's hard for white to capture the marked stones, so it's good for black.



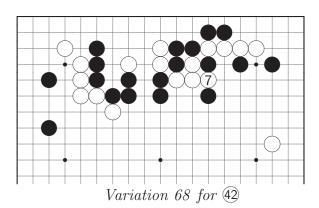
This move looks similar to the game, but



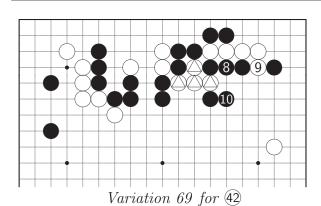
This move is very nice.



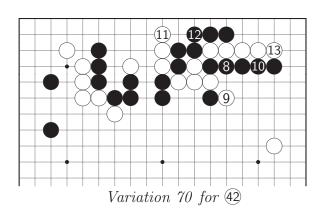
This is better for black.



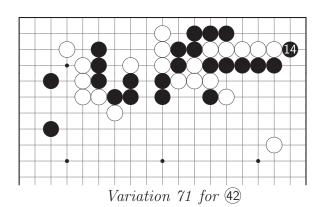
If white keeps going,



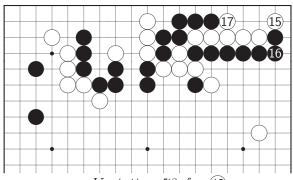
White still can't save the marked stones.



It looks complicated.

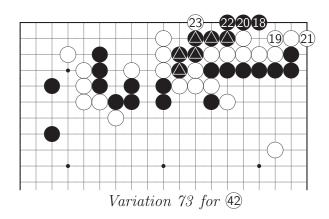


This hane doesn't work well for black.

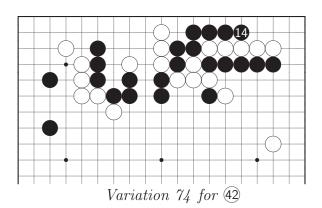


Variation 72 for 42

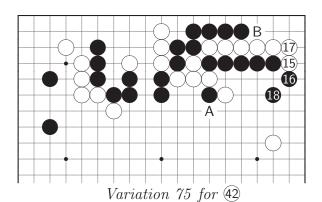
It's a capturing race, but



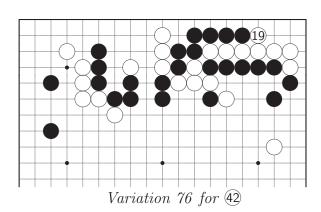
Black's short of liberties, so instead...



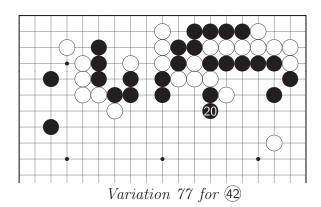
This push is right and,



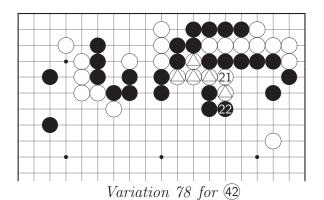
Now, A and B are miai for black.



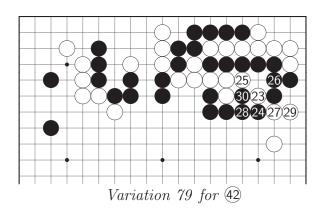
If white blocks here to fight,



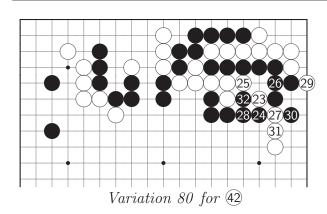
This extension is good, and



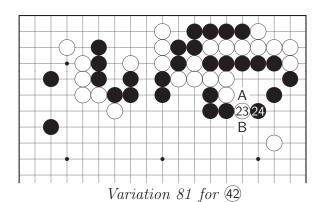
White can't save the markes stones.



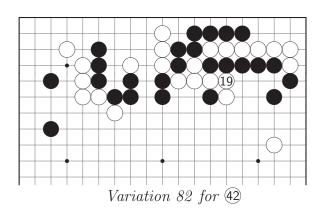
White dies.



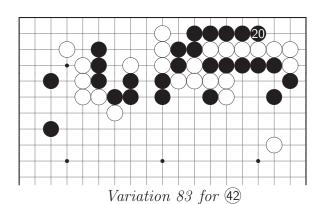
It's about the same. White's still dead.



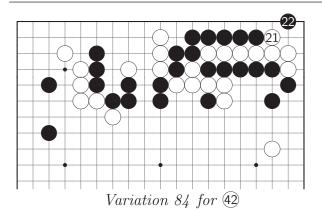
A and B are miai for black.



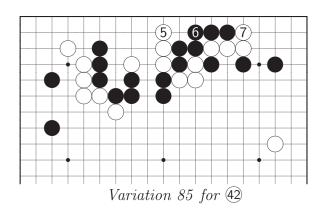
If white reinforces here,



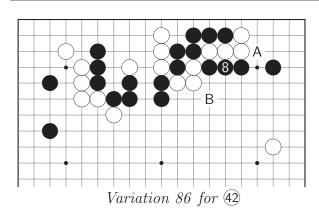
Black can capture the corner. It's a catastrophe.



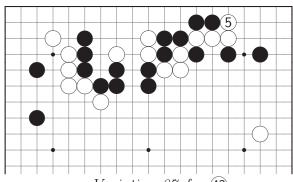
This is a tesuji for capturing races, and white's corner stones are dead now.



If white plays like this, which isn't good,

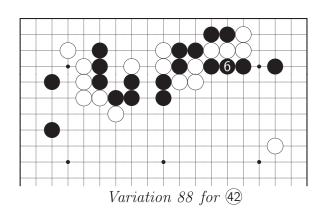


This connection is good for black. A and B are miai for black now.

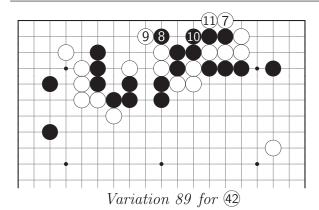


Variation 87 for 42

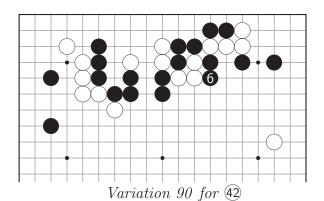
Blocking here is the best white can do now, and



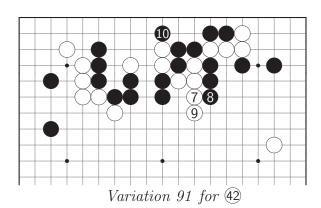
This move doesn't work anymore.



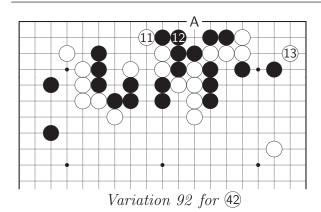
Black can't extend his liberties. White wins the capturing race.



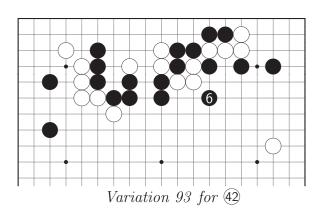
Pushing here isn't good either.



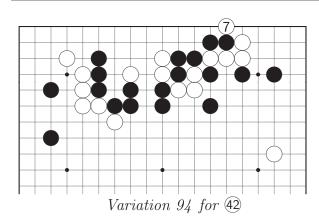
Black has to come back here, and



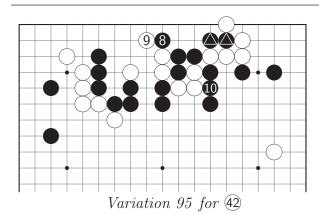
Black needs one more move at A, so this isn't a satisfactory result for black either.



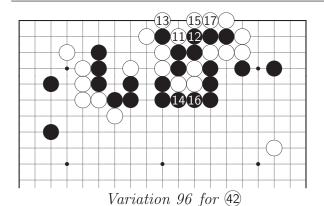
If black caps here,



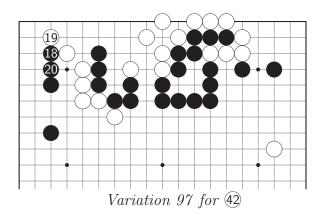
This hane is wrong,



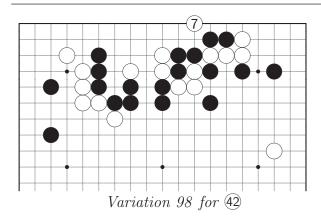
White can capture either of black's marked stones, but black will still capture the three cutting stones. This result is good for black, becase black's outside influence will be very powerful.



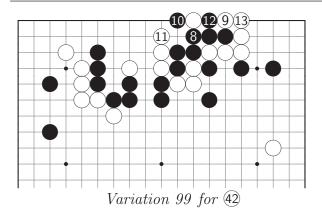
White can connect under, but



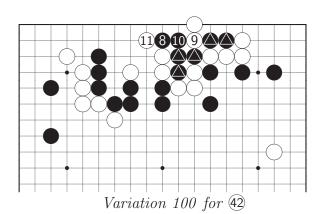
Black can come back here to attack white. This is good for black.



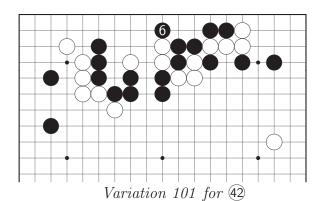
This is the vital point, and black's captured.



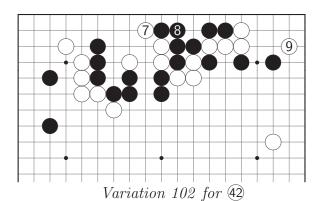
The game's over.



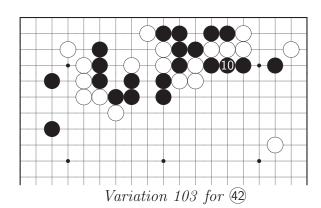
Black can't atari on either side.



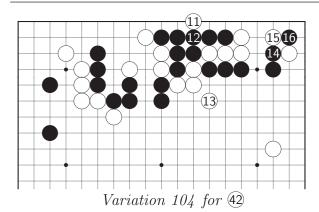
Black should answer here.



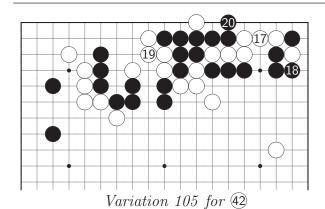
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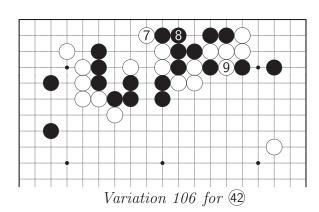
Black can connect here now.



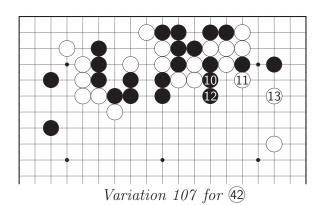
This is good for black.



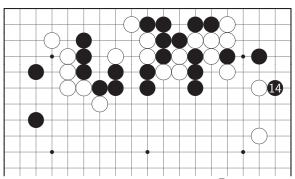
This is good to avoid ko, and white's short of liberties.



If white wants to trade,

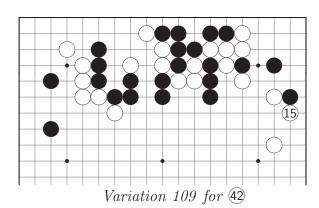


It looks good for white, but there's bad aji in the corner.

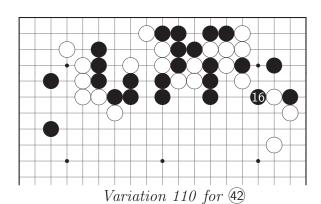


Variation 108 for 42

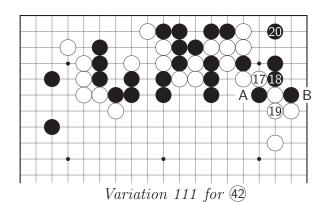
White can't simply capture the corner.



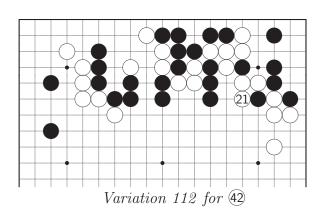
If white answers like this,



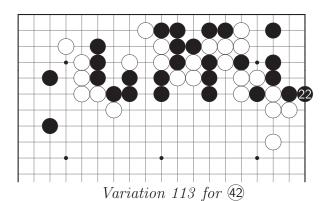
This attachment is good.



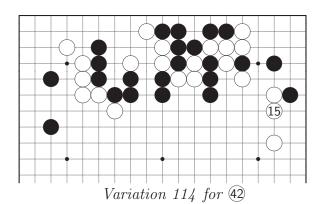
A and B are miai for black.



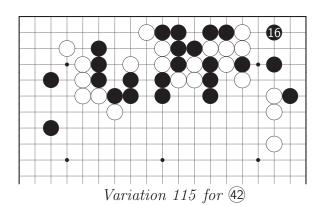
White need to play here, and



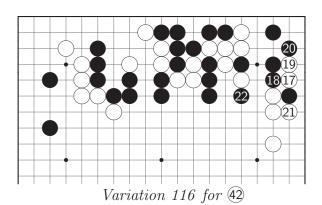
Black can live.



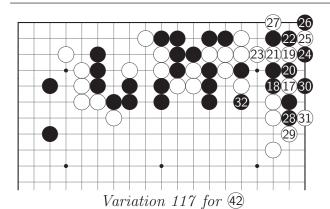
If white extends solidly,



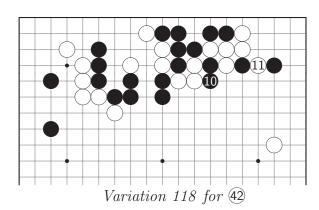
Black's shape is flexible, and not easy to kill.



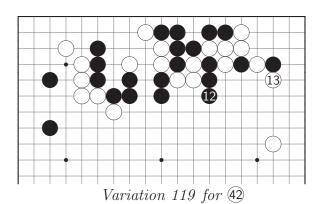
White is cut off and in trouble.



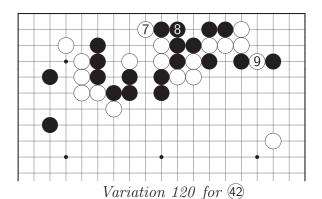
White is in trouble like this too.



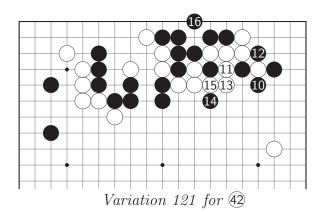
This should be the best for white,



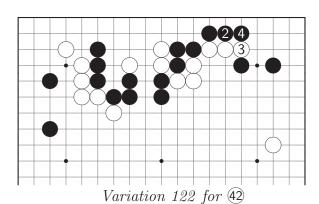
However, this is still better for black than in the actual game. That's why Go Seigen's move in the game was brilliant.



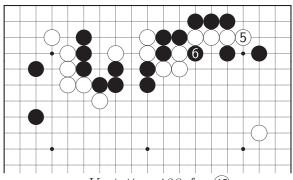
If white wedges here first,



This is playable for black.

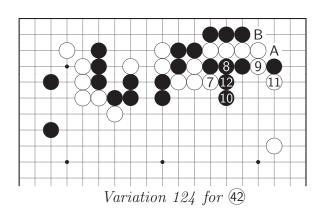


Black can also push here first, and

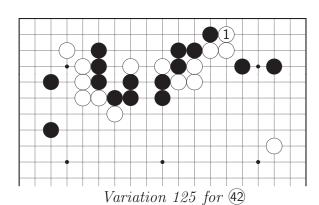


Variation 123 for 42

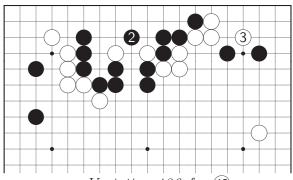
Then cut here.



It's similar to the actual game, but there's no exchange of A for B. White's corner is small now.

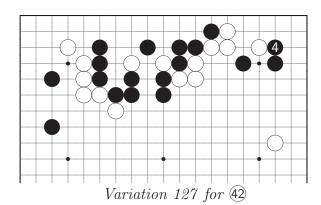


If white turns here now,

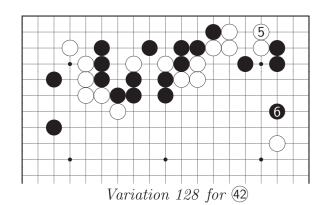


Variation 126 for 42

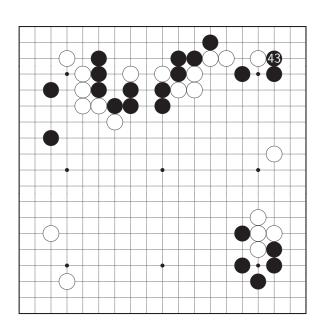
And then peeps here,



Black will just block off the corner now.

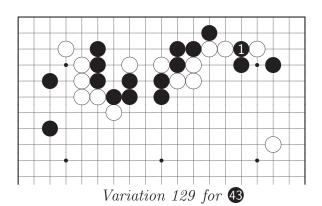


And black can make a base like this. The move order in the game was better for white.

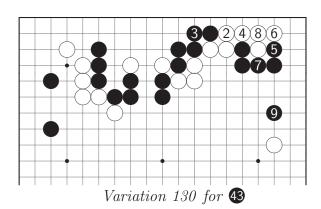


Black played here in the game, but now

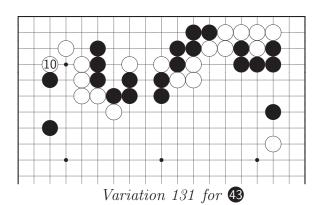
Diagram 21 (Move: 43)



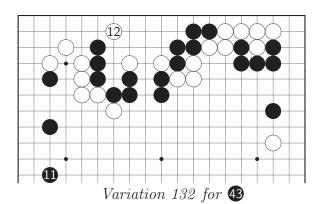
If black pushes down here,



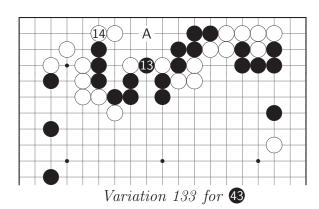
The result looks ok for black, but



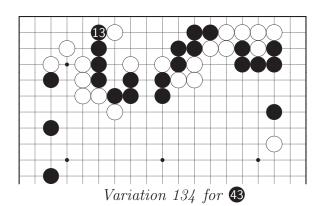
White can come back here, and



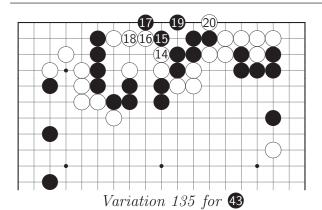
This move will be annoying for black.



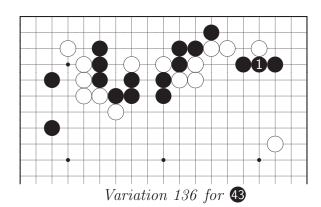
A is sente for white later, and black's territory at the top is so small.



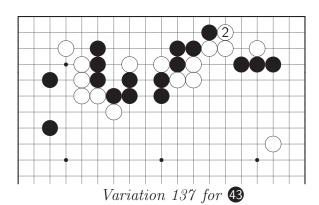
Black can't block here,



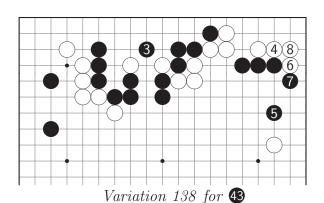
It's a ko, and black's in trouble.



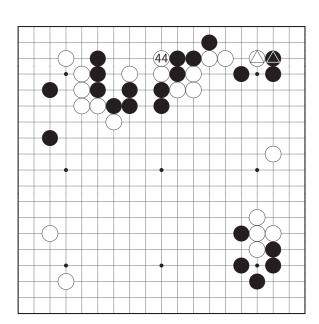
If black simply connects,



Go Seigen said he planned to trade like this.

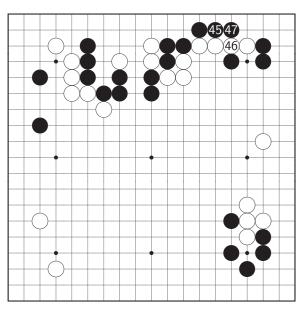


White lives comfortably in the corner and black's top right group is still unsettled.



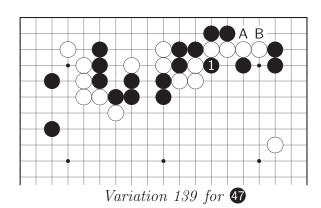
The marked exchange will help white with the fighting at the top.

Diagram 22 (Move: 44)

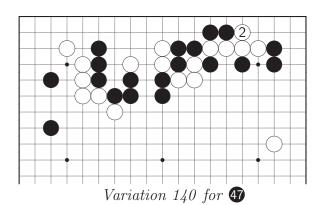


In general, this sort of move is bad, because it damages the corner, but it was inevitable in this case.

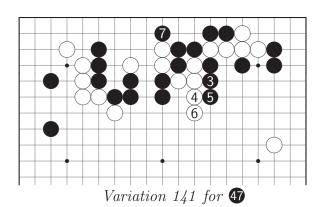
Diagram 23 (Moves: 45-47)



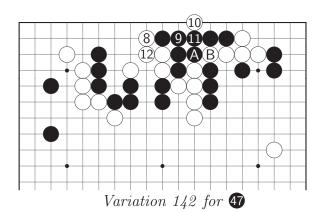
If black cuts here, without exchanging A for B first,



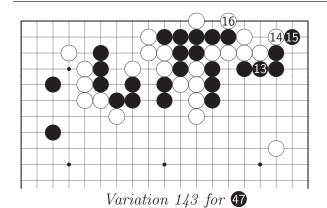
Blocking here is good.



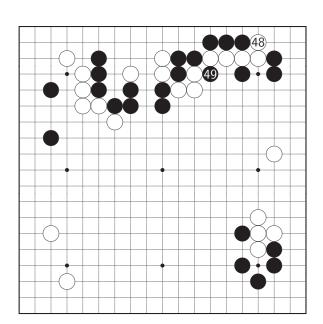
Black needs to come back here, but



Black can't win the capturing race between A and B.

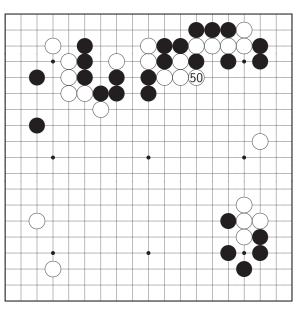


White will win this capturing race.



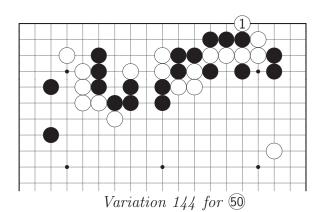
Black cut here, to counter-attack.

Diagram 24 (Moves: 48-49)

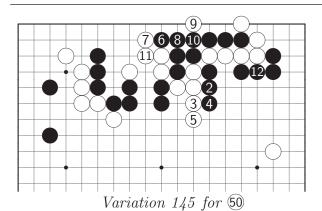


This atari was the right move, and

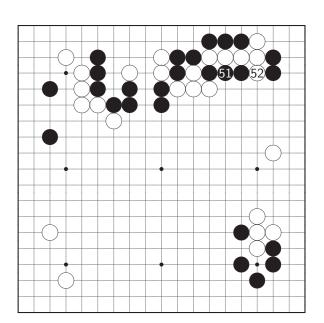
Diagram 25 (Move: 50)



If white still tries to capture black,

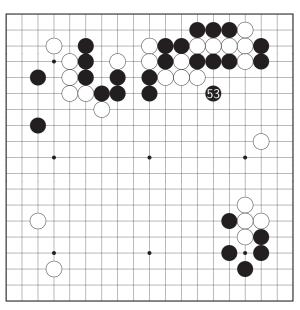


White can't extend his liberties now, so black will win this capturing race.



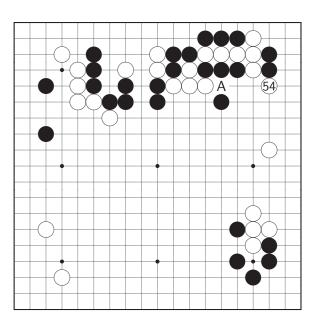
This is the right sequence.

Diagram 26 (Moves: 51-52)



This jump is the only move for black, and

Diagram 27 (Move: 53)



This hane aims at A.

Diagram 28 (Move: 54)

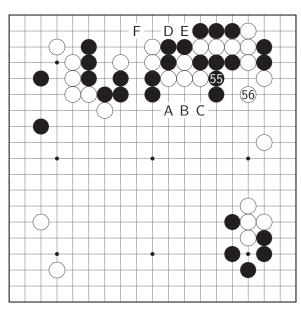
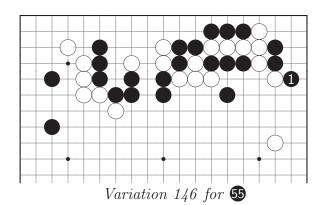


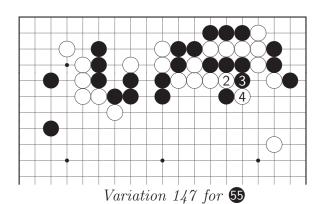
Diagram 29 (Moves: 55-56)

It ended with a big trade. Black got the top and the center stones, but black's top right corner turned into white's corner. The result was favorable for white, because white can still exploit aji at A-C later, or play at D-F, so black has bad aji at the top.

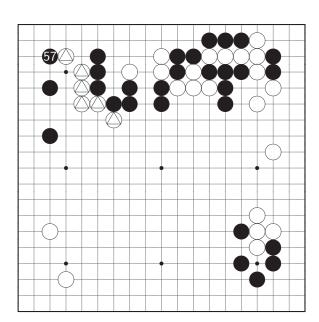
White caught up a bit here, but black's still slightly ahead on the board and white doesn't have komi.



If black plays here, for example,

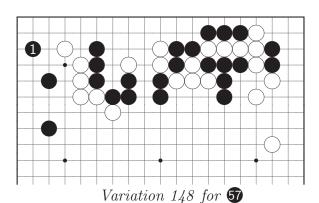


White captures the cutting stones.

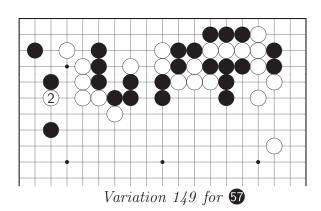


This attachment was good. Black should attack white's marked group to get compensation now.

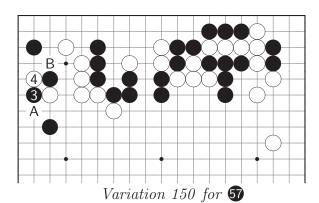
Diagram 30 (Move: 57)



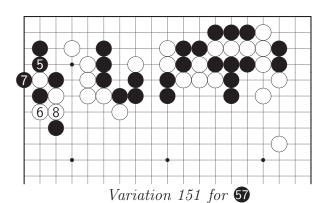
This knight's move might look good, but it's too loose.



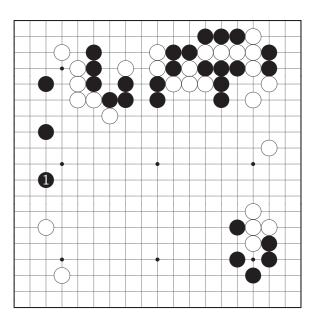
White can attach here and crosscut.



White makes miai of A and B.

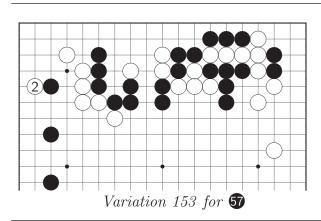


Black won't be happy with this result.

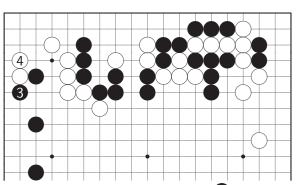


If black extends here instead,

Variation 152 for **5**

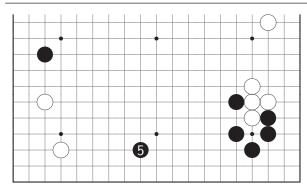


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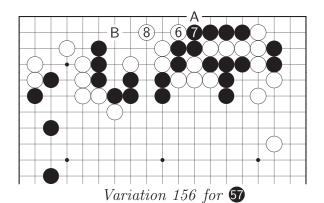
Variation 154 for §

White can make a base for his group in the corner. Next...

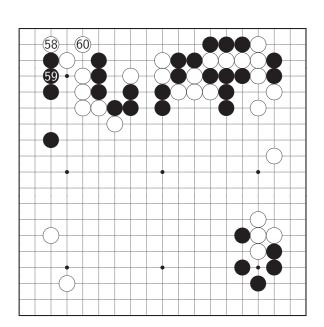


Variation 155 for **57**

If black takes a big point, like this,

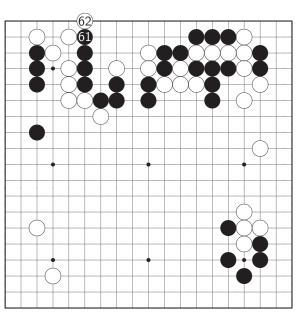


White will bring his stones at the top back into play, making miai of A and B. It's quite annoying for black.



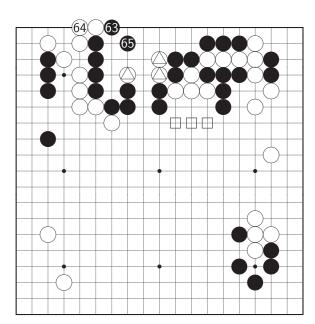
White exchanged these moves in order to settle his group.

Diagram 31 (Moves: 58-60)



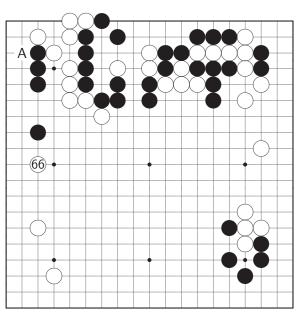
It looks like it's too early to play here, but it helps white to settle the top left group.

Diagram 32 (Moves: 61-62)



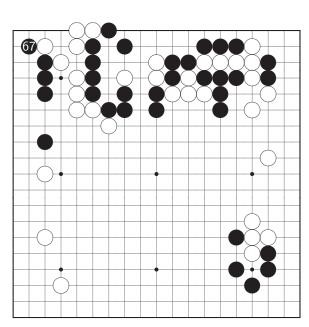
Now, the aji at the top's gone, but white can still make use of the marked stones stones with the forcing moves in the center (marked).

Diagram 33 (Moves: 63-65)



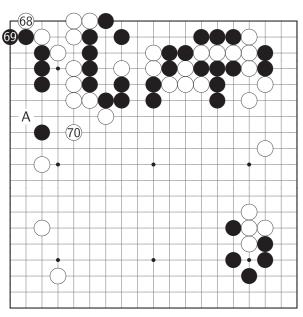
The hane at A would be the normal move now, but white played more actively here because it was a no komi game.

Diagram 34 (Move: 66)



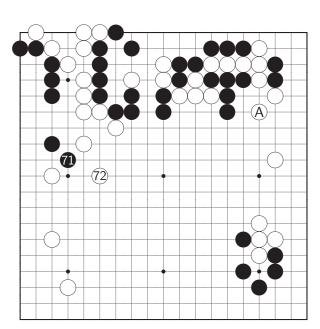
This might look small, but it's the key point for the eye space of both groups and that makes it the key point for power in this part of the board. You should learn to spot these kinds of urgent points.

Diagram 35 (Move: 67)



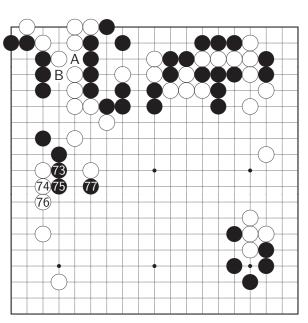
This jump was very good. White aims to make a placement at A later.

Diagram 36 (Moves: 68-70)



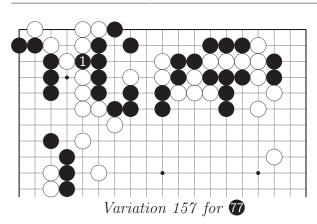
The opening up to A was good for white, but the game's still ok for black because there's no komi.

Diagram 37 (Moves: 71-72)

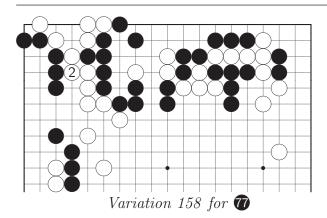


Black should have exchanged A for B, before attaching here.

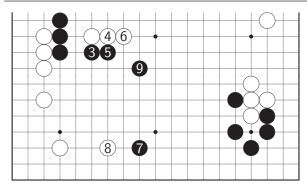
Diagram 38 (Moves: 73-77)



If black had played here now,

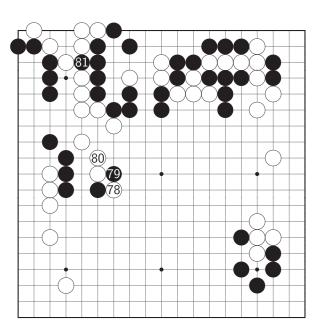


White would answer and,



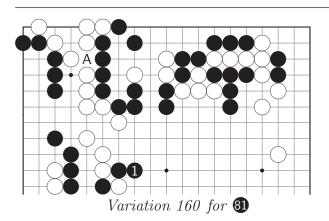
Variation 159 for **7**

The game could continue like this. Black still has a small advantage (because there's no komi).

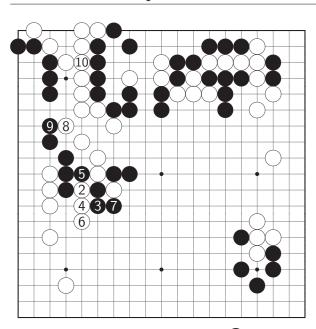


This was a probe, but it was a bit too late.

Diagram 39 (Moves: 78-81)

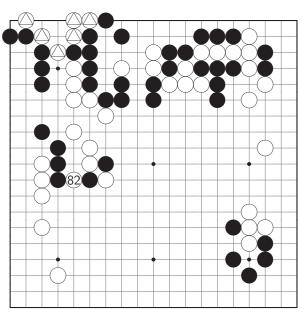


If black extends here, instead of playing at A,



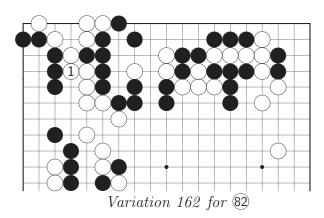
White can live here, and it's ok for white.

Variation 161 for **31**

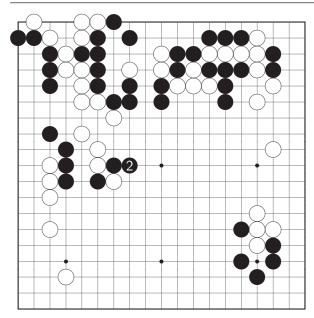


Go Seigen decided to give the marked stones away.

Diagram 40 (Move: 82)

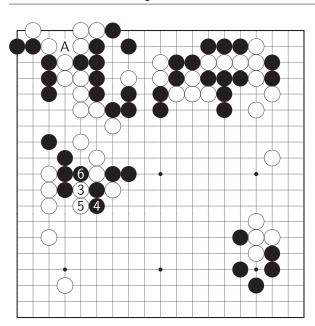


If white answers,



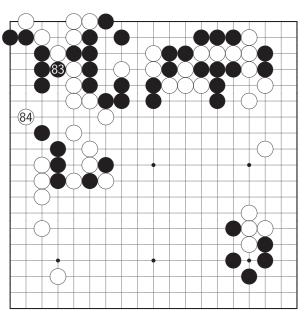
Black can extend here to fight.

 $Variation\ 163\ for\ \textcircled{82}$



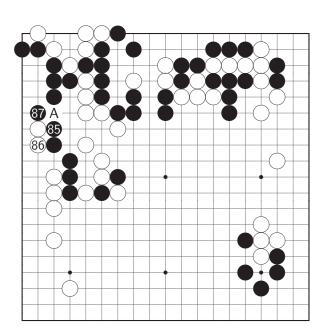
White can't make an eye at A, so it's no good for white.

 $Variation\ 164\ for\ \textcircled{82}$



This placement was very sharp. The timing was perfect.

Diagram 41 (Moves: 83-84)



Black has to answer here, otherwise white can wedge and cut with A.

Diagram 42 (Moves: 85-87)

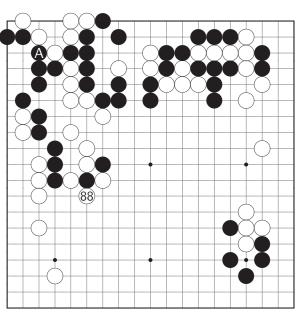
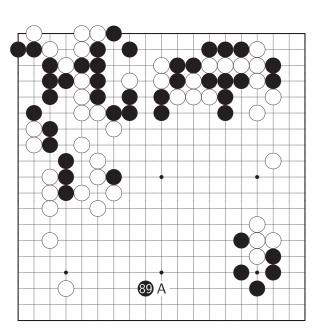
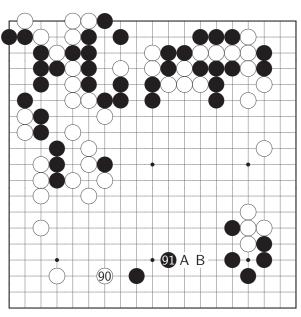


Diagram 43 (Move: 88) This ponnuki is very nice. The result from A up to here was also good for white, and the game became even now. That means white had already caught up by as much as komi (i.e. 6-7 points).



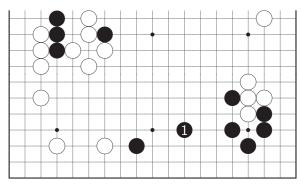
This was the right extension. It's better than playing at A, because black wants to limit white's influence in this game.

Diagram 44 (Move: 89)



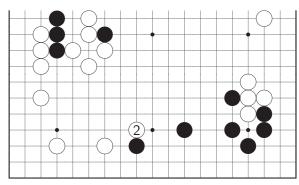
This was the proper move in this case. It's better than A because white can't easily invade at B in this case.

Diagram 45 (Moves: 90-91)



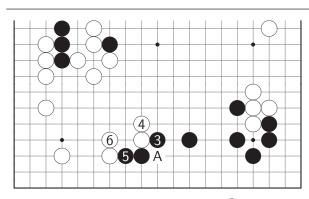
Variation 165 for 91

If black plays here,



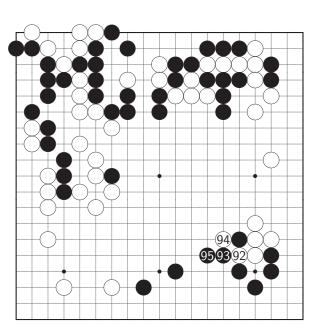
Variation 166 for 91

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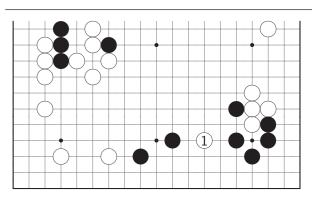
Variation 167 for 91

White can cut at A to squeeze black later, and the result is good for white.



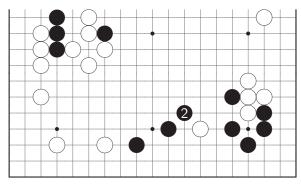
The game's even now.

Diagram 46 (Moves: 92-95)



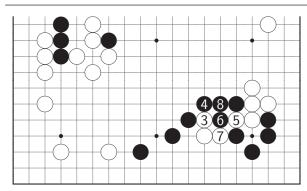
Variation 168 for 92

If white invades here,



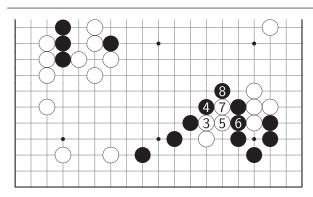
Variation 169 for 92

This is a good response, and



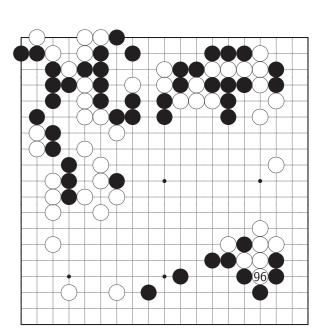
Variation 170 for 92

It's hard for white to fight or live.



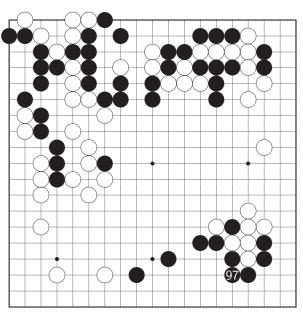
Variation 171 for 92

White can't escape like this.



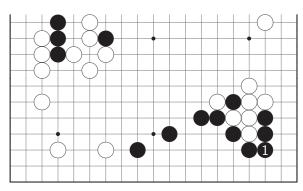
It's a very good time to probe.

Diagram 47 (Move: 96)



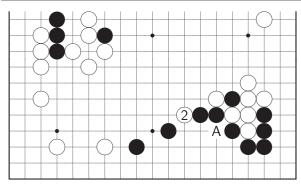
This connection was right.

Diagram 48 (Move: 97)



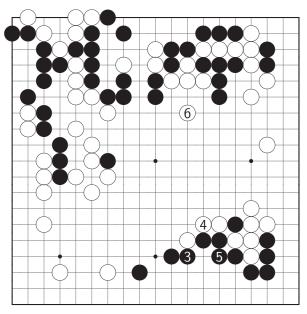
If black connects here,

Variation 172 for 97



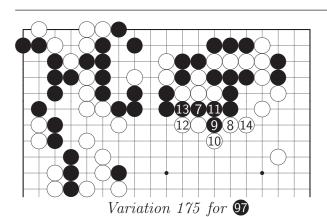
This attachment (aiming at A) is good and,

Variation 173 for 97



Variation 174 for 97

White gets sente, and plays here.



White's right side becomes very big, and white's winning now.

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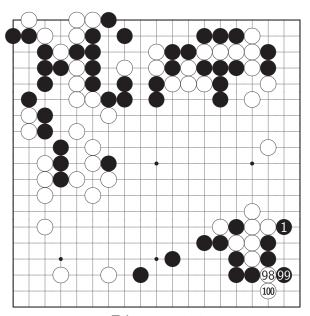
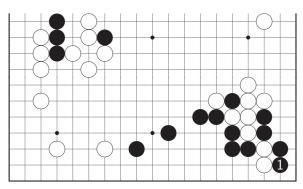


Diagram 49 (Moves: 98-101)

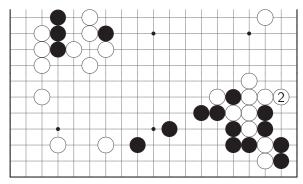
This hane showed fighting spirit, but it was too much.

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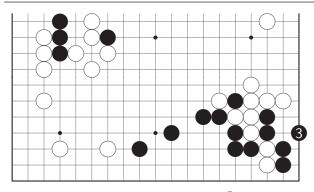
Variation 176 for 101

Black should have played here,



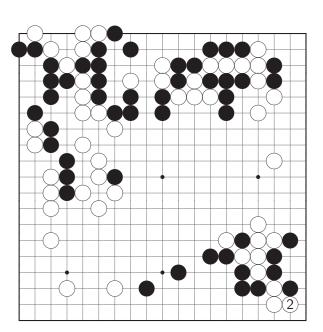
Variation 177 for 100

White gets to force here,



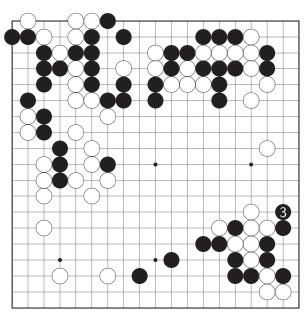
Variation 178 for 101

But the game's still very close.



White seized a good chance here. Go Seigen doesn't miss his opponent's tiny mistakes.

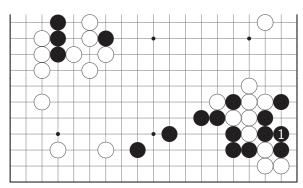
Diagram 50 (Move: 102)



This is the only choice for black.

Diagram 51 (Move: 103)

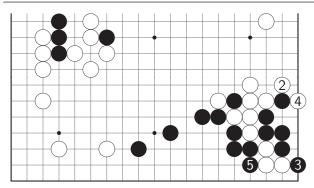
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Variation 179 for 103

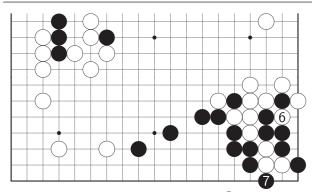
Black can't connect here, because

95



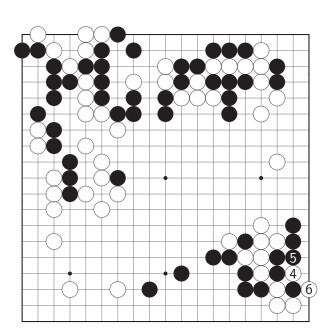
Variation 180 for 103

Even though it's no problem to capture the corner,



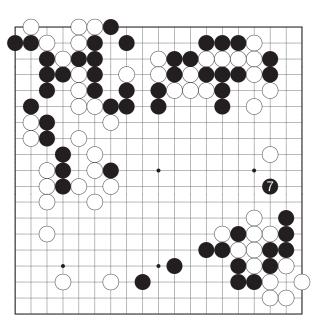
Variation 181 for 183

Black would lose four points compared to the variation I showed at move 101. That's why black couldn't play like this.



White lived in the corner, and black's lower side became thin.

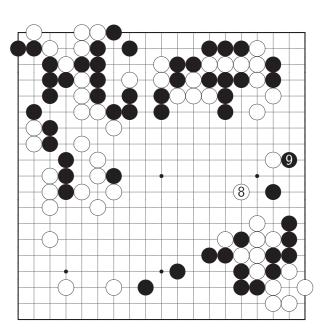
Diagram 52 (Moves: 104-106)



Black has to look after this group now.

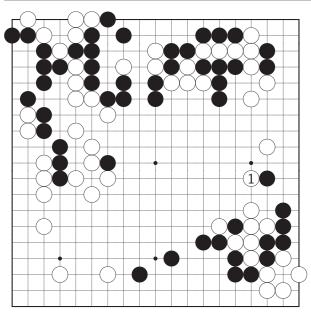
Diagram 53 (Move: 107)

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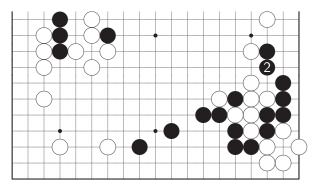
Attaching like this is a good way to settle or make shape.

Diagram 54 (Moves: 108-109)



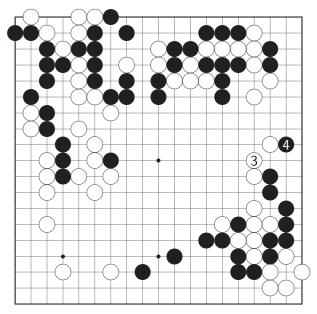
If white attached here,

Variation 182 for 108



Variation 183 for (108)

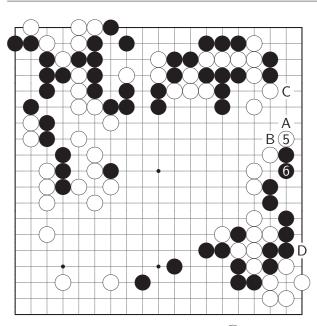
Black can just pull back,



Variation 184 for 108

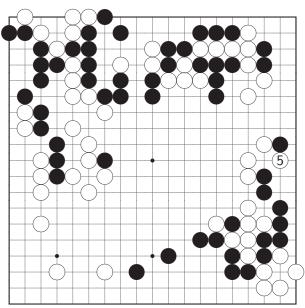
And attach.

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White wouldn't like to leave black the aji of A-C and black's group is already alive because D is sente.

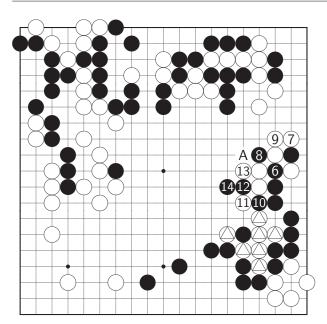
Variation 185 for (108)



Variation 186 for 108

If white cuts here,

break

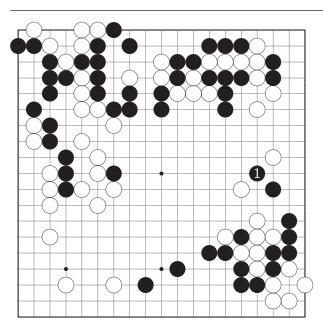


through and white will lose control of the fight. Black can ladder at A next or capture white's marked stones.

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Black

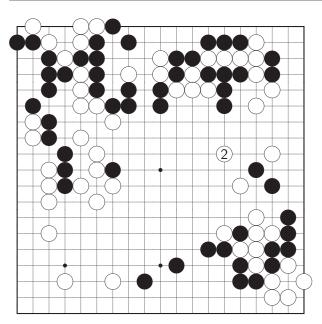
Variation 187 for 108



Variation 188 for 109

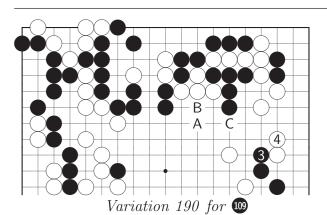
Moving out like this would be dangerous.

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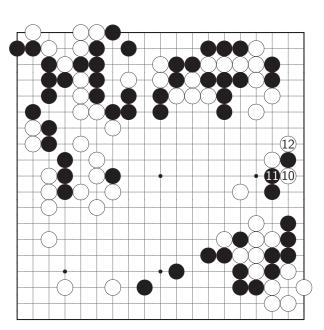


White can keep attacking like this and,

Variation 189 for 109

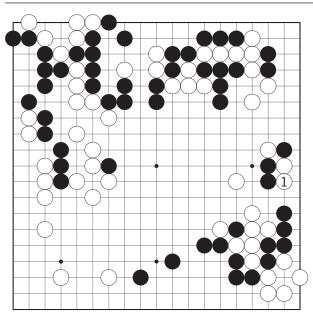


Black's in trouble because white has forcing sequences like A-C



This atari was right.

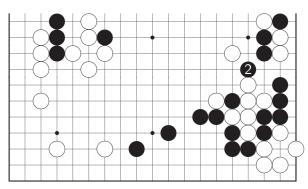
Diagram 55 (Moves: 110-112)



Pushing here doesn't work, because

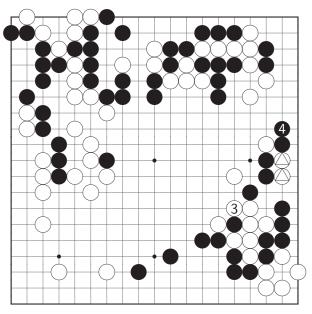
Variation 191 for (112)

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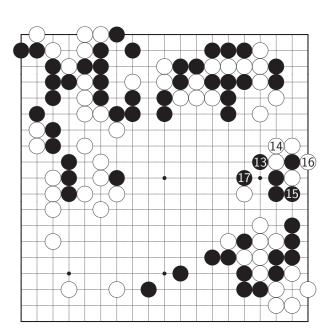
Variation 192 for (112)

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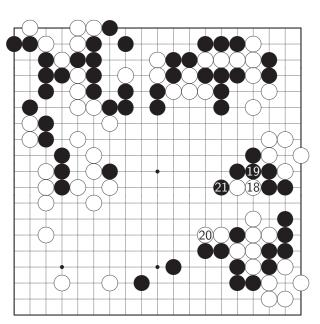
Variation 193 for (112)

White can't save the two stones.



Black makes good shape and the game's still close, but white's slightly ahead now.

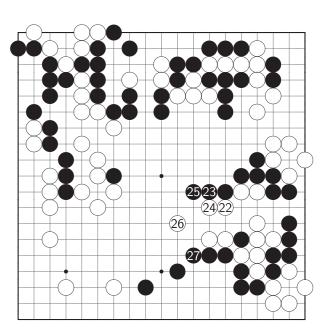
Diagram 56 (Moves: 113-117)



The hane at the head of two stones is nearly always good.

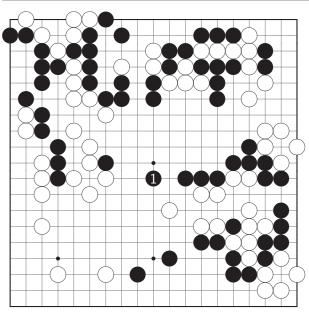
Diagram 57 (Moves: 118-121)

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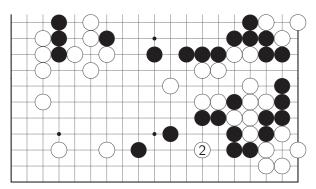
This move looks small and slow, but it was necessary.

Diagram 58 (Moves: 122-127)



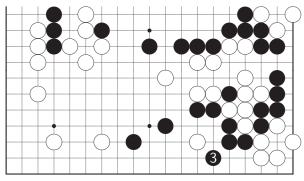
Variation 194 for 127

If black doesn't reinforce at the bottom,



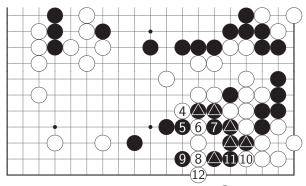
White can invade here.

Variation 195 for 😰



If black responds here,

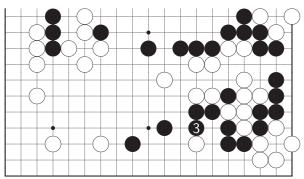
Variation 196 for 12



Variation 197 for 127

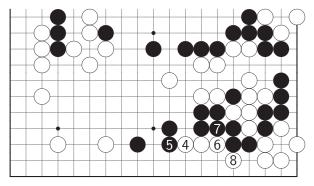
Black's marked stones are captured.

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Variation 198 for 127

If black answers here,



Variation 199 for 127

White can easily connect under like this.

A Small Mistake

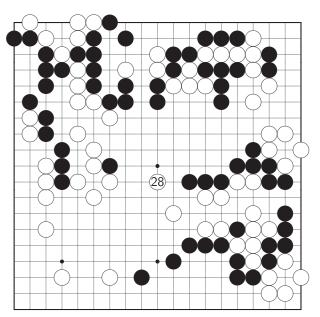


Diagram 59 (Move: 128)

This knight's move was very good, and it's hard for black to make territory in the center now. The game's still slightly better for white.

The Losing Move

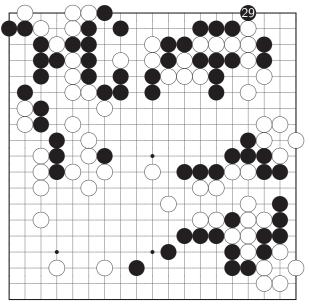
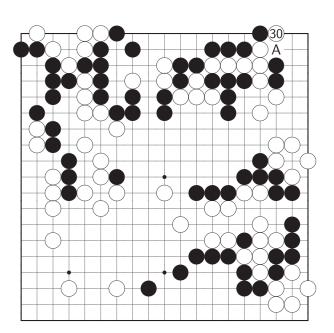


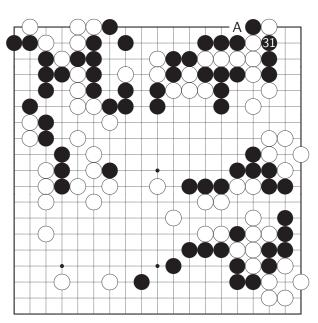
Diagram 60 (Move: 129)

This hane was a probe, but it was premature, and it became the losing move.



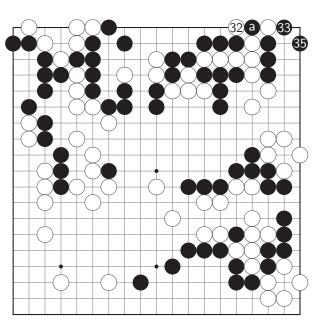
White doesn't want to pull back at A, because the game's very close.

Diagram 61 (Move: 130)



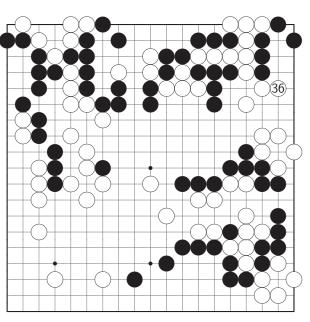
Black can't connect at A, because he'd lose two points, so he cut here.

Diagram 62 (Move: 131)



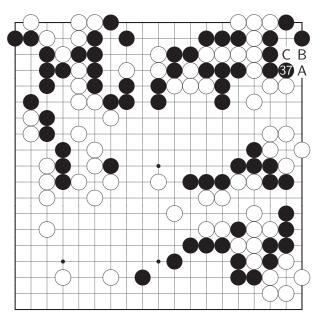
Black lived in the corner. It appeared to be very successful for black, but white had a plan at the top.

Diagram 63 (Moves: 132-135) (34) at (a).



The timing of this forcing exchange was exquisite.

Diagram 64 (Move: 136)



Black has to answer, otherwise white can capture black's top right group with A (which makes miai of B and C).

Diagram 65 (Move: 137)

White fights back

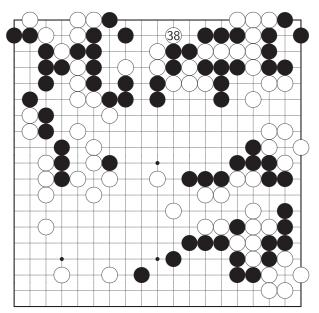
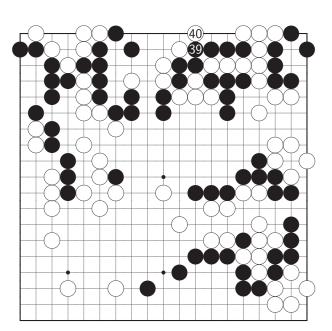


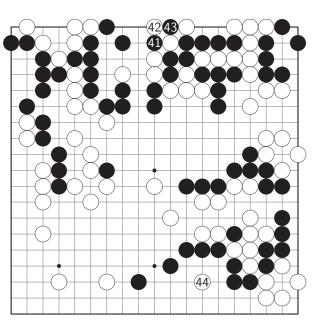
Diagram 66 (Move: 138)

This is what white was aiming at.



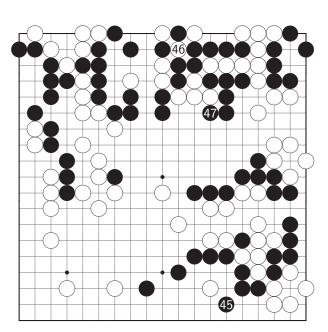
This double hane was brilliant, and white created a big ko.

Diagram 67 (Moves: 139-140)



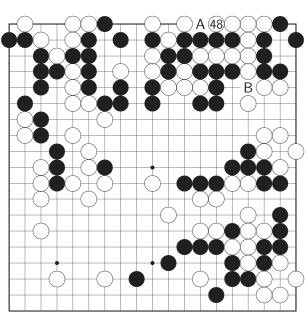
It was very unfortunate for black that this area was a ko threat factory for white.

Diagram 68 (Moves: 141-144)



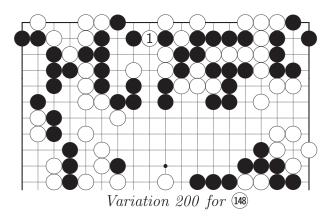
This was a good move for black, and now, white has two options.

Diagram 69 (Moves: 145-147)

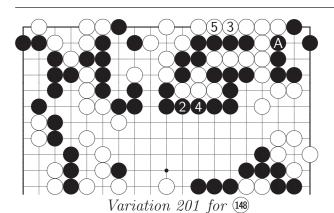


White played atari here instead, making the ko even bigger. Go Seigen is extremely good at ko fights and trades, and he must have been sure that he was winning at this stage.

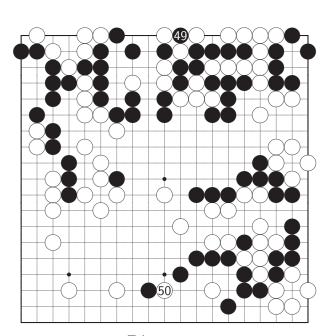
Diagram 70 (Move: 148)



This is possible, and

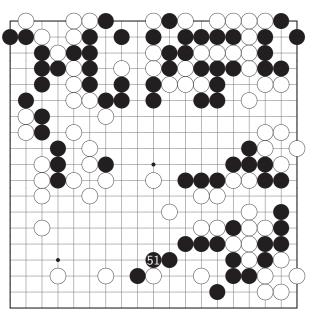


White can connect under, but the game's still very close. Black lived in the top right corner, and white saved the stones at the top. The result is pretty even from A up to here.



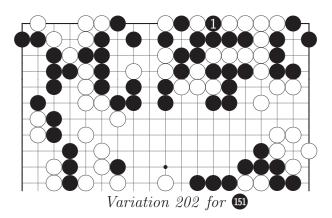
This was a good ko threat.

Diagram 71 (Moves: 149-150)

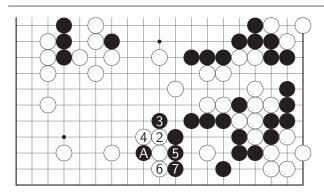


Black must answer here.

Diagram 72 (Move: 151)

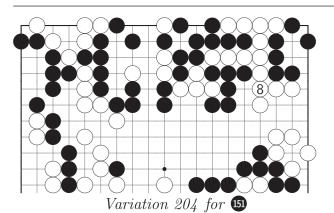


If black doesn't answer,

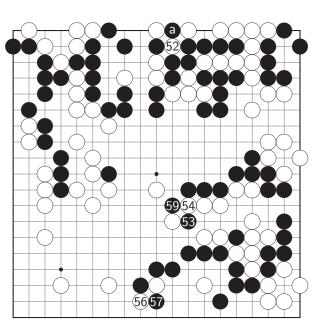


White captures the stone at A in sente, and

Variation 203 for 151



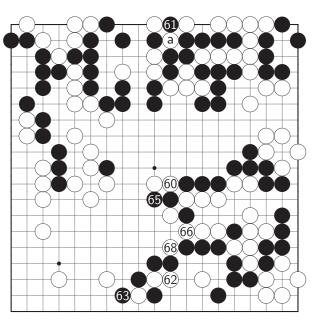
White is winning now.



Black had some ko threats here, but they damaged the center.

Diagram 73 (Moves: 152-159)

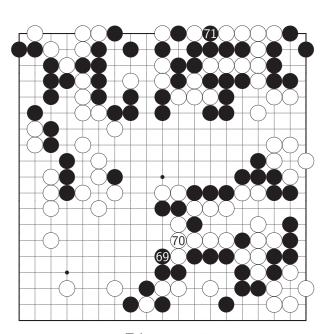
155 at **a**, 158 at 152.



This was a good ko threat, and black doesn't have any ko threats after this.

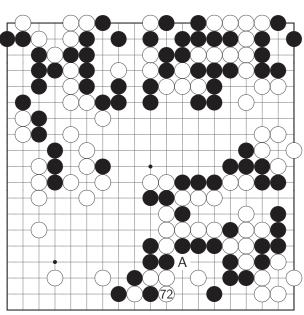
Diagram 74 (Moves: 160-168)

164 at a, at 161.



So black had to end the ko, but black wouldn't have felt happy about that.

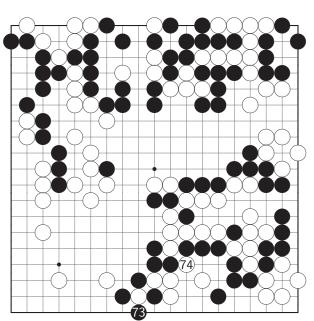
Diagram 75 (Moves: 169-171)



white just cuts at A, black can atari at this point.

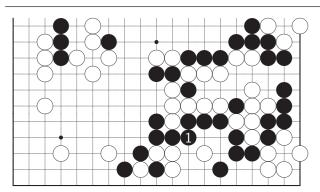
This atari was right. If

Diagram 76 (Move: 172)



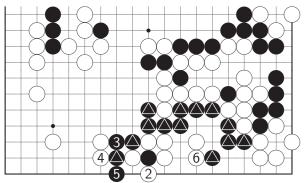
This was so big, and it was big enough to get compensation for losing the ko at the top.

Diagram 77 (Moves: 173-174)



Variation 205 for 173

Black can't connect here, because



Variation 206 for 173

There's no way for black's marked stones to live.

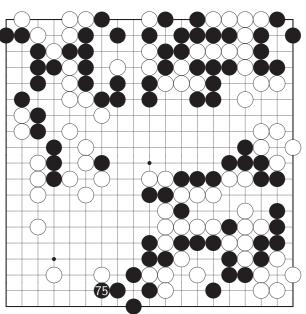
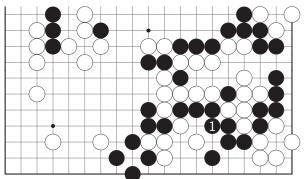


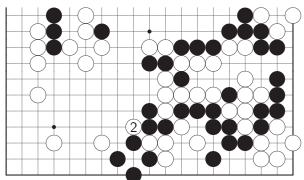
Diagram 78(Move: 175)

Black pushed here to live,



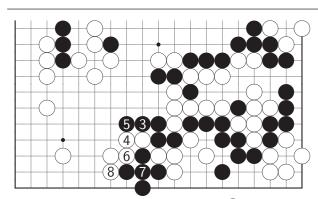
Variation 207 for 175

If black connects here to fight,



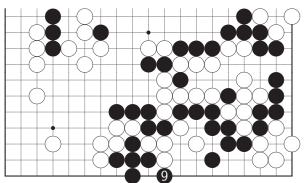
Variation 208 for 175

This cut is good.



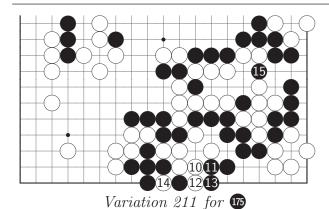
Variation 209 for 175

Black's in trouble.

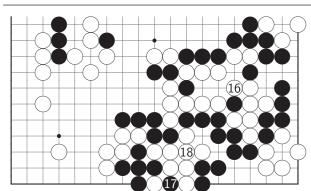


If black keeps going,

Variation 210 for 175

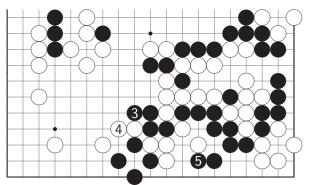


This is black's only big ko threat.



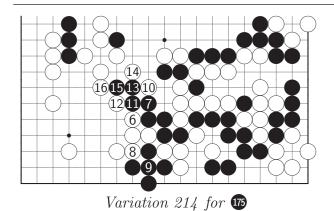
Variation 212 for 175

But white can connect here now. Black needs another ko threat, but he doesn't have any that are big enough.

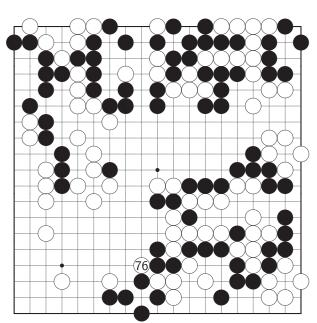


If black plays here,

Variation 213 for 175

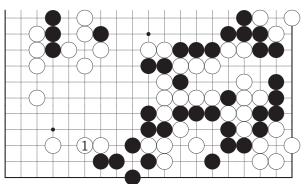


Black's cutting stones can't escape.



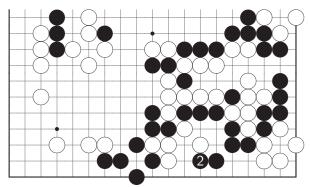
This cut was good.

Diagram 79 (Move: 176)



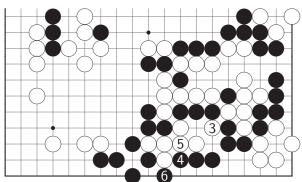
If white just answers here,

Variation 215 for (176)



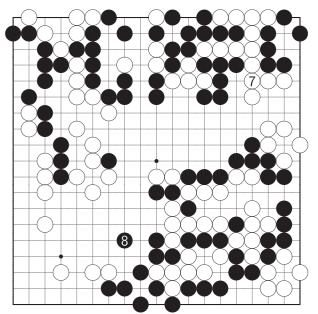
Pushing in here is good, and

Variation 216 for (176)



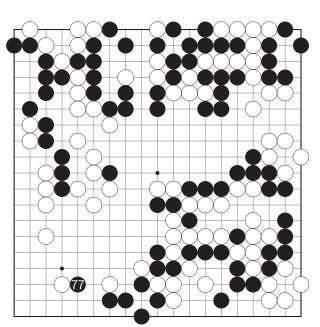
Black can connect under to catch up.

Variation 217 for (176)



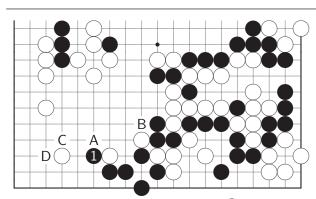
Variation 218 for (176)

The game becomes close again.



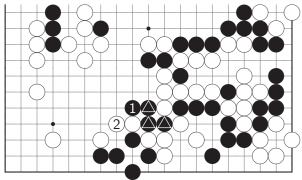
Black attached here to take sente, but it was questionable.

Diagram 80 (Move: 177)



Variation 219 for **w**

Black should have played here instead. A is sente (because it aims to play B), so black can attach at C or D later. This way would have been more complicated than the game. Since black's already losing, he should look for a way to complicate things.



Variation 220 for m

There's no way for black to save the marked stones.

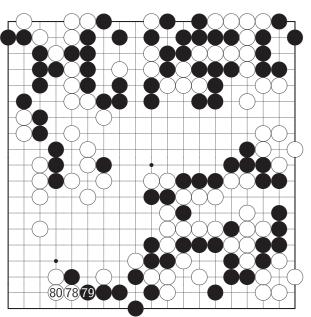
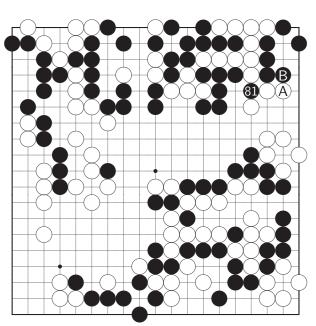


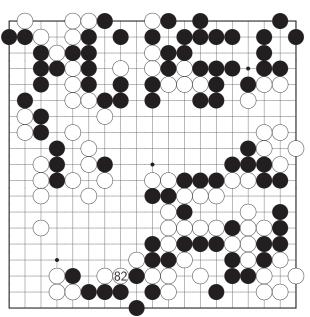
Diagram 81 (Moves: 178-180)

White's corner became solid territory, and the game became easy for white.



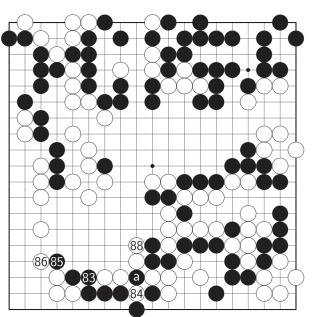
This move was very big, but black's bottom group wasn't alive yet. And now, you can see that the exchange of A for B earlier was very far sighted and good for white.

Diagram 82 (Move: 181)



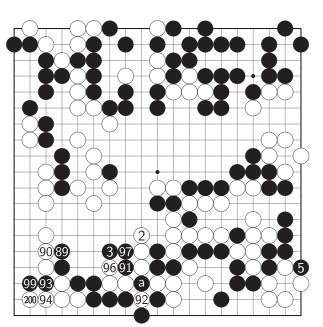
This atari was good, and it's painful for black because he's of short of ko threats.

Diagram 83 (Move: 182)



White's position was already good enough, and black still wasn't alive.

Diagram 84 (Moves: 183-188) 18 at a.



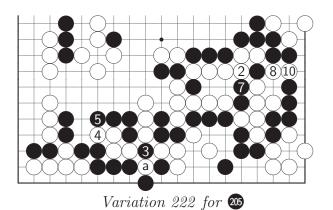
This ke threat was too small, but it couldn't be helped.

Diagram 85 (Moves: 189-205) 195, 201 at (a),

(198), (204) at (192).

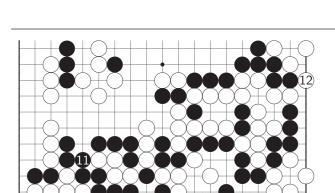
This is a good ko threat, but

Variation 221 for 205



6 at a, 9 at 3.

Even if Black takes at ⓐ, Black can't answer this ko threat, and



Black lives, but White's winning by about 10 points.

Variation 223 for 205

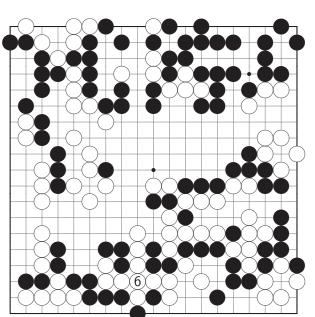
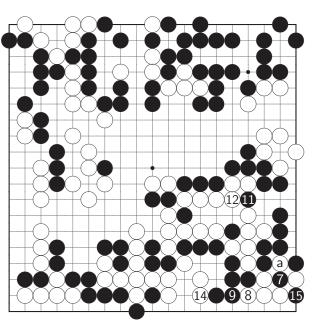


Diagram 86 (Move: 206)

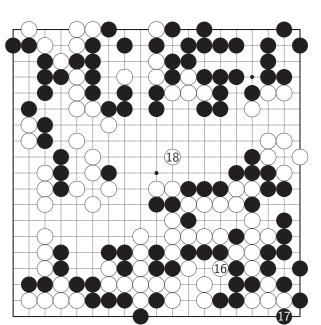
White eliminated the ko, and the game was practically over now.



Even though black won this ko, white's lower side territory was huge.

Diagram 87 (Moves: 207-215)

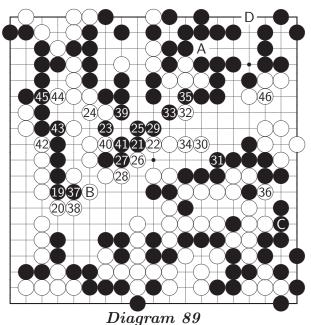
210 at a, 213 at 207.



White's winning by about 15 points.

Diagram 88 (Moves: 216-218)

Black resigns



(Moves: 219-246)

It was an interesting game.

The first fight, starting with A, was very interesting, and the result of the trade was good for white.

The second fight, ending at B, was also good for white, and the game became even (without komi).

© was a questionable move, and white took the lead in the game.

• was a bit too early, and Go Seigen showed one of his specialties - fighting ko. He was able to use the ko to finish the game decisively.

Throughout the whole game, I couldn't find any mistakes or bad moves for white, and that's very impressive.

Top players today still make lots of mistakes. Even though the short time limits of today's games can partially explain this, it doesn't diminish Go Seigen's greatness and uniqueness.

Fujisawa Hosai was also one of the best players of his generation, but because Go Seigen was too special, Fujisawa's moves don't seem to be that special in comparison. His greatness was overshadowed by Go Seigen.

However, we should remember that he was the only player who ever managed to defeat Go Seigen in ten game match.

I hope you've to enjoyed seeing this classic game and can feel some of the differences between this game and modern games. :)

Thanks,

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Appendix **A**

Glossary

This is an example glossary

• A term: A definition