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Weekly Lesson with Younggil

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Part I

David (Black) vs Josh (White)

Introduction

Kashomon [1k]: This was a game I played with David Ormerod on KGS. I've mostly been taking Black + no-komi, but I played White in this game to switch it up.

Beginning with the Magic Sword

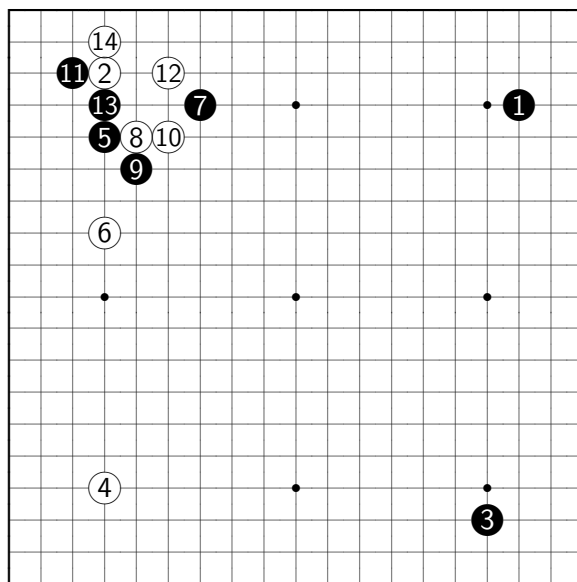
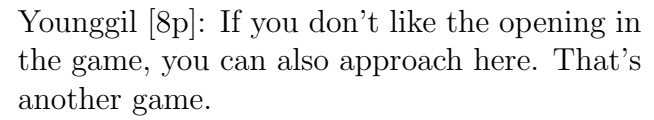


Diagram. 1
(Moves: 1-14)

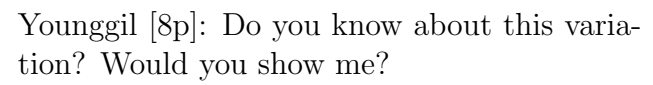
Younggil [8p]: So, do you prefer this to E17?

Kashomon [1k]: I don't know! I haven't played this particular Joseki.

Younggil [8p]: This move is getting less popular, because people think that it's not good. In this variation, White's top is weaker.

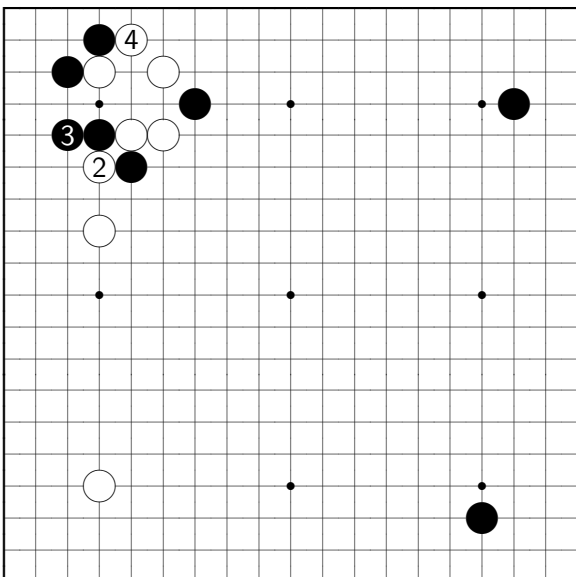


Variation. 1



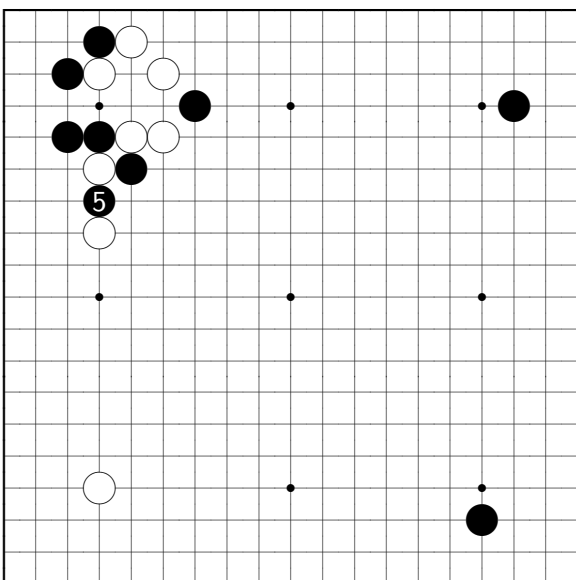
Kashomon [1k]: Let's see...

Variation. 2

*Variation. 3*

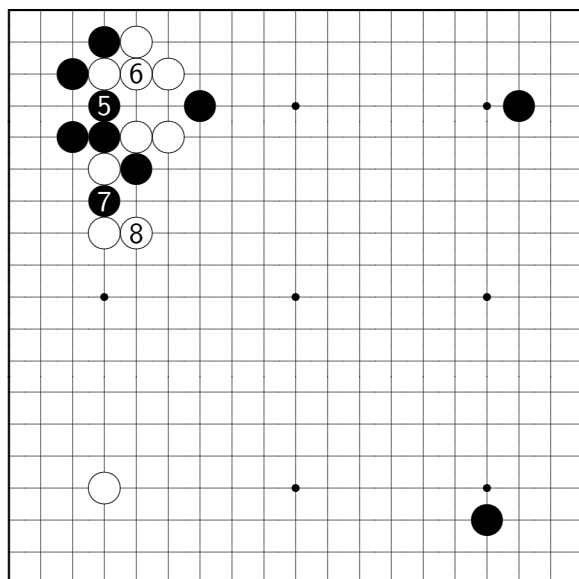
Younggil [8p]: Good so far. And?

Kashomon [1k]: hmm

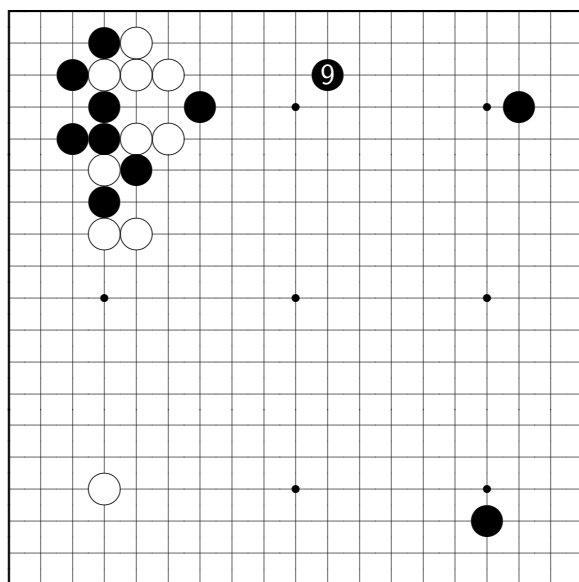
*Variation. 4*

Kashomon [1k]: this?

Younggil [8p]: Not quite

*Variation. 5*

Younggil [8p]: This is common

*Variation. 6*

Younggil [8p]: This is a possible follow-up.

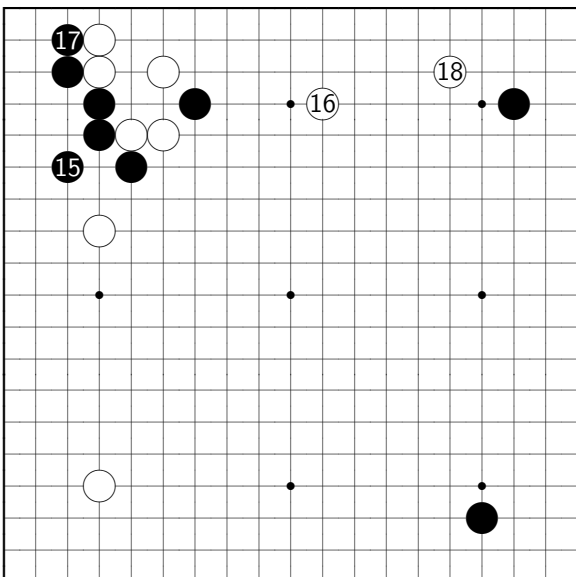
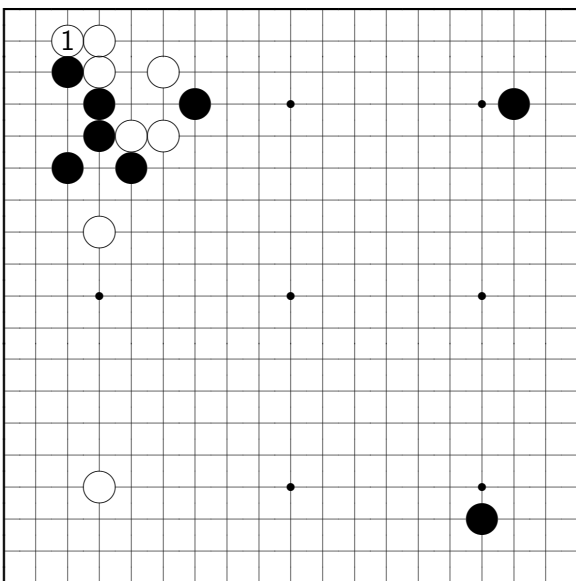


Diagram. 2
(Moves: 15-18)

Younggil [8p]: This approach is very big, so the opening is still ok for White.



Variation. 9

Younggil [8p]: Normally, turn here first, but the actual game was also ok

Black Begins a Fight

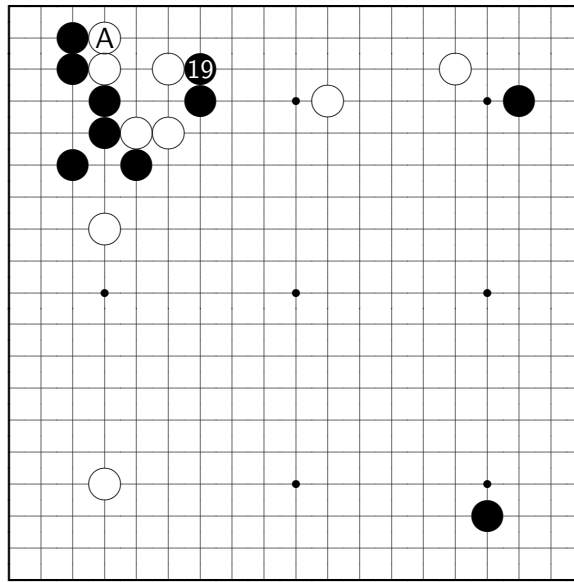


Diagram. 3
(Move: 19)

Kashomon [1k]: G17 is a nice counter

Younggil [8p]: Because White played at A, G17 is good and the hane at F18 is sente.

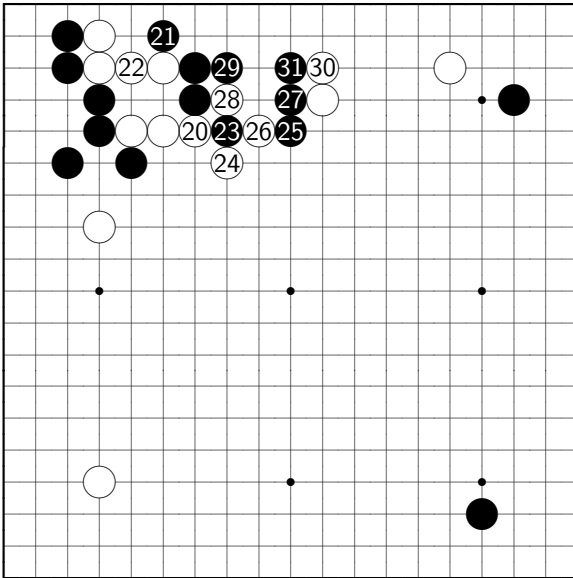


Diagram. 4
(Moves: 20-31)

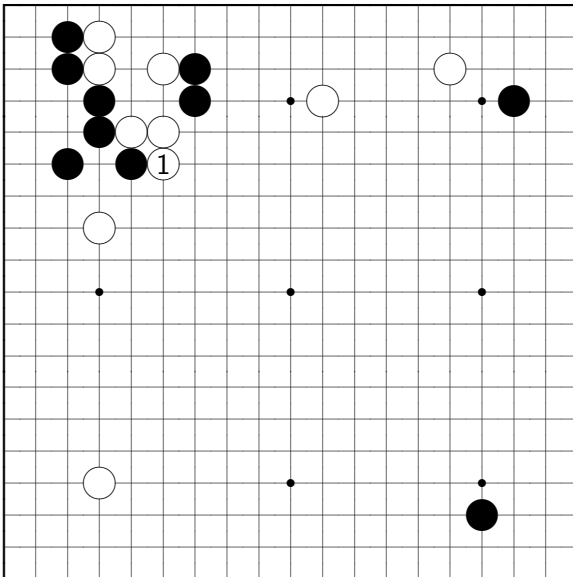
Younggil [8p]: So what did you feel about the result so far?

Kashomon [1k]: I think it's a little better for black.

Younggil [8p]: Then what was problem?

Kashomon [1k]: Both Black's groups are pretty safe and White is weak.

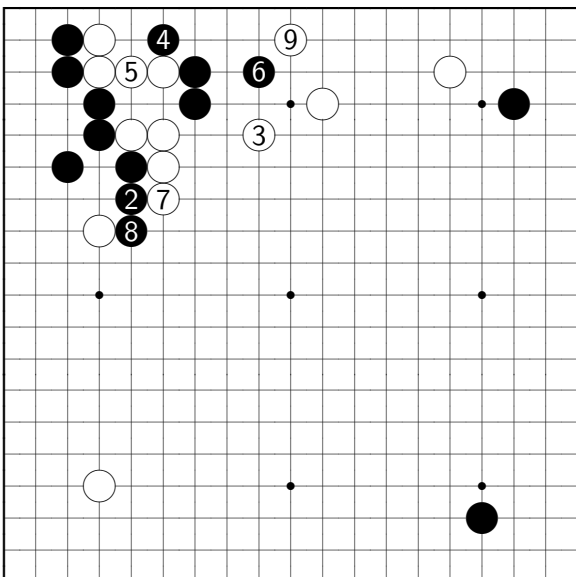
Younggil [8p]: yea



Variation. 10

Younggil [8p]: then how about pushing here?

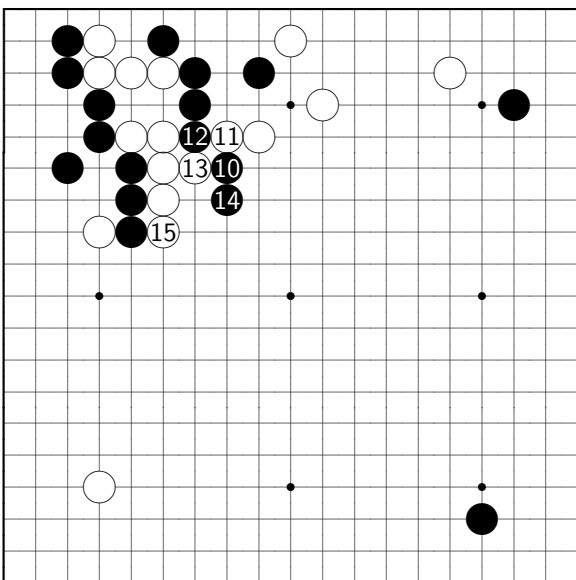
Kashomon [1k]: Looks like it hurts the D12 stone...

*Variation. 11*

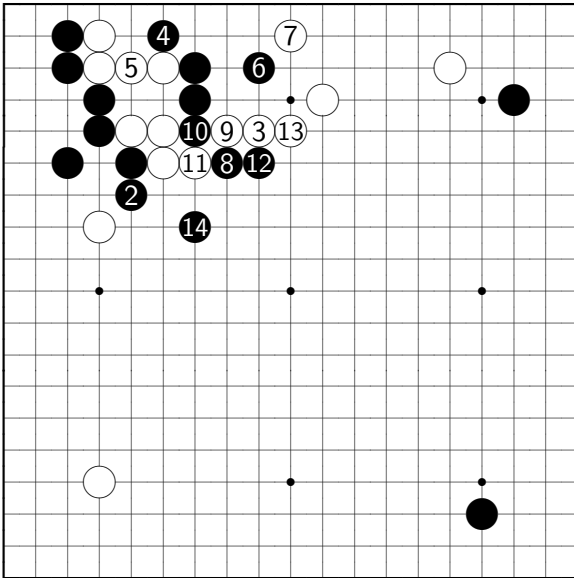
Kashomon [1k]: But maybe it's worth it!

Younggil [8p]: Yes, but White can play strongly like this.

Kashomon [1k]: Why one more push?

*Variation. 12*

Younggil [8p]: Now, White is fine.

*Variation. 13*

Younggil [8p]: White pushes one more because of this.

Kashomon [1k]: Ah.

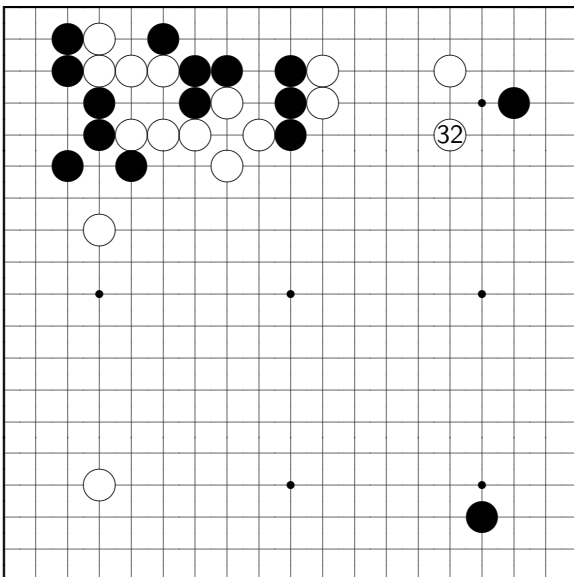
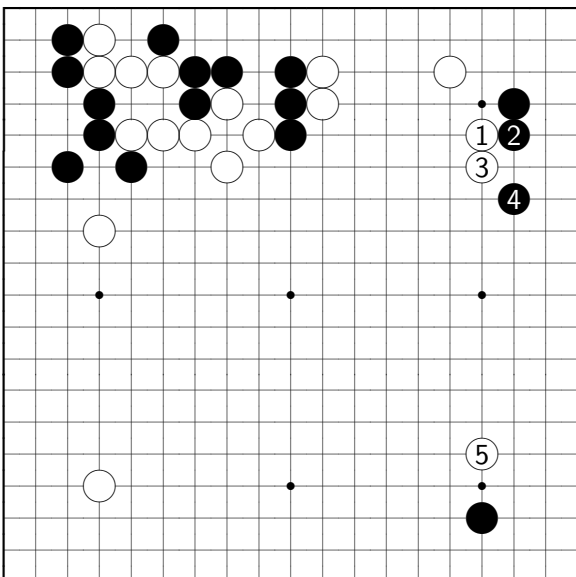


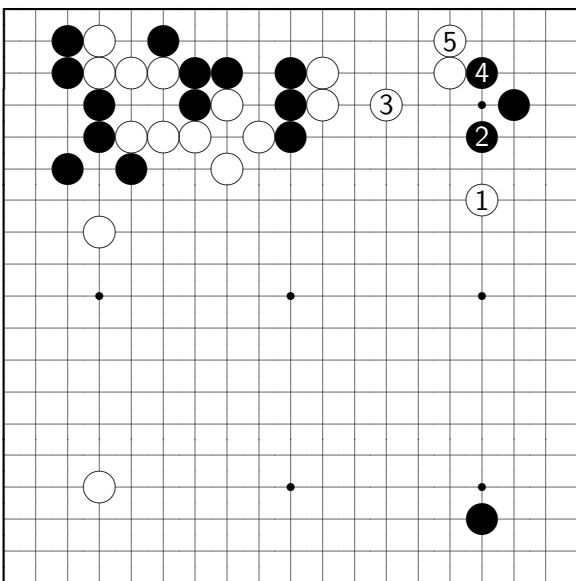
Diagram. 5
(Move: 32)

Younggil [8p]: The game seems to be slightly better for Black, but still alright.

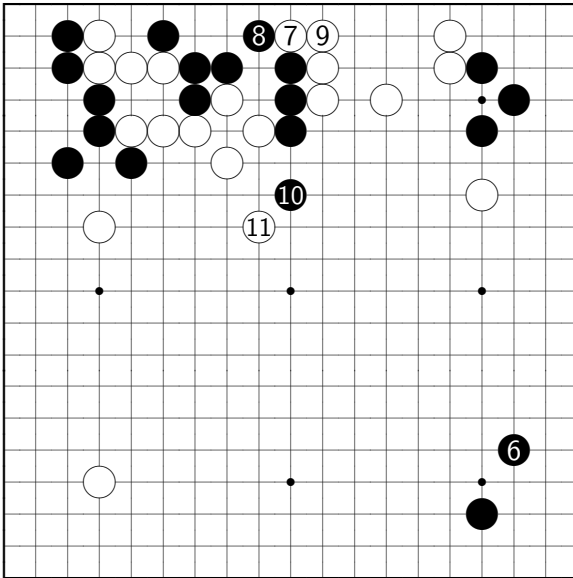
*Variation. 14*

Younggil [8p]: Maybe like this?

Kashomon [1k]: Looks better

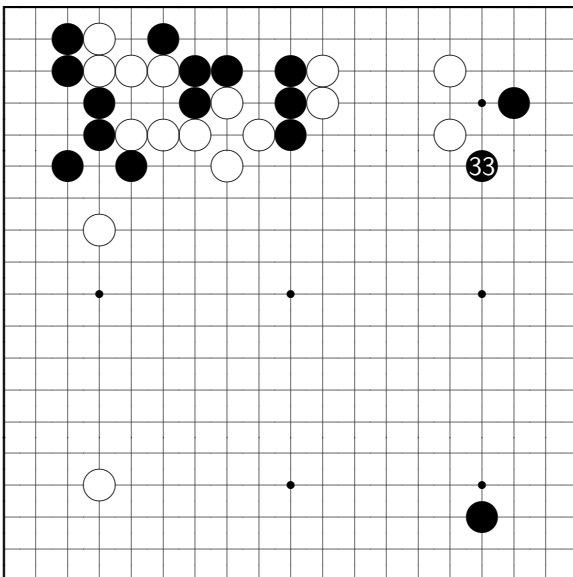
*Variation. 15*

Younggil [8p]: Or this is also possible

*Variation. 16*

Younggil [8p]: now, Black has only one eye, so White can keep chasing

Younggil [8p]: White's top is already safe, and White doesn't need to play at F13 later.

*Diagram. 6*
(Move: 33)

Kashomon [1k]: I hadn't thought about that
 Kashomon [1k]: probably White needs to respond here
 Younggil [8p]: because, White's top is still not solid enough
 Younggil [8p]: yea
 Younggil [8p]: so here, Kashomon [1k]: that you intend to have cut
 Younggil [8p]: if you were black, where you wouldn't want White to play?
 Younggil [8p]: yes right
 Younggil [8p]: or double hane
 Kashomon [1k]: I guess
 Kashomon [1k]: If I were black O would worry about R13
 Kashomon [1k]: *I
 Kashomon [1k]: but maybe that's too low
 Kashomon [1k]: err
 Kashomon [1k]: R12

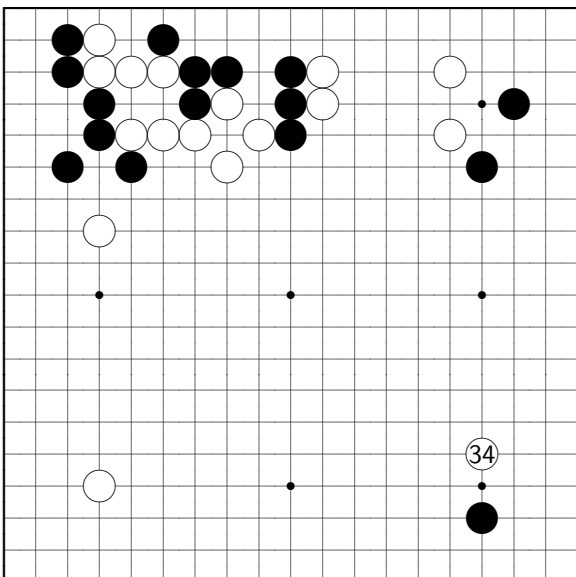
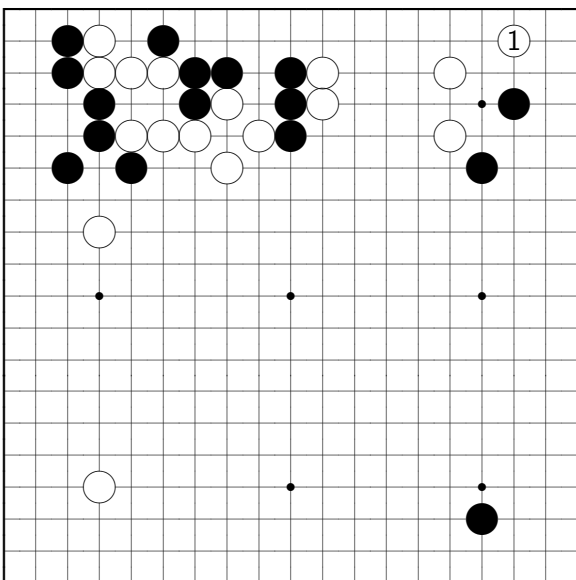


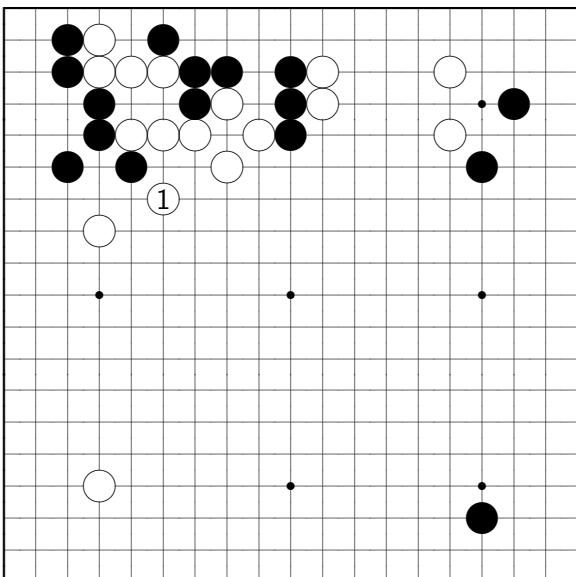
Diagram. 7
(Move: 34)

Younggil [8p]: anyway

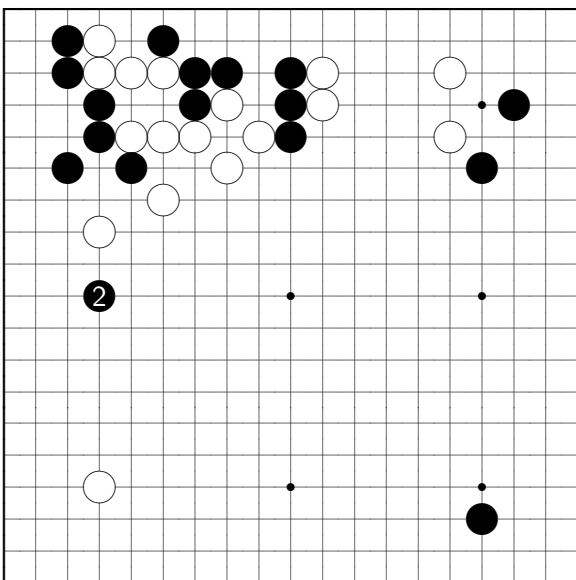


Variation. 17

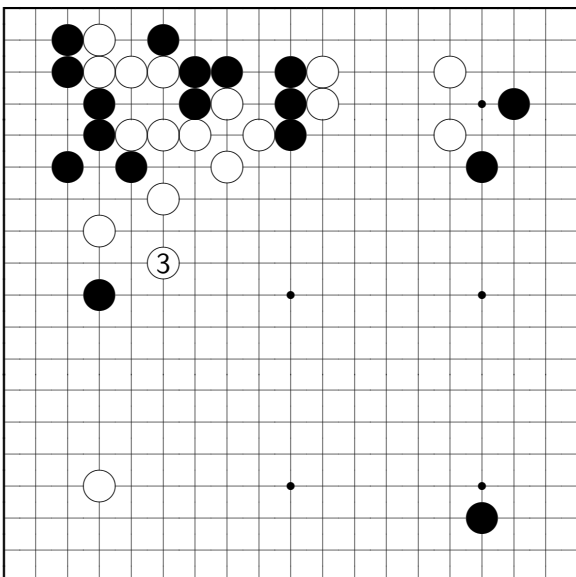
Kashomon [1k]: I would like to have played f13

*Variation. 18*

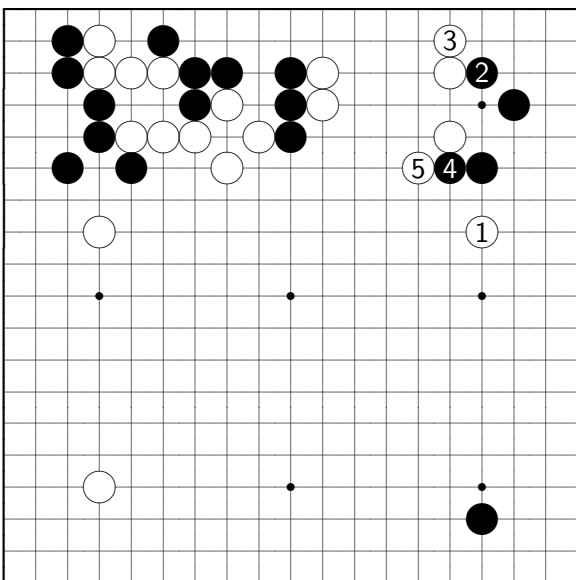
Younggil [8p]: here? Kashomon [1k]: yes
 Younggil [8p]: hmm Younggil [8p]: this is good
 connection, but not a nice shape

*Variation. 19*

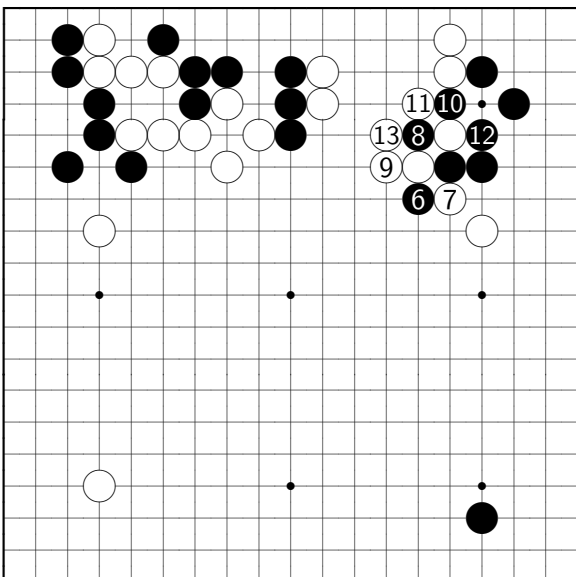
Younggil [8p]: because it's still thin

*Variation. 20*

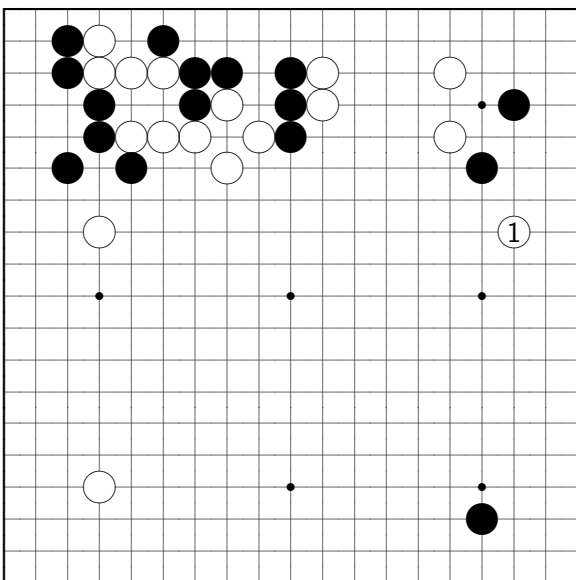
Kashomon [1k]: hm

*Variation. 21*

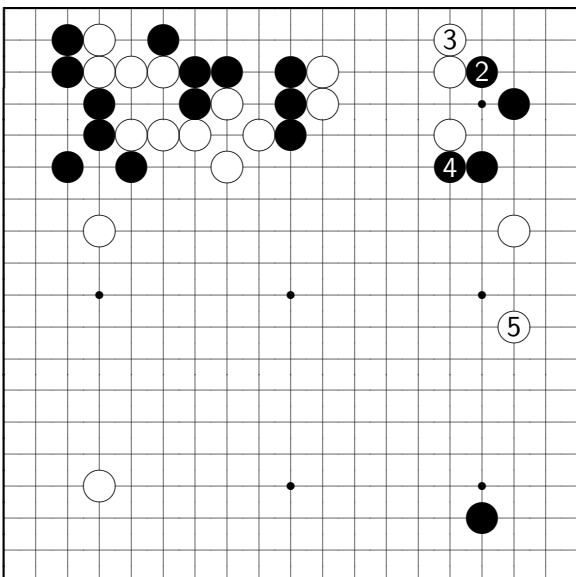
Younggil [8p]: white could keep on playing like this Kashomon [1k]: I have a hard time with those incers Kashomon [1k]: *pincers Younggil [8p]: and if Black keeps answering, White's top will become stronger Younggil [8p]: yea Younggil [8p]: but this is more active and give Black pressure

*Variation. 22*

Younggil [8p]: like this Kashomon [1k]: nice
tesuji Younggil [8p]: yea

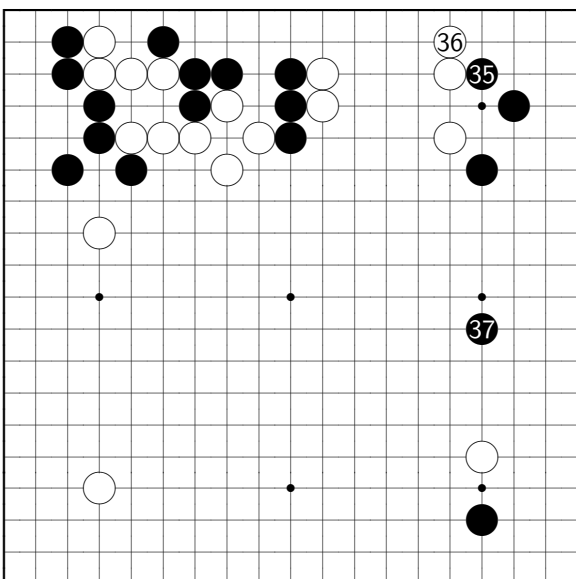
*Variation. 23*

Younggil [8p]: that's also possible



Younggil [8p]: like this

Variation. 24



Kashomon [1k]: and maybe Q5

Diagram. 8
(Moves: 35-37)

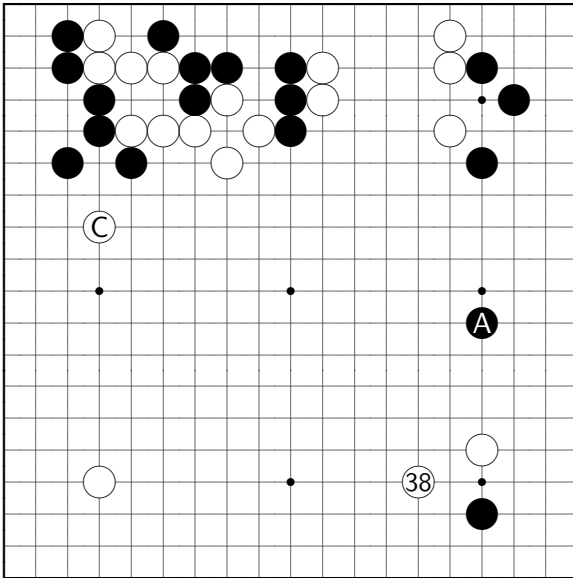


Diagram. 9
(Move: 38)

Kashomon [1k]: this was a msitake Younggil [8p]: this knight's move seems to be alright Kashomon [1k]: White 37 is where things felt like they started to go bad Younggil [8p]: i see Younggil [8p]: but since the pincer is loose at A, White can play more strongly here Kashomon [1k]: Because Black launched an attack on my top left stones Kashomon [1k]: hm Younggil [8p]: you mean B? Younggil [8p]: C? Younggil [8p]: or the big group from the top left? Kashomon [1k]: the big group Younggil [8p]: i see Younggil [8p]: they're still ok Younggil [8p]: the center is open :)

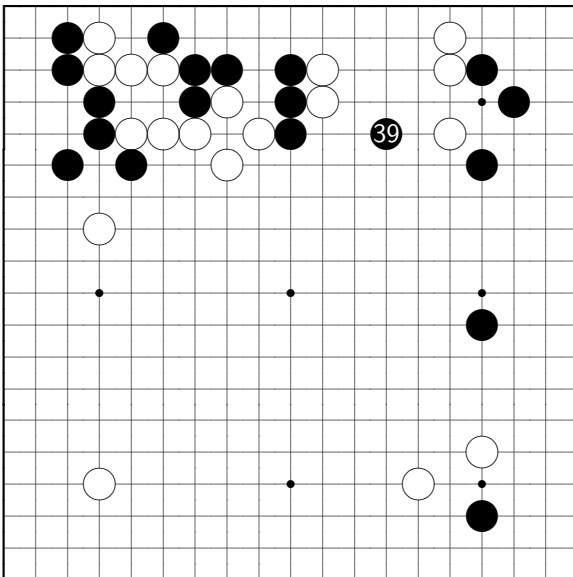


Diagram. 10
(Move: 39)

Kashomon [1k]: I think Kashomon [1k]: O4

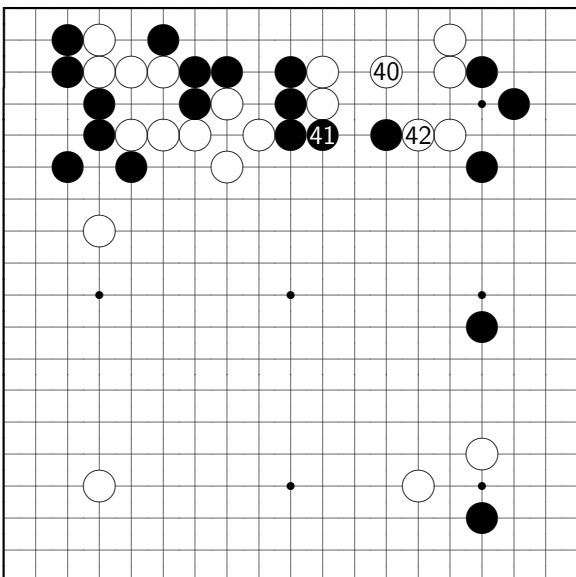
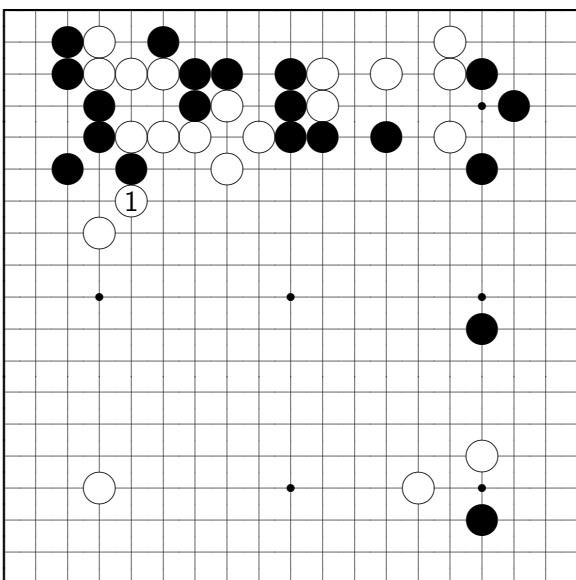


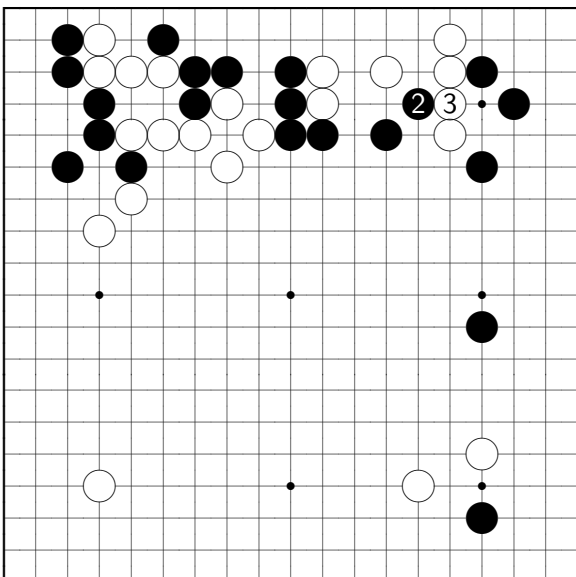
Diagram. 11
(Moves: 40-42)

Younggil [8p]: probably this move was questionable

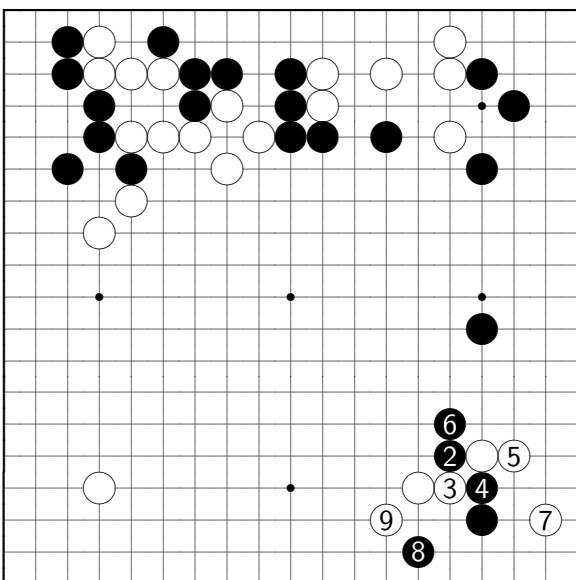


Variation. 25

Kashomon [1k]: ah Younggil [8p]: if you want, you can come back here Younggil [8p]: and it's better connection (no cutting point)

*Variation. 26*

Younggil [8p]: the top group is already safe
 Younggil [8p]: and Black can't attack. because
 white can simply jump at R18

*Variation. 27*

Younggil [8p]: the game would still be al-
 right Younggil [8p]: Black is slightly better
 Kashomon [1k]: yea Kashomon [1k]: but still
 reasonable Younggil [8p]: because he has more
 territory, but still playable Younggil [8p]: right

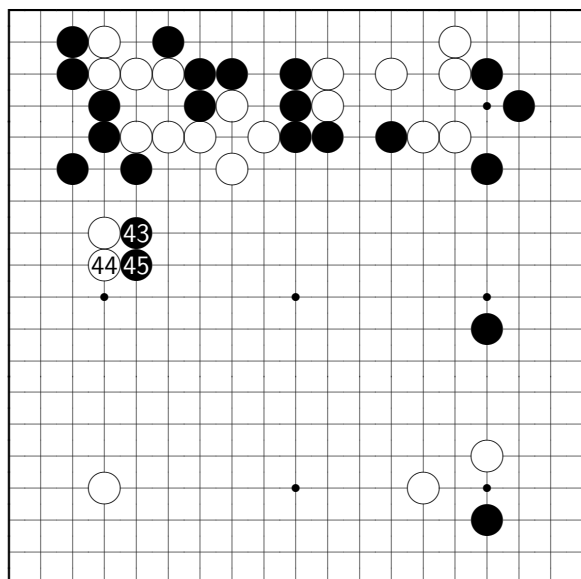


Diagram. 12
(Moves: 43-45)

autumnleaves: yay for grinding style... autumnleaves: I always feel guilty when I push from behind like this jrhoak: and me, on the forth line ha autumnleaves: :)

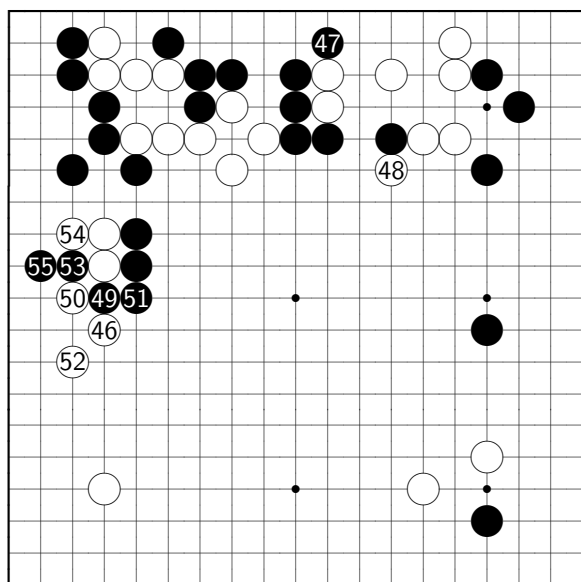


Diagram. 13
(Moves: 46-55)

autumnleaves: hmm, the conditional moves have inverted their colors :/ autumnleaves: and can't be deleted autumnleaves: hope it doesn't play something bogus :)

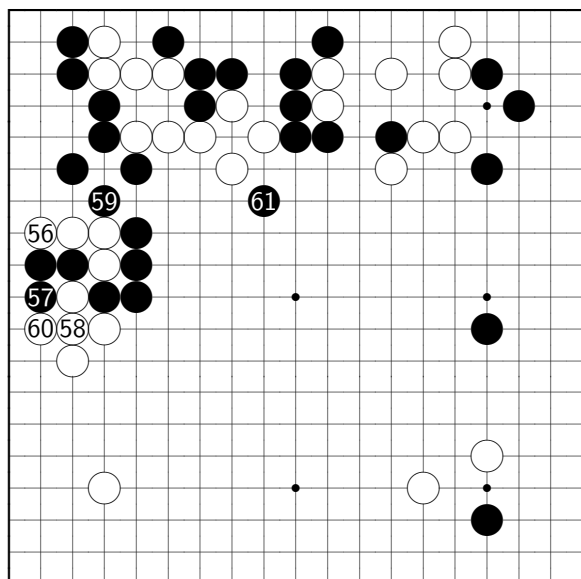


Diagram. 14
(Moves: 56-61)

Younggil [8p]: now, White's big group is under attack

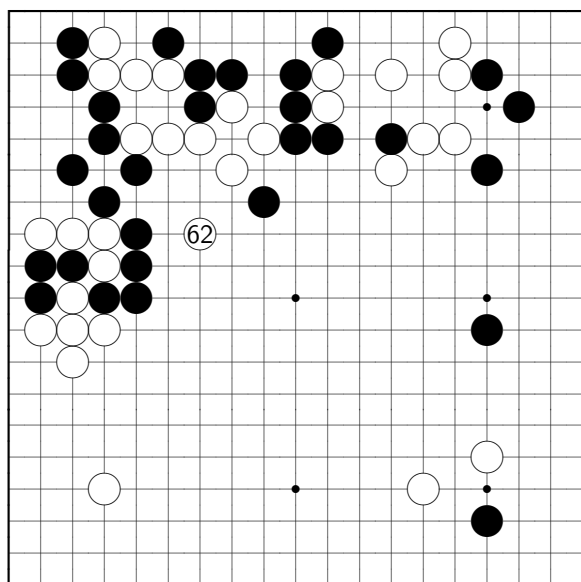


Diagram. 15
(Move: 62)

Kashomon [1k]: yea

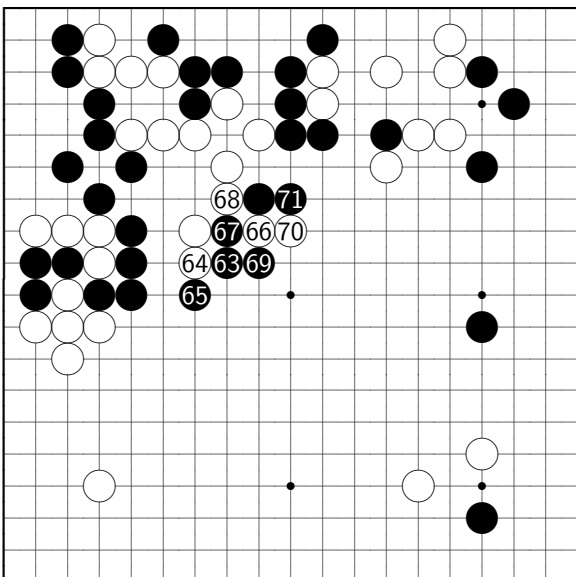


Diagram. 16
(Moves: 63-71)

jrhoak: no way out here jrhoak: must have examined 30 variations autumnleaves: maybe later we can review together if you want to Younggil [8p]: hmm Kashomon [1k]: I couldn't figure out how to escape Younggil [8p]: yea Kashomon [1k]: I looked at maybe 30 variations Younggil [8p]: not easy now Kashomon [1k]: and so I resigned Younggil [8p]: oh, Younggil [8p]: the game was suddenly finished Kashomon [1k]: yup

Part II

Jared (Black) vs Josh (White)

Introduction

Kashomon [1k]: This is another game I played with my friend Jared. He lost, but I'm going to write up the feedback and send it to him like I did for the game with Patrick.

Younggil [8p]: ok, good

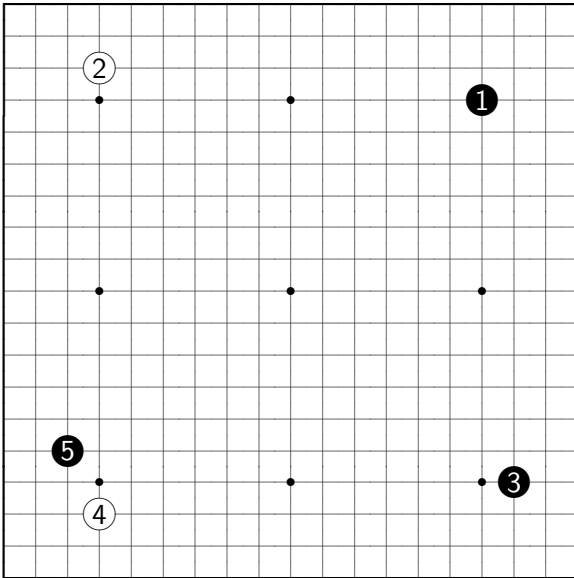


Diagram. 1
(Moves: 1-5)

Younggil [8p]: oh, that was really nice
Kashomon [1k]: =) Younggil [8p]: and the
Jubango game 1 is also nice Younggil [8p]:
it's getting done? Kashomon [1k]: it's com-
ing along! Younggil [8p]: good

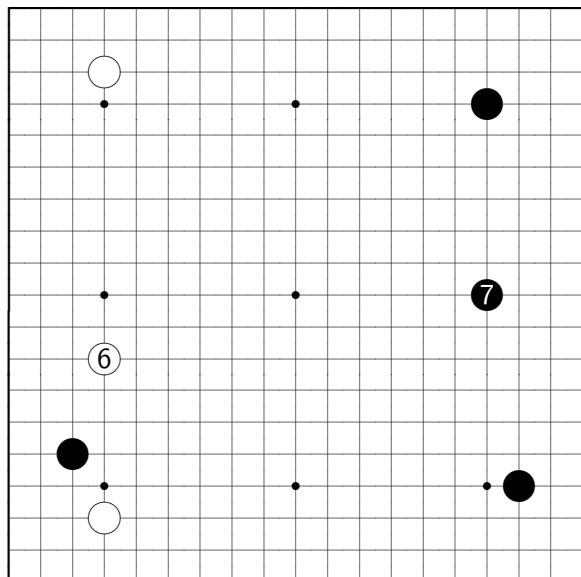
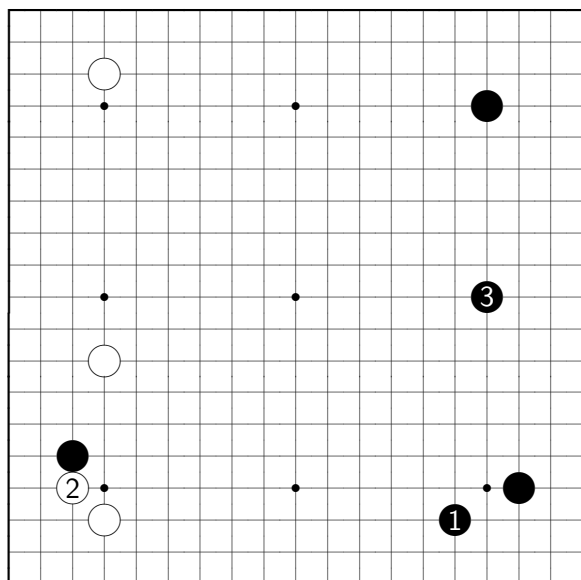


Diagram. 2
(Moves: 6-7)

Kashomon [1k]: Seems like weird shape here
 Younggil [8p]: oh, this isn't common
 [8p]: yea



Variation. 1

Younggil [8p]: this is more usual if he wants
 to have this sort of position

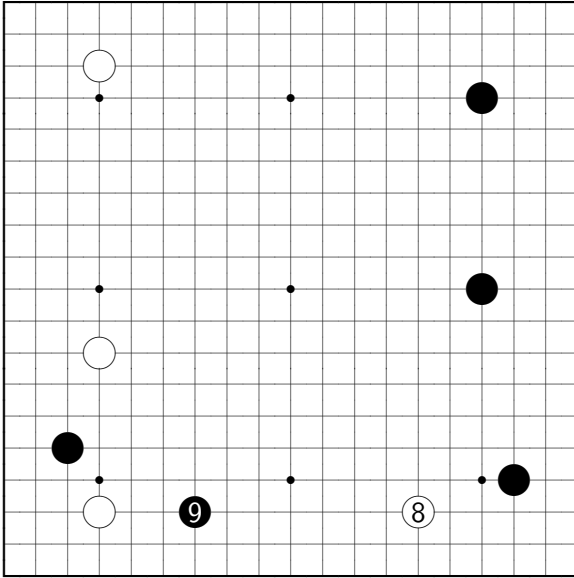


Diagram. 3
(Moves: 8-9)

jrhoak: wow. what an opening jarstar: :)

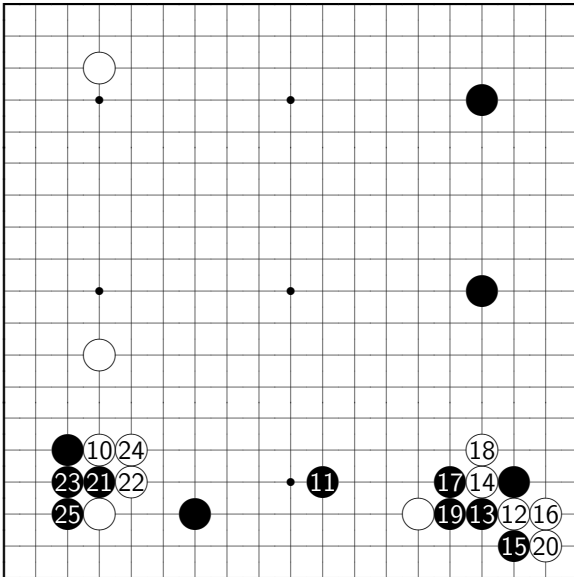
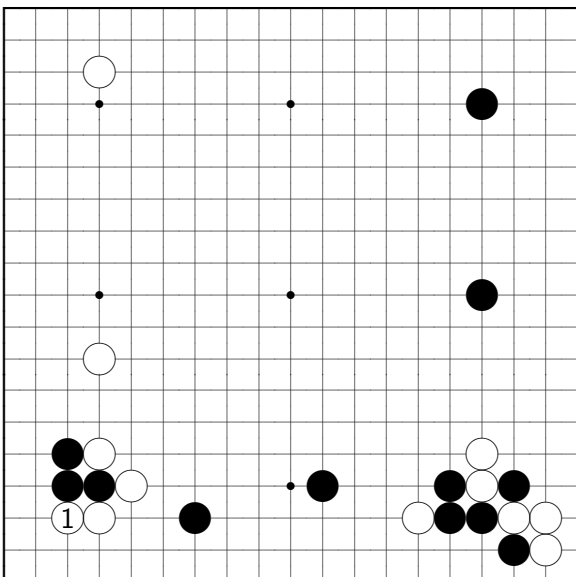
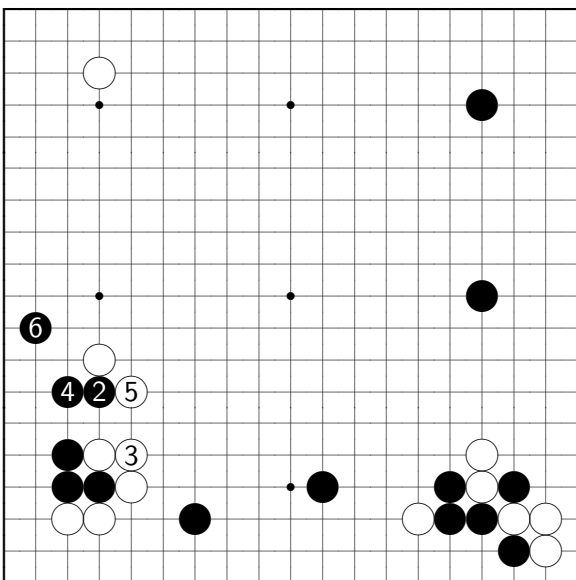


Diagram. 4
(Moves: 10-25)

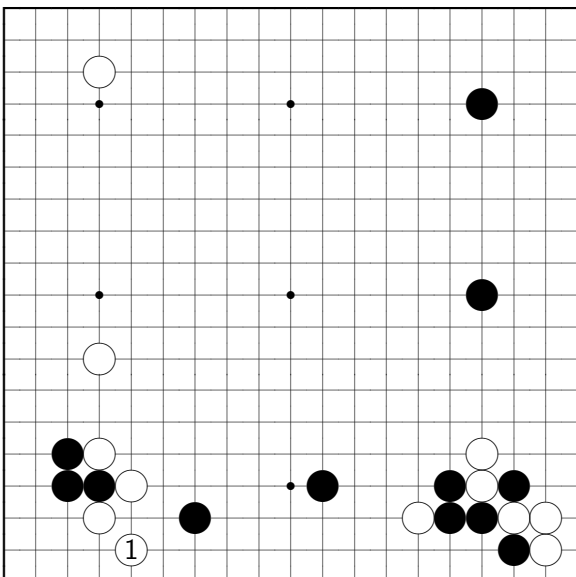
Younggil [8p]: the point is this is easy for Black Kashomon [1k]: yeah, I thought so
Younggil [8p]: so if White blocks at 3-3, that'd be better than this :)

*Variation. 2*

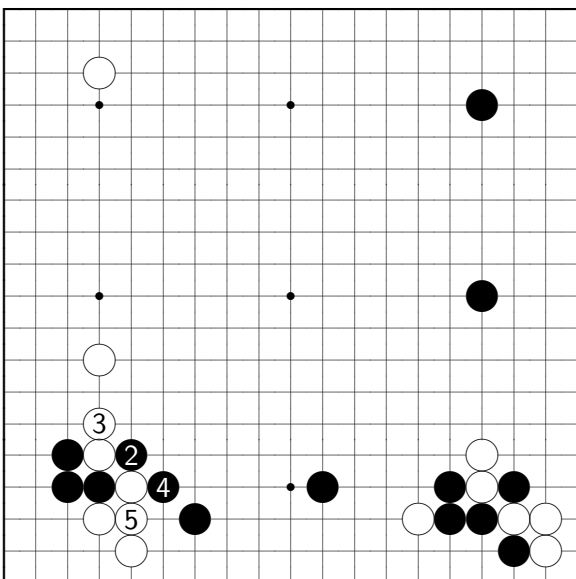
Kashomon [1k]: hm Younggil [8p]: this is more common Kashomon [1k]: I don't know this joseki Kashomon [1k]: =)

*Variation. 3*

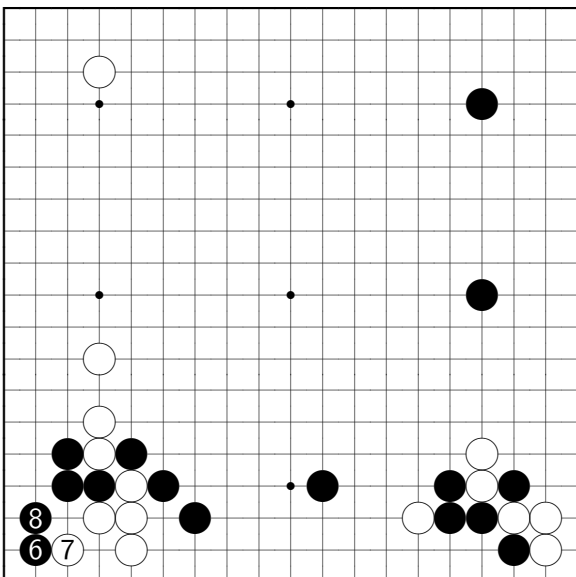
Younggil [8p]: there're many possible variations Younggil [8p]: and this is one of them

*Variation. 4*

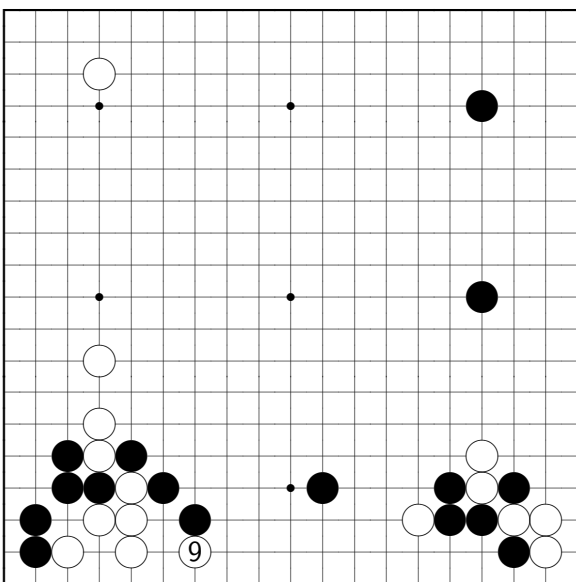
Younggil [8p]: so this is also possible
 Kashomon [1k]: hm

*Variation. 5*

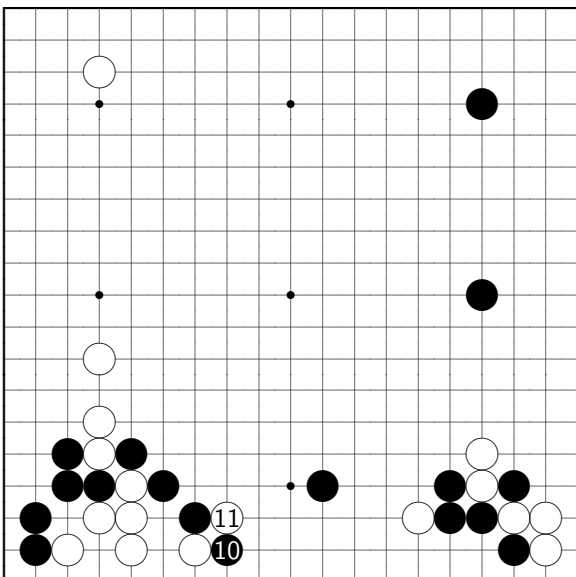
Kashomon [1k]: looks a little scary
 Younggil [8p]: since Black's outside is weak, white can fight

*Variation. 6*

Kashomon [1k]: I see Younggil [8p]: but what black can do is only here and

*Variation. 7*

Younggil [8p]: white can easily live inside



Variation. 8

Younggil [8p]: white can even cut here to
counter Kashomon [1k]: wow, nice

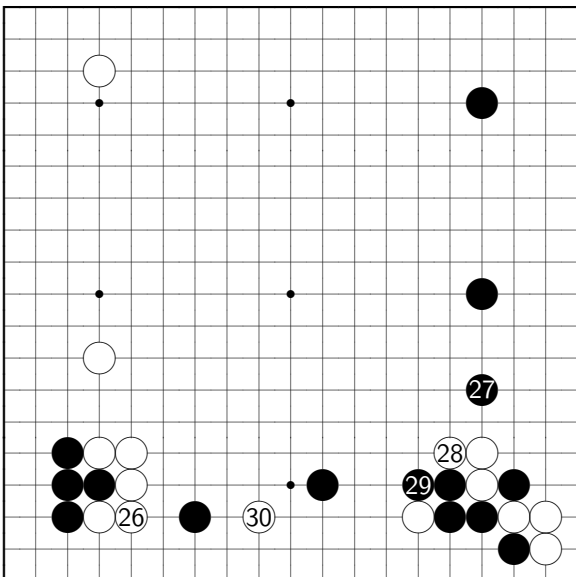
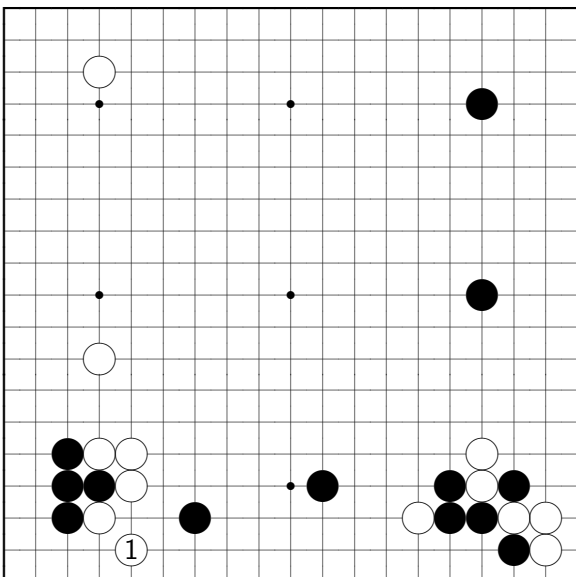


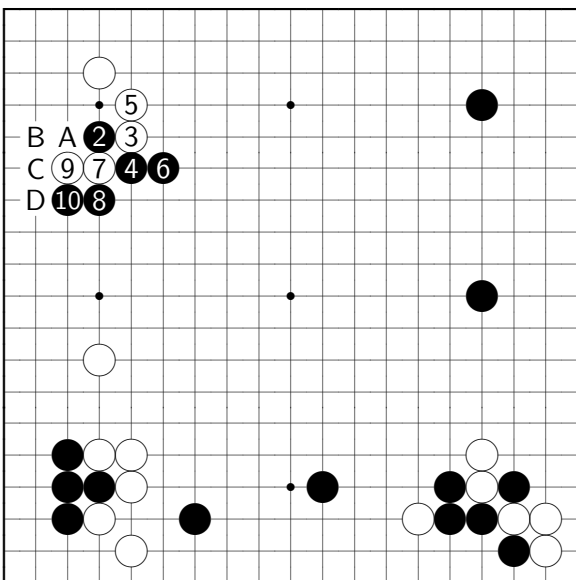
Diagram. 5
(Moves: 26-30)

Younggil [8p]: oh, good time to invade



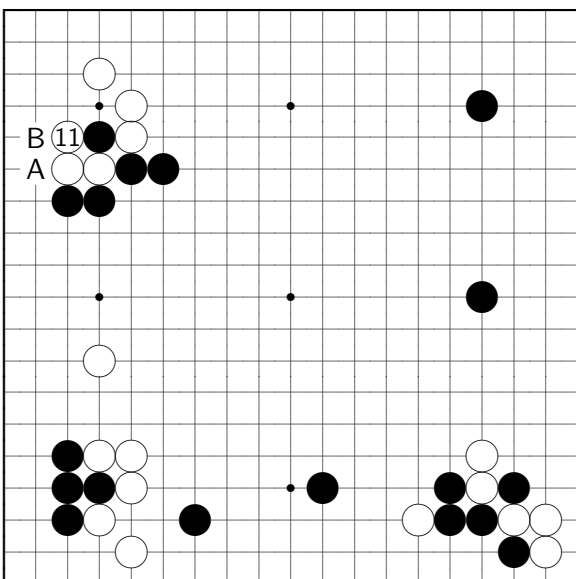
Variation. 9

Younggil [8p]: and also Kashomon [1k]: Y see Younggil [8p]: this connection is generally better Younggil [8p]: and now

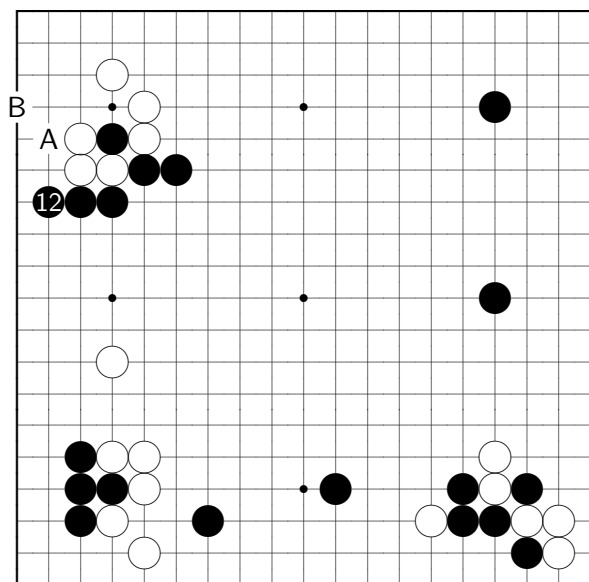


Variation. 10

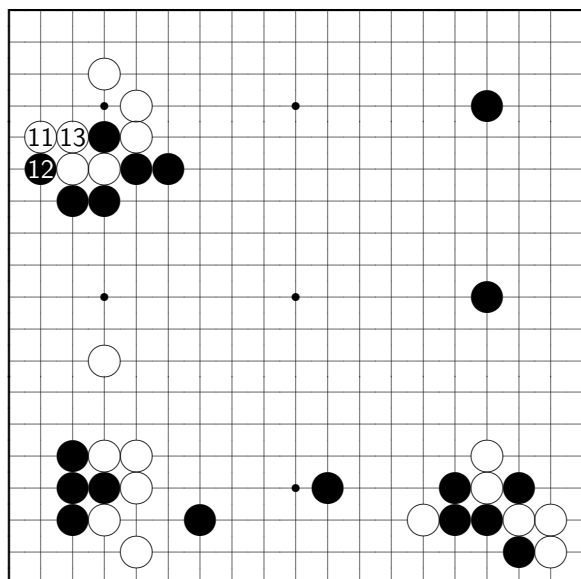
Younggil [8p]: now Younggil [8p]: where'd you play for White next? Kashomon [1k]: B15

*Variation. 11*

Younggil [8p]: why not here? Younggil [8p]: what's the difference? Kashomon [1k]: hm Younggil [8p]: but just black exchanged A for B Younggil [8p]: and that exchange is better for White. do you agree? Kashomon [1k]: I hadn't thought about it before like this Younggil [8p]: i see Kashomon [1k]: I suppos if Black ever gets B13 Younggil [8p]: the point is Kashomon [1k]: there's a nicer followup

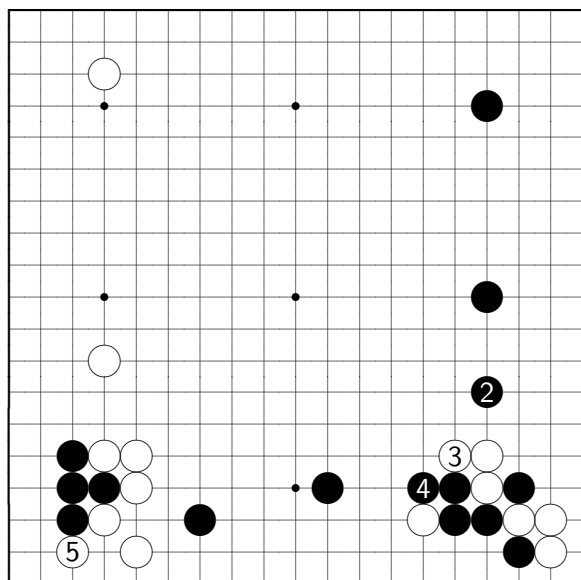
*Variation. 12*

Younggil [8p]: yes right Younggil [8p]: after this Younggil [8p]: Black has nice endgame followups



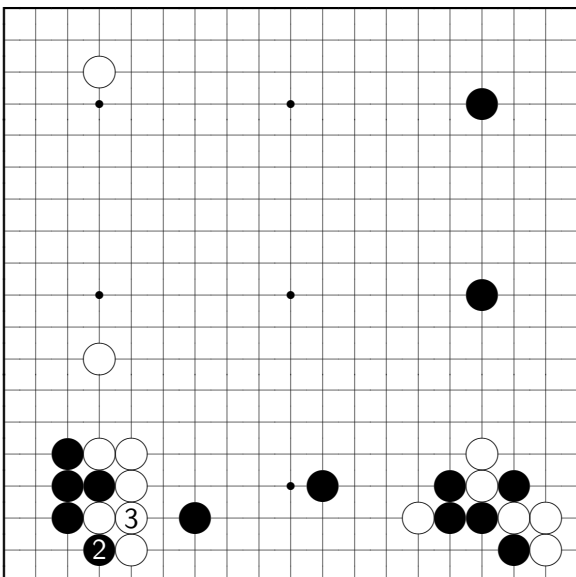
Variation. 13

Younggil [8p]: that's about the same Younggil [8p]: but not here



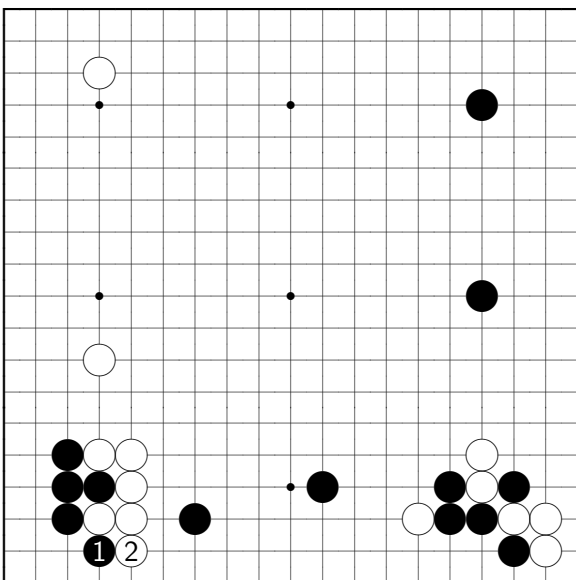
Variation. 14

Kashomon [1k]: I guess Kashomon [1k]: White will have an easier time invading Younggil [8p]: if Black doesn't play, White can hane here Kashomon [1k]: at j3 Younggil [8p]: yes right Younggil [8p]: that's it



Variation. 15

Kashomon [1k]: I see Younggil [8p]: if Black has to atari, the exchange is better for White



Variation. 16

Younggil [8p]: better when you invade at the bottom, and also for the endgame

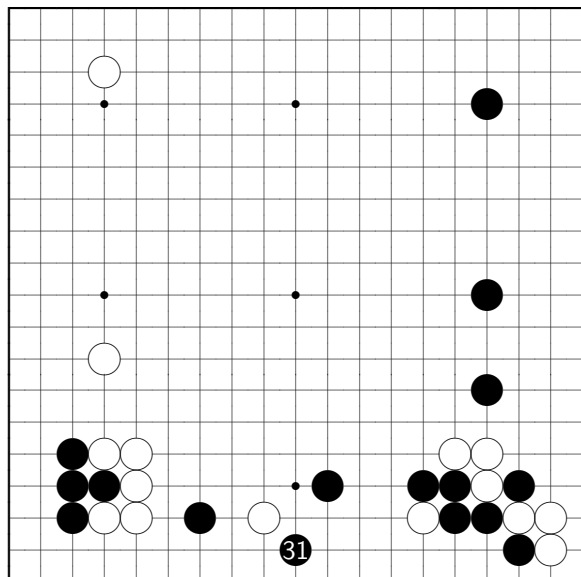
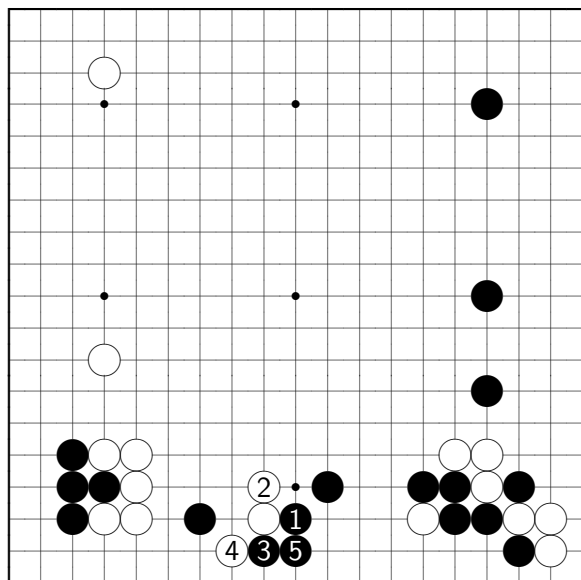


Diagram. 6
(Move: 31)

Younggil [8p]: it was alright Younggil [8p]: but I can't say this is a mistake Younggil [8p]: can be alright Kashomon [1k]: alright Kashomon [1k]: and one more question Kashomon [1k]: For the upper left



Variation. 17

Younggil [8p]: black could also play like this

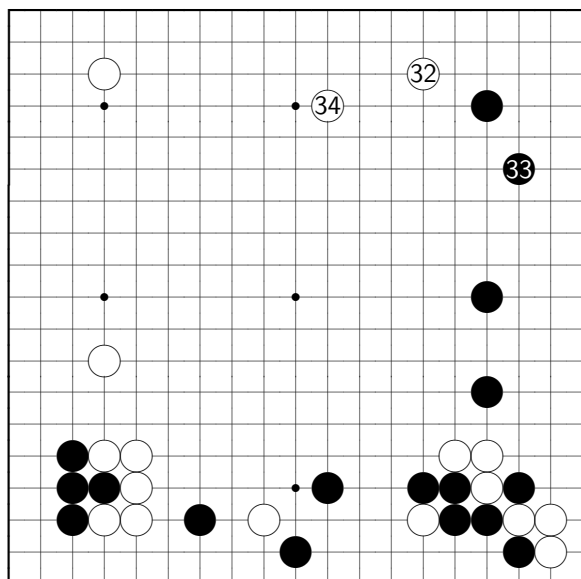
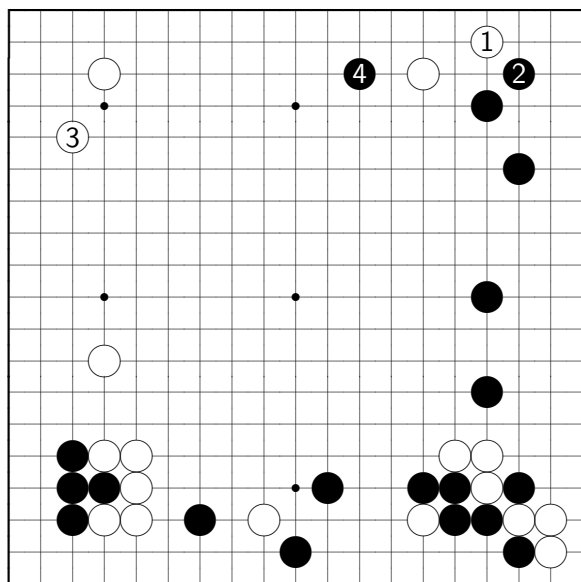


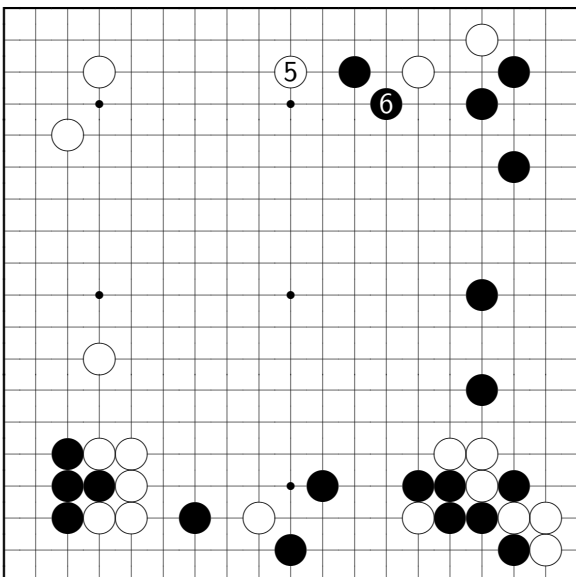
Diagram. 7
(Moves: 32-34)

Younggil [8p]: good Younggil [8p]: the opening is slightly better for White

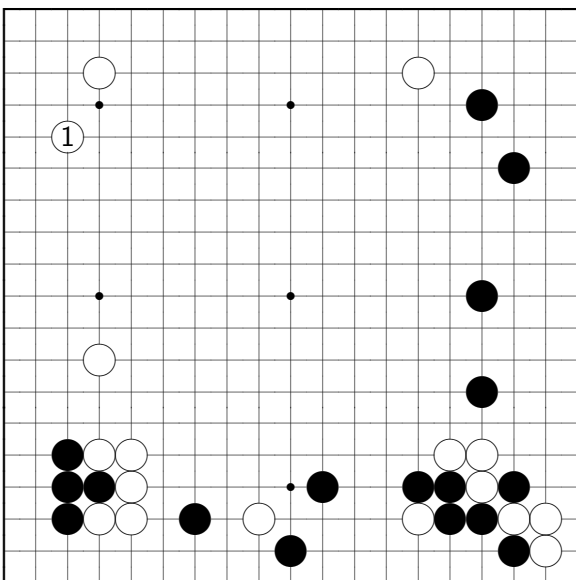


Variation. 18

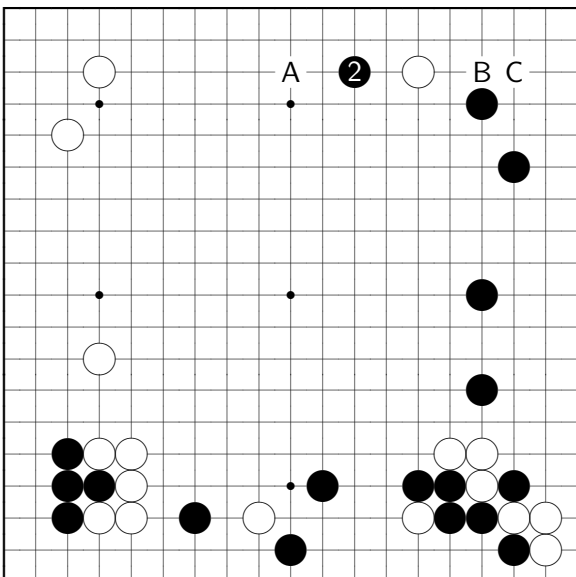
Younggil [8p]: for example Younggil [8p]: this is bad for White

*Variation. 19*

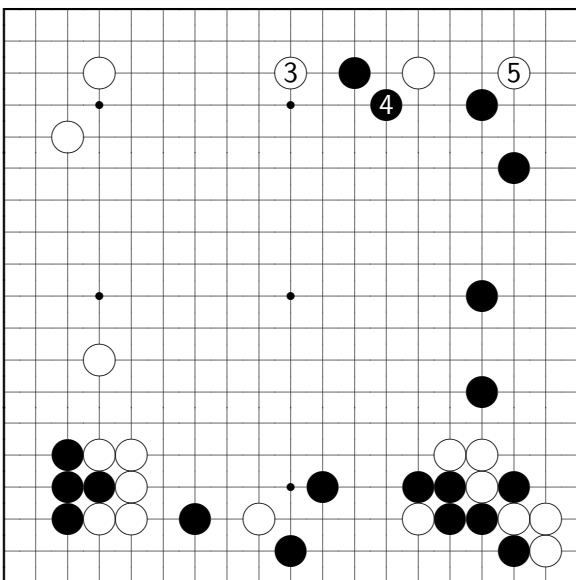
Younggil [8p]: it's different Kashomon [1k]:
 yeah Younggil [8p]: so playing somewhere else
 before finishing a joseki is bad Younggil [8p]:
 and normally there's a good move

*Variation. 20*

Younggil [8p]: but this is still possible

*Variation. 21*

Kashomon [1k]: interesting Younggil [8p]: because now, white has some options at A to C

*Variation. 22*

Younggil [8p]: white can still come here to live
Younggil [8p]: but

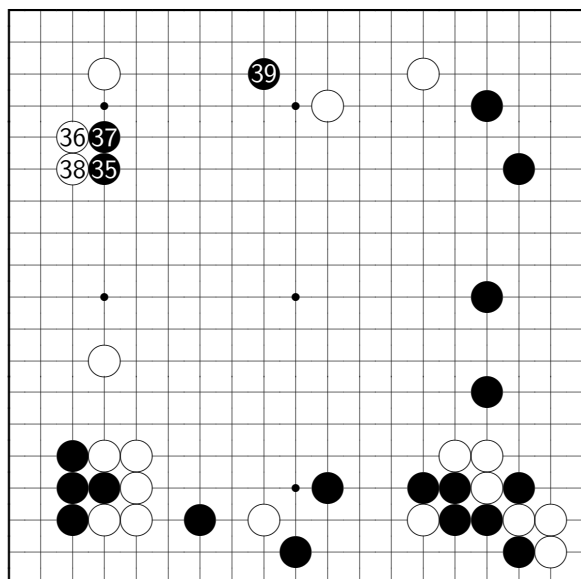
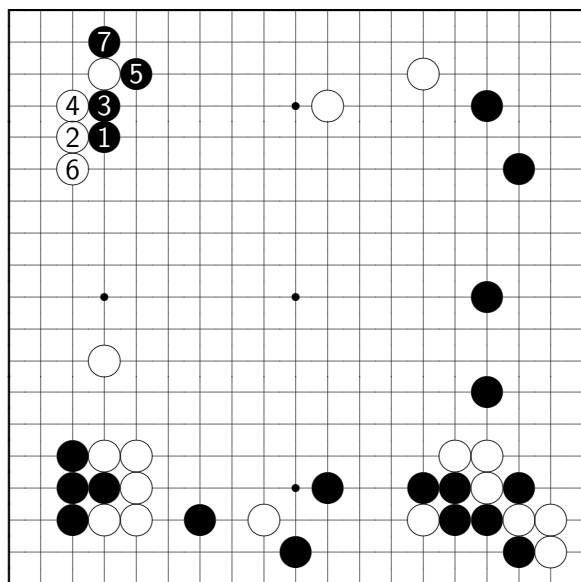


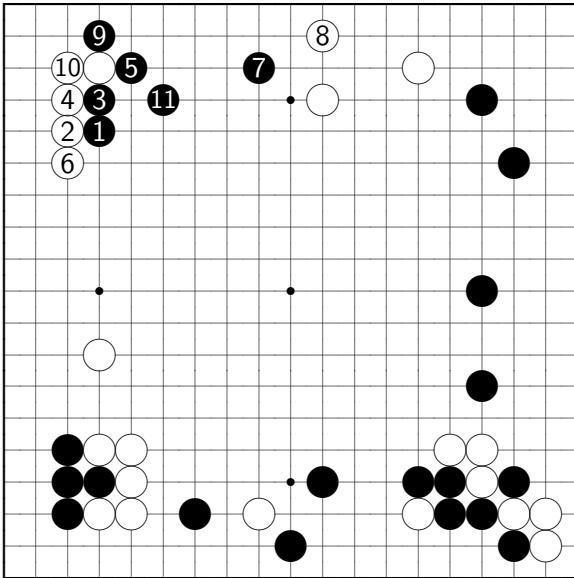
Diagram. 8
(Moves: 35-39)

Younggil [8p]: now Younggil [8p]: there's a better place for White Younggil [8p]: where's it? Kashomon [1k]: D17? Kashomon [1k]: err Kashomon [1k]: D16?



Variation. 23

Younggil [8p]: this is reasonable



Variation. 24

Younggil [8p]: like this Younggil [8p]: but

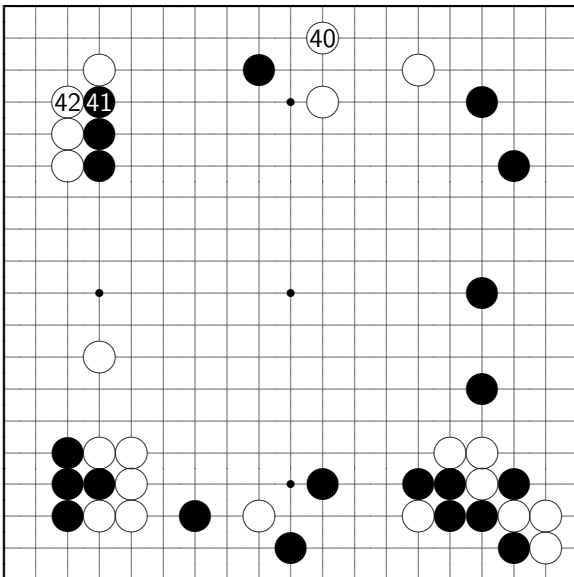
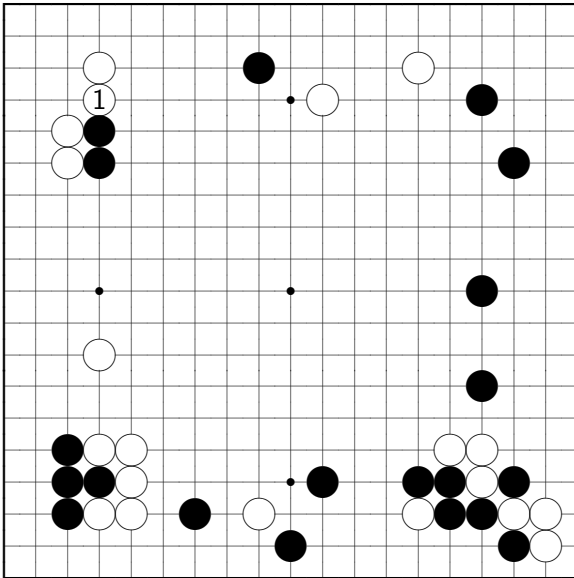
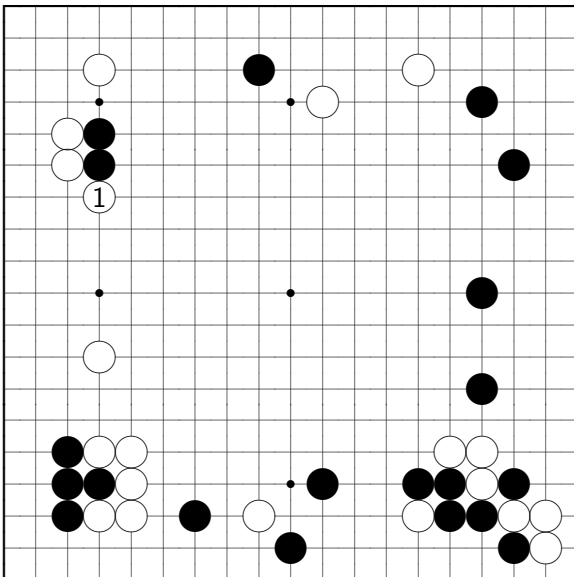


Diagram. 9
(Moves: 40-42)

Younggil [8p]: yes? Kashomon [1k]: Let's assume that Black had played the correct joseki
Kashomon [1k]: is black ahead at that point?
Younggil [8p]: no I don't think so
Younggil [8p]: the game would still be even

*Variation. 25*

Younggil [8p]: yes

*Variation. 26*

Younggil [8p]: or here Younggil [8p]: both are ok Younggil [8p]: Black played elsewhere while playing here Younggil [8p]: so playing one move around here is very good Kashomon [1k]: I see Younggil [8p]: and white can make the two Black stones bad Younggil [8p]: white shouldn't answer the top

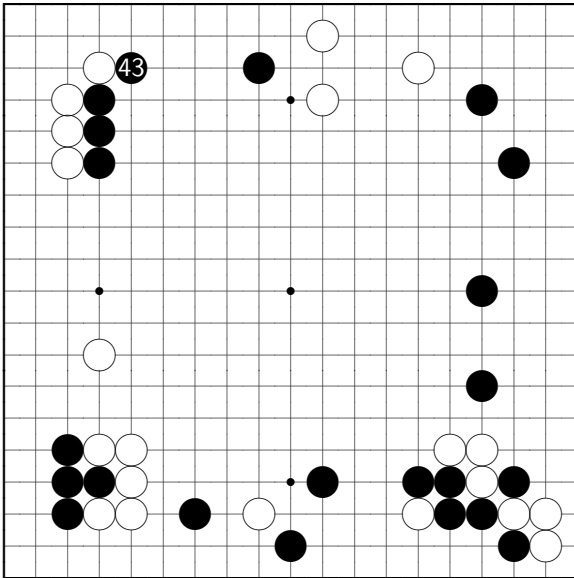


Diagram. 10
(Move: 43)

jrhoak: oh no. not another large avalanche
jarstar: lol

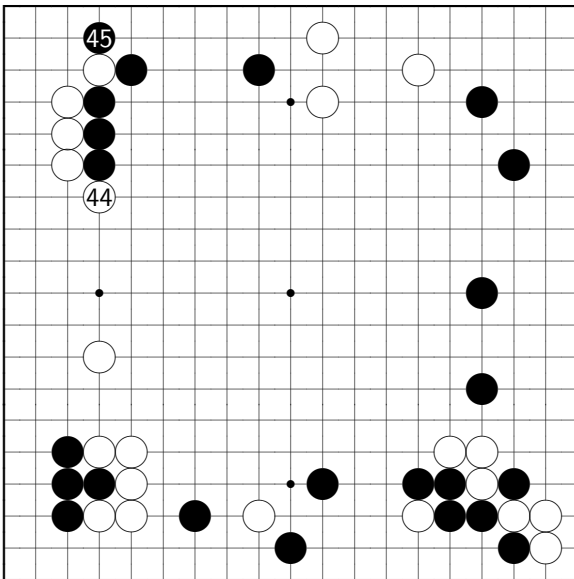
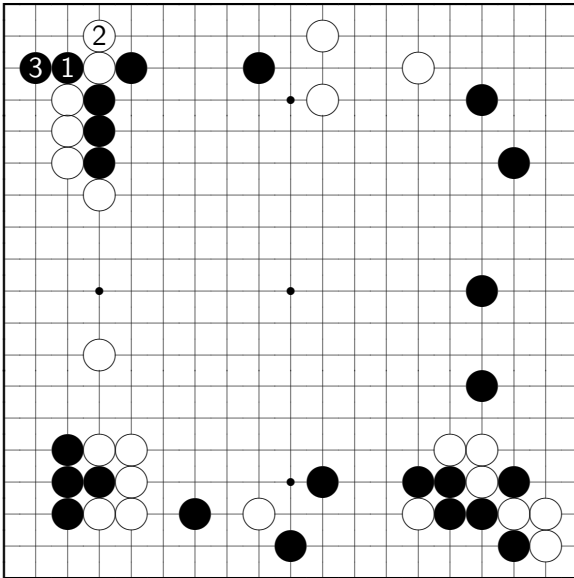
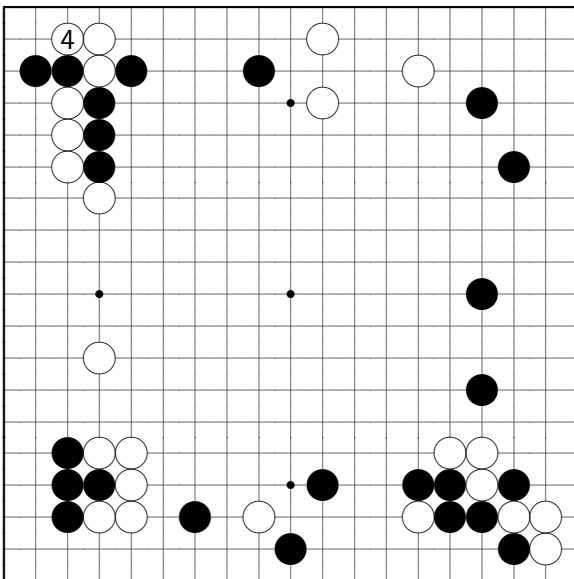


Diagram. 11
(Moves: 44-45)

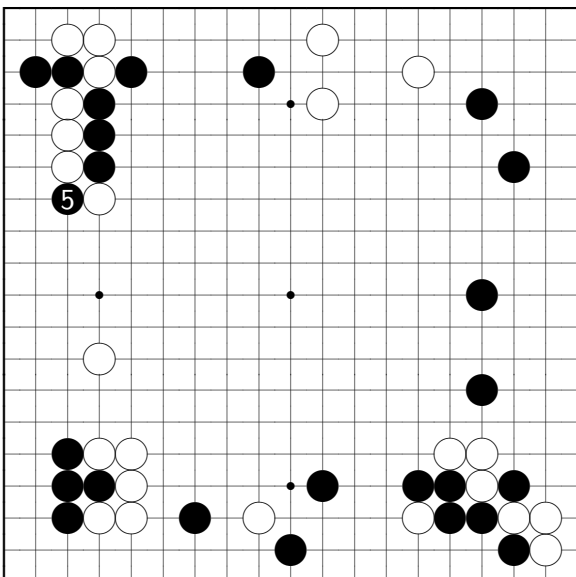
Younggil [8p]: by the way, Black missed a good
chance Kashomon [1k]: Was K2 a mistake?
Younggil [8p]: and this was a mistake Younggil
[8p]: hmm

*Variation. 27*

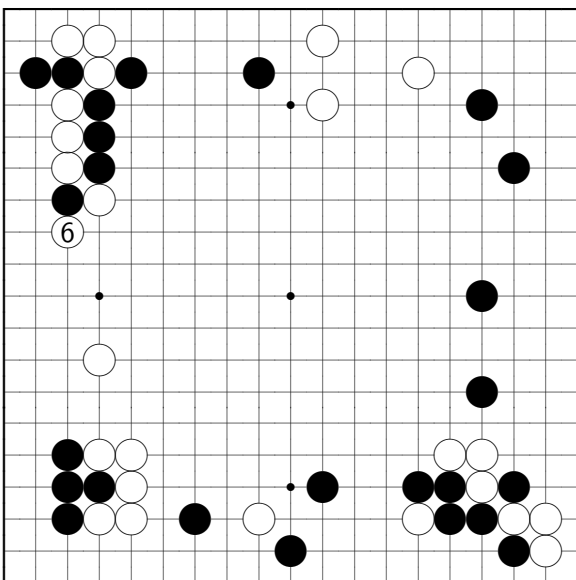
Kashomon [1k]: but I feel like maybe this wasn't the best joseki choice Younggil [8p]: actually, black should cut here to fight Kashomon [1k]: for White Kashomon [1k]: ah Younggil [8p]: hmm Younggil [8p]: that's alright Younggil [8p]: but Younggil [8p]: now black should cut Younggil [8p]: anyway Kashomon [1k]: That's pretty cool Younggil [8p]: if Black plays like this Younggil [8p]: where'd you continue? Kashomon [1k]: hm Kashomon [1k]: Let me think Younggil [8p]: ok Kashomon [1k]: I think I should play Younggil [8p]: I'll give you control Kashomon [1k]: c18 Younggil [8p]: because White was ahead by small margin

*Variation. 28*

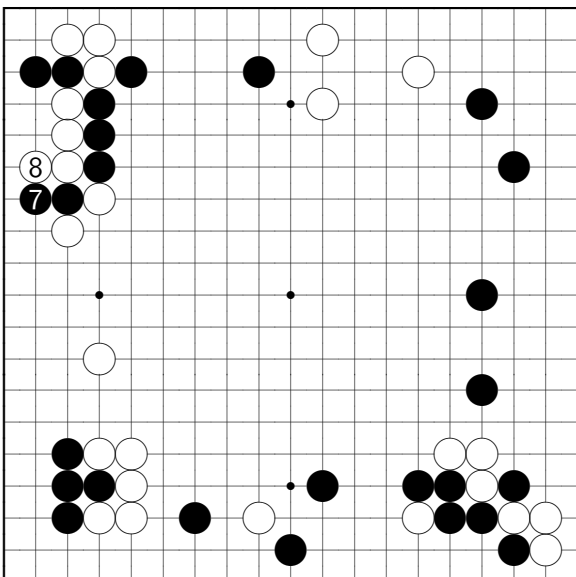
Younggil [8p]: and?

*Variation. 29*

Younggil [8p]: good Younggil [8p]: right
 Younggil [8p]: and?

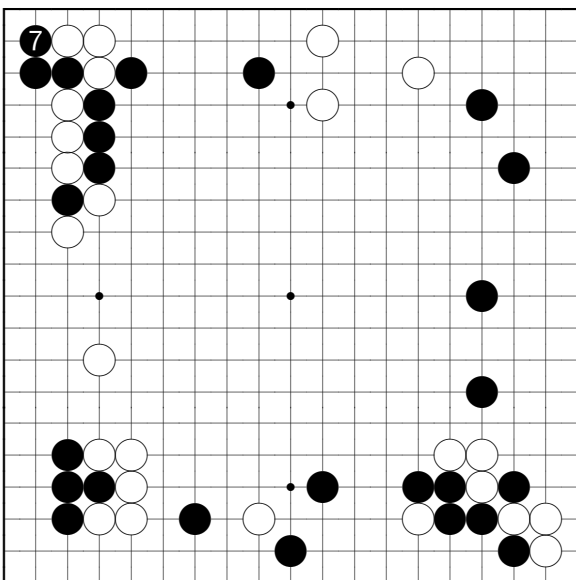
*Variation. 30*

Younggil [8p]: yes Younggil [8p]: now, black
 should play in the corner first



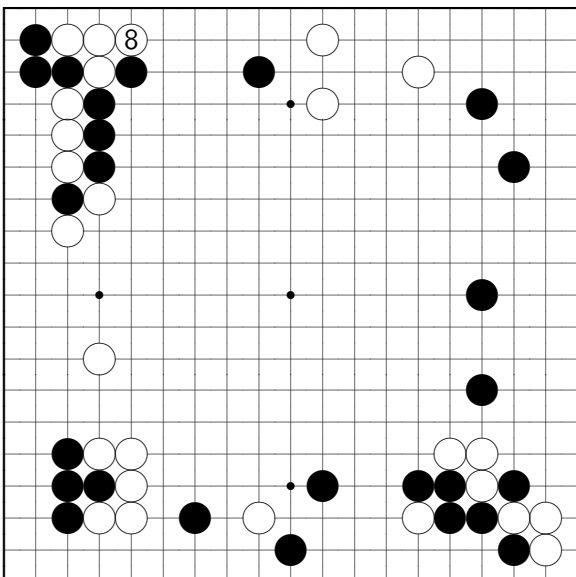
Variation. 31

Younggil [8p]: hmm Younggil [8p]: before B13
 Kashomon [1k]: hm looks a little off

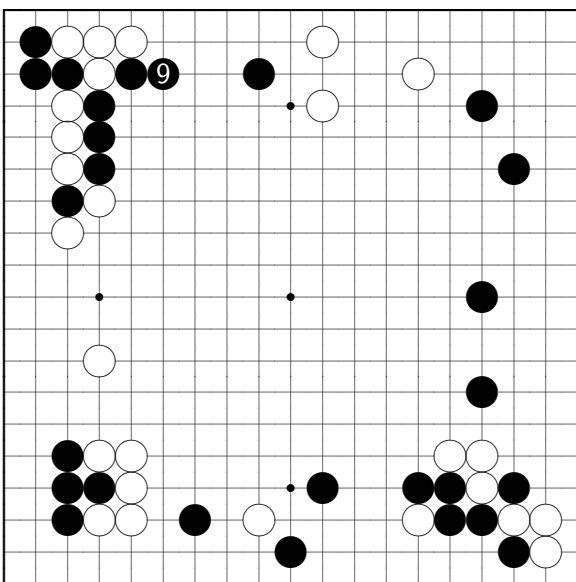


Variation. 32

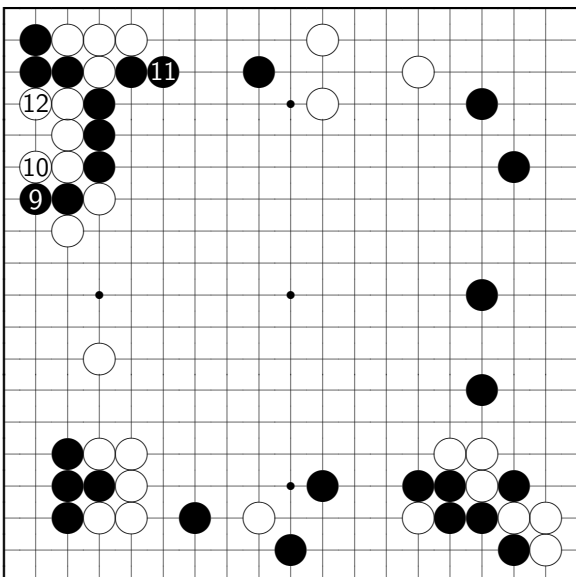
Younggil [8p]: yes

*Variation. 33*

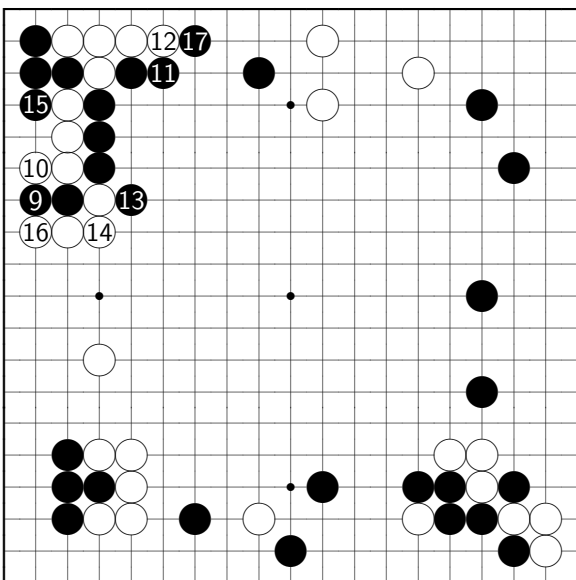
Younggil [8p]: white should try to save, yes
 Younggil [8p]: and then black can come back
 to the left side first

*Variation. 34*

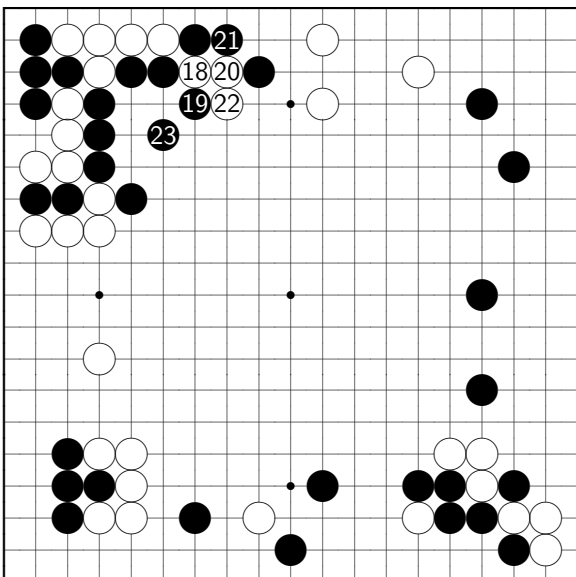
Younggil [8p]: for example Younggil [8p]:
 white can make it a ko

*Variation. 35*

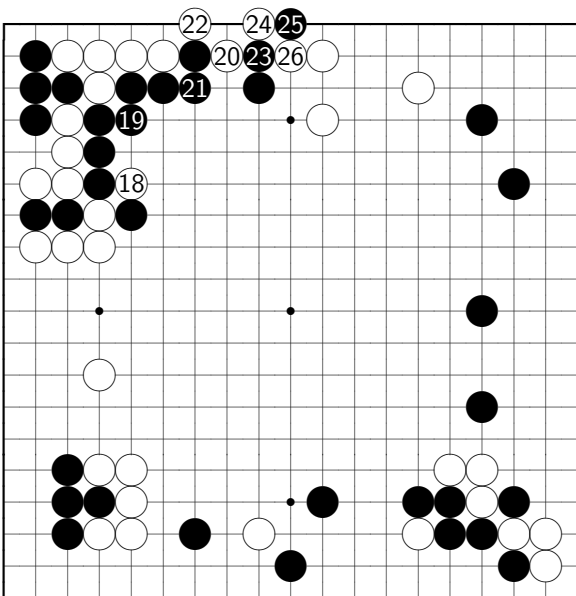
Younggil [8p]: this is complecated Kashomon
 [1k]: I should study my large avalanche more
 Kashomon [1k]: It's been a while Younggil
 [8p]: yea Younggil [8p]: but takes long time

*Variation. 36*

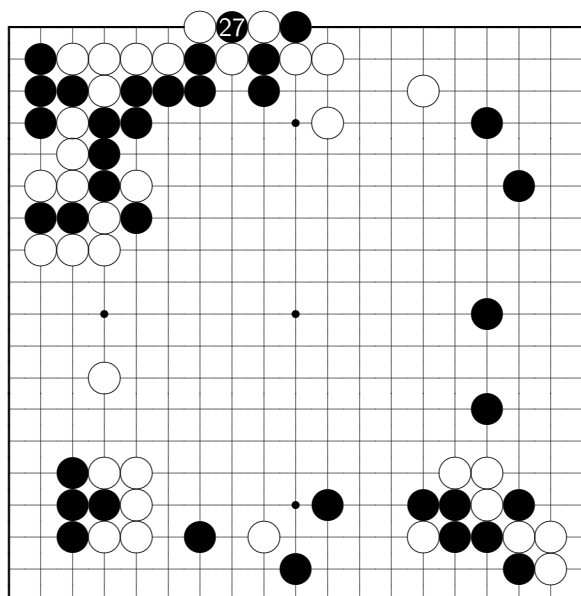
Kashomon [1k]: oh Kashomon [1k]: I haven't
 seen this variation Younggil [8p]: in this case,
 black can play like this to capture Kashomon
 [1k]: because 17 Kashomon [1k]: j17 Younggil
 [8p]: yes right

*Variation. 37*

Younggil [8p]: black can capture them now
 Younggil [8p]: that's why

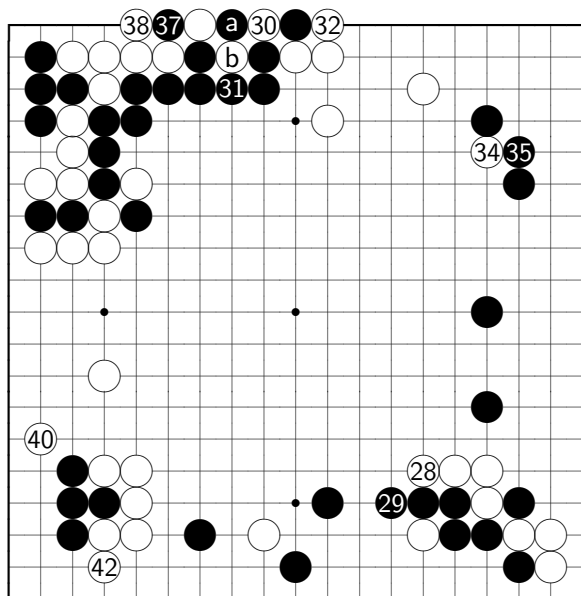
*Variation. 38*

Younggil [8p]: this is a ko



Variation. 39

Kashomon [1k]: U soo Kashomon [1k]: I see



Variation. 40

Black 33 at a, White 36 at b, Black 39 at a, Black 41 at b.

Younggil [8p]: maybe something like this
 Younggil [8p]: white can capture the bottom
 left Kashomon [1k]: I see. It's a heavy ko for
 black Younggil [8p]: yes Younggil [8p]: nor-
 mally black's better Younggil [8p]: but Young-
 gil [8p]: in this game, it wasn't the first joseki
 on the board Younggil [8p]: and there were
 already many stones on the board Kashomon
 [1k]: I see Younggil [8p]: so White has more
 ko threats compared to normal other situa-
 tions Kashomon [1k]: alright ,thanks Younggil
 [8p]: no worries :) Kashomon [1k]: I'll have
 to go study some more large-avalanche varia-
 tions Kashomon [1k]: =) Younggil [8p]: Black
 didn't play badly, but you played well actu-
 ally Kashomon [1k]: thank you Younggil [8p]:
 yes, that'd be good and fun Kashomon [1k]:
 Anyway, I'll send you my commentary when
 it's done Younggil [8p]: good Kashomon [1k]:
 from these two games Kashomon [1k]: Let me
 know if you have any input on the go-book
 stuff Younggil [8p]: alright Younggil [8p]: ok,
 I will Kashomon [1k]: Ok, looks like David is
 pinging you Kashomon [1k]: Thanks for the
 lesson! Younggil [8p]: yea, sorry for coming
 late today Kashomon [1k]: no worries Young-
 gil [8p]: thanks. Younggil [8p]: have a happy
 Easter! Younggil [8p]: and see you next week

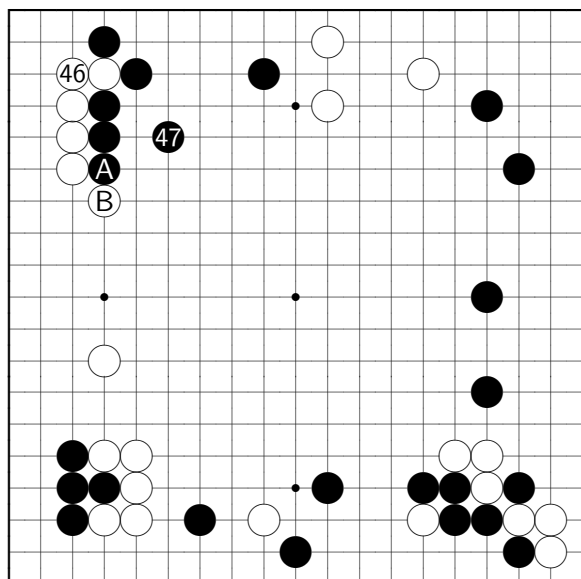


Diagram. 12
(Moves: 46-47)

Younggil [8p]: hmm Kashomon [1k]: F15 seemed like a mistake Younggil [8p]: because the exchange of A for B is good for White Kashomon [1k]: I see

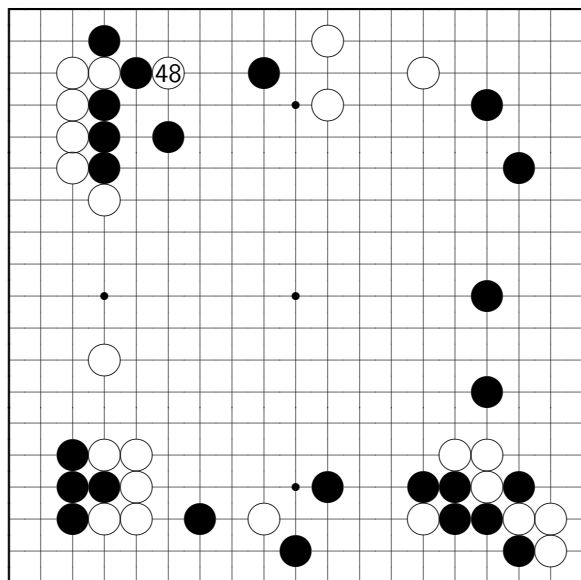


Diagram. 13
(Move: 48)

Younggil [8p]: this is sharp

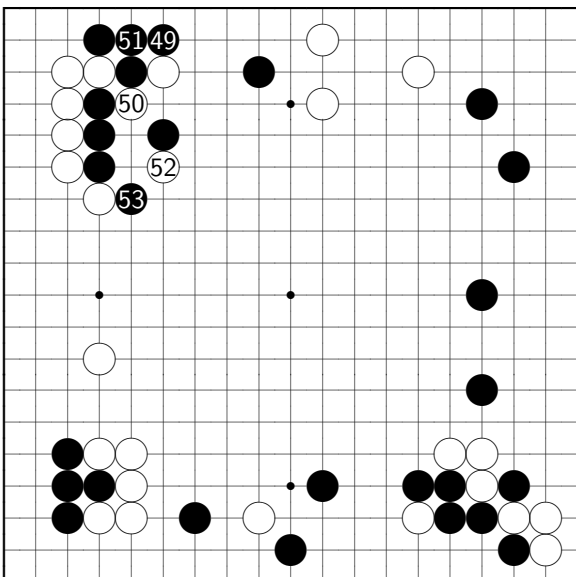


Diagram. 14
(Moves: 49-53)

Younggil [8p]: i see

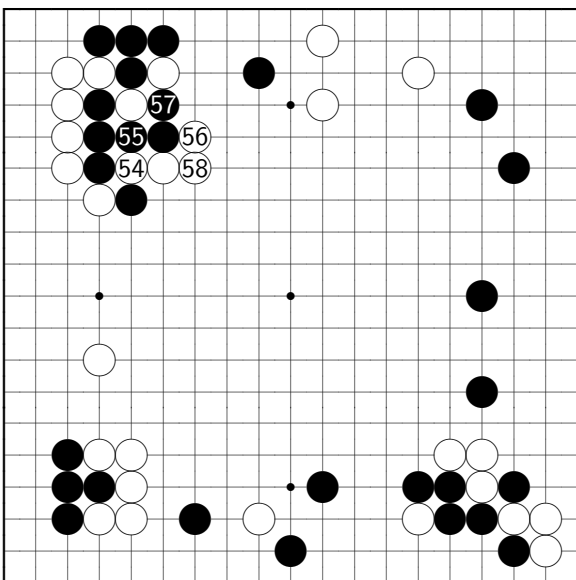


Diagram. 15
(Moves: 54-58)

Younggil [8p]: very good

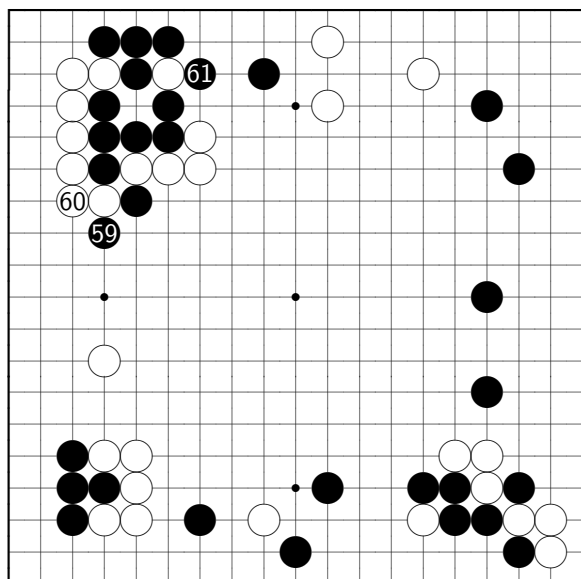
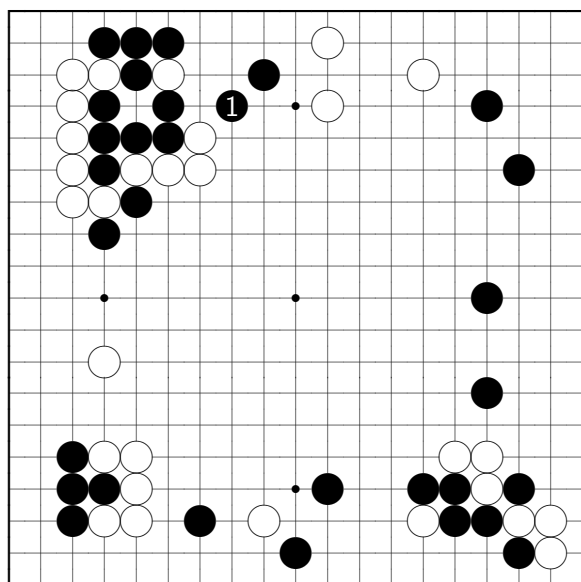


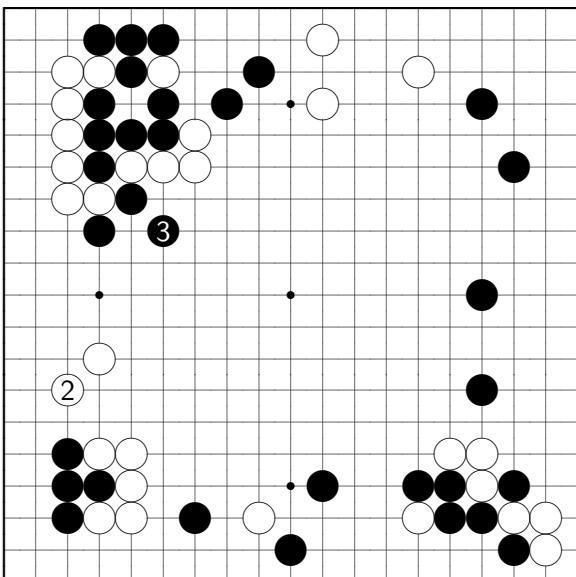
Diagram. 16
(Moves: 59-61)

jrhoak: aw jrhoak: sad panda jarstar: lol,
what were you expecting?

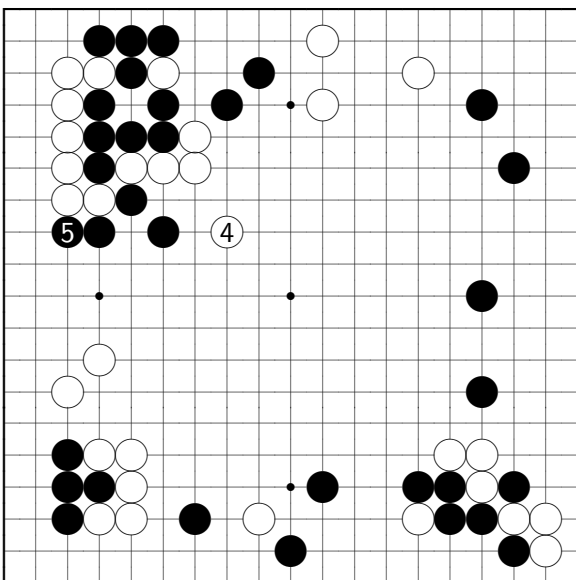


Variation. 41

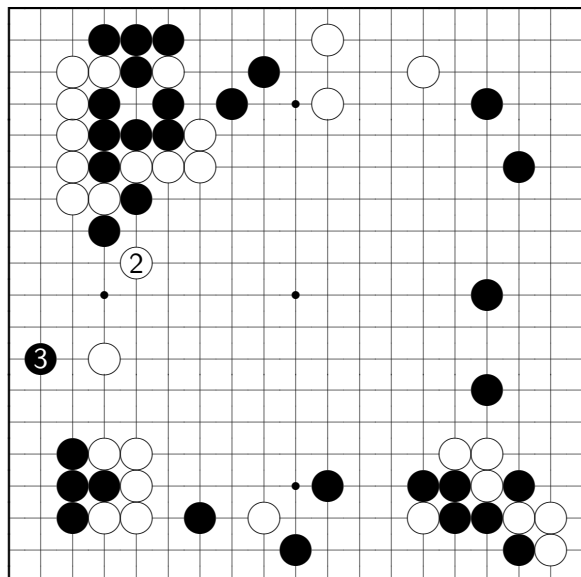
Kashomon [1k]: nice Younggil [8p]: this
should be better Kashomon [1k]: better shape

*Variation. 42*

Younggil [8p]: and Black can fight

*Variation. 43*

Younggil [8p]: like this



Variation. 44

Kashomon [1k]: oh, nice Younggil [8p]: Black is behind, but still can play Younggil [8p]: but the actual game wasn't good Younggil [8p]: very good game Younggil [8p]: any other questions? Kashomon [1k]: you mean the game wasn't very good for black? Younggil [8p]: hmm Younggil [8p]: you played well, but black made a mistake at the top Kashomon [1k]: yeah Younggil [8p]: the opening was a bit wierd Younggil [8p]: and it was favorable for White

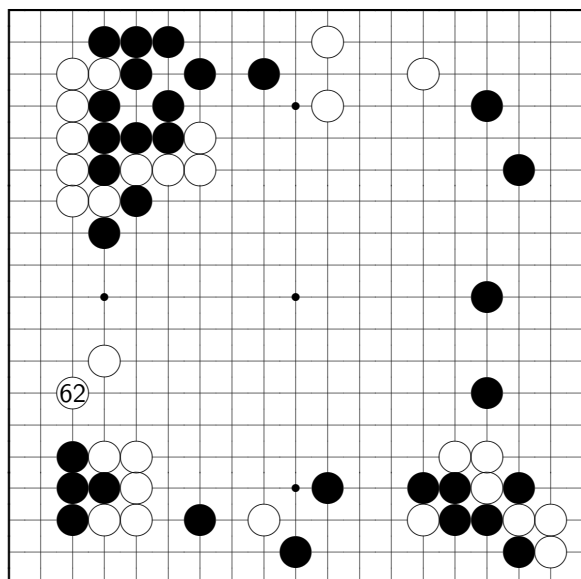


Diagram. 17
(Move: 62)

Younggil [8p]: so were you satisfied up to here? Kashomon [1k]: yes Younggil [8p]: very good for White Kashomon [1k]: definitely

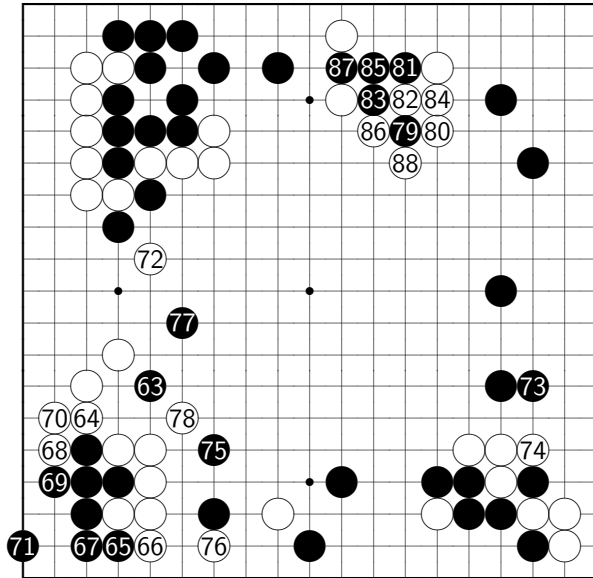


Diagram. 18
(Moves: 63-88)

Younggil [8p]: smooth and nice Younggil [8p]:
very good game of you

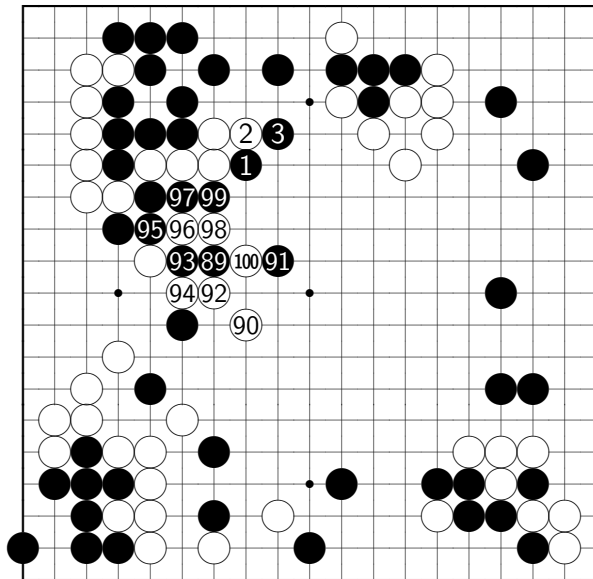


Diagram. 19
(Moves: 89-103)

Younggil [8p]: i see, he misread here
Kashomon [1k]: yeah Younggil [8p]: but the
game was already quite decided

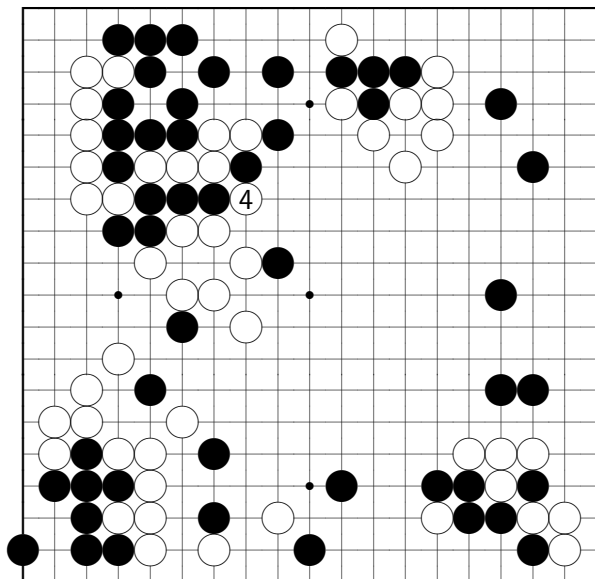


Diagram. 20
(Move: 104)

jrhoak: cut all the things! jarstar: Dang. I forgot to play D11 when I had the atari

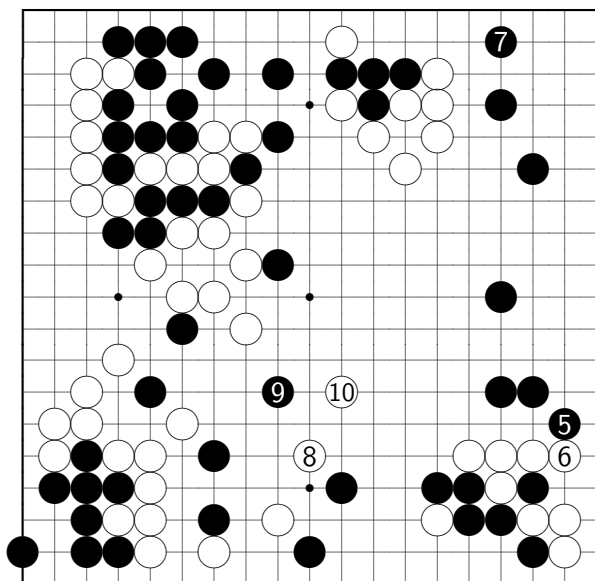


Diagram. 21
(Moves: 105-110)

jarstar: I think I need to take a couple days break XD jarstar: Thanks for the game!