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## Patrick v. Josh: Game 1

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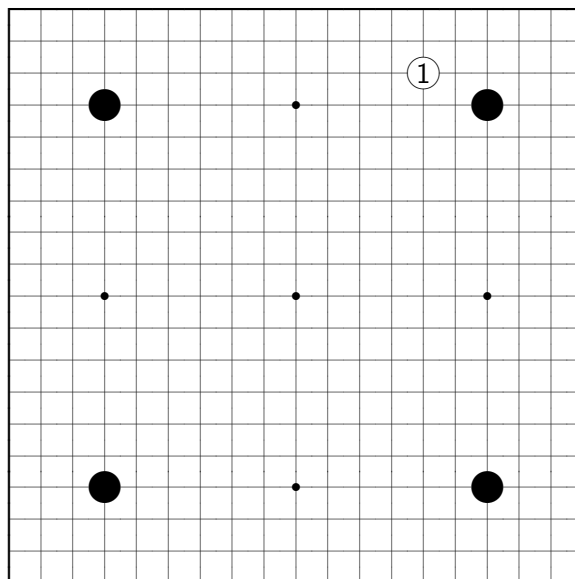
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## Part I

# Four Stones and a Big Fight

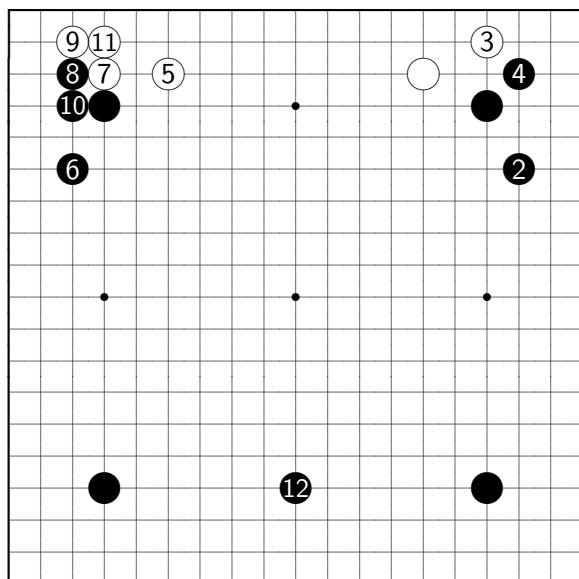
# A Peaceful Opening



*Diagram. 1*  
(Move: 1)

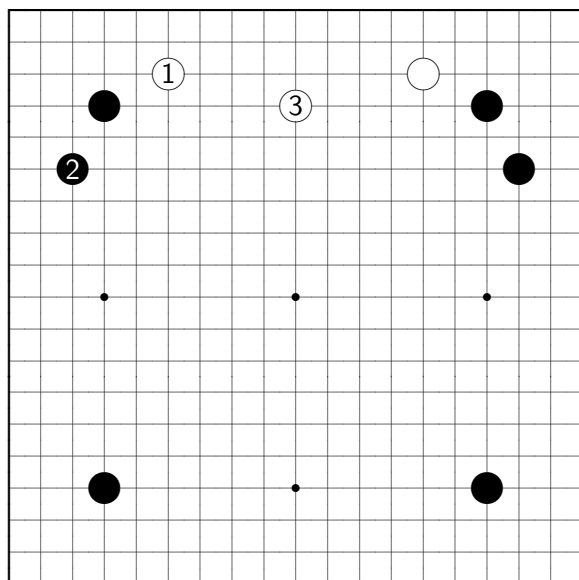
Kashomon [1k]: This is a handicap game I played with a friend. I don't think I played particularly well, but I'd like feedback for both sides, since I'm going to send him the feedback when we're done.

Younggil [8p]: I see. That's a good idea.



*Diagram. 2*  
(Moves: 2-12)

Younggil [8p]: There's a better move instead of 11. Do you see it?

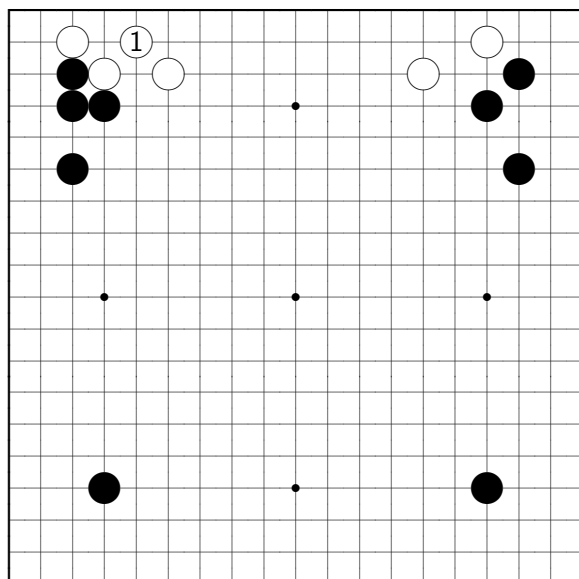


*Variation. 1*

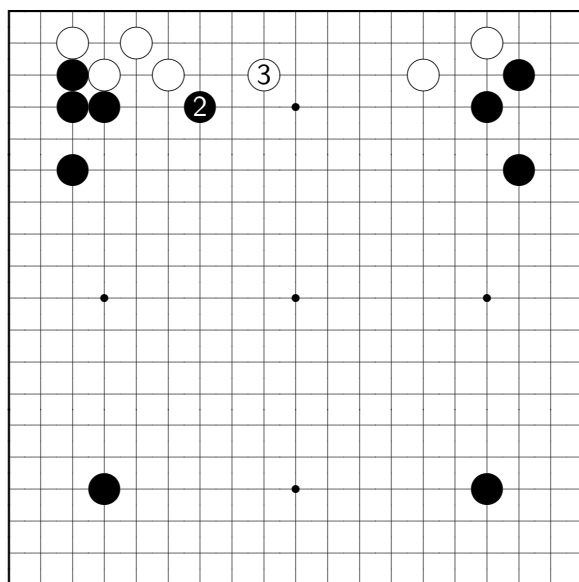
Younggil [8p]: This is more common. I play like this in 4-stone handicap games

Kashomon [1k]: I know this variation, but it seems a little boring =)

Younggil [8p]: ok :)

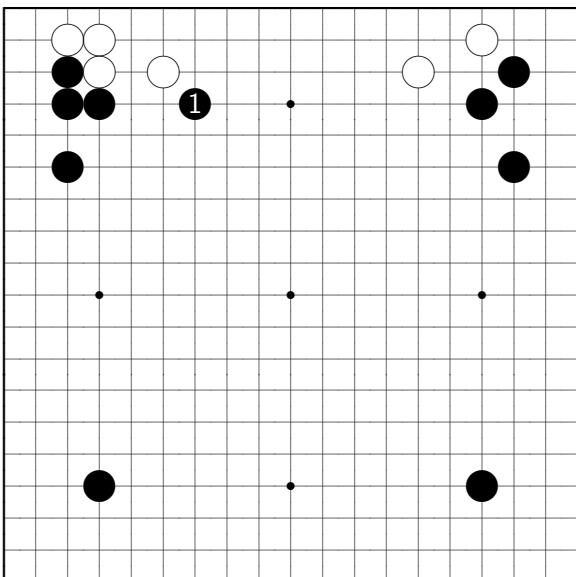
*Variation. 2*

Younggil [8p]: This is nearly always better.

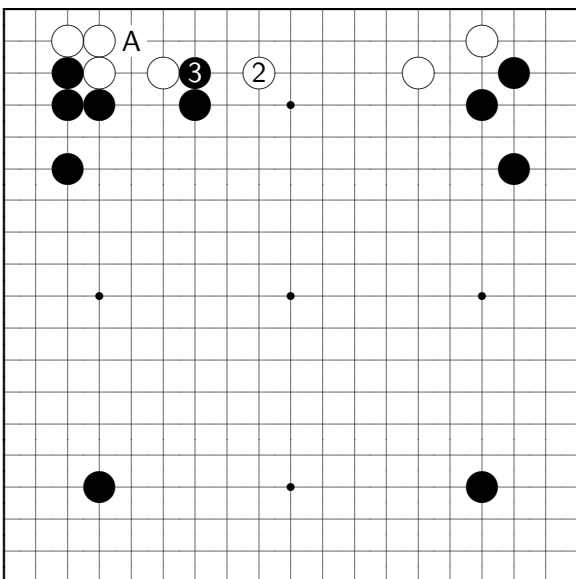
*Variation. 3*

Younggil [8p]: white's connected

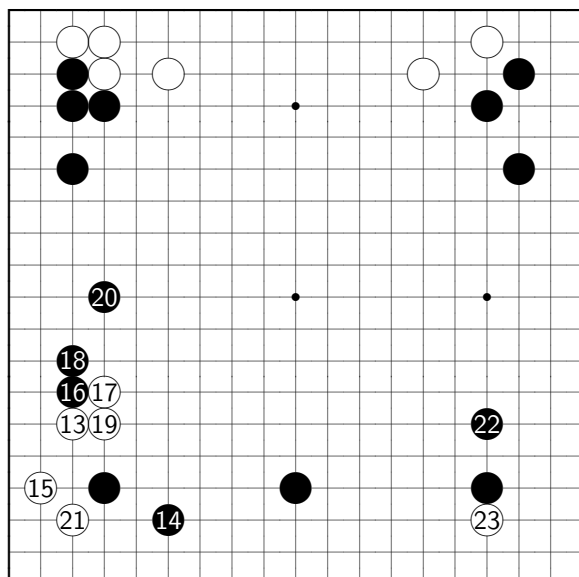


*Variation. 4*

Younggil [8p]: Black can play this to keep White low.

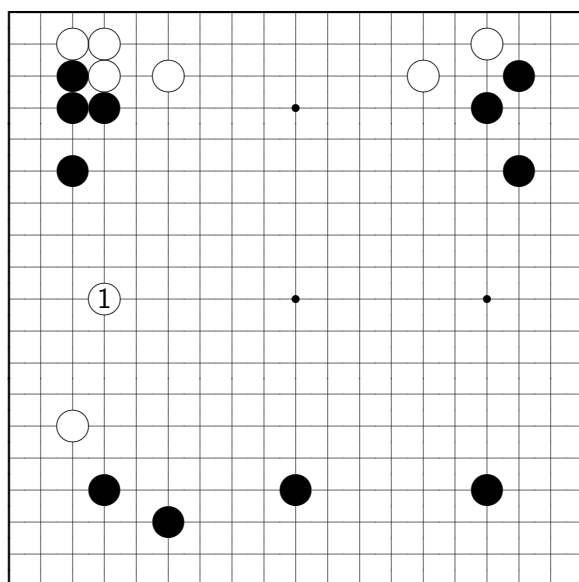
*Variation. 5*

Younggil [8p]: If you had played at A, the jump at 2 would be fine, but not now...



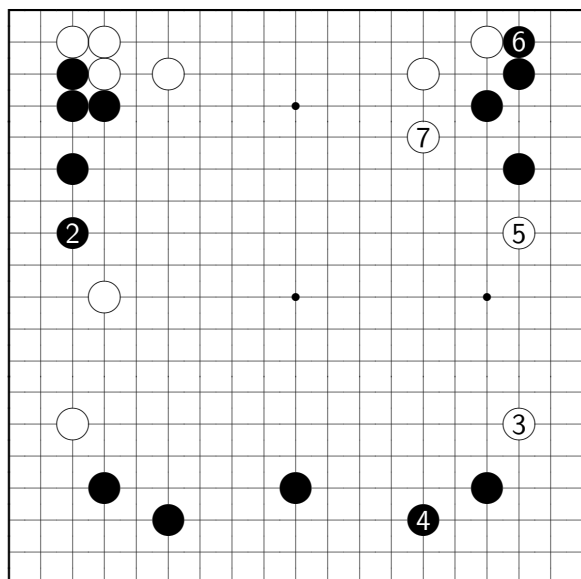
*Diagram. 3*  
(Moves: 13-23)

Younggil [8p]: Normally, taking the corner like this isn't a very good idea



*Variation. 6*

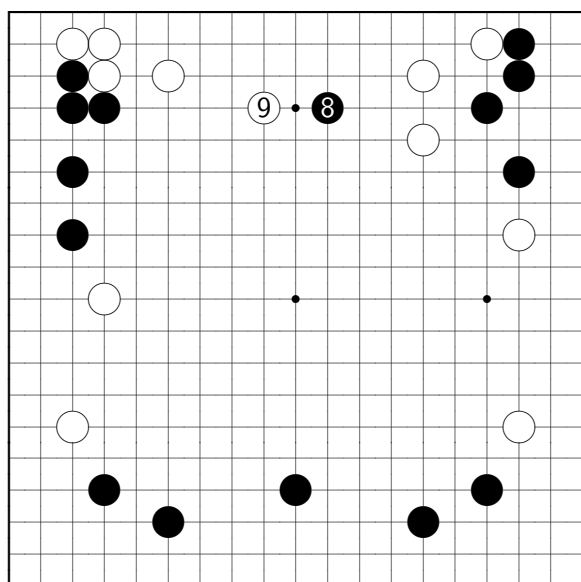
Younggil [8p]: This is another way to play

*Variation. 7*

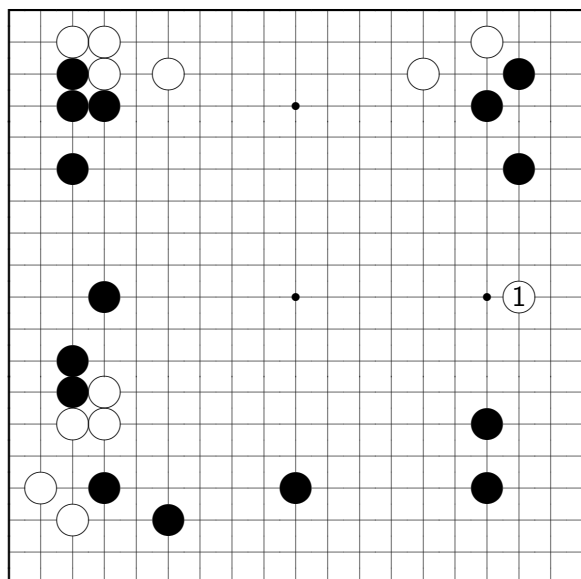
Younggil [8p]: This is a good idea – it's easier for White to play this way.

Kashomon [1k]: So big extensions?

Younggil [8p]: Yes

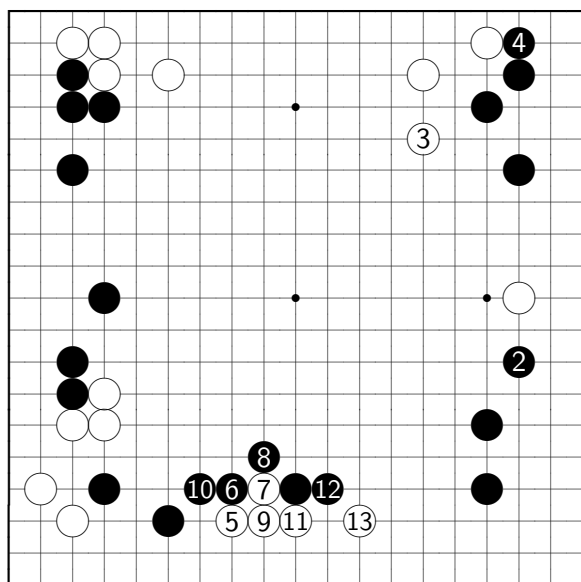
*Variation. 8*

Younggil [8p]: Black might have a hard time invading because he'll worry about his stone.



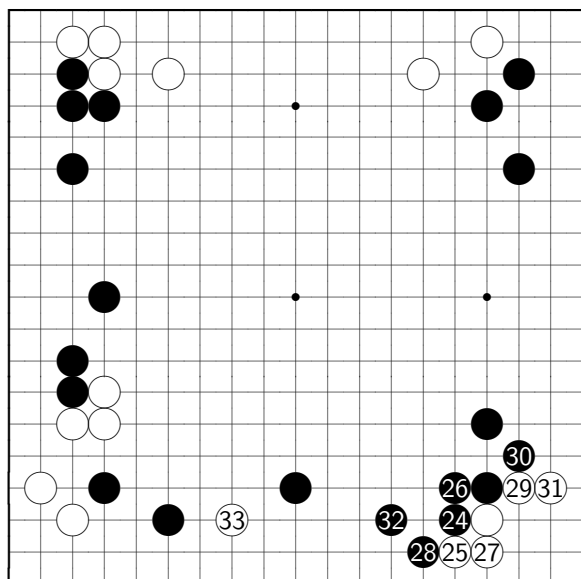
*Variation. 9*

Younggil [8p]: Something like this would be better than invading the corner.



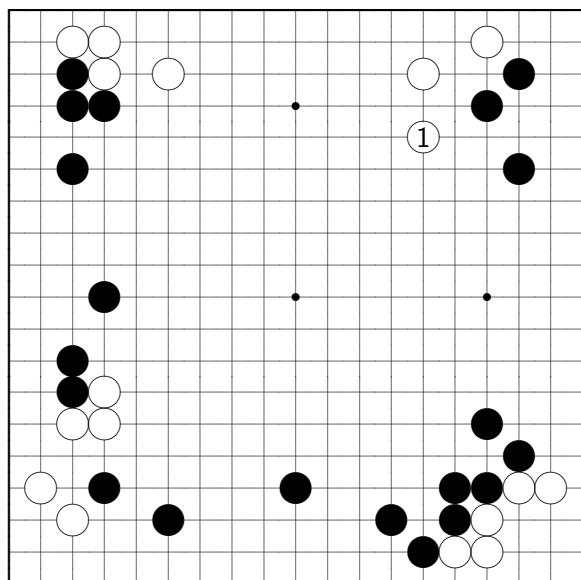
*Variation. 10*

Younggil [8p]: White can still aim for the side later.



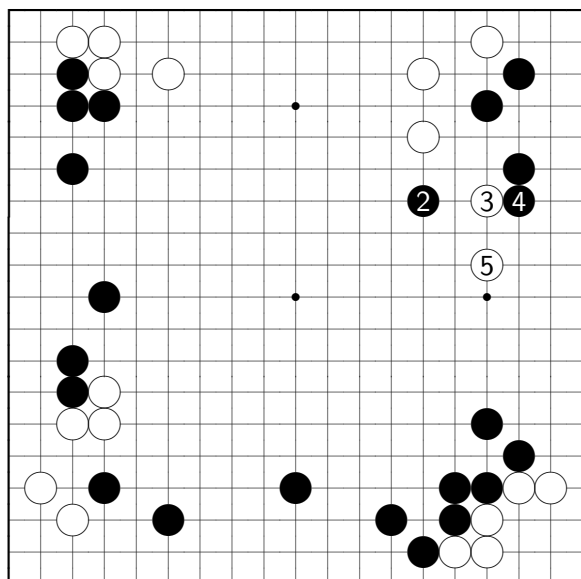
*Diagram. 4*  
(Moves: 24-33)

Younggil [8p]: So far so good for both, but ㉓ is maybe a bit too deep.



*Variation. 11*

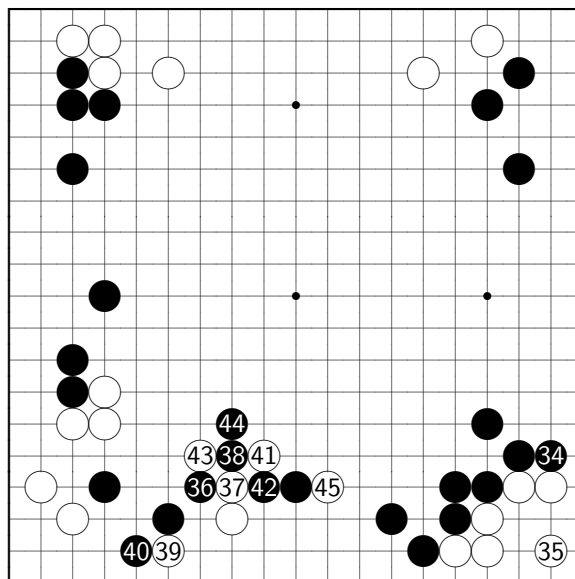
Younggil [8p]: this sort of move would be fine



*Variation. 12*

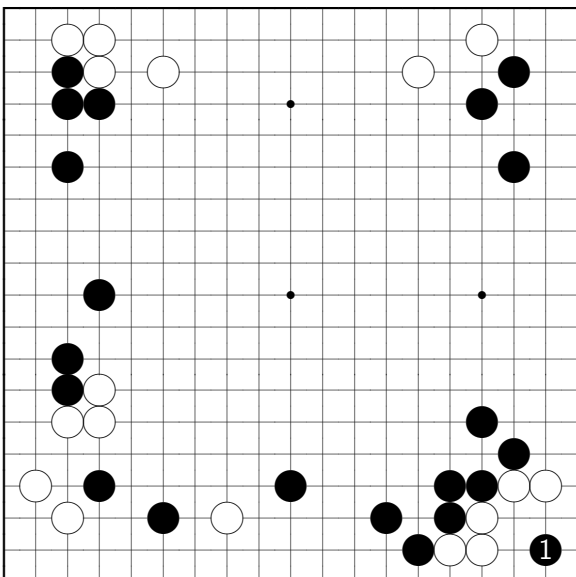
Younggil [8p]: A possible continuation.

## A Tricky Move

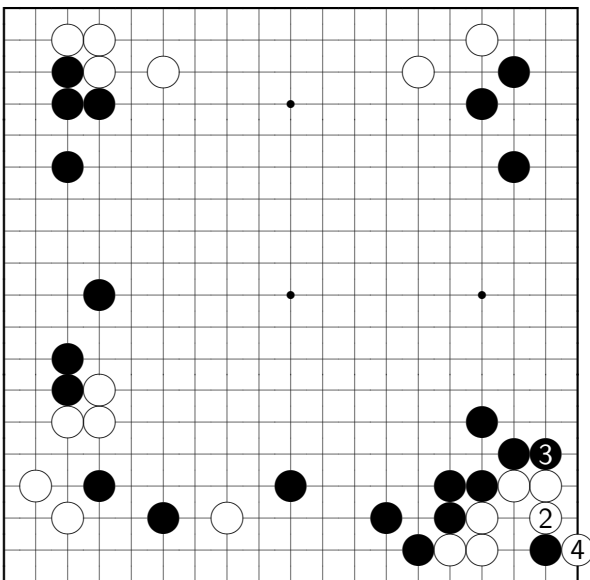


*Diagram. 5*  
(Moves: 34-45)

Younggil [8p]: Wow, interesting. This move (45) is a nice tricky move and it seems to be successful in the game.

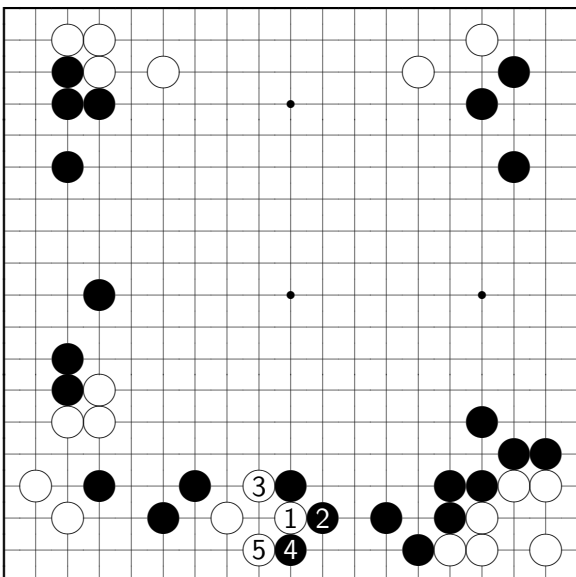
*Variation. 13*

Younggil [8p]: Black should play here first

*Variation. 14*

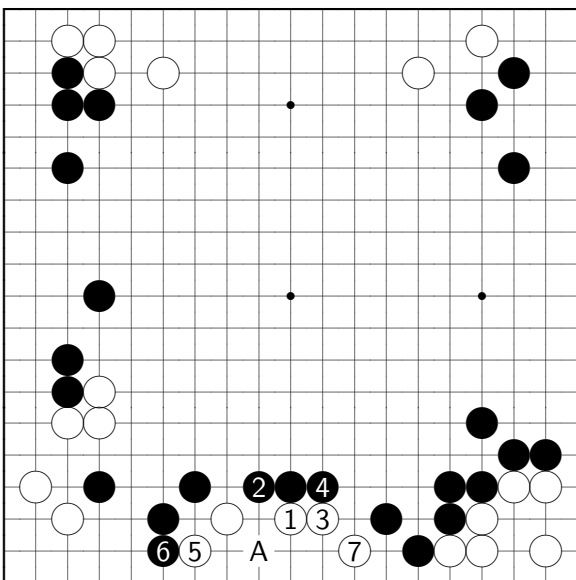
Younggil [8p]: White needs to come back here.





*Variation. 15*

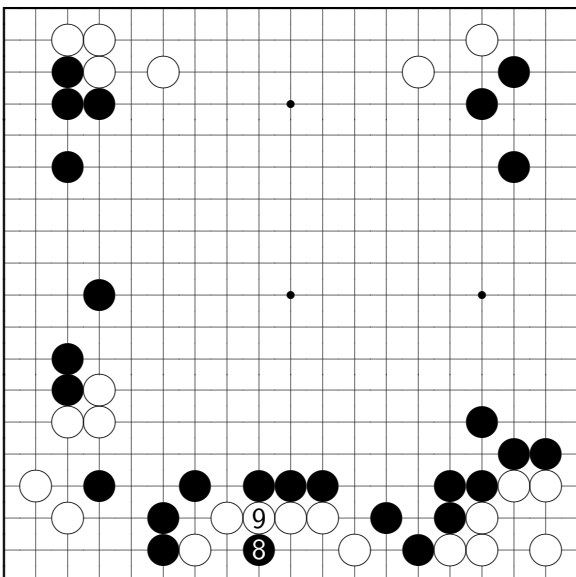
Younggil [8p]: This is another option for white



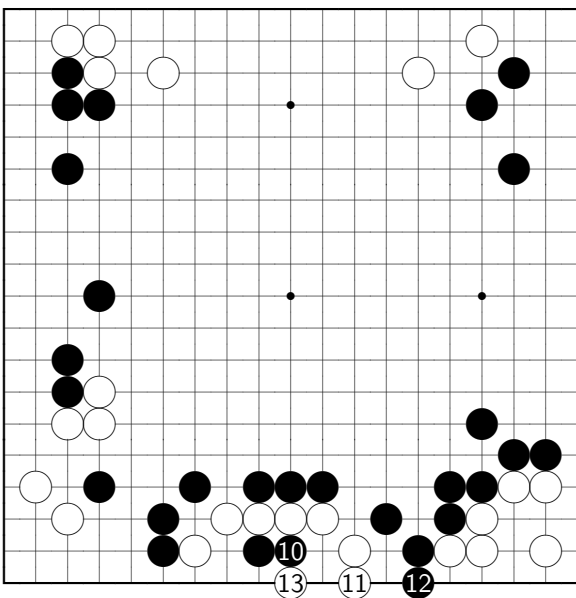
*Variation. 16*

Younggil [8p]: White can try to live inside like this

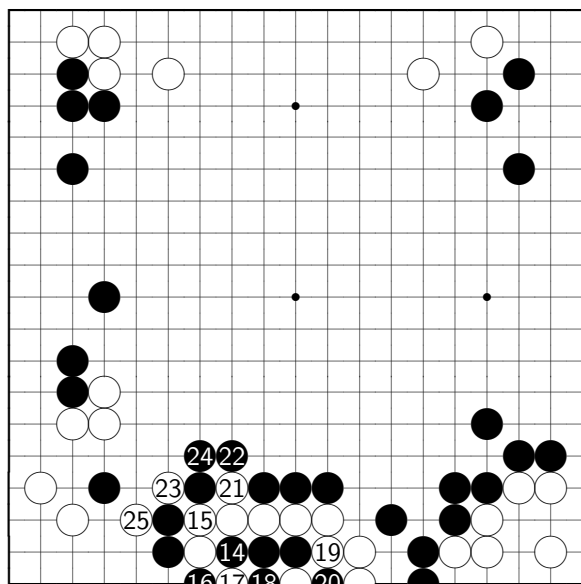
Kashomon [1k]: won't A kill?

*Variation. 17*

Younggil [8p]: Black's outside isn't strong enough

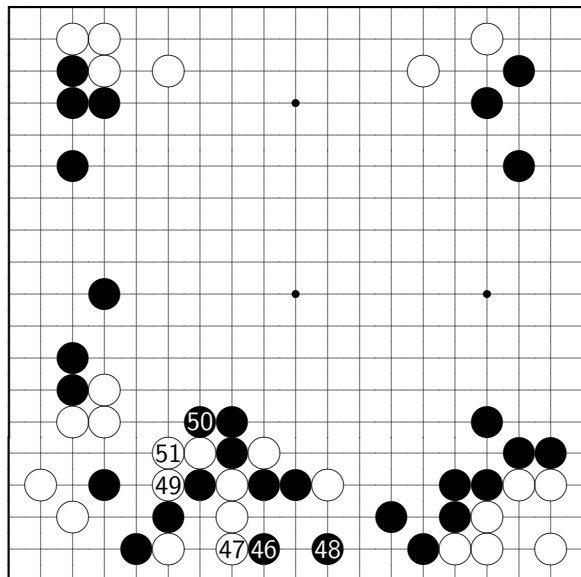
*Variation. 18*

Younggil [8p]: White will play like this



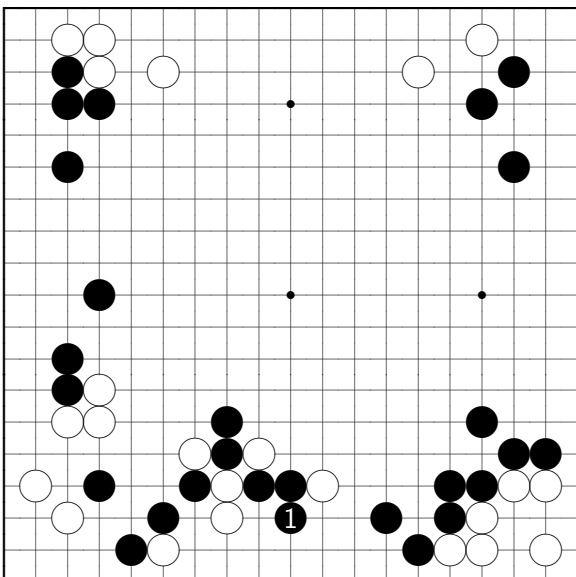
*Variation. 19*

Younggil [8p]: Black will be in trouble



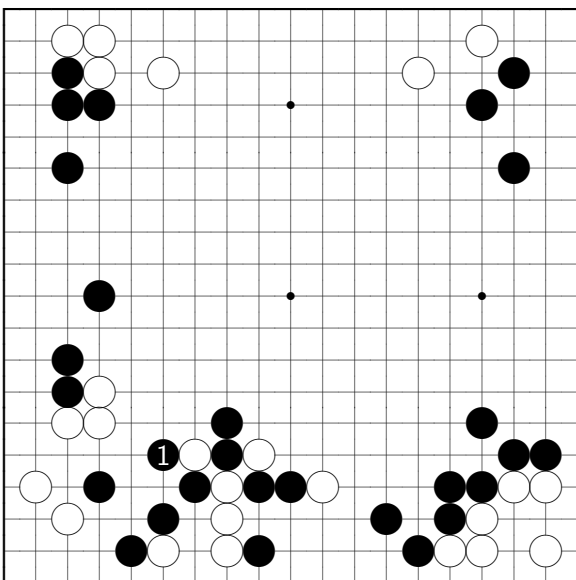
*Diagram. 6*  
*(Moves: 46-51)*

Younggil [8p]: This was a very good result for White.

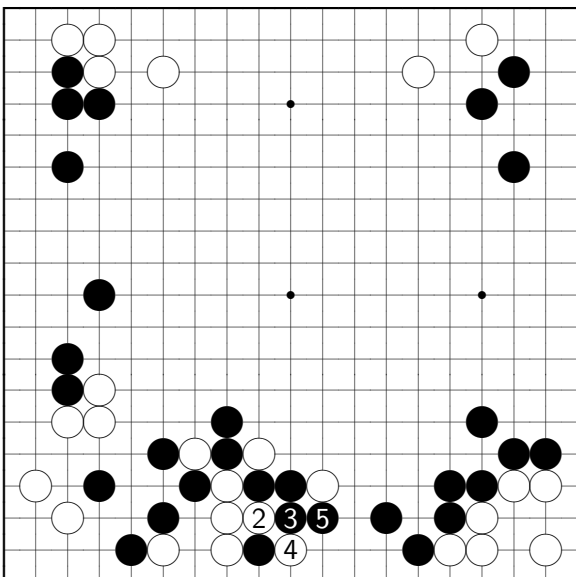
*Variation. 20*

Kashomon [1k]: How should Black respond?

Younggil [8p]: Maybe here. It's hard for White to fight because there are a lot of Black stones here.

*Variation. 21*

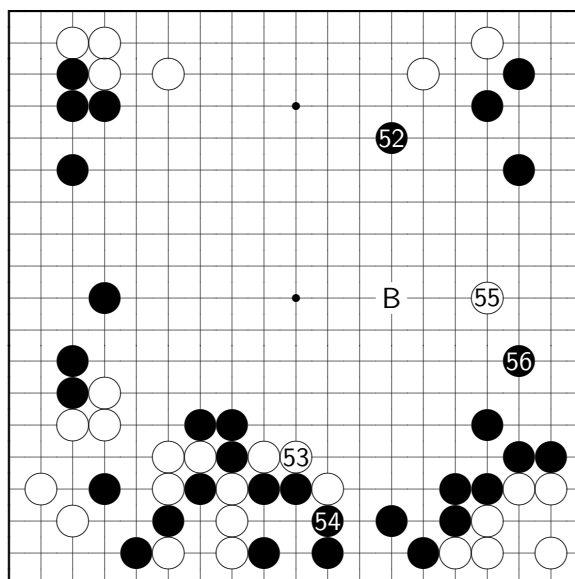
Younggil [8p]: Black should take care of this group first.



*Variation. 22*

Younggil [8p]: and Black's still fine

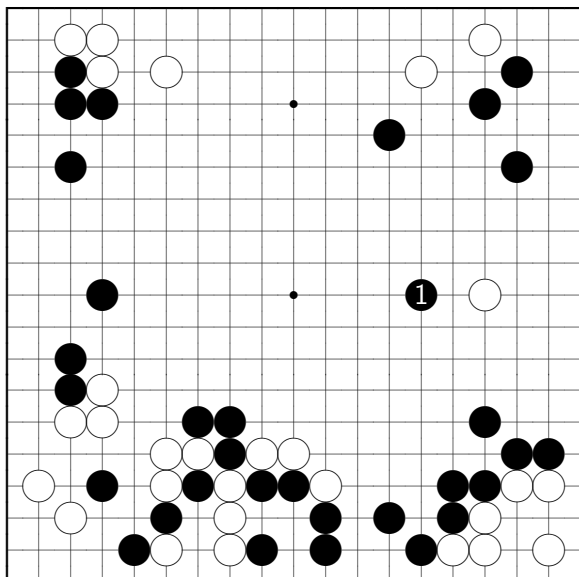
# The Invasion



*Diagram. 7*  
(Moves: 52-56)

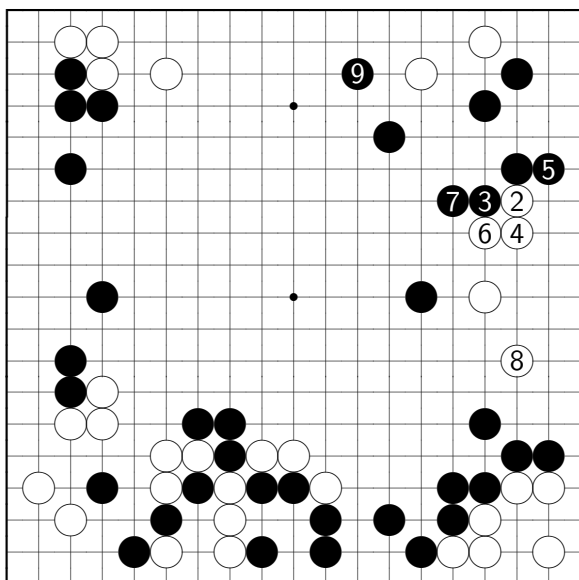
Younggil [8p]: 56 is too small. If you played for Black, where would you play next?

Kashomon [1k]: I might try B.

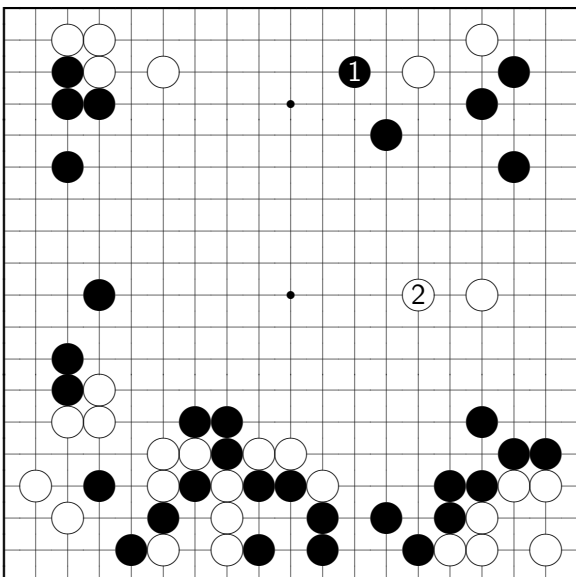
*Variation. 23*

Younggil [8p]: Capping is a good idea because the center is more important and big.

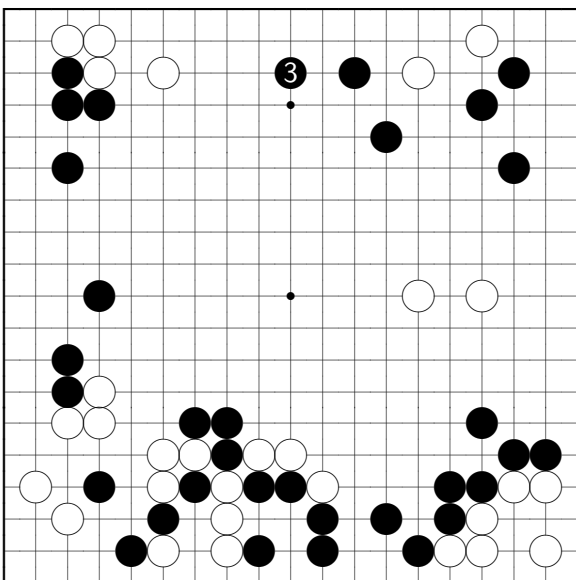
Kashomon [1k]: It seems hard for W to get a base.

*Variation. 24*

Younggil [8p]: Even if White can live, Black can attack the top right, and Black's still al-right

*Variation. 25*

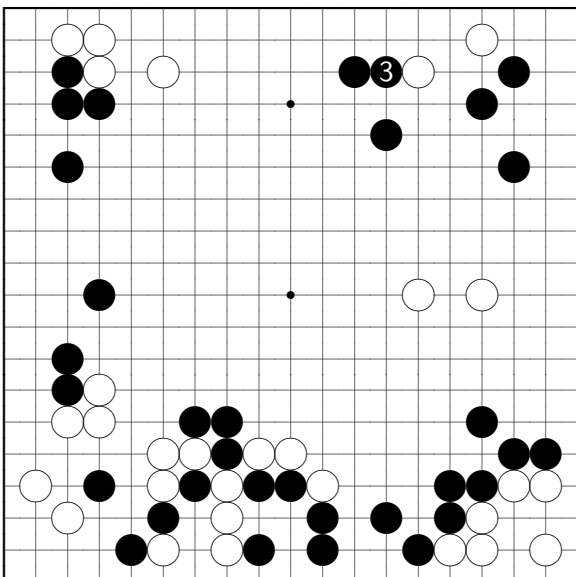
If Black plays elsewhere...

*Variation. 26*

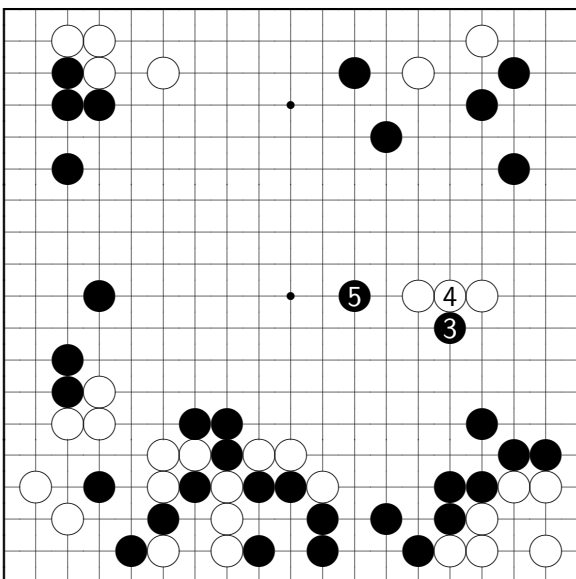
Kashomon [1k]: Is White dead?

Younggil [8p]: Not yet. There is still some aji.

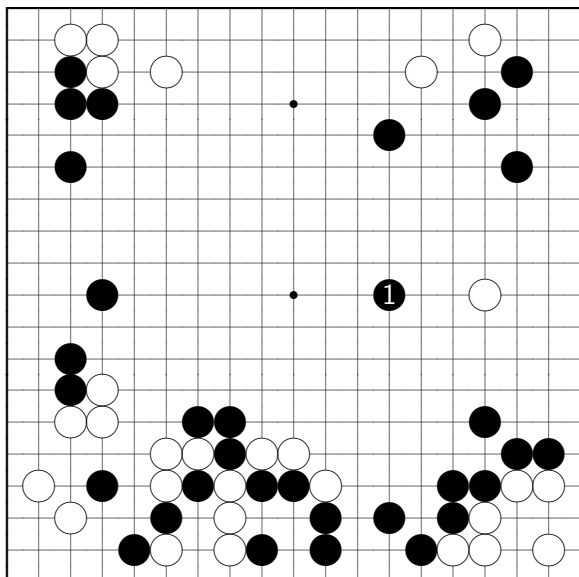


*Variation. 27*

Younggil [8p]: Black can kill them with this, but it's too passive

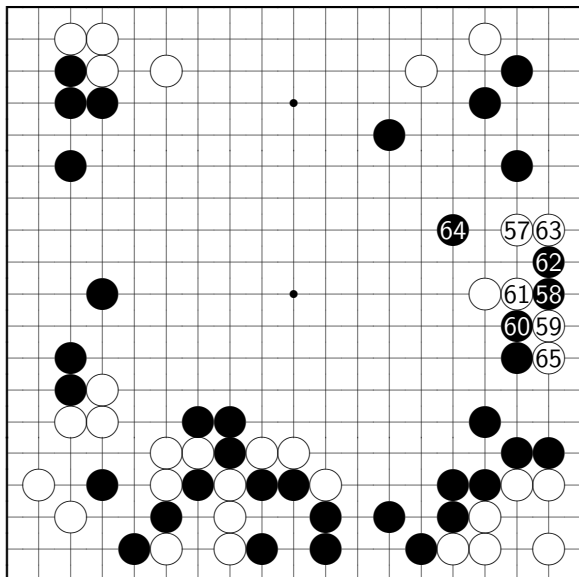
*Variation. 28*

Younggil [8p]: This is still possible.



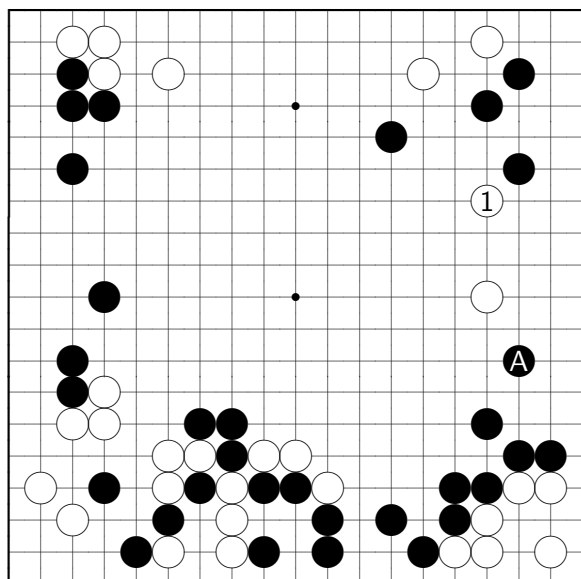
*Variation. 29*

Younggil [8p]: I would maybe play here for Black.

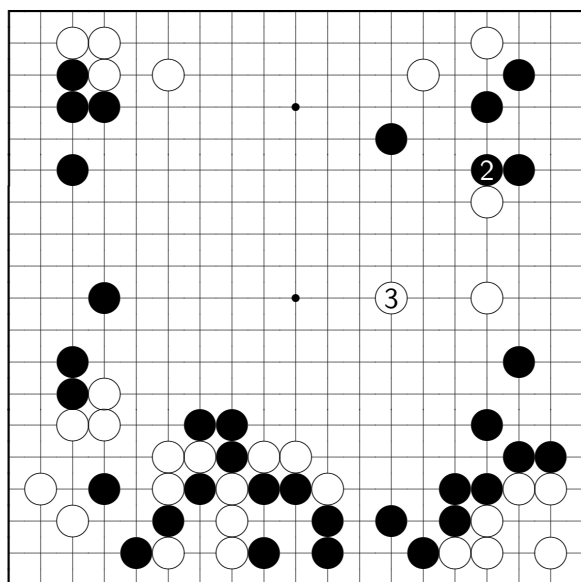


*Diagram. 8*  
(Moves: 57-65)

Kashomon [1k]: This turned out pretty well for Black...

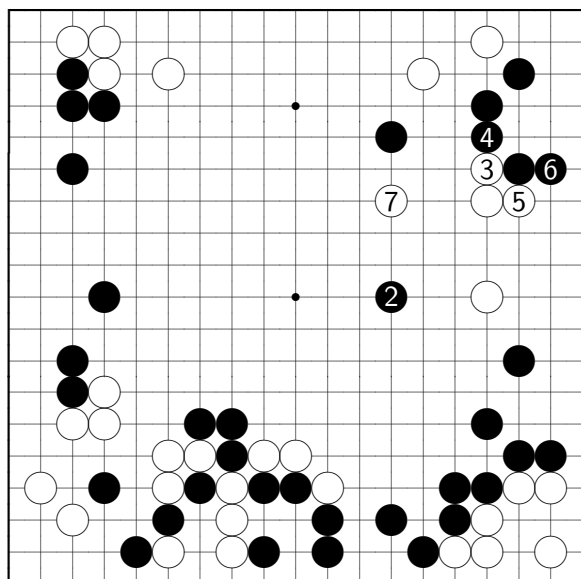
*Variation. 30*

Younggil [8p]: After A, White could play this sort of shoulder hit.

*Variation. 31*

Younggil [8p]: White can also jump out to reduce Black's influence.

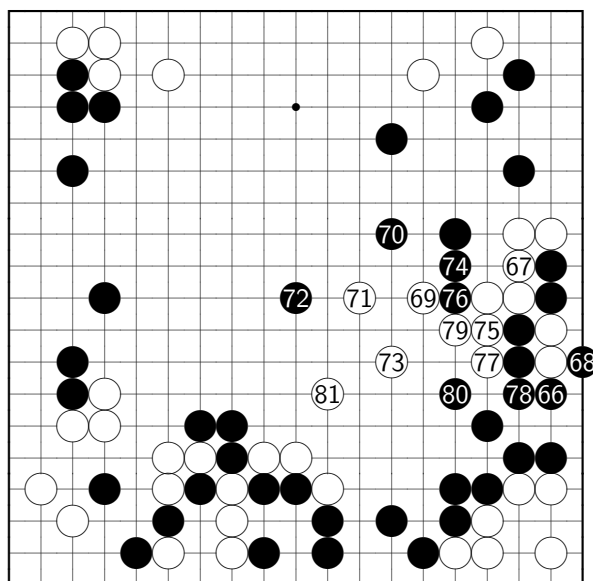
Kashomon [1k]: That's slick



*Variation. 32*

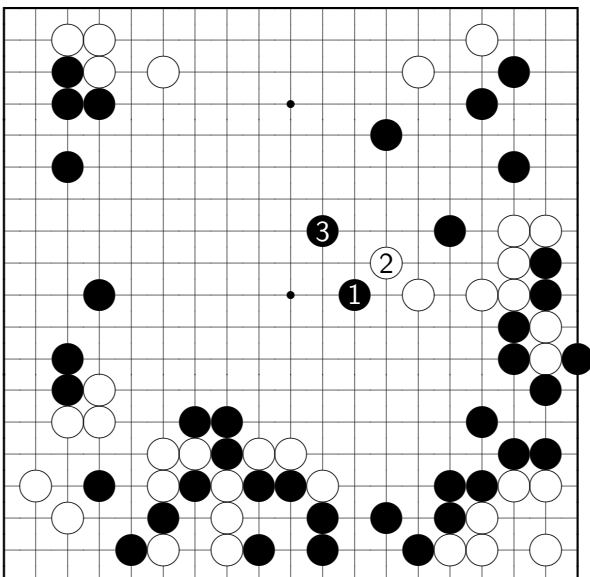
Younggil [8p]: White can make a nice shape if Black tenukis, so normally Black answers.

## White Escapes

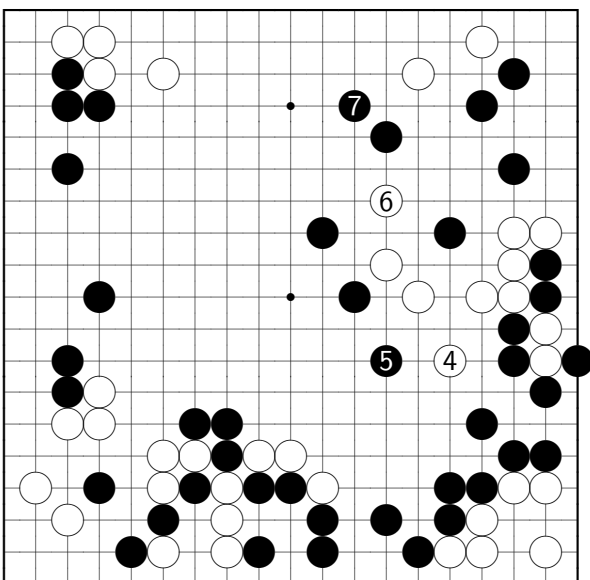


*Diagram. 9*  
(Moves: 66-81)

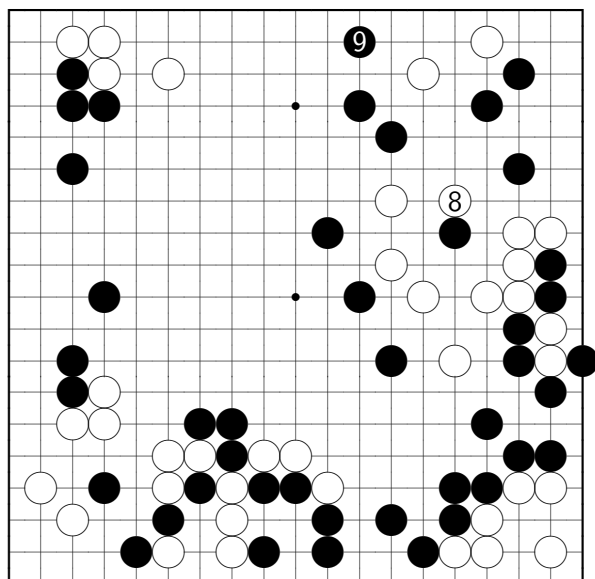
Younggil [8p]: Black's way of attack was too direct and it helped White.

*Variation. 33*

Younggil [8p]: This way would be better

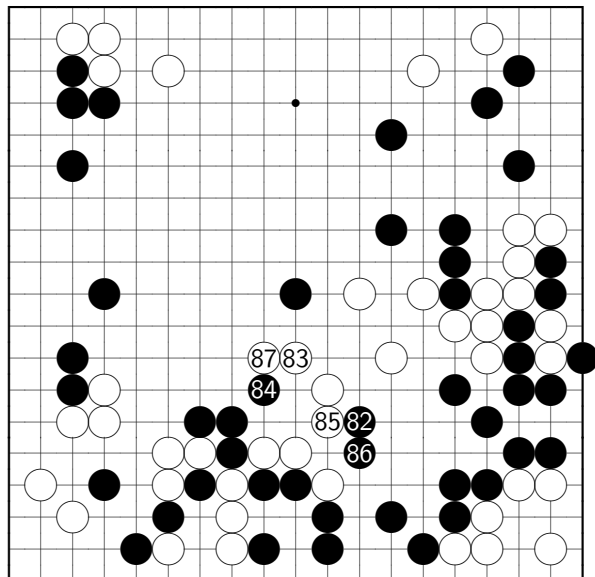
*Variation. 34*

Younggil [8p]: Like this is more natural.



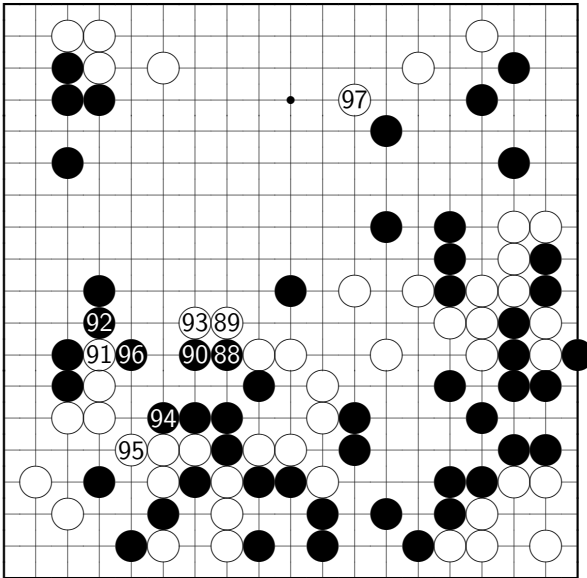
*Variation. 35*

Younggil [8p]: Black can enlarge the top right and the center and the game will still be alright



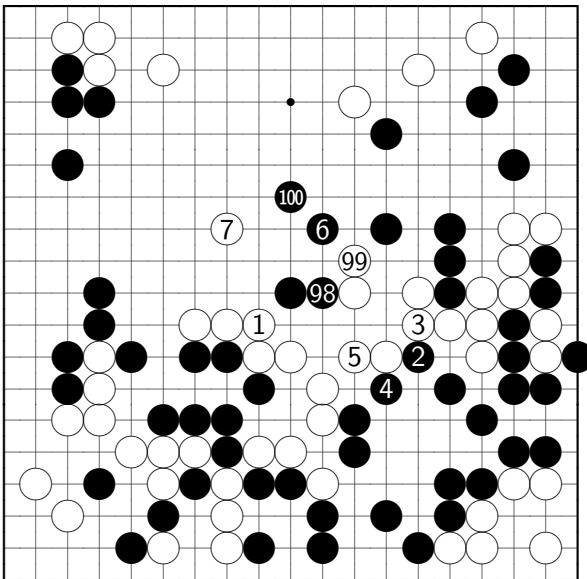
*Diagram. 10*  
(Moves: 82-87)

Younggil [8p]: Now, if White lives, which is easy, the game will be very hard for Black to catch up.



*Diagram. 11*  
(Moves: 88-97)

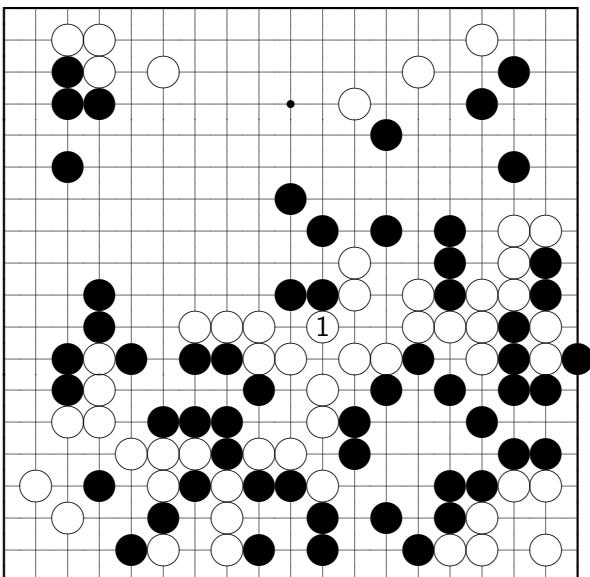
Younggil [8p]: Wow, White could even play at 97.



*Diagram. 12*  
(Moves: 98-107)

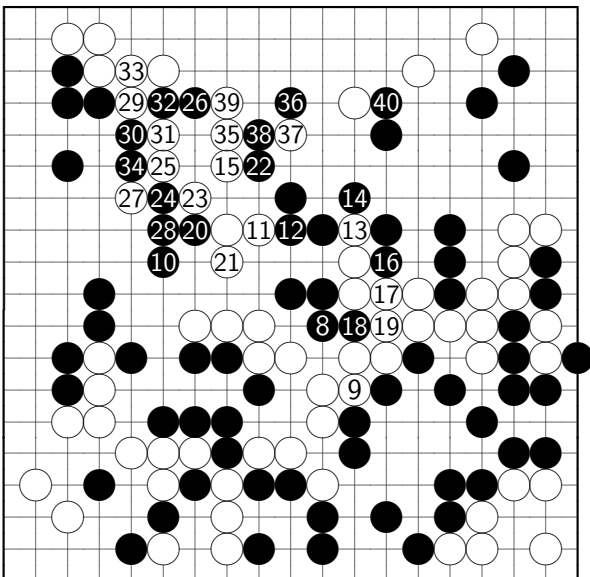
Kashomon [1k]: Oops, this was a mistake.





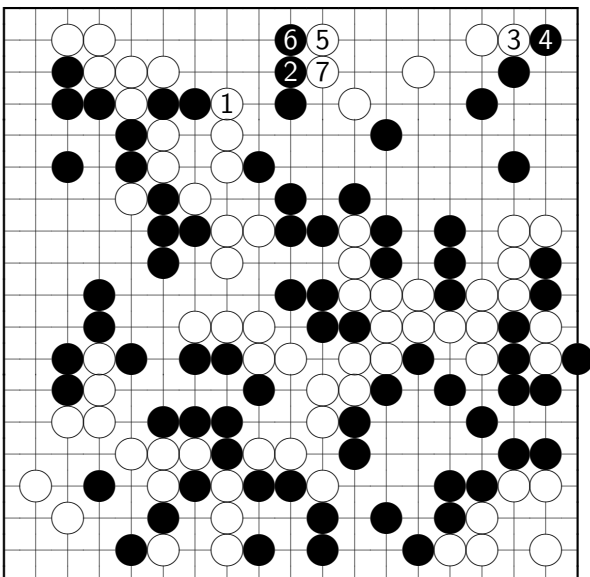
*Variation. 36*

Younggil [8p]: This would be better :)



*Diagram. 13*  
(Moves: 108-140)

Kashomon [1k]: Black got a bunch of points this way

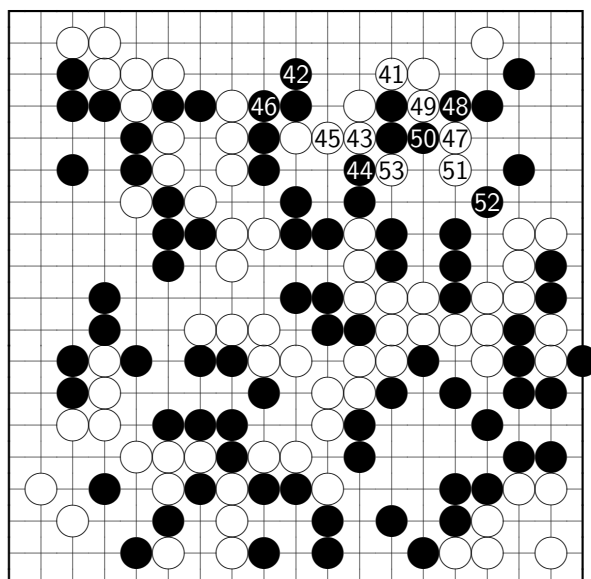


*Variation. 37*

Younggil [8p]: This would be easier to live

Kashomon [1k]: yeah

# The End



*Diagram. 14*  
(Moves: 141-153)

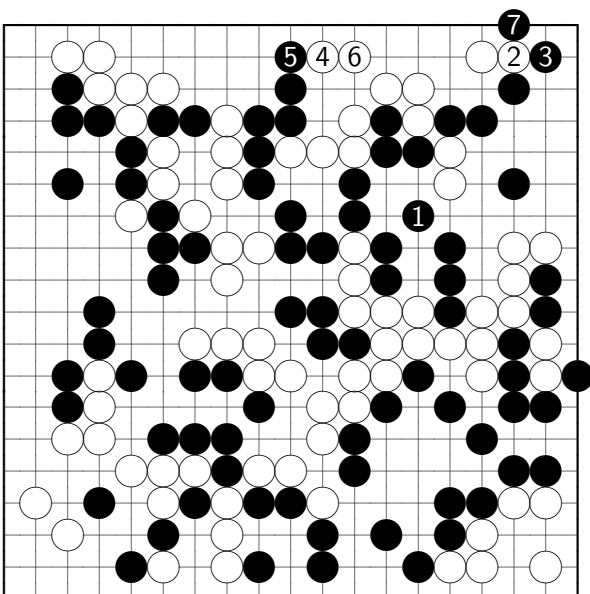
Younggil [8p]: Now, the game's over

Kashomon [1k]: Hm. I thought it was pretty close, no? Well... I thought it was close until I found that I could cut at C9.

Younggil [8p]: It's close, but since it's 4 stones handicap, White is generally winning now.

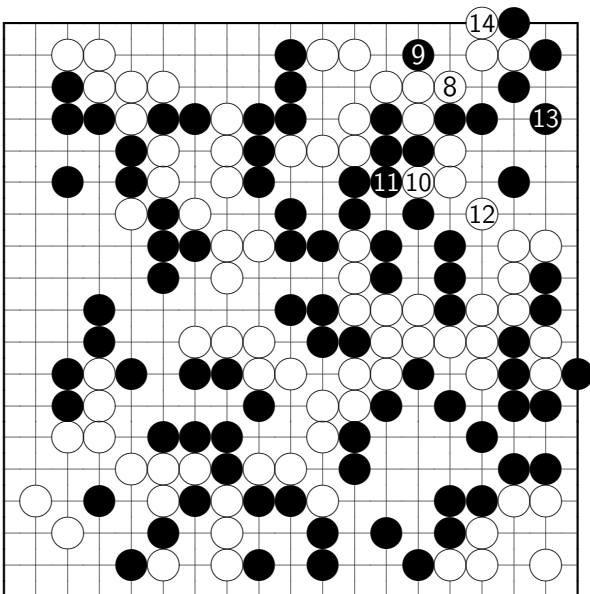
Kashomon [1k]: I see

Younggil [8p]: If White loses 5 points, white can still win.

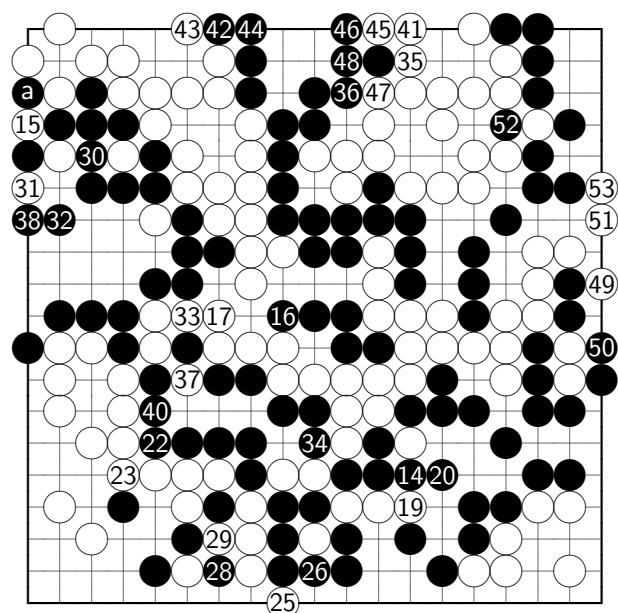
*Variation. 38*

Younggil [8p]: This would have been complicated

Kashomon [1k]: Yeah

*Variation. 39*

Younggil [8p]: But probably White will still win



White wins by resignation.

*Diagram. 15*  
(Moves: 214-253)

⑮ at a, ⑰ at 15, ⑲ at a  
⑳ at 15, ㉑ at a.