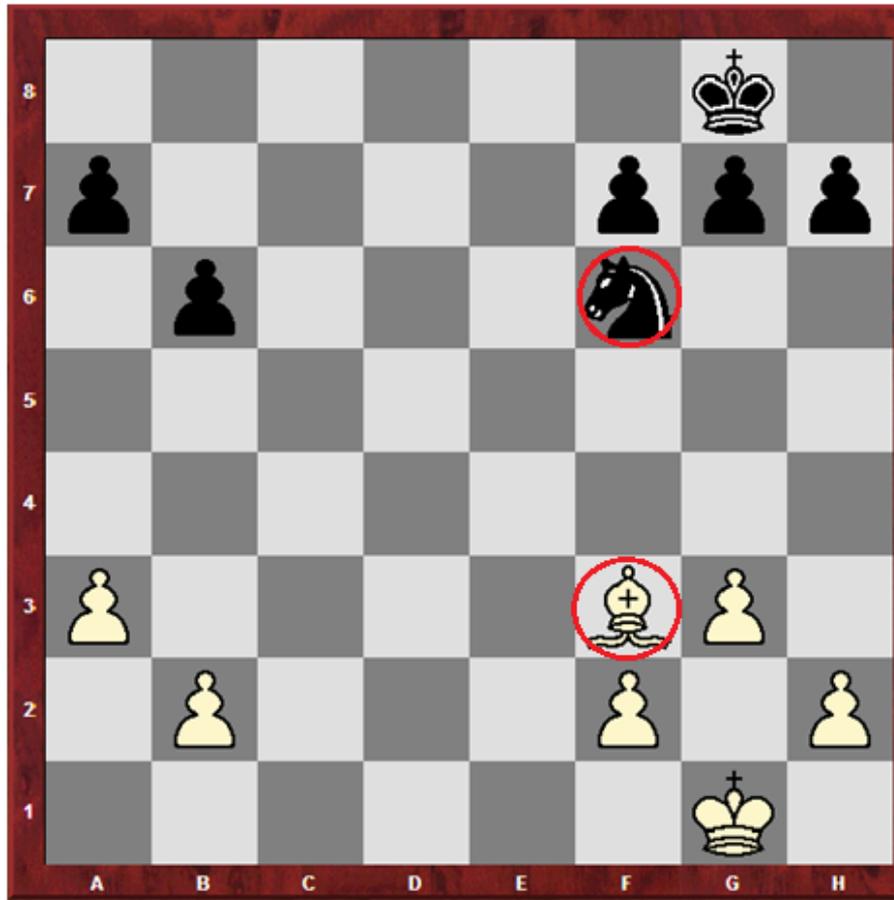


Understanding.Evaluation

The idea of this course is not just learning to evaluate a position correctly, but also learning to understand a position and to see the key moments influencing its evaluation and a choice of a correct course.

Position evaluation is a difference between position of your pieces and pieces of the opponent. For correct position evaluation it is enough to evaluate who gets the advantage of distinction.

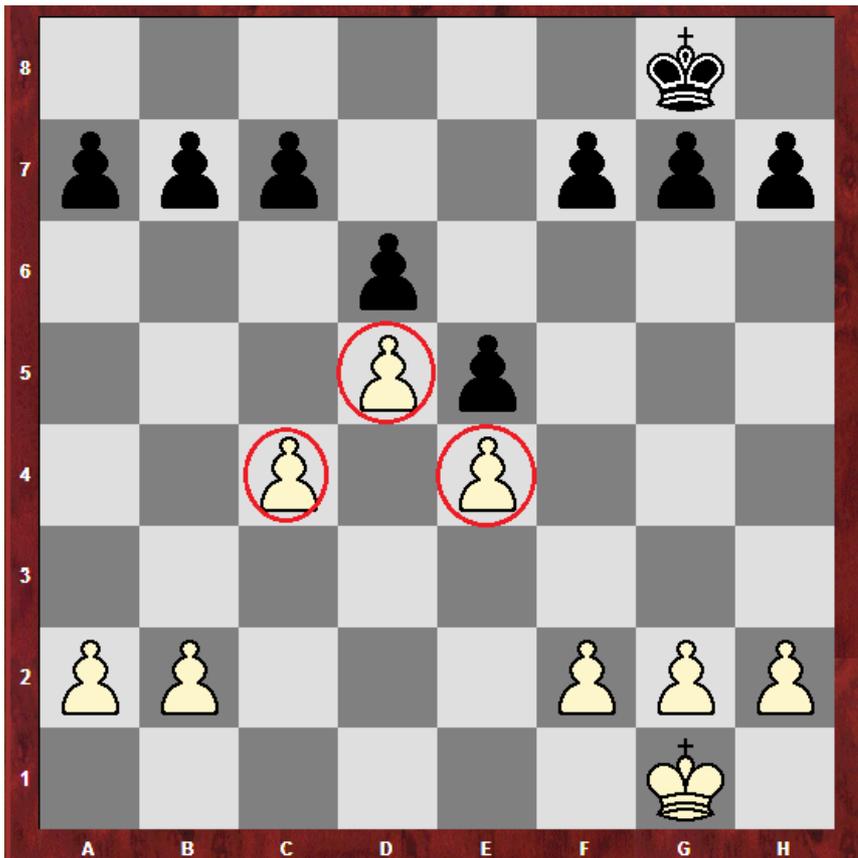


The bishop is better than the knight, so white is better.

Important moments.

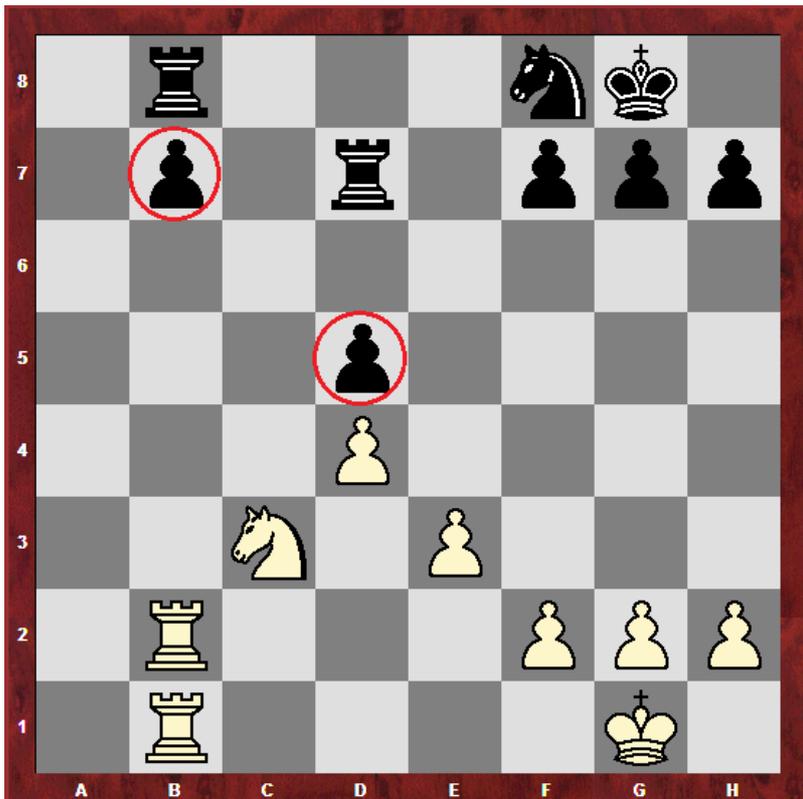
Pawn structure.

- 1) Space and center. The more space you have, the better can your pieces be located.

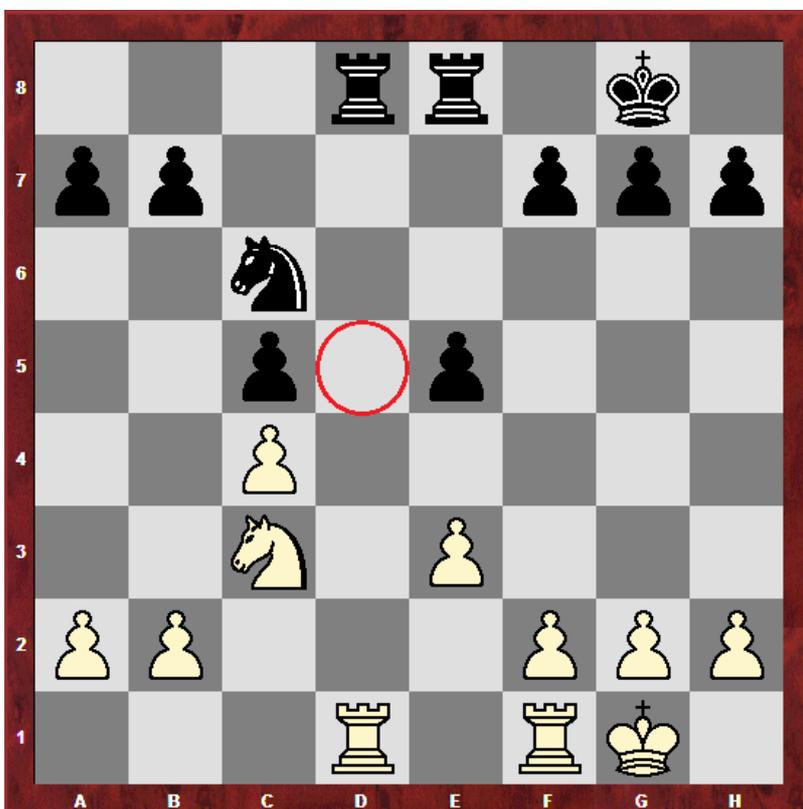


White has a space advantage.

2) Weaknesses. Weak pawn is an object for attack. Weak square is excellent place for your pieces.



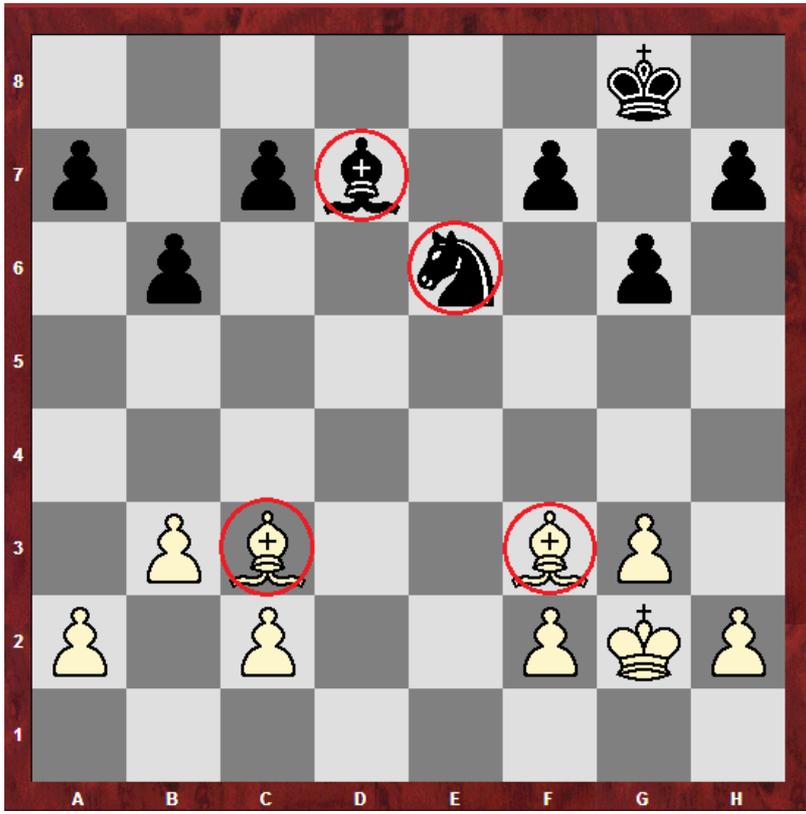
Black has weak pawns on b7 and d5.



White has strong square d5.

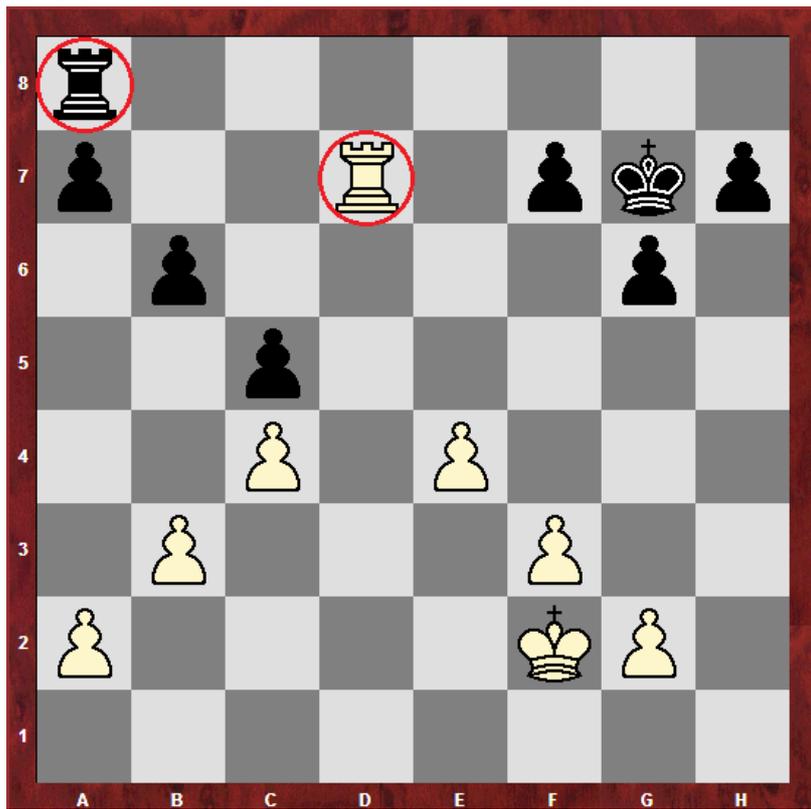
Pieces.

1) Material (Material advantage; bishop against knight).



Two bishops are against the bishop and the knight. White is better.

2) Location of pieces.



The white rook is more active than the black rook. White is better.

Use 4 steps in solving:

1. Pawn structure: space and center.
2. Pawn structure: weaknesses.
3. Pieces: material.
4. Pieces: location of pieces.

To achieve the maximum results follow these recommendations:

1. Solve tasks on a real chessboard.
2. Evaluate each position in not less than 5-10 minutes.
3. Try to solve practical tasks 30-60 minutes a day.