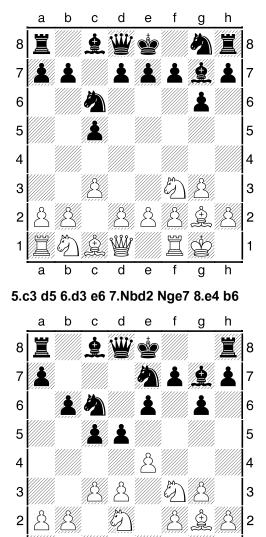
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c3,d4 versus c4,d5 Cetinje (8), 1993 [ICS Strategy – Static center]

[STATIC CENTER In the positions characterized by a blocked pawn structure in the center and the presence of one open or half-open file the fight will take place around the center of the board. Usually each opponent occupies one central square (due to the pawn pairs d4-d5 or e4-e5), so who manages to control (or to occupy) the other 2 squares will have the upper hand. THE ACTIVE SIDE will try to centralize the pieces (in order to control maximum number of squares), then to start a wing attack: – against the enemy king by a piece attack supported by the pawns (by transposition, positions with closed center or mobile center can arise) – on the queen side by a pawn attack (even a minority attack) in order to open up a file and to penetrate into the enemy's camp. THE DEFENDING SIDE must fight for the central squares and to chase opponent's pieces out. We must stress here that a wing attack can take place to compensate opponent's superiority in the center (due to the stable position in the static center).]

1.Nf3 c5 2.g3 Nc6 3.Bg2 g6 4.0-0 Bg7



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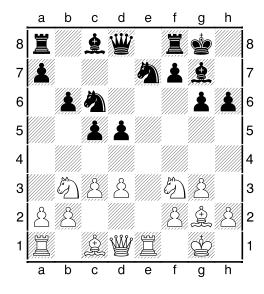
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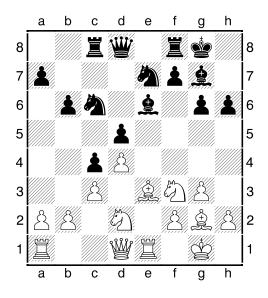
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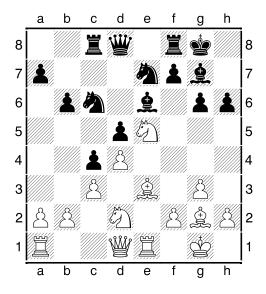
9.Re1 h6 10.exd5 exd5 11.Nb3 0-0



## 12.Be3 Be6 13.d4 c4 14.Nbd2 Rc8



15.Ne5 b5 [15...Nxe5 16.dxe5 Bxe5 17.Bxh6]



**16.f4 Re8 17.Bf2 Qd6** [Diagram # We have a typical position for the "static center". White already installed Ne5 and started a king side pawn advance by f2-f4. In this time, Black prepares a pawn attack with b5-b4 and will try to enter along the "b" file. If White manages to maintain the knight on e5, he will have a better game.]

