

# Technical Excellence Challenge – 2

The site MAT PLUS continues with the challenge tournaments

The Second MatPlus TEC is:

**Ser-=**

(Series-stalemate)

**Theme: Triple Excelsior with any of 64 possible combinations of promotions in the least number of moves.**

If two entries have the same number of moves, then the second criteria will be less number of pieces in the starting position.

In case of an equal number of pieces, the third criteria will be taken into account: type of pieces with the lowest number of points: Q=10, R=5, B/S=3 and P=1.

Illegal setups, promoted pieces and King-in-check are not allowed. A promoted Bishop is allowed only if there are none already on squares of the same color (one set rule). Previous published works that have been improved will be allowed.

Only works that surpassed previous records will be considered.

Submit works to the MAT PLUS website by **30. June 2024**

(click on menu: **Original**)

Example:

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*Original*



**Ser-=22**

**BQB-22-14-25**

**Solution:**

5.g8**B** 6.B×h7 7.B×d3 8.Bb5 9.d4

10.d×e5 11.e×f6 13.f8**Q** 14.Q×a3 15.Qf8

18.a6 19.a×b7 20.b8**B** 21.B×c7 22.Be5=

Code: **XYZ-mm-pp-*vv***, where is X = first, Y = second, Z = third promoted piece (SBRQ),  
mm = number of moves, pp = number of pieces, *vv* = sum of numeric value of pieces  
(Q=10, R=5, B/S=3, P=1)