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Échec,

a chess program by [Marc-François Baudot](#) in association with [Jean-Christophe Weill](#).

Tournaments

Échec played following [World-](#) and [World Microcomputer Chess Championships](#). In [Lyon 1990](#), Échec became strong runner up, and had even chances to tie or win the title, after gaining an almost winning position versus later winner [Mephisto](#), but only managed a [draw by reputation](#) with a draw score of four Pawns from [contempt factor](#):

Event	year	Site	standing	points
10th WMCCC		1990Lyon	2 / 12	5½ / 7
11th WMCCC		1990Vancouver	10 / 15	3½ / 7
7th WCCC		1992Madrid	19 / 22	1½ / 5

Description

from [Don Beal's WMCCC 1991](#) report ^[1]:

Written by Marc-François Baudot, in association with Jean-Christophe Weill of [Cumulus](#) (they collaborate on ideas and code, but have different programs reflecting their different opinions and experiments. Échec's [evaluation function](#) includes [piece placement](#) relative to [pawn structure](#), pawn structure itself, taking into account

of which major or minor pieces are on the board, [mobility](#), etc. (Marc reports that this was badly tuned, with the result that Échec's positional play was poor in the tournament). [Search](#) techniques include [check extensions](#) but not [singular extensions](#), plus extensions for some mate threats and [promotion](#).

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References

1. [△] [Don Beal](#) (1991). *Report on the [11th World Microcomputer Chess Championship](#)*. [ICCA Journal](#), Vol. 14, No. 2

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