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A [linotype keyboard](#) ^[3]

ETAOIN SHRDLU,
a chess program by [Garth Courtois Jr.](#) from the [Michigan State University](#). ETAOIN SHRDLU ran on a [Nova 1200](#) minicomputer ^[1] and competed at the [ACM 1975](#) becoming Third, and the [ACM 1976](#).

ETAOIN SHRDLU is the approximate order of frequency of the twelve most commonly used letters in the English language and was used as the two first columns of keys on a [Linotype machine keyboard](#) ^[2].

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1.c4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Nf5 g6 6.Ng3 Nf6 7.Bg5 Bxf2+
8.Kxf2 Ng4+
9.Kf3 Qxg5 10.h4 Qe3+ 11.Kxg4 d5+ 12.Nf5 Bxf5# 0-1

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