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Superstar 36K ^[2]

Superstar, (Superstar X, SciSys Superstar)
a series of [dedicated chess computers](#) manufactured by [SciSys](#), released in 1983 and 1984. The computer with a [Sensory Board](#) had a [6502](#) compatible [CMOS](#) processor, and ran programs developed by [Julio Kaplan](#), [Heuristic Software](#), persistent in 24 or 32 KiB of [ROM](#), using 4 KiB of [RAM](#). Kaplan programs were notable for their chess knowledge and a relatively human-like playing style rather than formidable [look-ahead](#) ^[1]. Superstar played the [WMCCC 1983](#) in [Budapest](#).

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Mephisto

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1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 a6 4.e4 b5 5.a4 Bb7 6.axb5 axb5 7.Rxa8 Bxa8 8.
Nc3 c6
9.Be2 e6 10.O-O Nf6 11.Bg5 Be7 12.Qc2 O-
O 13.Ra1 Nbd7 14.Ra7 h6 15.Bh4 Re8
16.h3 Qb8 17.Ra6 b4 18.Na4 Bb7 19.Bg3 b3 20.Qb1 Bxa6 21.Bxb8 Rxb8 22.N
c3 Bb4
23.Qf1 Bxc3 24.Qa1 Bxb2 25.Qxa6 Bc3 26.Qxc4 b2 27.Bd3 b1=Q+ 28.Bxb1 Rx
b1+
29.Kh2 Nxe4 30.Qxc6 Ndf6 31.Qc8+ Kh7 32.Qc7 Rf1 33.Qxf7 Rxf2 34.Qxe6 R
e2
35.Qc4 Rb2 36.Qc8 Rf2 37.d5 Bb4 38.Qa6 Nxd5 39.Qa8 Ndc3 40.Ne5 Bd6 41.
Qe8 Nf6
42.Qg6+ Kg8 43.Kg1 Ra2 44.Qf7+ Kh8 45.Ng6+ Kh7 46.Nf8+ Bxf8 47.Qxf8 Ne
2+ 48.Kf1
Ng3+ 49.Ke1 Nfe4 50.Qf3 Ra1+ 51.Qd1 Rxd1+ 52.Kxd1 0-1
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Chess-Master

[WMCCC 1983](#), round 3, [Superstar X](#) - [Chess-Master](#) ^[4]

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 Nf6 4.dxe5 Nxe4 5.Bd3 d5 6.Qe2 Bf5 7.Nd4 Bg6 8.O-
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O Bc5
9.Nb3 Nd7 10.Nxc5 Ndxc5 11.Bxe4 Bxe4 12.Nc3 f6 13.Qb5+ Nd7 14.e6 c6 15.
.Qxb7 Ne5
16.f4 Rb8 17.Qxa7 Ra8 18.Qxg7 Qb6+ 19.Rf2 Rf8 20.Nxe4 dxe4 21.e7 Rf7 2
2.Qg8+ Kxe7
23.Qxa8 Nc4 24.b3 e3 25.Re2 Rf8 26.Qa4 Nd6 27.Bxe3 Qb5 28.Qa7+ Ke6 29.
Rae1 Rf7
30.c4 Nxc4 31.bxc4 Qxc4 32.Qb6 Kd5 33.Bf2 Qc3 34.Rd1+ Kc4 35.Qc5# 1-0

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