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Tell,

an early chess program by [Johann Joss](#), who already started chess programming in 1967 on a [CDC I604 A](#) ^[1]. It played the first two [World Computer Chess Championships](#), the [WCCC 1974](#) in [Stockholm](#) and the [WCCC 1977](#) in [Toronto](#), and won the first German computer chess tournament, the [First GI Computer Chess Tournament](#), 1975 in [Dortmund](#) ^[2] ^[3]. Tell was a small and fast searcher for that time, running on [HP 2100](#), [HP 2115 minicomputers](#), three to eight [plies](#) deep with around 100.000 nodes in three minutes ^[4].

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WCCC '74 game

This sample game from the [WCCC 1974](#), [Freedom](#) versus Tell ended in a draw by [threefold repetition](#), where Tell in an otherwise won position was likely not aware of:

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[White "Freedom"]
[Black "Tell"]
[Result "1/2-1/2"]
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1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.d5 Ne5 5.f4 Nd7 6.e4 Nb6 7.Be3 Qd6 8.e5
Qb4 9.e6 fxe6 10.dxe6 Bxe6 11.g3 Qxb2 12.Rc1 Rd8 13.Qe2 Qa3 14.Nb1 Qa5
+
15.Nc3 Bd5 16.Nf3 Na4 17.Bd4 Bxf3 18.Qxf3 Rxd4 19.Qxb7 Nxc3 20.Qc6+ Rd
7
21.Qa8+ Rd8 22.Qc6+ Rd7 23.Qa8+ Rd8 24.Qc6+ Rd7 1/2-1/2
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- [William Tell from Wikipedia](#)
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