囲碁 発陽論
Igo Hatsuyyo-ron
Motto

“It is a matter of life and death, a road either to safety or to ruin. Hence it is a subject of inquiry which can on no account be neglected.”

— Sun Tzu: The Art of War

Preface

The notoriously difficult Igo Hatsuyo-ron was compiled around 1710 by Inoue Dosetsu Inseki, fourth head of the Inoue house and fifth Meijin Godokoro. It was designed for training of the best students of the Inoue school and was kept secret for a long time.

Igo Hatsuyo-ron consists of 183 mostly insanely difficult problems and is aimed at serious players with deep interest in the game. While solving the problems takes many months, possibly even years, finding
the solution is always particularly rewarding.

I wish you enjoyment and improvement in the wonderful game of go, weiqi, baduk, or whatever you like to call it.

Vít ‘tasuki’ Brunner
November 2006

Anniversary edition

It’s been 11 and a half years. This booklet has been downloaded over twenty thousand times. I never imagined the reach it would have. The anniversary edition comes with a better layout and wording. The problems are still crazy hard!

Vít ‘tasuki’ Brunner
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problem 1, white to play

problem 2, white to play
problem 3, white to play

problem 4, black to play
problem 5, black to play

problem 6, white to play
problem 7, white to play

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problem 10, white to play
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problem 14, white to play
problem 15, white to play

problem 16, black to play
Problem 17, black to play (and die)

Problem 18, black to play
problem 19, black to play

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