

After the concise bidding:

W	N	E	S
1♥	PASS	PASS	4♠
PASS	PASS	PASS	PASS

you find your dummy with:

7♠ J7	♥ 872	♦ KJ82	♣ QT63
	N		
W		E	
	S		
15♠ AKQ9863	♥ J5	♦ 7	♣ AJ7

Lead: K♥, E takes with A♥ and plays 4♥ to ours J♥ and W's Q♥.
W continues with T♥, E shows out (5♣) and you ruff. What do you do next?

In addition to the two ♥ losers, we see two more: ♣ and ♦. The right opponent, who passed their partner's opening bid, already came out with 4 points. It looks like he doesn't have even a queen more. Therefore, there is no point in finessing the K♣. There is also no chance to cash all trumps in order to endplay W: he will be left with ♠ – ♥ x ♦ A ♣ Kx and will be able to go out with a ♥. The only successful line of play is to hope that W has at most one trump. We can cash A♠ and lead a ♦ towards the K♦. If W ducks we can put down the K♦, securing the contract. If he takes the ♦ with an ace, he is endplayed. Playing ♥ allows us to throw ♣ loser away. Playing club will also take away one of our ♣ loser. If W plays ♦ we can take with J♦ (Q♦ is also with W). We can later throw away our second ♣ loser on K♦.

7♠ J7	♥ 872	♦ KJ82	♣ QT63
	N		
14♠ 4	♥ KQT963	♦ AQ64	♣ K4
W		E	4♠ T52
	S		♥ A4
		♦ T953	♣ 9852
15♠ AKQ9863	♥ J5	♦ 7	♣ AJ7

Why this play doesn't work if W has more trumps?

Do you see how **each** opponent could defeat the contract?