Bridge Convention

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1 Introduction

1.1 Named conventions that we use

In short, our system is based on

- ACOL (4 card major)
- Strong **2♣**
- Three Weak Twos
- Weak **1NT**
- Stayman and Transfers
- Ogust convention
- Jacoby **2NT**
- Gerber **4♣** for **NT**contracts
- Blackwood (1430 Roman Key Card) **4NT**

1.2 Notation

This is how the suits are displayed. ♠♥♣♦.
We write **T** instead of **10**.
This is how a hand is displayed. **KJ2♥ AT98♠ KQ532♦ 7♣** (13).
These are annotations.

2 Hand Analysis

Points. Ace - 4, King - 3, Queen - 2, Jack - 1.

Shape. No voids, no singletons, at most one doubleton is textbfbalanced. Anything else is **unbalanced**.

The probability of a balanced hand is ~ 0.47, and the most probable hand, 4-4-3-2 is balanced.

Notice that all unbalanced hands have a 5-card suit, except for a 4-4-4-1 split.

3   Opening bids

4   Responses to Opener

5   Opener's rebids

6   Overcalls

7   Responses to Overcall

8   Probabilities

9   High Card Points vs Game score

10   Vulnerability

11   Math Points vs IMPs

12   Other