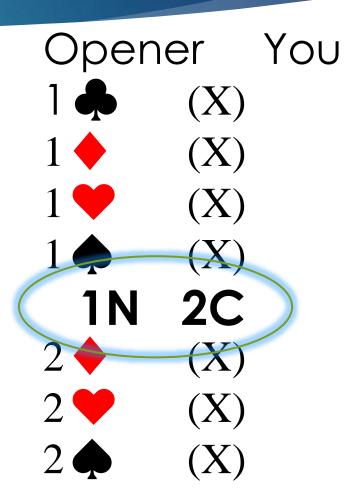
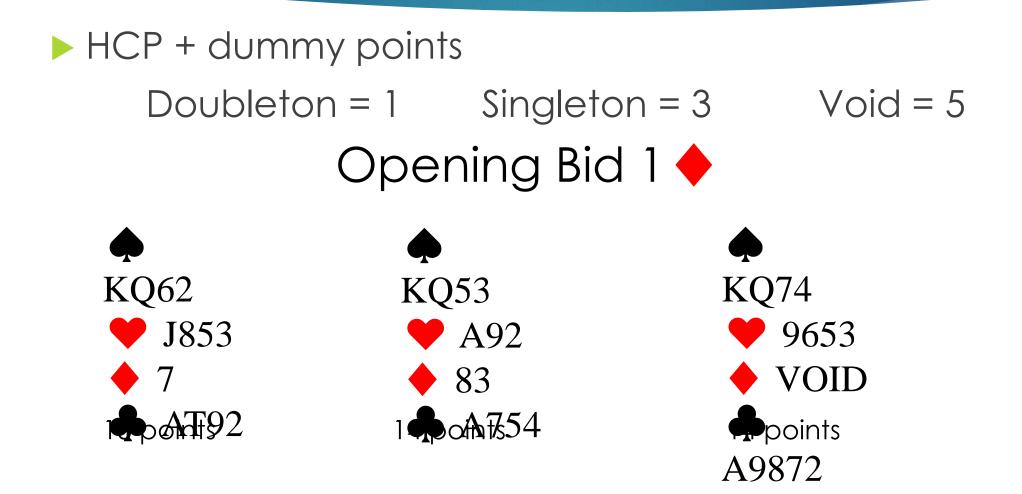
## Responding to Takeout Doubles

## What is a takeout double?

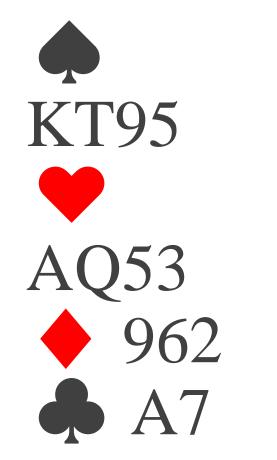
- One of the most frequently used bids in bridge
- Shows at least near opening strength hand AND
  Shows shortness in opponents' suit(s) AND
  Tolerance in the unbid suits
  \*NOTE: when making a T/O double for a major you generally, have 4 of the other major

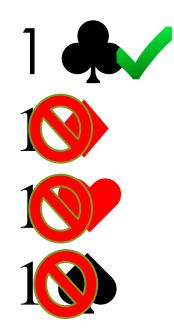


## Near Opening Strength?

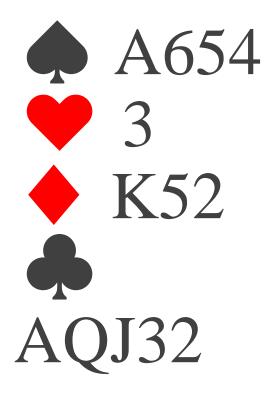


## Can we make a T/O Double?





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# Questions???

## Responding to a Takeout Double at 1 level

- Bid your longest suit
- You must bid, the less you have the more important it is for you to bid \*\*\*Exception: You can covert any double into penalty, but that is another lecture



#### Responding to a Takeout Double at 1 level - Notrump

 Bidding Notrump at any level requires values AND
Stoppers in opponents' suit

Even if your longest suit is the opponents suit you cannot bid NT without the appropriate values

1NT 7-10 Points

2NT 11-12 Points 3NT 13-16 points

## CUE BID

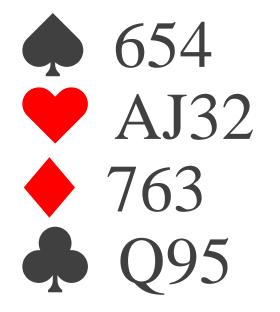
## A bid of opponent's suit

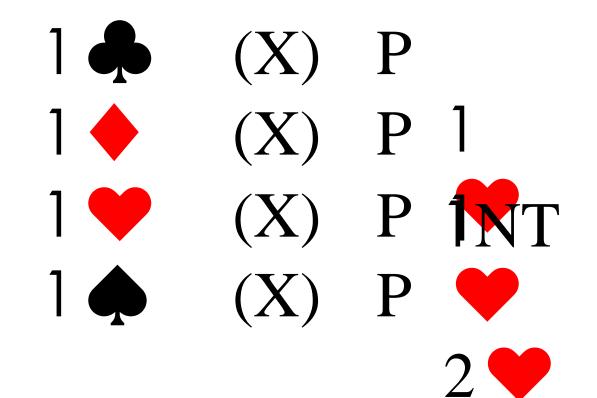
- Flexible bid
- Game forcing values
- No firm direction on your hand

## $(1 \blacklozenge) X (P) 2 \blacklozenge$ $(1 \clubsuit) X (P) 2 \clubsuit$

# Questions???

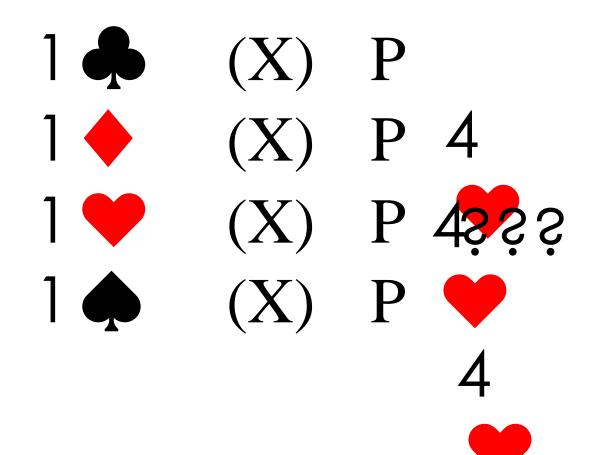
## What do we bid?





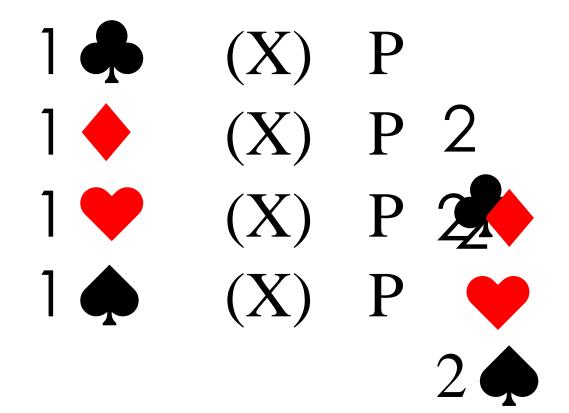
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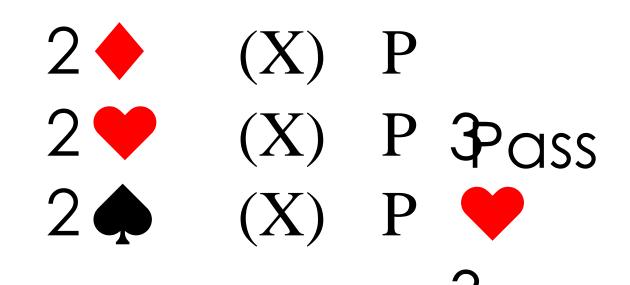
### What do we bid?





## What do we bid...a little higher 😊







## Conclusions

#### Allows you to compete

- Making "strict" T/O doubles allows partners evaluate their hand better
- Advancing partner's T/O doubles is now not a mystery ③

# Questions???

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