

♠ K J 7 5 3

♥ J 8 2

♦ 6 4

♣ K 9 6

♠ A 4

♥ A

♦ A K Q J 10 9 8

♣ A 7 2

Contract 7♦ Opening Lead ♥K

Your only possible losing trick is a club.

Win the opening heart lead and draw trumps in three rounds.

Then cash the ♠A and ♠K and ruff a spade, hoping to establish a spade winner....no luck, West shows out on the third spade lead, so that plan did not work.

East is now known to have the ♠Q and West's opening lead marks him with the ♥Q...

Now that you know the layout of those two suits, the way to make this contract now is to think about a **double squeeze**:

Here is the full hand:

♠ K J 7 5 3

♥ J 8 2

♦ 6 4

♣ K 9 6

♠ 6 2

♥ K Q 10 9 4

♦ 7 5 2

♣ Q 4 3

♠ Q 10 9 8

♥ 7 6 5 3

♦ 3

♣ J 10 8 5

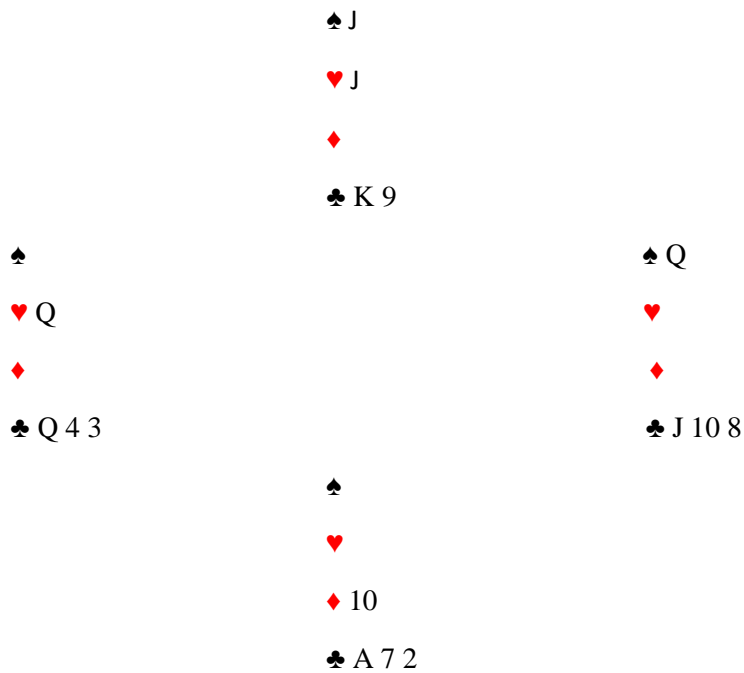
♠ A 4

♥ A

♦ A K Q J 10 9 8

♣ A 7 2

You still have a losing club so cash two more diamonds to reach this four card ending:



When you lead your last diamond West is forced to throw a club (if he parts with the ♥Q, dummy's ♥J is good); so, dummy's ♥J is no longer of any use and you discard it.

Now it is East's turn, and he must also throw a club (if he parts with the ♠Q then dummy's ♠J is good)

Both defenders are now down to two clubs, so you can win the last three club tricks. If you want to show off lead the ♣7 to the ♣K, the ♣9 to the ♣A and claim the last trick with the ♣2 – the lowest card in the deck!