# SYSTEEMI 2/1

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1 <i>C</i>	11+	2+k		siirtotarjouksia		
1D	11+	5+k (444	l1) epätas.	kään. korotus		
1H/S stenberg,	11+	5+k		2C= FG nat or bal or bal inv. or 6c C inv.,		
1NT	15-17			2 way stayman		
2 <i>C</i>	tpv / tai 22-23 tas			2D neg/rele		
2D	1&2 k. 3&4 k	4-11 . 4-12	6-k H 5-5 värit	2 NT kysyy max 6,5 menevää, 2 NT kysyy		
2H	1&2 k. 3&4 k	4-11 . 4-11	6-k S (5)6-k H	2 NT kysyy 2 NT kysyy		
25	1&2 k. 3&4 k	4-12 . 4-11	5-5 värit max (5)6-k S	6 menevää, 2 NT kysyy 2 NT kysyy		
2NT	20-22			Baron, siirrot		
3C/D/H/5	ehkäis	syjä h	yvin käsi- ja vyöhyl	Keriippuvaisia		
3NT	passannutta partneria vastaan tikkiin perustuva tarjous, muuten av-esto					
4C/D	passannutta partneria vastaan esto, muuten namyats					

Konventiot: xyz, spl 4:n tasolla usein reno, supp-x >2h, power sputnic, SWINE, lightner

Lähtökortit: 1/3/5

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• Valttipelissä: Pieni pyytää

• pieni-iso parillinen

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#### **Avaus 1C**

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1C
       1D = 4+H 5+p
                            F .1NT/2H
       1H = 4+55+p
                            F.1NT/25
       15 = 4 + D 5 + p
                            F.1NT
       1N = 4+C 4-9p \text{ tai } 3334
       2C = 4 + C \cdot 10 + p
       2D = 6+H 6-9p/13+FG
       2H = 6+56-9p/13+FG
       25 = 5 + C + 4D inv 10-12 p
       2N = bal.inv
       3C = C-pre
       3D = D-pre sound
       3H,S = short 5+C GF
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# 1C - 1D,H

1H,S = 3/4 supp= 4-supp Also13 and 4333 2H,S = 17-19 no 3/4 supp bal 2NT = 17-19 4-supp bal 3H = 17+ 4-supp and some shortness 35 3NT = 17+ 4-6 ja D-reno 4*C* = 17+ 4-6 and OM-reno 3X = nat.with 4-supp and 15-16 = nat w/o 3/4 supp else 1C - 1D 1H - 1S = 4 - c less than inv. values 1C - 1D 1H - 2S = 4-4 Ms inv.

# 1C - 1S

1N = 11-14 bal tai lyhyt ruutu 2*C* = 5+C = 4+D 11-14 2D 2H = 4+H reverse 17+ 25 = 4+5 reverse 17+ 2N = 18-20 bal 3*C* = 6+C 18+3D = 4+D 15+ 3H,5 = short, 5+C ja 4+D GF

1C - 1S
1NT - 2C xy
2D xy
2H/S 4k + 6k D, ei vaatimus
2NT inviitti, usein 6k D
3D S/O
3C xx63 heikko
3D 7k 2/3 honours
3H 5+ ja 6+D inviitti
3S 5+ ja 6+D inviitti

# 1C - (1X) -

§1	The meaning of 1S changes to trf. C (or rarely to 1NT)
<b>§</b> 2	It is always possible to transfer to each unbid suit on the lowest level (incl. X)
§3	Trf. to opponents suit on the lowest level is FG without 4 card M (oM)
<b>§4</b>	Trf. to $2M$ (oM) or $3C$ (25) is always available and either weak or strong with a
	6 card suit
<b>§</b> 5	NT is always natural
§6	Available bids on the 3 level are natural and invitation with a 6 card suit under
	opponent's suit and traf. from opponent's suit on
<b>§</b> 7	35 is always trf. to 3NT <b>asking</b> for a stopper

**Note:** 1C - (1X) - 2T - (pass); - 2NT is an asking bid, 2T being a trf. bid. Responses are (independent of suit): 3C = weak, but willing to investigate slam, whereas retransfer = seriously weak.

**Note:** New suits bid by responder after a 2T and accept show shortness or ask for stopper in case of opponent's suit.

#### Avaus 1D

1D - 3C is 10-12 6+C

# Inverted minor suit raises (IMSR)

1D - 3D is PRE promising such values that opener could bid 3NT with 18-19 BAL.

1D - 2D is inverted promising at least invitational values. In the subsequent auction:

- 2NT =minimum BAL
  - o 2NT to 3D to play
- 3D = minimum UNBAL.
- 2M = FG and stopper.
- 3C = FG values and a real minor two-suiter where showing length is more important than showing a shortness
- 3M =splinter with FG values

- 4C = splinter after 1D 2D with substantial extra values; with FG values but not much extras opener starts with 2M
- Responder's 3 new after opener's 2NT is splinter with substantial extra values. (More than direct splinter after opening)

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1D - 2D

4D = RKCB

1D - 2D

2NT - 4D = RKCB
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## NT-responses

1D - 2NT shows 11-12 BAL without 4 card majors. In the subsequent auction:

- 3D =to play
- 4 D = RKCB 1D 3NT = 13-15(16) BAL without 4 card majors. In the subsequent auction:
- 1D 4NT = quantitative 18-19 BAL

# Weak jump responses (WJR)

1D - 2M = weak jump 6-7 C, 3-6 hcp. This has no effect to other sequences involving responder's limited one-suiters.

After 2-level WJR opener can make an Ogust 2NT ask. The responder adjusts the responses to context.

# Avaus 1H / 1S

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2S = 16+, 4-crd S
2N = GF, bal
3C = 16+, 5H-5C
3D = 16+, 5H-5D
3H = 16+, good 6+ suit
3S = ?
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#### 15 Opening:

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Responses
1N = semi-forcing, less than invite
2C = relay, either 9-11 blob, or limit C 1-suiter, or nat/bal GF
       2D = 11-15, denies exactly 4H
              2H = GF relay
              25 = 9-11, 2-35, NF (2N GF, 35 invite, else GF)
              2N = 9-11, 0-15
              3C = 6 + C, limit
       2H = exactly 4H, any strength miten halusit nämä?
              25 = 9-11, 35
              2NT= 9-11, 1-25
              3H = 9-11, limit
              3D = FG
              35 = , 3-4 \text{ crd raise with } C
       25 = 6-crd, any strength
       2N = GF, bal
       3C = 16+, 5S-5C
       3D = 16+, 5S-5D (3H = GAR, 3S = GAR setting S)
       3H = 16+, 5S-5H
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# 2/1 forcing to game

35 = 15-16, good 6+ suit

Responder's 2/1 is unconditionally forcing to game requiring, in general, at least 12 hcp. Opener tries to describe and limit his hand as convenient. The following applies:

- New suit lower than the suit opened shows 4+ cards and does not define the strength. Opener can be 55 with good suits; the jump in a new suit is a splinter.
- Rebid in the suit opened shows either any minimum or 6+ card suit (with a minimum hand opener selects the most descriptive bid from rebid of the suit opened and 2NT)
  - opener rebids the 6+ card suit later if possible
- ullet 2NT shows a balanced or semibalanced minimum suitable for NT or 18-19 BAL (with a minimum hand opener selects the most descriptive bid from suit rebid and 2NT)
  - o opener goes above game with 18-19 BAL
- Reverse or high reverse shows extra strength (a good looking 15 is enough)

- Jump rebid in the suit opened shows a good hand (a good looking 15 is enough) with a solid or semisolid 6+ card suit
- Raise of responder's minor suit promises four card support but does not specially limit the hand
- Jump raise of responder's minor suit promises 5422 with substantial extra values
- Raise of 2H to 3H shows 3+ support and does not limit the hand
- Raise of 2H to 4H shows 5422 with concentrated minimum values (picture bid)
- Jump in a new suit is a splinter (a good looking 15 is enough)
- Double jump in a new suit is a void splinter with substantial extra values
- Jump to 3NT shows a bad looking 18-19 5332 with doubleton in the responder's suit. Responder tries to describe and limit his hand as convenient with his 2nd call. The following applies:
- Jump to game shows a minimum and no interest to learn more about opener's hand
- 2NT is descriptive with stoppers. Opener makes a descriptive bid.
- The 4th suit is artificial and shows doubt about strain
- Jump in the 4th suit is splinter agreeing opener's 2nd suit

## Invitational jump responses at the three level

As 2/1 is unconditionally forcing to game responder needs a way to show an invitational hand with 6+ card suit. Thus, a single jump in a new suit to the three level shows about 10 hcp and a decent, at least six card suit. All opener's non game bids are forcing, including opener's single rebid of the suit opened.

#### 1M-2NT

- A) A positive suit bid is natural, promising 4+ cards
- B) 3NT is always serious
- C) If one player did not have the opportunity to bid 3NT, his cue bid is cooperative but not necessarely strong
- D) Responder may (but is not obliged to) show his side suit on the next bidding round unless either part bids Serious 3NT (or opener void showing 4 bids)

15 - 2NT

3C = Asking, F3M (usually with a minimum opening or a positive 4+ C side suit)

3D = Accept against any hand with 4+ D side suit 3H = Accept against any hand with 4+ H side suit 3S = Positive one suiter 3NT= 18-20 HCP, balanced, (NF) 4C/D/H = Void, Positive

15 - 2NT 3C -3D = FG with 4+ D suit 3H = FG with 4+ H suit 3S = Limit

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3NT = Serious NT, BAL
4C = FG with 4+ C suit, Serious
4D/H = Source of tricks against one top honour
4S = To Play
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#### Note that:

15 - 2NT

3C - 3H

3NT indicates a club suit and possible slam interest

#### whereas:

15 - 2NT

3C - 3H

4C indicates a Cue in clubs with remote dreams of slam (weakish hand cannot show side suits)

#### Note also that:

15 - 2NT

3C - 3S

45 does not promise subsantial extras (nor a club suit even if it easily could include one)

#### Examples:

15 - 2NT

3H - 3NT = Serious - both hands show extras 4C = Cue

15 - 2NT

3C - 3NT = Serious - wants to probe for slam against a decent minimum

15 - 2NT

3NT - 4C = Cue. Ambigous regarding strength as slam could have play even having an unbalanced minimum

15 - 2NT

3C - 3H

35 = Nothing further to report expecting 3NT or 45 from responder

## **Drury-Fit**

Passed hand 2C is Drury-Fit promising at least 3 card trump support and game invitational values.

The following applies to opener's rebids:

- Rebid in the suit opened is weak and can be only 4 card suit. Responder shall pass.
- New suit without jump is a help suit game try. Responder may re-invite with a descriptive bid even though immediate decision is often the best.
- Jump in a new suit shows a side suit with slam-invitational values
- Double jump in a new suit is void with slam invitational values

- 2NT is a balanced invitation with about 14 hcp
- 3NT is a suggestion to play there, often with 18-19 BAL

As a corollary to Drury-Fit the following applies:

- Passed hand 2NT shows an invitational hand
- Passed hand 3C is weak jump response

## Transfer rebids after 1m-1(M)-2NT

After a minor suit opening, major suit response and 2NT rebid, you can apply transfer rebids, which have the same benefits as they do over a 1NT opening. Since openers rebids are then forced, responder can sign off with weak hands or bid out his pattern with game or slam hands.

3♣ - shows 4+ diamonds and forces opener to rebid 3♦. Responder may have a weak hand like  $\bigstar xx \lor Q10xx ♦ Q10xxx ♣xx$  and intend to pass 3♦, or a strong hand like  $\bigstar Kx \lor AKxx ♦ Kxxx ♣xxx$  where the third bid will be 4NT (natural, inviting slam);

 $3 \spadesuit$  - transfer to hearts, showing 5+ hearts. Responder may be weak like  $\triangle xx \lor QJxxxx \spadesuit$  Jxx  $\triangle xx$  and intend to pass  $3 \lor$ , or game going with  $\triangle xx \lor AQxxx \spadesuit J10x \triangle Qxx$  where he will rebid 3NT on his third turn to offer a choice of games. He may also have 45 in the majors, intending to rebid  $3 \spadesuit$  on his third turn.

3♥ - shows 4 spades but denies 5 hearts, opener accepts this transfer only with 4 cards in spades, otherwise he usually rebids 3NT. Normally responder is offering a choice of game in spades or no trump.

3♠ - shows length in clubs (usually 5) but denies 5 hearts, 4 diamonds or 4 spades (since with any of those holdings he would have used a lower transfer rebid. A possible hand is ♠x ♥ Jxxx ♠Qxx ♣KJxxxx. Opener will usually continue with 3NT, however he may rebid 4♣ or 4♦ if he has a weak spade stopper.

3NT - to play, no extra shape worth showing.

The principle to keep in mind is that responders second bid is a transfer into the cheapest suit he has not bid (showing 4+ length) or into his own suit(5+ length). The third bid by responder is always natural.

After 1m-"1 $\triangleq$ "-2NT, a rebid of 3 $\spadesuit$  is a transfer showing 4 hearts and 5 spades (since with 44 in majors you would have responded "1 $\forall$ " initially). Opener rebids 3 $\forall$  with four hearts, or 3 $\triangleq$  with 3 spades(rarely strong 2) or 3NT with the minors well stopped.

After 1 - 1M'' - 2NT, a rebid of 3 - 1M''

#### **Avaus 1NT**

1NT opening promises 15-17 BAL or SEMIBAL. All these are possible: 5 card major, 6 card minor or 5m4M22.

## Two-way Stayman

The NT-mechanism is two-way Stayman with SA-Texas, which is practically standard in Finland.

#### **Avaus 2C**

Opening 2C shows 22-24 BAL or any FG. Responder's 2D is negative or a waiting move. No second negatives, nothing fancy.

If 2C is overcalled, responder's X=PEN, pass = negative or waiting and the rest is natural.

## Avaus 1&2 käsi 2D/H tai 3&4 käsi 2H/S

Opening 2D/H is a weak two showing 4-11 and 5-7 card suit. In 3rd position the opening has even wider ranges. In 4th position the opening is disciplined 10-13 with 6 card suit. The following table describes the expectancies as function of vulnerability and position:

	1st hand	2nd hand	3rd hand	4th hand
NV vs VUL	5-6 cards, bad-good	5-6 cards, bad-good	Random	10-13, 6 cards
NV vs NV	5-6 cards, bad-good	6+ cards, bad-good	Random	10-13, 6 cards
VUL vs VUL	6+ cards, bad-good	6+ cards, not bad	Random	10-13, 6 cards
VUL vs NV	6+ cards, not bad	6+ cards, good Randoi	n, not bad	10-13, 6 cards

#### Responses

New suit is F1R, jump in new suit is splinter. 2NT is Ogust ask promising INV+ and F3M. Responses to Ogust 2M - 2NT are:

- 3C = bad suit and weak hand (F3M)
   3D ask singelton
- · 3D = good suit and weak hand (F3M)
- 3M = bad suit and strong hand (FG)
- 30M = good suit and strong hand (FG)
- · 3NT = AKQxxx

#### Häirintä

2D -(x) tai 2H-(x)

RD = voimaa rankaisukiinnostusta

pass = pyytää tarjoamaan 4-k alavärin, jos on.

## Avaus 1&2 käsi 2S tai 3&4 käsi 2D

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2S - 2NT
3C = C + Major
3D kysyy yv
3H = H
3S = S
3D = D + H
3H = H + S
3S = S + D
3NT = C + D
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# **Opening 2NT**

Opening 2NT shows 20-21 BAL (any 4333, 4432 or 5332). In 3rd or 4th position 6 card minor or 5422 shape are possible but not recommended.

## Responses

The responses to 2NT are:

3C= Baron

Responder bids 3 Clubs, which asks opener to bid his four card suits in ascending order. If clubs are the only 4 card suit then opener bids 3NT. If there are two 4 card suits, one being clubs, opener bids the higher first then 3NT for the clubs if no fit is found. Opener's 2NT is a limited bid and responder has not shown the strength of his hand, therefore responder will control how high the bidding goes, game or prospecting for a slam, and the suit to be played.

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3♦ = Transfer, at least 5 hearts =>
       • 3♥ = neutral =>
               • 3 ♠ = at least 45, longer hearts =>
                      • 3NT = no support
                      • 4m = Lisbon
                      • 4M = unsuitable for slam
              • 3NT = choice of contracts
               • 4m = 4+ cards, slam-try
               • 4♥ = to play
               • 4 a = at least 55, slam-try, F1R =>
                      • 4NT = RKCB for spades
                      • 5m = Lisbon
                      • 5M = unsuitable for slam
               • 4NT = Quantitative
               • 5♥ = Slam-try, good suit
       • 3NT = Good 4+ support, bad controls, maximum =>
               • 4 ♦ = re-transfer
               • 4♥ = to play, forgot the re-transfer
       • 4 ♥ = Good 4+ support, good controls, maximum
3♥ = Transfer, at least 5 spades =>
       • 3 ♦ = neutral =>
```

- 3NT = choice of contracts
- 4m = 4+ cards, slam-try
- 4♥ = at least 55, no slam interest
- 4 **♠** = to play
- 4NT = Quantitative
- 5♠ = Slam-try, good suit
- 3NT = Good 4+ support, bad controls, maximum =>
  - 4♥ = re-transfer
  - 4♠ = to play, forgot the re-transfer
- 4♠ = Good 4+ support, good controls, maximum
- 3 **A** = 5+ spades, 4+ hearts
  - 3NT = to play =>
  - 4m = Lisbon
  - 4M = unsuitable for slam
- 3NT = forces opener to display a green card
- 4m = 6+ cards, RKCB
- 4M = 6+ cards, slam-try, weak suit having at least 2 losers against xx(x)
  - 4NT = quantitative

# Opening 4m (1st and 2nd hand)

Opening 4m is Namyats showing a good 4M opening with the anchor suit having AKQ, AKJ10 or AQJ10 on top. If the anchor suit is not solid, a side ace is required. The opening is forcing to four of the anchor suit but does not declare the ownership of the hand.

## Responses

The relay is a slam try asking opener to start cue bidding. 4NT is RKCB.

# **Opening 4NT**

Opening 4NT is a specific ace ask.

# Responses

The responses are the modern responses instead of the old Acol responses:

- 5C = no aces
- 5D = the ace of diamonds
- $\cdot$  5H = the ace of hearts
- 55 = the ace of spades
- 5NT = the ace of clubs
  - 6C = two aces

#### **RKCB**

The used version of RKCB is the standard 0314.

The following applies:

• When the RKCB response is 5C or 5D the relay asks for the queen of trumps. The relay is the lowest non-trump bid at the 5-level.

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- Responder denies the queen of trumps by bidding the trump suit at the lowest level
- o Responder promises the queen of trumps without side kings by bidding 5NT
- Responder promises the queen of trumps and and a side king by bidding the cheapest of the side kings

After any response to RKCB 5NT guarantees all six keys (4 aces and KQ of trumps) and asks for specific kings. The responder bids the cheapest king suit.

- After a specific king reply (either after 5NT or trump queen ask) a bid in a new suit asks king in that suit.
- Responder bids grand slam holding the king or six of the trump suit (or 6NT if six of the trump suit is already passed) without the king.

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- Response 5NT shows odd number of key cards and a useful void
- Six-level response below six of the trump suit shows two key cards and a void in the suit bid
- Response six of the trump suit shows two key cards and a (useful) void in a higher ranking suit than the trump suit

# In competition

If RKCB is doubled, ROPI applies.

If RKCB is overcalled below five of the trump suit, DOPI applies.

If RKCB is overcalled with five of the trump suit or above, DEPO allies.

#### **GSF**

The generic response to 5NT GSF is:

• 7C = two of top three trump honours

All other responses are dependant of the trump suit. The generic feature is that six of the agreed trump suit shows the weakest holding. The responses with different trump suits are:

- C: 6C = 0-1 of top three trump honours
- D: 6C = A/K; 6D = weaker (0 or Q)
- H: 6C = A/K; 6D = Q; 6H = 0
- S: 6C = A/K; 6D = Q; 6H = 0 with extra length; 6S = 0

#### **Defences**

## Against 1NT

X = Penalty

2C = Majors >> 2D ask longer

2D = 6-c major >> 2H play or correct, 25 invitational in H

2H = 5c H 4+m or 6c H strong hand >> 2NT ask m 2S = 5c S 4+m or 6c S strong hand >> 2NT ask m

2N = least 5-5 minors

# Against strong club

X = D or C+S

1D = H or D + S

1H = S or H+D

15 = C or S + H

1N = C+D or C+H, at least 5-4

2C = 5 + C 11 + p

2D = 5+D 11+p

2H = 6+H 2-7p

25 = 6+5 2-7p

2N = 5-6 minors

# Against Weak 2 H/S

Lebensohl after takeout double of their weak 2M (2NT reply puppet to 3C): not when doubler=PH

Cue FG, no stopper, not 4OM

3NT NAT, stoppers

2NT then cue FG, 4OM, no stopper

2NT then 3NT NAT, with 4OM

2NT then 4x RKCB-x (but only if doubler bids 3C over 2NT, not by PH)

# Against Multi 2D

# Against Ekren 2D

Against known two suiters 2 H/S

Against unknown two suiters 2 H/S