



The rule of 11

The rule of 11 with the opps leading 4th best against a NT contract

This rule aim to help the declarer determine the number of cards help by the leader in the suit lead. You need to substract from 11 the vvalue of the card lead to know how many cards above it are held by the remaining 3 players. For example, You are the declarer on a 3 NT contract. The leader, West, leads the 5 of ♠.

S	W	N	E
1 NT	Pass	2 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

J	4		
7	6	5	
A	7	5	3
K	5	4	2

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A	K	7	
A	9	8	4
J	2		
Q	J	7	6

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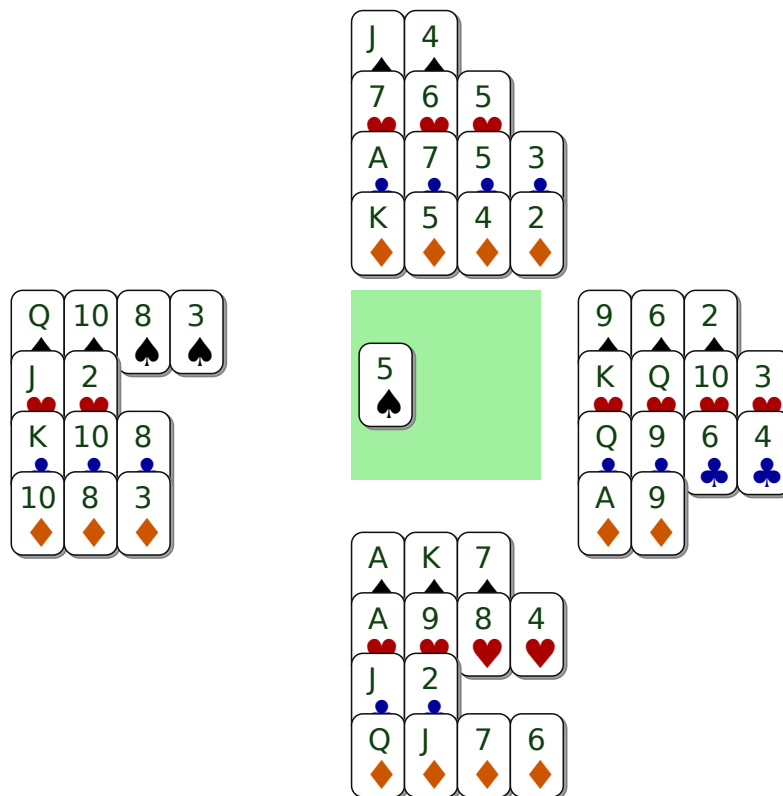
West leads 5 of ♠ as 4th best from his hand. There are $11 - 5 = 6$ higher cards in the remaining 3 hands. Your camp has 3 of them (Ace King and Jack) Therefore East has 2.



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Verification : There are 9 cards in ♠ higher than the 5 (A K Q J 10 9 8 7 6). West , that lead 4th best has 3 , so your camp has : $9-3-4=2$

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Problem 78851 Check with the 4 hands: East does have 2 cards higher than the 5 ♠, the 9 and the 6