1NT opening , transfer to majors and super-acceptance.

Jacoby transfer responses over 1NT opening bid are very popular. The requirement to use Jakoby transfer bids is a 5+ cards major and 0+ HCP.

The 1NT opener, in absence of specific pair agreements, mechanically executes the transfer at 2 level as requested by responder. Would responder have an inviting hand, he could invite opener to game by bidding the major at 3 level. Using such technique though, implies the risk of going to 3 level when opener has a minimum hand and a bare doubleton support. To avoid such problem we can use the *super-acceptance* technique that works as follows :

NS1NT2 ◆ = transfer to ♥, it promises 5+♥ and 0+ HCP.2♥ = 2 cards support2♦ = 4 cards support with 1 top honour or 3 cards support with 2 top honours .3♣ = 4 cards support without a top honour or 3 cards support with 1 top honour.

Over 2♠ or 3♣ re-bid, responder will bid 3♦ as conclusive transfer to 3♥ or 4♦ as conclusive transfer to 4♥ depending on his hand strength. Conversely :

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1NT $2 = \text{transfer to } \bullet$, promising $5 + \bullet$ and 0 + HCP.

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2NT = 4 cards support with 1 top honour or 3 cards support with 2 top honours .

3. = 4 cards support without a top honour or 3 cards support with 1 top honour

Over 2NT or $3 \div$ re-bid, responder will bid $3 \checkmark$ as conclusive transfer to $3 \bigstar$ or $4 \checkmark$ as conclusive transfer to $4 \bigstar$ depending on his hand strength.