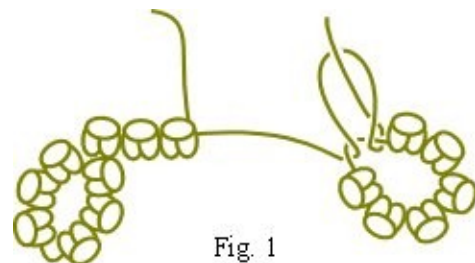


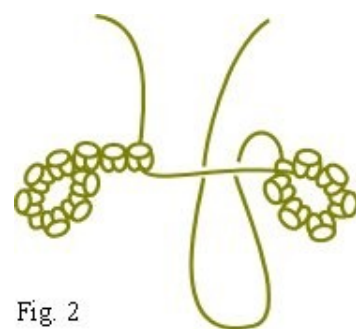
Split chains are often used to take the worker from one round to another without tying and cutting the thread (see picture below). Although they appear to be complicated to do they really just need a little practice!



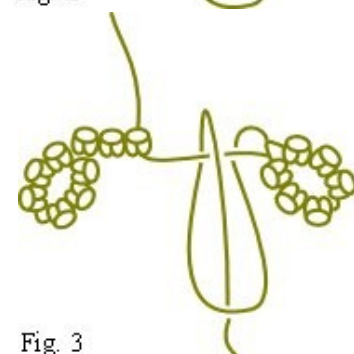
1: Make the first half of the chain as usual - in this case I used 3ds. Next take the shuttle (core) thread and join to the place where you want the chain to end but leaving a space on which to bring the other half of the chain back to the centre (the reason this is known as a split chain). The space should be just under half length of the the space taken by the first half of the chain. Fig. 1



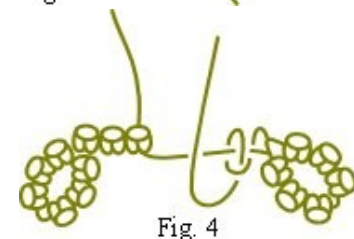
2: Allow the thread to fall to the back of the work and pull a loop below the core thread and through to the front (take care not to twist the thread). See Fig. 2



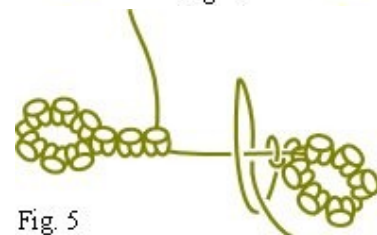
3: Pass shuttle over the front of the core thread and down through the loop. See Fig. 3.



4: Tighten and pull this upwards to form the first half of the ds. The loop will want to stay at the front and this first half of the ds will appear to be facing downwards - let it!! See Fig. 4.



5: Pass the loop under the core thread to the back of the work. Take the shuttle down through the loop, up and tighten. Amazingly the second half of this double stitch will appear (with the first half) at the top of the chain. See Fig. 5



In the final picture (Fig. 6) I have shown the completed split chain.
Please [contact me](#) if you need help.

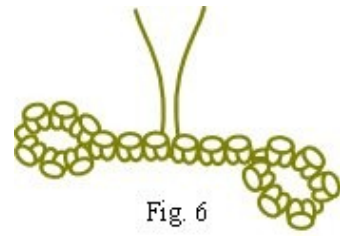


Fig. 6