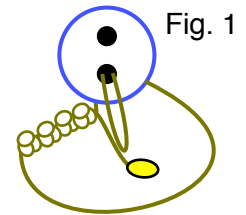
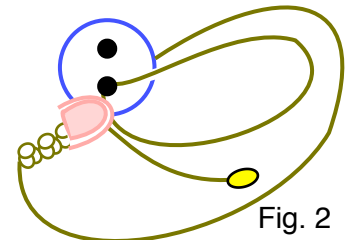


Joins to buttons can be made as if joining to a picot BUT this new method anchors the tatting element to the side of the button in a firmer and neater way. This can be used for joining when making a ring OR a chain. I have shown the join while making a ring. Lock joins to buttons should be made in the normal way. This method is solely for a regular join. I have found it works particularly well when adding beads to the top of the button. They would be added to the first loop pulled through the button.

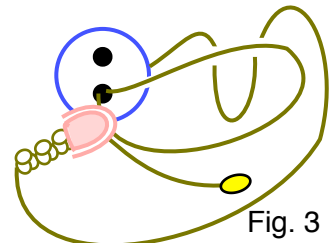
Work the given amount of doubles up to the join to the button and then place button above the thread and close to last double worked. Pull a loop through from the thread at the back of the hand. Fig. 1



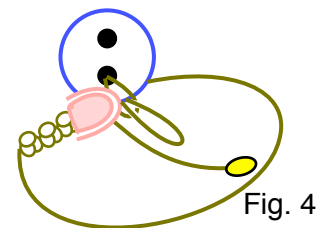
Put your thumb on the left side of the loop to keep it in place with the last double remaining close to the button. Fig. 2



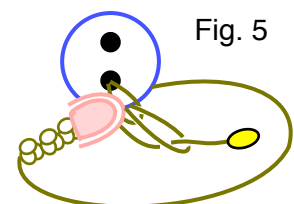
Pull a loop of thread UP from behind the button and through this first loop. Again this could be from the thread forming a ring or a chain. Fig. 3



Continue pulling on the LEFT side of this new loop so that the first loop closes up to the side of the button. Fig. 4



Finally take the shuttle thread through this second loop and tighten all threads. Fig. 5



Continue with pattern.