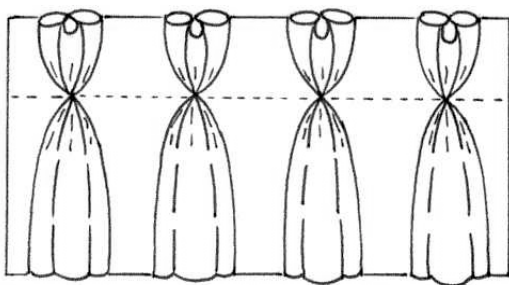
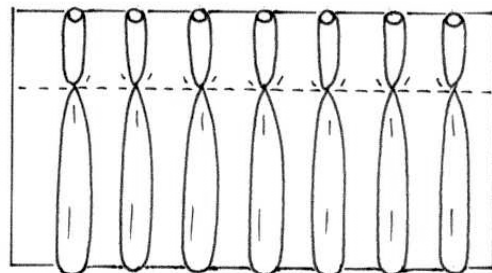


### 1.4. Type of heading

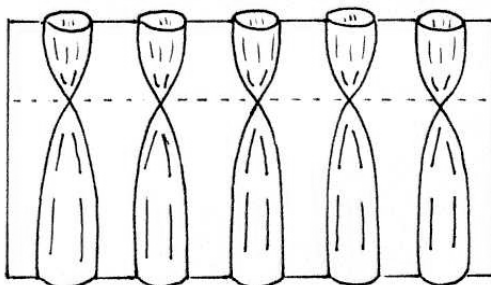
What type of heading will look best? There are numerous types available all with their own requirements in terms of fabric estimation and giving different finished appearances. Taped headings – gathered, pinch pleats, pencil pleat, cartridge and smocked etc. – are all readily available and are useful in that they give some flexibility in the finished width as the pleats are adjusted by cording systems. Hand stitched headings using curtain buckram however, do not allow for this flexibility as they are pleated up to the required width and cannot be adjusted.



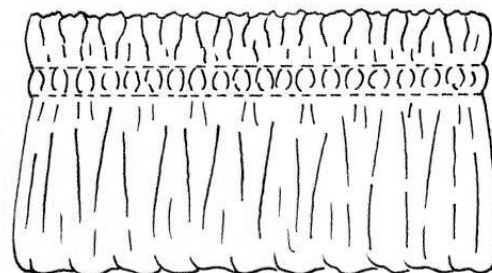
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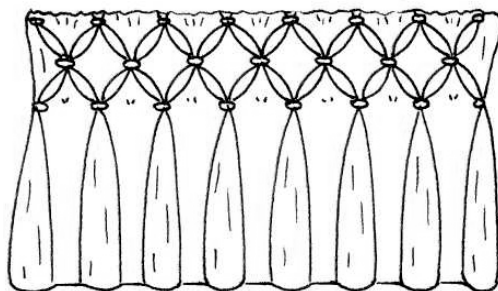
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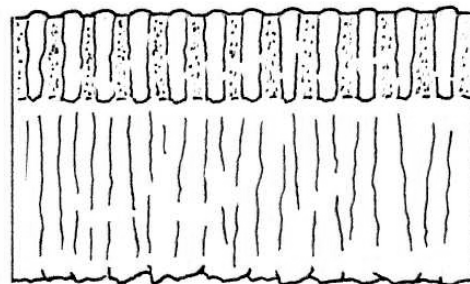
*Goblet pleat*



*Gathered heading*



*Smocked heading*



*Pencil pleat*

Having given due consideration to all the above factors, you can now proceed to looking at tracking systems and deciding which is appropriate for your needs.