BIMANUAL CLOTH MANIPULATION PROTOCOL - DRESSING

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Purpose	Performance evaluation of bimanual robotic systems for cloth manipulation with a simplified dressing scenario.
Task Description	This task consists in putting a T-shirt over a human-like head starting from different initial configurations.
Setup Description	List of objects and their descriptions: The following objects are used: T-shirt: Basic T-shirt whose type of collar is reported in Figure 1. The following dimensions are allowed: • A ∈ [13,25] cm; • B = 50 cm; • C ∈ [1.5,5] cm; • D ∈ [7,13] cm. To measure A − D, put the T-shirt flat on a planar surface and position it so that the plane through shoulder seams is parallel to the surface (see Figure 2). The measures are taken in unstretched configuration.



Figure 2 – Shoulder seams positioning

The maximum allowed stretched measure for A is 170%. The following examples qualifie:



Figure 3 – Female S T-shirt by H&M 95% cotton 5% Elastan with measures in cm A=19, B=50, C=4.5, D=8.3



Figure 4 - Female L T-shirt by Zara 100% cotton with measures in cm A=19, B=50, C=2.9, D=10

A final measure is the length of the neck L_n , indicated in red in Figure 5, which is used to determine the head size. To measure it, put the T-shirt flat on a planar surface and outline the inner ring of the neck (e.g. with a thread).

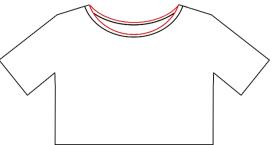


Figure 5 – T-shirt template with neck length in red

Head: Two sizes for the head are considered which are referred to as small (**[sh]**) and big (**[bh]**) in the following. The head is composed of two parts:

1. The top part is shown in Figure 6 and consists of: a hemisphere with diameter $d_h = \frac{\alpha_h}{\pi} L_n$, where $\alpha_h = 1.11$ for **[bh]** and $\alpha_h = 0.72$ for **[sh]**, a cylinder with height of 1.5 cm and diameter $d_c = d_h$ and another hemisphere with diameter d_h which is cut off at 2 cm to mount the bottom part;

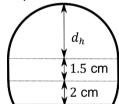


Figure 6 - Top part of the head

2. The bottom part is a cone that can be used as an easy stand for the head.

Edit the provided script with the measure L_n and execute the command "freecadcmd generate_head_stls.py". The script will generate six stl files, three for big and small head, respectively. 3D print, using PLA or any similar rigid filament. Use either the *_full version to print both parts combined or use *_bottom and *_top to print them separately. Note that it is also allowed to have a custom headstand as long as it is smaller than the head diameter d_h and does not offer any additional functionality.

The tasks are designed for both head sizes, the user can choose to tackle either one of them or both.

Planar surface: any planar surface with dimensions sufficient to completely spread the T-shirt on it can be used.

Initial and target poses of the objects:

The following starting configurations must be considered for the objects.

T-shirt: Five possible starting configurations are defined:

Two pre-grasped points ([pg2]). The user can freely

- choose two pre-grasped points on the T-shirt.
- One pre-grasped point ([pg1]). The user can freely choose one pre-grasped point on the T-shirt.
- T-shirt random on a planar surface ([cr]). The T-shirt must be dropped on a planar surface: grasp it at the point highlighted with the red circle in Figure 7 and release it such that the minimum distance between the T-shirt and the surface is greater than 10 cm.

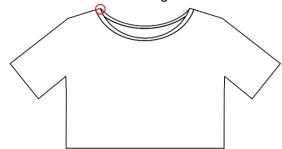


Figure 7 – T-shirt template with grasping point for [cr]

- T-shirt flat on a planar surface ([ft]). The T-shirt is not pre-grasped and is placed flat onto a planar surface with as less wrinkles as possible;
- T-shirt folded on a planar surface ([fd]). The T-shirt is not pre-grasped and is placed folded onto a planar surface. To fold the T-shirt, follow the steps reported in Figure 8.



Figure 8 - Folding steps

Head: The head can be placed anywhere in the workspace of the robots and must be fixed.

Note that it is not allowed to touch the head with the T-shirt in the initial configuration.

To complete the task, the shirt needs to be fully below the top part of the head (denoted with a green line in Figure 9) and the head needs to pass through the neck hole of the T-shirt during the process.

	Figure 9 – Goal position Description of the manipulation environment: Fix the head on any planar surface. There is no clutter in the workspace.
Robot/Hardware/Softwar e/Subject Description	Targeted robots/hardware/software: Any bimanual robotic system with grasping capabilities is allowed. Initial state of the robot/hardware/subject with respect to the setup: The robots can be in any configuration if not specified otherwise. In [cr], [ft] and [fd] the robots are not allowed to touch the T-shirt at the starting. Prior information provided to the robot:
	Position, shape and color of the head are known. The T-shirt dimensions A and B are known. In [cr], [ft] and [fd], the configuration of the T-shirt is known. The following flow chart specifies the procedure considering
	the different initial configurations.

