## **DUAL-ARM CLOTH MANIPULATION PROTOCOL - DRESSING**

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Purpose	Performance evaluation of dual arm 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.   Figure 1 – T-shirt template with measures  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).

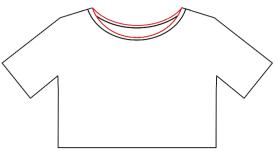


Figure 5 – T-shirt template with neck length in red

**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;

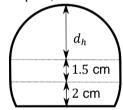


Figure 6 - Top part of the head

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.

## <u>Initial and target poses of the objects:</u>

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.

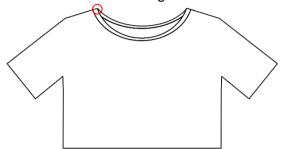


Figure 7 – T-shirt template with grasping point for [cr]

- 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 dual-arm 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.
Procedure	The following flow chart specifies the procedure considering the different initial configurations.

