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# (54) SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONSTRUCTING HUGGABLE FABRIC ARMS

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### (57) **ABSTRACT**

This disclosure relates to a system and method for constructing huggable fabric arms. Specifically, the huggable fabric arms can comprise a pair of hands comprising a left hand and a right hand, wherein said pair of hands comprises a set of open fingers. The huggable fabric arms can also comprise a pair of arms, wherein each of said pair of arms attached at a portion on each of said pair of hands. They can also comprise a plurality of stuffing materials, said stuffing materials enclosed within each of said pair of hands and each of said pair of arms. Lastly, the arms can comprise a pair of sleeves, said sleeves wrapped around each of said pair of arms.





Fig. 1



Fig. 2A



Fig. 2B





Fig. 2D



Fig. 2E



Fig. 2F



# Fig. 3



Fig. 4

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### SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONSTRUCTING HUGGABLE FABRIC ARMS

#### BACKGROUND

**[0001]** This application claims the benefit of provisional application 61/634,651 filed Aug. 1, 2012, entitled "A Hug to Remember", by Jean Welch, and hereby incorporates it by reference.

**[0002]** This disclosure relates to a system and method for constructing huggable fabric arms.

**[0003]** For several years, hugs are considered as a universal form of intimacy and to some hugs can be the cheapest form of medicine. There are several studies that proves hugging can lower levels of stress and improves moods. A hug can be an easiest and fastest way to provide comfort and support to any person. However, there can be moments and/or situations wherein a person can be left alone and a comforting hug can be impossible. These situations are usually encountered by people staying in a nursing homes, hospitals, and/or schools. And as much as a person would like to comfort and be there for their loved ones there are just some factors that can prevent them from doing so. These factors can include work, schedules, visiting hours, etc. It would therefore be advantageous to have an improved system and method for constructing huggable fabric arms.

#### SUMMARY

**[0004]** This disclosure relates to a system and method for constructing huggable fabric arms. Specifically, the huggable fabric arms can comprise a pair of hands comprising a left hand and a right hand, wherein said pair of hands comprises a set of open fingers. The huggable fabric arms can also comprise a pair of arms, wherein each of said pair of arms attached at a portion on each of said pair of hands. They can also comprise a plurality of stuffing materials, said stuffing materials enclosed within each of said pair of hands and each of said pair of arms. Lastly, the arms can comprise a pair of arms.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

**[0005]** FIG. 1 illustrates a left fabric arm and a right fabric arm; each comprising a hand, a wrist, and an arm.

[0006] FIG. 2A illustrates an embodiment of a fabric hand

wherein hand, wrist, and arm form a single full-arm pattern. [0007] FIG. 2B illustrates how a pair of full-arm pattern is sewn together following a stitch line.

**[0008]** FIG. **2**C illustrates an outer side of a full-arm pattern after being turned inside out.

[0009] FIG. 2D illustrates how an opening can be closed to ensure a stuffing materials are in place.

**[0010]** FIG. **2**E illustrates a ribbon being placed at the fore-finger of a left fabric arm.

**[0011]** FIG. **2**F illustrates a pair of hands with sets of fingers clasped together forming a circle.

**[0012]** FIG. **3** illustrates a pair of fabric arms covered with a sleeve and a pair of cuffs.

[0013] FIG. 4 illustrates a bag housing a pair of fabric arms.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION

**[0014]** Described herein is a system and method for constructing huggable fabric arms. The following description is presented to enable any person skilled in the art to make and use the invention as claimed and is provided in the context of the particular examples discussed below, variations of which will be readily apparent to those skilled in the art. In the interest of clarity, not all features of an actual implementation are described in this specification. It will be appreciated that in the development of any such actual implementation (as in any development project), design decisions must be made to achieve the designers' specific goals (e.g., compliance with system- and business-related constraints), and that these goals will vary from one implementation to another. It will also be appreciated that such development effort might be complex and time-consuming, but would nevertheless be a routine undertaking for those of ordinary skill in the field of the appropriate art having the benefit of this disclosure. Accordingly, the claims appended hereto are not intended to be limited by the disclosed embodiments, but are to be accorded their widest scope consistent with the principles and features disclosed herein.

[0015] FIG. 1 illustrates a left fabric arm 100a and a right fabric arm 100b; each fabric arm 100 comprises a hand 101, a wrist 102, and an arm 103. Fabric arm 100 can be a stuffed item which can be used as comfort object, given as a gift, for display, or for collecting. Fabric arm 100 can have various patterns, design, colors, and sizes. In one embodiment, fabric arm 100 can be patterned from a life size arm of a man and/or a woman resembling that of a baby, teenager, tween, and/or adult. As such, arm 103 can have various color and/or texture. In another embodiment, fabric arm 100 can be customized according to specific design and needs of a user. Hands 101 comprises a set of open fingers 104 formed to enable left hand 101a and right hand 101b to be clasped together which can imitate a hugging gesture. As such, a user can wrap fabric arms 100 around him to simulating a hug that can provide security and comfort to the user. Moveover, open fingers 104 can allow user to clasp his own hands with fabric arms 100, to give him the feelings of comfort, protection, and safety. A ribbon 105 can be tied at the forefinger of left hand 10b. Ribbon 105 can symbolize and serve as a reminder to the user that fabric arm 100 is meant for hugging and provide comfort. Ribbon 105 can be stitched and/or sewn at the forefinger to ensure ribbon 105 stays in place. Wrists 102 can connect hands 101 with arms 103 while arms 103 can be the longest portion of fabric arms 100.

[0016] In one embodiment, hands 101, wrists 102, and arms 103 can be made of the same soft material such as econo cloth, polyester fibers, pile textiles or terry cloth. In another embodiment, material used for hands 101 can be different from arms 103. As such hands 101 can be made of rubber material while arms 103 can use different textile material such as econo cloth, polyester fibers, pile textiles or terry cloth.

[0017] FIG. 2A illustrates an embodiment of fabric arm 100 wherein hand 101, wrist 102, and arm 103 form a single full-arm pattern 200. As such, hand 101, wrist 102 and arm 103 can form the whole fabric arm 100. In such embodiment, a pair of full-arm pattern 200 can be used to form each fabric hand 100. Full-arm pattern 200 can be made durable material such as econo cloth and can serve as top layer of fabric hand 100. Full-arm patterns 200 can be an external layers that makes up a piece of fabric arm 100. Full-arm pattern 200 can comprise an outer side 201 and an inner side 202. Outer side 201 can be the visible portion of full-arm pattern 200 while inner side 202 can be the hidden portion of full-arm pattern 200.

[0018] FIG. 2B illustrates how a pair of full-arm pattern 200 is sewn together following a stitch line 203. Stitch line 203 can symbolize the pattern or the line that needs to be sewn. The pair of full-arm pattern 200 can be aligned on top of each other, making outer side 201 of each full-arm pattern 200 facing each other. Once full-arm patterns 200 are aligned, sew the seams together along stitch line 203 leaving an opening 204. Opening 204 can be placed along the portion of wrist 102.

[0019] FIG. 2C illustrates outer side 201 of full-arm pattern 200 after being turned inside out. Full-arm pattern 200 can be turned inside out through opening 204. Moreover, opening 204 can be an accessible orifice wherein stuffing materials 205 can be placed. Stuffing materials 205 can include but are not limited to synthetic fiber batting, cotton, straw, wood wool, plastic pellets or beans can be placed inside full-arm pattern 200 through opening 204.

**[0020]** FIG. 2D illustrates how opening 204 can be closed to ensure stuffing materials 205 are in place. Opening 204 can be enclosed through running a blind stitch 206 along the seams of opening 204. For purposes of this disclosure, blind stitch can be a method or technique of sewing two pieces of material together so that the thread or stitch is nearly invisible. Blind stitch can usually be done by hand.

[0021] FIG. 3 illustrates pair of fabric arms 100 covered with a pair of sleeves 301 and a pair of cuffs 302. Sleeve 301 and cuffs 302 can be made of and/or comprised of clothing materials such as synthetics, fiber, yarn, lace, braid, tape, ribbons, and other decorations or trimmings. Sleeve 301 and cuffs 302 can provide enclosure to wrists 102 and arms 103 of fabric arms 100. Sleeves 301 can be the clothing that covers the portion of arms 103 while cuffs 302 cover the portion of wrists 102. In one embodiment, sleeves 301 and cuffs 302 can be partly sewn together with full-arm pattern 200. In such embodiment, sleeves 301 and cuffs 302 can be permanently fixed to fabric arms 100. In another embodiment, the inner portions of sleeves 301 and cuffs 302 can comprise of fasteners such as buttons, and/or Velcro which can allow user to change and/or remove sleeve 301 and cuffs 302.

[0022] FIG. 4 illustrates a bag 400 housing a pair of fabric arms 100. Bag 400 can be used to enclosed and/or carry fabric arms 100. Bag 400 can be made of durable materials such as fabrics, cloth, leather, and/or plastics. Moreover, bag 400 can have various designs and sizes depending on the size, number, and/or design of fabric arms 100 placed inside bag 400. Bag 400 can provides easy and clean storage for fabric arms 100. Furthermore, bag 400 allows fabric arms 100 to be easily carried and/or transported from different locations.

**[0023]** Various changes in the details of the illustrated operational methods are possible without departing from the scope of the following claims. Some embodiments may combine the activities described herein as being separate steps. Similarly, one or more of the described steps may be omitted, depending upon the specific operational environment the method is being implemented in. It is to be understood that the above description is intended to be illustrative, and not restrictive. For example, the above-described embodiments may be used in combination with each other. Many other

embodiments will be apparent to those of skill in the art upon reviewing the above description. The scope of the invention should, therefore, be determined with reference to the appended claims, along with the full scope of equivalents to which such claims are entitled. In the appended claims, the terms "including" and "in which" are used as the plain-English equivalents of the respective terms "comprising" and "wherein."

1. A huggable fabric arms comprising

- a pair of hands comprising a left hand and a right hand, wherein said pair of hands comprises a set of open fingers;
- a pair of arms, wherein each of said pair of arms attached at a portion on each of said pair of hands;
- a plurality of stuffing materials, said stuffing materials enclosed within each of said pair of hands and each of said pair of arms; and
- a pair of sleeves, said sleeves wrapped around each of said pair of arms.

2. The huggable fabric arms of claim 1 wherein said pair of hands comprises fabric.

**3**. The huggable fabric arms of claim **2** wherein said pair of hands fastened to said pair of arms through sewing.

4. The huggable fabric arms of claim 1 wherein said pair of hands comprises rubber.

**5**. The huggable fabric arms of claim **4** wherein said hands fastened to said arms through adhesives.

6. The huggable fabric arms of claim 1 wherein said pair of sleeves is permanently connected to each of said pair of arms.

7. The huggable fabric arms of claim 1 wherein said pair of sleeves is removable from each of said pair of arms.

**8**. The huggable fabric arms of claim **7** wherein said pair of sleeves comprises a first fastener and pair of arms comprises a second fastener, further wherein said first fastener compatible with said second fastener.

9. The huggable fabric arms of claim 8 wherein said first fastener and second fastener is a hook and loop fasteners.

**10**. The huggable fabric arms of claim **8** wherein said first fastener and second fastener is a snap fasteners.

11. A method for constructing a huggable fabric arms comprising

sewing a pair of full-arm pattern together, further wherein an opening is left unstitched;

turning said full-arm pattern inside out through said opening;

filling said full-arm pattern through said opening with a plurality of stuffing materials; and

closing said opening using a blind stitch method.

12. The method in claim 11, wherein said opening placed at the middle portion of said full-arm pattern.

**13**. The method in claim **11** further comprising the step of sewing the outer edges of said full arm pattern.

14. The method in claim 11 further comprising the step of sewing said pair of sleeves to said pair of full-arm pattern.

**15**. The method in claim **11** further comprising the step of attaching said pair of sleeves to said pair of full-arm pattern through a fastener.

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