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Description

Object of the Invention

[0001] As indicated by the title, the present invention relates to unisex underwear, and more specifically to thong-type underwear.

Background of the Invention

[0002] Thong-type underwear having a front part and rear part permanently joined together generally by sewing are currently well-known.

[0003] It is also frequent for this thong-type underwear to incorporate adornments or decorative elements in their rear area making them more appealing.

[0004] In this type of underwear the front area or part is subjected to greater wear than the rear part, meaning that when said front part becomes deteriorated due to use it is necessary to dispose of the entire item of clothing. On the other hand, successive washings of the underwear cause an accelerated deterioration of the decorative elements incorporated in the rear part, causing a progressive loss of the original appeal.

[0005] Utility Model ES 1 056 577 describes a support and fixing part for a tag used in a garment such as underwear. Said support and fixing part for the tag is formed by preferably metal, regular and/or irregular-shaped sheet provided with perforations through which the straps of the thong in the intersecting area thereof in its rear part are passed, the tag corresponding to the garment being fixed on the face of the part, which is in the inner part of said garment. Said support and fixing part for the tag is permanently incorporated in the garment, externally covering the intersection of the upper circumferential strap and of the rear strap which form the garment, therefore not solving the aforementioned drawback.

Description of the Invention

[0006] The unisex underwear object of the invention, being of the mentioned type, i.e. thong-type, has special constructive features aimed at allowing: successive couplings and decouplings of the front part and rear part, which allows selling both parts separately, the possibility of using the same rear part with different front parts or vice versa, and the possibility of washing the front part and the rear part separately and when it is required.

[0007] To that end, and according to the invention, the unisex underwear object of the invention comprise at least two independent parts, a front part and a rear part, incorporating complementary coupling means for their eventual fixing in an operative or use position, said complementary coupling means obviously allowing the separation of both parts and their individual replacement.

[0008] The front part has a general T-shaped configuration, the wings of which start in a central part, the coupling means for coupling with the rear part being ar-

ranged in correspondence with the ends of its wings. The rear part in turn can have different configurations, the coupling means for coupling with the front part being arranged in correspondence with its side or upper areas and with its lower area.

[0009] The complementary closing means fixed to the front part and to the rear part can be of any known type (pressure, contact, hook type, etc.) as long as they allow repeatedly forming the attachment and separation of the mentioned parts of the underwear.

[0010] The rear part of the underwear can be made up of different materials of a metallic, textile, leather, fiber nature, or of any other materials, it having been provided that the front part is preferably made of a textile material, textile fibers or any other material assuring comfortable and practical use of the underwear.

[0011] Furthermore, both the front and rear parts can incorporate decorative elements or motifs intended for making the underwear more appealing.

Description of the Drawings

[0012] To complement the description being made and for the purpose of aiding to better understand the features of the invention, a set of drawings is attached to the present specification in which the following has been shown with an illustrative and non-limiting character:

- Figure 1 shows a rear perspective view of the unisex underwear object of the invention, where the independent front and rear parts can be seen joined together by the complementary coupling means thereof.
- Figure 2 shows an elevational and planar view of an embodiment of the front part and of the rear part separated from one another, having depicted them in this case separated.

Preferred Embodiment of the Invention

[0013] As can be seen in the attached figures, the unisex underwear object of the invention are made up of an independent rear part (1) and front part (2) incorporating complementary coupling means (11 and 21), respectively.

[0014] Said complementary coupling means (11, 12) allow the eventual fixing of the parts (1 and 2) in an operative or use position, as is shown in Figure 1, and their subsequent separation, as is shown in Figure 2.

[0015] Both the front part (2) and the rear part (1) are individually replaceable, which enables using different front parts (1) with a single rear part (2), or vice versa.

[0016] Having sufficiently described the nature of the invention as well as a preferred embodiment thereof, it is stated for all intents and purposes that the materials, shape, size and arrangement of the described elements can be modified, provided that this does not imply an alteration of the essential features of the invention

claimed below.

complémentaires d'accouplement (11, 21) pour leur éventuelle fixation dans une position opérationnelle ou d'utilisation et leur postérieure séparation.

Claims

1. Unisex underwear, said underwear being the thong-type, comprising at least two parts, a rear part (1) and a front part (2), **characterized in that** the rear part (1) and the front part (2) are independent and incorporating complementary coupling means (11, 21) for their eventual fixing in an operative or use position and their subsequent separation from one another. 5
2. Unisex underwear according to claim 1, **characterized in that** the front part (2) generally has a T-shaped configuration, the coupling means (21) being arranged in correspondence with the ends of its wings. 10
3. Unisex underwear according to claim 2, **characterized in that** the rear part (1) can have different configurations, the coupling means (11) being arranged in correspondence with its sides or with its upper end and in correspondence with its lower end. 15
2. Sous-vêtement unisexe; **caractérisé en ce que** la pièce avant (2) présente une configuration générale sous forme de « T », les moyens d'accouplement (21) se trouvant disposés en correspondance avec les extrémités de ses ailes. 20
3. Sous-vêtement unisexe; **caractérisé en ce que** la pièce arrière (1) peut présenter différentes configurations, les moyens d'accouplement (11) se trouvant disposés en correspondance avec ses côtés ou avec son extrémité supérieure et en correspondance avec son extrémité inférieure. 25

Patentansprüche

1. Unisex Unterwäsche, wobei dieses Kleidungsstück von der Art eines Tangas ist; **dadurch gekennzeichnet**, das sie zumindest zwei unabhängige Stücke umfasst, ein hinteres (1) und ein weiteres vorderes (2), die ergänzende Kopplungsmittel (11, 21) für ihre eventuelle Befestigung in einer Funktions- oder Gebrauchsstellung und ihre anschließende Trennung eingliedern. 30
2. Unisex Unterwäsche; **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das Vorderstück (2) eine allgemeine "T"-förmige Ausgestaltung aufweist, wobei die Kopplungsmittel (21) in Übereinstimmung mit den Enden seiner Flügel angeordnet sind. 35
3. Unisex Unterwäsche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das Hinterstück (1) verschiedene Ausgestaltungen aufweisen kann, wobei die Kopplungsmittel (11) in Übereinstimmung mit seinen Seiten oder seinem oberen Ende und in Übereinstimmung mit seinem unteren Ende angeordnet sind. 40

Revendications

1. Sous-vêtement unisexe, ledit sous-vêtement étant de type string ; **caractérisé en ce qu'il** comprend au moins deux pièces indépendantes, une arrière (1) et une autre avant (2) qui incorporent des moyens 55

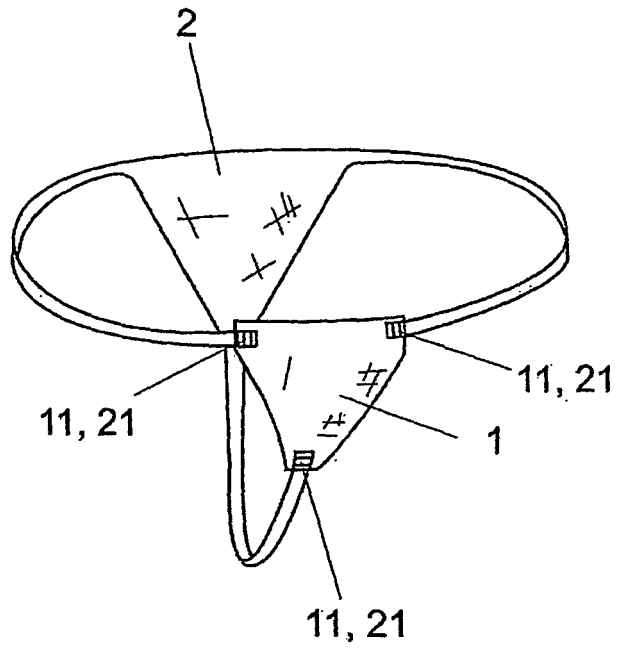


Fig. 1

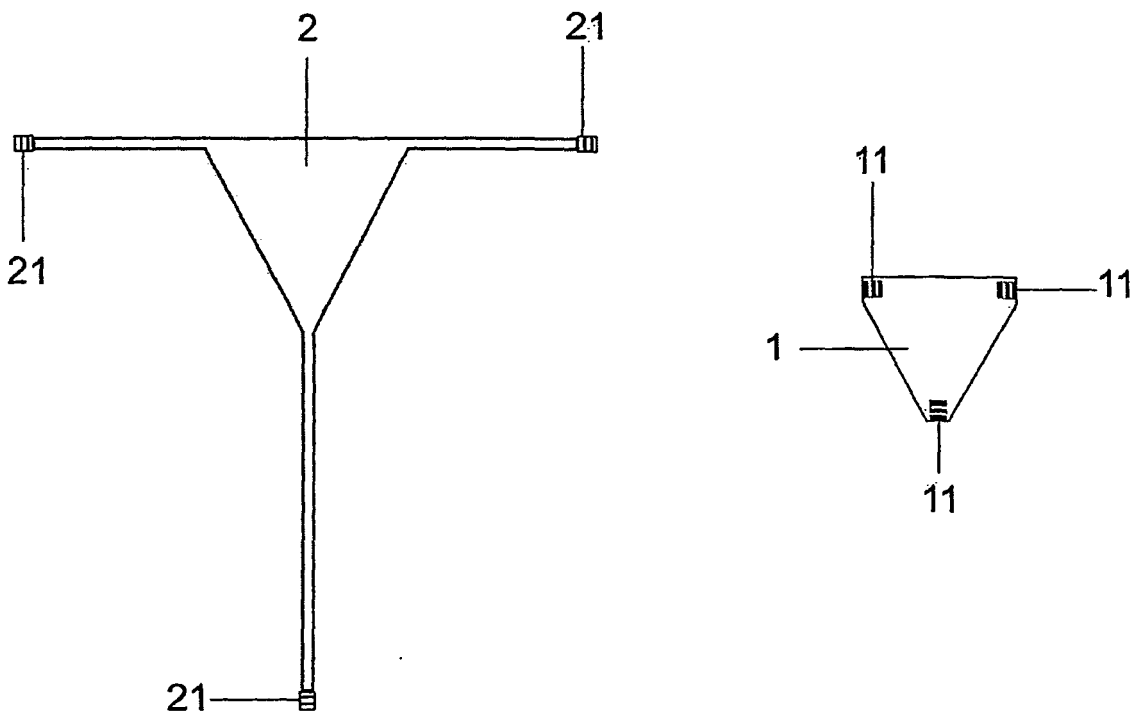


Fig. 2

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