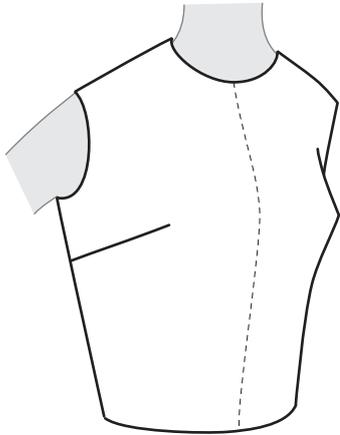


Shifting 2 darts into the side seam



On a bodice front cut at the waist, draw a line from point PP to seam line at desired height.

Cut along this line.

Close the bodice dart.

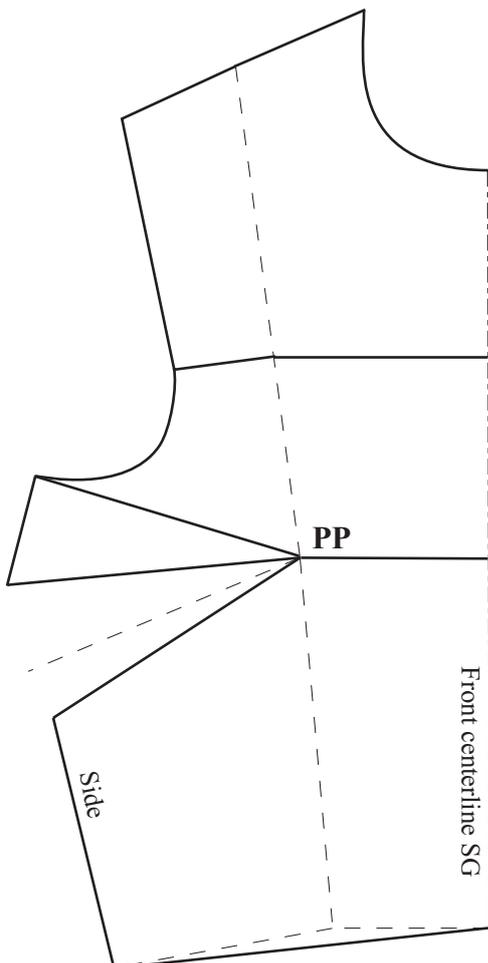
The bodice dart has now been shifted into the side seam.

Close bust line dart.

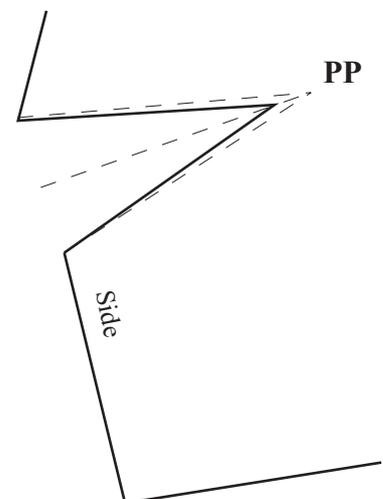
The bust line has also been shifted into the side seam.

Draw new waistline with a straight line joining side seam to center front line.

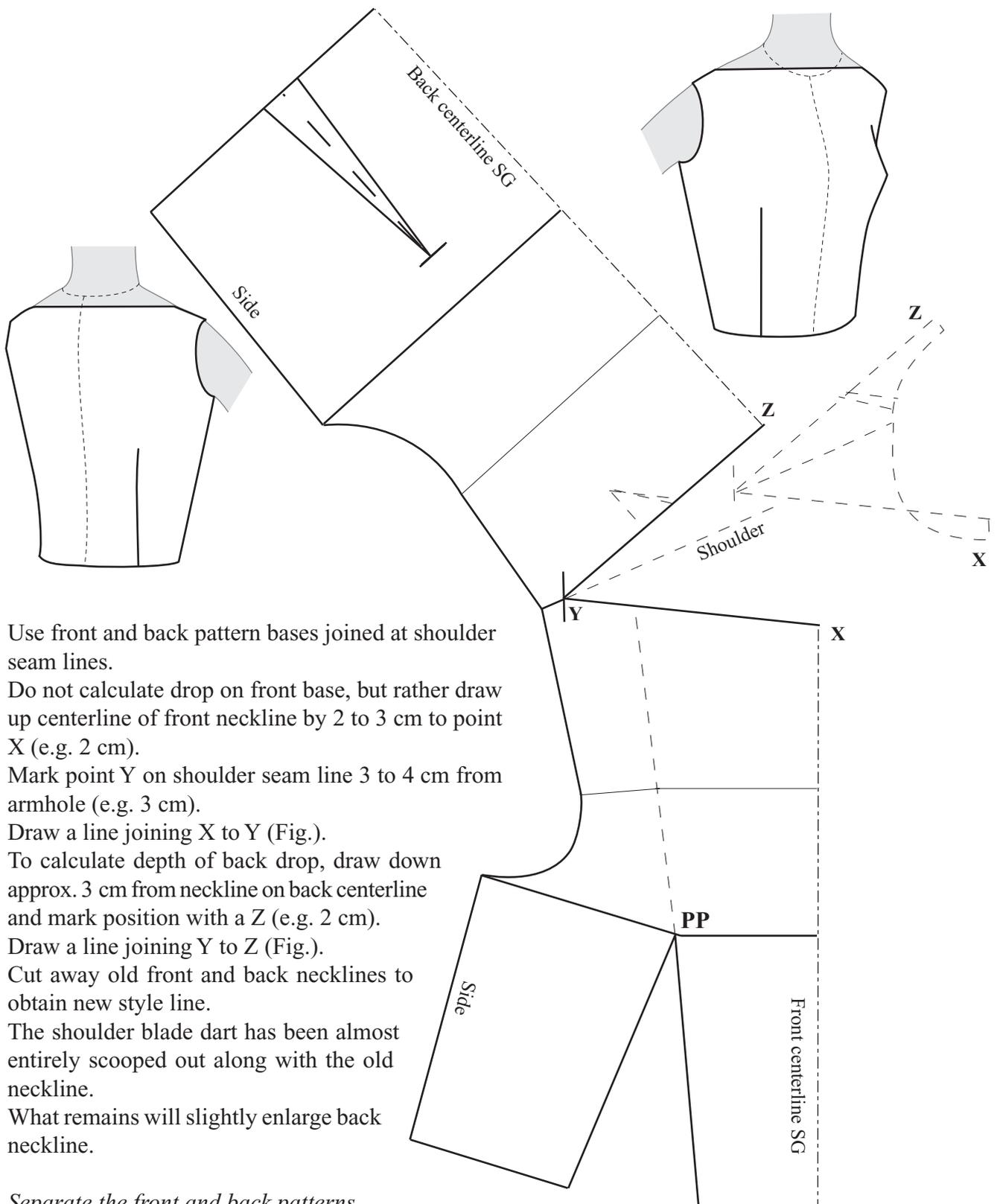
The dart can be shortened to make it less visible.



In order to make a dart shallower, draw in 2 to 4 cm along dart centerline from point PP towards interior of pattern. Redesign dart from this new point (see diagram).



Italian style neckline



Use front and back pattern bases joined at shoulder seam lines.

Do not calculate drop on front base, but rather draw up centerline of front neckline by 2 to 3 cm to point X (e.g. 2 cm).

Mark point Y on shoulder seam line 3 to 4 cm from armhole (e.g. 3 cm).

Draw a line joining X to Y (Fig.).

To calculate depth of back drop, draw down approx. 3 cm from neckline on back centerline and mark position with a Z (e.g. 2 cm).

Draw a line joining Y to Z (Fig.).

Cut away old front and back necklines to obtain new style line.

The shoulder blade dart has been almost entirely scooped out along with the old neckline.

What remains will slightly enlarge back neckline.

Separate the front and back patterns.