
Front



Underskirt front



Back



Underskirt back

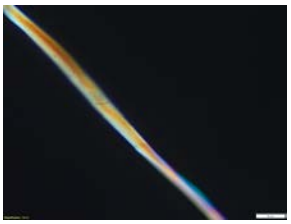
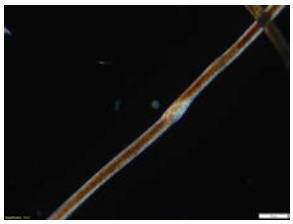
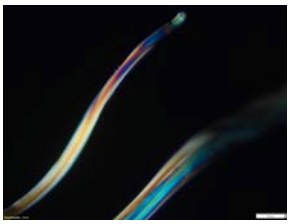
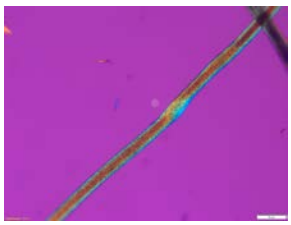


Description & construction:

2-piece dress in pale pink with off-white sheer net overlay. Bodice is lightly boned/lined. Sleeveless over-bodice is separate from the main body of the dress, in off-white bobbinet with scalloped hem, bustline, and armscyes. Bodice attaches to the main dress with a snap-button fastener CB. Dress has a petticoat in pale pink with one layer of tulle beneath the skirt. Scalloped hems are all trimmed with ½" Leavers lace. The entire dress is decorated with floral-patterned filet lace with silver soutache accents.

Measurements:
13.5" across bodice waistline
12" across underskirt/dress waistline
14.25" bodice bust to hem
48" L neckline to hem in front
52" L from neckline to hem in back
8.25" L x 1.75" W bow

Material identification via polarized light microscopy.

bodice - *silk*	embroidery floss - *raw silk*	overlay - *nylon with delustrant*	petticoat - *silk*
			
400x magnification / crossed polarized light	400x magnification / crossed polarized light	 400x magnification	200x magnification

Overall Condition: Fair-good. Some minor issues– multiple areas present on the top and skirt where metal strips are becoming unwound from the embroidered cord. Weakened stitches/slight separation at PR shoulder and snap closures, as well as zipper fabric on underslip bodice, wrinkled and compressed areas on skirt and bow areas, likely from hanging/tight storage. Some potential discoloration on areas of white embroidery floss from dust/dirt.

Condition Photography Log:

Photograph	Condition Issue
	Weakened stitching
	Discoloration and fraying of embroidery floss

	
	Unraveling of metallic thread and separation at PR shoulder.

	Unraveling metal threads

Necessary Treatment:
Vacuuming could aid in improving the appearance of discolored threads. Some changes in storage might be beneficial to prevent further discoloration and snagging of metal wrappings. Nylon net underlays at areas of strain (shoulders) may be useful to stabilize the garment for mounting. The dress could benefit from flat storage to prevent further strain and general wrinkling/compression.

Additional Notes:
None