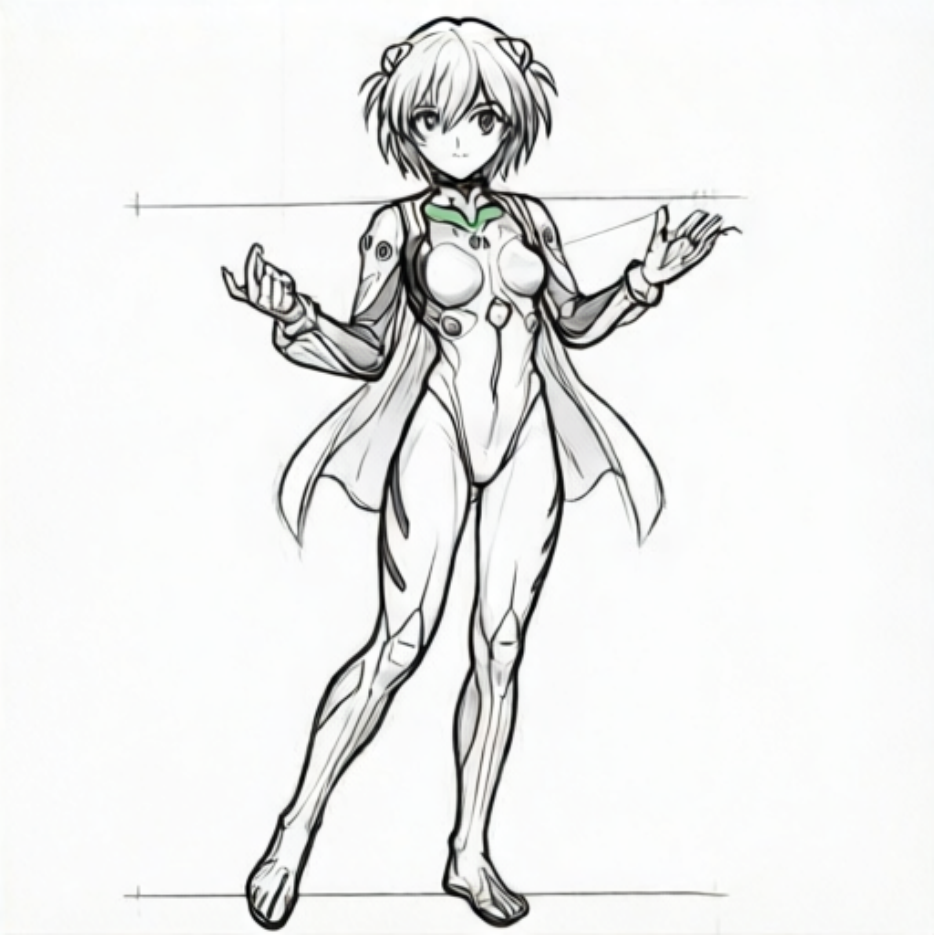
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Prompt: A standing anime character shifts weight onto the left leg, with the right arm raised. The head height is measured as 3 cm on the paper. Using a hypothetical six-head-height ratio, place the chest, pelvis, knees, and feet, and describe the gesture line.

Answer: Gesture line: a gentle curve from the top of the head, through the chest and pelvis, ending at the left foot. Head unit = 3 cm. Total body height = 6 units = 18 cm. Chest at about 1.5 units below the head top (4.5 cm from top). Pelvis at about 2.5 units below the head top (7.5 cm). Knees at about 4.5 units below the head top (13.5 cm). Feet at 6 units (18 cm). Shift the pelvis slightly toward the left foot and bend the right knee more. The raised right arm is blocked as two segments from the shoulder, with the hand near head height. Check: left leg supports weight, right leg relaxes, and all placements use the same 3 cm head unit.