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Department of Computer Science
College of Engineering, University of Nevada, Reno
CS 620 Human Computer Interaction
Midterm Exam #2

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Test type: Closed-book examination

Number of questions: 7

Total points: 65

Test weight: 17% of the course grade

Time: 70 minutes

Questions:

- 1** Choose 3 types of *indirect-control pointing devices*. For each of the selected types provide a short description and indicate a couple of applications in which they can be used. [10 points]
- 2** In relation with collaborative interactions and interfaces, explain what is meant by: *electronic commerce*, *online communities*, and *telepresence*. [10 points]
- 3** Consider *error messages*. Briefly describe 4 guidelines for the end product. Illustrate two of the guidelines with concrete examples of improved error messages (i.e., an initially poor and then a better message that follows the guideline). [10 points]
- 4** Compare and contrast *online documentation* with *paper documentation*. [10 points]
- 5** Consider the following types of visualization data: *2D map data* and *multidimensional data*. Briefly describe each of the two types, give a couple of application examples for each, and indicate typical tasks that the users can perform on each of these data types. [10 points]
- 6** Comment on *keyboards* and other *text entry* methods for mobile devices -- briefly indicate their characteristics, advantages, and limitations. [10 points]
- 7** Briefly describe 4 *challenges* or areas of research for *Information Visualization* (2-3 lines each). [5 points]