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**Question Paper Code: U7D02**

B.E./B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOV 2025

Seventh Semester

21UCB702- USABILITY DESIGN OF SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS

Computer Science and Business systems

(Regulations 2021)

Duration: Three hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

Answer ALL Questions

PART A - (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

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| 1. What is User Centred Design?         | CO1- U |
| 2. Define ergonomics in product design. | CO1-U  |
| 3. Define heuristic evaluation.         | CO1-U  |
| 4. What are usability heuristics?       | CO1-U  |
| 5. What is Discovery phase?             | CO1-U  |
| 6. Define Design Prototype.             | CO1-U  |
| 7. Define contextual enquiry.           | CO1-U  |
| 8. What is user environment in UX?      | CO1-U  |
| 9. Define persona in UX.                | CO1-U  |
| 10. Define one paper prototyping tool.  | CO1-U  |

PART – B (5 x 16= 80 Marks)

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| 11. (a) Explain the importance of usability in software applications and describe how it differs from basic functionality. | CO1- U | (16) |
| Or   |        |      |
| (b) Define user-centered design and illustrate its role in creating effective software solutions.                          | CO1- U | (16) |
| 12. (a) Explain the key stages of the usability design process and how they support user-centered development.             | CO1- U | (16) |
| Or   |        |      |
| (b) Describe the importance of requirement gathering in usability design and its effect on the final product.              | CO1- U | (16) |

13. (a) Explain the fundamental principles of user interface design and their importance in creating usable systems. CO1- U (16)
- Or
- (b) Describe the role of consistency in user interface design with suitable software examples. CO1- U (16)
14. (a) Analyse the advantages and limitations of laboratory testing compared to field testing in usability evaluation. CO3- Ana (16)
- Or
- (b) Compare expert-based evaluation methods and user-based evaluation methods with citing appropriate cases. CO3- Ana (16)
15. (a) Explain the main objectives of usability testing and why it is essential for product success. CO1- U (16)
- Or
- (b) Describe different types of usability testing such as remote, in-person, and A/B testing. CO1- U (16)