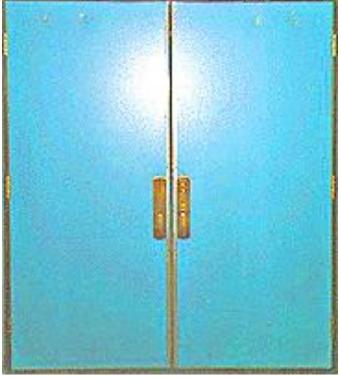
HCIL Assignment 1

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Bad Design

Description **Image** 1. Which number is it? Suppose you are a new student at the university. You need to find your student ID number. You Université d' Ottawa cannot remember it, so you look at your ID Card. University of Ottawa Université d' Ottawa There are 3 numbers. None of the numbers are University of Ottawa labeled. Which is the student number? Université d' Ottawa University of Ottawa Université d' Ottawa 33880 University of Ottawa 200207 2. Doors without windows Here is another example of doors without windows. This picture shows a set of doors in the hallway of a university building. Imagine reaching to pull open



these doors just when someone on the other side is pushing them open.

3. Wet Sink



After the sink is used a few times, the top of the counter becomes covered with water. (See the arrow.) The problem is that as one adjusts the faucets with wet hands, water drops down onto the counter and accumulates there.

4. Don't go to the right?



Does this sign mean "Don't go to the right" or "Go to the right, not the left"?

If the two symbols "do not" and "to the right" are seen as a unit, they might mean "don't go to the right". Alternatively, if they are seen as separate, they might mean "don't go to the left, go to the right".

5. Stove top controls



This is the obligatory stove top control example that probably appears in every book on human factors design to illustrate bad design. The problem is that it is difficult to tell which control goes with which burner.