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# **Human Computer Interaction**

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**Aim:** To understand the trouble of interacting with machines - Redesign interfaces of home appliances like microwave oven, land-line phone, fully automatic washing machine.

- Objective 1: To understand the importance of human psychology in designing good interfaces.
- Objective 2: To encourage students to indulge into research in Machine Interface Design.
- Outcomes -
  - The end user will be able to apply HMI in their day to day activities.
  - The end user will be able to analyze the local and global impact of computing on individuals, organizations, and society.

**Theory:** Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) focuses on designing user-friendly systems by understanding how people interact with technology. A poor interface leads to user confusion, frustration, and errors. Good design considers:

- Human psychology
- User needs
- Ergonomics
- Usability principles

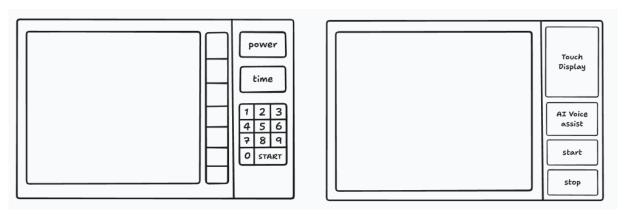
PACT-P Framework is used to evaluate and redesign interfaces:

- People Who uses the system? Age, ability, background.
- Activities What tasks are performed?
- Context Where and under what conditions is it used?
- Technology What interface mechanisms are involved?
- Process How to improve or test the design.

#### **Demo screens:**

Appliance 1: Microwave Oven
 Existing Interface (Before)

Redesigned Interface (After)



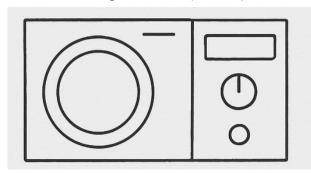
Appliance 2: Landline Phone
 Existing Interface (Before)



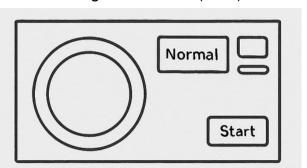
Redesigned Interface (After)

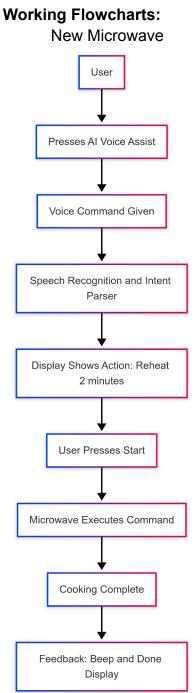


Appliance 3: Washing Machine Existing Interface (Before)



# Redesigned Interface (After)

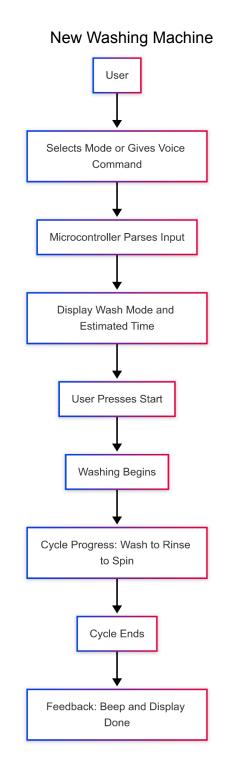




# New Landline Phone User Presses Number Keys Phone Interface Receives Input Microcontroller Processes Dialing Call Connects User Talks Audio Sent and Received Call Ends

Feedback: End Tone and

Display Updated



#### Observation:

- 1. Microwave Oven
  - Before Redesign:
    - Interface cluttered with too many unlabeled or confusing buttons.
    - No clear guidance for basic tasks like reheating or defrosting.
    - o Small screen and poor feedback system.
    - Accessibility was low for elderly or tech-challenged users.
  - After Redesign:
    - o Simplified with only three buttons: Al Voice Assist, Start, and Stop.
    - Users can give natural language commands (e.g., "Reheat for 2 minutes").
    - Clear display for command confirmation and cooking progress.
    - High accessibility and ease of use for all age groups.

#### Landline Phone

- Before Redesign:
  - o Small physical keypad with no display made dialing and accessing features difficult.
  - o No caller ID or visual feedback.
  - Complex steps for common actions like redialing or accessing voicemail.
- After Redesign:
  - o Larger buttons and integrated screen improve usability and feedback.
  - Features like caller ID, call history, and speed dial simplify usage.
  - o Interface supports quick, error-free calling, especially for elderly users.

# 3. Washing Machine

- Before Redesign:
  - o Overwhelming number of options with unlabeled icons.
  - No real-time feedback or cycle progress shown.
  - Users are often confused between similar-sounding wash modes.
- After Redesign:
  - o Simplified mode selection (e.g., Quick Wash, Regular, Delicates).
  - Voice command support optional for tech-savvy users.
  - Real-time display of remaining time and current stage (e.g., "Rinsing...").
  - o Improved clarity and task efficiency with better visual and audible feedback.

# Overall Observation:

# Before redesign:

- Users were confused by too many buttons and unclear icons.
- Time settings required too many steps.
- Elderly users found the interface difficult to use.

# After redesign:

- Users were able to complete tasks faster.
- Interface was easier to understand for all age groups.
- Reduced chances of errors.

**Conclusion:** This experiment helped us understand the importance of user-centered design. By analyzing interfaces using the PACT-P framework, we were able to redesign a more intuitive and efficient interface for a home appliance. This shows how HCl principles improve real-world usability and enhance user satisfaction.

**Aim:** To design and implement a calculator using both User-Centric and System-Centric approaches using the tkinter library in Python, and to observe the differences in usability, design principles, and user interaction.

# Theory:

- **Human-Computer Interaction (HCI):** HCI is the study and design of how users interact with computers and how to make this interaction effective, efficient, and satisfying.
- **User-Centric Design:** This approach focuses on the needs, preferences, and limitations of the end-user at every stage of the design process.
  - o In this experiment:
    - For ages 10-20: A fun, colorful, basic calculator is shown to engage young users with simple functionality.
    - For age >20: A professional, clean calculator interface is shown for adults who prefer usability over visuals.
- **System-Centric Design:** This approach focuses on the system's functionality, optimization, and performance rather than the user's specific preferences.
  - o In this experiment:
    - A **scientific calculator** is presented with optimized and advanced features like:
      - Logarithmic functions
      - Trigonometric operations
      - Exponentials, square roots, etc.
- Differences between User-Centric and System-Centric Design:

Feature	User-Centric	System-Centric	
Focus	End-user needs and experience	System capabilities and efficiency	
Flexibility	Adapts based on user characteristics	Same for all users	
Example in this lab	Age-based interface	Advanced calculator with fixed UI	
Complexity	Simplified and customized	Comprehensive and feature-rich	

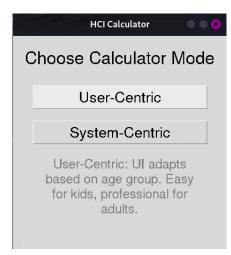
## Code:

```
self.info_label = tk.Label(self.root, text="Choose Calculator Mode",
font=("Arial", 24))
             self.info label.pack(pady=20)
             self.user_btn = tk.Button(self.root, text="User-Centric", width=20,
command=self.user mode, font=("Arial", 20))
             self.user_btn.pack(pady=10)
             self.system_btn = tk.Button(self.root, text="System-Centric", width=20,
command=self.system mode, font=("Arial", 20))
             self.system_btn.pack(pady=10)
             self.hover_label = tk.Label(self.root, text="", wraplength=300,
fg="gray", font=("Arial", 18))
             self.hover label.pack(pady=10)
             self.user btn.bind("<Enter>", lambda e: self.hover label.config(
                 text="User-Centric: UI adapts based on age group. Easy for kids,
professional for adults."))
             self.user btn.bind("<Leave>", lambda e:
self.hover label.config(text=""))
             self.system_btn.bind("<Enter>", lambda e: self.hover_label.config(
                 text="System-Centric: Full scientific calculator with optimized
functionality."))
             self.system_btn.bind("<Leave>", lambda e:
self.hover_label.config(text=""))
         def user mode(self):
             self.clear widgets()
             self.age label = tk.Label(self.root, text="Enter your age:",
font=("Arial", 20))
             self.age label.pack(pady=10)
             self.age entry = tk.Entry(self.root, font=("Arial", 18))
             self.age_entry.pack(pady=5)
             self.submit_btn = tk.Button(self.root, text="Submit",
command=self.choose user ui, font=("Arial", 18))
             self.submit_btn.pack(pady=10)
             self.reset_button()
         def choose user ui(self):
             try:
                 age = int(self.age entry.get())
                 if age <= 20:
                     self.simple calculator(fun ui=True)
                 else:
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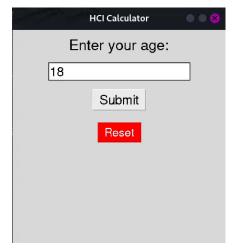
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self.simple calculator(fun ui=False)
             except ValueError:
                 messagebox.showerror("Invalid Input", "Please enter a valid age.")
         def system mode(self):
             self.scientific_calculator()
         def simple calculator(self, fun ui):
             self.clear widgets()
             colors = ["lightblue", "lightgreen", "lightpink", "lightyellow"] if
fun ui else ["white"] * 4
             self.entry = tk.Entry(self.root, width=20, font=("Arial", 18), bd=5)
             self.entry.grid(row=0, column=0, columnspan=4, padx=10, pady=10)
             buttons = [
                 ('7', 1, 0), ('8', 1, 1), ('9', 1, 2), ('+', 1, 3),
                 ('4', 2, 0), ('5', 2, 1), ('6', 2, 2), ('-', 2, 3),
                 ('1', 3, 0), ('2', 3, 1), ('3', 3, 2), ('*', 3, 3),
                 ('0', 4, 0), ('.', 4, 1), ('=', 4, 2), ('/', 4, 3),
             1
             for (text, r, c), color in zip(buttons, colors * 4):
                 tk.Button(self.root, text=text, width=5, height=2, font=("Arial",
14), bg=color,
                            command=lambda t=text: self.on_click(t)).grid(row=r,
column=c)
             self.reset_button(row=5, columnspan=4)
         def scientific calculator(self):
             self.clear widgets()
             self.entry = tk.Entry(self.root, width=25, font=("Arial", 18), bd=5)
             self.entry.grid(row=0, column=0, columnspan=5, padx=10, pady=10)
             buttons = [
                 ('7',1,0), ('8',1,1), ('9',1,2), ('+',1,3), ('log',1,4),
                 ('4',2,0), ('5',2,1), ('6',2,2), ('-',2,3), ('exp',2,4),
                 ('1',3,0), ('2',3,1), ('3',3,2), ('*',3,3), ('sin',3,4),
                 ('0',4,0), ('.',4,1), ('=',4,2), ('/',4,3), ('cos',4,4),
                 ('C',5,0), ('(',5,1), (')',5,2), ('sqrt',5,3), ('tan',5,4)
             ]
             for (text, r, c) in buttons:
                 tk.Button(self.root, text=text, width=5, height=2, font=("Arial",
12),
                            command=lambda t=text: self.on_click(t)).grid(row=r,
column=c)
             self.reset button(row=6, columnspan=5)
```

```
def on click(self, char):
             if char == '=':
                 try:
                     expression = self.entry.get()
                     result = str(eval(expression, {" builtins ": None},
math.__dict__))
                     self.entry.delete(0, tk.END)
                     self.entry.insert(tk.END, result)
                 except Exception as e:
                     messagebox.showerror("Error", f"Invalid Expression\n{e}")
             elif char == 'C':
                 self.entry.delete(0, tk.END)
             else:
                 self.entry.insert(tk.END, char)
         def reset button(self, row=None, columnspan=1):
             btn = tk.Button(self.root, text="Reset", bg="red", fg="white",
font=("Arial", 16), command=self.main menu)
             if row is not None:
                 btn.grid(row=row, column=0, columnspan=columnspan, pady=10)
             else:
                 btn.pack(pady=10)
         def clear widgets(self):
             for widget in self.root.winfo_children():
                 widget.destroy()
     if name == " main ":
         root = tk.Tk()
         app = HCI Calculator(root)
         root.mainloop()
```

# **Demo Screens:**



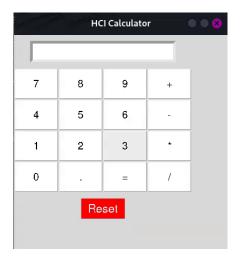
Calculator Mode Selection Screen



Age input screen



Calculator for Ages-10 to 20





Calculator for Age 20+

System-Centric Calculator

# Observation:

- The **User-Centric calculators** adapt based on the user's age, showing that personalization can improve engagement and usability.
- The **System-Centric calculator** focuses on feature completeness, suitable for users who are already familiar with scientific functions.
- The **reset mechanism** enhances the overall user experience by allowing users to easily restart and switch between modes.
- Tooltips provide real-time guidance, improving clarity and decision-making.

**Conclusion:** This experiment demonstrates the practical differences between user-centric and system-centric designs using **tkinter**. User-Centric design improves the interface for different age groups, focusing on accessibility and user engagement, while System-Centric design emphasizes performance and functional depth. Both approaches serve different purposes and, when combined thoughtfully, can create powerful and inclusive software systems.

**Aim:** Implementation of Menus for Graphical System which is to design and implement various types of menus using the Tkinter library to understand menu systems in user interfaces, including Menu Bar, Pull-Down, Cascading, and Pop-up menus.

**Theory:** A menu in a GUI is a list of options or commands presented to the user. Menus help reduce clutter in the interface and offer easy navigation. Tkinter provides multiple menu types to support a modern GUI system:

- 1. Menu Bar A horizontal bar at the top of the window containing drop-down menus like File, Edit, etc.
- 2. Pull-Down Menu Menus that drop down when you click on an item in the menu bar.
- 3. Cascading Menu Submenus that appear when hovering or clicking on a menu option.
- 4. Pop-up Menu Context menus that appear on a right-click anywhere in the application window.
- 5. Sidebar Menu Menus that open on the left or right side of the screen by sliding from left to right or right to left.

Tkinter's Menu widget is used to create all these menu types. Styling can be achieved using color, fonts, and interaction feedback (e.g., active background/foreground). Event binding like <Button-3> is used to trigger pop-up menus. Sidebar menus simulate a mobile navigation drawer using frames and button widgets.

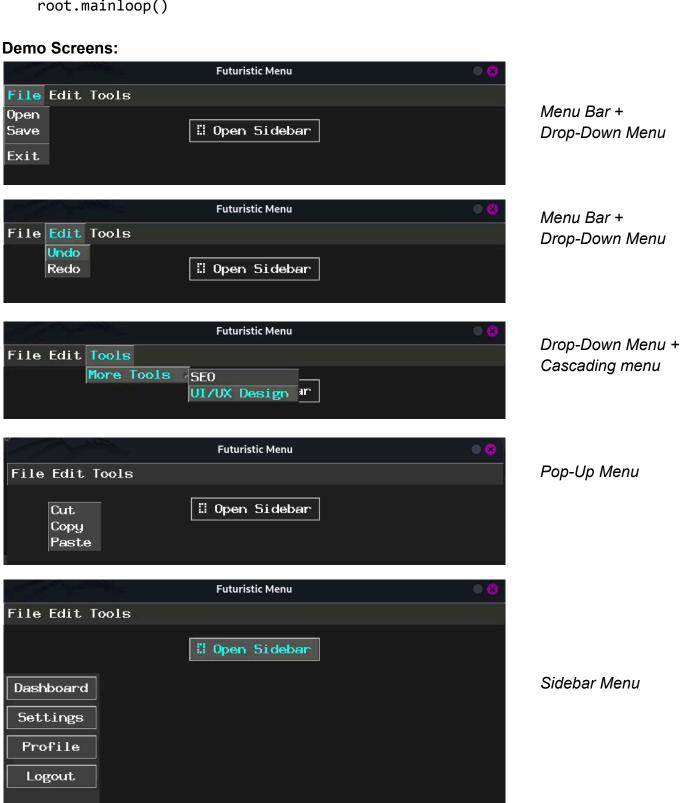
#### Code:

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import Menu
class StylishMenuDemo:
    def init (self, root):
        self.root = root
        self.root.title("Futuristic Menu")
        self.font = ("Roboto", 16, "bold")
        self.root.geometry("800x600+400+50")
        root.resizable(False, False)
        root.configure(bg="#1e1e1e")
        # Menu Bar with Modern Look
        menubar = Menu(root, bg="#333333", fg="white",
activebackground="#555555", activeforeground="cyan")
        root.config(menu=menubar)
        file_menu = Menu(menubar, tearoff=0, bg="#444", fg="white",
activebackground="#555", activeforeground="cyan")
        file_menu.add_command(label="Open", font=self.font)
        file menu.add command(label="Save", font=self.font)
        file_menu.add_separator()
        file menu.add command(label="Exit", command=root.quit, font=self.font)
        menubar.add_cascade(label="File", menu=file_menu, font=self.font)
```

```
edit menu = Menu(menubar, tearoff=0, bg="#444", fg="white",
activebackground="#555", activeforeground="cyan")
       edit_menu.add_command(label="Undo", font=self.font)
       edit_menu.add_command(label="Redo", font=self.font)
       menubar.add cascade(label="Edit", menu=edit menu, font=self.font)
       tools menu = Menu(menubar, tearoff=0, bg="#444", fg="white",
activebackground="#555", activeforeground="cyan")
       more tools menu = Menu(tools menu, tearoff=0, bg="#444", fg="white",
activebackground="#555", activeforeground="cyan")
       more tools menu.add command(label="SEO", font=self.font)
       more_tools_menu.add_command(label="UI/UX Design", font=self.font)
       tools menu.add cascade(label="More Tools", menu=more tools menu,
font=self.font)
       menubar.add cascade(label="Tools", menu=tools menu, font=self.font)
       # Pop-up Menu
       self.popup_menu = Menu(root, tearoff=0, bg="#444", fg="white",
activebackground="#555", activeforeground="cyan")
       self.popup menu.add command(label="Cut", font=self.font)
       self.popup menu.add command(label="Copy", font=self.font)
       self.popup menu.add command(label="Paste", font=self.font)
       root.bind("<Button-3>", self.show_popup)
       # Mobile Sidebar Menu
       self.mobile_menu_frame = tk.Frame(root, bg="#333333", width=180,
height=600)
       self.mobile_menu_frame.pack(side=tk.LEFT, fill=tk.Y)
       self.mobile menu frame.pack forget()
       # Buttons inside Sidebar
       self.create sidebar buttons()
       font=self.font,
                 bg="#222", fg="white", activebackground="#555",
activeforeground="cyan", padx=10, pady=5).pack(pady=20)
    def create_sidebar_buttons(self):
       buttons = ["Dashboard", "Settings", "Profile", "Logout"]
       for text in buttons:
           btn = tk.Button(self.mobile menu frame, text=text, font=self.font,
bg="#444", fg="white",
                           activebackground="#555", activeforeground="cyan",
padx=10, pady=5)
           btn.pack(fill=tk.X, padx=5, pady=5)
   def show_popup(self, event):
       self.popup menu.post(event.x root, event.y root)
```

```
def toggle_mobile_menu(self):
    if self.mobile_menu_frame.winfo_ismapped():
        self.mobile_menu_frame.pack_forget()
    else:
        self.mobile_menu_frame.pack(side=tk.LEFT, fill=tk.Y)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    root = tk.Tk()
    app = StylishMenuDemo(root)
    root.mainloop()
```



### **Observations:**

Menu Type	Implemented	Description
Menu Bar	<b>V</b>	Contains File, Edit, and Tools menus.
Pull-Down Menu	<b>V</b>	"File" and "Edit" menus drop down when clicked.
Cascading Menu	<b>V</b>	"More Tools" inside the "Tools" menu is a cascading submenu.
Pop-up Menu	<b>V</b>	Right-click shows a context menu with Cut, Copy, and Paste.
Sidebar Menu	<b>V</b>	A mobile-style navigation menu appears when " <b>≡</b> Open Sidebar" is clicked.

All menus are styled with modern themes using dark colors and vibrant highlights to enhance visibility and interaction experience.

**Conclusion:** The experiment successfully demonstrated various types of menus using the Tkinter library. By implementing a stylish menu system, the interface not only becomes user-friendly but also more engaging and intuitive. This activity helped in understanding the principles of Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) and applying them to create better GUI experiences. Additionally, it encouraged creativity and enhanced programming skills in Python for building interactive applications.

**Aim:** Implementation of Different Kinds of Windows like Primary and Secondary Windows which is to design and implement a primary window and various types of secondary windows using Tkinter, demonstrating the flexibility and structure of graphical user interfaces.

**Theory:** In graphical user interface (GUI) design, windows are the main building blocks for interaction. There are two types:

- 1. **Primary Window:** The main container window in which the application operates.
- 2. **Secondary Windows:** Pop-up or supporting windows that assist or interact with the user in specific tasks.

Types of secondary windows implemented:

- **Dialog Boxes:** Temporary modal windows used for short interactions like confirmation or form input.
- Property Sheets: Windows with input fields to modify settings.
- **Property Inspectors**: Display editable fields of multiple related properties.
- Message Boxes: Predefined pop-up alerts or information messages.
- Palette Windows: Floating tool windows, often with buttons or icons.
- Pop-up Windows: Small temporary windows that display information or options.

In this experiment, each secondary window is managed such that when the primary window closes, all others are closed too. Iconification behavior (minimize all on minimizing primary) is also handled using events like <Unmap> and WM\_DELETE\_WINDOW.

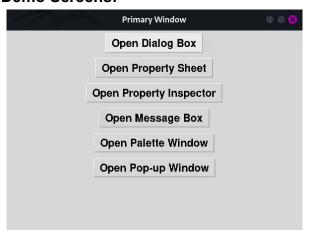
#### Code:

```
import tkinter as tk
from tkinter import messagebox, Toplevel, PhotoImage
class HCIWindows:
    def __init__(self, root):
        self.root = root
        self.root.title("Primary Window")
        self.root.geometry("600x400")
        self.secondary_windows = []
        self.font = ("Helvetica", 16, "bold")
        # Ensure all secondary windows behave with primary
        self.root.protocol("WM DELETE WINDOW", self.on close)
        self.root.bind("<Unmap>", self.on_minimize)
        # Buttons to open different secondary windows
           tk.Button(root, text="Open Dialog Box", command=self.open dialog box,
font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
                              tk.Button(root,
                                                 text="Open
                                                               Property
                                                                           Sheet",
command=self.open_property_sheet, font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
                           tk.Button(root,
                                             text="Open
                                                                       Inspector",
command=self.open property inspector, font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
          tk.Button(root, text="Open Message Box", command=self.open message box,
font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
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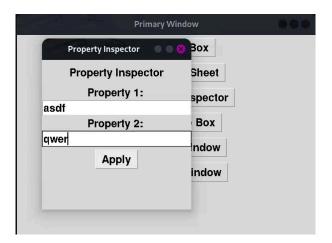
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tk.Button(root,
                                                 text="Open
                                                                          Window",
                                                               Palette
command=self.open_palette_window, font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
                               tk.Button(root,
                                                  text="Open
                                                                Pop-up
                                                                          Window",
command=self.open popup window, font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
    def open_dialog_box(self):
        window = Toplevel(self.root)
        window.title("Dialog Box")
        window.geometry("300x200")
                          tk.Label(window,
                                             text="This
                                                          is
                                                               a
                                                                    Dialog
                                                                             Box",
font=self.font).pack(pady=20)
                         tk.Button(window,
                                                           command=window.destroy,
                                             text="OK",
font=self.font).pack()
        self.track_secondary_window(window)
    def open_property_sheet(self):
        window = Toplevel(self.root)
        window.title("Property Sheet")
        window.geometry("300x250")
                           tk.Label(window, text="Property
                                                                 Sheet
                                                                         Example",
font=self.font).pack(pady=20)
        tk.Entry(window, width=25, font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
                         tk.Button(window,
                                             text="OK",
                                                           command=window.destroy,
font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
                      tk.Button(window,
                                          text="Cancel",
                                                           command=window.destroy,
font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
        self.track secondary window(window)
    def open property inspector(self):
        window = Toplevel(self.root)
        window.title("Property Inspector")
        window.geometry("300x300")
        tk.Label(window, text="Property Inspector", font=self.font).pack(pady=10)
        tk.Label(window, text="Property 1: ", font=self.font).pack()
        tk.Entry(window, width=25, font=self.font).pack()
        tk.Label(window, text="Property 2: ", font=self.font).pack()
        tk.Entry(window, width=25, font=self.font).pack()
                       tk.Button(window, text="Apply",
                                                           command=window.destroy,
font=self.font).pack(pady=5)
        self.track secondary window(window)
    def open message box(self):
        messagebox.showinfo("Message Box", "This is a message box!")
    def open palette window(self):
        window = Toplevel(self.root)
        window.title("Palette Window")
        window.geometry("250x200")
        window.configure(bg="gray")
```

```
icon1 = PhotoImage(file="icons/Default-Icon-icon.png")
        icon2 = PhotoImage(file="icons/Icon-icon.png")
        tk.Label(window, text="Choose an Option:", font=self.font).pack()
               tk.Button(window, text="Option 1", font=self.font, image=icon1,
command=lambda: self.palette_action("Option 1")).pack(pady=5)
               tk.Button(window, text="Option 2", font=self.font, image=icon2,
command=lambda: self.palette_action("Option 2")).pack(pady=5)
        window.icon1 = icon1
        window.icon2 = icon2
        self.track_secondary_window(window)
    def palette_action(self, option):
        messagebox.showinfo("Palette Selection", f"You selected {option}")
    def open_popup_window(self):
        window = Toplevel(self.root)
        window.title("Pop-up Window")
        window.geometry("300x200")
                        tk.Label(window, text="This is a
                                                                 Pop-up
                                                                          Window",
font=self.font).pack(pady=20)
                       tk.Button(window, text="Close", command=window.destroy,
font=self.font).pack()
        self.track_secondary_window(window)
    def track_secondary_window(self, window):
        self.secondary_windows.append(window)
        window.protocol("WM_DELETE_WINDOW", lambda: self.close_window(window))
    def close_window(self, window):
        window.destroy()
        if window in self.secondary_windows:
            self.secondary_windows.remove(window)
    def on minimize(self, event):
        if self.root.state() == "iconic":
            for win in self.secondary_windows:
                win.iconify()
    def on_close(self):
        for win in self.secondary windows:
            win.destroy()
        self.root.destroy()
if __name__ == "__main__":
    root = tk.Tk()
    app = HCIWindows(root)
    root.mainloop()
```

# **Demo Screens:**



Primary Window



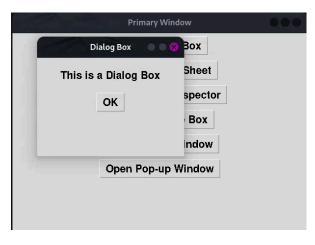
Property Inspector Window



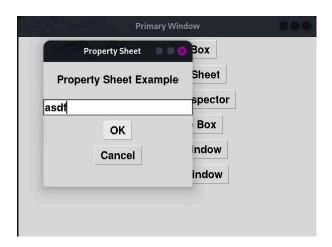
Message Box Window



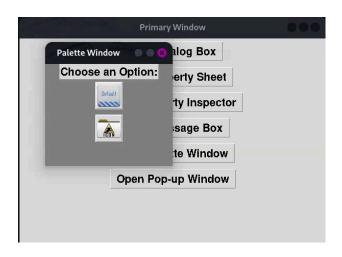
Palette's option 1 pop-up window



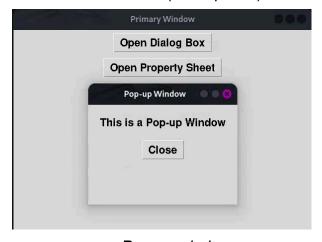
Dialog box window



Property Sheet Window



Palette Window (icon options)



Pop-up window

# **Observation:**

Window Type	Implemented	Description
Primary Window	V	Main application interface with action buttons.
Dialog Box	V	A simple window with a message and OK button.
Property Sheet	V	Contains fields and OK/Cancel buttons.
Property Inspector	V	Displays and allows editing of multiple properties.
Message Box	V	Shows a pop-up info alert.
Palette Window	V	Includes options with icons, mimicking a toolbox.
Pop-up Window	V	Standalone secondary window with a close button.

All windows use a consistent font and styling. Secondary windows are managed properly on close and minimize actions, enhancing the UI behavior and usability.

**Conclusion:** This experiment helped in practically understanding how multiple types of windows can coexist and be managed in a GUI system. It also emphasized interaction design principles, especially the coordination between a primary window and its secondary counterparts. Overall, this activity demonstrated key HCI concepts and how they enhance user experience in real-world applications.