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Kustom Kars: Optimizing for Product Mix and Capacity Investment

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Synopsis

Phil Prutton, the owner of Kustom Kars – a recently started car customization firm in Alberta, Canada – would be in a better financial and operational position if he optimized the car conversion operations at his firm. This demanded two groups of decisions. First, how many custom and deluxe conversions should he carry out in a planning horizon of two weeks? Second, which custom conversion capacity should he invest in to achieve the maximum additional profit – painting, body shop, or inspection? The former entailed crystallizing his thoughts into a product mix problem while the latter presented him in a choice dilemma.

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