## Prince of Songkla University

## Faculty of Engineering

| Midterm Exam Second Semester | Academic Year 2016 |
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| Date 1 March 2016 | Time 9:00-12:00 |
| Course | $225-554$ Automation Manufacturing |

## ทุจริตในการสอบ โทษขั้นต่ำ คือ พักการเรียน 1 ภาคการศึกษา และปรับตกในรายวิชาที่ทุจริต

## Instructions

1. There are a total of 10 questions and 100 points.
2. Answer the questions in an answer book provided.
3. Only dictionaries are allowed.
4. Mass customization becomes a new marketing strategy of today's business. However, not every manufacturer can successfully apply this concept. Discuss why. (10 points)
5. Compare advantages and drawbacks of three production systems namely mass production, batch production and customization. Give also examples and reasons to support your answer. (10 points)
6. In "Earring Magic Ken", what has Mattel done wrong with Ken? (5 points)
7. What really caused business disruption between Ford and Firestone? What should have been done to prevent such losses from happening again in the future? (10 points)
8. In "Vehicle of the Future", what are the concepts of a car of the future? (5 points)
9. Explain what "Wirth Research" has done with Acura to get it on top of Peugeot and Audi. (10 points)
10. Explain how CAE has helped Service Precicad with a new design of an electric utility car. (10 points)
11. What are design objectives of a packaging product? Are they similar or different from other typical products? ( 5 points)
12. Explain how we can come up with a new and more efficient design of a product. You can use a case study of the bottle as an example. (15 points)
13. Use a finite element method to derive a system of equations that will be solved for stress and deformation at $A, B, C$, and $D$, where $B$ is at half way between $A$ and $C$. Substitute given boundary conditions and an external load into the equations. ( 20 points)


| Part | Area of Cross Section <br> $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | Length (cm) | Modulus of Elasticity <br> $\left(\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{m}^{2}\right)$ |
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| Longer Part | 35 | 50 | $65 \times 10^{9}$ |
| Shorter Part | 20 | 30 | $48 \times 10^{9}$ |



