6-3. The right end of a cantilever is subject to a random force $P \sim N(10,1^2)$ kN as shown in the figure. The cantilever has a thickness of 12 mm and *P* acts along the center line of the thickness. The weight of the cantilever is negligible. Determine the distribution of the tensile stress at point *C*.



Solution:

Section Properties

$$I = \frac{1}{12} (0.012)(0.22^3) = 1.06 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^4$$

Tensile Stress at point C

$$S_{C} = \frac{P}{A} + \frac{Mc}{I} = \frac{P}{(0.012)(0.22)} + \frac{P(0.11 - 0.05)(0.11)}{1.0648 \times 10^{-5}} = (998.62)P$$

Since $P \sim N(10, 1^2)$ kN, we have

$$\mu_{s_c} = (998.62) \mu_p = 9.986 \text{ MPa}$$

 $\sigma_{s_c} = (998.62) \sigma_p = 0.999 \text{ MPa}$

Thus, the tensile stress at point C follows a normal distribution of $S_C \sim N(9.986, 0.9989^2)$ MPa .

Ans.