

8-8. The force acting on the beam AB follows a normal distribution $P \sim N(2.6, 0.2^2)$ kip and the modulus of elasticity follows another normal distribution $E \sim N(29 \times 10^3, (2 \times 10^3)^2)$ ksi . Determine the probability of failure of beam BC caused by x - x axis buckling. The supports at A , B and C are pin connected. Assume that E and P are independent. (Ans. $p_f = 1.5571 \times 10^{-5}$)

