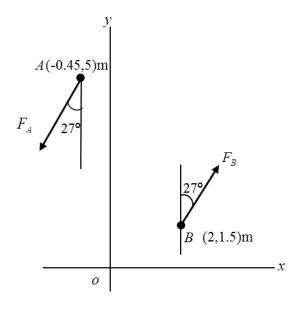
6. The distribution of the force at point B is  $F_B \sim N(4.5, 0.2^2)$  kN, determine the distribution of the couple moment.



## **Solution**

At point A,

$$(+M_C = F_B \cos 27^\circ (2 + 0.45) + F_B \sin 27^\circ (5 - 1.5) = 3.78F_B$$

Given the distribution  $F_{\scriptscriptstyle B} \sim N(4.5, 0.2^2)~{\rm kN}$  , we find  $\mu_{\scriptscriptstyle M_{\scriptscriptstyle C}}$  and  $\sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle M_{\scriptscriptstyle C}}$  as follows:

$$\mu_{M_C} = 3.78 \mu_{F_B} = 3.78(4.5) = 16.97 \text{ kN} \square \text{m}$$

$$\sigma_{M_C} = 3.78 \sigma_{F_B} = 3.78(0.2) = 0.75 \text{ kN} \square \text{m}$$

The distribution of  $M_C$  is  $M_C \sim N(16.97, 0.75^2)$  kN $\square$ m.