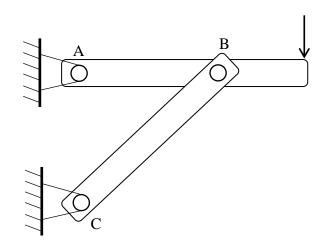
The support bar *BC*, used in a structural system as shown in the figure, is tested in two labs. The probability of yield failure based on the results from lab 1 is  $10^{-3}$ , and the probability of buckling failure estimated by lab 2 is  $10^{-2}$ . If the two failure modes are assumed to be independent, what is the reliability (the probability that the bar does not fail) of the bar?



Solution

The reliability of bar R = 0.9890