

- 5 The Young modulus of the material of a wire is to be found. The Young modulus E is given by the equation below.

$$E = \frac{4Fl}{\pi d^2 x}$$

The wire is extended by a known force and the following measurements are made.

Which measurement has the largest effect on the uncertainty in the value of the calculated Young modulus?

| | measurement | symbol | value |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| A | length of wire before force applied | l | $2.043 \pm 0.002 \text{ m}$ |
| B | diameter of wire | d | $0.54 \pm 0.02 \text{ mm}$ |
| C | force applied | F | $19.62 \pm 0.01 \text{ N}$ |
| D | extension of wire with force applied | x | $5.2 \pm 0.2 \text{ mm}$ |

Space for working