Answer on question #60160, Physics / Mechanics — Relativity

Question A student measures the distance traversed in free fall of a body , initially at rest in a given time. He uses this data to estimate g, the acceleration due to gravity. If the maximum percentage errors in measurement of the distance and the time are e_1 and e_2 respectively, the percentage error in the estimation of g is

- (1) $e_2 e_1$
- (2) $e_1 + 2e_2$
- $(3) e_1 + e_2$
- $(4) e_1 2e_2$

Solution As g is measured in m/s², correct answer is:

(2) $e_1 + 2e_2$.