

One end of a light elastic string of natural length 0.4 m and modulus of elasticity 8 N is attached to a fixed point  $O$  on a smooth horizontal plane. The other end of the string is attached to a particle  $P$  of mass 0.2 kg which moves on the plane in a circular path with centre  $O$ . The speed of  $P$  is  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and the extension of the string is  $x \text{ m}$ .

- (i) Given that  $v = 2.5$ , find  $x$ . [4]

It is given instead that the kinetic energy of  $P$  is twice the elastic potential energy stored in the string.

- (ii) Form two simultaneous equations and hence find  $x$  and  $v$ . [5]