

- 5 A particle  $P$  of mass  $m$  is attached to one end of a light inextensible string of length  $a$ . The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point  $O$ . The particle completes vertical circles with centre  $O$ . The points  $A$  and  $B$  are on the path of  $P$ , both on the same side of the vertical through  $O$ .  $OA$  makes an angle  $\theta$  with the downward vertical through  $O$  and  $OB$  makes an angle  $\theta$  with the upward vertical through  $O$ .

The speed of  $P$  when it is at  $A$  is  $u$  and the speed of  $P$  when it is at  $B$  is  $\sqrt{ag}$ . The tensions in the string at  $A$  and  $B$  are  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  respectively. It is given that  $T_A = 7T_B$ .

Find the value of  $\theta$  and find an expression for  $u$  in terms of  $a$  and  $g$ . [8]

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