

Noting that

$$[z, [H, z]]\psi = z([H, z]\psi) - ([H, z]\psi)z = 0$$

we have

$$zHz = \frac{1}{2}(Hz^2 + z^2H)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}\langle z\hat{H}z \rangle &= \frac{1}{2}\langle \psi_{100} | (\hat{H}z^2 + z^2\hat{H}) | \psi_{100} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\langle \psi_{100} | (E_1z^2 + z^2E_1) | \psi_{100} \rangle \\ &= E_1\langle z^2 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

From problem 4.15

$$E_1\langle z^2 \rangle = E_1a_0^2 \tag{1}$$