

## Worksheet #9

(Monday, January 26, 2026)

Name

**Questions (5 pts):**

As we discussed, the Schroedinger's equation for the 1<sup>st</sup>-order perturbation leads to the following expression:

$$\langle n^{(0)} | H_0 - E_n^{(0)} | n^{(1)} \rangle = \langle n^{(0)} | E_n^{(1)} - H' | n^{(0)} \rangle$$

- (a) Use the properties of the unperturbed Hamiltonian ( $H_0 | n^{(0)} \rangle = E_n^{(0)} | n^{(0)} \rangle$ ) to simplify the left-hand-side of the expression above.

- (b) **If you have time:** Use your result of (a) to find the first-order energy correction  $E_n^{(1)}$ .