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**Wavelength Scaling of High-Harmonic Yield: Threshold Phenomena and Bound State Symmetry Dependence<sup>1</sup>**

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