Dielectric, magnetic, magneto-optical and nonlinear optical properties of ferroelectric ferromagnetic semiconductor BiMnO$_3$ from first-principles calculations

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