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Magnetic, magneto-optical and dielectric properties of ferromagnetic semiconductors $\text{CdCr}_2\text{S}(\text{Se})_4$ from first-principles calculations
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