Spin-dependent transport properties of three-terminal ferromagnetic-semiconductor heterostructures with a GaMnAs quantum well and double barriers: Control of quantum levels and TMR

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