Formation of trains of attosecond pulses via ionization switching of the resonant interaction between XUV radiation and IR-field-dressed atoms

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