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symmetric tensor

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Let V be a vector space over a field. Let S_n be the symmetric group on $\{1, \dots, n\}$. An order- n <http://planetmath.org/TensorProduct> tensor $A \in V^{\otimes n}$ is said to be symmetric if $P(\sigma)A = A$ for all $\sigma \in S_n$, where $P(\sigma)$ is the permutation operator associated to σ . The set of symmetric tensors in $V^{\otimes n}$ is denoted by $S^n(V)$.