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obvious

μ, ν are dummy indices

$$\begin{aligned} a) T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{1}{2} (T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + T_{\nu\mu} F^{\nu\mu}) = \text{use symmetry/antisym.} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + T_{\mu\nu}^{\nu\mu} (-F^{\mu\nu})) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Equivalently, you can just

Say $T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} = T_{\nu\mu} F^{\nu\mu} =$

(dummy) (symmetry)

$$= T_{\mu\nu} (-F^{\mu\nu}) = -T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow T_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} = 0.$$

b) I need to show that

$X^{\nu\mu} = F^{\nu\beta} F_{\beta}^{\mu}$ is symmetric
then I can use a).

$$\begin{aligned}
X^{\mu\nu} &= F^{\mu\rho} F_{\rho}{}^{\nu} = -F^{\rho\mu} F_{\rho}{}^{\nu} = \\
&= -F_{\rho}{}^{\mu} F^{\rho\nu} = -F_{\rho}{}^{\mu} (-F^{\nu\rho}) = \\
&= +F_{\rho}{}^{\mu} F^{\nu\rho} = F^{\nu\rho} F_{\rho}{}^{\mu} = X^{\nu\mu}
\end{aligned}$$

thus: $F_{\mu\nu} X^{\mu\nu} = 0$

c) I need to show that $Y^{\nu\mu} = F^{\nu\rho} F_{\rho\sigma} F^{\sigma\mu}$ is antisymmetric then I can use a).

$$\begin{aligned}
Y^{\mu\nu} &= F^{\mu\rho} F_{\rho\sigma} F^{\sigma\nu} \text{ //dummy indices//} \\
&= F^{\mu\sigma} F_{\sigma\rho} F^{\rho\nu} = F^{\rho\nu} F_{\sigma\rho} F^{\mu\sigma} \\
&= \text{//antisymm.// } (-F^{\nu\rho})(-F_{\rho\sigma})(-F^{\sigma\mu}) \\
&= -F^{\nu\rho} F_{\rho\sigma} F^{\sigma\mu} = -Y^{\nu\mu}
\end{aligned}$$

thus $T_{\mu\nu} Y^{\mu\nu} = 0$.