When no linear conditions (11) are imposed, the $\sigma_{i}$ represent sums of principal minors of the determinant $\left|a_{i j}-\lambda_{k} b_{i j}\right|$.

It is not difficult to write down from considerations of symmetry the corresponding theorem for maxima.

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J. F. Ritt, Permutable rational functions.

Page 399, second line from bottom (footnote), for "exists" read "exist."
Page 402, line 21, for "see the" read "see how the."
Norbert Wiener, Discontinuous boundary conditions and the Dirichlet problem.
Page 313, line 14, the exponent of ( $P Q$ ) should be $2-n$, not $n-2$.
Page 314, line 1, same correction.
Page 314, line 3, for " $c a^{n-2}$ " read " $c a^{2-n}$ ".

