Mathematics 3820H – Mathematics from medieval to modern times

Trent University, Fall 2020

Assignment #6
Something sort of applied ...
Due on Wednesday, 9 December.

Read *A Contribution to the Mathematical Theory of Big Game Hunting* by H. Pétard, which can be found in various formats on the internet, and then answer the following:

1. Find out as much as you can about the author, H. Pétard, and the author's spiritual ancestor, N. Bourbaki. *[5]*

2. Devise an original contribution or three to the mathematical theory of big game hunting. *[5]*

Reference

1. *A Contribution to the Mathematical Theory of Big Game Hunting*, by H. Pétard, *The American Mathematical Monthly*, Vol. 45, No. 7, (Aug.–Sept., 1938), pp. 446-447. A scanned pdf of this publication can be found at:

   `http://math.ucdenver.edu/~wcherowi/mathmajor/archive/catchlion.pdf`

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