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ASSIGNMENT: In not more than 2 pages, do a review of chapter eight of Temidayo D. Oladipo and Noah O. Balogun History and philosophy of science.

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This chapter is titled philosophy of social sciences and applied sciences. It gives a brief history of social science which is the subject of main concern and talks about how social sciences has evolved from the impact of natural sciences to how reasoning was earlier used in judging matters during an earlier period then moving to using religious dictates and moving back to use of reasoning.

This gradually led to the out growing of philosophical approach to issues limiting science use to natural sciences. Until August Comte a French philosopher came and was of the opinion that society can also be studied like object since it behaves in a regular pattern. This led to the beginning of social sciences.

The author enlightened the reader further on social sciences, its objectives and its problems. He talks about the difference between it and other sciences which is that its studies human. Talking on problems, the problem of reasons and causes was examined. The theory of cause and effect was examined as in relation to social sciences in this.

The problem of human being as object of study in social sciences was also examined. The reasons why science methodology is inapplicable were discussed and the case study was economics law of demand and supply. The author ended the chapter by asking a question regarding the relationship between economics and science.

This chapter enlighten the reader on social science relationship with sciences and why scientific method don’t thrive in social sciences.