24.211 Theory of Knowledge

Eighth Assignment

Due Monday November 3, 12 Noon

Required Reading

L. Bonjour, “Can empirical knowledge have a foundation?”

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Feldman, Epistemology, 52-60, 70-78

Question

Under what conditions, according to Bonjour, is a belief epistemically justified?

Bonjour gives an argument in the last paragraph on page 5. (That’s the paragraph beginning “These general remarks...” and ending (on page 6) with “similarly untenable”.) Explain the argument in your own words, being sure to say precisely what the conclusion of the argument is.