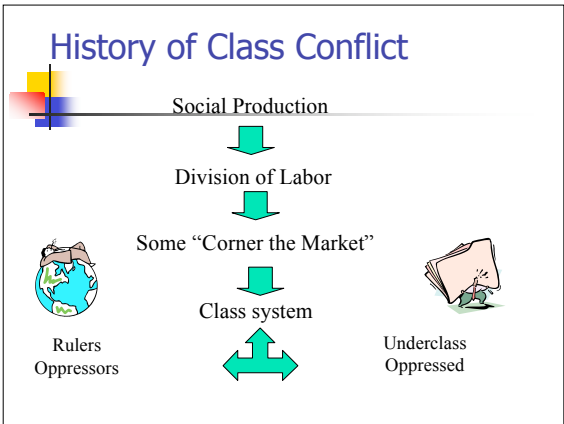


# The Communist Manifesto

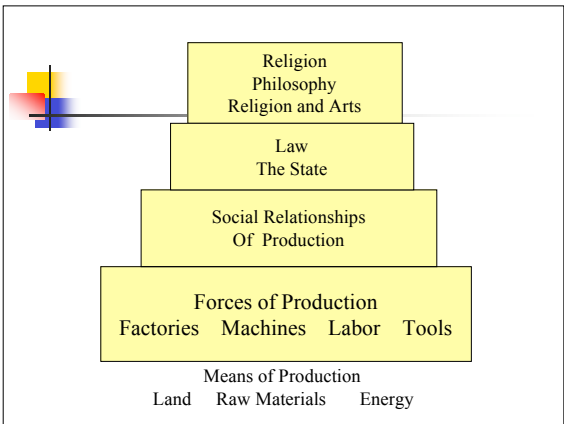
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## "Dialectical Materialism"

- "Dialectical": This denotes that the basis of society is conflict. Marx identified that conflict as class conflict that established by property.
- "Materialism": This denotes that there are no spiritual forces, no divine guidance or intervention.



- ## History of Class Conflict
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|--------------------|-----|--------------------|
| ■ Freeman          |     | ■ Slave            |
| ■ Patrician        |     | ■ Plebeian         |
| ■ Lord             | Vs. | ■ Serf             |
| ■ Guildmaster      |     | ■ Journeyman       |
| ■ Bourgeoisie      |     | ■ Proletariat      |
| ■ <b>Oppressor</b> |     | ■ <b>Oppressed</b> |



## What is the Solution to the Continual Cycle of Class Conflict?

The immediate aim of the Communists is the same as that of all the other proletariat parties: formation of the proletariat into a class, overthrow of the bourgeois supremacy, conquest of political power by the proletariat. [ . . . ]The theory of the Communist may be summed up in the single sentence: Abolition of private property." (qtd. in Knoebel 381)