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A Quick Overview

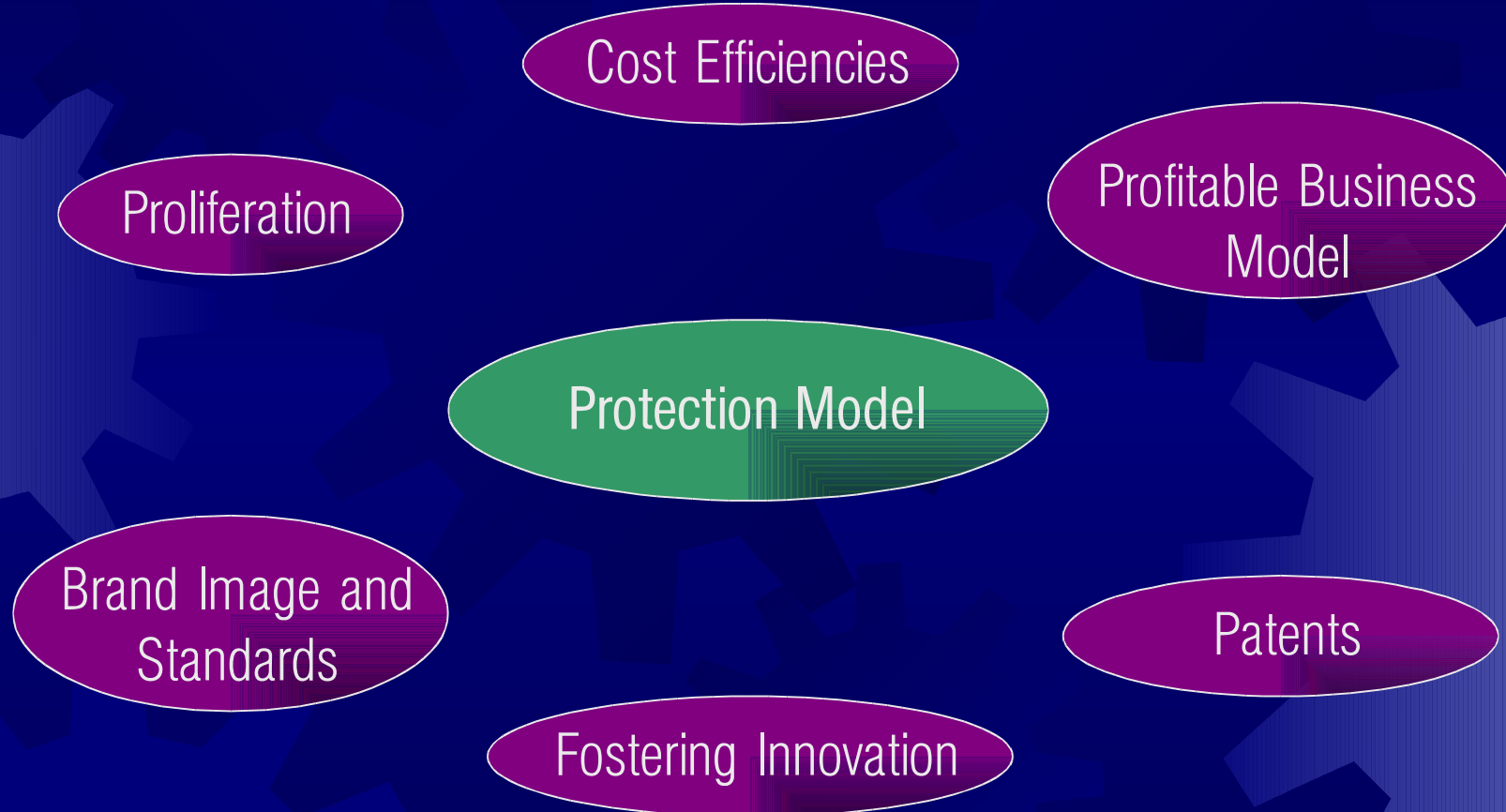


# The Simputer™ Philosophy

*The proliferation of Simputers™ and Simputer™  
derived products with an end to bridging the  
digital divide*



# Choosing the Protection Model





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Cost Efficiencies

Proliferation

Profitable Business  
Model

The LGPL

Brand Image and  
Standards

Patents

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trademark*

**Patents**

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*Contract*

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# Use of the Specifications

## SPECIFICATIONS

Freely available to all from the website or other licensees

Can be used without restriction to build non-commercial Simputers™.

All modifications of the Specifications must, eventually, be returned to the public domain

Distribution and re-distribution of Specifications must take place under LGPL and contain required declarations



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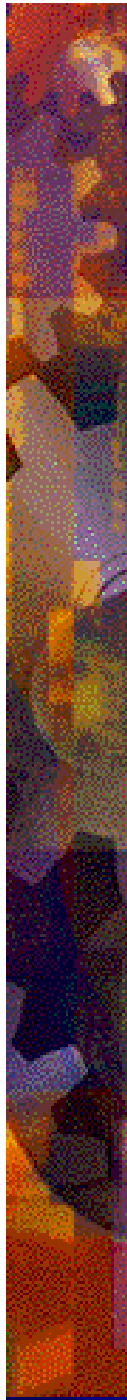
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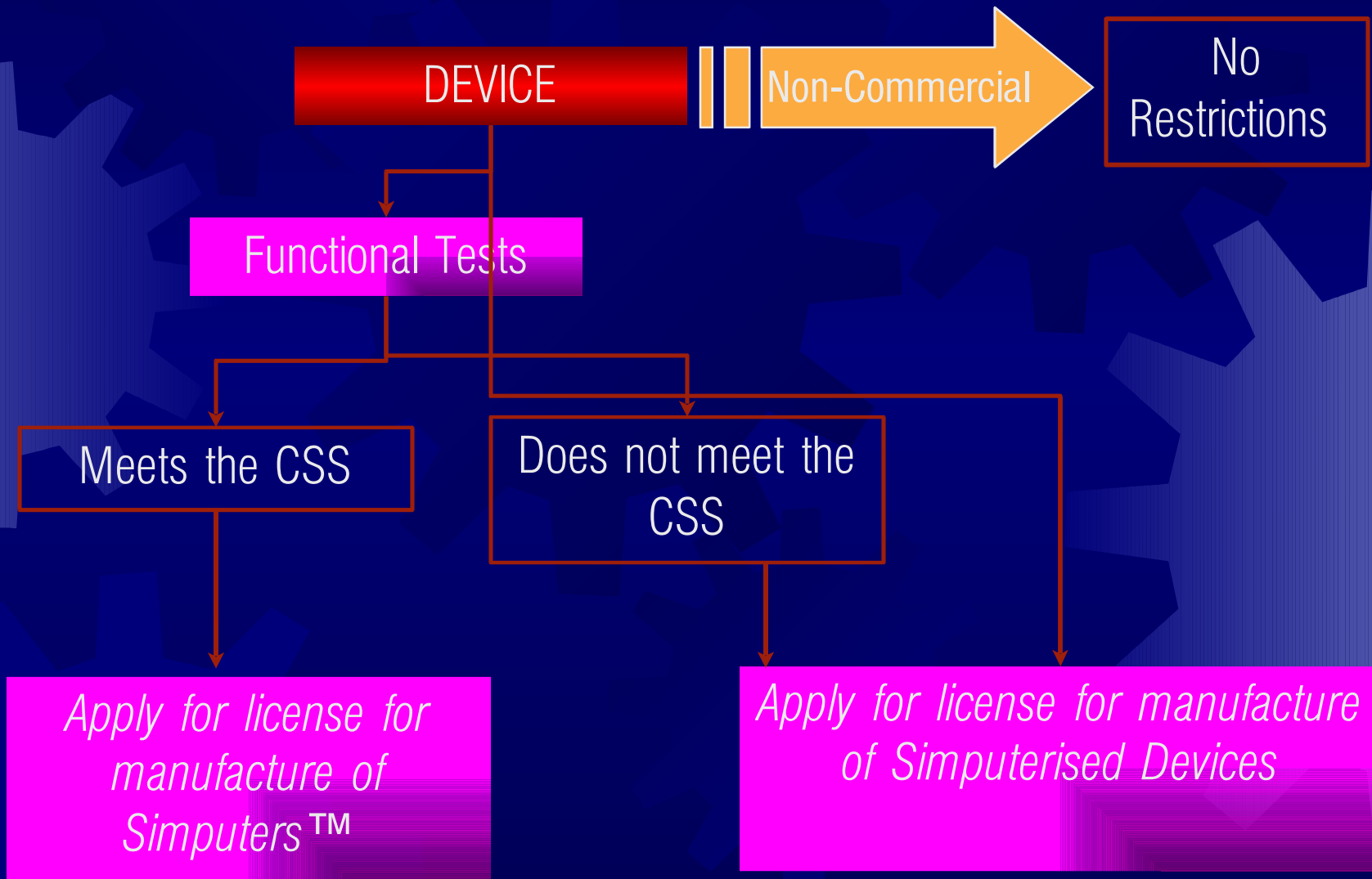
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# Making a Device





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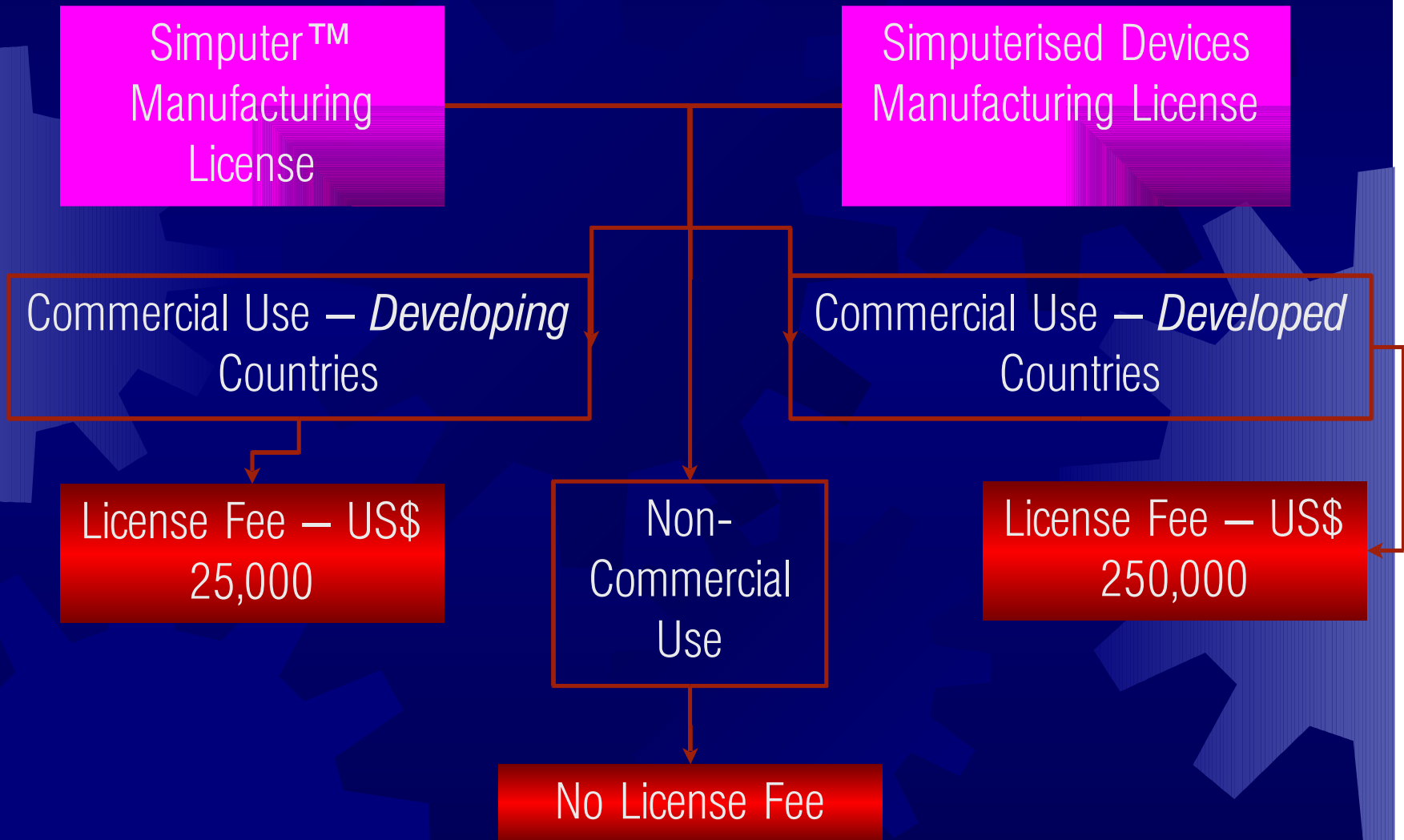
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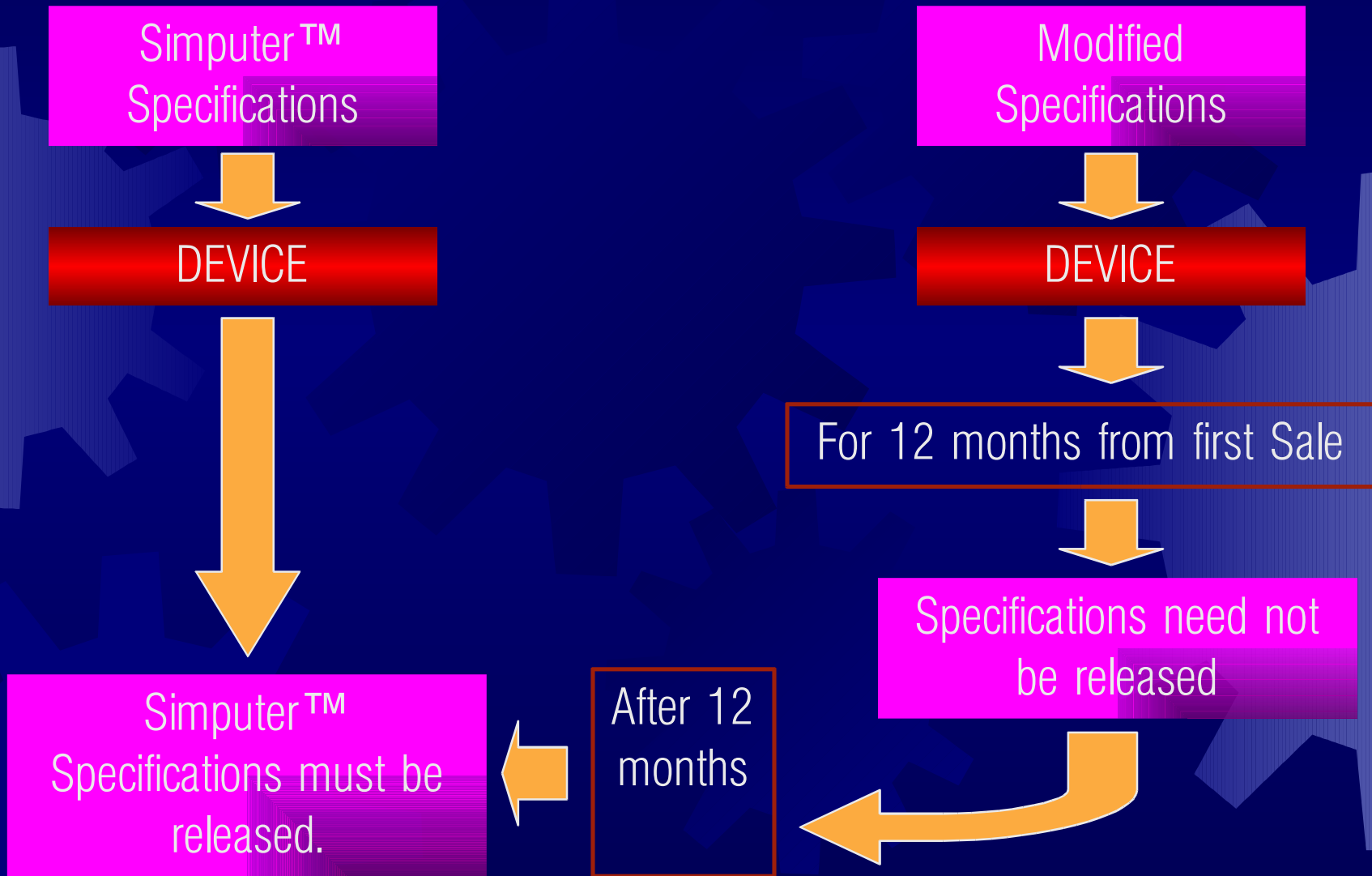
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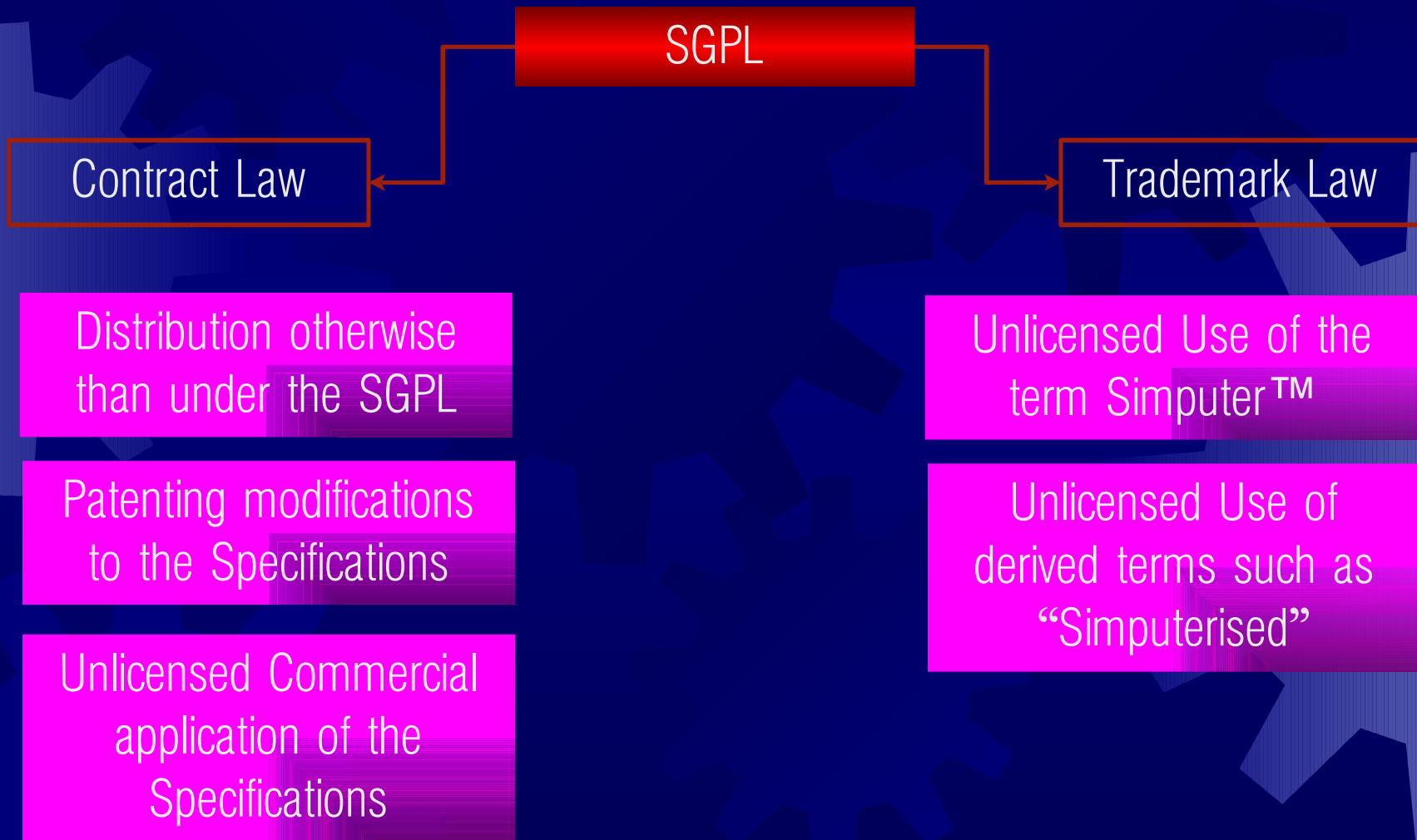


# The Commercial Side...





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