



**Project:**

**Detection of Cosmic-Ray Ensembles**

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# Cosmic Ray Super Pre-Showers

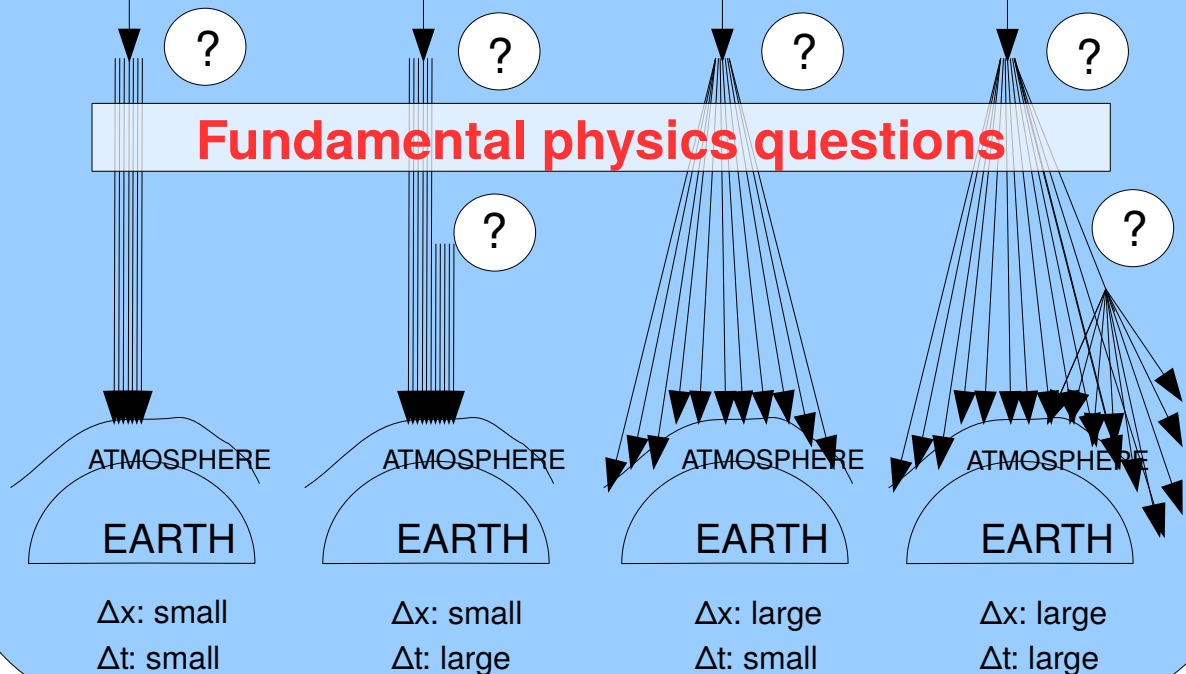
In some astrophysical scenarios, ultra high energy cosmic-ray particle (for example a photon) may interact far from the Earth producing a Super Pre-Shower

Several classes of SPS are possible

SPS were not observed yet, mostly because currently working cosmic-ray observatories are optimized to register only single cosmic-ray showers of very high energy.

## Classes of super-preshowers (SPS)

**A:**  $\gamma_{\text{UHE}}$  (e.g. 1020eV)    **B:**  $\gamma_{\text{UHE}}$  (e.g. 1020eV)    **C:**  $\gamma_{\text{UHE}}$  (e.g. 1020eV)    **D:**  $\gamma_{\text{UHE}}$  (e.g. 1020eV)

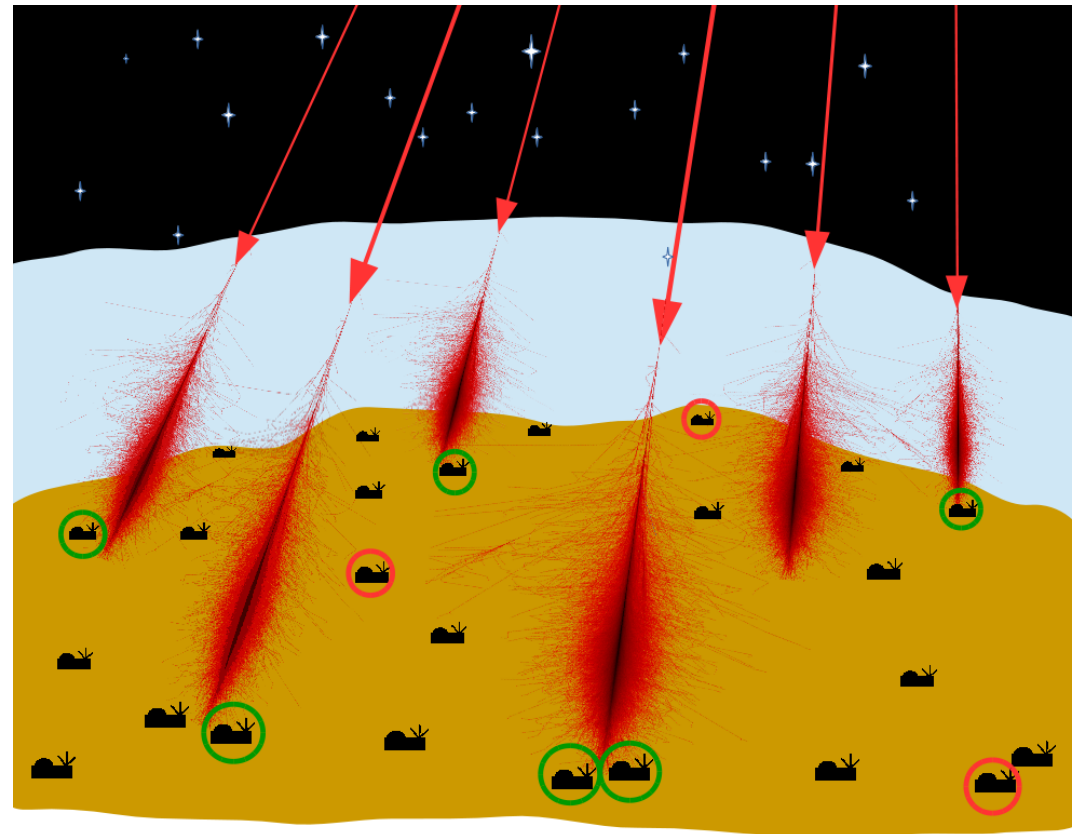





# Cosmic-Ray Extremely Distributed Observatory

Cosmic-Ray Extremely Distributed Observatory is a project intended to search for SPS using detectors spread over large area.

Detection of many signals of cosmic-ray showers correlated in time would be a sign of a SPS

Any detectors, even very simple, may contribute to such a study.



-  detector with signal from a Cosmic Ray Ensemble
-  detector with signal from background
-  detector without signal

# Cosmic-Ray Extremely Distributed Observatory

**Cosmic rays may be detected even using a smartphone with the CREDO application. Data collected this way are stored in a central computer server for further analysis.**



**In this PPSS project simulations of cosmic-ray showers at different energies will be analyzed in order to determine the particle density on the ground. This information is crucial for calculation of efficiency of cosmic-ray shower detection using small and simple detectors.**