

Hall C High Voltage CAEN Test Results

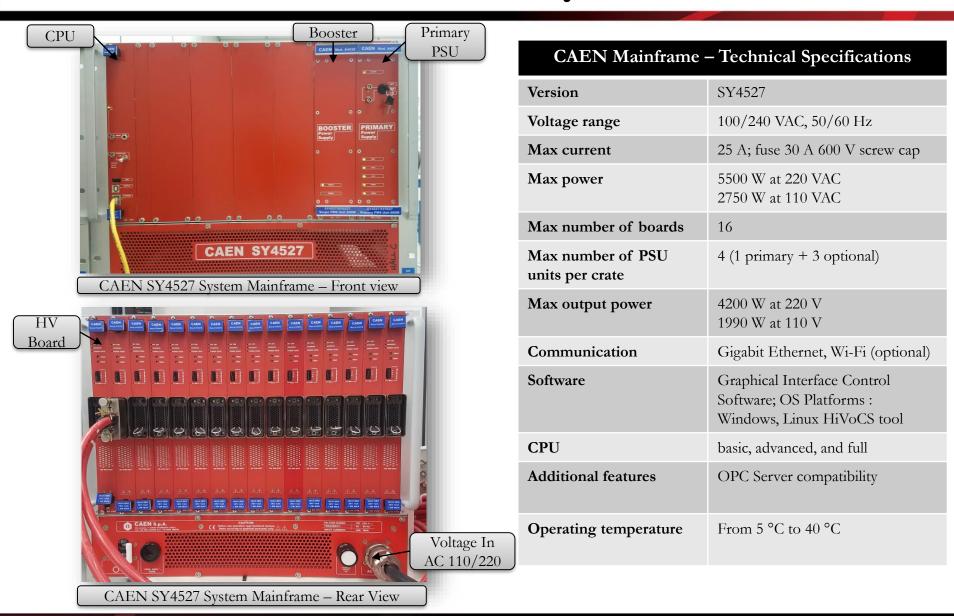
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Hall C CAEN HV Boards – Technical Specifications

System mainframe	Board model	Max voltage [V]	Max current [mA]	Max power [w]	Channels	Hall C system
SY4527	A1535SP/SN	+/- 3500	3	8	24	Hodo/Shower /Heavy Gas/ Noble Gas/ Aerogel
	A7435SN	+ 3500	3.5/0.35	9	24	
	A7030TN	+ 3000	1	1.5	36	

CAEN- A1535

CAEN-A7435

CAEN-A7030TN

HV CAEN EPICS Test Station - Overview

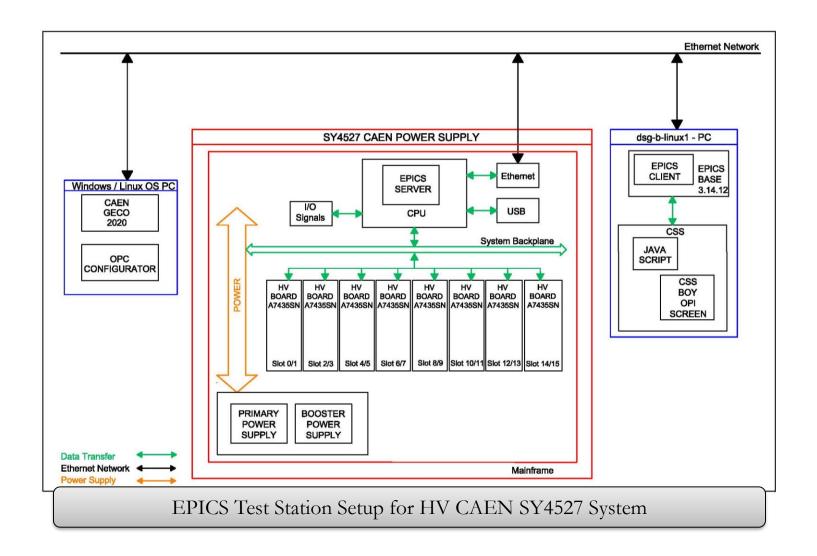
Hardware

- Linux/Windows PC
- CAEN SY4527 Mainframe
 - ✓ SY4527 basic CPU
 - Firmware 2.0.2
 - ✓ Booster A4532 single PWS unit 600 W
 - ✓ Primary PSU A4531- primary PWS unit 600 W
- HV Boards Tested
 - ✓ CAEN-A7434
 - ✓ CAEN-A1535
 - ✓ CAEN-A7030TN firmware 1.05

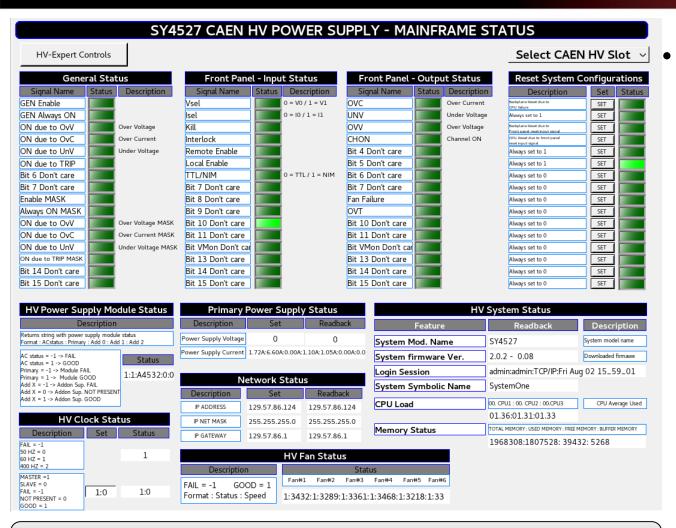
Software

- CAEN GECO2020 Ver. 1.9.0
 - ✓ General control software for CAEN
- EPICS Base Ver. 3.14.12
- CSS Studio Ver. 4.5.0
 - ✓ EPICS-based software to developed GUI
- JAVA Ver. 8
 - ✓ Runs as part of CSS to control multiple channels at same time

HV CAEN EPICS Test Station - Overview







CAEN SY4527 Mainframe Status CSS-BOY screen displays real time data from "hycaentest2" mainframe

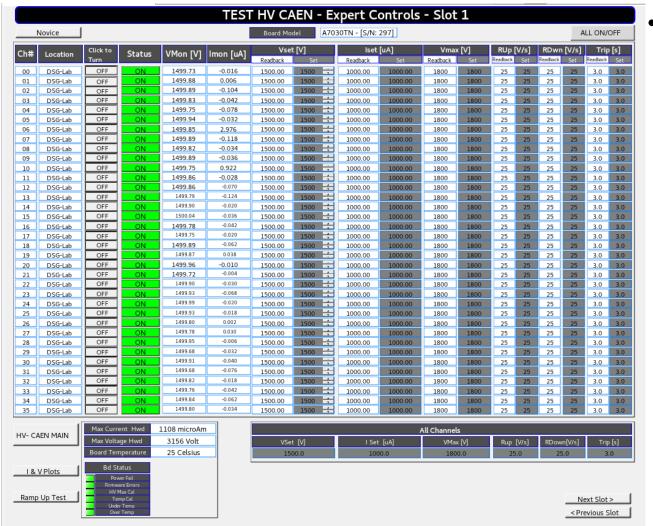
- Mainframe Status
 CSS-BOY screen
 - Allows remote
 controls and
 monitoring of
 CAEN mainframe
 system variables
 - Developed two
 screens, one for each
 system mainframe
 under test

		TEST I	IV CAEN	SLOT 0 -	Novice				
Expert	Expert Control ALL ON/OFF								
Ch#	Description	Pw	VMon	lmon	Status	Vset	lset		
00	CHANNEL00	ON 🏮	10.08 Volt	-0.034 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
01	CHANNEL01	ON 🌘	9.96 Volt	-0.042 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
02	CHANNEL02	ON 🌘	9.86 Volt	-0.136 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
03	CHANNEL03	ON 🌘	9.97 Volt	-0.098 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
04	CHANNEL04	ON 🌘	10.09 Volt	-0.122 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
05	CHANNEL05	ON 🌘	9.88 Volt	-0.040 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
06	CHANNEL06	ON 🌘	10.17 Volt	-0.068 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
07	CHANNEL07	ON 🌘	9.52 Volt	-0.104 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
08	CHANNEL08	ON 🌷	9.74 Volt	-0.140 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
09	CHANNEL09	ON 🏓	10.13 Volt	-0.058 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
10	CHANNEL10	ON 🏓	10.09 Volt	-0.074 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
11	CHANNEL11	ON 🌘	9.52 Volt	-0.092 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
12	CHANNEL12	ON 🌘	9.85 Volt	-0.120 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
13	CHANNEL13	ON 🌘	9.82 Volt	-0.098 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
14	CHANNEL14	ON 🌘	9.63 Volt	-0.054 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
15	CHANNEL15	ON 🏓	9.93 Volt	-0.050 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
16	CHANNEL16	ON 🌘	9.93 Volt	-0.048 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
17	CHANNEL17	ON 🌘	9.71 Volt	-0.052 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	80.00 microAm		
18	CHANNEL18	ON 🌘	10.68 Volt	-0.076 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
19	CHANNEL19	ON 🌘	10.07 Volt	-0.022 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
20	CHANNEL 20	ON 🌘	10.01 Volt	-0.052 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
21	CHANNEL21	ON 🌘	10.04 Volt	0.002 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
22	CHANNEL22	ON 🌘	9.74 Volt	-0.060 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
23	CHANNEL23	ON 🌘	9.78 Volt	-0.088 microAm	ON	10.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
24	CHANNEL24	ON 🧶	1.64 Volt	-0.128 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
25	CHANNEL25	ON 🏓	0.77 Volt	-0.046 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
26	CHANNEL26	ON 🌘	0.00 Volt	-0.072 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
27	CHANNEL27	ON 🌷	1.45 Volt	-0.014 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
28	CHANNEL 28	ON 🌷	1.42 Volt	0.026 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
29	CHANNEL 29	ON 🌷	1.51 Volt	-0.102 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
30	CHANNEL30	ON 🌷	1.33 Volt	-0.086 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
31	CHANNEL31	ON 🌘	0.35 Volt	-0.110 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
32	CHANNEL32	ON 🌘	1.52 Volt	-0.072 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
33	CHANNEL33	ON 🌘	0.93 Volt	-0.048 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
34	CHANNEL34	ON 🌘	0.00 Volt	-0.130 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		
35	CHANNEL35	ON 🌘	1.22 Volt	-0.062 microAm	ON	0.00 Volt	101.00 microAm		

- Novice CSS-BOY screen
 - Allows monitoring
 of main HV boards
 parameters
 - Only controls power
 on/off for each
 channel in the HV
 board

Example of HV CAEN Novice CSS-BOY screen for CAEN-A7030TN HV board

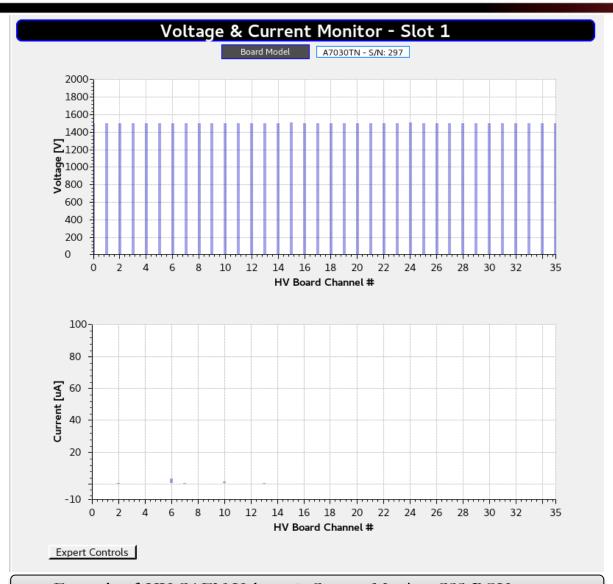




Example of HV CAEN Expert Controls CSS-BOY screen developed for CAEN-A7030TN board located in slot 1 of "hvcaentest1" mainframe

- HV CAEN ExpertControls CSS-BOYscreen
 - Allows controls and monitoring of HV board at expert level
 - Runs 8 Java scripts to
 control the powering
 on/off and setting up of
 6 variables at one time
 - ✓ Power on/off
 - ✓ Voltage set VSet
 - ✓ Maximum Voltage -*VMax*
 - ✓ Max current *ISet*
 - ✓ Voltage ramp up -R*Up*
 - ✓ Voltage ramp down RDwn
 - ✓ Trip time

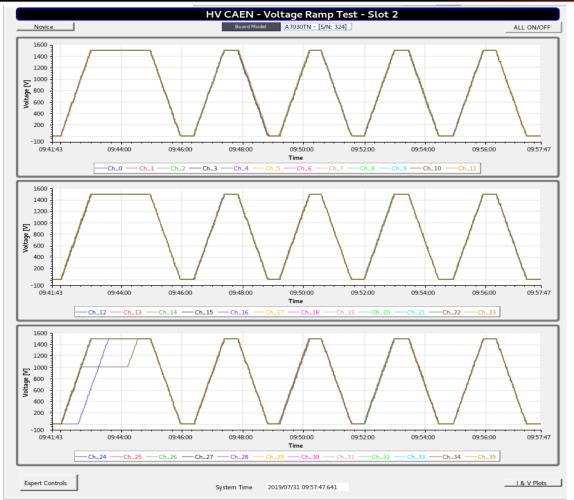




- Voltage and Current
 Monitor CSS-BOY
 screen
 - Shows graph bars
 for voltage vs time
 and current vs time
 for all channels in
 HV board
 - Facilitates visual
 monitoring of any
 voltage drop or
 increment for any
 HV channel

Example of HV CAEN Voltage & Current Monitor CSS-BOY screen





Example of developed HV CAEN Voltage Ramp Test CSS-BOY screen used to test HV board

A7030TN -S/N 324. Bottom panel shows an overvoltage condition, VSet value changed from

Voltage Ramp Up/Down Test CSS-BOY screen

- Monitors voltage ramp up/down of all 24/36 channels simultaneously in real time
- Works in conjunction with Expert Control screen

1500 V to 0 V for no reason (changes on GECO-2020 and PV)

HV CAEN – Summary

 Summary of CSS-BOY screens developed with aim to test all HV boards and mainframe simultaneously

	CAEN High Voltage Boards CSS-BOY Screens									
Board model	Max # of boards connected in mainframe	Novice	Expert controls	Voltage and current monitoring	Voltage ramp test	Total screens				
A7435	8	8	8	8	8	32				
A1535	8	8	8	8	8	32				
A7030TN	16	16	16	16	16	64				

CAEN High Voltage Mainframe CSS-BOY Screens								
Mainframe model	HV mainframe status	HV mainframe - expert	Total screens					
SY4527	2	2	4					
Total developed CSS		132						

1. Communication Test

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- Performed to ensure correct transfer of PVs between EPICS server and EPICS/CSS screens (EPICS Client)
 - ✓ 1. Ping HV CAEN system host name/IP address (129.57.86.124/38) from host Linux PC — Verified and correct
 - ✓ 2. Used EPICS base commands such as camonitor, caget, cainfo and caput to read/write PVs — Expected response to set and read PVs
 - ✓ 3. Performed visual inspection of CSS widgets used for PVs reading/writing in CSS-BOY screens — No pink color, meaning proper communication between CSS-BOY screens (EPICS client) and CAEN EPICS Server



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2. Opened and ran developed HVCAEN Power Supply –

Mainframe Status CSS-BOY screen

- Ensured that system mainframe operates under CAEN specifications
 - ✓ Interlock status Clear
 - ✓ System variables Ok
 - ✓ Firmware version : Latest recommended version for tested CPU is 2.0.2
 - ✓ Front panel input/front panel output status No overcurrent/overvoltage conditions, clear status

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- 3. Opened and ran developed HVCAEN— Expert Control CSS-BOY
 - Set each channel of HV board to values shown in table below
 - Ensured that opened CSS screen corresponds to HV board under test (board serial number, model, number of channels)
 - Entered values in "All Channels" windows on Expert Controls CSS screen to set all 24/36 channels (depending on board been tested) to same value

Set Voltage	1500 V
Set ramp up/down rate	25 V/s
Load	$0 \mathbf{\Omega}$
IMon	0 μΑ
ISet	3000 μΑ
VMax	1800 V
Trip time	3 s

Example table used for CAEN-A1535 HV boards tested



- **4.** Compared all PVs shown in Expert Controls CSS screen with values for same parameter in GECO2020 software
 - This step ensures that set PVs in CSS screens matched parameters in actual HV board (hardware)
- **5.** Took screenshots of initial data and set parameters on GECO and CSS screens
- 6. Executed "All On/Off" button on Expert Controls screen
- 7. Opened and ran developed HVCAEN-Voltage ramp test CSS-BOY

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- 8. Monitored that all channels ramped at 25 V/s to set voltage
 - Kept voltage at set point for >10 s
 - Turned all channels off to ramp, then to 0 V, kept at 0 V for > 10 s
- **9.** Performed 3 to 5 ramp up/down per each test
- 10. Repeated steps 3 to 9 for all HV board tested
- 11. Recorded data and plots, made note of failures and documented



Test Results - CAEN A1535 Board

System main frame service name	Serial Number	Hardware Issue	Software Issue	Comments
	775		X	For some channels, <i>VSet</i> stuck at different value than pre-set value during test. One channel tripped because <i>ISet</i> value changed from its set value during test. Discrepancies between GECO-2020 values and EPICS PVs values for <i>IMon</i> . All affected channels ramped to desired set value after set values were reentered and power On/Off reset. For recovery of some channels, reset of built-in CAEN EPICS Server was required.
hvcaentest2	776		X	For some channels, <i>VSet</i> value changed from its pre-set value. For <i>VMon</i> , found discrepancies between GECO-2020 values and EPICS PVs values. All affected channels ramped to desired set value after set values were reentered and channels were reset.
	556	X	X	Set values for <i>VSet</i> , <i>RDwn</i> and <i>VMax</i> changed (PVs and value in GECO-2020) from its pre-set values during test. Re-entering values for <i>VSet</i> , <i>RDwn</i> and <i>VMax</i> , then resetting power On/Off allowed ramp up all channels to desired set voltage except for channel 22, which did not ramp up.

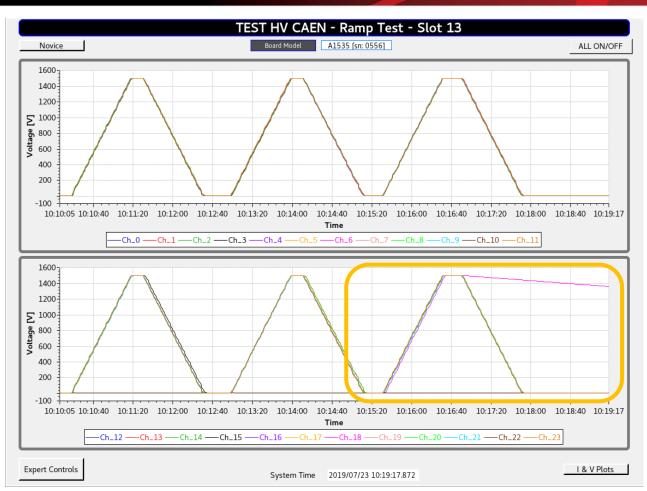
Table shows the results/findings summary for A1535 boards



Test Results – CAEN A1535 Board

System mainframe	hvcaentest2
service name	
Mainframe S/N	400
Board model	A-1535
Boards S/N	775,776,556
Slot # selected for test	13
Total #of tests/board	9
Total # of ramp	27/27
up/down per board	

Set voltage	1500 V
Set ramp up/down rate	25 V/s
Load	0 Ω
IMon	0 μΑ
<i>ISet</i>	3000 μΑ
VMax	1800 V
Trip time	3 s



Example of developed HVCAEN-Voltage Ramp Test CSS-BOY screen used to test HV board A1535-S/N 556. Bottom panel in screen shows that channel 22 never ramped up to set voltage 1500 V and channel 18 *RDwn* value changed for no reason from set 25 V/s to 1 V/s.

Test Results - CAEN-A7030TN Board

System main frame service name	Slot	Serial number	Hardware issue	Software issue	Comments
	0	304		X	For some channels' parameters (<i>VSet, VMax, ISet, RUp</i> , and <i>RDwn</i>), arbitrarily changed from its set values at test time to random different values. Changes occurred in GECO2020 and PVs. Discrepancies between GECO-2020 values and EPICS PVs values for <i>VMon</i> . All affected channels ramped to desired set value after set values were re-entered and power On/Off reset.
hvcaentest2	1	297		X	For some channels' parameters (<i>VSet, VMax, ISet</i> , and <i>RUp</i>), arbitrarily changed from its set values at test time to random different values. Changes occurred in GECO2020 and PVs. Discrepancies between GECO-2020 values and EPICS PVs values for <i>RUp</i> . All affected channels ramped to desired set value after set values were re-entered and power On/Off reset.
	2	324		X	For some channels' parameters (<i>VSet, VMax,</i> and <i>IMax</i>), arbitrarily changed from its set values at test time to random different values. Changes occurred in GECO2020 and PVs. All affected channels ramped to desired set value after set values were re-entered and power On/Off reset.

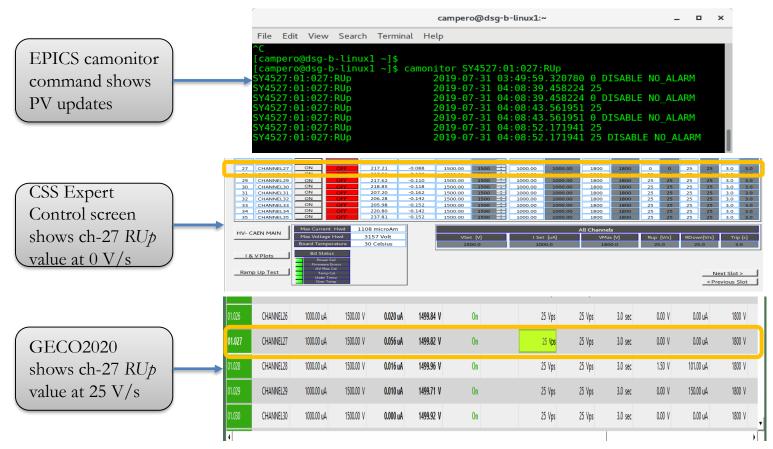
Table shows the results/findings summary for A7030TN board



Test Results – CAEN A7030TN Board

• Discrepancies between GECO2020 and PVs generated in

CAEN EPICS Server—Software issue

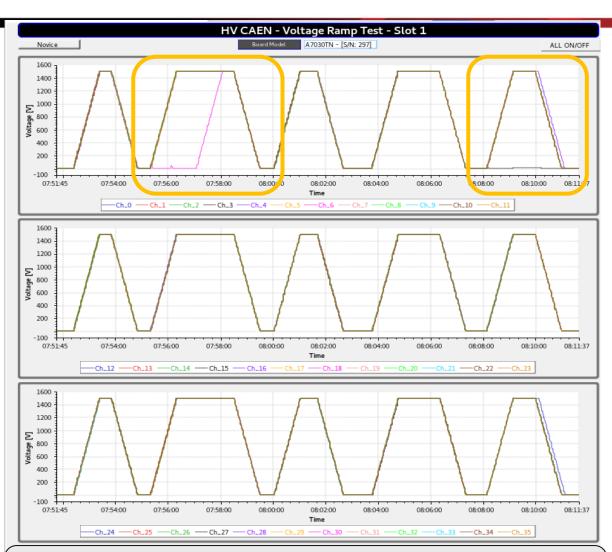




Test Results - CAEN A7030TN Board

System mainframe service name	hvcaentest2
Mainframe S/N	400
Board model	A7030TN
Boards S/N	304,297,324
Slot # selected for test	0,1,2
Total # of tests/board	3
Total # of ramp up/down per board	15/15

Set voltage	1500 V
Set ramp up/down rate	25 V/s
Load	0 Ω
IMon	0 μΑ
ISet	1000 μΑ
VMax	1800 V
Trip time	3 s



Example of developed HVCAEN-Voltage Ramp Test CSS-BOY screen used to test HV board A7030-S/N 297. Upper panel in screen shows *ISet* value for ch-3 and ch-6 changed from $1000 \, \mu \text{A}$ to $0 \, \mu \text{A}$ for no reason. Channel tripped.

Test Results - CAEN A7030TN Board

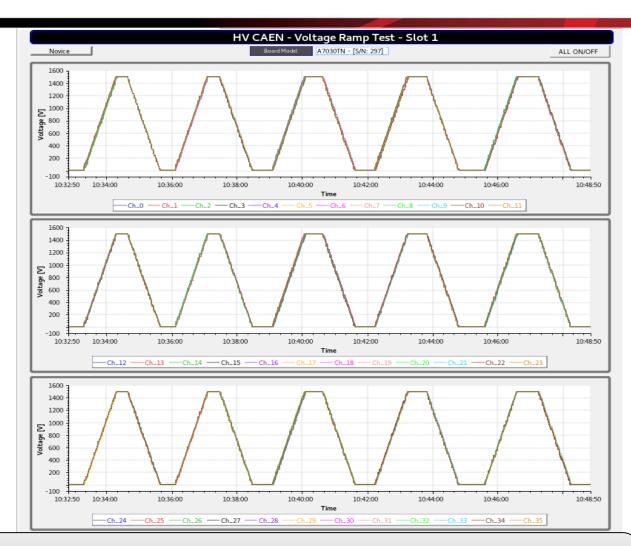
- A7030TN boards re-tested on different system mainframe
 - No channels failed for three tests performed

System main frame service name	Board #	Board model	Serial number	Comments
	1		304	No Issues
hvcaentest1	2	A7030TN	297	No issues
	3		324	No issues

Test Results - CAEN-A7030TN Board

System mainframe service name	hvcaentest1
Mainframe S/N	-
Board model	A7030TN
Boards S/N	304,297,324
Slot # selected for test	0,1,2
Total # of tests/board	3
Total # of ramp up/down	15/15

Set voltage	1500 V
Set ramp up/down rate	25 V/s
Load	0Ω
Imon	0 μΑ
Imax	1000 μΑ
Vmax	1800 V
Trip time	3 s



Example of developed HVCAEN-Voltage Ramp Test CSS-BOY screen used to test HV board A7030TN installed on hvcaentes1. Plots show all channels ramped up/down to set voltage with **no issues.**



Status and Upcoming Tasks

- Developing java script to set fundamental parameters (On/Off, VMax, VSet, ISet, RDwn, RUp, Trip time) for all channels on boards installed in mainframe (x16 slots) In progress
 - Goal: test showcase immediately bad channels in boards
- Calculating resistor values to be connected in HV board and enable testing of readout current (maximum and half levels) — In progress
- Testing HV mainframe + boards with GECO2020 isolating EPICS server — In progress
- Develop script to automate voltage and current test for each channel on HV boards — Not started
 - Implement CSS Scan System tool



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Conclusions

- CSS-BOY EPICS screens successfully developed to test
 CAEN HV boards and systems mainframes
- From tests performed found that
 - Three A1535 boards installed and running in SY4527 mainframe (hvcaentest2) presented CAEN software issues and one has hardware issue as well
 - Three A7030TN boards tested in SY4527 hvcaentes2 mainframe presented software issues, however same boards tested in hvcaentes1 mainframe did not fail.



THANK YOU

