# Hall C CAEN SY4527 Crate and A7435SN Module Test Stand: Voltage Verification

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# Hall C CAEN A7435SN Module Test Stand: Voltage Verification Tests

- CAEN SY4527 modular HV system can be used for different detector systems.
  - A7435SN module provides a negative voltage, commonly used for photo multiplier tubes.
- Tests will verify voltage accuracy specifications from manufacturer.
- Knowledge of precision and accuracy of output voltage is critical for use with other detector systems.

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- Check monitored voltage (V<sub>mon</sub>) displayed by supply vs. actual output voltage measured ( $V_{meas}$ )
- Verify manufacturers accuracy specification for:

  - V<sub>mon</sub> vs. V<sub>meas</sub>.
    set voltage (V<sub>set</sub>) vs. V<sub>meas</sub>.

#### Test Stand Setup: No Load Voltage Verification



# Slot 0 Channel 3 Measurement (0 V – 1000 V)



- Test ramps voltage from 0 V to 1000 V. Dwelling on each set point for 10 s.
  - LabVIEW program continuously monitors and records V<sub>set</sub>, V<sub>mon.</sub>, and <sub>Vmeas.</sub>
- Measurements are recorded every 0.1 s.

# Slot 0 Channel 3 Measurement (0 V – 50 V)

Slot0\_Ch3\_No Load 0 to 50V



# Challenges

- The no load test provides data of actual output of supply, however, supply output must be limited to the limit of the meter. To measure voltage directly, a resistive load box was modified to test channel output directly. The software was modified to limit channel output.
  - A resistive load will be necessary to test full output of the supply and to perform further test, such as current accuracy.
- The test software was developed to be semi-automated to ensure precise measurements. Each tests takes 7 to 10 minutes depending on dwell set point. The operator must set up the test for each channel.

#### Conclusion

- Initial testing has verified the manufacturers voltage accuracy specifications.
- Further test stand development is necessary to verify all manufacturer specifications.
- To improve efficiency, the test stand will be fully automated so that multiple channel tests can be performed, sequentially.

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#### Backup Material

# A7435 Module Specification

#### **Channel Characteristic Table**

Table 1 - Channel characteristics of the Mod. A7435 / AG7435 HV Board

Output Voltage	0÷3.5 kV
Polarity	Positive / Negative depending on purchased version
Max. Output Current	dual range: High Power: 3.5 mA High Resolution: 350µA
Voltage Set/Monitor Resolution	5 mV
Current Monitor Resolution	High Power: 10 nA High Resolution: 1 nA
Current Set Resolution	10 nA
VMAX hardware	0÷3.5 kV common for all the board channels
VMAX hardware accuracy	± 1% of FSR
VMAX software	0÷3.5 kV settable for each channel
VMAX software resolution	1 V
IMAX hardware	0÷3.5 mA common for all the board channels
IMAX hardware accuracy	± 1% of FSR
Ramp Up/Down	1÷500 Volt/sec, 1 Volt/sec step settable for each channel
Voltage Ripple	< 15 mVpp typical
Voltage Monitor vs. Output Voltage Accuracy	typical: ± 0.3% ± 0.2 V max: ± 0.3% ± 1 V
Voltage Set vs. Output Voltage Accuracy	typical: ± 0.3% ± 0.2 V max: ± 0.3% ± 1 V
Current Monitor vs. Output Current Accuracy	High Power: typical: ± 1% ± 500 nA; max: ± 1% ± 5 μA High Resolution: typical: ± 1% ± 100 nA; max: ± 1% ± 1 μA
Maximum output power	9W per channel (software safety limit)

### Test equipment specs and Software info

- Keithley 1600A HV Probe is used to make initial measurements.
  - HV output to probe output ratio is 1000:1.
  - Specified measurement accuracy is 1%.
- Keithley 2001 multimeter is used to acquire measurements.
  - Resolution is set to 10  $\mu\text{V}.$
- Voltage, dwell time, readback, and data storage is handled by LabVIEW software.

## Test Stand Configuration: Voltage Verification



Components:

- CAEN SY4527
- Keithley 1600A HV Probe
- Keithley 2001 Bench Multimeter
- PC Running LabVIEW 18