

# Upgrade of the CMS ECAL Detector Control System During the CERN Large Hadron Collider Long Shutdown II

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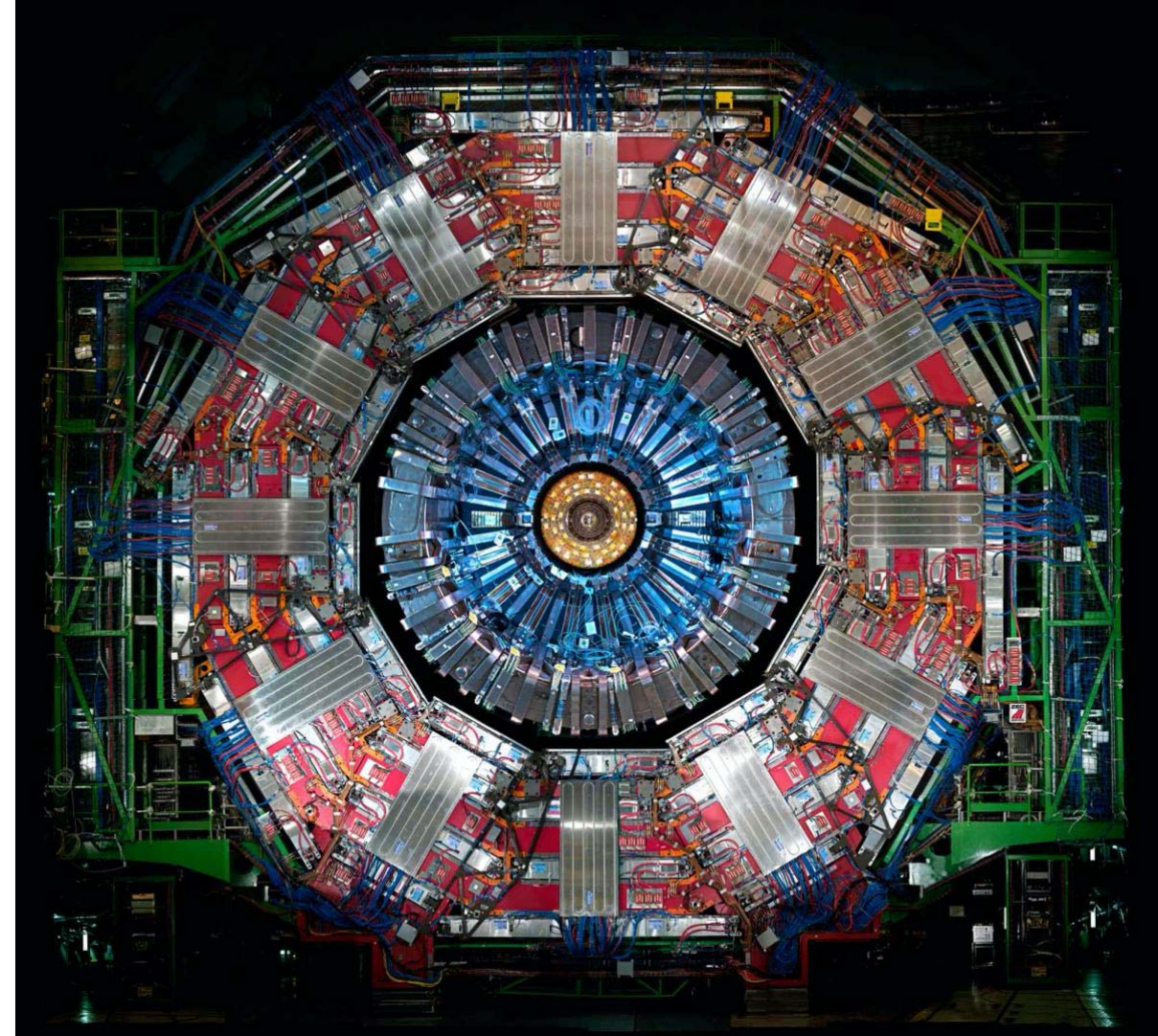
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# The CMS Experiment

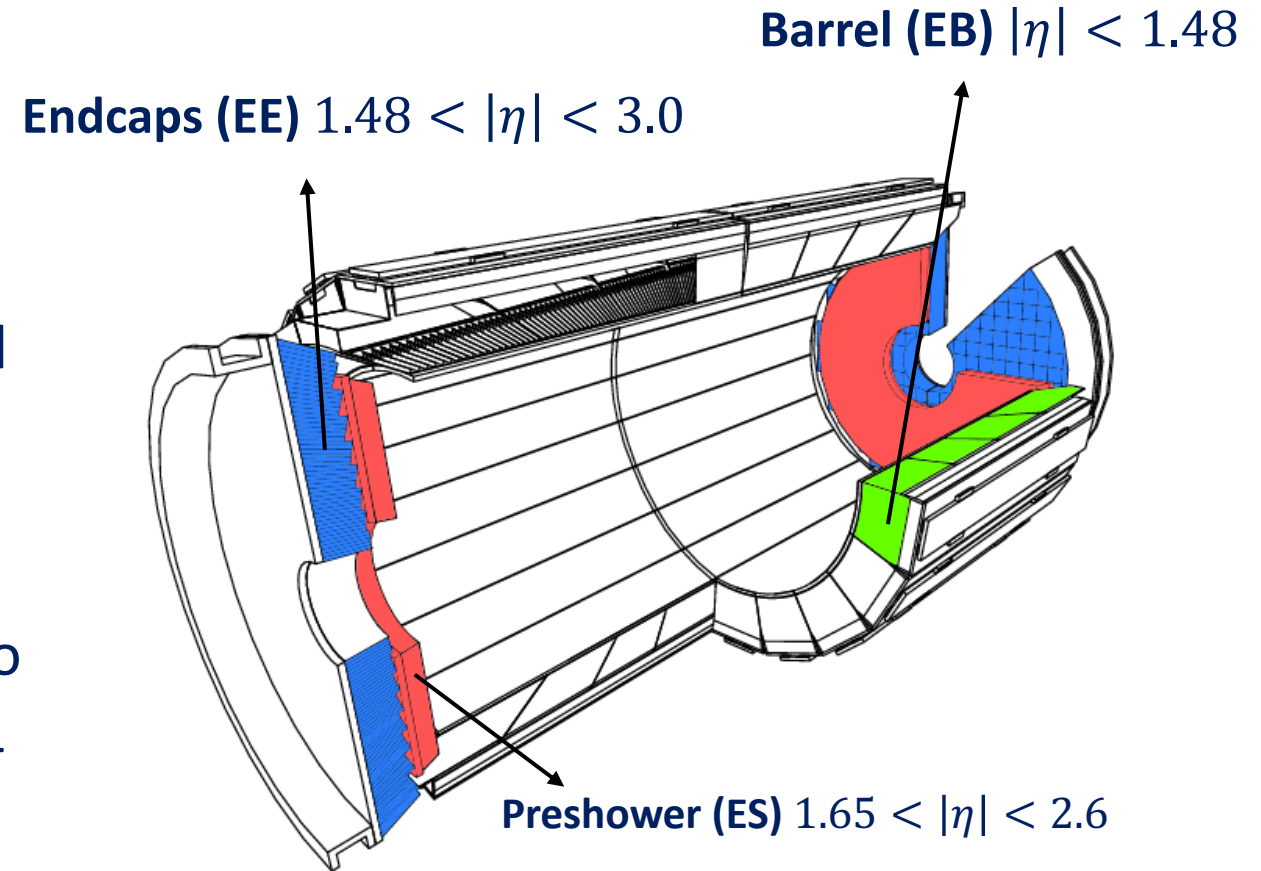
- One of the four proton-proton interaction points of the LHC ring
- Multi-purpose detector with a broad physics programme
- After two successful data-taking runs, we are currently in the LHC second-long shutdown (LS2) for machine maintenance and upgrade of the LHC detectors
- Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the LHC LS2 has been extended by one year (2019-2021) giving more time for detector upgrades





# The CMS Electromagnetic CALorimeter (ECAL)

- Hermetic, fine grained, homogeneous calorimeter
- 75848 lead tungstate scintillating crystals
- Depending on the coverage\*, conventionally split into two regions, Barrel and Endcaps
- A lead/silicon-based preshower is also included
- Designed to operate for at least 10 years, so far it has successfully supported CMS Run 1 and Run 2 data-taking operations



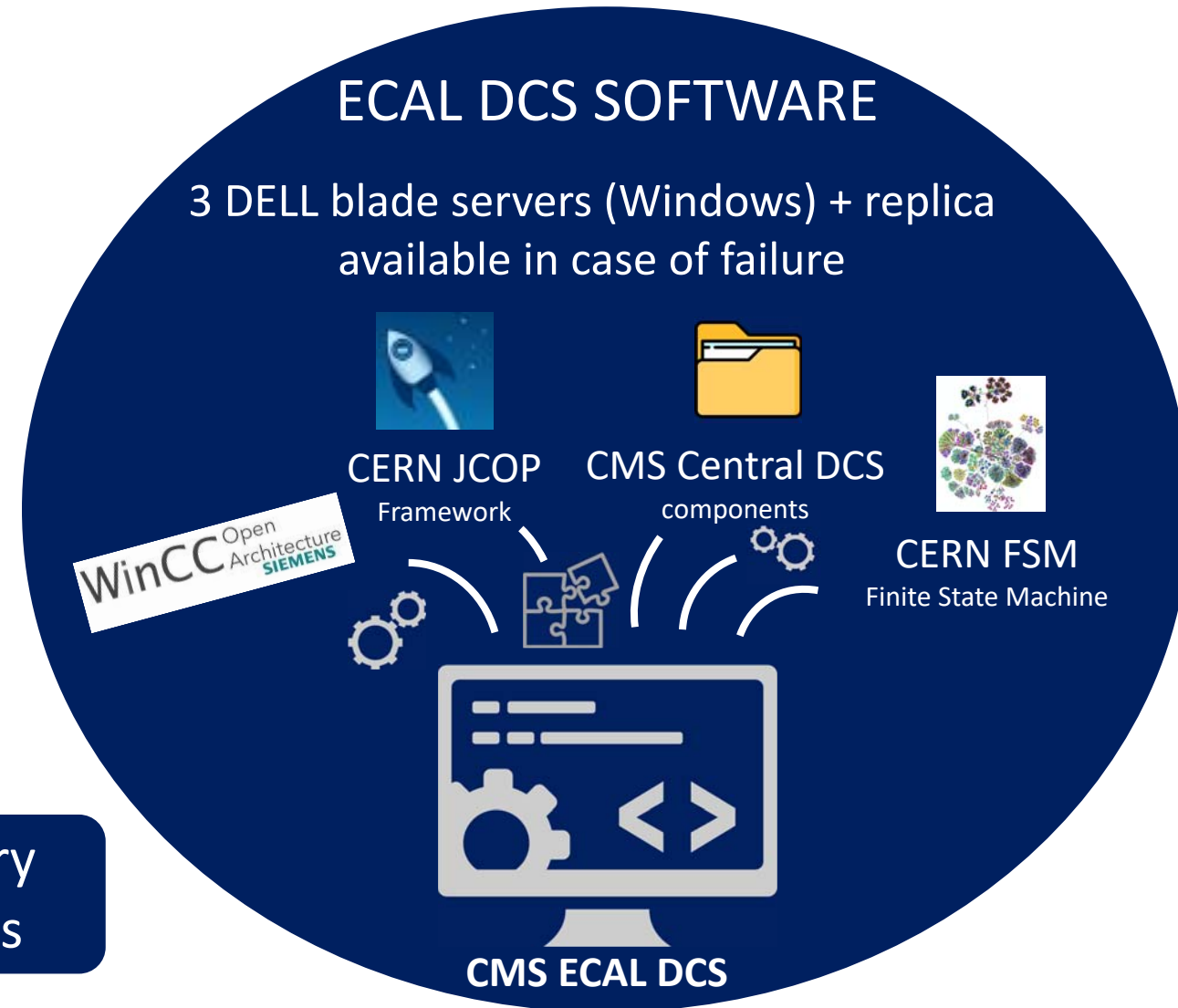
\* In particle physics detector coverage (central/forward) is conventionally indicated by using the pseudorapidity variable  $\eta$

# The CMS ECAL Detector Control System (DCS)

The challenging design constraints of ECAL required a sophisticated Detector Control System:

- Autonomous control of ECAL to ensure data-taking operations
- Monitoring of ECAL working conditions
- Communication with several services
- Distributed and redundant system

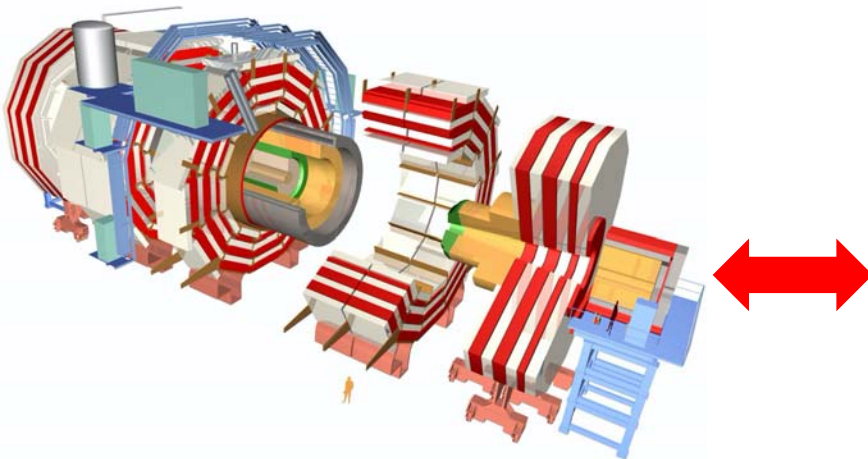
Hardware communication based on industry standards as OPC, Modbus and S7 protocols



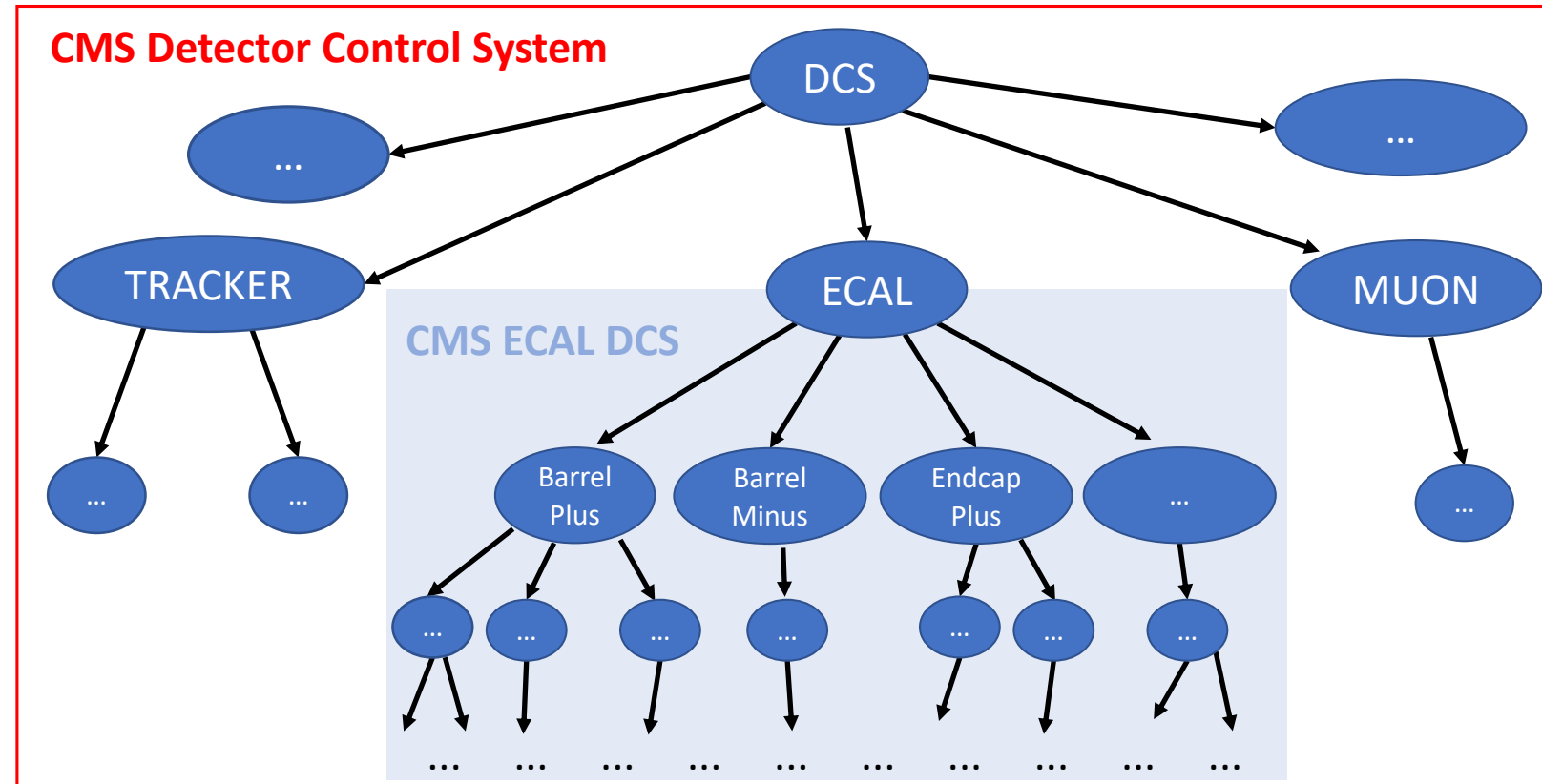
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- logical grouping into a hierarchical tree-like structure
- User-friendly interface for non-expert shifters



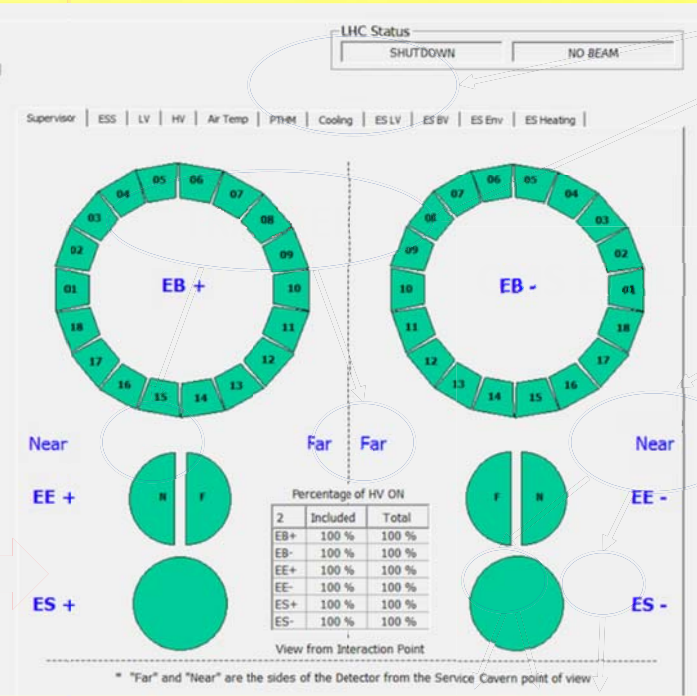
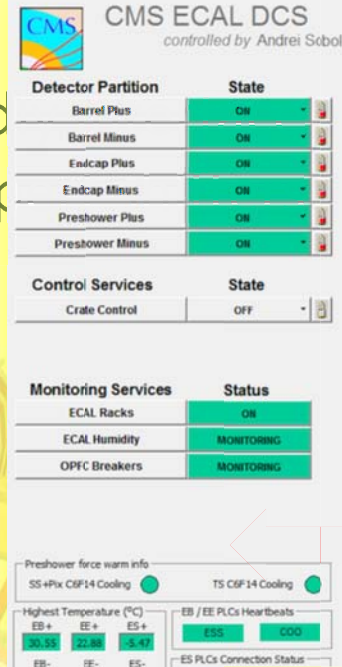
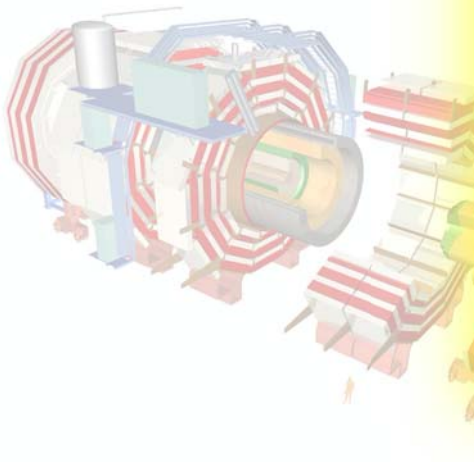
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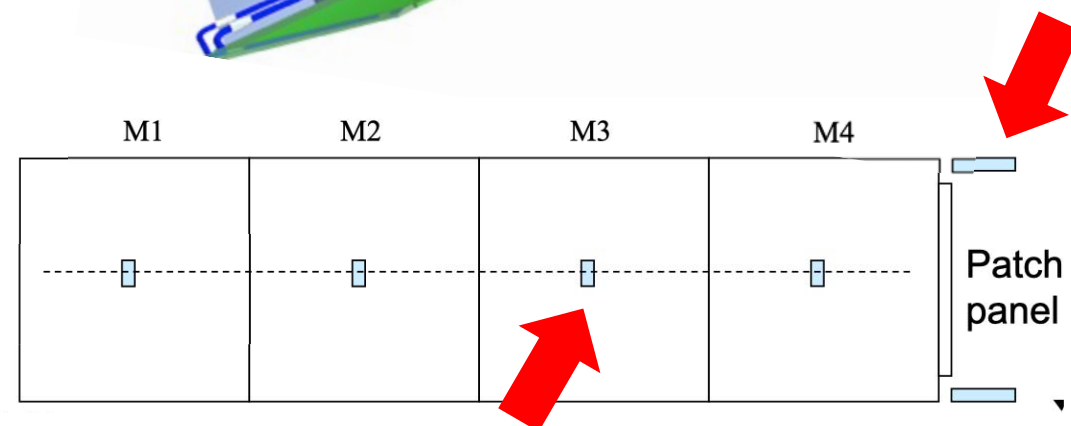
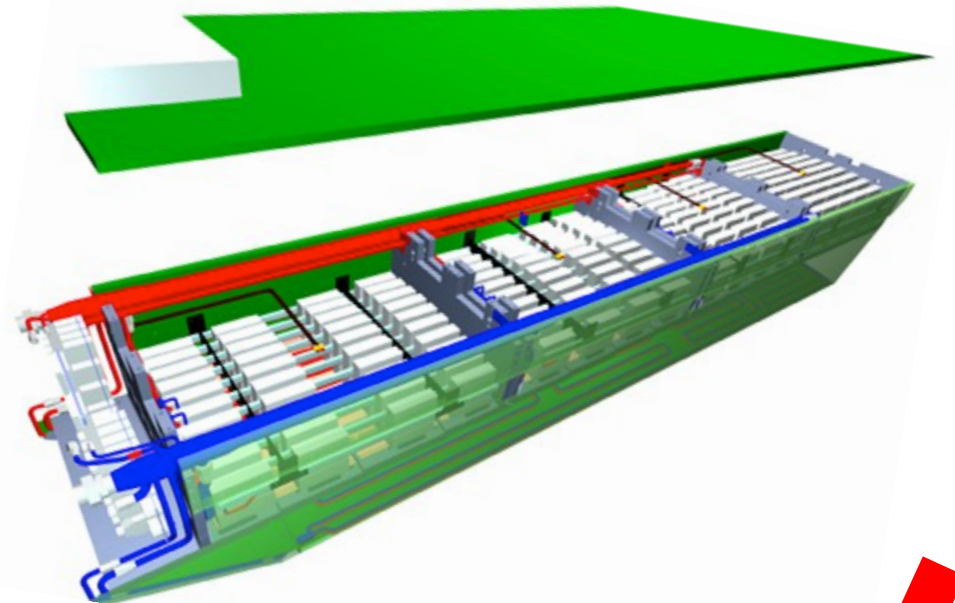
## ECAL DCS COMPLEXITY

- > 1300 sensors (temperature/humidity)
- Almost 2500 channels for LV/HV
- > 100 000 monitoring parameters
- 27 software components



# Precision Monitoring in the ECAL DCS

- Precision Temperature Measurements are needed to monitor temperature stability in the environment of the ECAL crystals and of the photo-detectors
  - 440 high quality NTC thermistors with a relative **precision better than 0.01C**
- Precision humidity measurements are needed to monitor air humidity inside the ECAL electronics compartments
  - 176 humidity sensors with **5-7% relative precision**

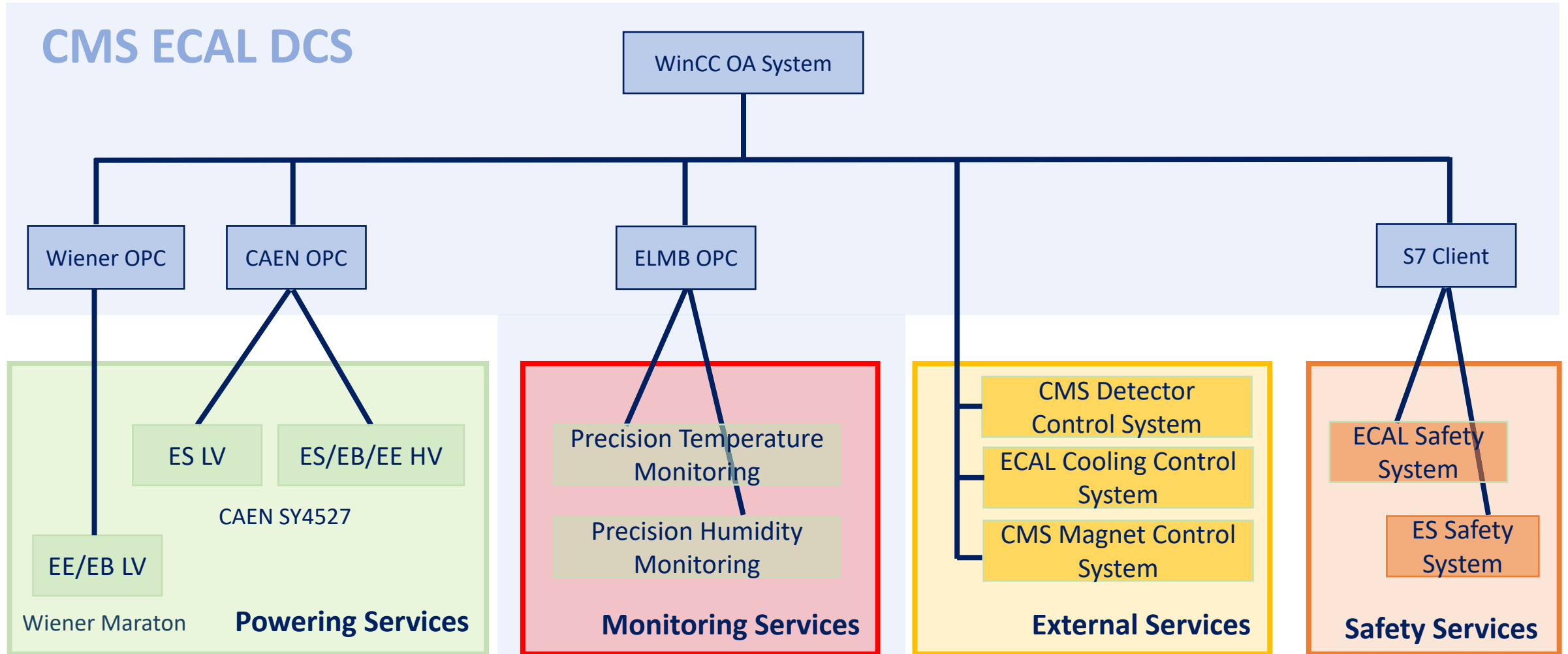


Example of Precision Temperature Monitoring Sensors in one ECAL Super Module, in total

$4 \times 2 + 2 = 10$  sensors per ECAL Super Module

# The ECAL DCS Services

The ECAL DCS is organised according to several services it provides/interacts with:





# ECAL DCS Migration: WinCC OA

During the current LHC LS2, the ECAL DCS went through some software migrations:

1. WinCC OA and JCOP control framework
2. Version-control system
3. OPC UA

# 1

## WinCC OA platform from version 3.15 to version 3.16

- CMS-wide plan to migrate all the sub-detector DCSs to up-to-date releases
- WinCC OA 3.15 was based on the ISO-8859-1 (Latin) encoding, WinCC OA 3.16 is based on the UTF-8 encoding
- New XML file format for panels in WinCC OA 3.16



**STRATEGY:** automatic tools to check for encoding compatibility

- Special care for strings which needed to be treated as vectors of characters



- ✓ **11/304** ECAL DCS files required changes
- ✓ **11** new Unicode-compatible functions were developed
- ✓ **>200** Panels converted to the new xml file format

# ECAL DCS Migration: JCOP and Git

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## JCOP framework from version 8.1.2 to version 8.4.0

- The Joint Control Project (JCOP) is a CERN collaboration aiming for a shared control system architecture used LHC-wide
- Following updated WinCC OA versions, JCOP versions are updated periodically by CERN
- On the contrary of the JCOP framework version 8.1.2, in version 8.4.0 functions require an explicit call of required libraries

**STRATEGY:** automatic tool *codePurger* to check for unresolved calls and to implement automatic changes



✓ **240 code transformations**/120 ECAL DCS files

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## Version Control system

- In 2018 CERN abandoned the Apache Subversion system (SVN) for the Git distributed version system
  - The ECAL DCS team took the chance for some hierarchy reorganisation



✓ The **single SVN** ECAL DCS repository was migrated to a set of **35 different Git repositories** organised according to their functionality

# ECAL DCS Migration: OPC UA

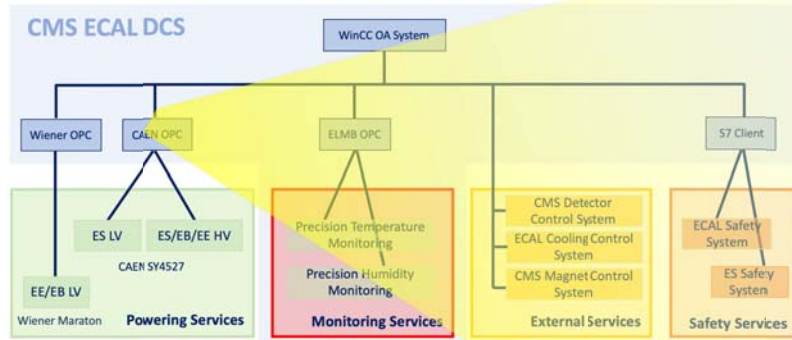
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### OPC DA to OPC UA

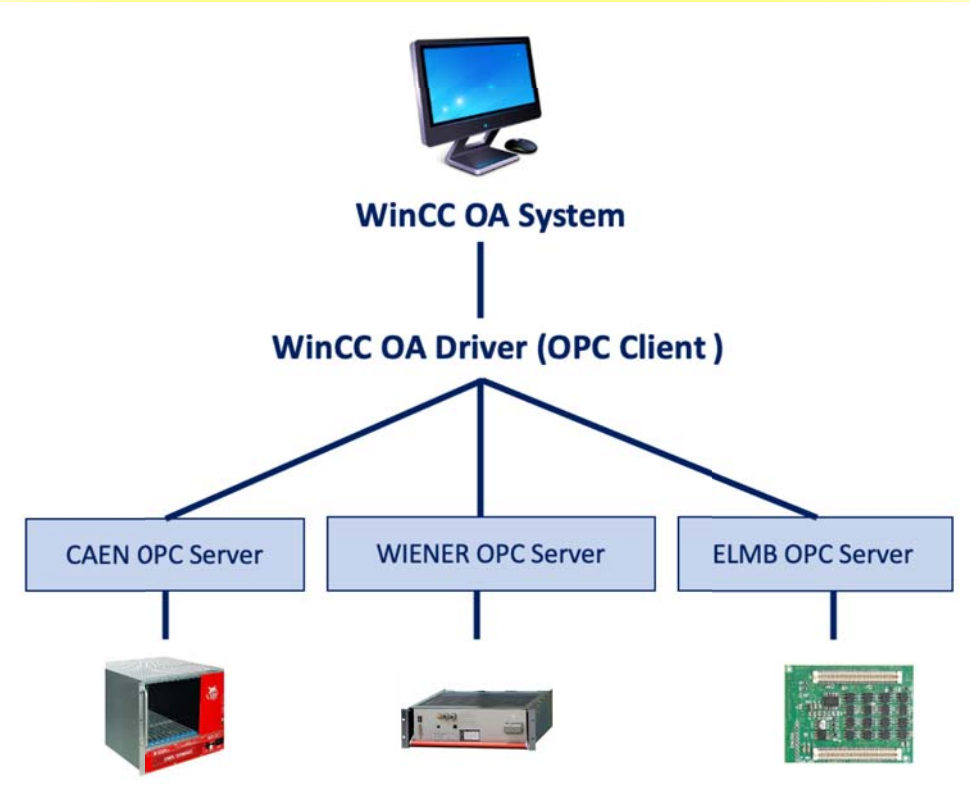
- OPC Data Access (DA) industrial standard largely used for hardware communication at CERN since the '90s
- Following the release of the new standard OPC Unified Architecture (UA), CERN decided to migrate all the OPC DA servers
  - ✓ In CMS the migration took place in July 2021 with preliminary tests before
- Some important OPC UA highlights:
  - Platform independence
  - Improved security
  - Improved modelling

# ECAL DCS Migration: OPC UA in ECAL DCS

## 3 OPC DA to OPC UA



- Three different types of OPC servers in ECAL DCS :
1. Wiener for EE/EB LV,
  2. CAEN for EE/EB HV and ES LV and HV,
  3. CERN-made module Embedded Local Monitor Boards (ELMBs) for Precision Temperature Monit.



**STRATEGY:** automatic tool to reconfigure the address space

- ✓ paradigm change from monolithic-server to multiple-server configuration
- ✓ anticipation of some granularity changes which will be required for the next upgrade (for instance removal of EEs and ES)



All ECAL DCS  
components  
successfully upgraded



# ECAL DCS Migration: Additional Modifications

An additional software modification was needed:

- Following the JCOP migration, the component-dependency chain to be followed when installing a new component was affected
  - ✓ The *ECAL DCS Installation* toolkit has been modified

## Updated Notification System



- In parallel to the migration, the ECAL DCS notification system was also improved
  - In the past notification system, multiple messages could be sent to the same group of users
  - The new system is reorganised by application domains
  - Users can now subscribe/unsubscribe directly to independent CERN e-groups for specific notification domains preventing multiple messages to be sent

# Conclusions

- After several successful years during Run-2 operations, the CMS ECAL DCS project went through major modifications during the LHC second-long shutdown
- A multiple migration took place progressively with the final migration happening in July 2021 together with the rest of the CMS DCSs:
  - WinCC OA platform version 3.15 migrated to version 3.16
  - JCOP control framework version 8.1.2 migrated to version 8.4.0
  - SVN version control system migrated to the Git distributed version control system
  - OPC DA servers migrated to OPC UA servers
  - In parallel, the notification system was also improved
- The ECAL DCS team was one of the first teams to migrate the project
  - within the deadline: start of Run 3
  - with a small group of 6 people and only 2 more involved
  - This is one of the most complex migrations since the start of the project
- The system is ready for Run 3 data-taking operations (2022-2024)