

# Production and installation of first GEM station in CMS

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# Outline

- The GEM project upgrade
- What is a GEM detector
- How GEMs are produced
- Installation of GE1/1 detectors in CMS
- GEM HV and LV monitor

# The GEM project

Muons tracking and triggering done with 3 different technologies @ RUN 2

- Drift Tubes (DTs)
- Resistive Plate Chambers (RPCs)
- Cathode Strip Chambers (CSCs)

Run 3 and beyond

- Gas Electron Multiplier (GEMs)  
Ten GEM chambers were installed and operated in RUN2 to gain an operational experience and measure the muon detection efficiencies and environmental BKG rates (**GEM Slice test**)

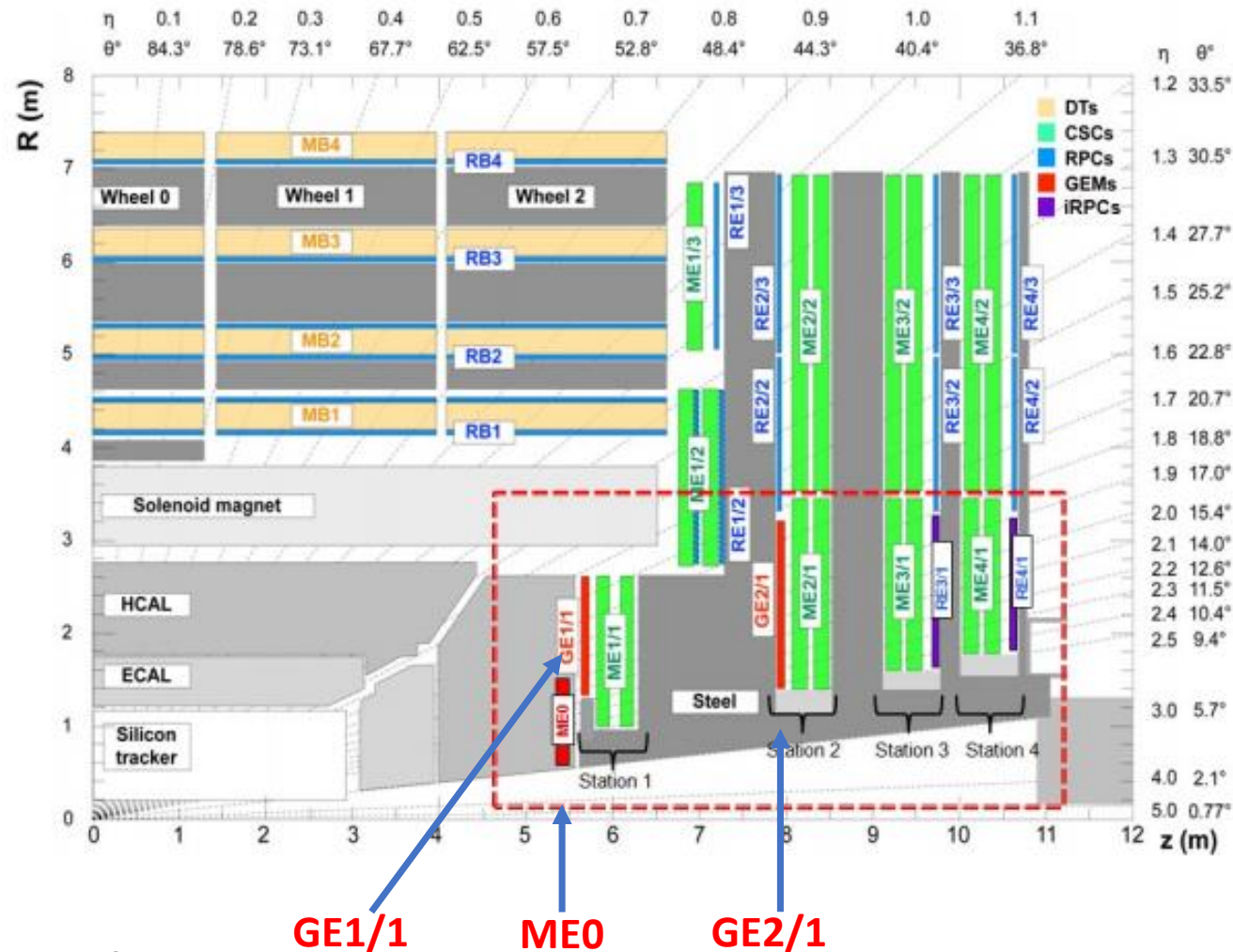
**Where GEMs will be installed?**

In endcaps to cover  $1.6 < |\eta| < 2.8$

**Why GEMs?**

- High rate capability (up to  $100 \text{ MHz} / \text{cm}^2$ )
- High spatial resolution ( $140 \mu\text{m}$ )
- Radiation hardness (up to  $1.56 \text{ C} / \text{cm}^2$ )

**Three GEM stations to be installed: GE1/1, GE2/1, ME0**

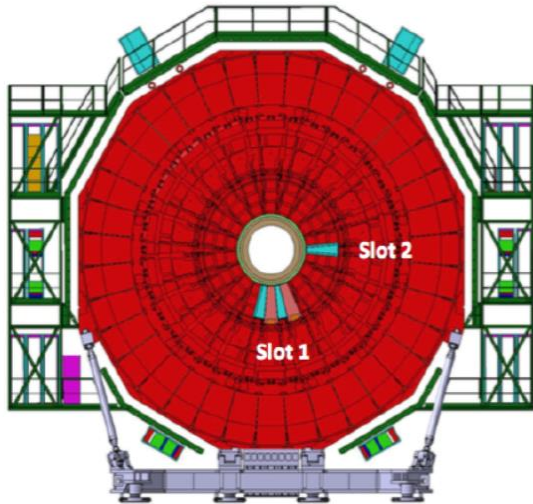


**Result**

- GEM detectors **increase the redundancy** --> Higher number of hits to reconstruct muons
- GE1/1 and GE2/1 allow to **keep under control the trigger rate**, without increasing the  $p_T$  threshold
- ME0 ( $2.0 < |\eta| < 2.8$ ) **increases the CMS  $\eta$  coverage**

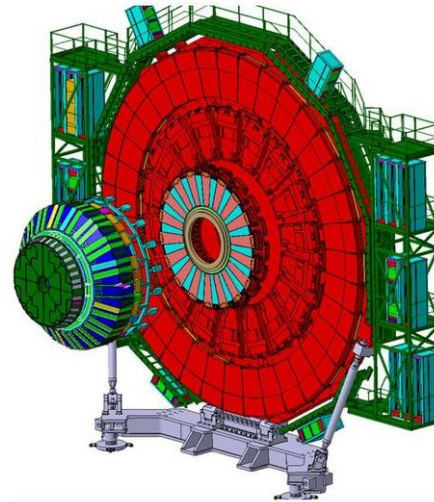
# GEM upgrade timeline

**RUN 2**  
2017-2018



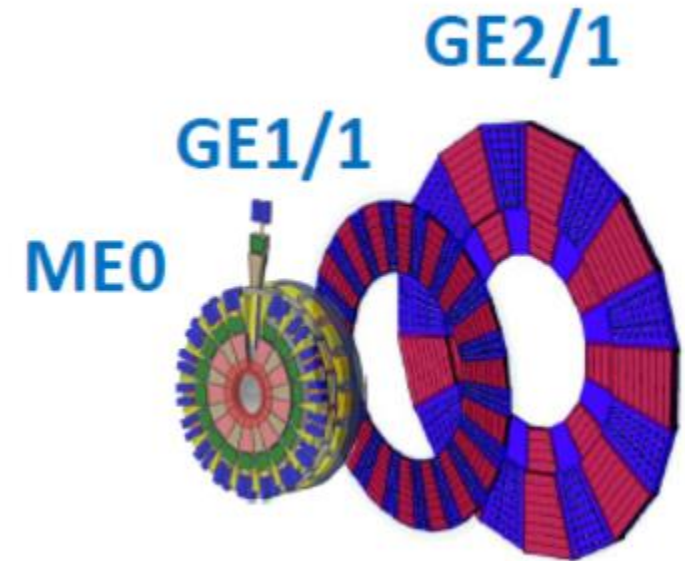
**Slice test**  
Demonstration of GEMs in CMS

**Long Shutdown 2**  
**NOW**



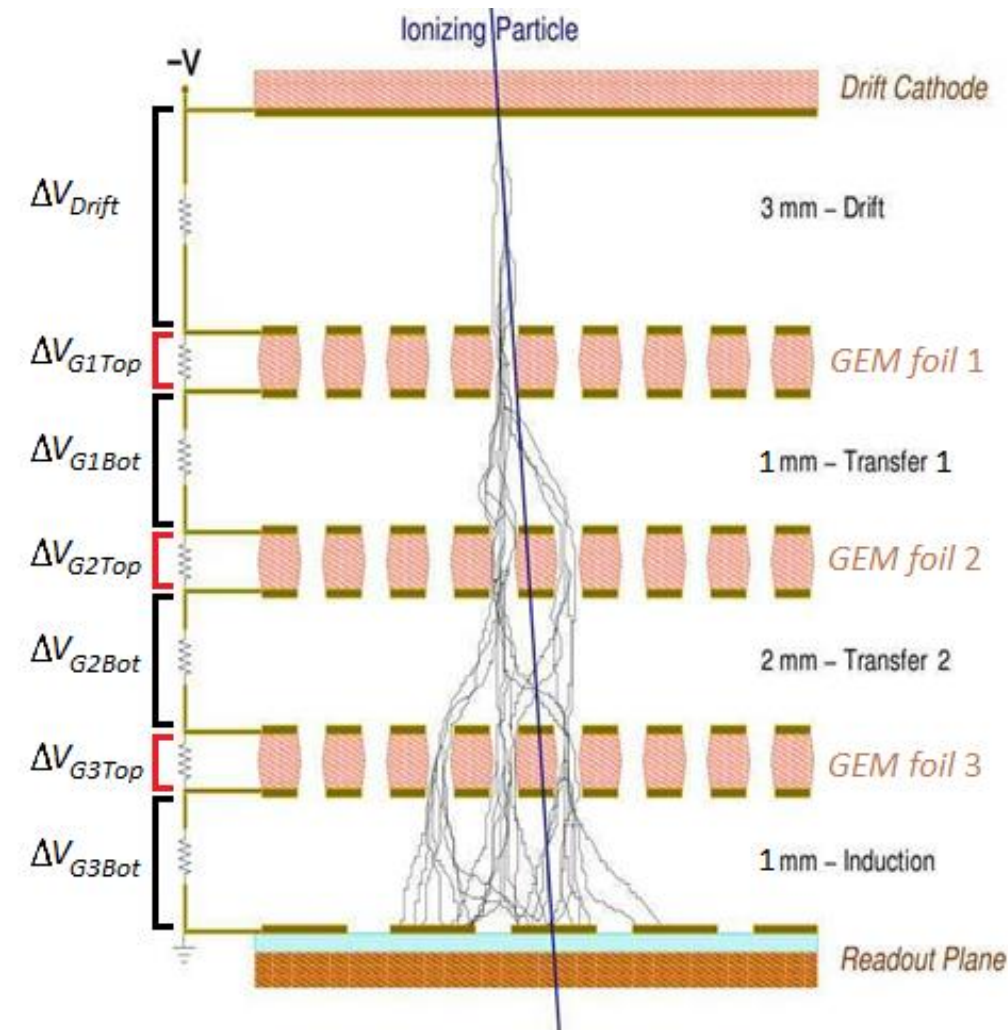
**GE1/1 installation**

**Year End Technical Stops  
and Long Shutdown 3**  
2022-2026



**Installation of ME0 and GE2/1**  
GEMs stations by the end of LS3

# How a GEM is made?

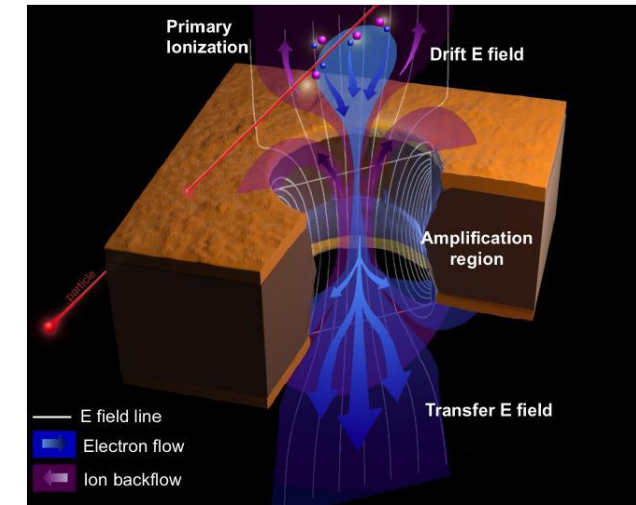


## Structure

- **Three GEM foils** stacked one over the other
- A GEM foil is a 50 μm thick polymer foil, with **copper on both sides**
- 70 μm **biconical holes** etched on foils, interspaced by 140 μm

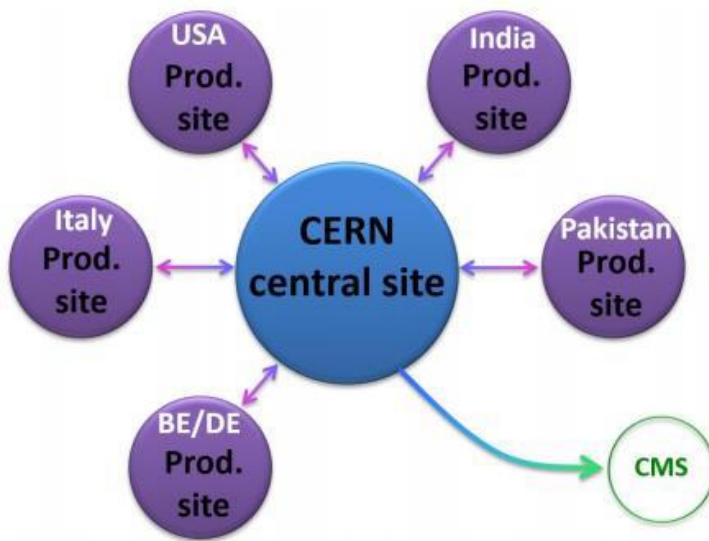
## Operation

- A particle produces a **ionisation in the gas medium** ( $Ar/CO_2$  70% / 30 %)
- The **electrons drift** by the electric field in the gaps
- **High electric field** in **holes** causes an **avalanche multiplication** of electrons
- The avalanche is collected by **copper strips** placed below the last GEM foil (GEM 3)
- **Signal** can be **read from strips** with a proper electronics



# GE1/1 Assembly

GE1/1 is made of **144 GEM detectors**:  
**production effort is shared among different labs around the world**



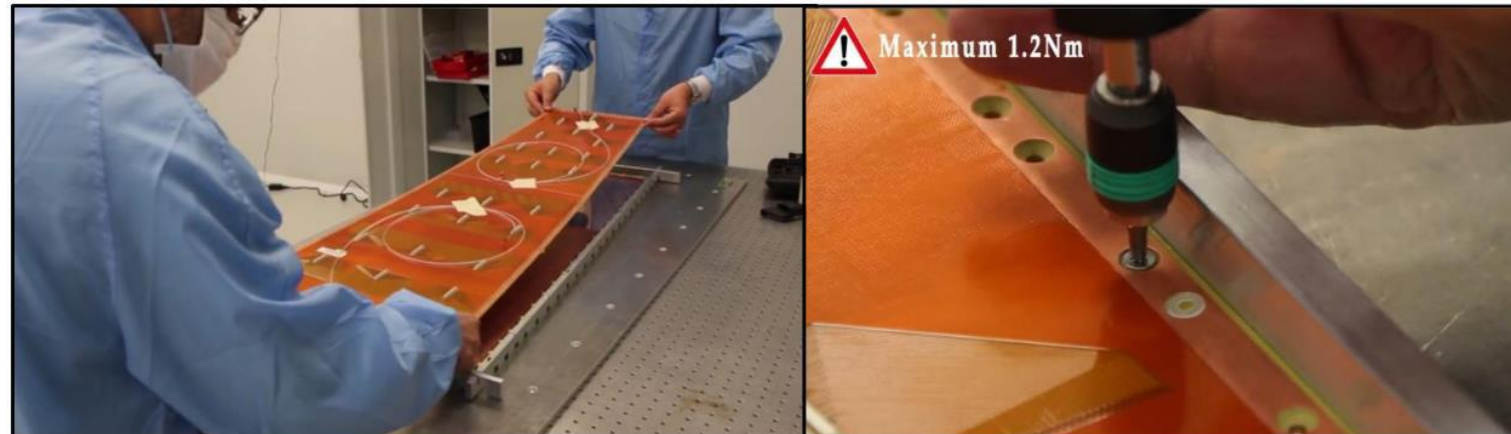
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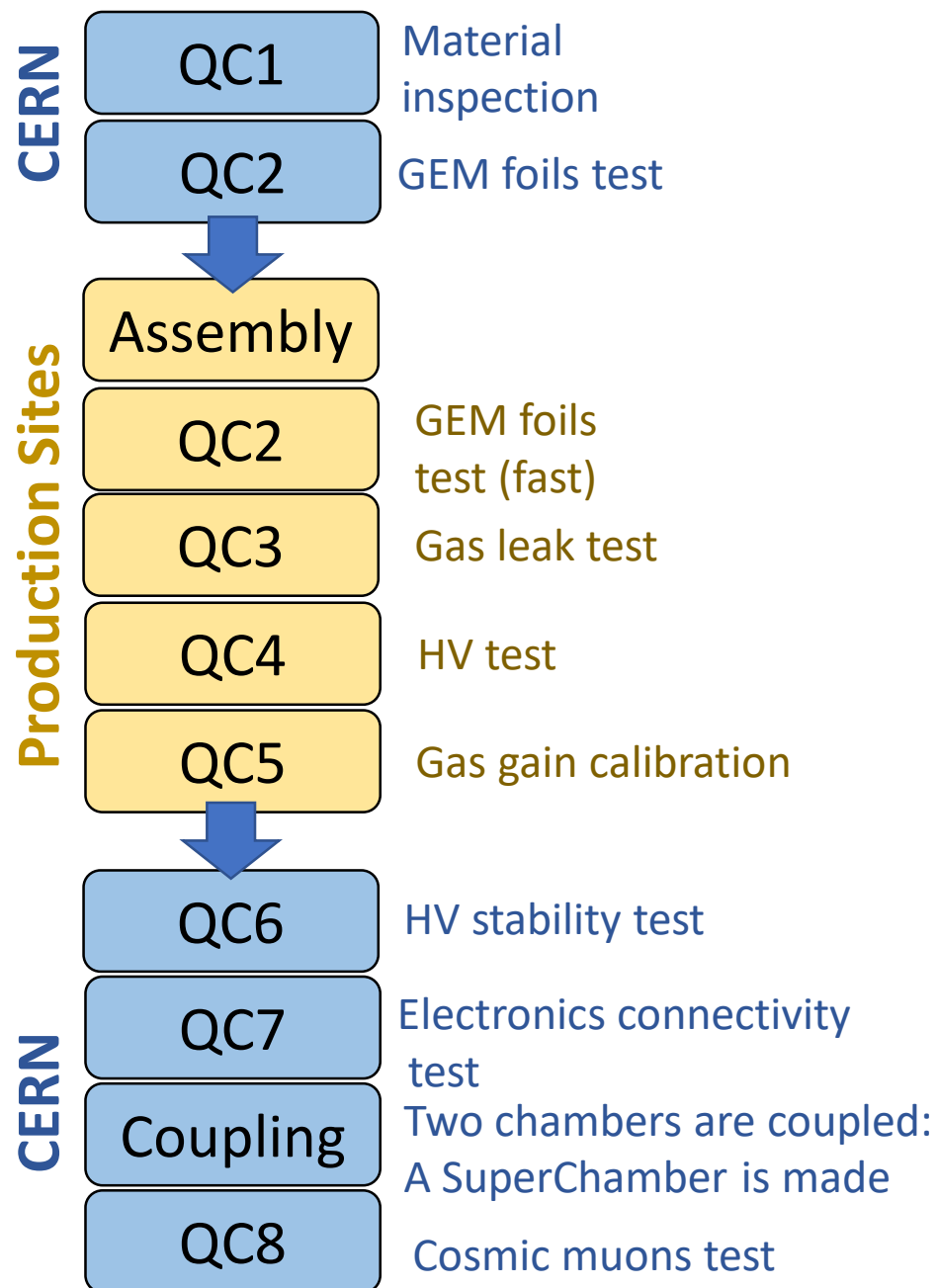
- Cleaning of components
- Preparation of the HV circuit
- Mounting of the pull-outs
- Selection of the O-ring

## Step 2: assembly in clean room

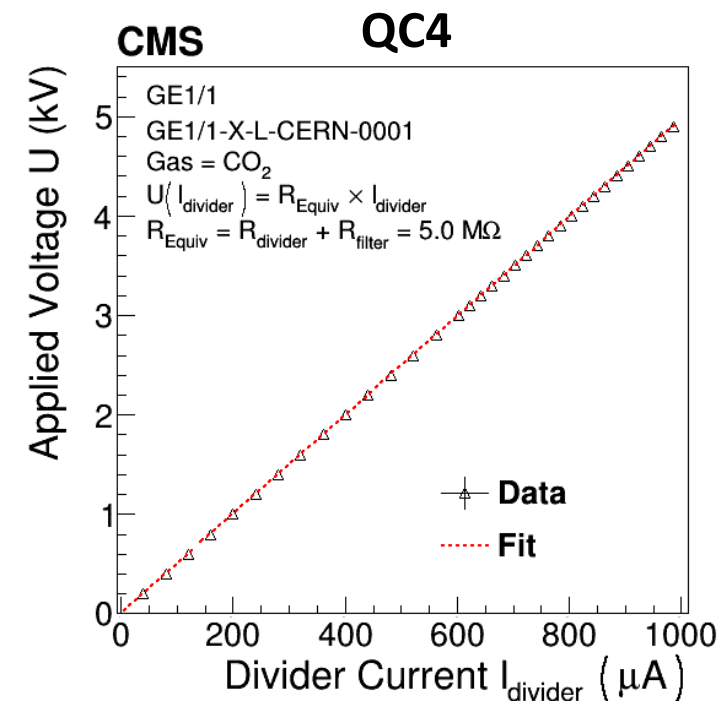
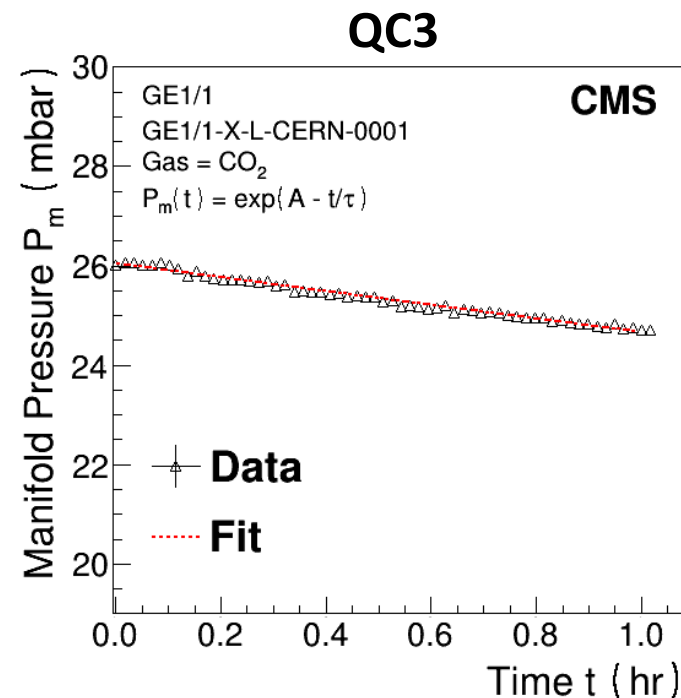
- Fast test of GEM foils
- Mounting of the stack
- Closing the chamber

Time to assemble one chamber: 1 day



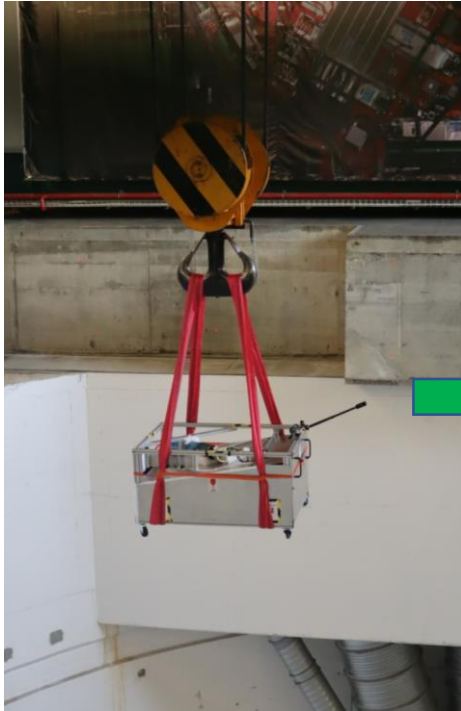


# GE1/1 Production and validation



Between QC7 and QC8 GEM chambers are coupled to form one **Super Chamber**  
**144 GEM chambers** --> **72 Super Chambers**  
**36 Super Chambers per Endcap**

# Installation of GEM detectors in CMS



Validated Super Chambers  
**lowered to CMS  
experimental cavern**



GEM Super Chamber mounted in the  
**installation jig**



GEM Super Chamber **installed** on the  
nose of CMS experiment

# Installation in P5: status

## Negative endcap

All 36 GE1/1 Super Chambers installed in the negative endcap

- All **services** installed on the disk
- **Gas and cooling** system operative for all chambers
- **HV and LV system** is installed and fully operative
- **DCS** is under local test
- **Readout Back-End** Hardware installed

## Positive endcap

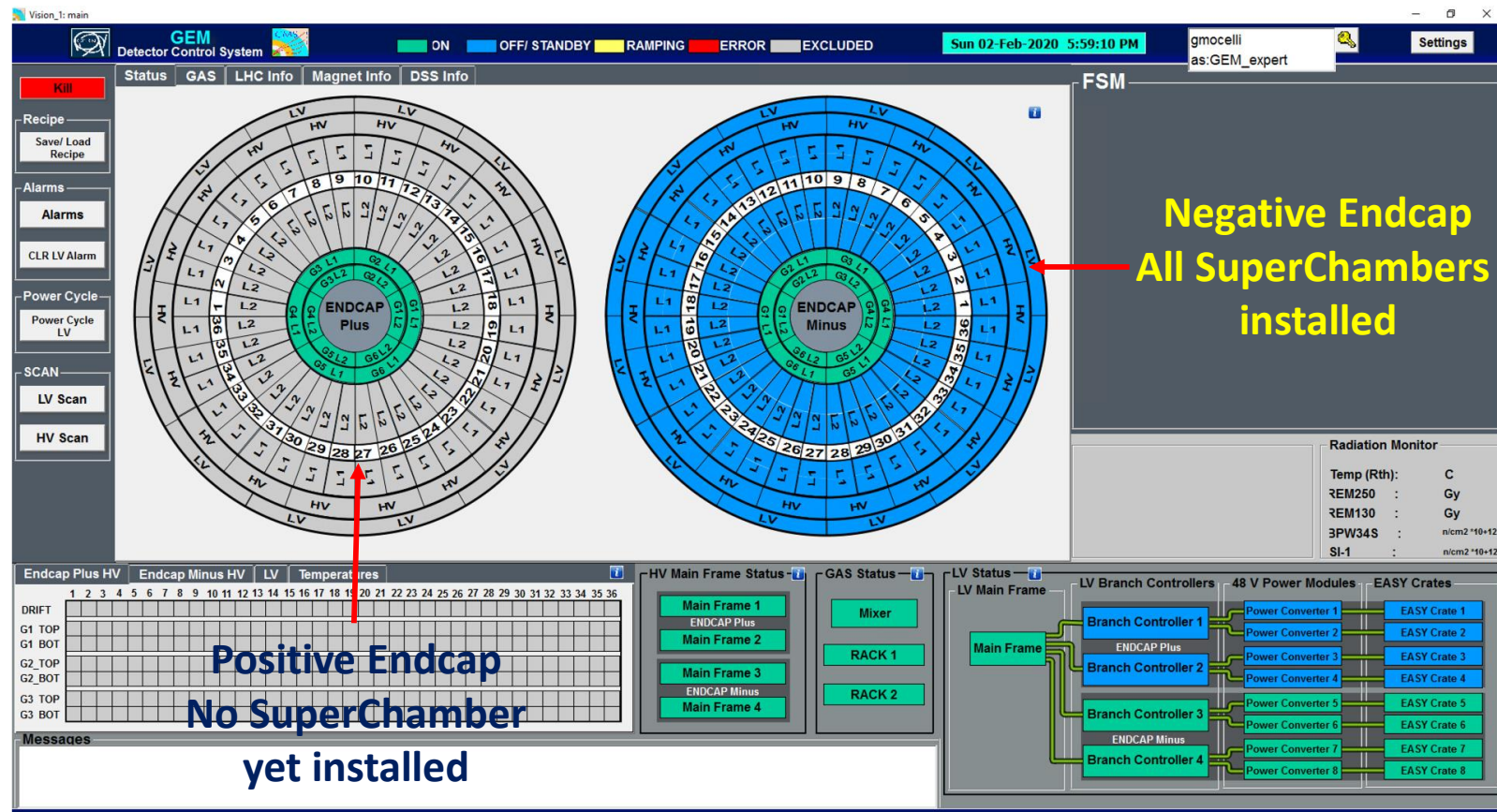
No GE1/1 Super Chamber yet installed in the positive endcap  
(**installation window: May-June**)

- **Gas system:** under completion
- **Cooling system:** under completion
- **LV boards:** all installed
- **HV boards:** under delivery by the end of February
- **Cables** to be routed from periphery to disk in March
- **DAQ:** electronics and fibers under installation



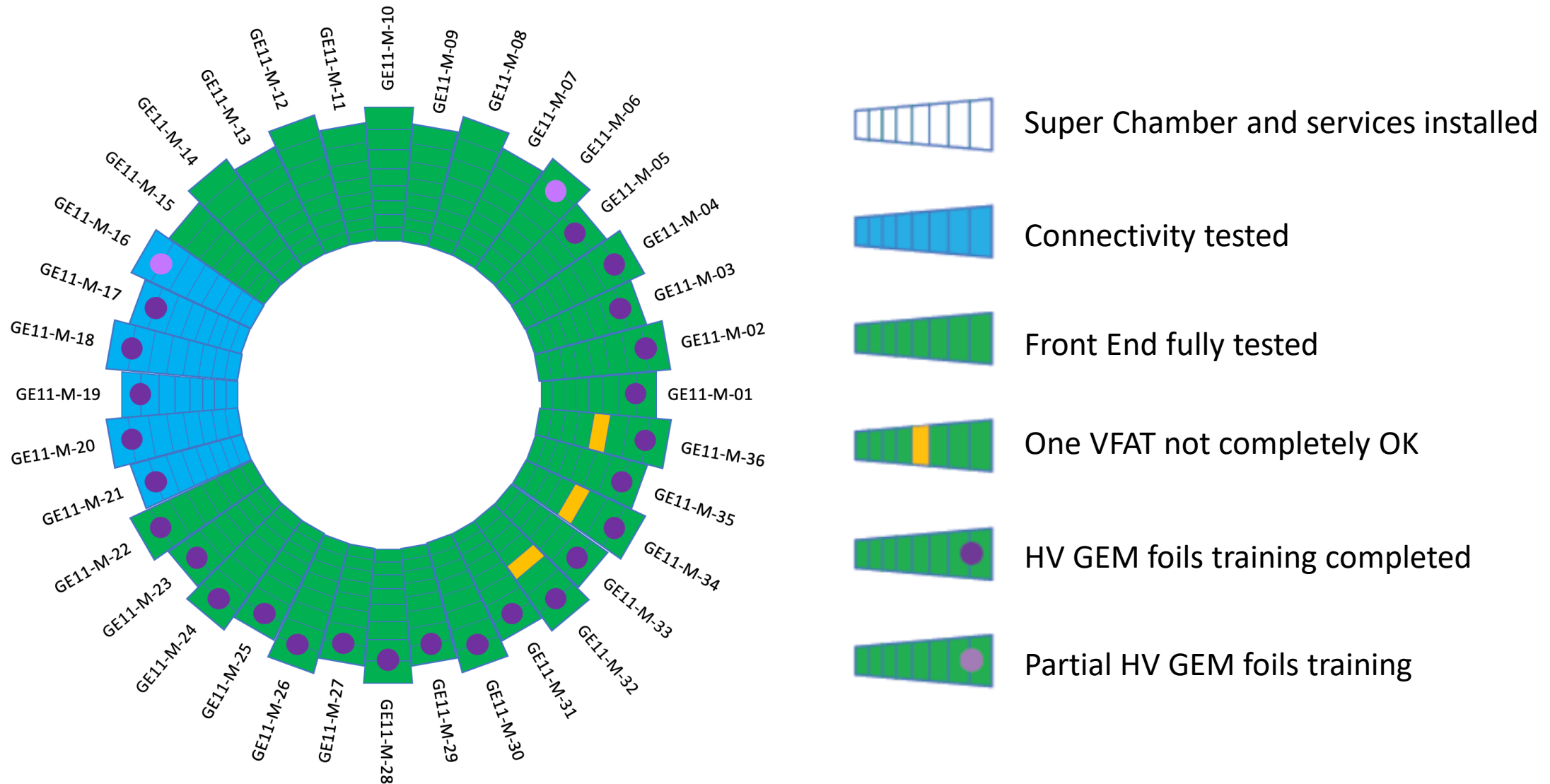
# GE1/1 negative endcap: stability tests

- **36/36** Super Chambers installed in **negative endcap**
- After a chamber is installed in CMS, the GEM foils and FE electronics of each chamber must be tested  
**HV** --> test the stability of GEM foils  
**LV** --> test the communication with chamber FrontEnd electronics



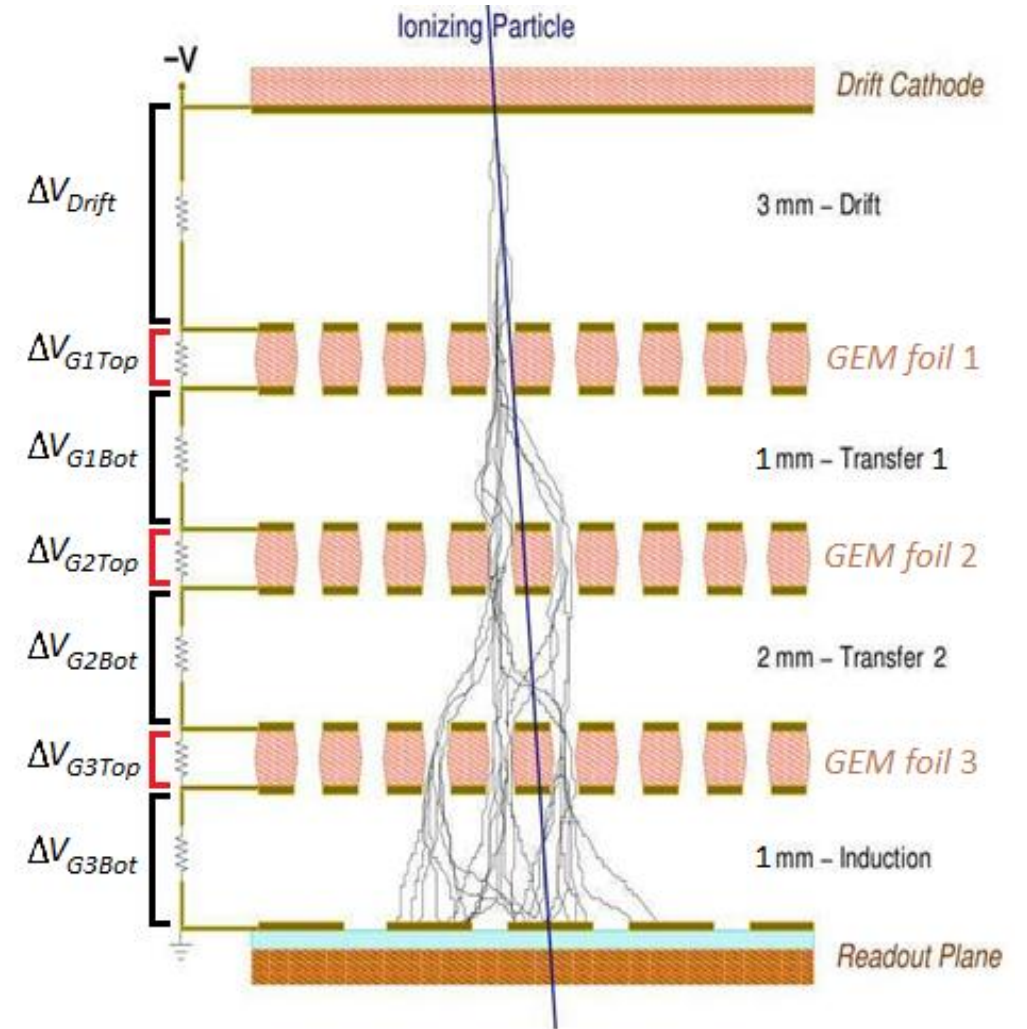
GEM Detector Control System (DCS)

# GE1/1 negative endcap: status



# HV and LV monitor

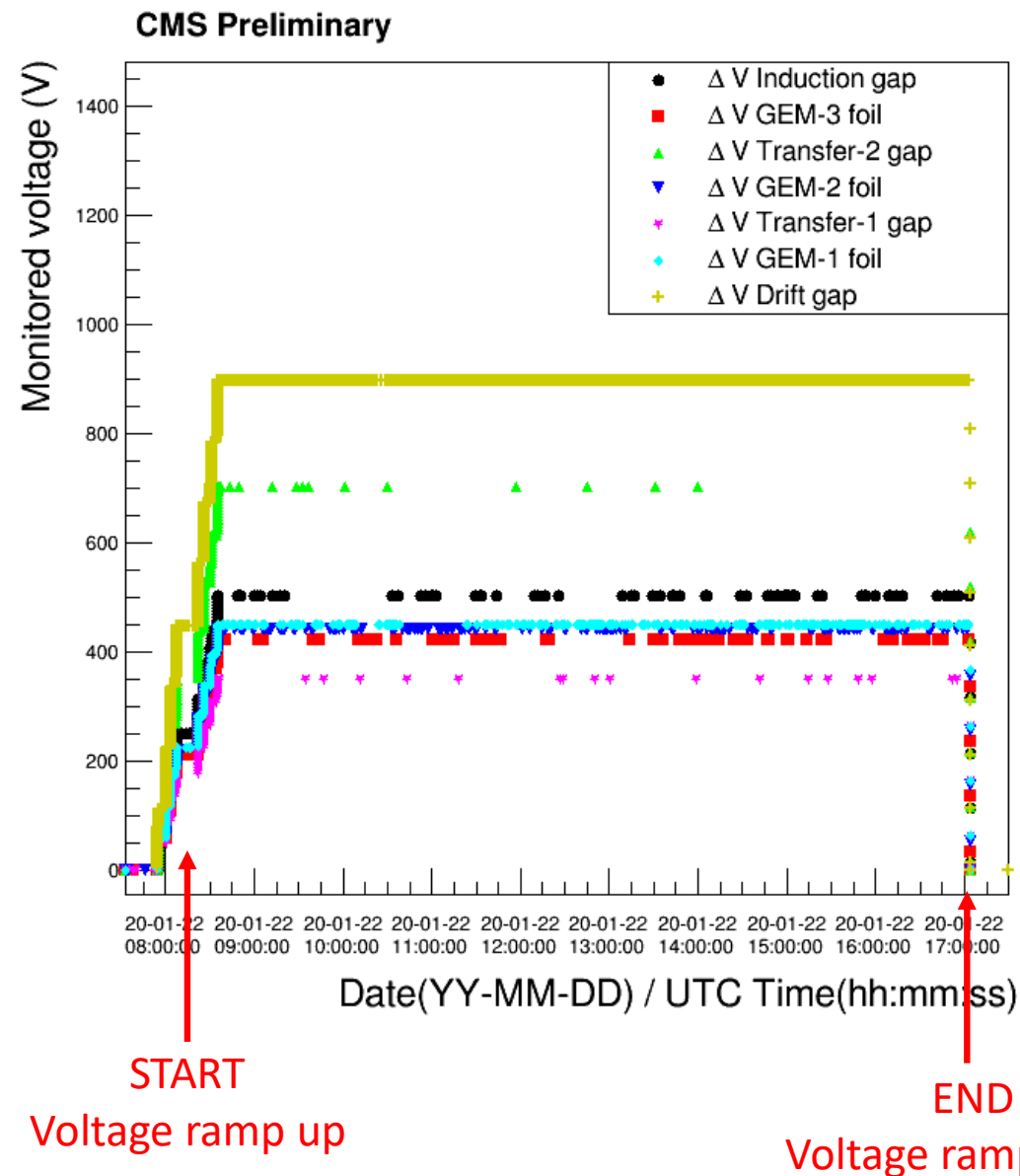
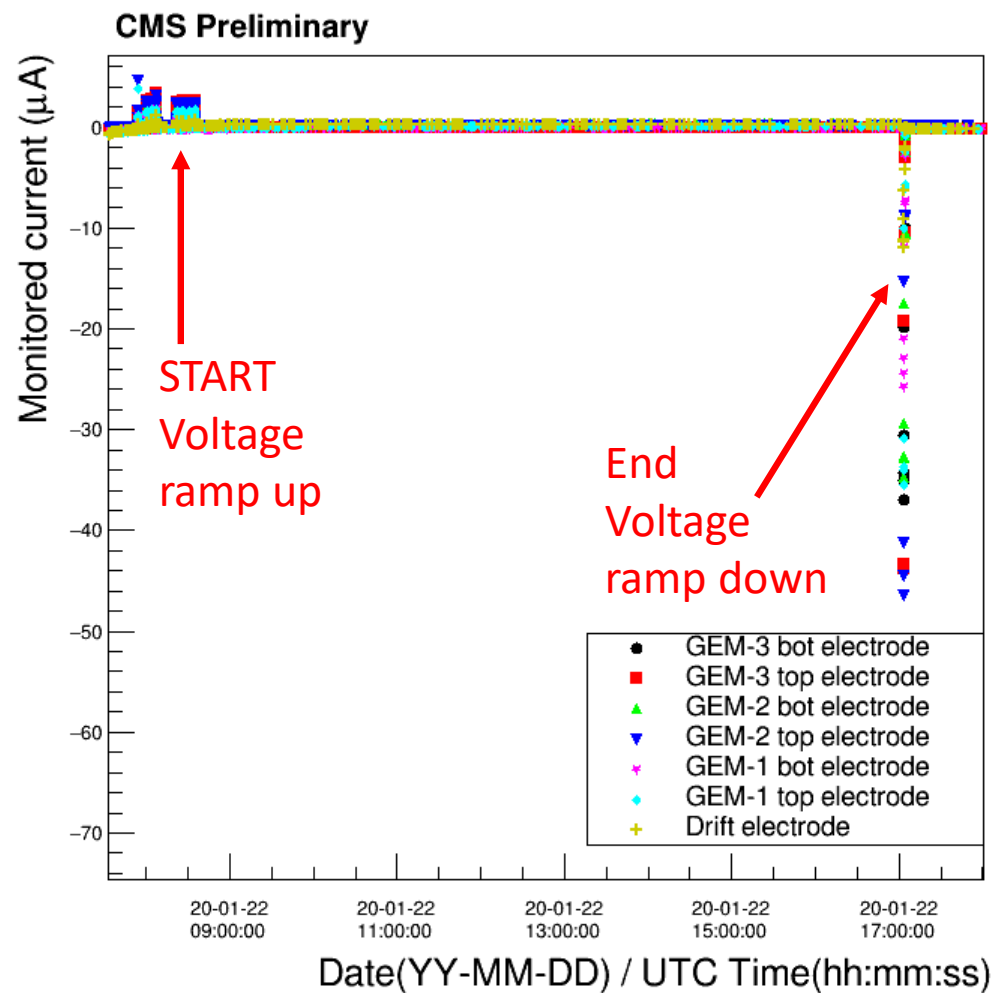
- DCS powers chambers and stores **current, voltage differences** and **status** of the HV or LV board in a database
- **Problems that can arise during the commissioning:**
  - an HV or LV board can operate incorrectly
  - a chamber can trip and the history of the trip has to be retrieved, to **spot problems** and **solve them if possible**



# An example: GEM foil training @ GE-1/1/35

GE-1/1/35

GE-1/1/35



# Conclusion

- **All Super Chambers installed** in the **negative endcap**
- **HV training of GEM foils** is ongoing for the last chambers of the negative endcap
- **DCS operational** and ready to be integrated in Central DCS by the end of February
- **Positive Endcap**
  - services under installation
  - Installation of Super Chambers in **next months (May-June)**