

8.12.0-pre against 8.9.3

Plutus countdown loop workload

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# Chapter 1

## Manifest

We compare 8.12.0-pre (Babbage) relative to 8.9.3 (Babbage), under Plutus countdown loop workload.

	8.9.3	8.12.0-pre
Analysis date	2024-05-10	2024-06-23
Cluster system start date	2024-05-09	2024-06-22
Cluster system start time	14:21:54	14:10:56
Identifier	8.9.3	8.12.0
Run batch	8.9.3	8.12.0-pre
GHC version	8.10.7	8.10.7
cardano-node version	8.9.3	8.12.0
ouroboros-consensus version	0.16.0.0	0.19.0.0
ouroboros-network version	0.15.0.0	0.16.1.0
cardano-ledger-core version	1.10.0.0	1.13.0.0
plutus-core version	1.21.0.0	1.30.0.0
cardano-crypto version	1.1.2	1.1.2
cardano-prelude version	0.1.0.4	0.2.0.0
cardano-node git	be18440	ae8bc93
ouroboros-consensus git	a2cb6e5	f4c0208
ouroboros-network git	6a947bc	49931be
cardano-ledger-core git	6e2d37c	923e75b
plutus-core git	022595e	bc8c3a7
cardano-crypto git	6568a5e	6568a5e
cardano-prelude git	a6f18f7	273167c
Era	babbage	babbage
Delegation map size	1000000	1000000
Starting UTxO set size	4000000	4000000
Extra tx payload	100	100
Tx inputs	1	1
Tx Outputs	1	1
TPS	0.85	0.85
Transaction count	61200	61200
Plutus script	Loop	Loop
Machines	52	52
Number of filters applied	4	4
Log text lines emitted per host	753595.57692	849797.51923
Log objects emitted per host	753565.57692	849767.51923
Log objects analysed per host	545229.82692	548333.94230
Host run time, s	71902.4	71895.7
Host log line rate, Hz	10.480	11.819
Total log objects analysed	28351951	28513365
Run time, s	71908	71901
Analysed run duration, s	56010	56030
Run time efficiency	0.77	0.77
Node start spread, s	10.147037	8.1681221
Node stop spread, s	3.6516235	3.7289935
Perf analysis start spread, s	0	0
Perf analysis stop spread, s	4	4
Slots analysed	56007	56027
Blocks analysed	2664	2770
Blocks rejected	883	888

# Chapter 2

## Analysis

### 2.1 Resource Usage

	8.9.3	8.12.0-pre	$\Delta$	$\Delta\%$
Forge loop starts, #	0.99903	0.99906	0.000	0
Process CPU usage, %	5.7131	5.6712	-0.042	-1
RTS GC CPU usage, %	0.62847	0.62135	-0.007	-1
RTS Mutator CPU usage, %	5.0771	5.048	-0.029	-1
Major GCs, #	0.00094	0.00092	-0.000	0
Minor GCs, #	1.5849	1.5735	-0.011	-1
Kernel RSS, MB	8280.2	7456.7	-823.500	-10
RTS heap size, MB	8228.9	7403.3	-825.600	-10
RTS live GC dataset, MB	3436.2	3264.0	-172.200	-5
RTS alloc rate, MB/s	48.97	48.646	-0.324	-1
Filesystem reads, KB/s	2e-05	4e-05	0.000	0
Filesystem writes, KB/s	204.86	202.96	-1.900	-1
CPU 85% spans, slots	0.17576	0.18583	0.010	6
Sample count	(291>)	(291>)		

### 2.2 Anomaly control

	8.9.3	8.12.0-pre	$\Delta$	$\Delta\%$
Blocks per host, blocks	70.384	71.903	1.519	2
Filtered to chained block ratio, /	0.74972	0.75712	0.007	1
Chained to forged block ratio, /	0.96946	0.97868	0.009	1
Height & slot battles, blocks	0.0015	0.0	-0.002	-133
Block size, B	2948.0	2948.0	0.000	0
Sample count	(52)	(52)		

## 2.3 Forging

	8.9.3	8.12.0-pre	$\Delta$	$\Delta\%$
Started forge loop iteration, s	0.00075	0.00073	-0.000	0
Acquired block context, s	0.02117	0.02097	-0.000	0
Acquired ledger state, s	6e-05	5e-05	-0.000	0
Acquired ledger view, s	2e-05	2e-05	0.000	0
Leadership check duration, s	0.00041	0.00039	-0.000	0
Ledger ticking, s	0.01954	0.01885	-0.001	-5
Mempool snapshotting, s	0.0681	0.06471	-0.003	-4
Leadership to forged, s	0.0004	0.00042	0.000	0
Forged to announced, s	0.00052	0.00058	0.000	0
Forged to sending, s	0.00456	0.00479	0.000	0
Forged to self-adopted, s	0.04988	0.05007	0.000	0
Slot start to announced, s	0.11101	0.10677	-0.004	-4
Sample count	(2664)	(2770)		

## 2.4 Individual peer propagation

	8.9.3	8.12.0-pre	$\Delta$	$\Delta\%$
First peer notice, s	0.11268	0.10842	-0.004	-4
First peer fetch, s	0.11741	0.1132	-0.004	-3
Notice to fetch request, s	0.00106	0.0012	0.000	0
Fetch duration, s	0.12879	0.13075	0.002	2
Fetches to announced, s	5e-05	2e-05	-0.000	0
Fetches to sending, s	0.04182	0.04203	0.000	0
Fetches to adopted, s	0.05111	0.04986	-0.001	-2
Sample count	(2664)	(2770)		

## 2.5 End-to-end propagation

	8.9.3	8.12.0-pre	$\Delta$	$\Delta\%$
0.50 adoption, s	0.37442	0.37209	-0.002	-1
0.80 adoption, s	0.55786	0.55715	-0.001	0
0.90 adoption, s	0.57113	0.56685	-0.004	-1
0.92 adoption, s	0.57349	0.56919	-0.004	-1
0.94 adoption, s	0.5765	0.57191	-0.005	-1
0.96 adoption, s	0.58117	0.57613	-0.005	-1
0.98 adoption, s	0.58834	0.58128	-0.007	-1
1.00 adoption, s	0.60807	0.59586	-0.012	-2
Sample count	(2664)	(2770)		

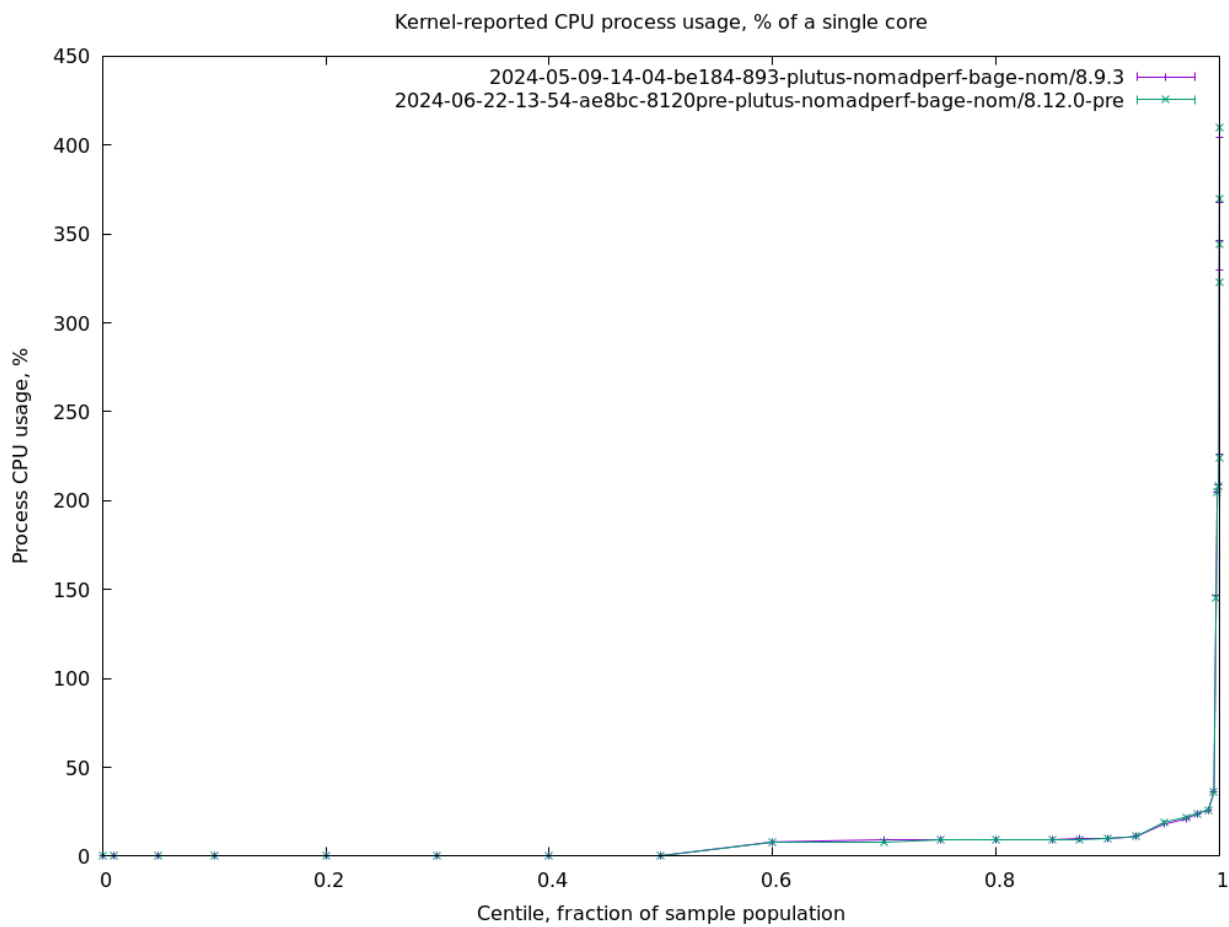
## Part I

# Appendix A: charts

# Chapter 3

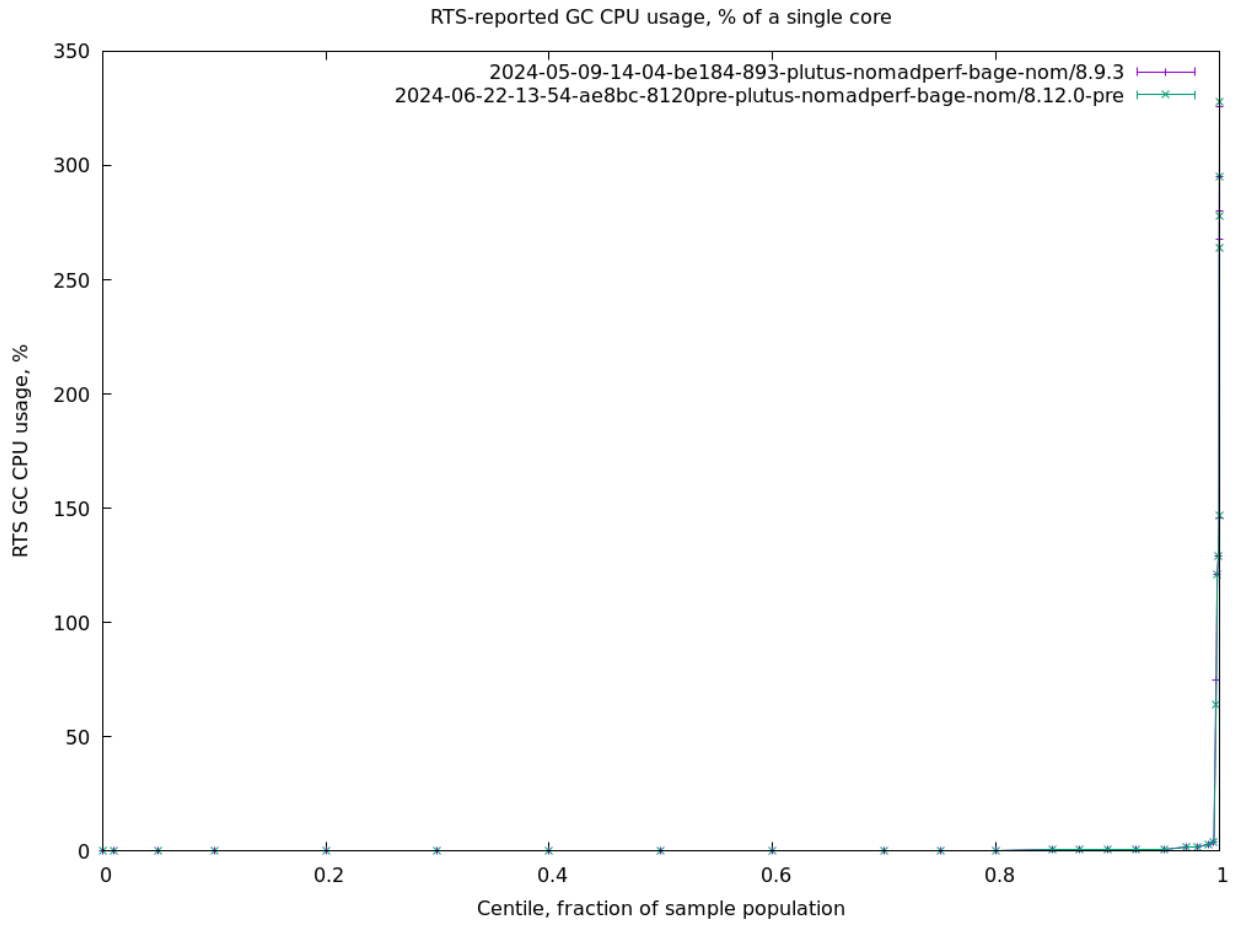
## Cluster performance charts

**Process CPU usage (CentiCpu)** Kernel-reported CPU process usage, % of a single core

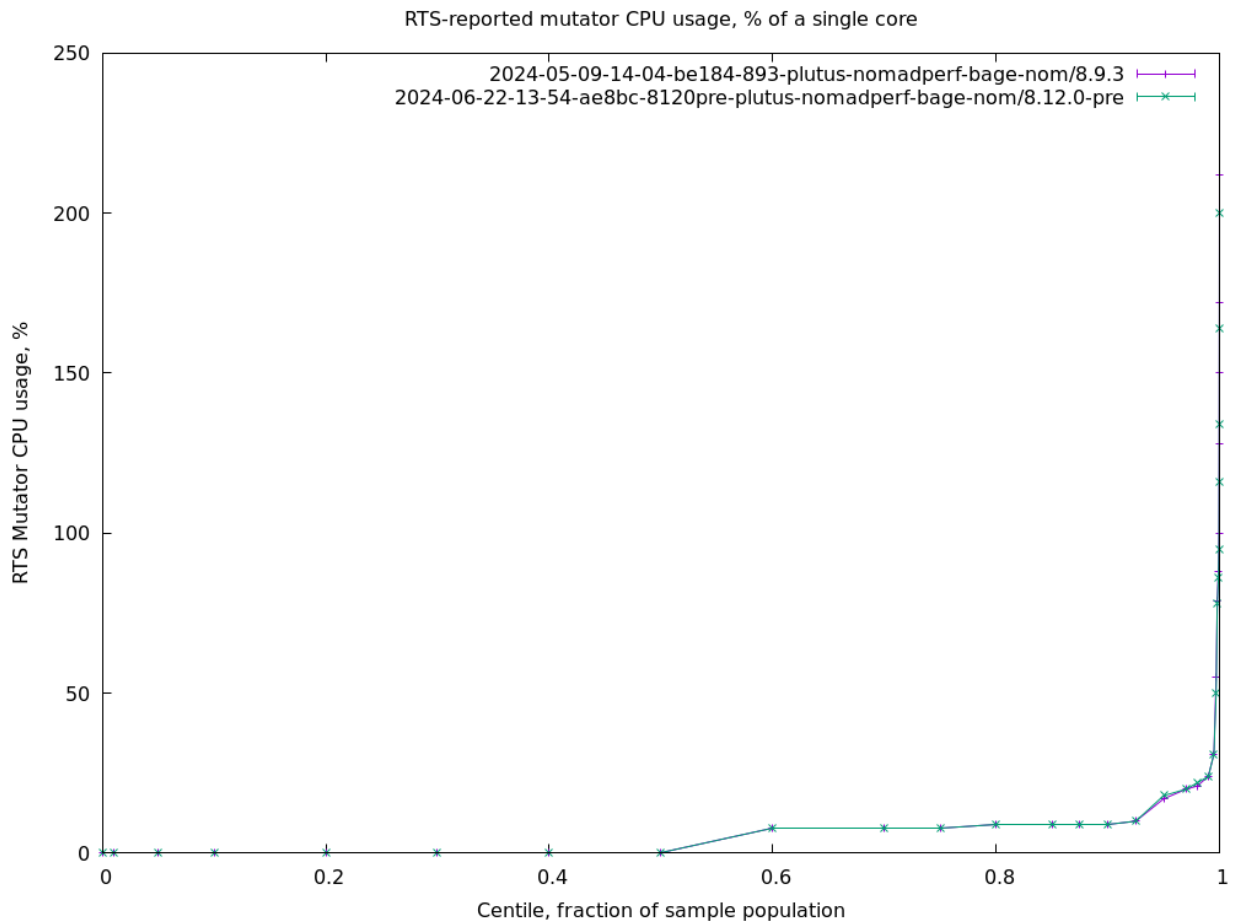


**RTS GC CPU usage (CentiGC)** RTS-reported GC CPU usage, % of a single core

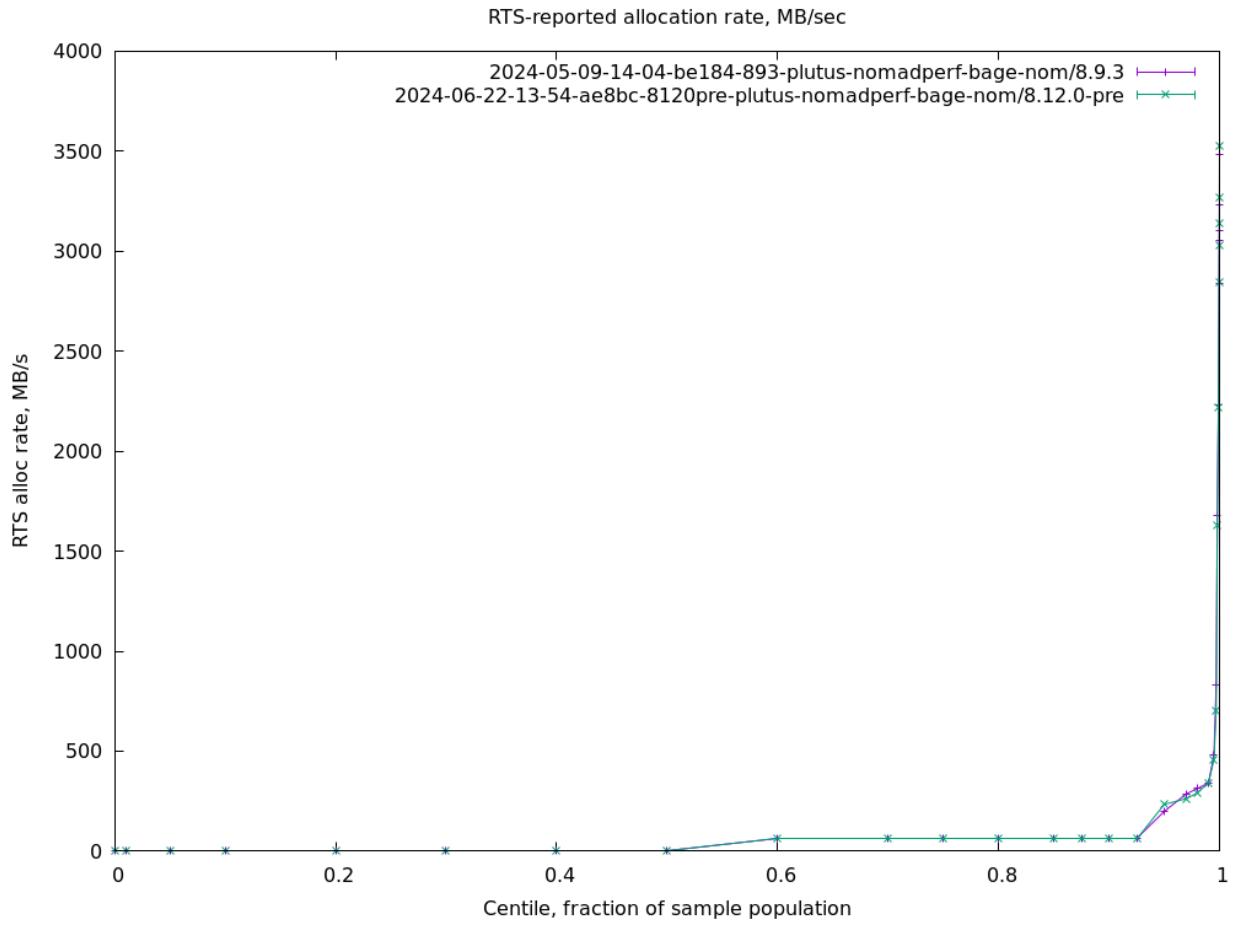




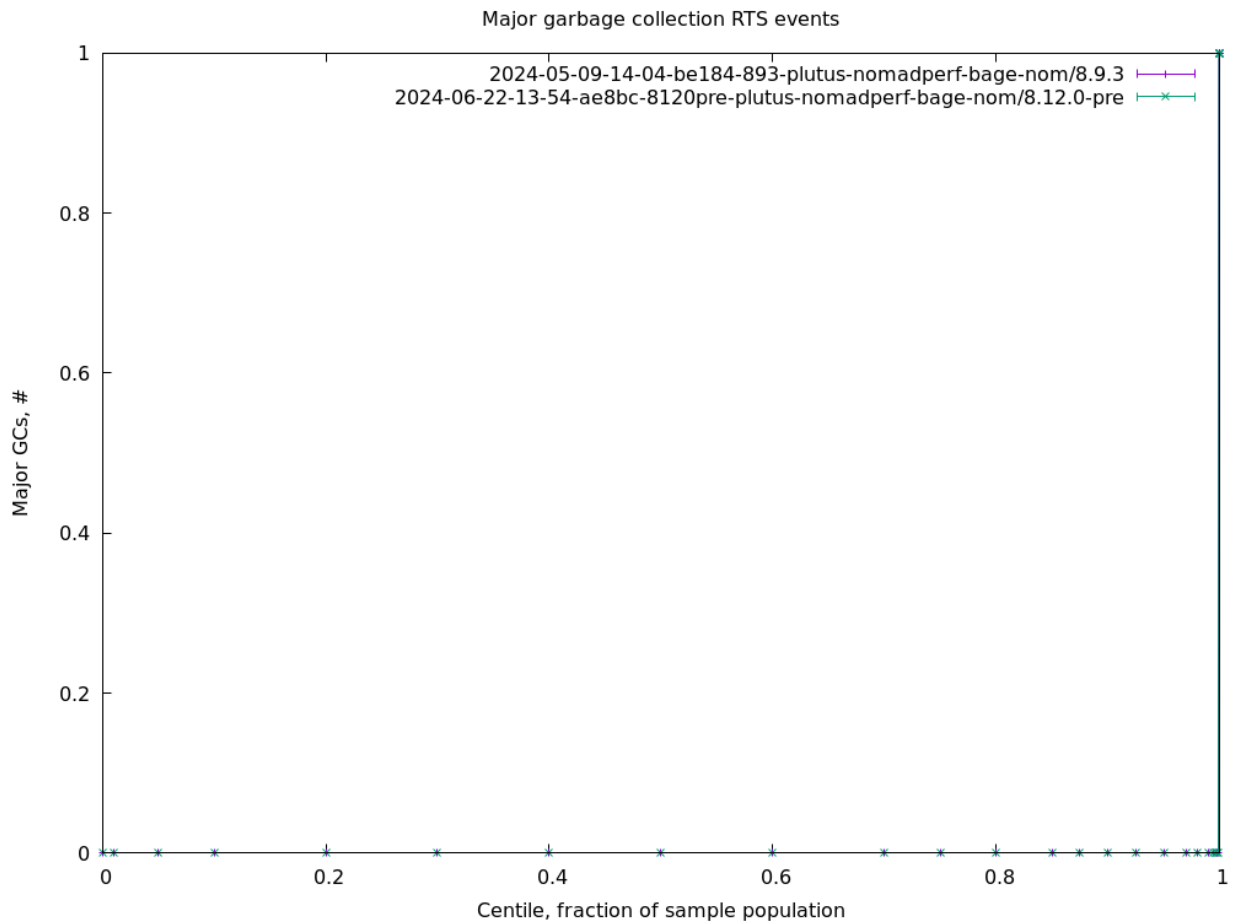
**RTS Mutator CPU usage (CentiMut)** RTS-reported mutator CPU usage, % of a single core



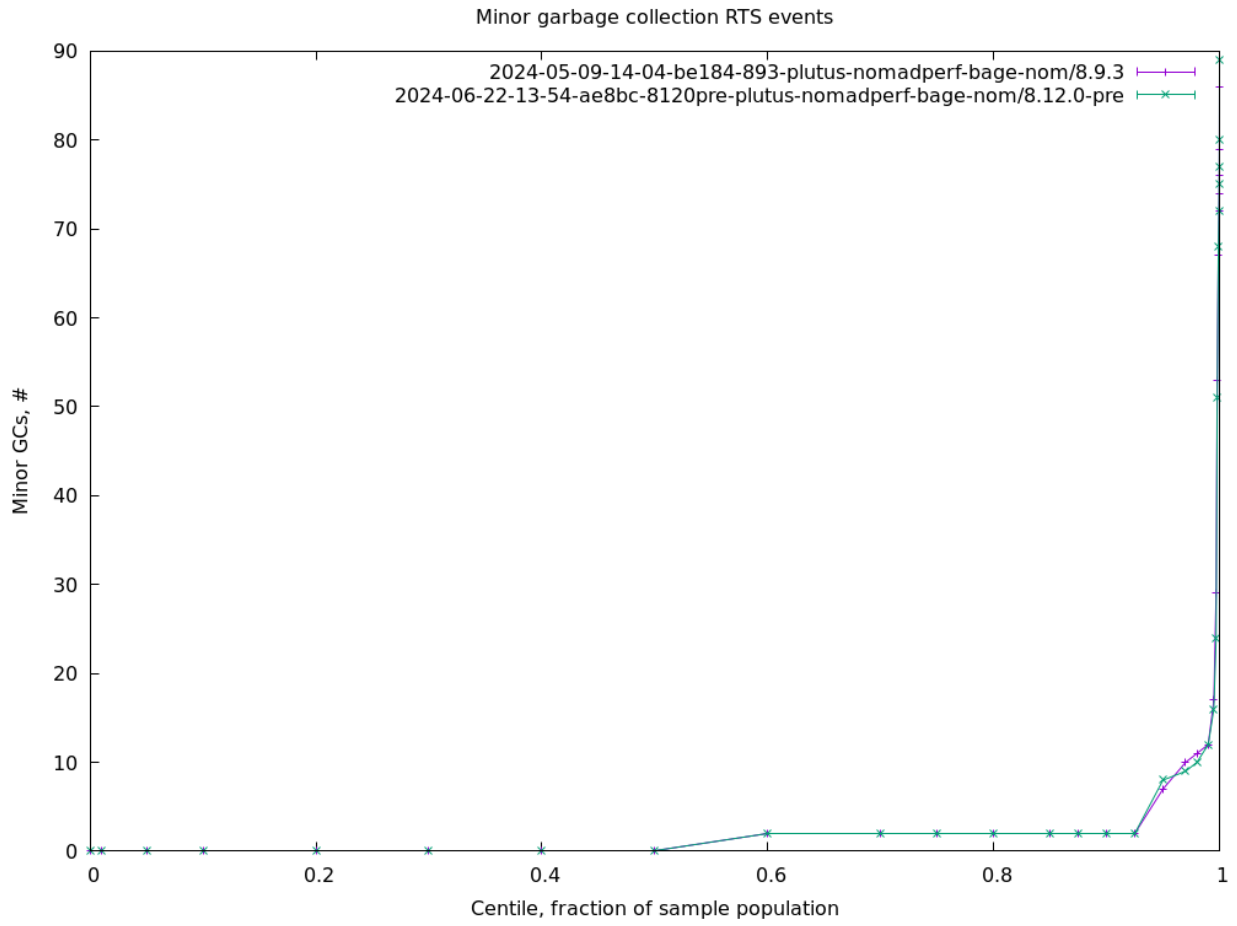
**RTS alloc rate (Alloc)** RTS-reported allocation rate, MB/sec



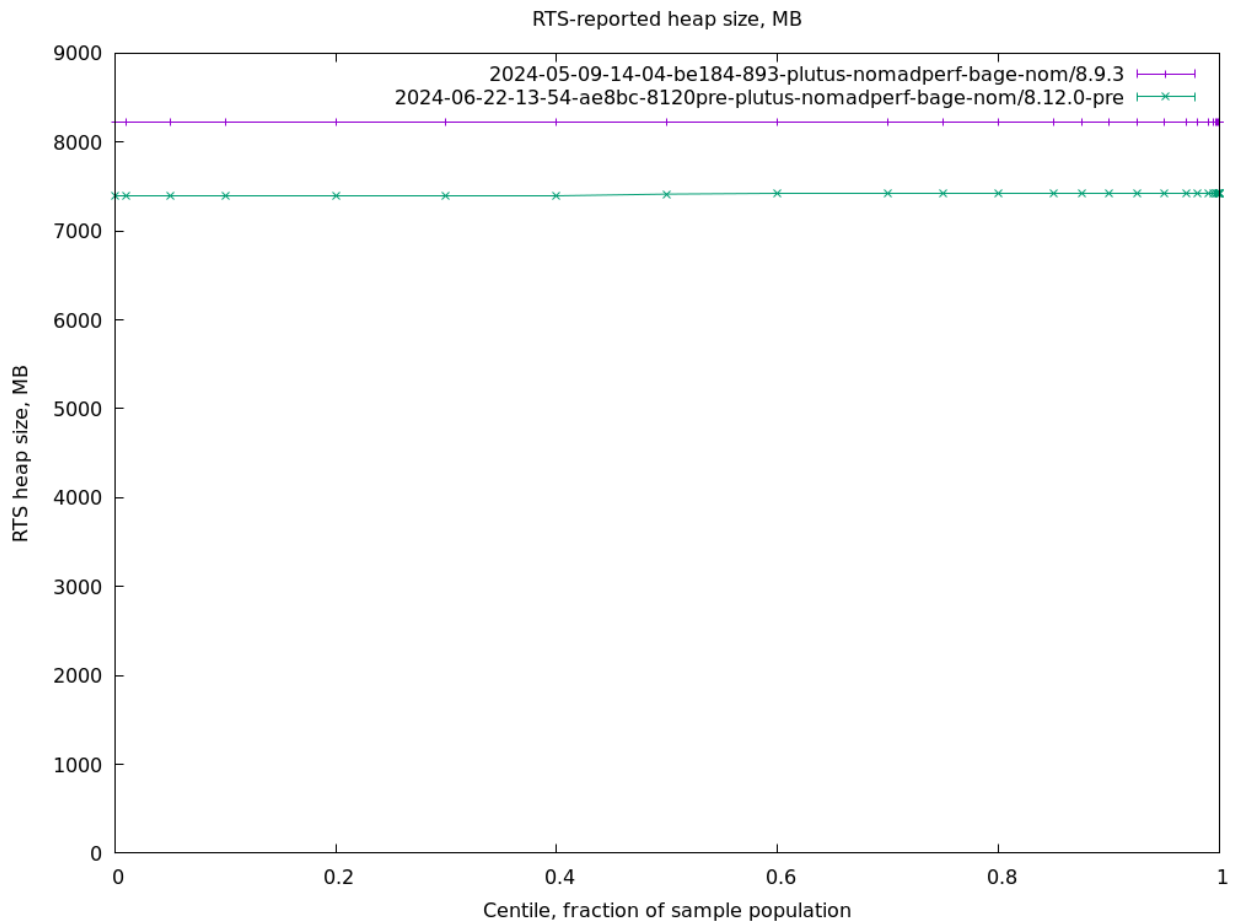
Major GCs (GcsMajor) Major garbage collection RTS events



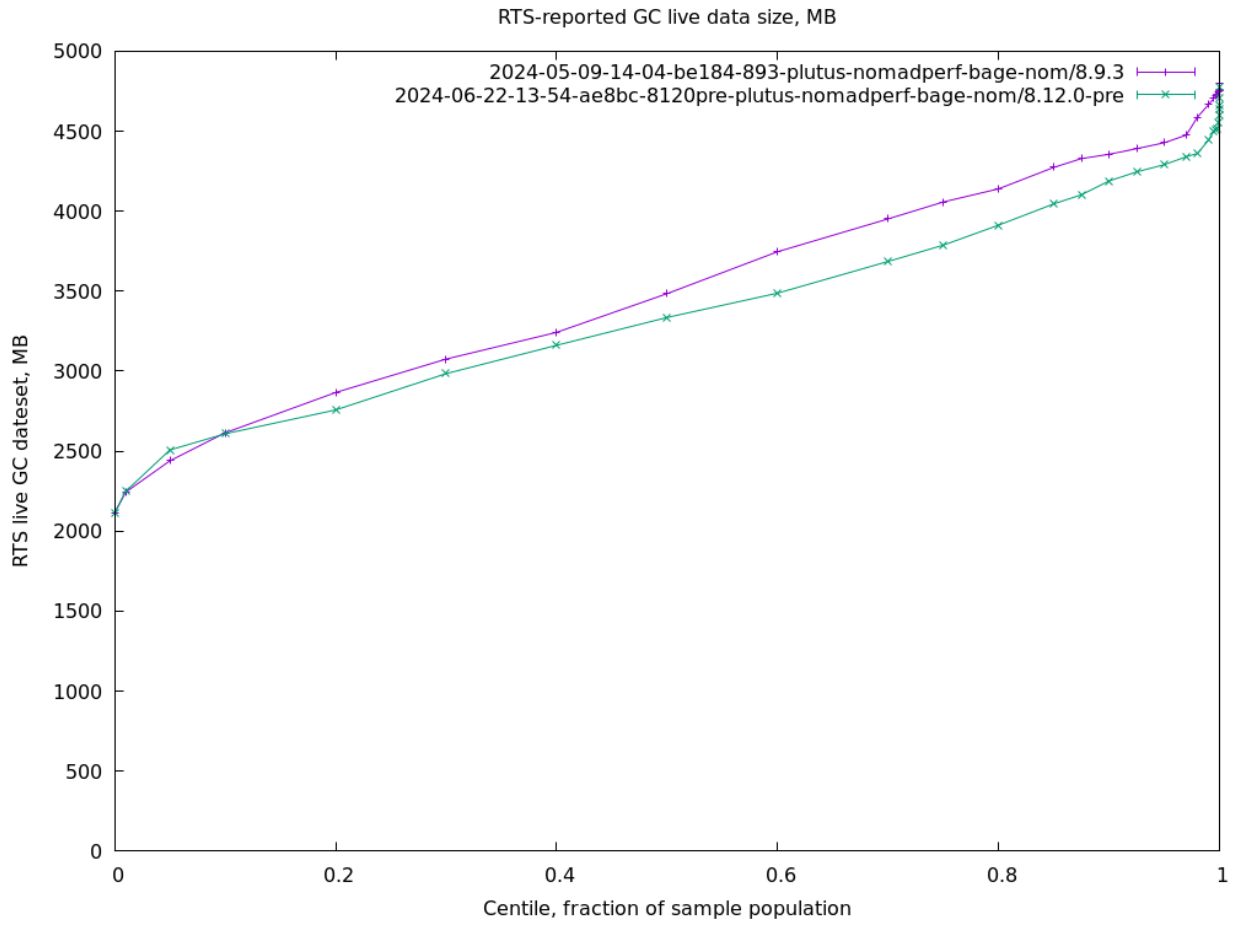
Minor GCs (GcsMinor) Minor garbage collection RTS events



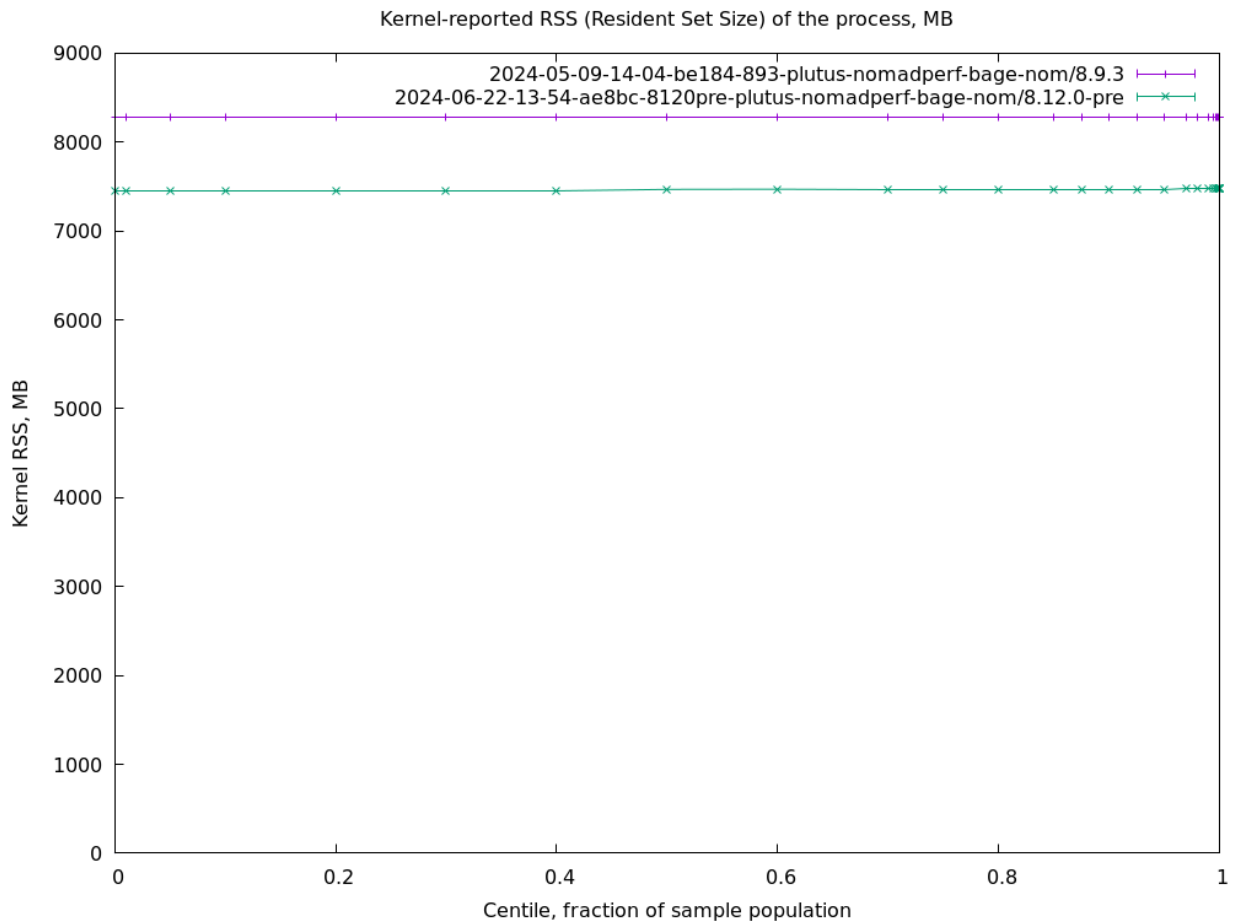
RTS heap size (Heap) RTS-reported heap size, MB



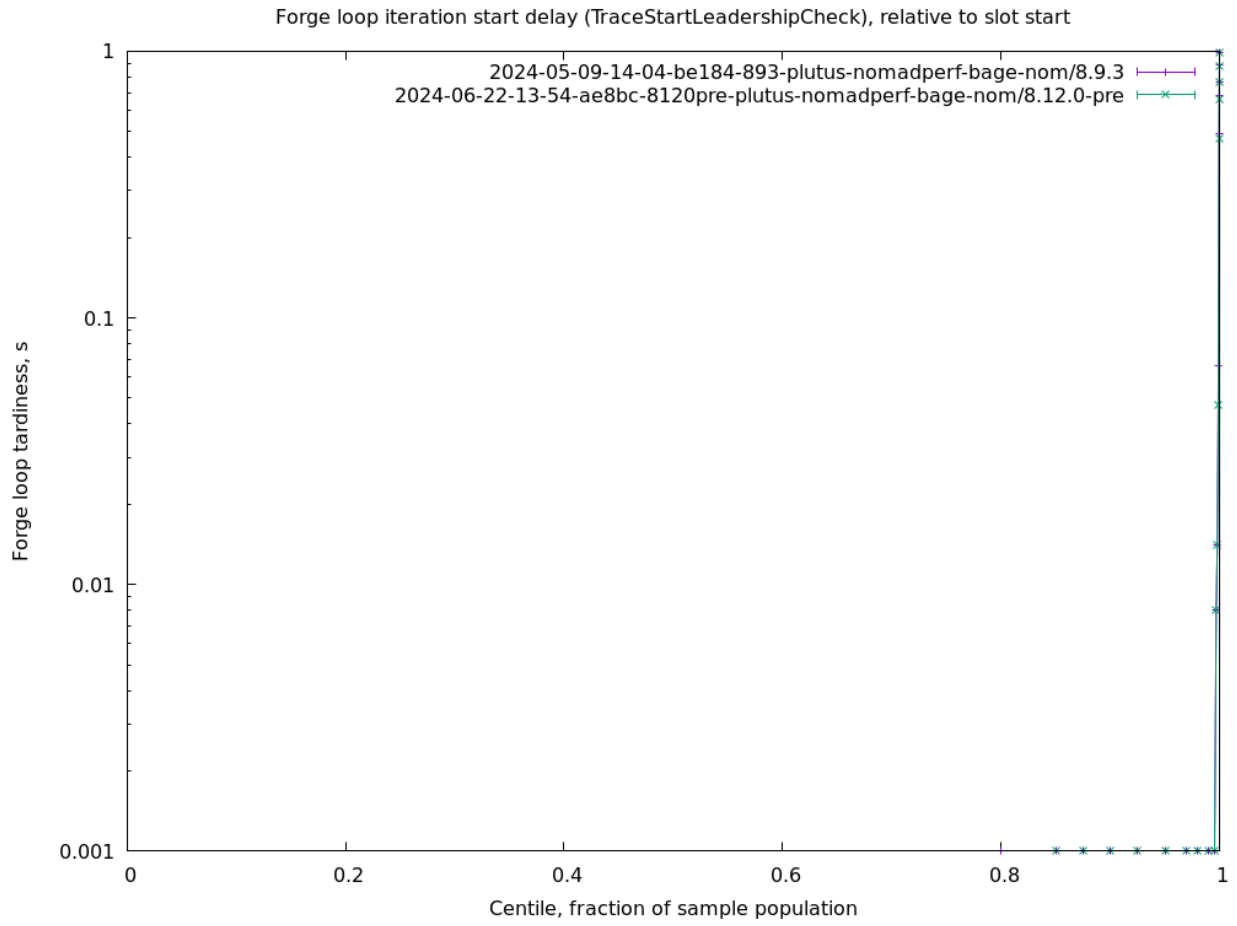
RTS live GC dataset (Live) RTS-reported GC live data size, MB



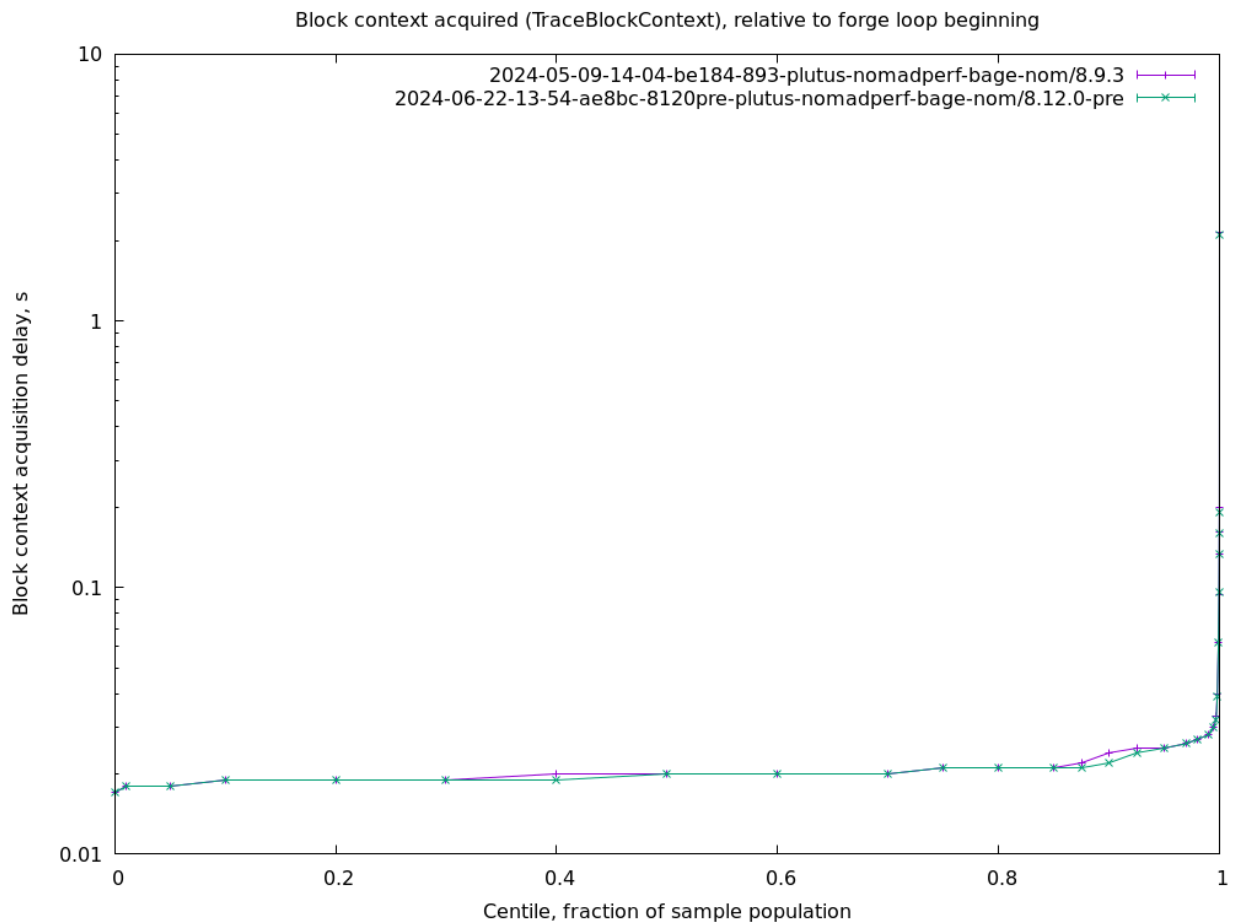
**Kernel RSS (RSS)** Kernel-reported RSS (Resident Set Size) of the process, MB



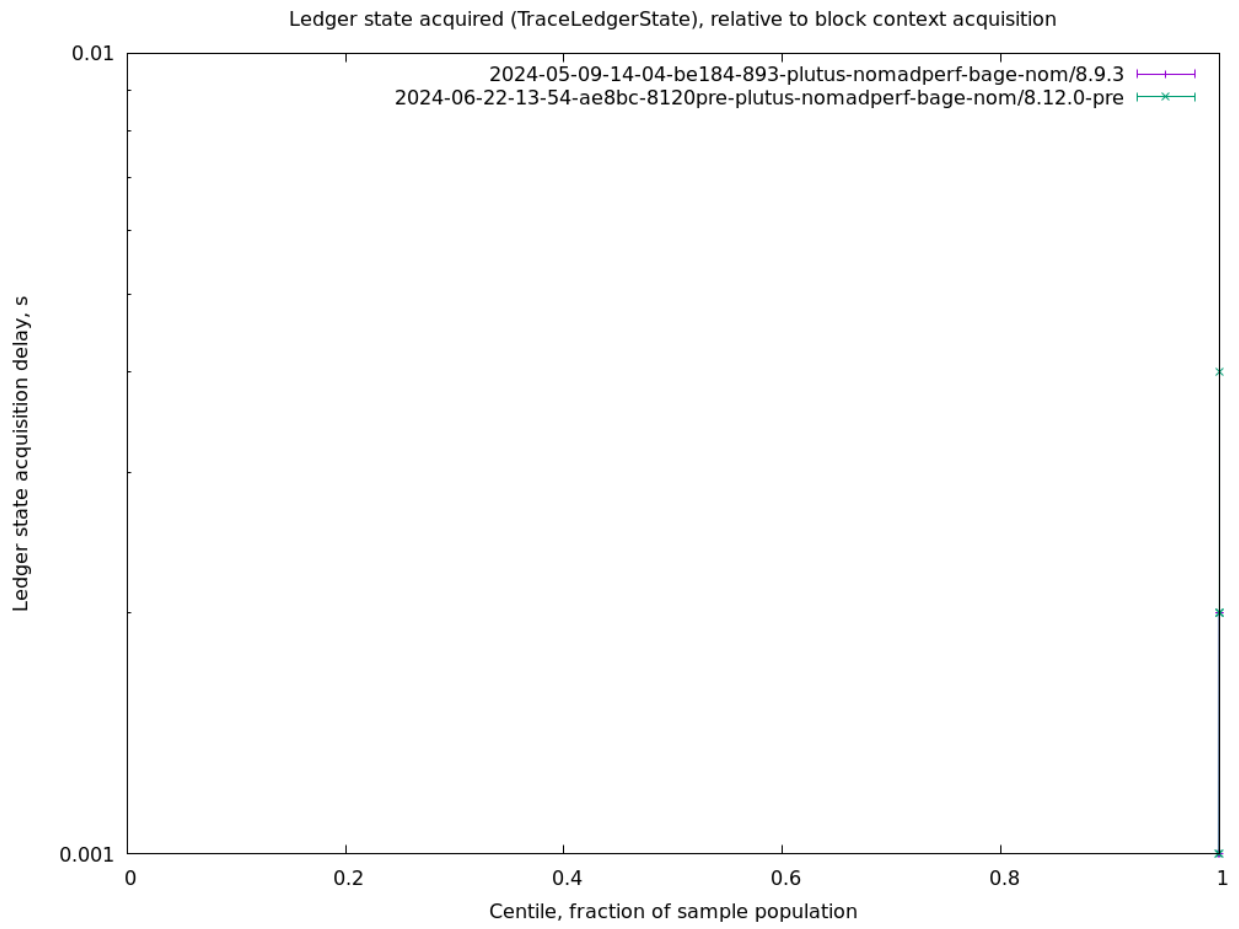
**Forge loop tardiness (cdfStarted)** Forge loop iteration start delay (TraceStartLeadershipCheck), relative to slot start



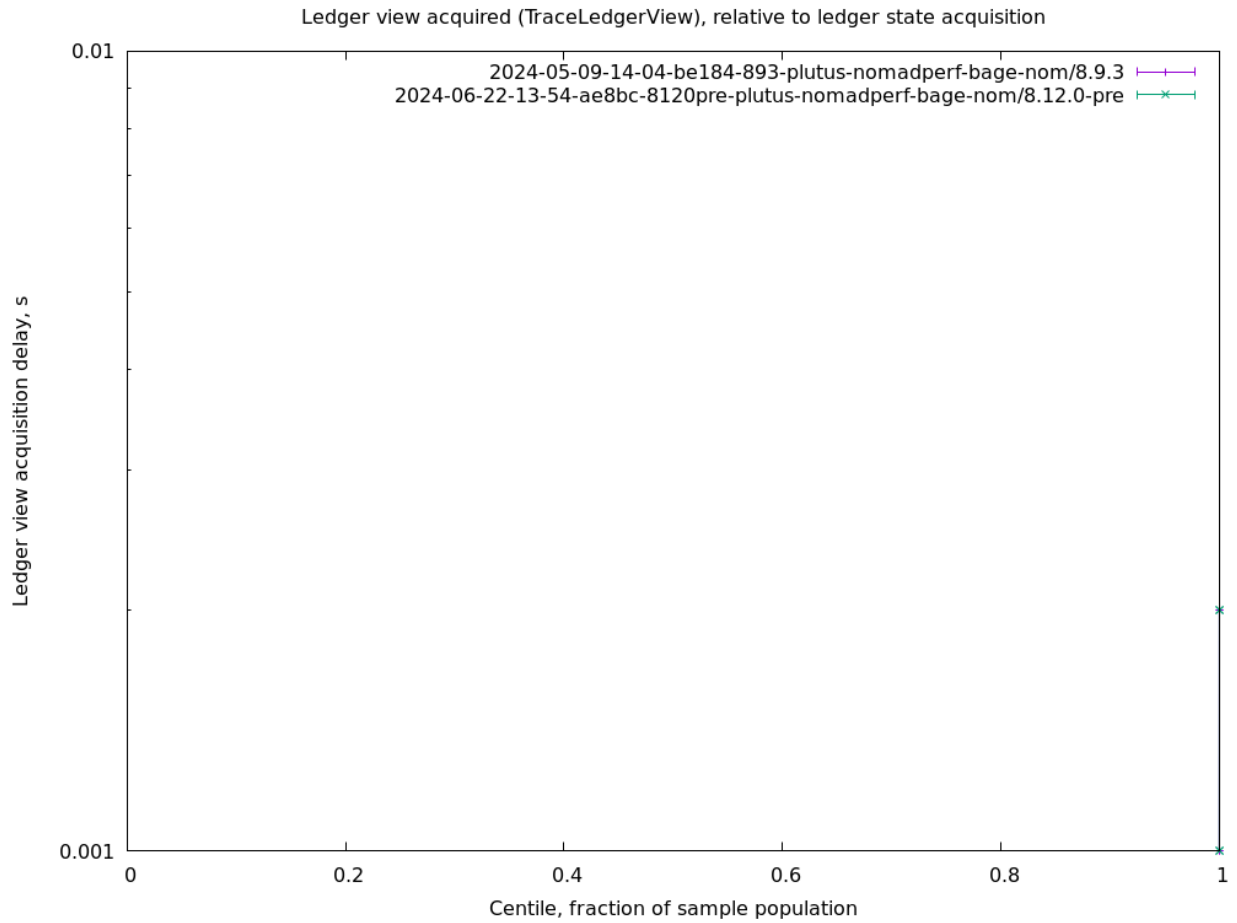
**Block context acquisition delay (cdfBlkCtx)** Block context acquired (TraceBlockContext), relative to forge loop beginning



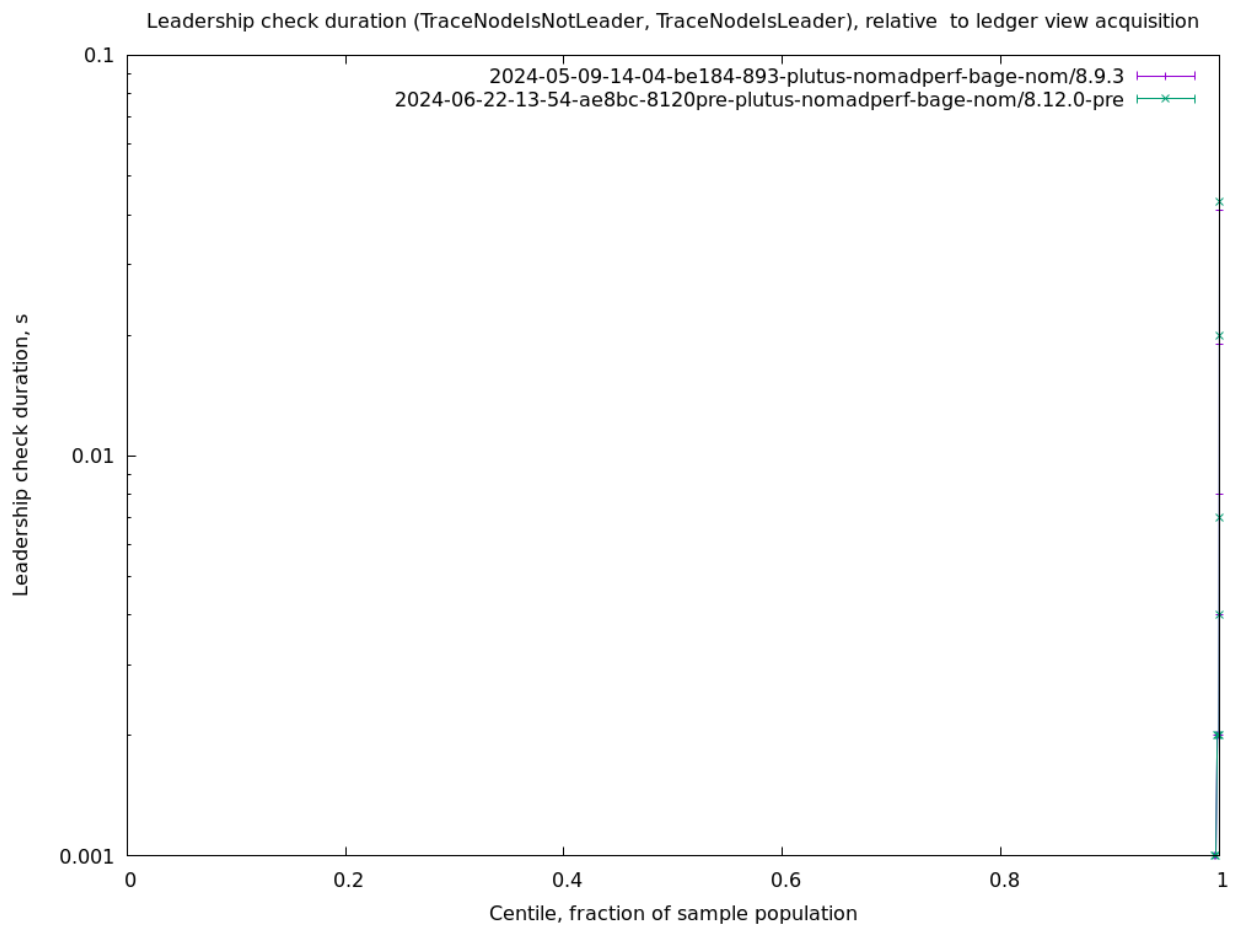
**Ledger state acquisition delay (cdfLgrState)** Ledger state acquired (TraceLedgerState), relative to block context acquisition



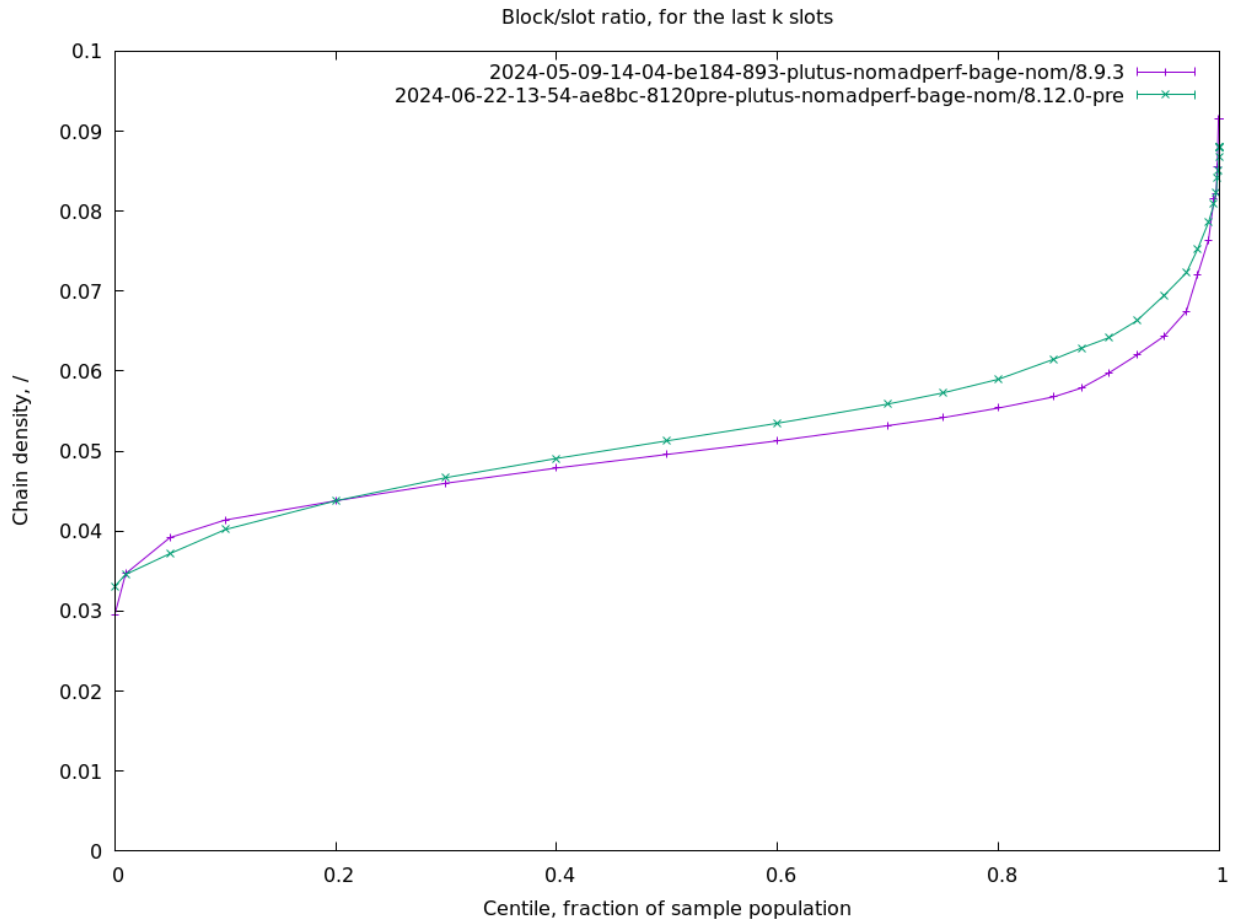
**Ledger view acquisition delay (cdfLgrView)** Ledger view acquired (TraceLedgerView), relative to ledger state acquisition



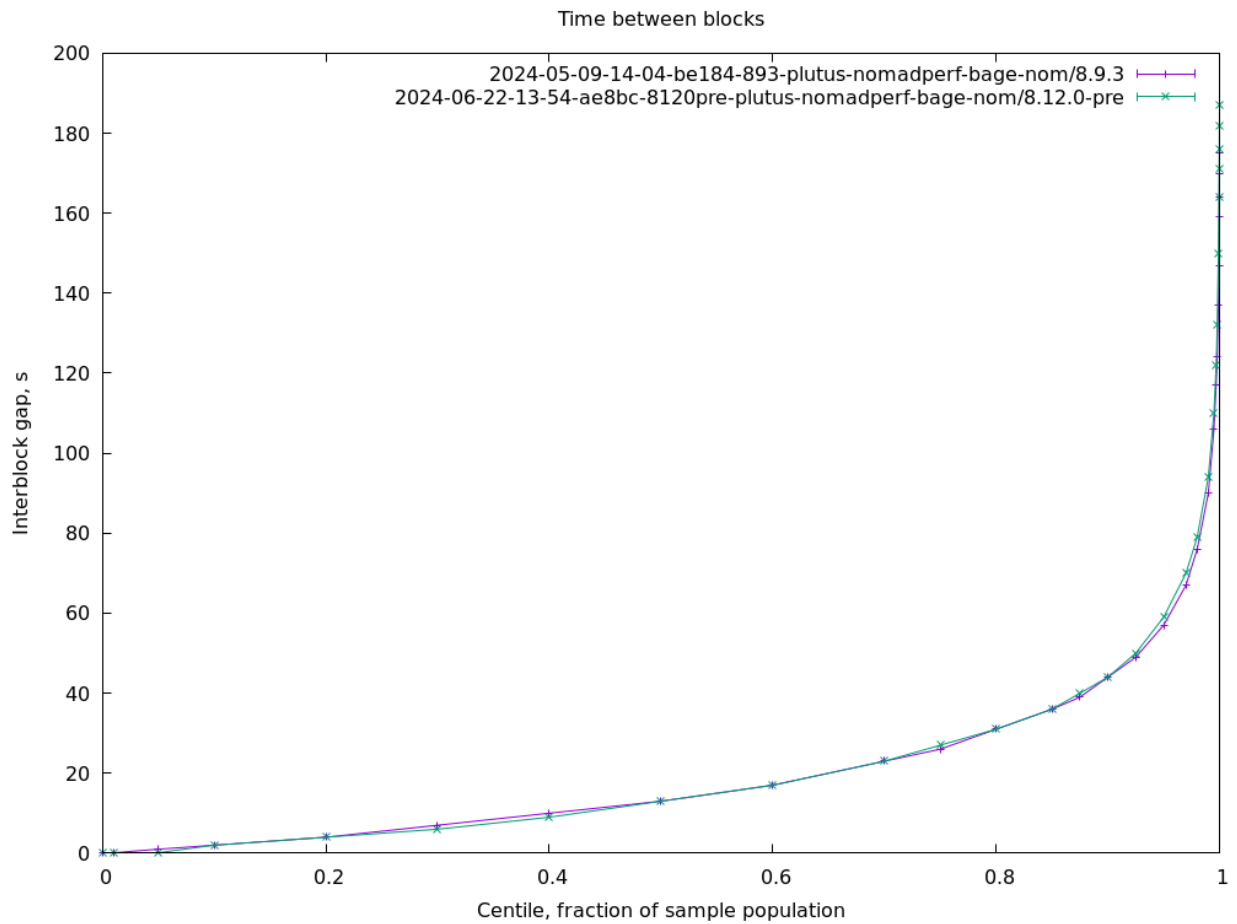
**Leadership check duration (cdfLeading)** Leadership check duration (TraceNodeIsNotLeader, TraceNodeIsLeader), relative to ledger view acquisition



**Chain density (cdfDensity)** Block/slot ratio, for the last 'k' slots

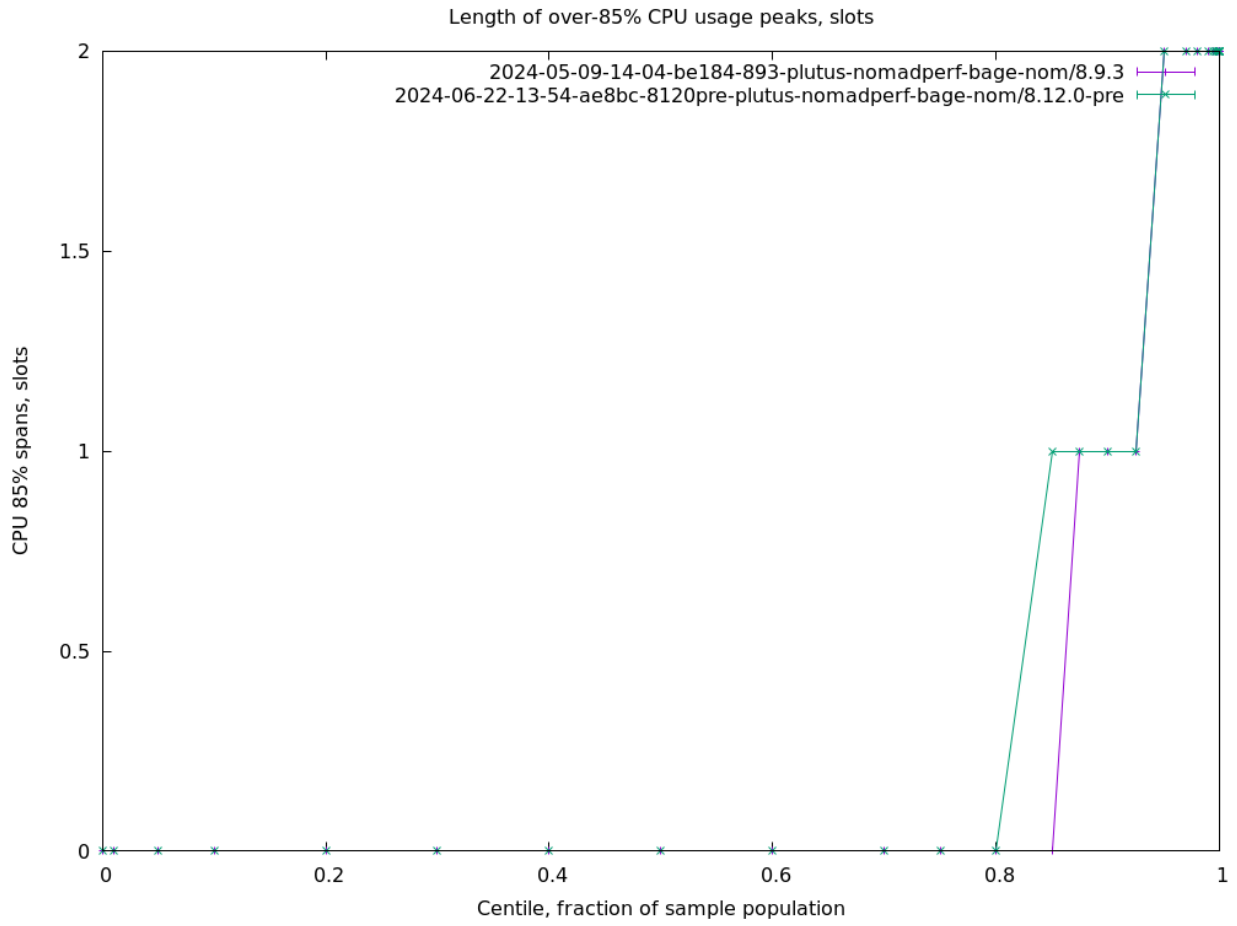


Interblock gap (cdfBlockGap) Time between blocks

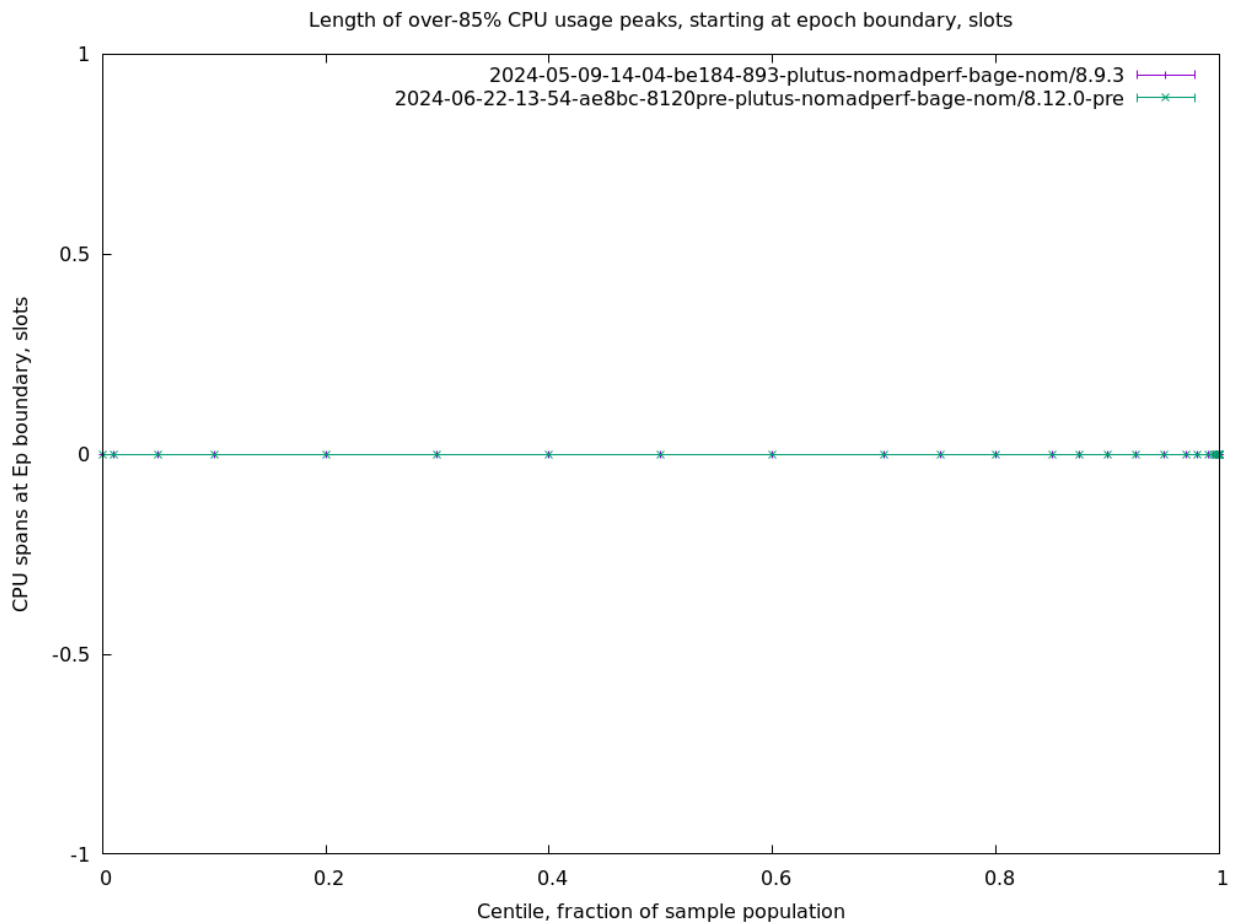


CPU 85% spans (cdfSpanLensCpu) Length of over-85% CPU usage peaks, slots

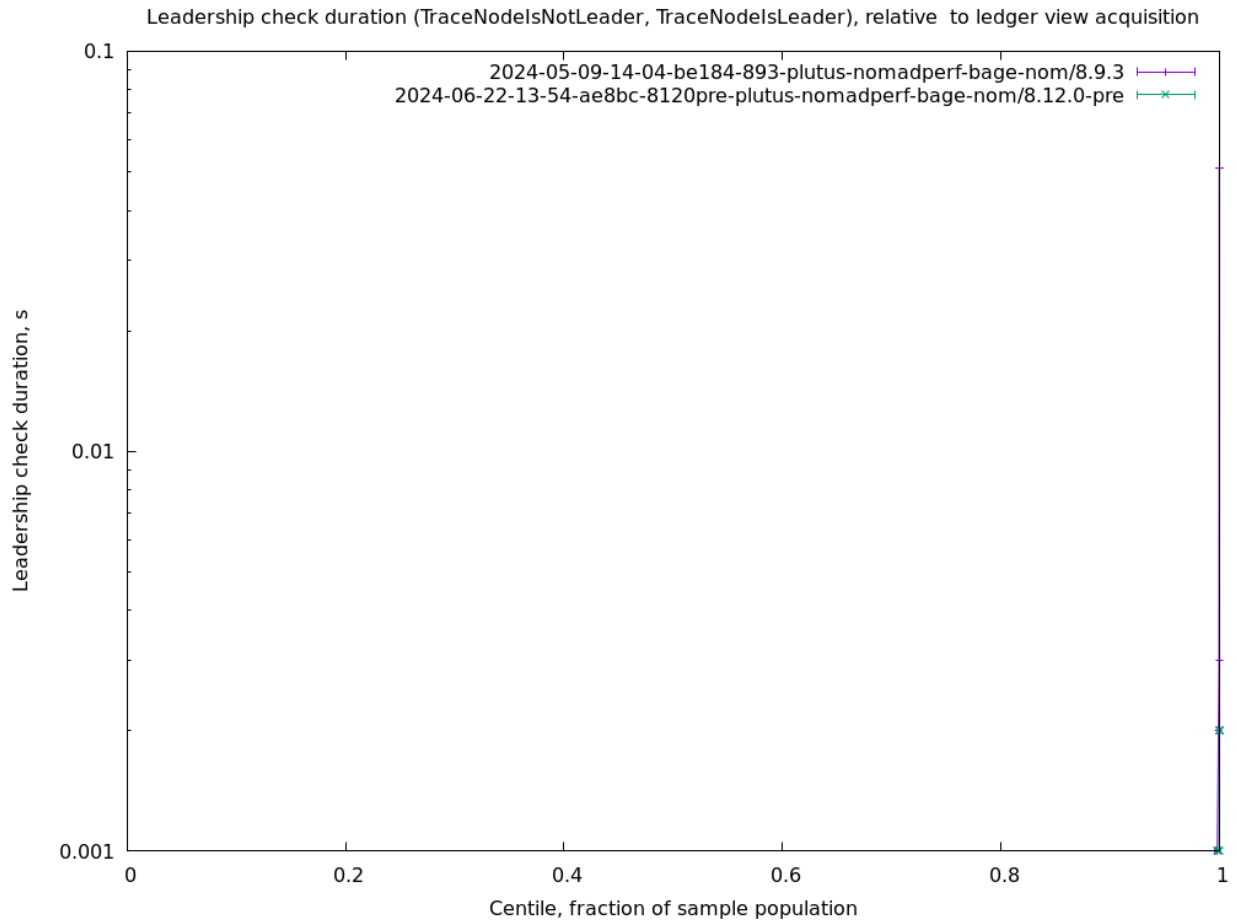




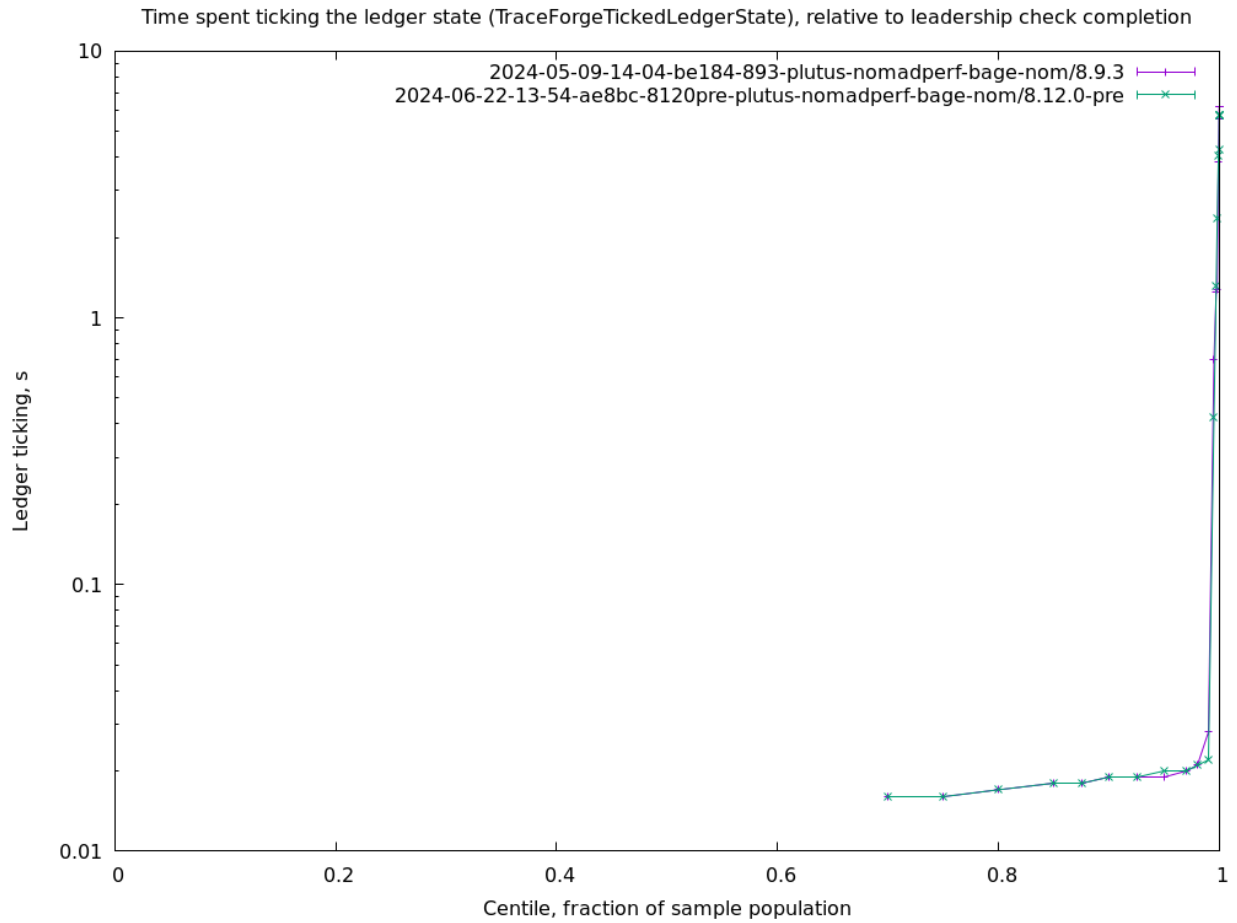
**CPU spans at Ep boundary (cdfSpanLensCpuEpoch)** Length of over-85% CPU usage peaks, starting at epoch boundary, slots



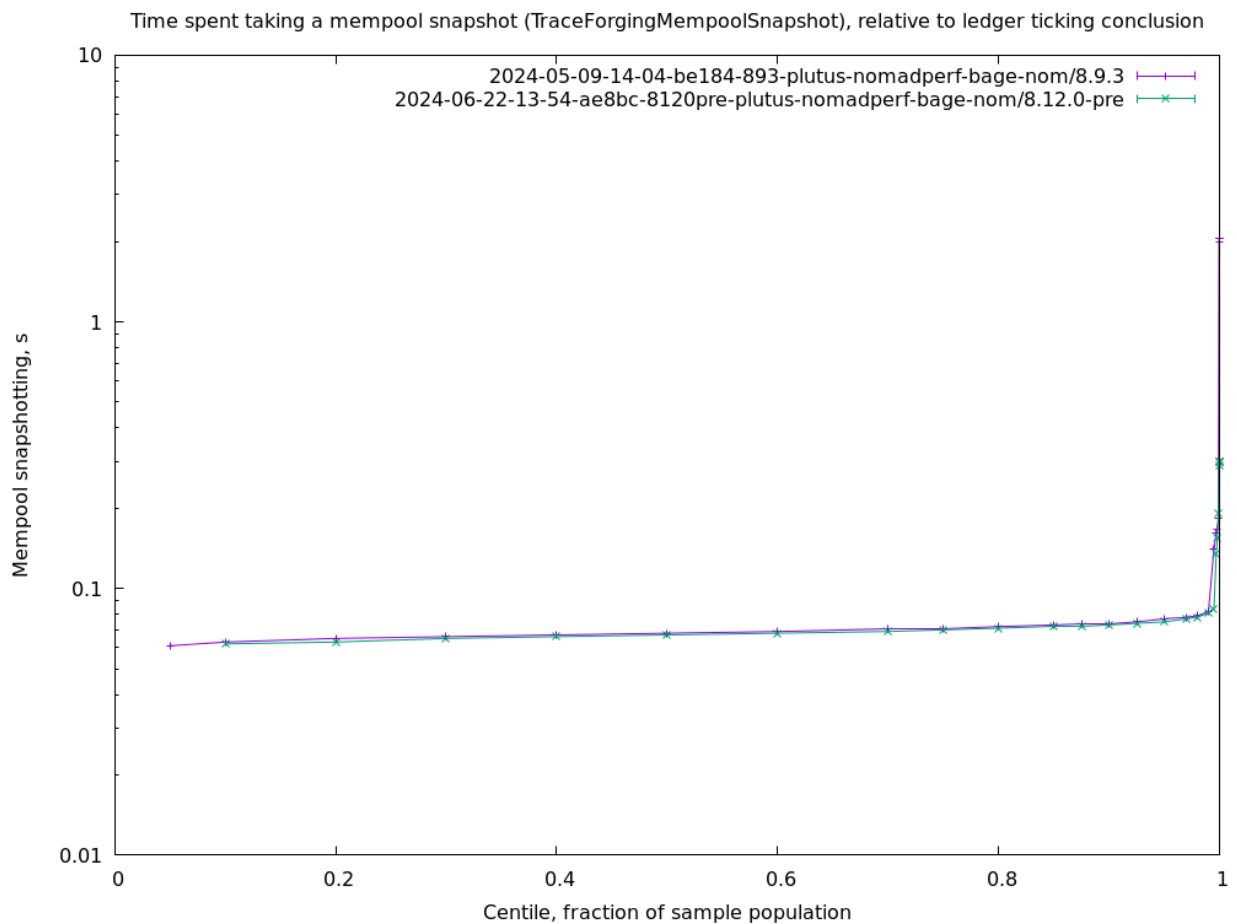
**Leadership check duration (cdfForgerLead)** Leadership check duration (TraceNodeIsNotLeader, TraceNodeIsLeader), relative to ledger view acquisition



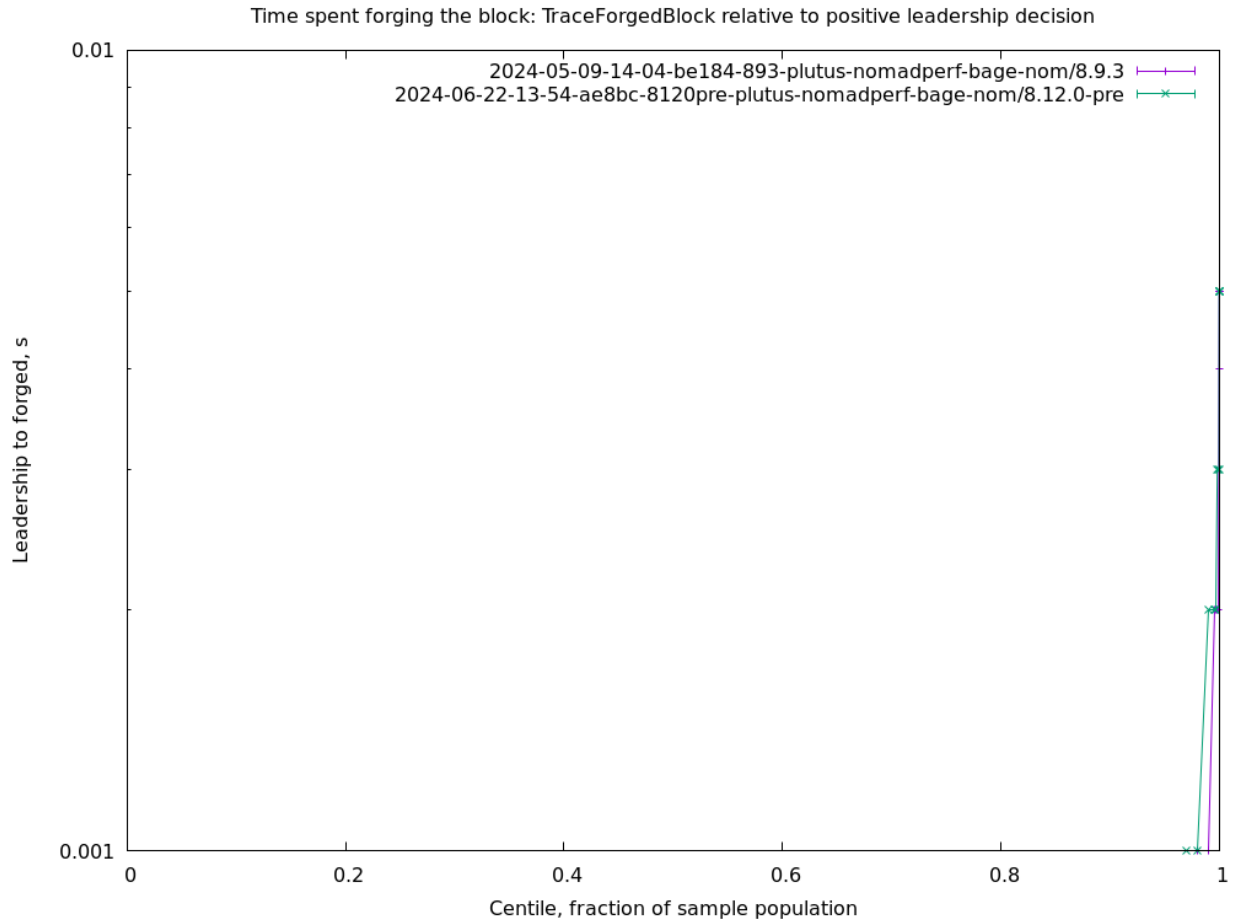
**Ledger ticking (cdfForgerTicked)** Time spent ticking the ledger state (TraceForgeTickedLedgerState), relative to leadership check completion



**Mempool snapshotting (cdfForgerMemSnap)** Time spent taking a mempool snapshot (TraceForgingMempoolSnapshot), relative to ledger ticking conclusion

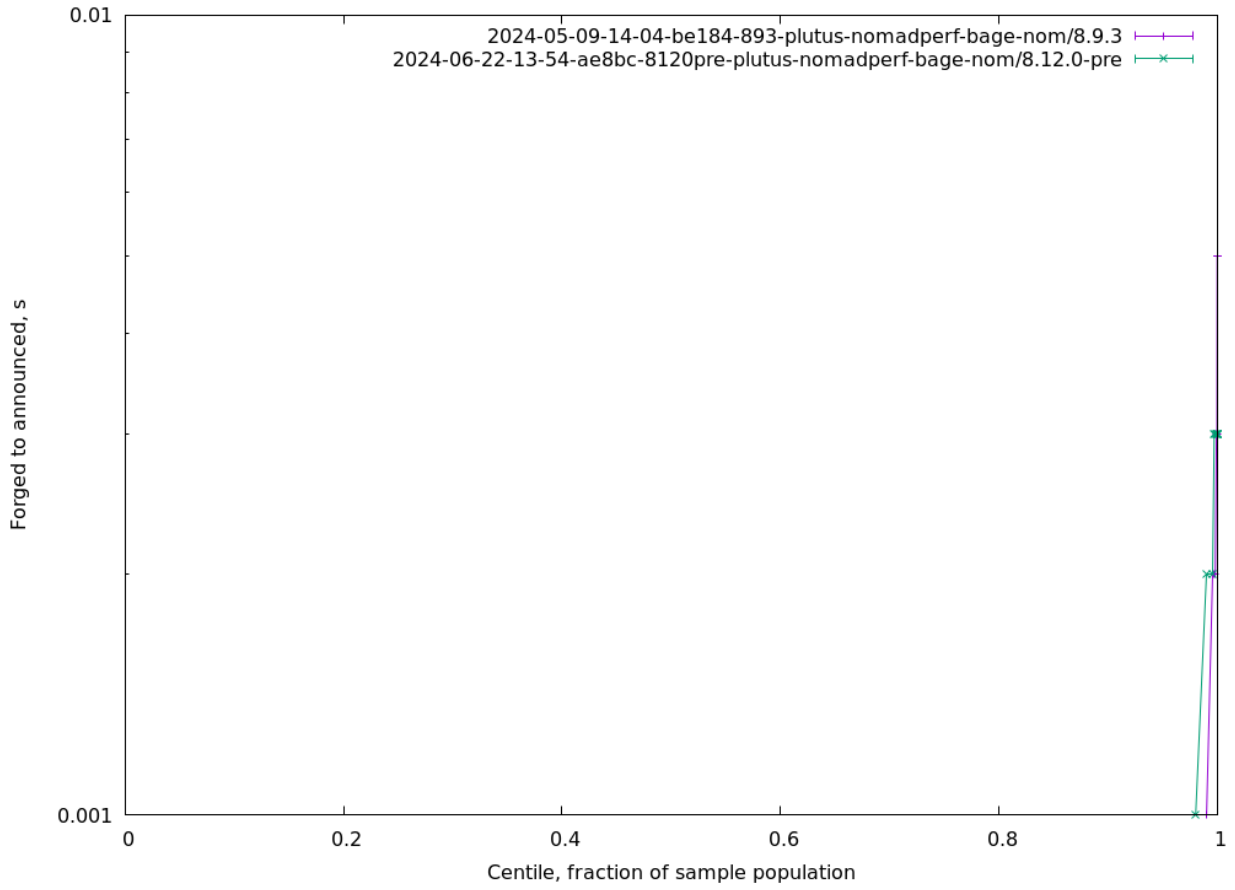


**Leadership to forged (cdfForgerForge)** Time spent forging the block: TraceForgedBlock relative to positive leadership decision



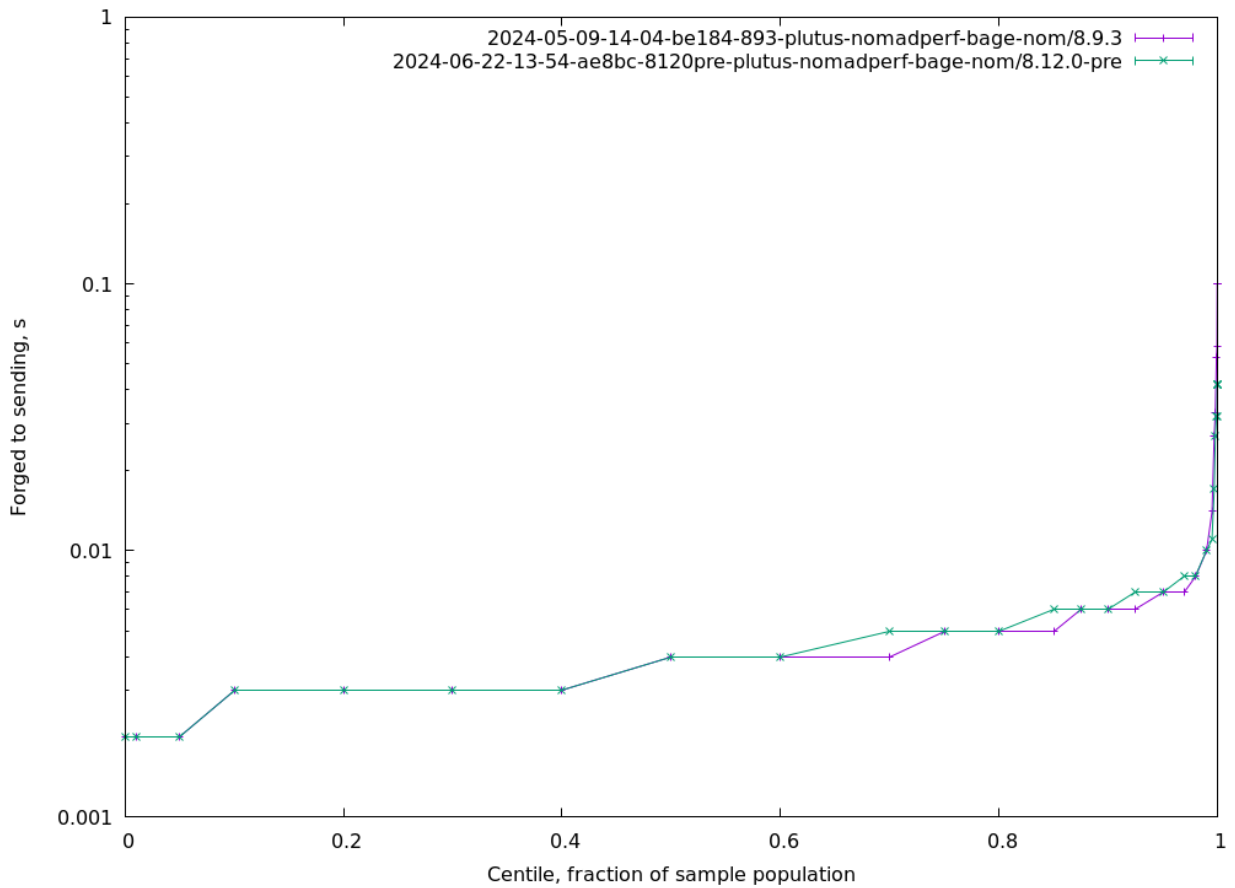
**Forged to announced (cdfForgerAnnounce)** Time between block forging completion and header announcement (ChainSyncServerEvent.TraceChainSyncServerRead.AddBlock)

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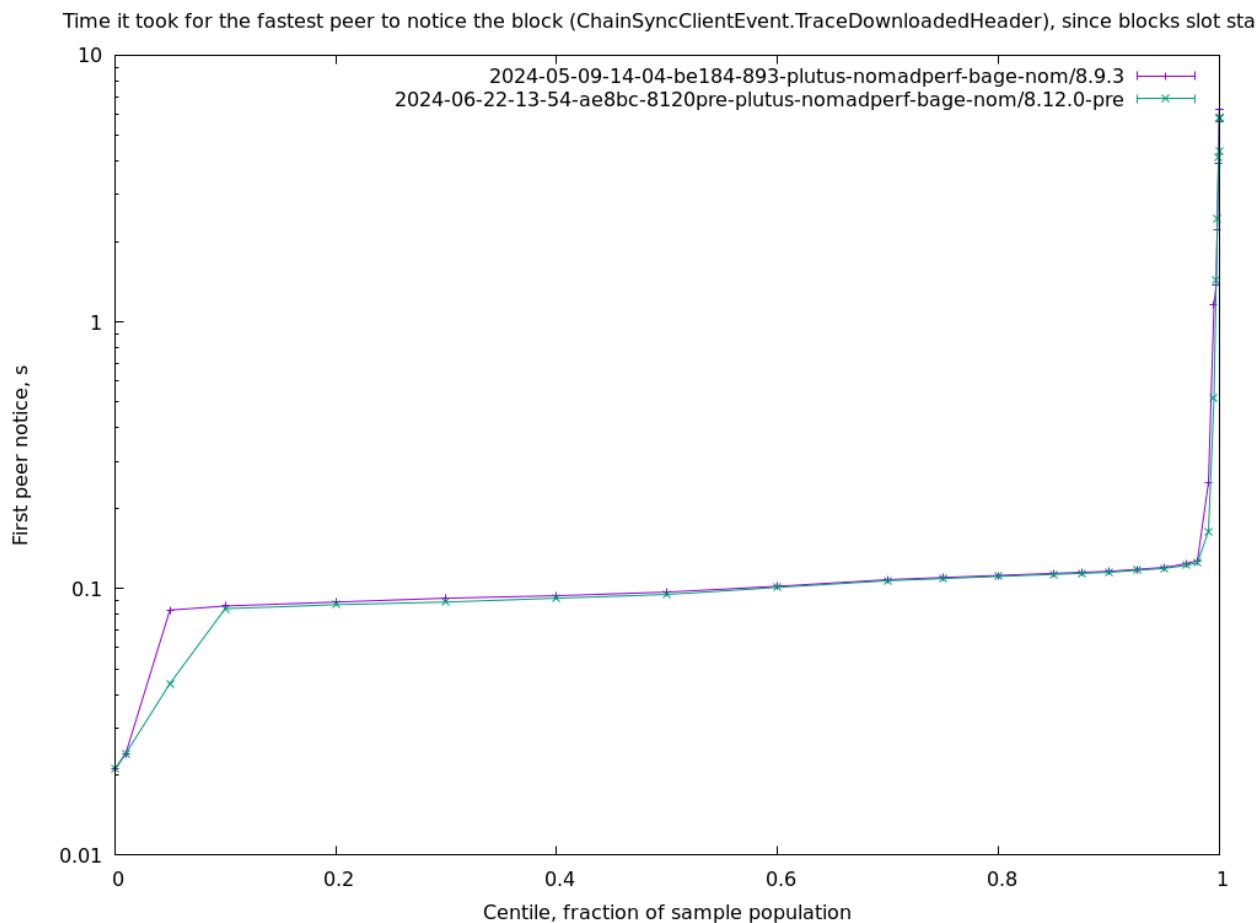


**Forged to sending (cdfForgerSend)** Time between block forging completion and begin-of-sending (TraceBlockFetchServerSendBlock)

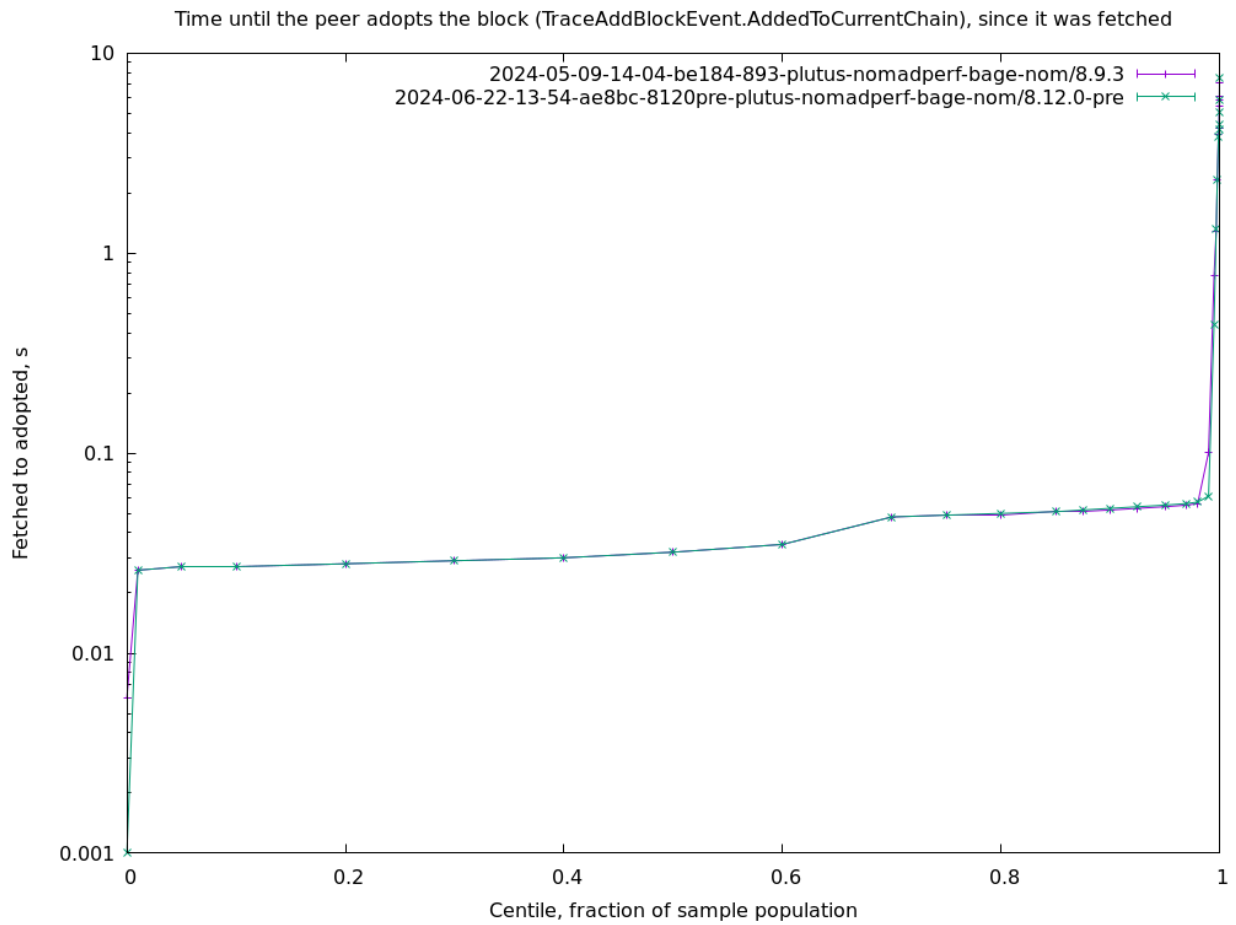
Time between block forging completion and begin-of-sending (TraceBlockFetchServerSendBlock)



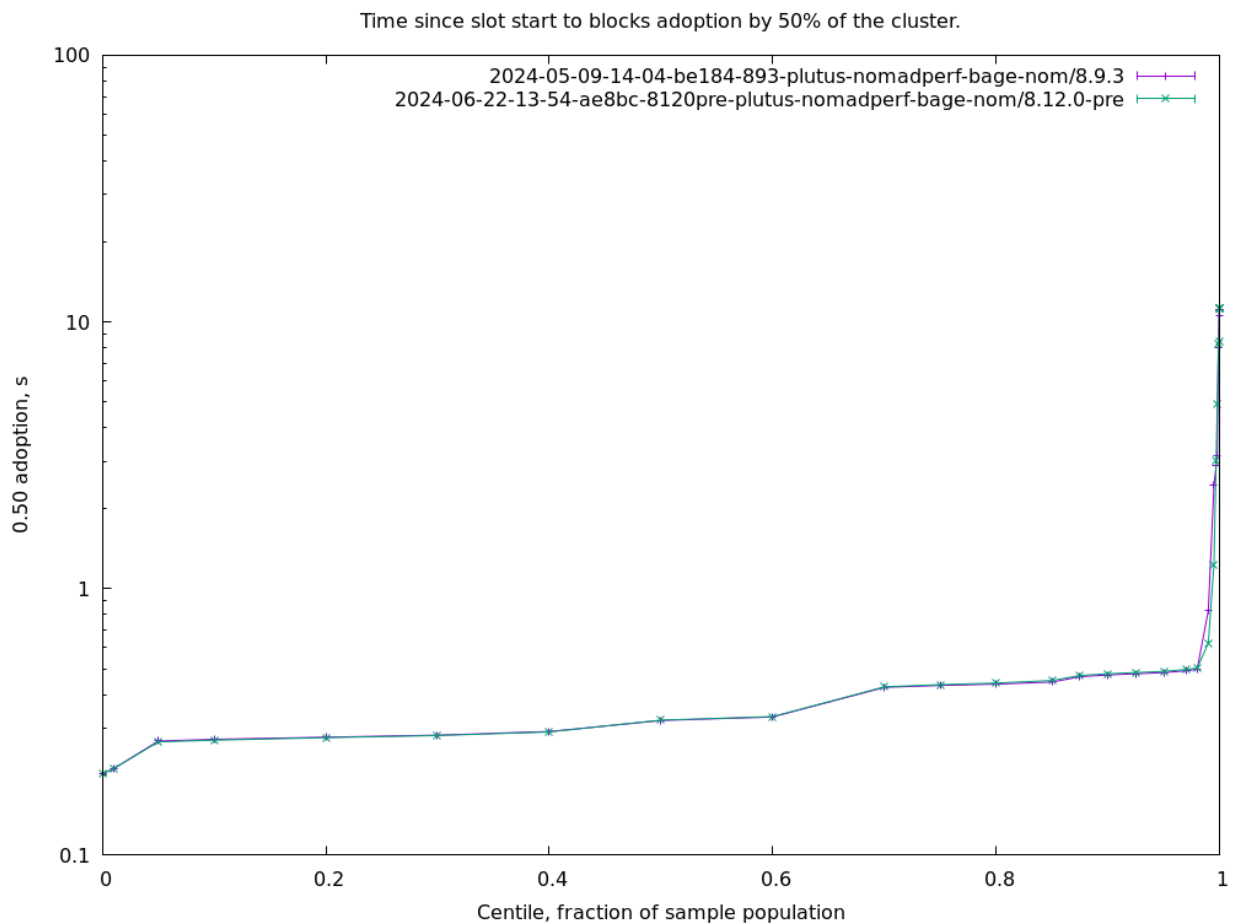
**First peer notice (cdfPeerNoticeFirst)** Time it took for the fastest peer to notice the block (ChainSyncClientEvent.TraceDownloadedHeader), since block's slot start



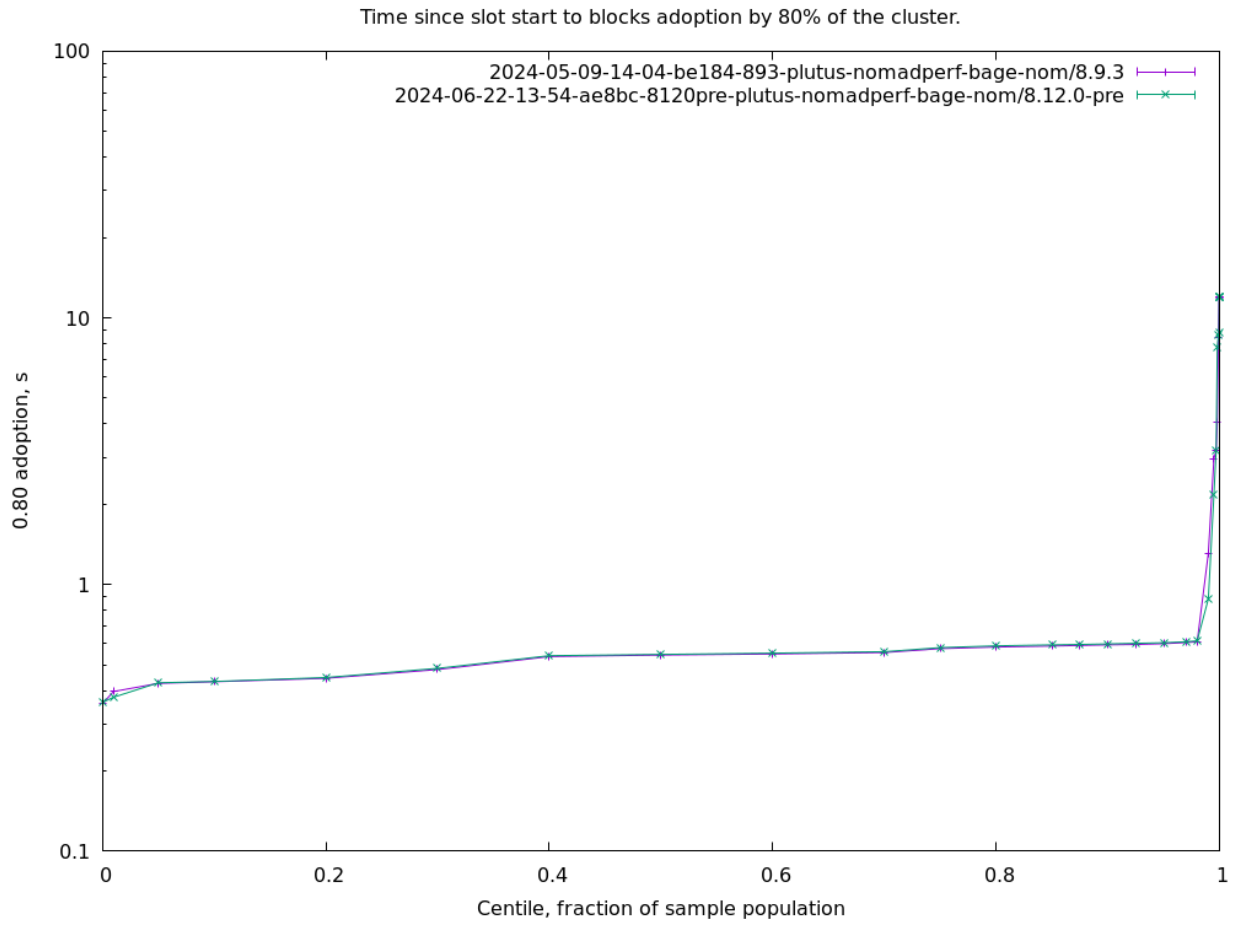
**Fetches to adopted (cdfPeerAdoption)** Time until the peer adopts the block (TraceAddBlockEvent.AddedToCurrentChain), since it was fetched



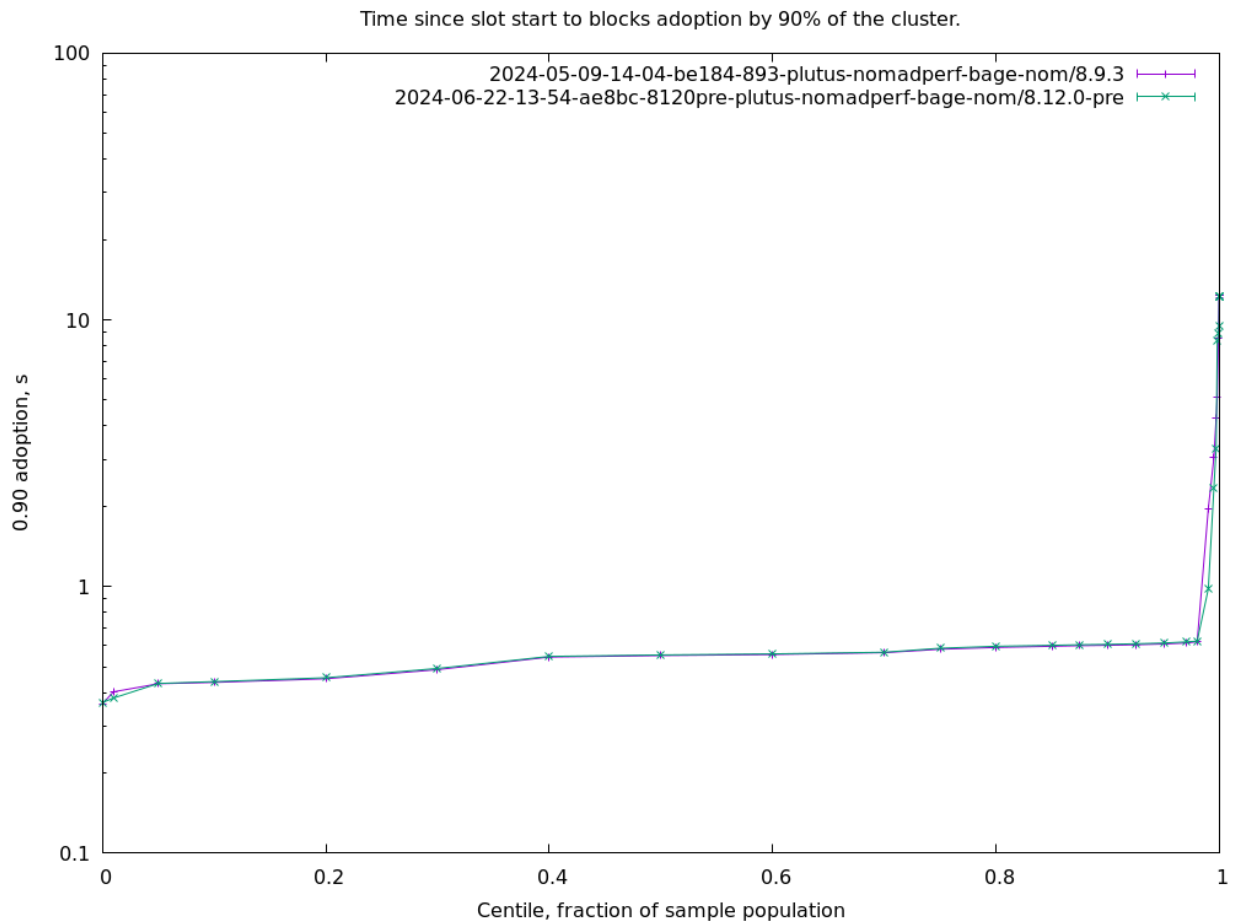
**0.50 adoption (cdf0.50)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 50% of the cluster.



**0.80 adoption (cdf0.80)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 80% of the cluster.



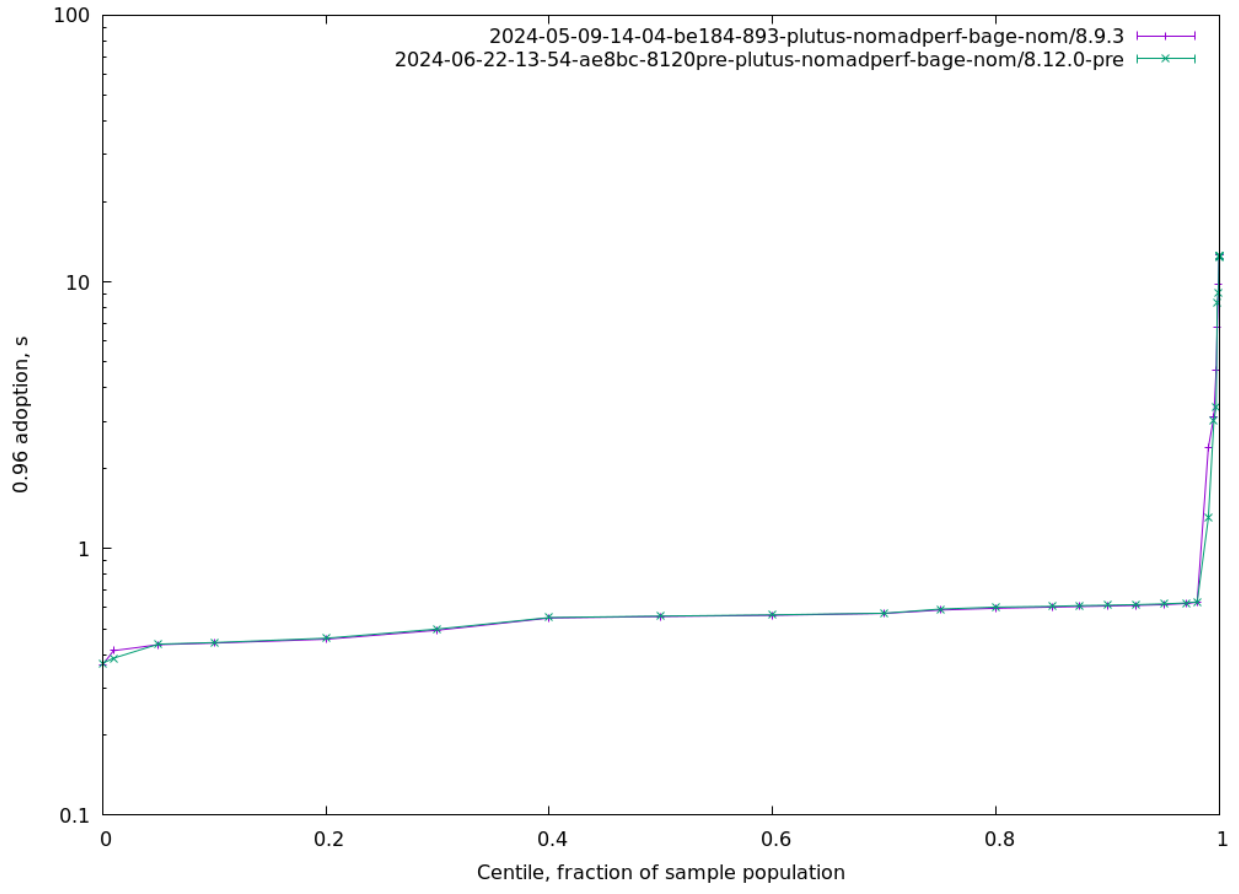
**0.90 adoption (cdf0.90)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 90% of the cluster.



**0.96 adoption (cdf0.96)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 96% of the cluster.



Time since slot start to blocks adoption by 96% of the cluster.



## Part II

# Appendix B: data dictionary

# Chapter 4

## Block propagation metrics

**0.50 adoption (cdf0.50)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 50% of the cluster.

**0.80 adoption (cdf0.80)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 80% of the cluster.

**0.90 adoption (cdf0.90)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 90% of the cluster.

**0.92 adoption (cdf0.92)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 92% of the cluster.

**0.94 adoption (cdf0.94)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 94% of the cluster.

**0.96 adoption (cdf0.96)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 96% of the cluster.

**0.98 adoption (cdf0.98)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 98% of the cluster.

**1.00 adoption (cdf1.00)** Time since slot start to block's adoption by 100% of the cluster.

**Height & slot battles (cdfBlockBattle)** For a given block, number of all abandoned blocks at its block height. Sum of height and slot battles

**Block size (cdfBlockSize)** Block size, in bytes

**Chained to forged block ratio (cdfBlocksChainedRatio)** For each host, ratio of blocks that made into chain / all forged

**Filtered to chained block ratio (cdfBlocksFilteredRatio)** For each host, ratio of blocks that passed filtering / all on chain

**Blocks per host (cdfBlocksPerHost)** For each host, number of blocks made during the entire observation period

**Forged to self-adopted (cdfForgerAdoption)** Time between block forging completion and adoption (TraceAdoptedBlock)

**Forged to announced (cdfForgerAnnounce)** Time between block forging completion and header announcement (ChainSyncServerEvent.TraceChainSyncServerRead.AddBlock)

**Slot start to announced (cdfForgerAnnounceCum)** Time since slot start until header announcement (ChainSyncServerEvent.TraceChainSyncServerRead.AddBlock)

**Acquired block context (cdfForgerBlkCtx)** Block context acquired (TraceBlockContext), relative to forge loop beginning

**Leadership to forged (cdfForgerForge)** Time spent forging the block: TraceForgedBlock relative to positive leadership decision

**Leadership check duration (cdfForgerLead)** Leadership check duration (TraceNodeIsNotLeader, TraceNodeIsLeader), relative to ledger view acquisition

**Acquired ledger state (cdfForgerLgrState)** Ledger state acquired (TraceLedgerState), relative to block context acquisition

**Acquired ledger view (cdfForgerLgrView)** Ledger view acquired (TraceLedgerView), relative to ledger state acquisition

**Mempool snapshotting (cdfForgerMemSnap)** Time spent taking a mempool snapshot (TraceForgingMempoolSnapshot), relative to ledger ticking conclusion

**Forged to sending (cdfForgerSend)** Time between block forging completion and begin-of-sending (TraceBlockFetchServerSendBlock)

**Started forge loop iteration (cdfForgerStart)** Forge loop iteration delay (TraceStartLeadershipCheck), relative to slot start

**Ledger ticking (cdfForgerTicked)** Time spent ticking the ledger state (TraceForgeTickedLedgerState), relative to leadership check completion

**Fetches to adopted (cdfPeerAdoption)** Time until the peer adopts the block (TraceAddBlockEvent.AddedToCurrentChain), since it was fetched

**Fetches to announced (cdfPeerAnnounce)** Time it took a peer to announce the block (ChainSyncServerEvent.TraceChainSync), since it was fetched

**Fetch duration (cdfPeerFetch)** Time it took the peer to complete fetching the block (BlockFetchClient.CompletedBlockFetch), after having requested it

**First peer fetch (cdfPeerFetchFirst)** Time it took for the fastest peer to fetch the block (BlockFetchClient.CompletedBlockFetch), since block's slot start

**First peer notice (cdfPeerNoticeFirst)** Time it took for the fastest peer to notice the block (ChainSyncClientEvent.TraceDownloadedHeader), since block's slot start

**Notice to fetch request (cdfPeerRequest)** Time it took the peer to request the block body (BlockFetchClient.SendFetchRequest), after it have seen its header

**Fetches to sending (cdfPeerSend)** Time until the peer started sending the block (BlockFetchServer.SendBlock), since it was fetched

# Chapter 5

## Cluster performance metrics

**RTS alloc rate (Alloc)** RTS-reported allocation rate, MB/sec

**Process CPU usage (CentiCpu)** Kernel-reported CPU process usage, % of a single core

**RTS GC CPU usage (CentiGC)** RTS-reported GC CPU usage, % of a single core

**RTS Mutator CPU usage (CentiMut)** RTS-reported mutator CPU usage, % of a single core

**Filesystem reads (FsRd)** Number of bytes which this process really did cause to be fetched from the storage layer, per second

**Filesystem writes (FsWr)** Number of bytes which this process caused to be sent to the storage layer, modulo truncate(), per second

**Major GCs (GcsMajor)** Major garbage collection RTS events

**Minor GCs (GcsMinor)** Minor garbage collection RTS events

**RTS heap size (Heap)** RTS-reported heap size, MB

**RTS live GC dataset (Live)** RTS-reported GC live data size, MB

**Network reads (NetRd)** Network reads, kB/sec

**Network writes (NetWr)** Network writes, kB/sec

**Kernel RSS (RSS)** Kernel-reported RSS (Resident Set Size) of the process, MB

**Block context acquisition delay (cdfBlkCtx)** Block context acquired (TraceBlockContext), relative to forge loop beginning

**Interblock gap (cdfBlockGap)** Time between blocks

**Chain density (cdfDensity)** Block/slot ratio, for the last 'k' slots

**Leadership check duration (cdfLeading)** Leadership check duration (TraceNodeIsNotLeader, TraceNodeIsLeader), relative to ledger view acquisition

**Ledger state acquisition delay (cdfLgrState)** Ledger state acquired (TraceLedgerState), relative to block context acquisition

**Ledger view acquisition delay (cdfLgrView)** Ledger view acquired (TraceLedgerView), relative to ledger state acquisition

**CPU 85% spans (cdfSpanLensCpu)** Length of over-85% CPU usage peaks, slots

**CPU spans at Ep boundary (cdfSpanLensCpuEpoch)** Length of over-85% CPU usage peaks, starting at epoch boundary, slots

**Forge loop tardiness (cdfStarted)** Forge loop iteration start delay (TraceStartLeadershipCheck), relative to slot start

**Forge loop starts (cdfStarts)** For any given slot, how many forging loop starts were registered