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# TRACKING TRILINOS PERFORMANCE

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# MOTIVATION

- Motivation: Taking ownership of Trilinos performance
  - Avoid (negative) surprises by the app teams saving them time.
  - Reducing time for initial setup for apps / developers on new-to-them systems / updated libs.
  - Work with Sandia Application Performance Team (APT) to stay at the most recent "good" version of libraries.
  - Understand behavior across time and across different systems.
  - Provide a way for app teams to know if it is safe to update Trilinos.
  - *Coordinate with Kokkos/KokkosKernels Teams to monitor performance.*
- FY26 Team: Chris Siefert, Luc Berger-Vergiat, Dane Camacho, Tim Fuller, Christian Glusa, Jonathan Hu, Brian Kelley.



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Tachi/Rocinante (Sapphire  
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## NVIDIA GPU

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- HPSF/Benchmarking WG inspired improvements.
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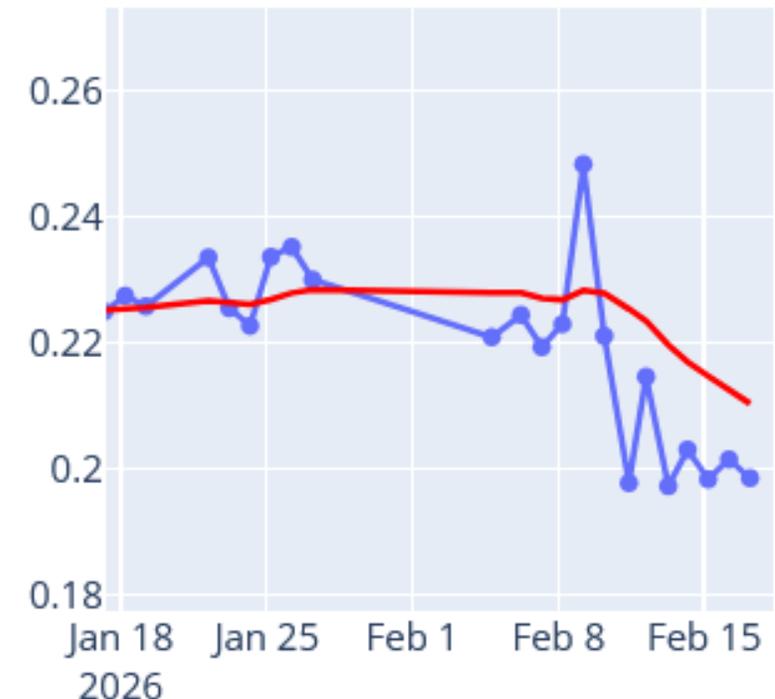
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# IMPROVING TESTING WITH KOKKOS/KOKKOSKERNELS

- Developed a Warden converter to handle gtest style timers (and allow similar tests to be nested for viz).
- Stood up Trilinos+ VOTD Kokkos/KokkosKernels on 3 systems
  - Eclipse (CPU)
  - Hops (NVIDIA GPU)
  - El Dorado (AMD GPU)
- Can now detect performance regressions *before* Kokkos promotions.

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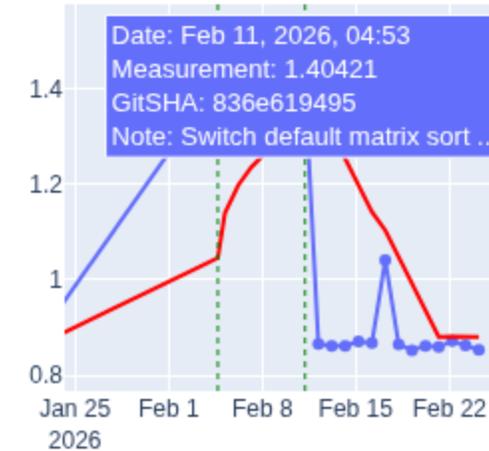




# HPSF/BWG INSPIRED IMPROVEMENTS

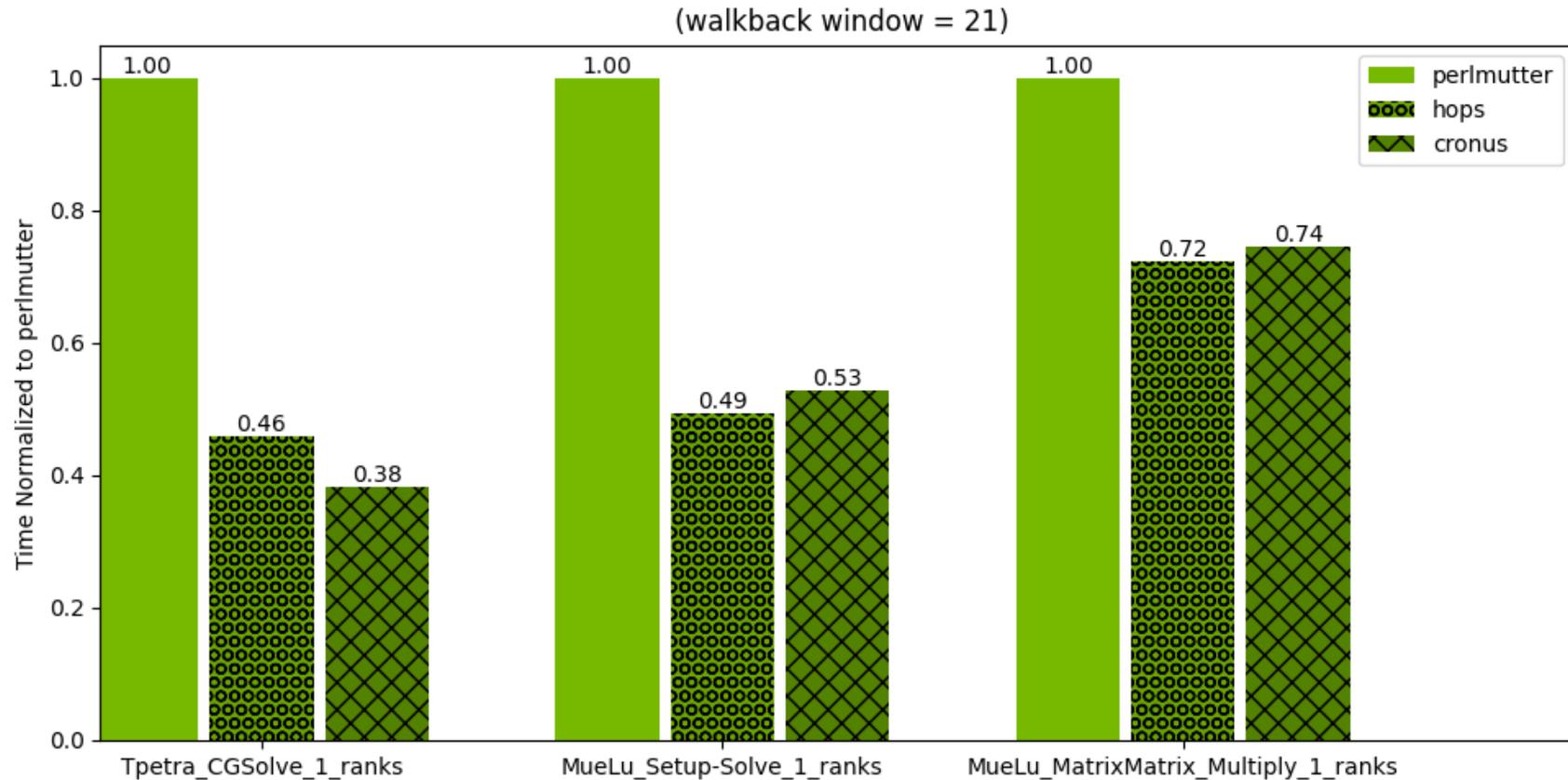
- Annotations
  - Provide a way to record changes in code/machine state.
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  - ENV vars (CUDA, ROCM, MPI, etc).
  - LDD output
  - Nvidia-smi / rocm-smi / sycl-ls
  - Lscpu
  - Modules
  - sensors

Amber Serial: Tpetra FE Assembly 100 ranks



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# PERLMUTTER (A100) VS. HOPS (H100) VS. CRONUS (H200)



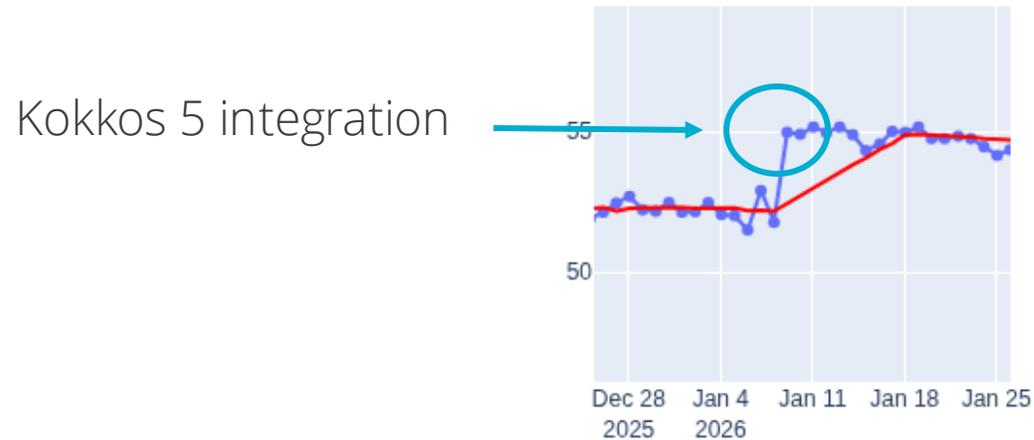
Cronus performance is similar to Hops on this small set of tests we got running.

# PERFORMANCE-DRIVEN IMPROVEMENTS TO TPETRA

- Sorting was a bit of a mess.
  - Multiple different algorithms in different places (CrsMatrix, CrsGraph, Import\_Util).
  - KokkosKernels was not consistently utilized.
  - Some tests did not reflect real work applications.
  - KokkosKernels only had a radix sort, which did not perform well on CPUs.
  
- Christian Glusa....
  - Refactored Tpetra to have consistent sorting.
  - Pushed a shell sort to KokkosKernels.
  - Modified the testing to be more realistic.
  
- Most importantly, these changes were carefully timed to allow Christian regular feedback from the performance system.

# PERFORMANCE DRIVEN IMPROVEMENTS TO KOKKOS

HOPS: Tpetra FE Assembly 1 ranks



- Kokkos 5 slowed down subview creation, which the FE Assembly test does a lot of.
- To quote Trott: "BasicView ctor [created] .... mdspan to pass to submdspan, and then constructed a BasicView from an mdspan. For reference counted Views that amounts to three calls to increment and two to decrement."
- Issue was reported by us and remedied by Trott.



## WHERE ARE WE GOING FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR?

- Continue migration to gitlab runners over Jenkins / Cron where we can.
  - Allow team members to (partially) performance test a candidate branch with a few clicks.
- Get a Kokkos/KokkosKernels only Warden dashboard for those teams.
- Improving automatic attribution
  - Better connection of SHAs and commits.
  - Automatic detection & annotation of changes in system state.
- Continued incremental improvement of GPU performance.