

EGVRP Simulations

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Convergence time simulation of GVRP/EGVRP

- **These simulations study the convergence time of a Service Provider network with GVRP and EGVRP in a synchronized start-up scenario**
 - **The simulation measures the time it takes from the synchronized start-up for all provisioned S-VLANs, to be registered with every database of every node on the registration path**

What is EGVRP?

- **EGVRP extends the supportable number of VLANs in the network to as many as 16,777,214 ($2^{24} - 2$)**
 - **EGVRP defines the Unified Address Size, a global configuration parameter in the network which shows how many bits of each VLAN tag is used**
 - **EGVRP defines two packing schemes**
 - **Sparse mode: same as GVRP**
 - **Dense mode: encodes every 4096 VLANs in one PDU**

EGVRP dense mode

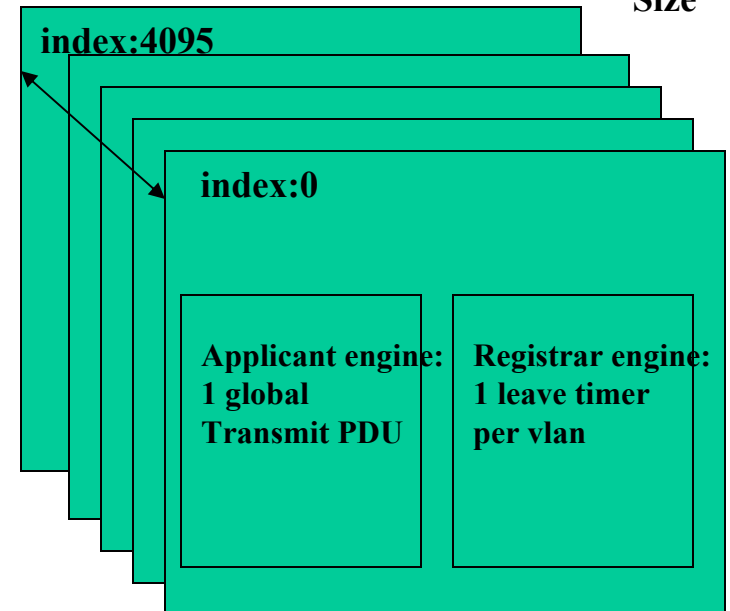
The Unified Address Size is a global parameter. It configures all databases on each bridge with the number of bits defined in every VLAN tag

index	range		
4095	16773120	... 16777217	2^{24}
		
5	20482	... 24577	2^{15}
4	16386	... 20481	2^{15}
3	12290	... 16385	2^{14}
2	8195 12289	2^{14}
1	4098 8193	2^{13}
0	1 4097	2^{12}

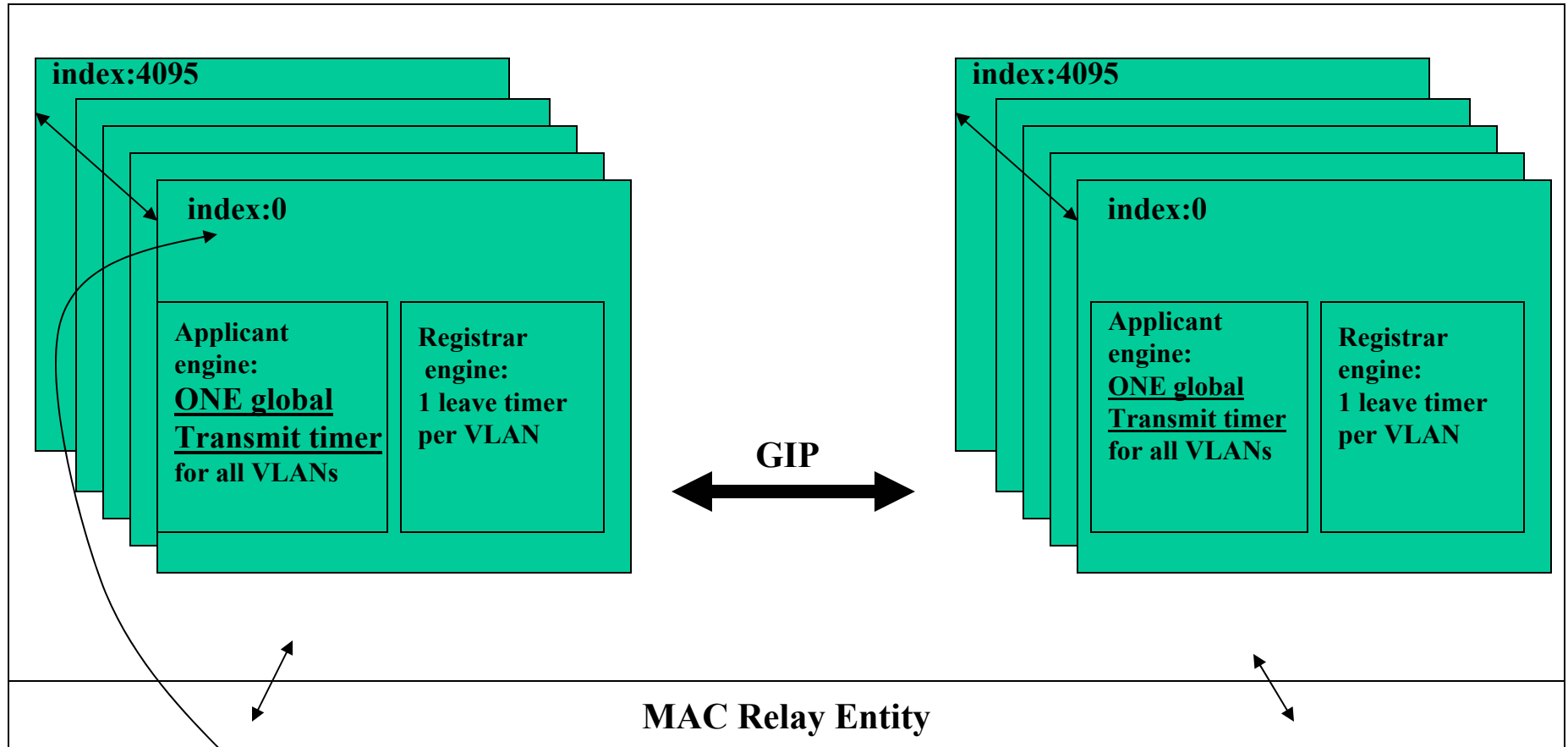
MIB:
Unified
Address
Size



dense mode



EGVRP database and packing model



header | type =2 | index | 4096 encoded vlans

dense mode

header | type =1 | Attribute List

sparse mode (same as GVRP)

Dense packing with EGVRP

- **GVRP requires 4 bytes to encode every S-VLAN up to 16 bits wide. S-VLANs 16 to 24 bits wide require 5 bytes.**
- **EGVRP dense mode encodes every 4096 S-VLANs in one frame of 1500 bytes.**

Bits	# PDUs with GVRP	# PDUs with EGVRP
12	11	1
16	176	16
18	877	256
24	56112	4096

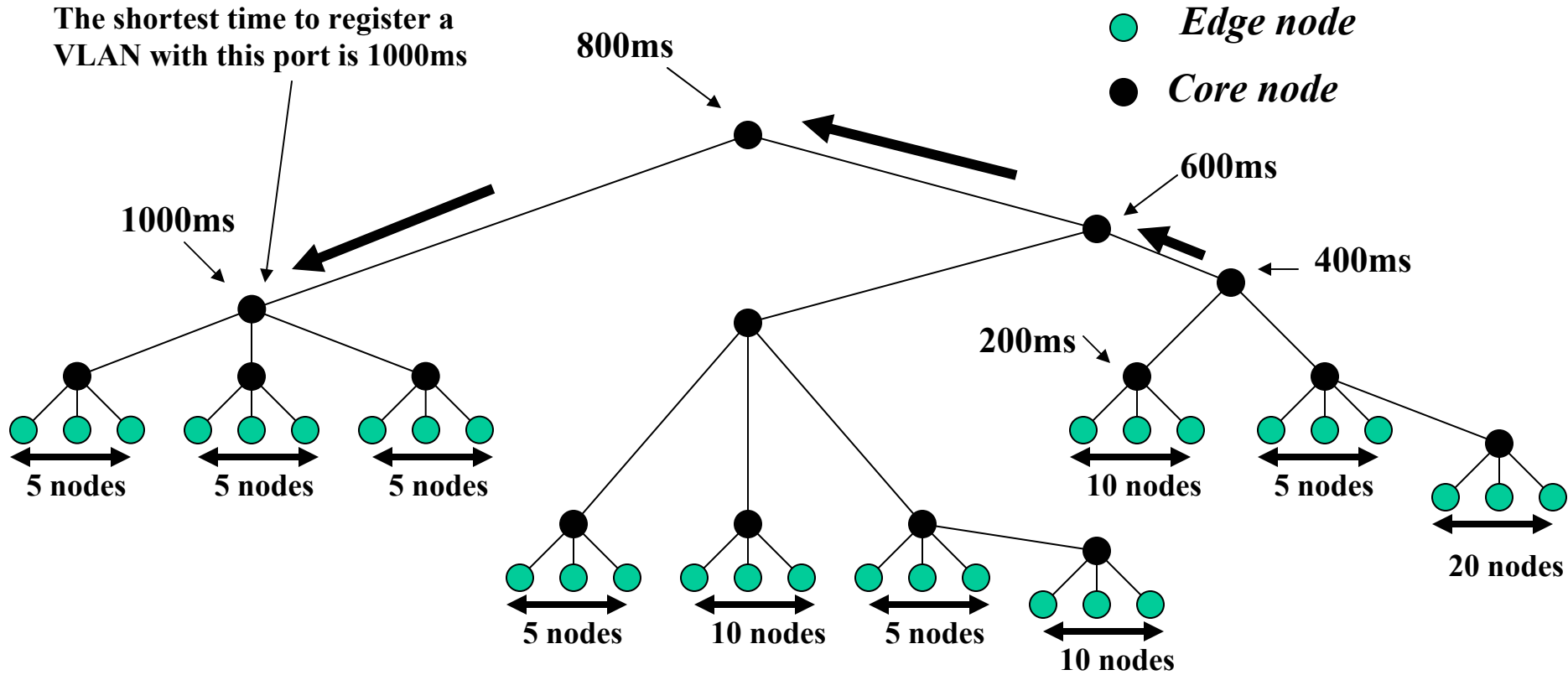
Network simulation and initial condition

- **Simulations with a network of 80 edge nodes, and a total of 95 nodes**
- **2^{12} to 2^{24} S-VLANs provisioned on each edge port of each edge node of the simulated network**

Simulated Network (80 edge nodes, 95 nodes total)

Join timer = 200ms

The shortest time to register a VLAN with this port is 1000ms



GVRP/EGVRP Simulation assumption

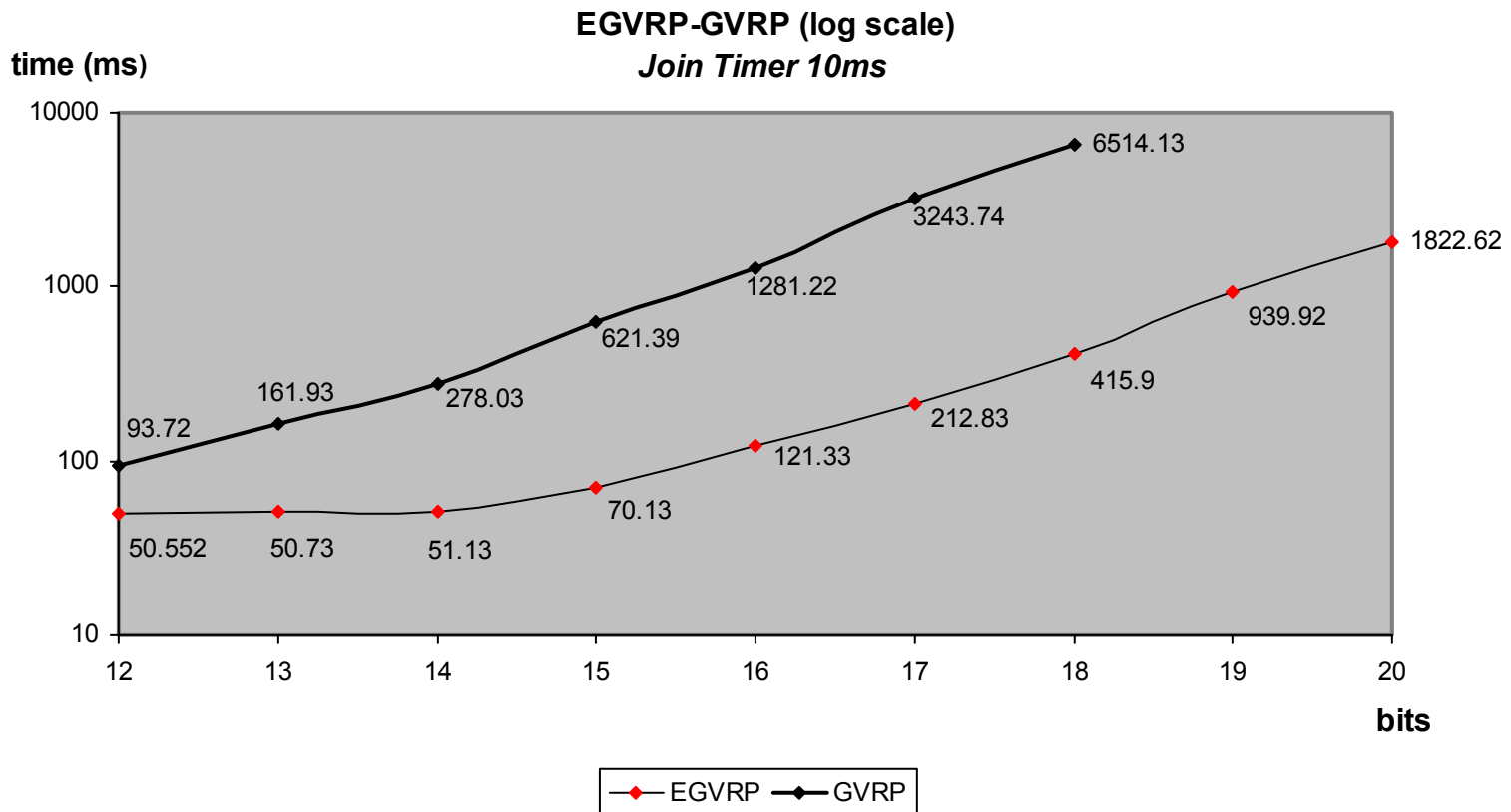
- **There is one join Timer for each participant on every port (excluding ports at the edge of the service provider network)**
- **All messages are terminated at the edge of the service provider network.**
- **Traffic generated by the LeaveAll messages and state machines not considered.**

Processing time parameter assumption 10'000 PDUs per second

- **Processing of every incoming or outgoing PDU has been set to 100us**
- **As a result a maximum of 10000 PDUs per second can be processed by each node**

Comparison between GVRP and EGVRP

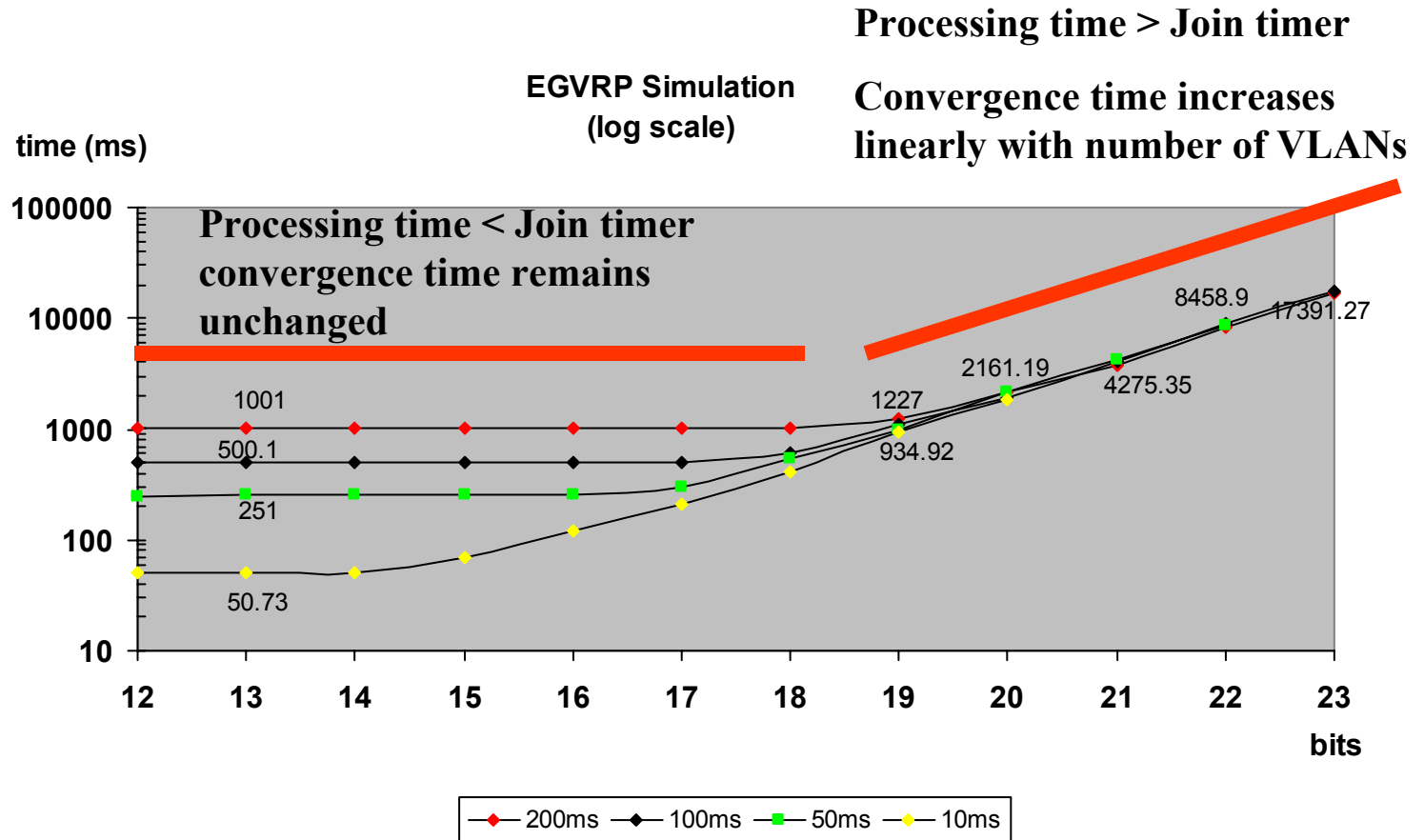
convergence time (join Timer = 10ms)



EGVRP convergence time remains almost **unchanged for up to 2^{15} S-VLANs**.
This is about 9 orders of magnitude faster than GVRP

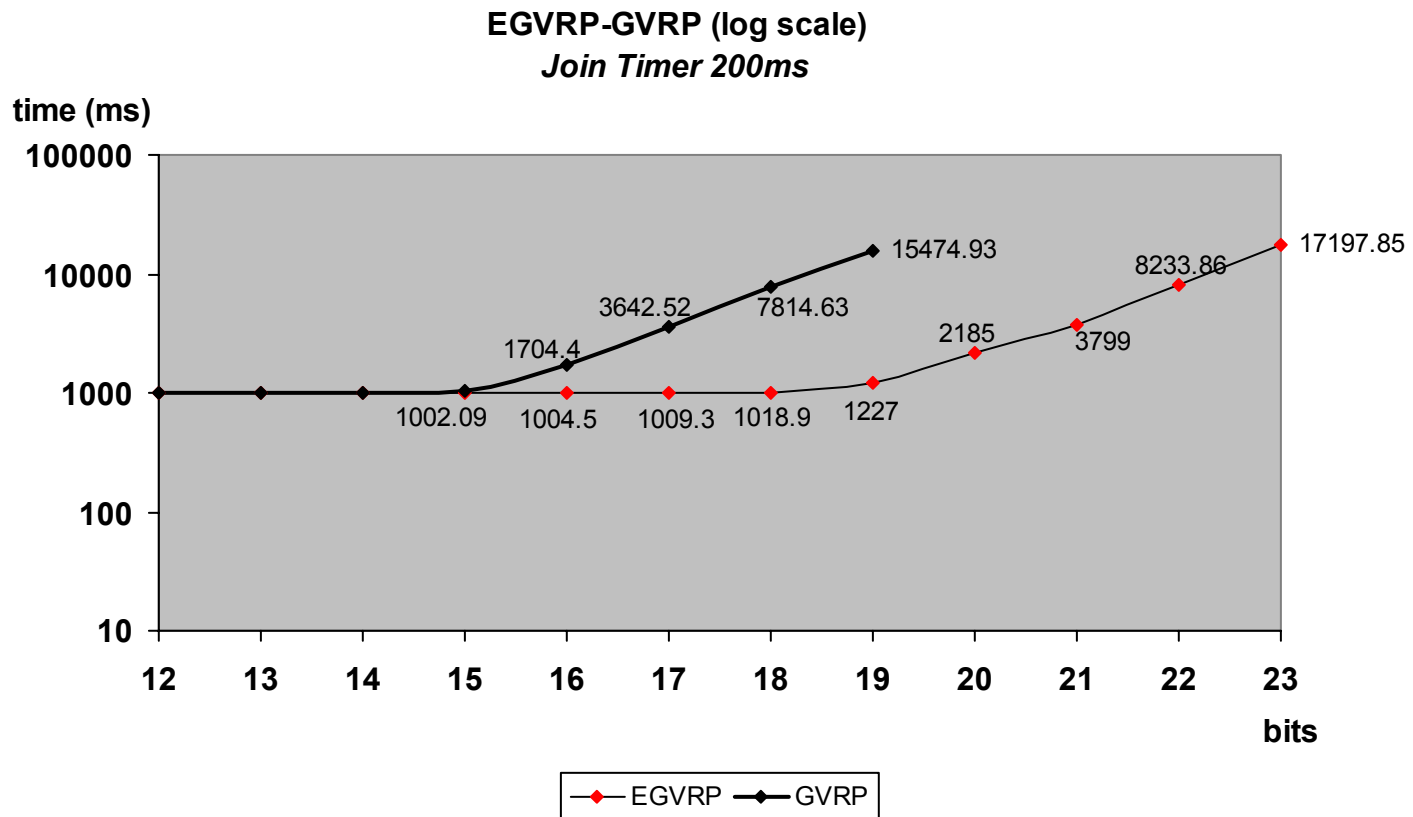
EGVRP convergence time

(Join timer = 10, 20, 50, 200 ms)



Comparison between GVRP and EGVRP

convergence time (join Timer = 200ms)



Fast convergence with EGVRP

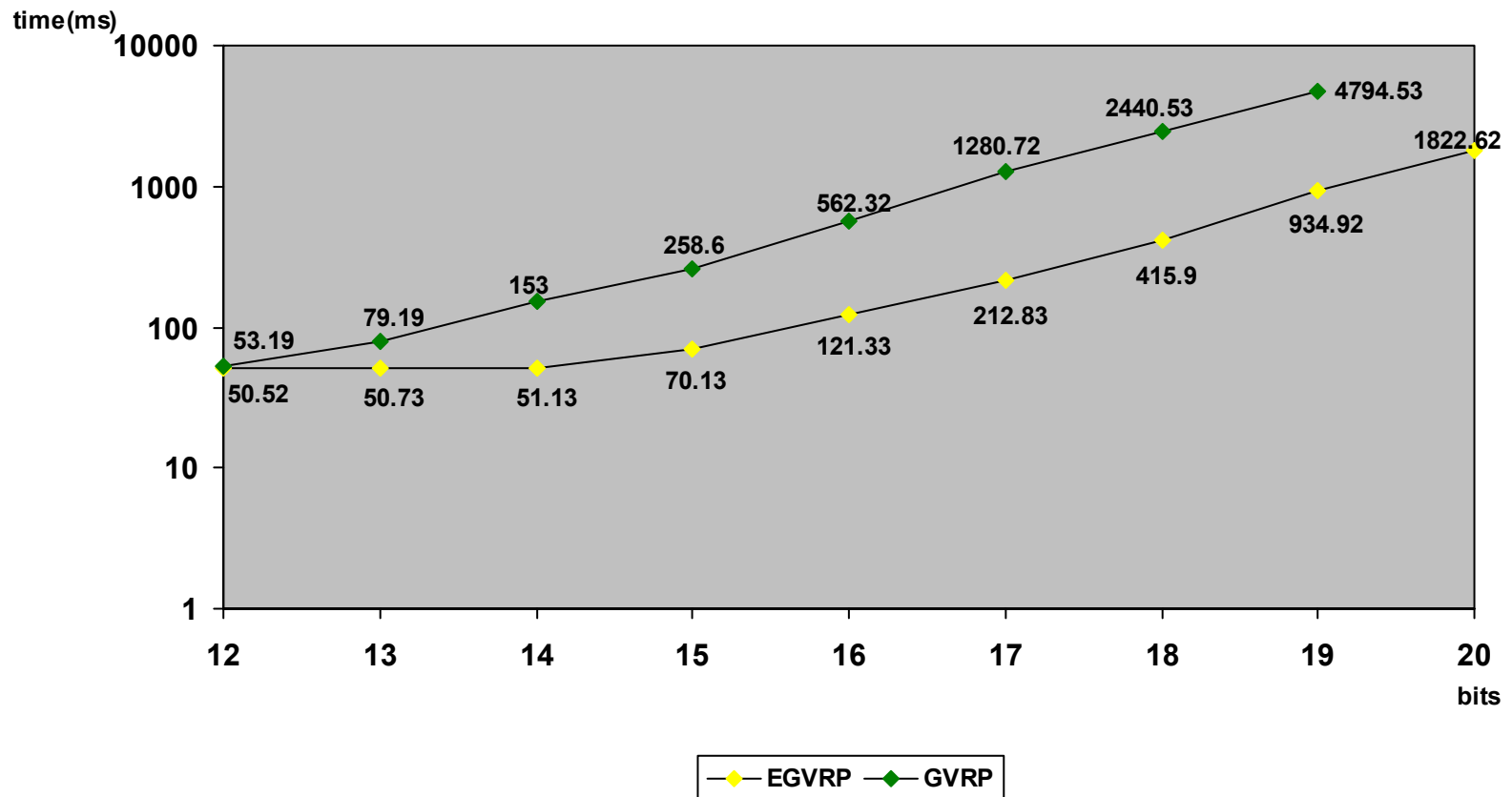
- **EGVRP's performance over GVRP increases as the number of provisioned S-VLANs increases, and/or the Join timer decreases.**
 - **A Service Provider network consists of physical point-to-point links. This allows for simplified GVRP/EGVRP state machines and very short join timer**
 - **Shorter Join timer and EGVRP's efficient packing scheme allow for faster convergence time**

BACKUP

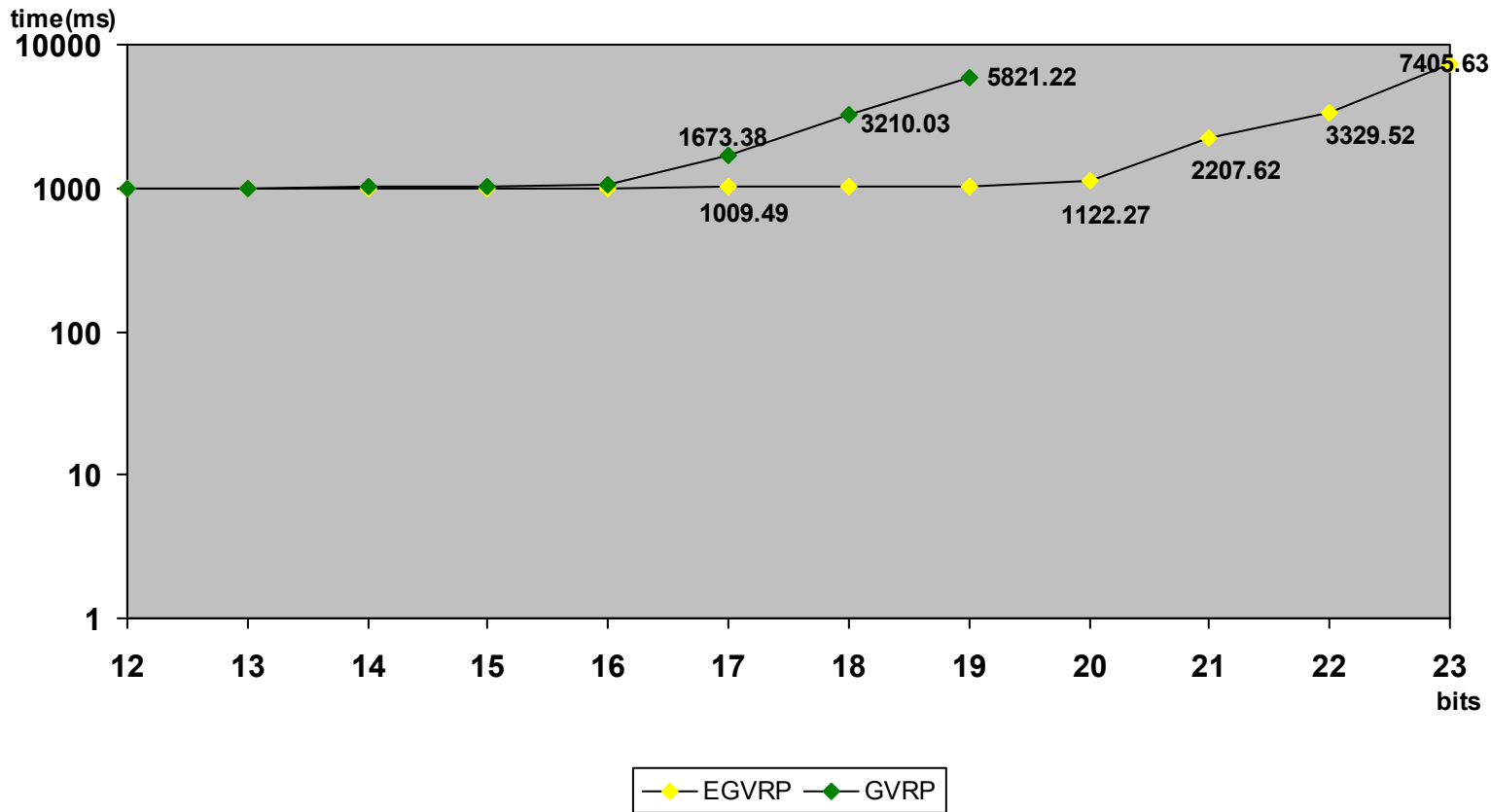
Additional Simulations

- **Same simulations have been performed with a smaller network, with 30 edge nodes, and a total of 42 nodes.**
- **Again, 2^{12} to 2^{24} S-VLANs are provisioned on every edge port of every edge node**
- **All other parameters remain the same**

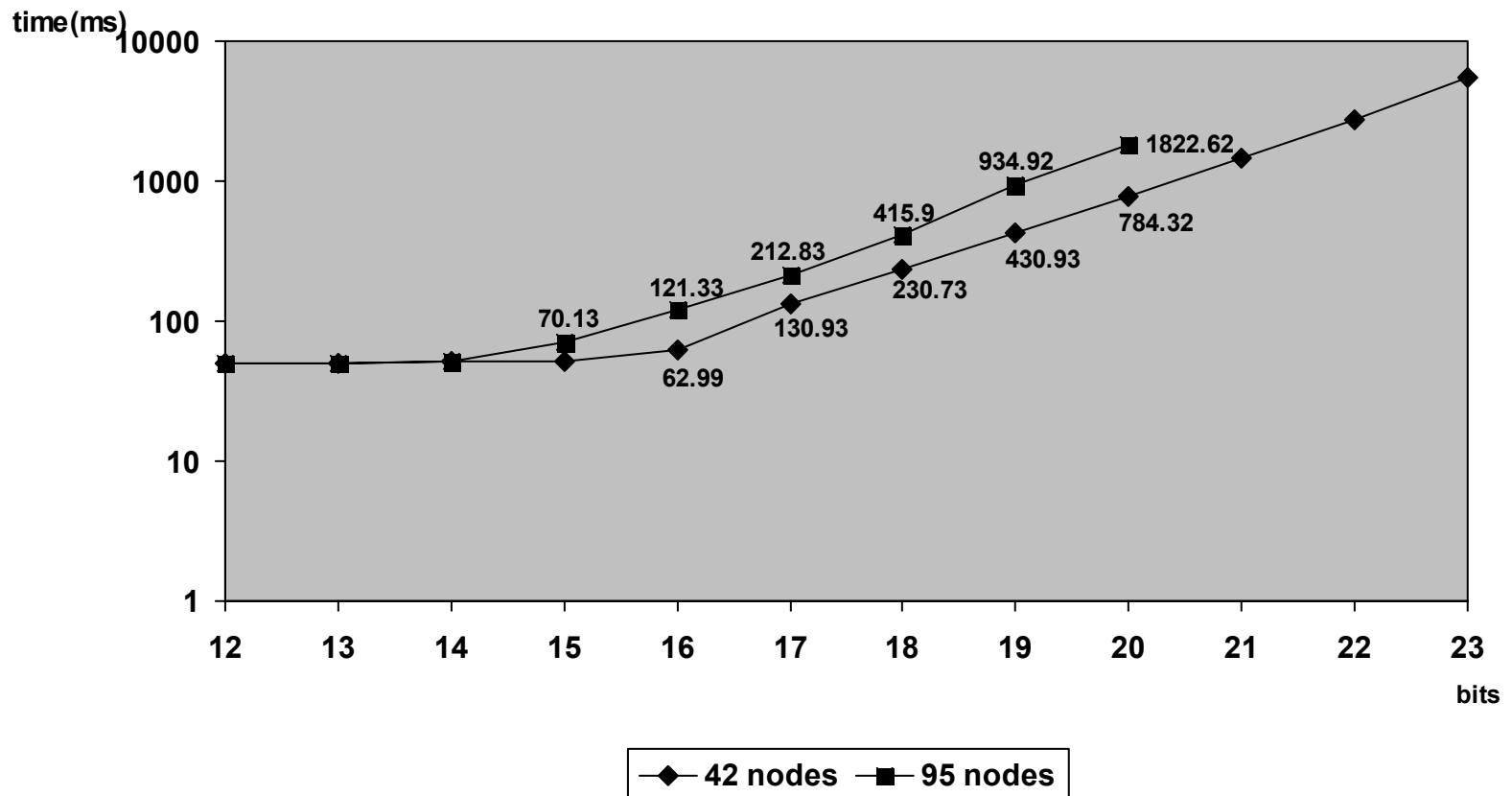
***Comparison between GVRP and EGVRP
convergence time (Join timer = 10)
Total of 42 nodes, with 30 edge nodes***



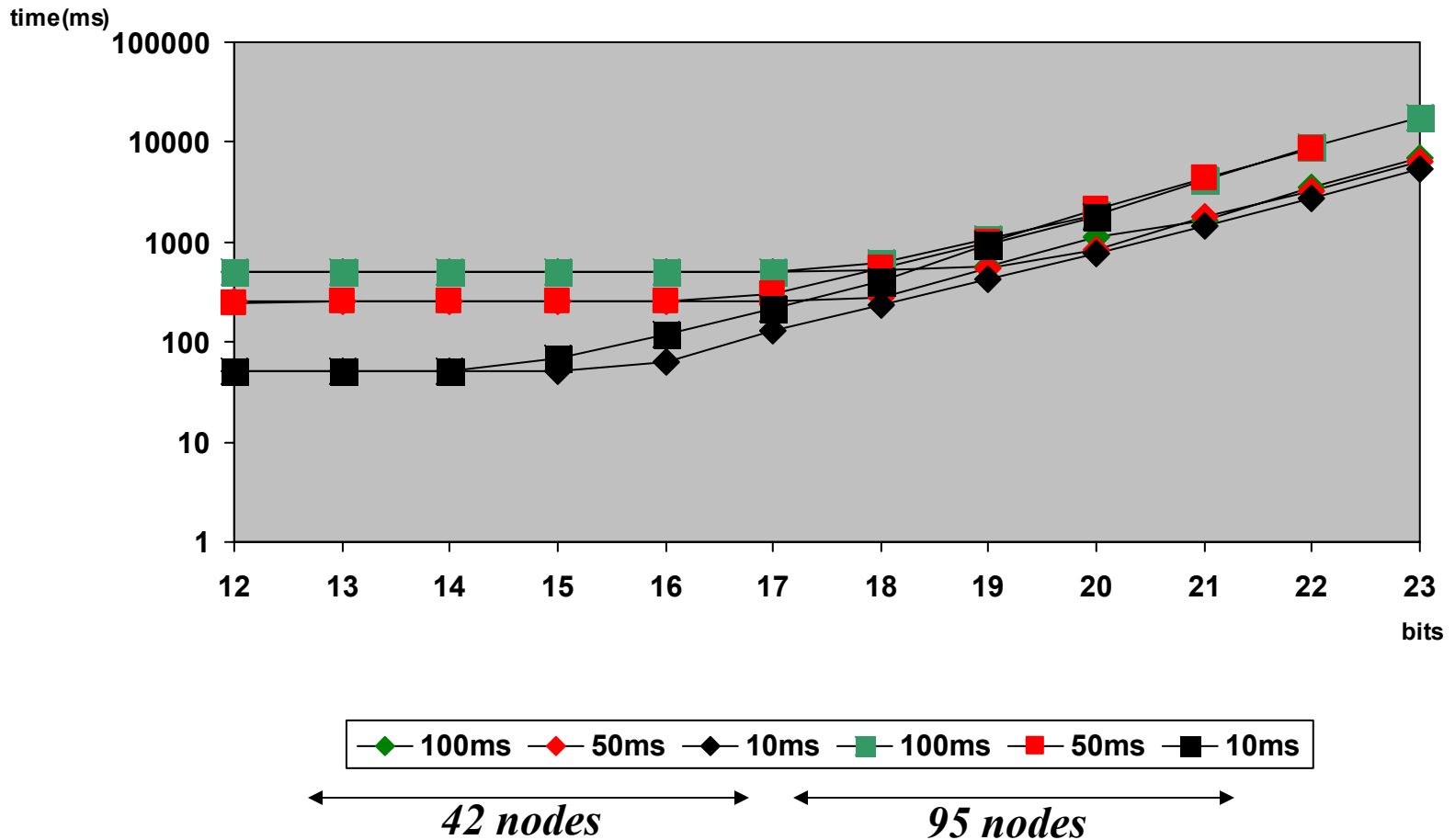
*Comparison between GVRP and EGVRP
convergence time (Join timer = 200)
Total of 42 nodes, with 30 edge nodes*



*Comparison of EGVRP convergence time between
a network of 95 nodes, and a network of 42 nodes
(join timer = 10 ms)*



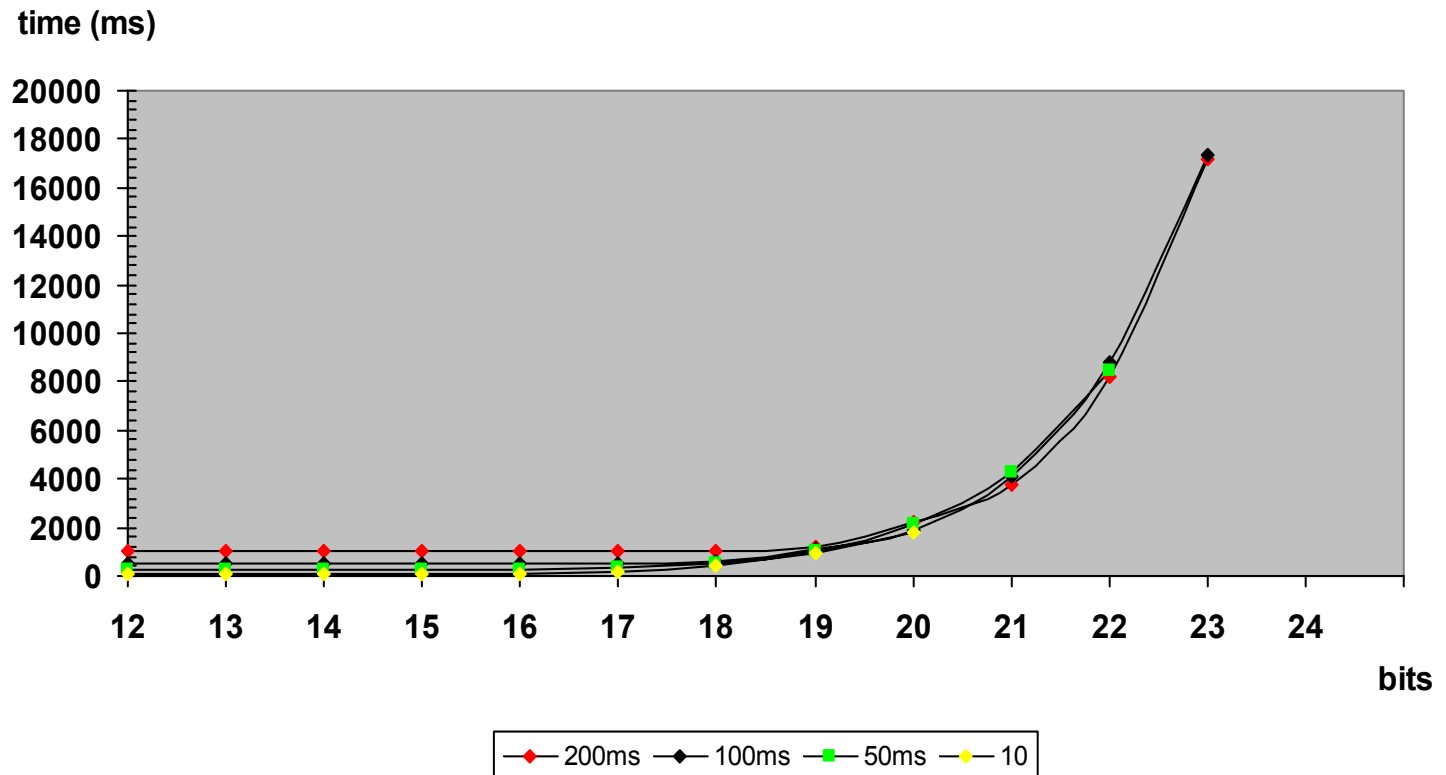
*Comparison of EGVRP convergence time between a network of 95 nodes, and a network of 42 nodes
(join timer = 10, 50, 100 ms)*



EGVRP convergence time with 95 nodes

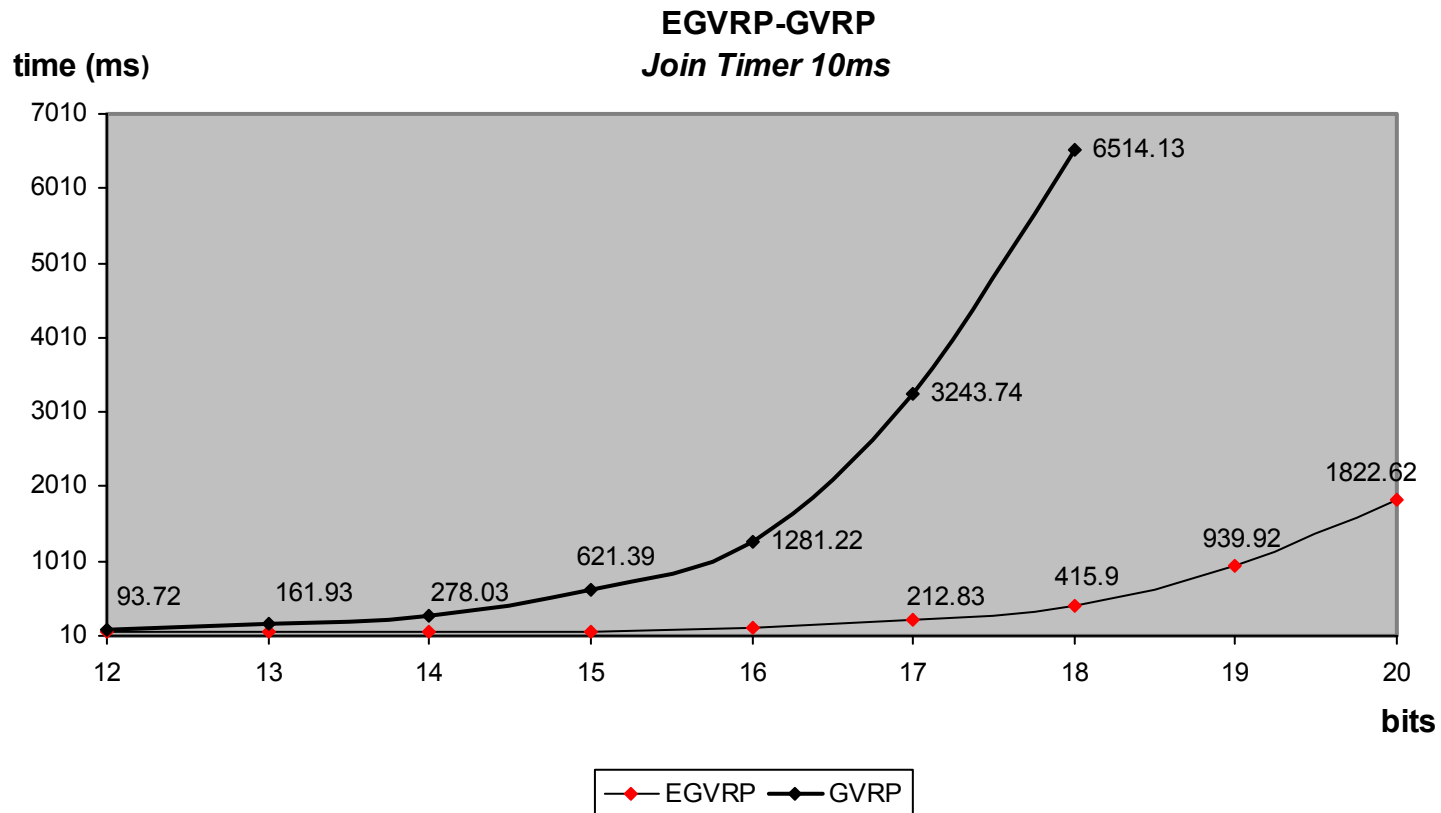
(Join Timer = 10, 50, 100, 200 ms)

EGVRP Simulation



Comparison between GVRP and EGVRP

convergence time with 95 nodes (join Timer = 10ms)



Comparison between GVRP and EGVRP convergence time with 95 nodes (join Timer = 200ms)

