

## VAGUE GENERALIZED ALPHA CLOSED SETS IN TOPOLOGICAL SPACES

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### ABSTRACT

*The aim of this paper is to explore the notion of vague sets to define a new class of generalized sets namely vague generalized  $\alpha$ -closed sets and investigate their properties.*

**Keywords:** Vague set, Vague topology, Vague generalized alpha closed set.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Classical mathematical methods are not enough to solve the problems of daily life and also are not enough to meet the new requirements. Therefore, some theories such as Fuzzy set theory [19], Rough set theory [17], Soft set theory [15] and Vague set theory [5]. have been developed to solve these problems.

Applications of these theories appear in topology and in many areas of mathematics. Most of these problems were solved by fuzzy set provided by Zadeh [19] and later Atanassov [2] generalized this idea to the new class of intuitionistic fuzzy sets using the notion of fuzzy sets. The theory of vague sets was first proposed by Gau and Buehrer [7]. Vague set theory is actually an extension of fuzzy set theory and vague sets are regarded as a special case of context- dependent fuzzy sets.

### 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1** [4]: A vague set A in the universe of discourse U is characterized by two membership functions given by:

- (i) A true membership function  $t_A : U \rightarrow [0,1]$  and
- (ii) A false membership function  $f_A : U \rightarrow [0,1]$

where  $t_A(x)$  is a lower bound on the grade of membership of x derived from the “evidence for x”,  $f_A(x)$  is a lower bound on the negation of x derived from the “evidence for x”, and  $t_A(x) + f_A(x) \leq 1$ . Thus the grade of membership of u in the vague set A is bounded by a subinterval  $[t_A(x), 1 - f_A(x)]$  of  $[0,1]$ . this indicates that if the actual grade of membership of x is  $\mu(x)$ , then,  $t_A(x) \leq \mu(x) \leq 1 - f_A(x)$ . The vague set A is written as  $A = \{ \langle x, [t_A(x), 1 - f_A(x)] \rangle / x \in U \}$  where the interval  $[t_A(x), 1 - f_A(x)]$  is called the vague value of x in A, denoted by  $V_A(x)$ .

**Definition 2.2** [7]: Let A and B be VSs of the form  $A = \{ \langle x, [t_A(x), 1 - f_A(x)] \rangle / x \in X \}$  and  $B = \{ \langle x, [t_B(x), 1 - f_B(x)] \rangle / x \in X \}$  Then

- (i)  $A \subseteq B$  if and only if  $t_A(x) \leq t_B(x)$  and  $1 - f_A(x) \leq 1 - f_B(x)$  for all  $x \in X$
- (ii)  $A=B$  if and only if  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$
- (iii)  $A^c = \{ \langle x, f_A(x), 1 - t_A(x) \rangle / x \in X \}$
- (iv)  $A \cap B = \{ \langle x, \min(t_A(x), t_B(x)), \min(1 - f_A(x), 1 - f_B(x)) \rangle / x \in X \}$
- (v)  $A \cup B = \{ \langle x, \max(t_A(x), t_B(x)), \max(1 - f_A(x), 1 - f_B(x)) \rangle / x \in X \}$

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For the sake of simplicity, we shall use the notation  $A = \langle x, t_A, 1 - f_A \rangle$  instead of  $A = \{ \langle x, [t_A(x), 1 - f_A(x)] \rangle / x \in X \}$ .

**Definition 2.3:** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

- (i) a preclosed set [13] if  $cl(int(A)) \subseteq A$
- (ii) a semi-closed set [9] if  $int(cl(A)) \subseteq A$
- (iii) a regular closed set [18] if  $A = cl(int(A))$
- (iv) a  $\alpha$ -closed set [14] if  $cl(int(cl(A))) \subseteq A$

**Definition 2.4:** A subset  $A$  of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is called

- (i) a generalized closed set (briefly g-closed) [8] if  $cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is an open set in  $X$ .
- (ii) a semi-generalized closed set (briefly sg-closed) [3] if  $scl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is semi-open set in  $X$
- (iii) a generalized semi-closed set (briefly gs-closed) [1] if  $scl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open set in  $X$
- (iv) a generalized semi pre closed set (briefly gsp-closed) [6] if  $spcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open set in  $X$
- (v) a generalized pre closed set (briefly gp-closed) [4] if  $pcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open set in  $X$
- (vi) a generalized  $\alpha$ -closed set (briefly  $g\alpha$ -closed) [11] if  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $\alpha$ -open set in  $X$ .
- (vii) a  $\alpha$ -generalized closed set (briefly  $ag$ -closed) [10]  $\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is open set in  $X$ .

### 3. VAGUE TOPOLOGICAL SPACE

**Definition 3.1:** A vague topology (VT in short) on  $X$  is a family  $\tau$  of VSs in  $X$  satisfying the following axioms.

- (i)  $0, 1 \in \tau$
- (ii)  $G_1 \cap G_2 \in \tau$ , for any  $G_1, G_2 \in \tau$
- (iii)  $\bigcup G_i \in \tau$  for any family  $\{G_i / i \in J\} \subseteq \tau$ .

In this case the pair  $(X, \tau)$  is called a Vague topological space (VTS in short) and any VS in  $\tau$  is known as a Vague open set (VOS in short) in  $X$ .

The complement  $A^c$  of a VOS  $A$  in a VTS  $(X, \tau)$  is called a vague closed set (VCS in short) in  $X$ .

**Definition 3.2:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a VTS and  $A = \langle x, t_A, 1 - f_A \rangle$  be a VS in  $X$ . Then the vague interior and a vague closure are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Vint}(A) &= \bigcup \{G / G \text{ is an VOS in } X \text{ and } G \subseteq A\} \\ \text{Vcl}(A) &= \bigcap \{K / K \text{ is an VCS in } X \text{ and } A \subseteq K\} \end{aligned}$$

Note that for any VS  $A$  in  $(X, \tau)$ , we have  $\text{Vcl}(A^c) = (\text{Vint}(A))^c$  and  $\text{Vint}(A^c) = (\text{Vcl}(A))^c$ .

**Example 3.3:** We consider the VT Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is an VT on  $X$ , where  $G = \{ \langle x, [0.1, 0.5], [0.1, 0.6] \rangle \}$ . Here the only open sets are 0, 1, and  $G$ . If  $A = \{ \langle x, [0.1, 0.6], [0.1, 0.9] \rangle \}$  is a VT on  $X$  then,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Vint}(A) &= \bigcup \{G / G \text{ is an VOS in } X \text{ and } G \subseteq A\} = G \\ \text{Vcl}(A) &= \bigcap \{K / K \text{ is an VCS in } X \text{ and } A \subseteq K\} = G^c \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 3.4:** A vague set  $A$  of  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a,

- (i) a vague pre-closed set if  $\text{Vcl}(\text{Vint}(A)) \subseteq A$
- (ii) a vague semi-closed set if  $\text{Vint}(\text{Vcl}(A)) \subseteq A$
- (iii) a vague regular-closed set if  $A = \text{Vcl}(\text{Vint}(A))$
- (iv) a vague  $\alpha$  closed set if  $\text{Vcl}(\text{Vint}(\text{Vcl}(A))) \subseteq A$ .

**Definition 3.5:** An vague set  $A$  in  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a,

- (i) vague generalized closed set (briefly VGC) if  $Vcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is a vague open set in  $X$ .
- (ii) vague generalized semi-closed set (briefly VGSC) if  $Vscl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is vague open set in  $X$ .
- (iii) vague generalized pre closed set (briefly VGPC) if  $Vpcl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is a vague open set in  $X$ .

**Properties 3.6:** Let  $A$  be any Vague set in  $(X, \tau)$ . then

- (i)  $V \text{int}(1 - A) = 1 - (Vcl(A))$  and
- (ii)  $Vcl(1 - A) = 1 - (V \text{int}(A))$

**Proof:** (i) By definition  $Vcl(A) = \bigcap \{K/K \text{ is an VCS in } X \text{ and } A \subseteq K\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - (Vcl(A)) &= 1 - \bigcap \{K/K \text{ is an VCS in } X \text{ and } A \subseteq K\}. \\ &= \bigcup \{1 - K/K \text{ is an VCS in } X \text{ and } A \subseteq K\}. \\ &= \bigcup \{G/G \text{ is an VOS in } X \text{ and } G \subseteq 1 - A\} \\ &= V \text{int}(1 - A) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) The proof is similar to (i).

**Theorem 3.7:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a VS and let  $A \in V(X)$ . Then the following properties hold.

- (i)  $V \text{int}(A) \subset A$
- (ii)  $A \subset B \Rightarrow V \text{int}(A) \subset V \text{int}(B)$
- (iii)  $V \text{int}(A) \in \tau$
- (iv)  $A$  is a vague open set  $\Leftrightarrow V \text{int}(A) = A$
- (v)  $V \text{int}(V \text{int}(A)) = V \text{int}(A)$
- (vi)  $V \text{int}(0) = 0, V \text{int}(1) = 1$
- (vii)  $V \text{int}(A \cap B) = V \text{int}(A) \cap V \text{int}(B)$
- (viii)  $(V \text{int}(A))^c = Vcl(A^c)$

**Proof:** The proof is obvious.

**Theorem 3.8:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a VS and Let  $A \in V(X)$ . Then the following properties hold.

- (i)  $(A) \subset Vcl(A)$
- (ii)  $A \subset B \Rightarrow Vcl(A) \subset Vcl(B)$
- (iii)  $(Vcl(A))^c \in \tau$
- (iv)  $A$  is a vague Closed set  $\Leftrightarrow Vcl(A) = A$
- (v)  $Vcl(Vcl(A)) = Vcl(A)$
- (vi)  $Vcl(0) = 0, Vcl(1) = 1$
- (vii)  $Vcl(A \cup B) = Vcl(A) \cup Vcl(B)$
- (viii)  $(Vcl(A))^c = V \text{int}(A^c)$

**Proof:** The proof is obvious.

#### 4. VAGUE GENERALIZED ALPHA CLOSED SETS

**Definition 4.3:** A vague set  $A$  in  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be a vague generalized alpha closed set (VG $\alpha$ CS in short) if  $V\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$  whenever  $A \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is a V $\alpha$ OS in  $(X, \tau)$

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**Example 4.5:** Let  $X=\{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is an VT on X, where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.4, 0.8], [0.3, 0.7] \rangle\}$ . Here the only  $\alpha$  open sets are 0, X, and G. Then the VS  $A = \{\langle x, [0.4, 0.9], [0.4, 0.8] \rangle\}$  is an VG $\alpha$ CS in  $(X, \tau)$ .

**Theorem 4.6:** For any VTS  $(X, \tau)$ , we have the following:

- (i) Every VCS is a VG $\alpha$ CS in X
- (ii) Every V $\alpha$ CS is a VG $\alpha$ CS in X
- (iii) Every VRCS is a VG $\alpha$ CS in X
- (iv) Every VG $\alpha$ CS is a V $\alpha$ GCS in X
- (v) Every VG $\alpha$ CS is a VGPCS in X
- (vi) Every VG $\alpha$ CS is a VGSCS in X.

**Proof:**

- (i) Let A be a VCS. Let  $A \subseteq U$  and U is a V $\alpha$ OS in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since  $V\alpha cl(A) \subseteq Vcl(A)$  and A is a VCS,  $V\alpha cl(A) \subseteq Vcl(A) = A \subseteq U$ . Therefore A is a VG $\alpha$ CS in X.
- (ii) Let  $A \subseteq U$  and U is a V $\alpha$ OS in  $(X, \tau)$ . By hypothesis  $V\alpha cl(A) = A$ . Hence  $V\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ . Therefore A is a VG $\alpha$ CS in X
- (iii) (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi) are obvious.

But converse of the above need not be true. It can be shown by the following example.

**Example 4.7:** Let  $X=\{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on X where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.2, 0.7], [0.4, 0.6] \rangle\}$ . Let  $A = \{\langle x, [0.3, 0.8], [0.5, 0.7] \rangle\}$  be any VS in X. Here  $V\alpha cl(A) \subseteq G$ , whenever  $A \subseteq G$ , for all V $\alpha$ OS G in X. A is a VG $\alpha$ CS, but not a VCS in X, since  $Vcl(A) = 1 \neq A$ .

**Example 4.8:** Let  $X=\{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is an VT on X where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.2, 0.6], [0.3, 0.5] \rangle\}$ . Let  $A = \{\langle x, [0.4, 0.9], [0.4, 0.8] \rangle\}$  be any VS in X. Clearly  $V\alpha cl(A) \subseteq G$ , whenever  $A \subseteq G$ , for all V $\alpha$ OS G in X. Therefore A is an VG $\alpha$ CS, but not a V $\alpha$ CS in X, since  $Vcl(V \text{int}(Vcl(A))) = 1 \not\subseteq A$ .

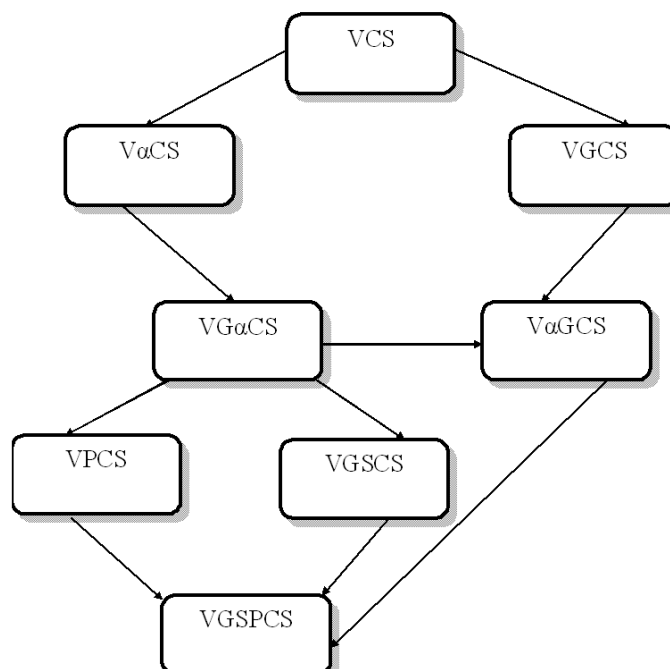
**Example: 4.9:** Let  $X=\{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on X where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.1, 0.5], [0.3, 0.7] \rangle\}$ . Let  $A = \{\langle x, [0.2, 0.6], [0.4, 0.8] \rangle\}$  be any VS in X. A is a VG $\alpha$ CS, but not a VRCS in  $(X, \tau)$ , since  $Vcl(V \text{int}(A)) = G^c \neq A$ .

**Example 4.10:** Let  $X=\{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on X where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.2, 0.7], [0.3, 0.5] \rangle\}$  and let  $A = \{\langle x, [0.1, 0.6], [0.2, 0.5] \rangle\}$  be any VS in X. Here A is a V $\alpha$ GCS in X. Consider the V $\alpha$ OS  $G_1 = \{\langle x, [0.3, 0.8], [0.4, 0.7] \rangle\}$ . Here A is a V $\alpha$ GCS in X.

**Example 4.11:** Let  $X=\{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on X where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.3, 0.6], [0.2, 0.8] \rangle\}$ . Here the only  $\alpha$  open sets are 0, X and G. Let  $A = \{\langle x, [0.3, 0.6], [0.3, 0.5] \rangle\}$  be any VS in X. Here  $Vpcl(A) = 1 \subseteq 1$ . Therefore A is a VGPCS in  $(X, \tau)$ , but not a VG $\alpha$ CS.

**Example 4.12:** Let  $X=\{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on X where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.2, 0.4], [0.2, 0.8] \rangle\}$ . Here the only  $\alpha$  open sets are 0, X and G. Let  $A = \{\langle x, [0.2, 0.4], [0.3, 0.7] \rangle\}$  be any VS in X. Here  $Vscl(A) = 1 \subseteq 1$ . Therefore A is a VGSCS in  $(X, \tau)$ , but not a VG $\alpha$ CS.

The diagram gives the implication of the above theorems:



**Remark 4.13:** VPCS and VGαCS are independent to each other.

**Example 4.14:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on  $X$ , where  $G = \langle x, [0.3, 0.6], [0.1, 0.7] \rangle$ . Here the only  $\alpha$  open sets are 0, 1 and  $G$ . Let  $A = \langle x, [0.4, 0.7], [0.3, 0.8] \rangle$ . be a  $VG\alpha CS(X)$  but not a  $VPCS(X)$ , since  $Vcl(Vint(A)) = G^c \not\subseteq A$ .

**Example 4.15:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on  $X$ , where  $G = \langle x, [0.1, 0.7], [0.3, 0.8] \rangle$ . Here the only  $\alpha$  open sets are 0, 1 and  $G$ . Let  $A = \langle x, [0.1, 0.6], [0.2, 0.7] \rangle$ . be a  $VPCS(X)$  but not a  $VG\alpha CS(X)$ .

**Remark 4.16:** VSCS and VGαCS are independent to each other.

**Example 4.17:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, X\}$  is a VT on  $X$ , where  $G = \langle x, [0.4, 0.6], [0.3, 0.6] \rangle$ . Let  $A = \langle x, [0.5, 0.7], [0.5, 0.8] \rangle$  be an  $VG\alpha CS(X)$  but not a  $VSCS(X)$ , since  $Vint(Vcl(A)) = 1 \not\subseteq A$ .

**Example 4.18:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on  $X$ , where  $G = \langle x, [0.1, 0.6], [0.2, 0.7] \rangle$ . Let  $A = \langle x, [0.1, 0.7], [0.2, 0.7] \rangle$  be a  $VSCS(X)$  but not a  $VG\alpha CS(X)$ , since  $V\alpha cl(A) = G^c \not\subseteq A$ .

**Theorem 4.19:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a VTS. Then for every  $A \in VG\alpha C(X)$  and for every  $B \in VS(X)$ ,  $A \subseteq B \subseteq V\alpha cl(A)$  implies  $B \in VG\alpha C(X)$ .

**Proof:** Let a  $VS$   $B \subseteq U$  and  $U$  be a  $V\alpha os$  in  $X$ . Since  $A \subseteq B, A \subseteq U$  and  $A$  is  $VG\alpha CS$ ,  $V\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ . By hypothesis,  $B \subseteq V\alpha cl(A), V\alpha cl(B) \subseteq V\alpha cl(A) \subseteq U$ . Therefore  $V\alpha cl(B) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $B$  is  $VG\alpha CS$  of  $X$ .

**Remark 4.20:** The intersection of any two  $VG\alpha CS$  is not  $VG\alpha CS$  in general as seen from the following example.

**Example 4.21:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on  $X$ , where  $G = \langle x, [0.1, 0.7], [0.3, 0.8] \rangle$ . Then the  $VS$ s  $A = \langle x, [0.1, 0.8], [0.2, 0.8] \rangle$   $B = \langle x, [0.2, 0.6], [0.2, 0.6], [0.3, 0.7] \rangle$  are  $VG\alpha CS$ s but  $A \cap B$  is not  $VG\alpha CS$  in  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.22:** The union of two VGαCS is an VGαCS in  $(X, \tau)$ , if they are VCS in  $(X, \tau)$  **Proof:** Assume that A and B are VGαCS in  $(X, \tau)$ . Since A and B are VCS in X.  $Vcl(A) = A$  and  $Vcl(B) = B$ . Let  $A \cup B \subseteq U$  and U is VαOS in X. Then  $Vcl(V \text{int}(Vcl(A \cup B))) = Vcl(V \text{int}(A \cup B)) \subseteq Vcl(A \cup B) = A \cup B \subseteq U$ , that is  $Vαcl(A \cup B) \subseteq U$  Therefore  $A \cup B$  is VGαCS.

## 5. VAGUE GENERALIZED ALPHA OPEN SETS

**Definition 5.1:** A VS A is said to be a vague generalized alpha open set (VGαOS in short) in  $(X, \tau)$  if the complement  $A^c$  is a VGαOS in X.

The family of all VGαOSs of a VTS  $(X, \tau)$  is denoted by  $VGαO(X)$ .

**Theorem 5.2:** For any VTS  $(X, \tau)$ , we have the following:

- (ii) Every VOS is a VGαOS
- (iii) Every VαOS is a VGαOS
- (iv) Every VROS is a VGαOS. But the converses need not be true.

**Proof:** (i) Let A be a VOS in X. Then  $A^c$  is an VCS in X. Therefore by theorem 3.3  $A^c$  is a VGαCS in X. Hence A is a VGαOS in X.

The proof of (ii) and (iii) are obvious.

The converse of the above theorem is shown by the following example.

**Example 5.3:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is a VT on X, where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.3, 0.6], [0.2, 0.7] \rangle\}$ . Here the only α open sets are 0, X and G. Let  $A = \{\langle x, [0.3, 0.7], [0.4, 0.8] \rangle\}$  be any VS in X. A is a VGαOS, but not a VOS in X.

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**Example 5.5:** Let  $X = \{a, b\}$  and let  $\tau = \{0, G, 1\}$  is an VT on X, where  $G = \{\langle x, [0.3, 0.6], [0.2, 0.6] \rangle\}$  Here the only α open sets are 0, X and G. Let  $A = \{\langle x, [0.4, 0.7], [0.3, 0.6] \rangle\}$  be any VS in X. A is a VGαOS, but not a VROS in X.

**Theorem 5.6:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be an VTS. If A is an VS of X then the following properties are equivalent:

- (i)  $A \in VGαO(X)$
- (ii)  $V \subseteq V \text{int}(Vcl(V \text{int}(A)))$  whenever  $V \subseteq A$  and V is a VαCS in X.
- (iii) There exist VOS  $G_1$  such that  $G_1 \subseteq V \subseteq V \text{int}(Vcl(G))$  where  $G = V \text{int}(A)$ ,  $V \subseteq A$  and V is a VαCS in X.

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $A \in VGαO(X)$ . Then  $A^c$  is a VGαCS in X. Therefore  $Vαcl(A^c) \subseteq U$  Whenever  $A^c \subseteq U$  and U is an VαOS in X. That is  $(Vcl(V \text{int}(Vcl(A^c))))^c = V \text{int}(V \text{int}(Vcl(A^c)))^c = V \text{int}(Vcl(Vcl(A^c)))^c = V \text{int}(Vcl(V \text{int}(A^c)))^c = V \text{int}(Vcl(V \text{int}(A))) \supseteq U^c$ . This implies  $U^c \subseteq V \text{int}(Vcl(V \text{int}(A)))$  whenever  $U^c \subseteq A$  and  $U^c$  is a VαCS in X. Replace  $U^c$  by V,  $V \subseteq V \text{int}(Vcl(V \text{int}(A)))$  whenever  $V \subseteq A$  and V is a VαCS in X.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) Let  $V \subseteq V \text{int}(Vcl(V \text{int}(A)))$  whenever  $V \subseteq A$  and V is a VαCS in X. Hence  $V \text{int}(V) \subseteq V \subseteq V \text{int}(Vcl(V \text{int}(A)))$ . Then there exist VOS  $G_1$  in X such that  $G_1 \subseteq V \subseteq V \text{int}(Vcl(G))$  where  $G = V \text{int}(A)$  and  $G_1 = V \text{int}(V)$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Suppose that there exists VOS  $G_1$  such that  $G_1 \subseteq V \subseteq V \text{int}(Vcl(G))$  where  $G = V \text{int}(A)$ ;  $V \subseteq A$  and  $V$  is a  $V\alpha OS$  in  $X$ . It is clear that  $(V \text{int}(Vcl(G)))^c \subseteq V^c$ . That is  $(V \text{int}(Vcl(V \text{int}(A))))^c \subseteq V^c$ . This implies  $Vcl(Vcl(V \text{int}(A)))^c \subseteq V^c$ . Therefore  $Vcl(V \text{int}(Vcl(A^c))) \subseteq V^c$ ,  $A^c \subseteq V^c$  and  $V^c$  is  $V\alpha OS$  in  $X$ . Hence  $V\alpha cl(A^c) \subseteq V^c$ . That is  $A^c$  is a  $VG\alpha CS$  in  $X$ . This implies  $A \in VG\alpha O(X)$ .

**Theorem 5.7:** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be a VTS. Then for every  $A \in VG\alpha O(X)$  and for every  $B \in VS(X)$ ,  $V\alpha \text{int}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$  implies  $B \in VG\alpha O(X)$ .

**Proof:** By hypothesis  $V\alpha \text{int}(A) \subseteq B \subseteq A$ . Taking complement on both sides, we get  $A^c \subseteq B^c \subseteq (V\alpha \text{int}(A))^c$ . Let  $B^c \subseteq U$  and  $U$  is  $V\alpha OS$  in  $X$ . Since  $A^c \subseteq B^c$ ,  $A^c \subseteq U$  and since  $A^c$  is a  $VG\alpha CS$ ,  $V\alpha cl(A^c) \subseteq U$ . Also  $B^c \subseteq (V\alpha \text{int}(A))^c = (V\alpha cl(A^c))$ . Therefore  $V\alpha cl(B^c) \subseteq V\alpha cl(A^c) \subseteq U$ . Hence  $B^c$  is a  $VG\alpha CS$  in  $X$ . This implies  $B$  is an  $VG\alpha OS$  in  $X$ . That is  $B \in VG\alpha O(X)$ .

**Theorem 5.8:** A  $VS$   $A$  of a VTS  $(X, \tau)$  is a  $VG\alpha OS$  if and only if  $G \subseteq V\alpha cl(A)$ , whenever  $G$  is a  $V\alpha CS(X)$  and  $G \subseteq A$ .

**Proof: Necessity:** Assume that  $A$  is a  $VG\alpha OS$  in  $X$ . Also let  $G$  be a  $V\alpha CS$  in  $X$  such that  $G \subseteq A$ . Then  $G^c$  is a  $V\alpha OS$  in  $X$  such that  $A^c \subseteq G^c$ . Since  $A^c$  is a  $VG\alpha CS$ ,  $V\alpha cl(A^c) \subseteq G^c$ . But  $V\alpha cl(A^c) = (V\alpha \text{int}(A))^c$ . Hence  $(V\alpha \text{int}(A))^c \subseteq G^c$ . This implies  $G \subseteq V\alpha \text{int}(A)$ .

**Sufficiency:** Assume that  $G \subseteq V\alpha \text{int}(A)$ , whenever  $G$  is a  $V\alpha CS$  and  $G \subseteq A$ . Then  $(V\alpha \text{int}(A^c)) \subseteq G^c$ , whenever  $G^c$  is a  $V\alpha OS$  and  $V\alpha cl(A^c) \subseteq G^c$ . Therefore  $A^c$  is a  $VG\alpha CS$ . This implies  $A$  is a  $VG\alpha OS$ .

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