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# **Reinforced Concrete-II**

## **Design of Two-Way Slabs**

### **Shear Strength of RC Slabs**

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## 1-Shear in RC Slabs

In engineering, shear strength is the strength of a material or component against the type of yield or structural failure when the material or component fails in shear. Shear failure occurs when the slab or beam has shear resistance lower than flexural strength and the shear force exceeds the shear capacity of different materials of the slab or beam. A shear load is a force that tends to produce a sliding failure on a material along a plane that is parallel to the direction of the force. In reinforced concrete members, a shear failure which is caused by the development of diagonal cracks predominates in higher reinforced concrete beams without transverse reinforcement. If a concrete member without properly designed shear requirement (reinforcement and thickness) is overloaded to failure, shear collapse is likely to occur suddenly, with no advance warning of distress. With no shear reinforcement provided, the member failed immediately upon formation of the critical crack in the high-shear region near support. To increase the shear strength, reinforcing bar (rebar) or adequate slab thickness are used.

## 2- Shear strength of Slab System with Interior Beams

Generally, the shear in slabs with interior beams may be considered *satisfactory*, but let's try it!!

The shear shall be checked at a distance (**d**) from the face of the support (beam), and the *shear strength of concrete*, according to ACI318-14/CL (22.5.5.1) is:-

$$V_c = 0.17 \sqrt{f'_c} b_w d$$

$$\text{Shear Strength of Concrete} \rightarrow \phi V_c = \phi 0.17 \sqrt{f'_c} F d$$

The *Applied shear stress (or force)* can be calculated directly by taking a loaded strip of width (**F**) and length (**S/2-d**).

$$\text{Shear stresses} \rightarrow V_u = W_u * F * (S/2-d).$$

### Where

$V_c$  = Shear strength of concrete.

$V_u$  = Shear stresses.

$b_w$  = Beam web width.

$f'_c$  = Ultimate compressive strength of concrete.

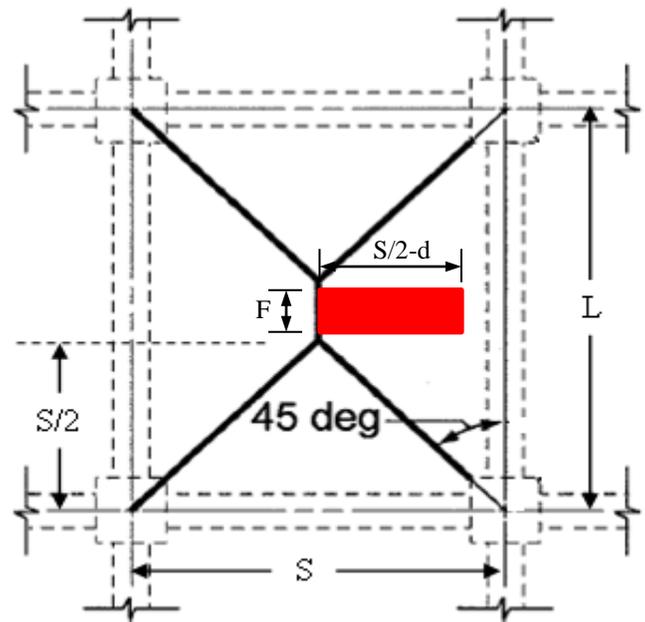
$d$  = Effective depth.

$F$  = Loaded strip width.

$W_u$  = Factored load.

$S$  = Short span of the slab.

$\phi$  = Shear reduction factor = 0.75.



**Shear of Slab System with Interior Beams**

### 3- Shear strength of Slab System without Interior Beams (Flat Plate & Flat Slabs)

There are two types of shear:-

#### 3-1-Beam Action (One-way Shear)

The critical section extends across the entire width of a distance (d) from either of the following:-

- i- The face of rectangular column (or column capital).
- ii- The face of equivalent square column (or column capital).
- iii- The face of drop panel (if any).

The **applied shear force (or shear stress)** can be calculated directly by using the following formula:-

$$V_u = W_u * A$$

The **shear strength of concrete**, according to ACI318-14/CL (22.5.5.1) is:-

$$V_c = 0.17 \sqrt{f'_c} * b_o * d$$

**IF  $(V_u / \phi \leq V_c)$  → No shear reinforcement is permitted to resist flexural shear.**

#### Where

$V_u$  = Shear stresses.

$W_u$  = Factored load.

$A$  = Loaded area.

=  $(S * (L/2 - c_2/2 - d))$  **or**  $(L * (S/2 - c_1/2 - d))$

$V_c$  = Shear strength of concrete.

$f'_c$  = Ultimate compressive strength of concrete.

$b_o$  = Perimeter along the critical section.

$d$  = Effective depth =  $t$  - cover -  $d_b$

$\phi$  = Shear reduction factor = 0.75.

$d_b$  = Bar diameter.

$c_1$  = Column dimension in Longitudinal direction.

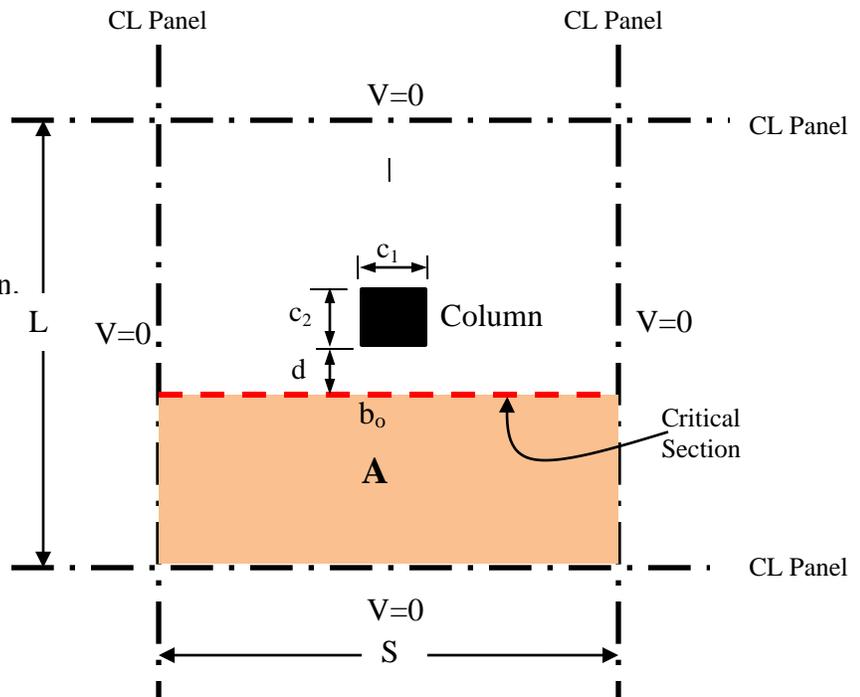
$c_2$  = Column dimension in Transverse direction.

#### Note

Shorter critical section is controlling because it has shorter length of wider area.

$$V_u = W_u * [S * (L/2 - c_2/2 - d)]$$

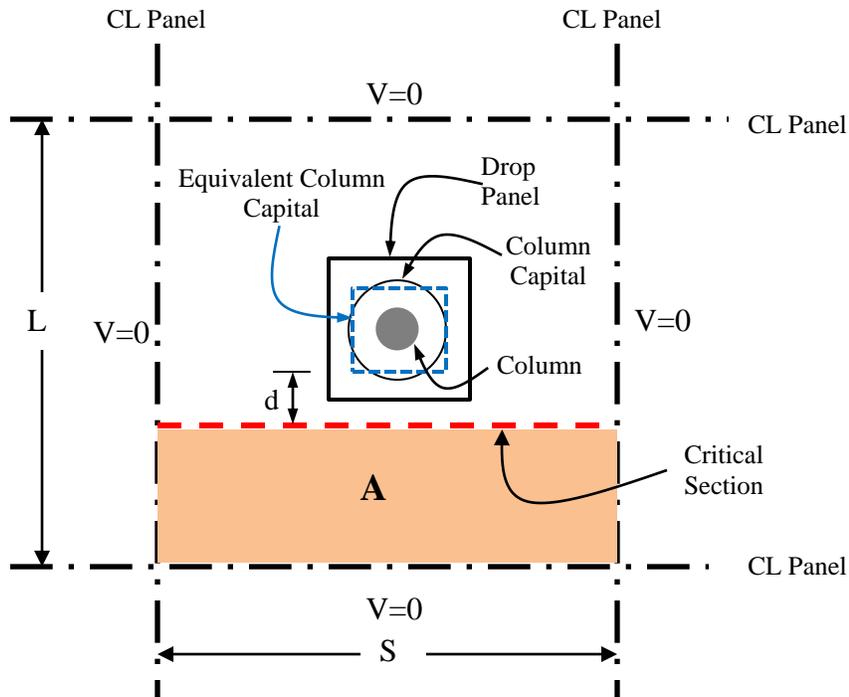
$$v_n = V_n / b_o * d = V_n / S * d$$



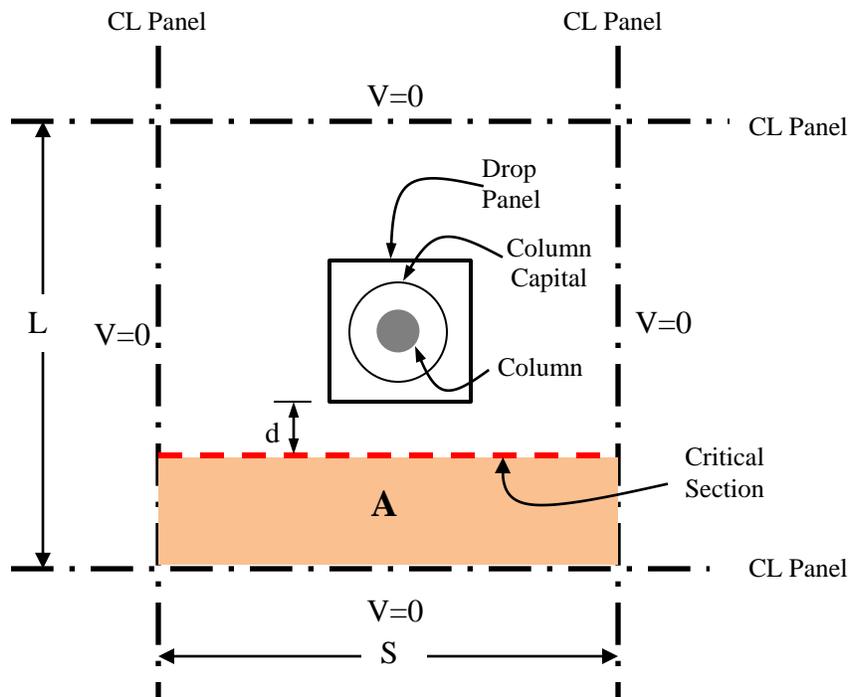
**One-way shear in Flat Plate**

**One-way shear for flat slab, there are two possible cases:-**

**Case-I:** Critical Section at distance (d) from the face of **Equivalent Column Capital**



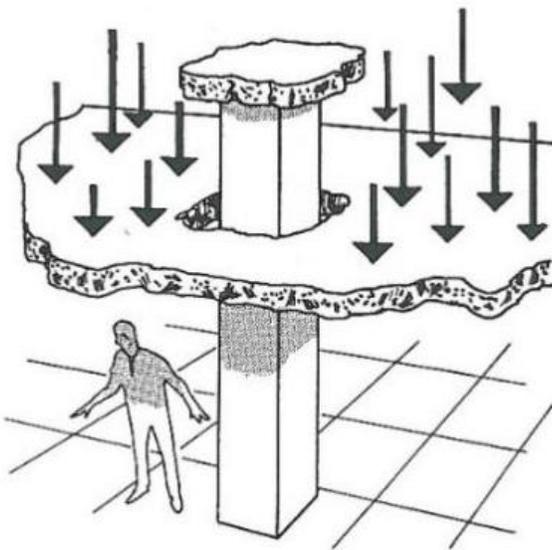
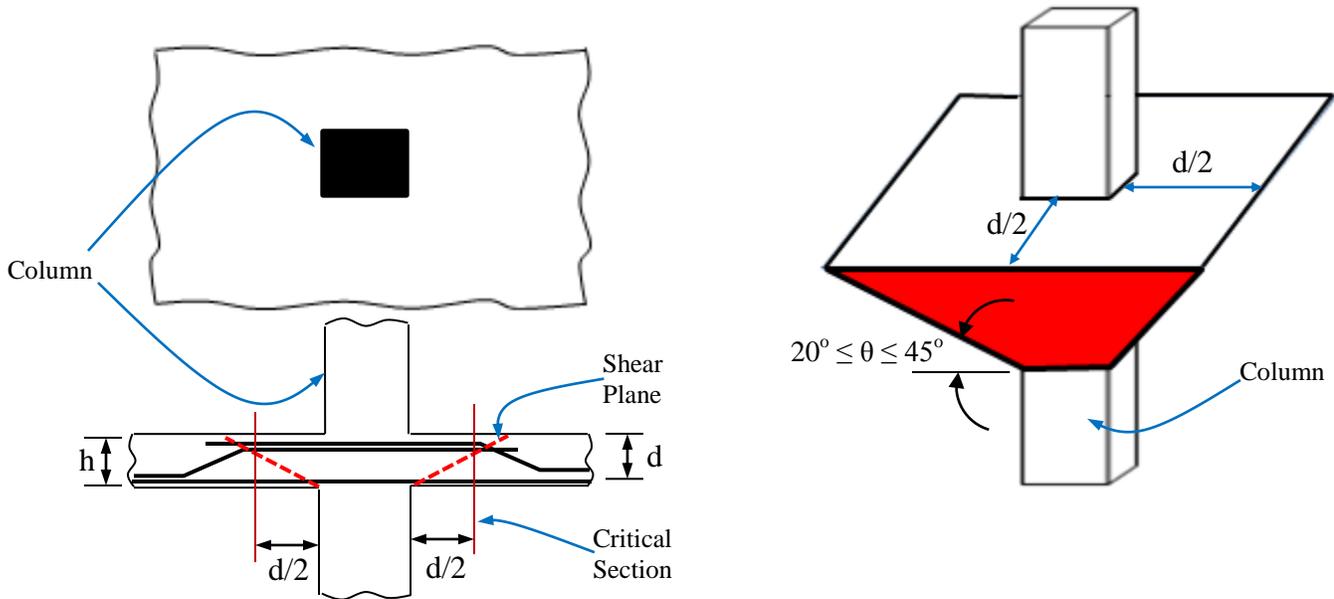
**Case-II:** Critical Section at distance (d) from the face of **Drop Panel**



### 3-2-Two-way Shear Action (Punching Shear)

The critical section is located so that its periphery ( $b_o$ ) is at distance equal to  $(d/2)$  from either of the following:-

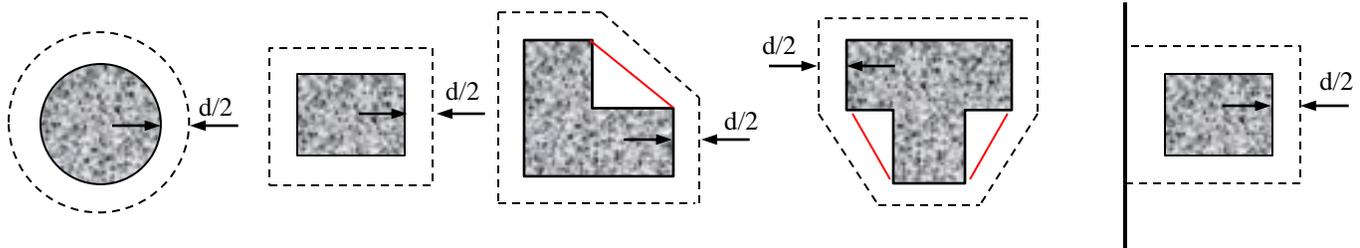
- i- The face of rectangular column (or column capital).
- ii- The face of drop panel (if any).

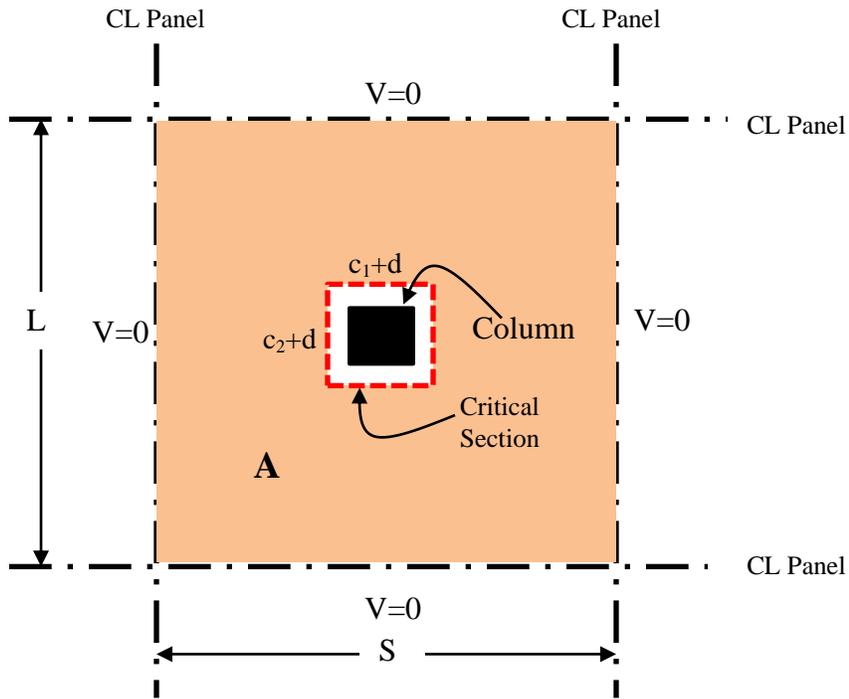


**The Two-way Shear Action (Punching Shear) is divided into two types:-**

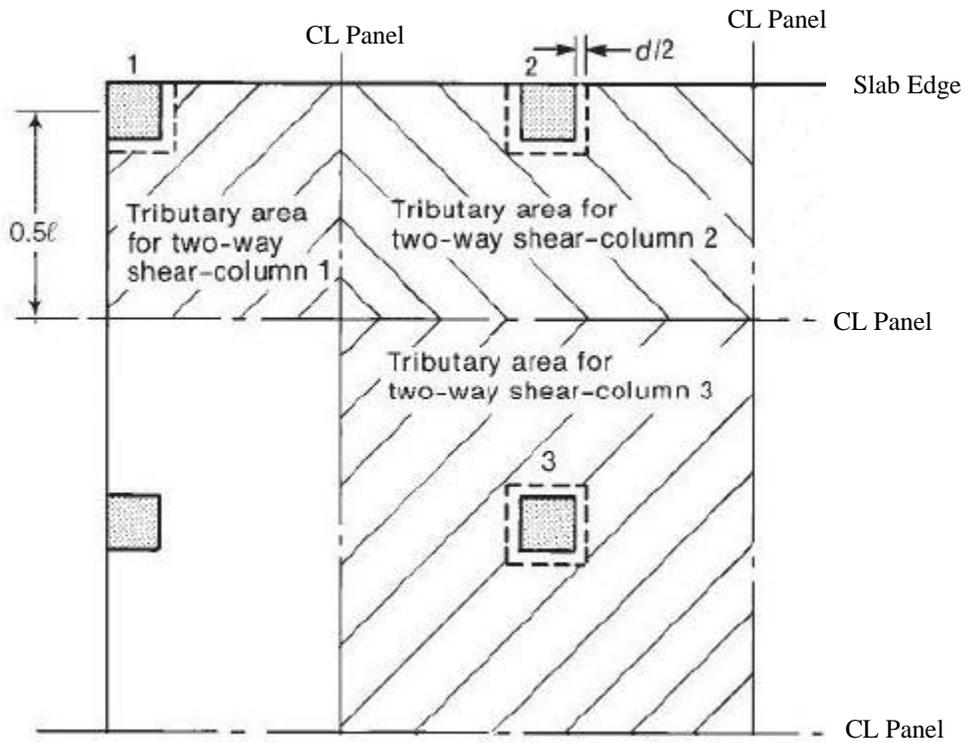
#### **1-Uniform Two-way Shear (without Moment Transfer)**

In this case, the unbalanced negative moment is neglectable.





**Loaded area for interior panel**



**Loaded area for interior, exterior and corner panel**

The **applied shear force ( $V_u$ )** can be calculated directly by using the following formula:-

$$V_u = W_u * A$$

**Where**

$V_u$ = Applied Shear force.

$W_u$ =Factored load.

$A$ = Loaded area= Total area-Critical area.

The **shear strength of concrete ( $V_c$ )** is calculated according to Table (22.6.5.2) of ACI318-14/CL (22.6.5.2).

**Table (22.6.5.2) Calculation ( $V_c$ ) for two-way Shear**

$v_c$		
Least of (a), (b), and (c):	$0.33\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$	(a)
	$0.17\left(1 + \frac{2}{\beta}\right)\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$	(b)
	$0.083\left(2 + \frac{\alpha_s d}{b_o}\right)\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$	(c)

**Where**

$\lambda=1.0$

$f'_c$ '=Ultimate compressive strength of concrete

$\beta$ =(Long Side/Short Side) of column or support.

$\alpha_s$ = Parameter Considering the effect of the location of column.

$\alpha_s=40$  For interior column;  $\alpha_s=30$  For exterior (edge) column;  $\alpha_s=20$  For corner.

$b_o$ =Perimeter along the critical section.

$d$ =Average effective depth= $t$ -cover- $d_b$

**Effective depth (d)**

For calculation of  $V_c$  and  $V_s$  for two-way shear, (d) shall be the average of the effective depths in the two orthogonal directions.

According to ACI318-14, ultimate design strength, a reduction factor ( $\phi=0.75$ ) shall be provided for shear; therefore the shear **strength of concrete** becomes ( $\phi V_c$ ).

If  $\frac{V_u}{\phi} \leq V_c \rightarrow$  No Shear Reinforcement is required (i. e slab thickness ok)

If  $V_c < \frac{V_u}{\phi} \leq \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{f'_c} b_o d \rightarrow$  Provide (use) Shear Reinforcement

If  $\frac{V_u}{\phi} > \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{f'_c} b_o d \rightarrow$  Increase Slab thickness

i.e the max. permissible shear force in two-way shear action is  $V_{u_{max.}} = \frac{\phi}{2} \sqrt{f'_c} b_o d$

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**Note**

If the steel reinforcement is used as shear reinforcement;

$$V_s = \frac{V_u}{\phi} - V_c$$

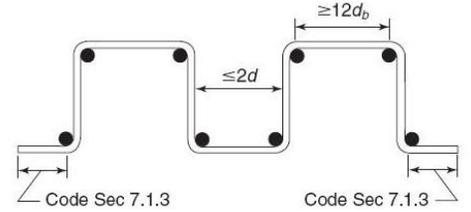
$$V_s = \frac{V_u}{\phi} - \frac{1}{6} \sqrt{f'_c} b_o d$$

$$V_s = \frac{A_v f_y d}{S}$$

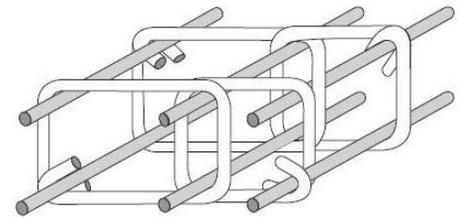
**Shear Reinforcement**

**i-For Concrete columns**

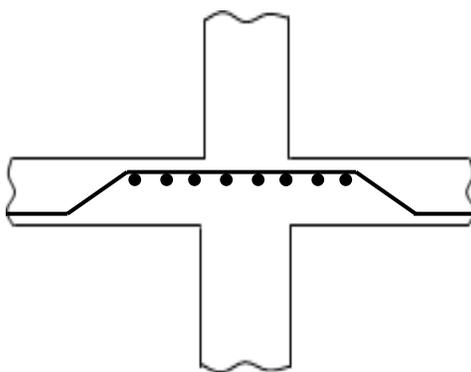
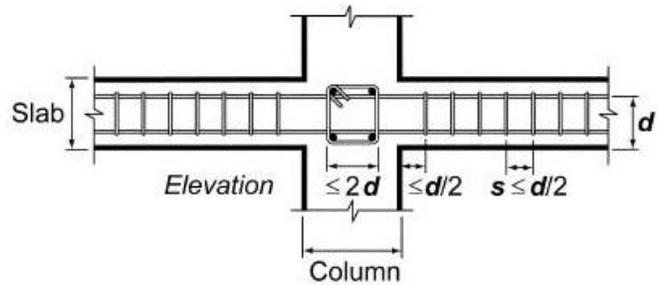
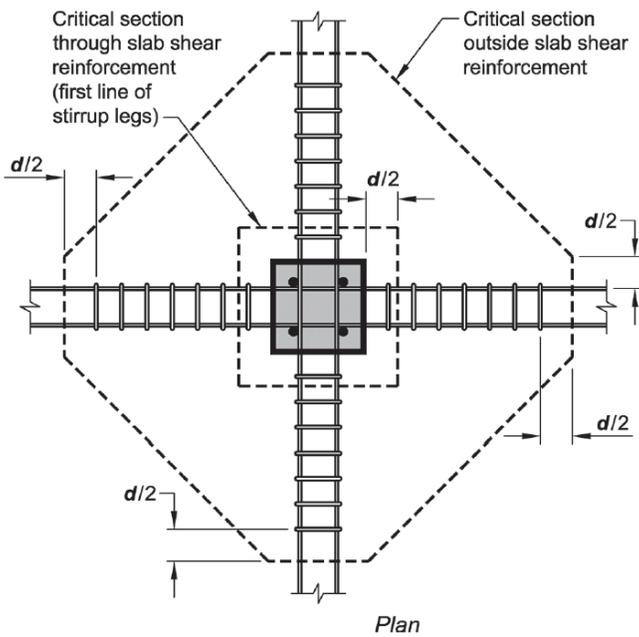
- a- Stirrups (Multi-leg stirrups or Closed stirrups).
- b- Hidden welded section (I-beam) or Shear head.
- c- Steel reinforcement (Double-U or Bent bars).



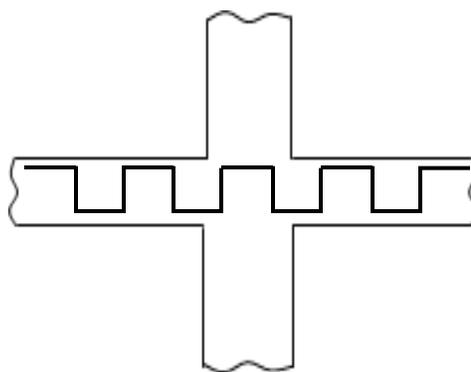
Multiple-leg stirrup.



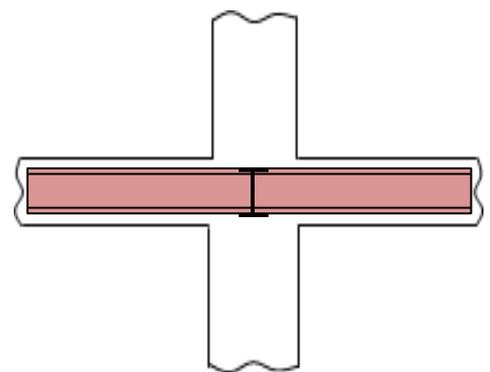
Closed stirrups.



Bent bars



Double-U

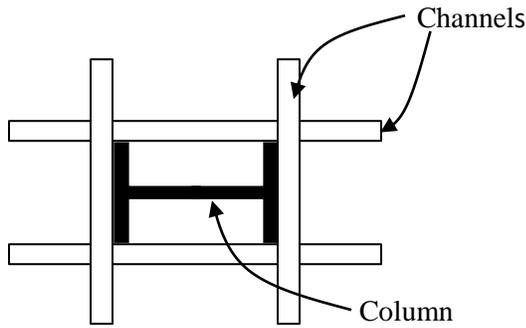


Shear Head

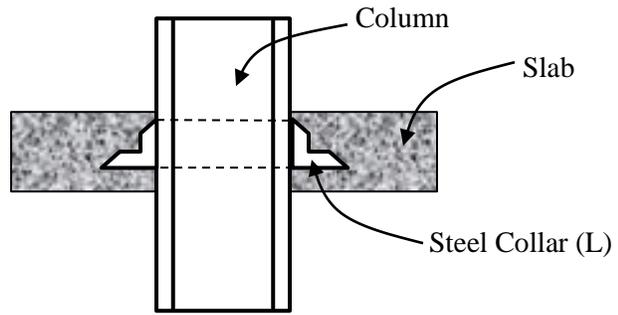
**ii-For Steel Columns**

a-Welded Steel Channels (WSC)

b- Welded Steel Collar



**WSC System**



**Steel Collar (L) System**

**2-Two-way Shear Considering the Transfer of Unbalanced Moment)**

Usually, this case is most critical at exterior columns in flat plate floors. The unbalanced moment has to be transfer to column by both *flexure* and *Eccentric shear*.

Let ( $M_u$ ) be the unbalanced moment to be transferred to column.

$\gamma_f M_u$ =Fraction of ( $M_u$ ) transferred by flexure.

$\gamma_v M_u$ =Fraction of ( $M_u$ ) transferred by Eccentric shear.

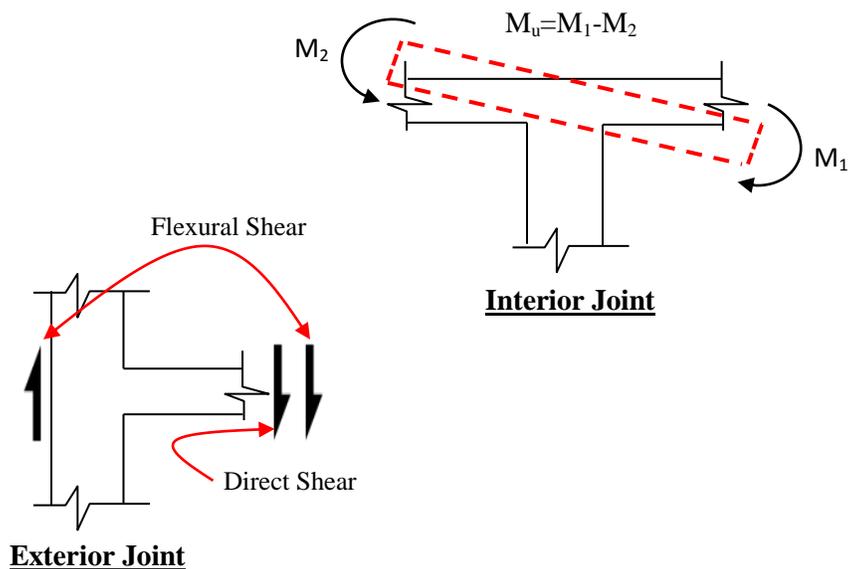
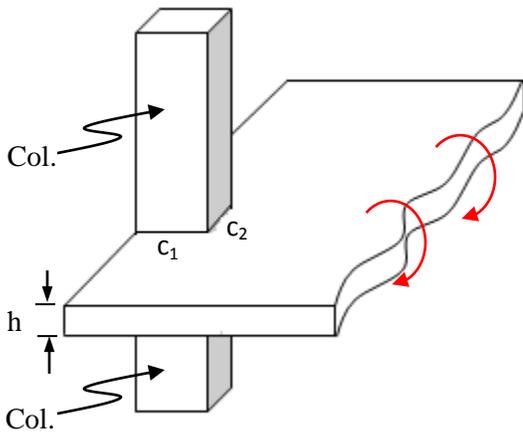
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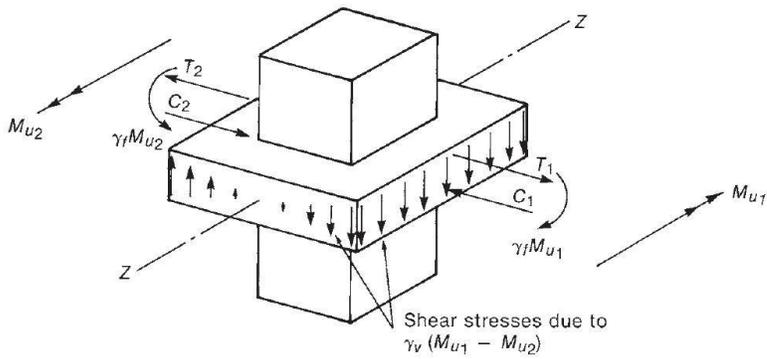
$$\gamma_f = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) * \sqrt{\frac{b_1}{b_2}}}$$

$$\gamma_v = 1 - \gamma_f$$

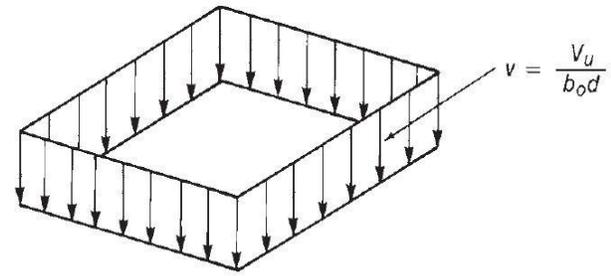
$b_1$ = Width of critical section in longitudinal direction.

$b_2$ = Width of critical section in transverse direction.

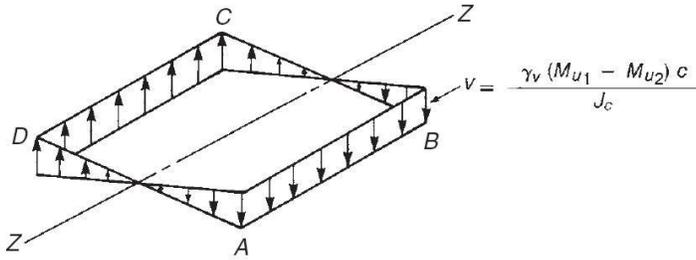




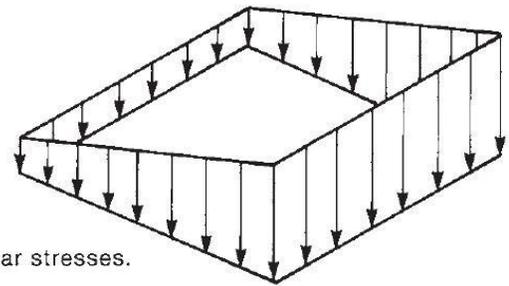
(a) Transfer of unbalanced moments to column.



(b) Shear stresses due to  $V_u$ .

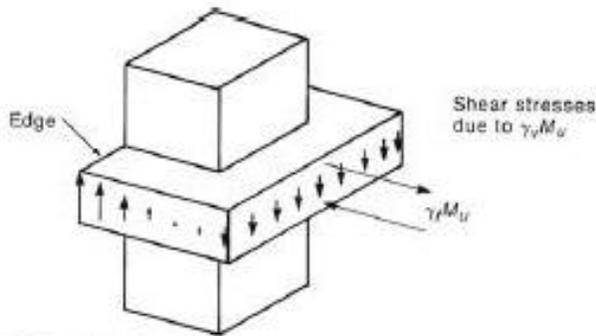


(c) Shear due to unbalanced moment.

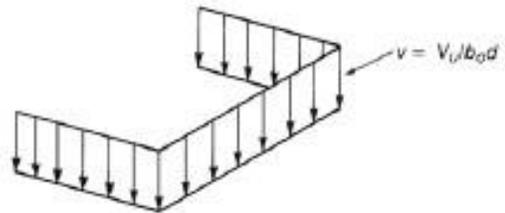


(d) Total shear stresses.

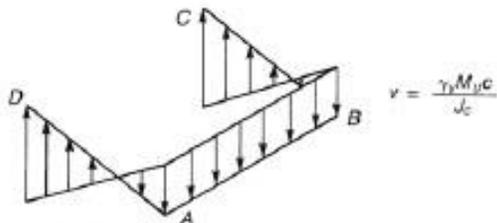
### Shear stresses due to shear and moment transfer at an interior column.



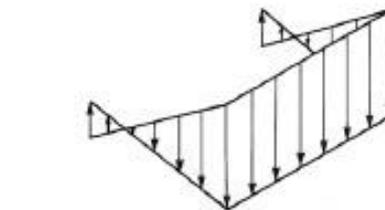
(a) Transfer of moment at edge column.



(b) Shear stresses due to  $V_u$ .



(c) Shear stresses due to  $M_u$ .

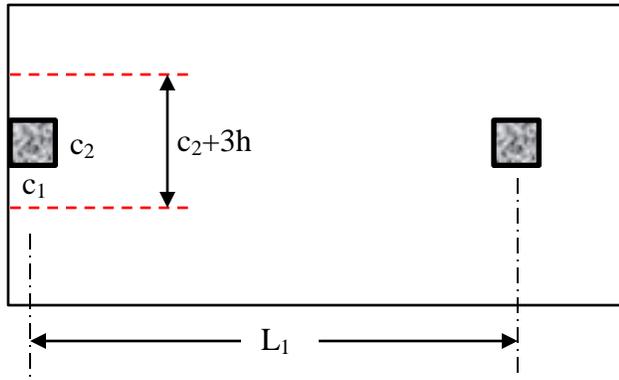


(d) Total shear stresses.

### Shear stresses due to shear and moment transfer at an edge column

**i- Moment ( $\gamma_f M_u$ )**

It is transferred through slab width  $=c_2+3h$



**ii- Moment ( $\gamma_v M_u$ )**

It is transferred by eccentric shear about the centroid of a critical section perpendicular to plane of slab located along a perimeter at a distance  $(d/2)$  from the perimeter of column.

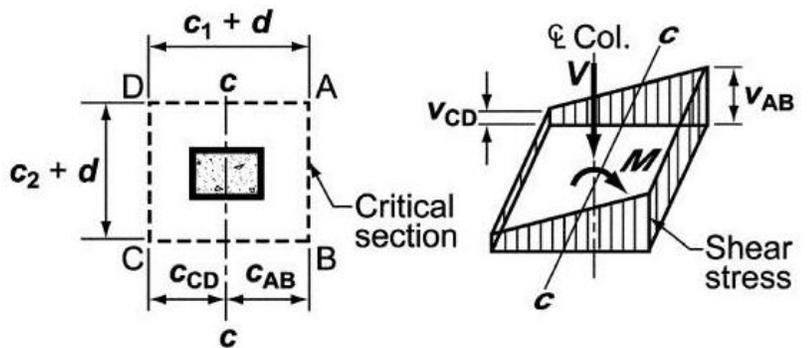
$$V_{u(AB)} = \frac{V_u}{A_c} \pm \frac{(\gamma_v M_u) \cdot C_{AB}}{J_c}$$

$$V_{u(CD)} = \frac{V_u}{A_c} \pm \frac{(\gamma_v M_u) \cdot C_{CD}}{J_c}$$

**a- Interior Column**

$$A_c = 2d * (b_1 + b_2)$$

$$J_c = \frac{d \cdot b_1^3}{6} + \frac{b_1 d^3}{6} + \frac{d \cdot b_2 b_1^2}{2}$$



**b- Edge Column**

$$A_c = d * (2b_1 + b_2)$$

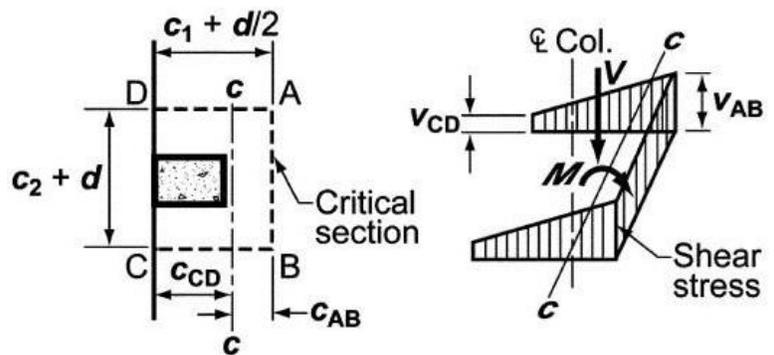
$$J_c = d \cdot \left[ \frac{2}{3} b_1^3 - (2b_1 + b_2) C_{AB}^2 \right] + \frac{b_1 \cdot d^3}{6}$$

$$C_{AB} = \frac{d \cdot b_1^2}{A_c}$$

**Where**

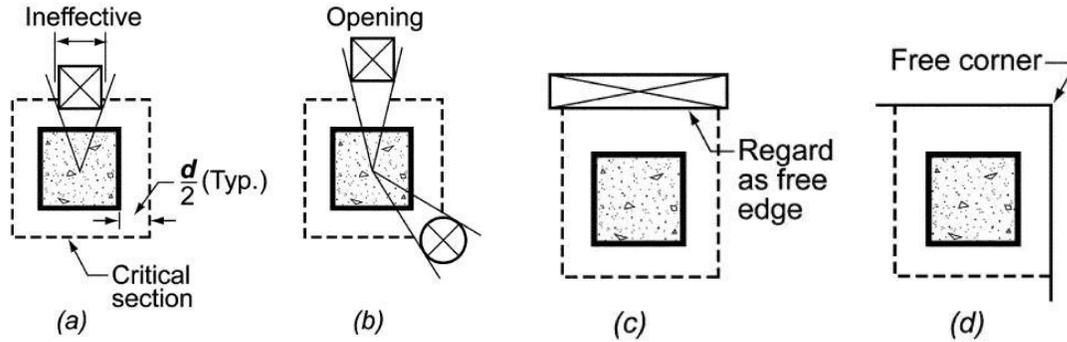
$A_c$  = Area of critical section around column.

$J_c$  = Polar moment of inertia.



## Effect of Openings

The effect of opening and free edges in slab shall be considered in calculating ( $V_n$ ).



The effect of openings and free edges are:-

- 1-Reduce the effective perimeter as shown in dashed lines.
- 2-Reduce the loaded area.

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