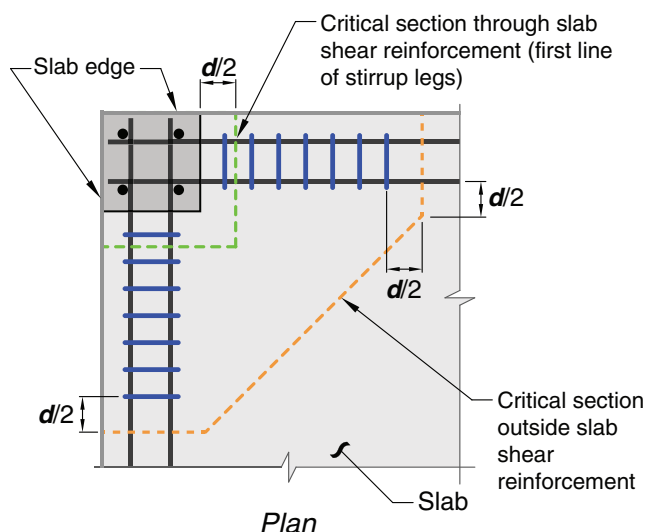


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## COMMENTARY



**Fig. R22.6.4.2c**—Critical sections for two-way shear in slab with shear reinforcement at corner column.

**22.6.4.3** If an opening is located closer than  $4h$  from the periphery of a column, concentrated load, or reaction area, the portion of  $b_o$  enclosed by straight lines projecting from the centroid of the column, concentrated load or reaction area and tangent to the boundaries of the opening shall be considered ineffective.

**R22.6.4.3** Provisions for design of openings in slabs (and footings) were developed in [Joint ACI-ASCE Committee 326 \(1962\)](#). The locations of the effective portions of the critical section near typical openings and free edges are shown by the dashed lines in Fig. R22.6.4.3. Research ([Joint ACI-ASCE Committee 426 1974](#)) has confirmed that these provisions are conservative.

Research ([Genikomsou and Polak 2017](#)) has shown that when openings are located at distances greater than  $4d$  from the periphery of a column, the punching shear strength is the same as that for a slab without openings.