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## COMMENTARY

**Table 22.6.5.2— $v_c$  for two-way members without shear reinforcement**

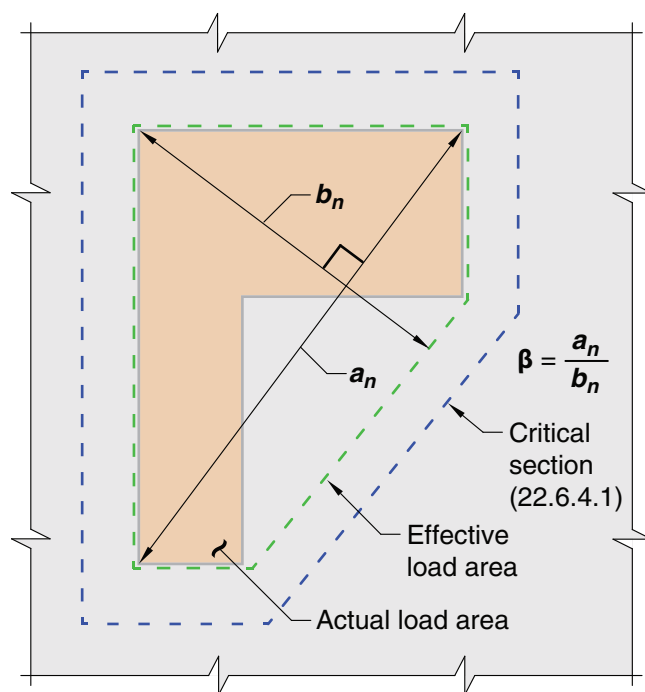
$v_c$		
Least of (a), (b), and (c):	$0.33\lambda_s\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$	(a)
	$\left(0.17 + \frac{0.33}{\beta}\right)\lambda_s\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$	(b)
	$\left(0.17 + \frac{0.083\alpha_s d}{b_o}\right)\lambda_s\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$	(c)

Notes:

(i)  $\lambda_s$  is the size effect factor given in 22.5.5.1.3.(ii)  $\beta$  is the ratio of long to short sides of the column, concentrated load, or reaction area.(iii)  $\alpha_s$  is given in 22.6.5.3.

slabs subjected to bending in two directions is limited to  $0.33\lambda_s\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$ . However, tests (Joint ACI-ASCE Committee 426 1974) have indicated that the value of  $0.33\lambda_s\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$  is unconservative when the ratio  $\beta$  of the lengths of the long and short sides of a rectangular column or loaded area is larger than 2.0. In such cases, the actual shear stress on the critical section at punching shear failure varies from a maximum of approximately  $0.33\lambda_s\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$  around the corners of the column or loaded area, down to  $0.17\lambda_s\lambda\sqrt{f'_c}$  or less along the long sides between the two end sections. Other tests (Vanderbilt 1972) indicate that  $v_c$  decreases as the ratio  $b_o/d$  increases. Expressions (b) and (c) in Table 22.6.5.2 were developed to account for these two effects.

For shapes other than rectangular,  $\beta$  is taken to be the ratio of the longest overall dimension of the effective loaded area to the largest overall perpendicular dimension of the effective loaded area, as illustrated for an L-shaped reaction area in Fig. R22.6.5.2. The effective loaded area is that area totally enclosing the actual loaded area, for which the perimeter is a minimum.

**Fig. R22.6.5.2—Value of  $\beta$  for a nonrectangular loaded area.**

**22.6.5.3** The value of  $\alpha_s$  is 40 for interior columns, 30 for edge columns, and 20 for corner columns.

**22.6.5.4** For prestressed, two-way members, it shall be permitted to calculate  $v_c$  using 22.6.5.5, provided that (a) through (c) are satisfied:

**R22.6.5.3** The terms “interior columns,” “edge columns,” and “corner columns” in this provision refer to critical sections with a continuous slab on four, three, and two sides, respectively.

**R22.6.5.4** For prestressed two-way members, modified forms of expressions (b) and (c) in Table 22.6.5.2 are specified. Research (ACI 423.3R) indicates that the shear strength of two-way prestressed slabs around interior columns is