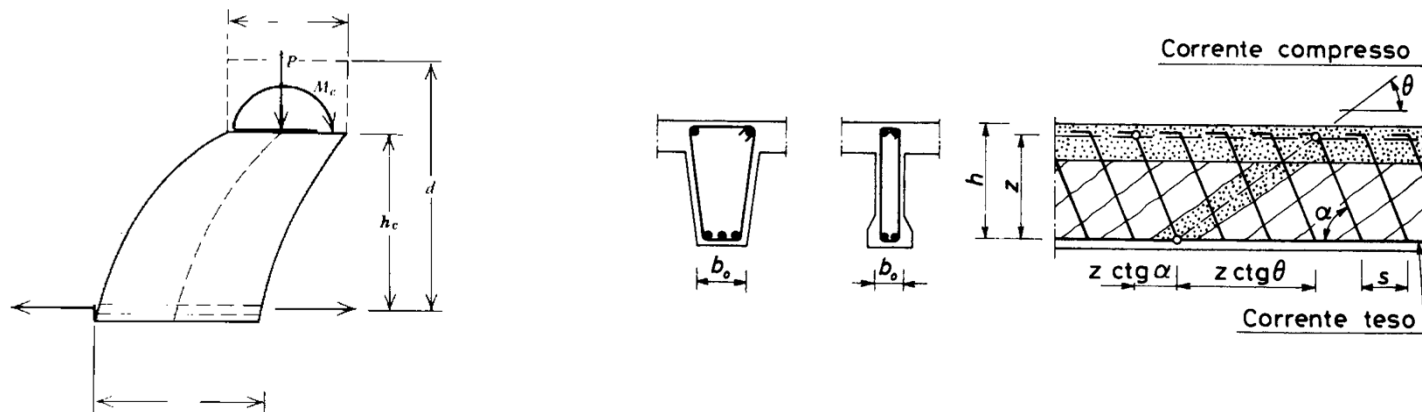


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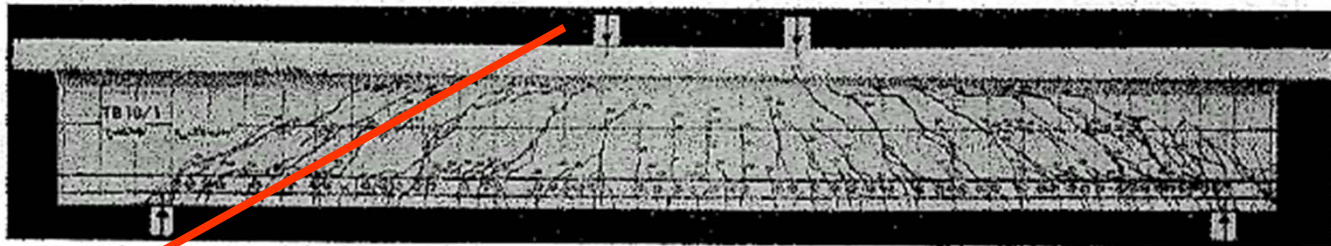
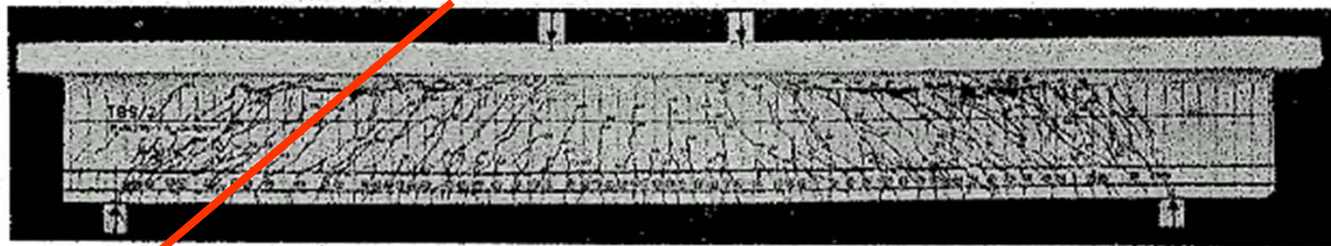
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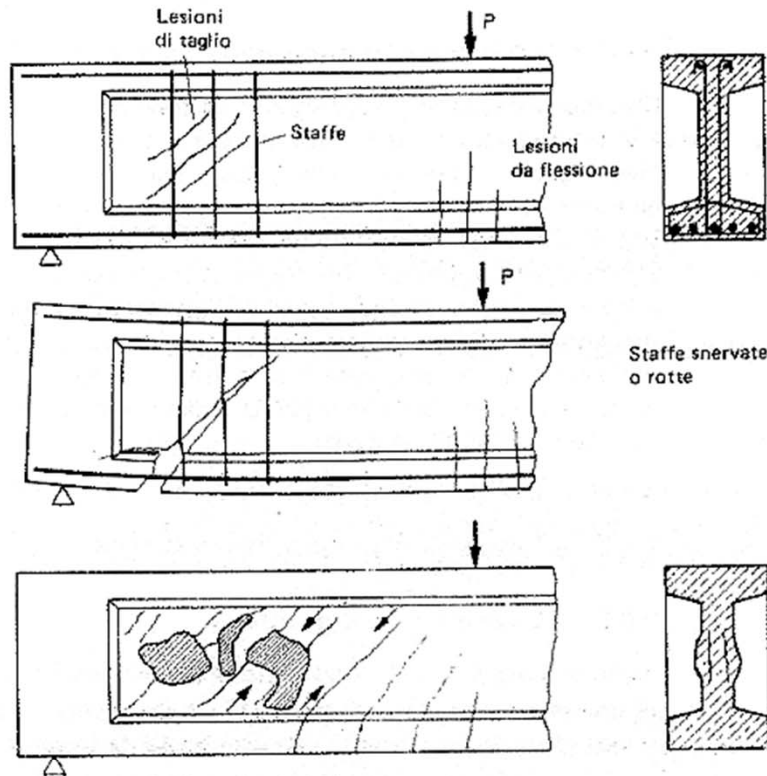
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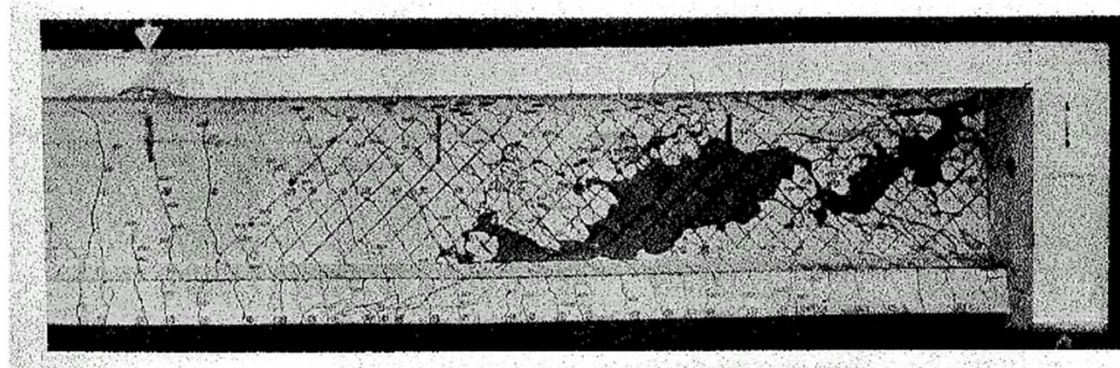
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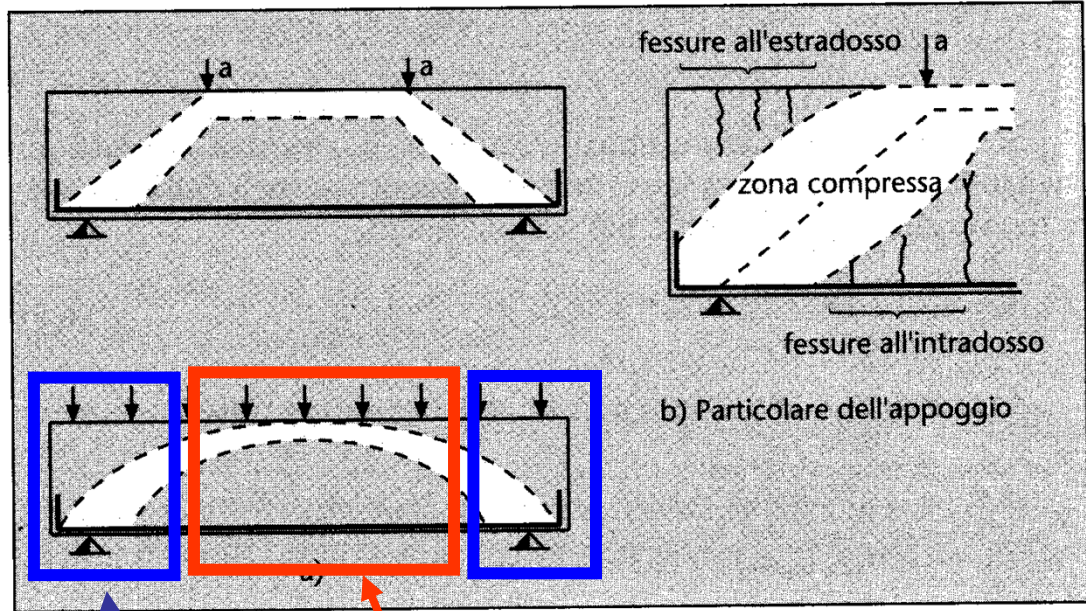
DIFFERENT FAILURE MECHANISMS  
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CONCRETE FAILURE



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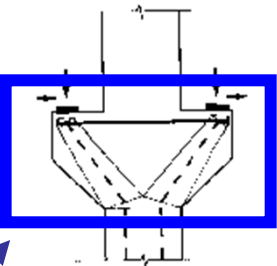
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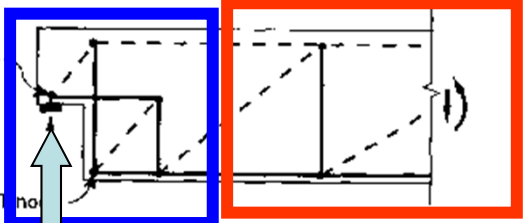
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(b) Dapped end beam on corbel



(b) Dapped end

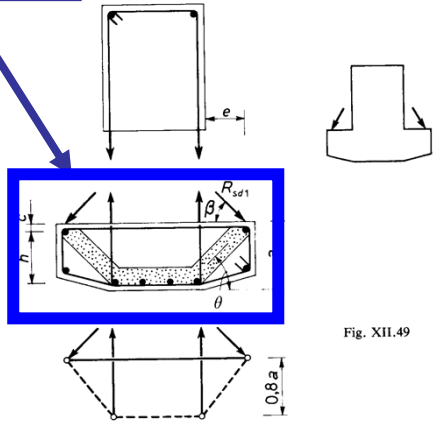


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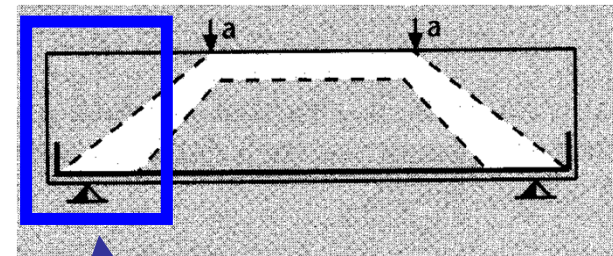
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### DIFFUSION ZONE – ARCH BEHAVIOUR CLOSE TO THE SUPPORTS



**CONCRETE FAILURE IN  
COMPRESSION**

**D: Discontinuity/Disturbed**

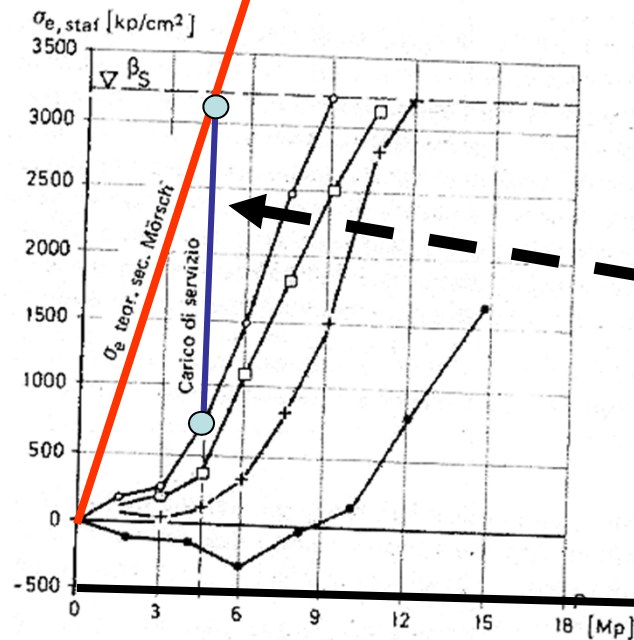
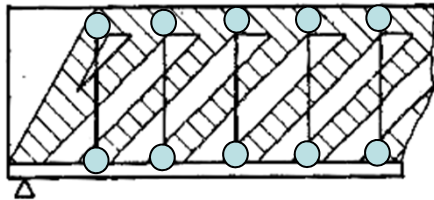
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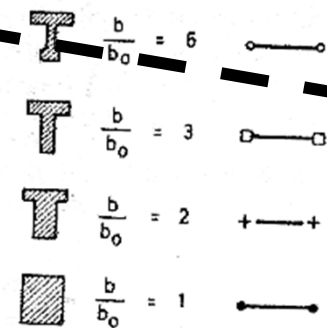
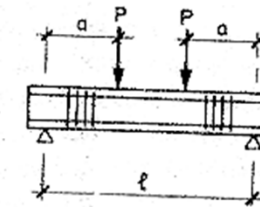


# SHEAR STRENGTH FOR A BEAM WITHOUT SHEAR REINFORCEMENT

## MORSCH MODEL



## STRESS IN STIRRUPS



**SHEAR CONTRIBUTION DUE TO OTHER MECHANISMS**

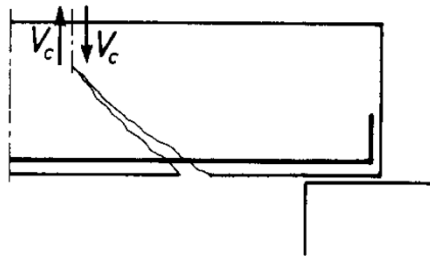
**LOAD**

**RC BEAMS MAY CARRY LOAD ALSO WITHOUT SHEAR REINFORCEMENT**

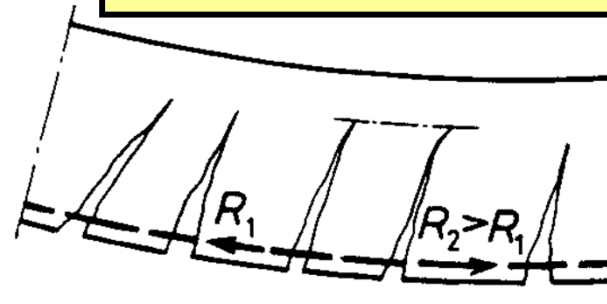


## PRINCIPAL MECHANISMS TO CARRY SHEAR WITHOUT SHEAR REINFORCEMENT

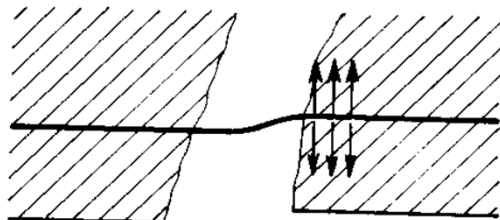
### SHEAR STRENGTH OF THE COMPRESSION CHORD



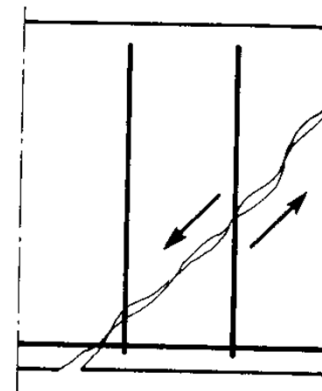
### VARIABLE TENSION IN STEEL BARS



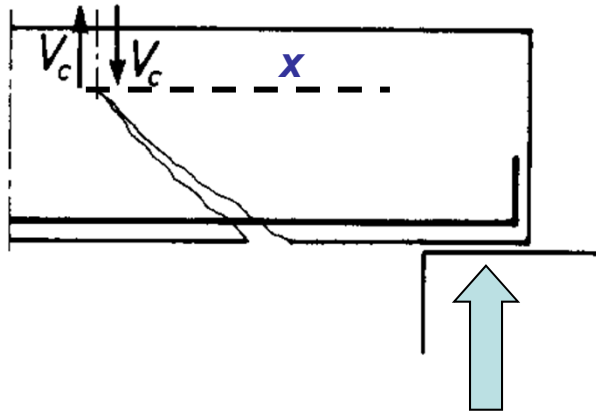
### DOWEL ACTION



### AGGREGATE INTERLOCK



## SHEAR STRENGTH OF THE COMPRESSION CHORD



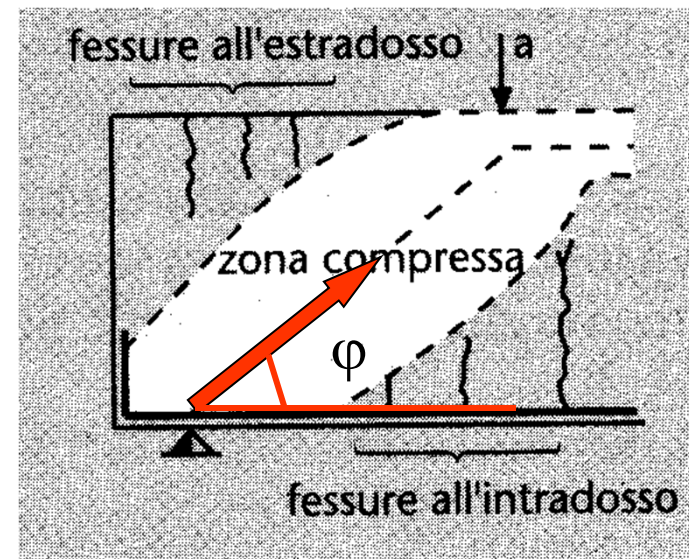
The portion of beams above the neutral axis, which is under compression can carry shear stresses (carrying capacity increased by compressive load)

- It goes almost to 0 in case of traction!

$$V_c = b \cdot x \cdot \tau_{\text{lim}}(\sigma_c)$$

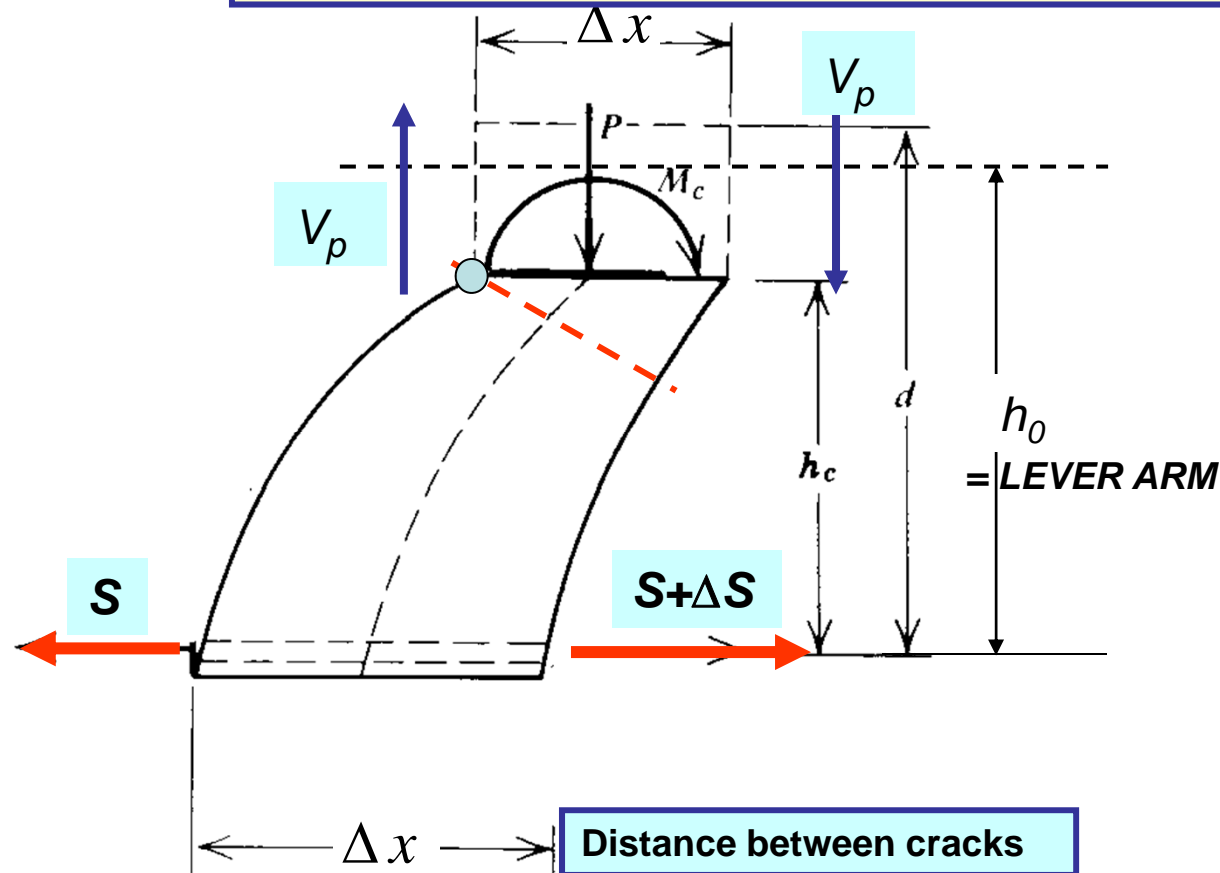
Most important mechanism in “D” zones

$$V_c = b \cdot x \cdot \tau_{\text{lim}}(\sigma_c) \cdot \sin \varphi$$



NOTE: if  $x/d < 0.16$  strength reduced

## 2) "VARIABLE STRESS IN REBARS"



The stress  $\Delta S$  depends on the increments of bending moment.

This mechanism is controlled by the tensile strength of concrete.

$$f_{ctm} = 0.30 \sqrt[3]{f_{ck}^2}$$

$$f_{ctk} = 0.7 f_{ctm}$$

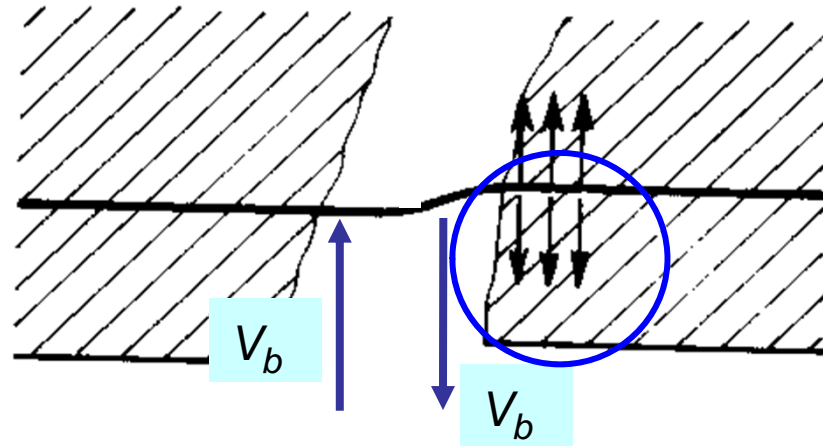
$$f_{ctd} = \frac{f_{ctk}}{\gamma_c}$$

$$V_p \cong 0.28 \cdot b \cdot h_0 \cdot f_{ctd} \cong 0.25 \cdot b \cdot d \cdot f_{ctd}$$

Empirical/theoretical formula

$$f_{ctd} = 0.14 \sqrt[3]{f_{ck}^2} \text{ (in } N/mm^2 \text{)}$$

### 3) DOWEL ACTION



The opening of an inclined crack produces a vertical relative displacement between of the faces of the crack.

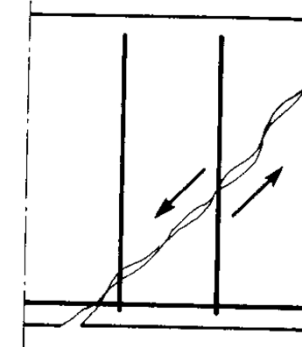
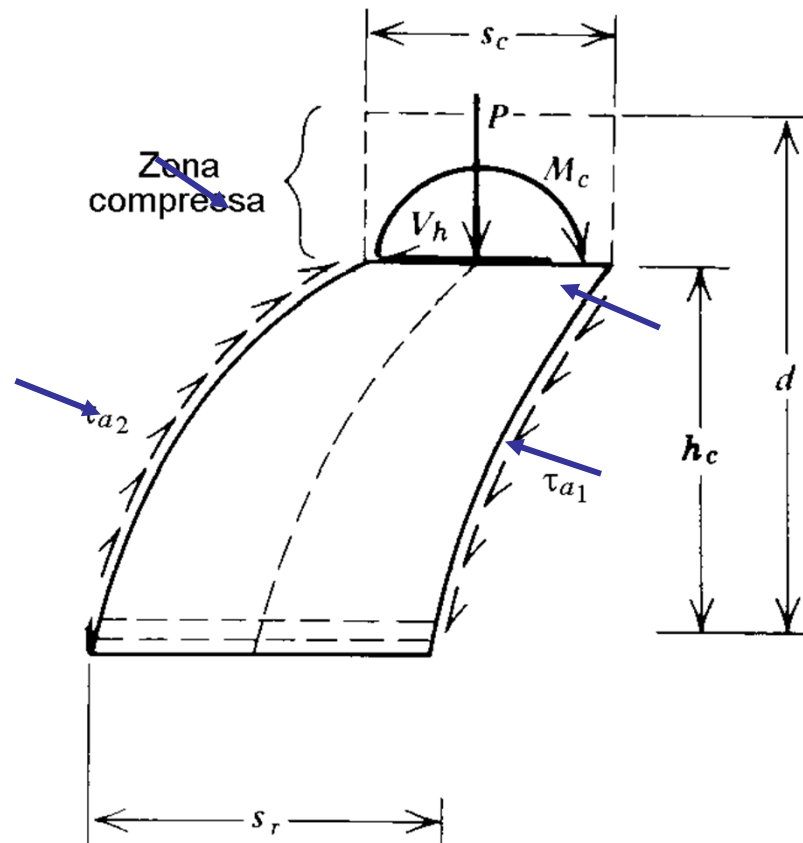
Longitudinal rebars carry a shear controbution contrasting this movement

**NOTE:** if there is no web reinforcement this mechanism depends on the tensile strength of concrete

$$V_b \cong 6.5 \cdot A_s \cdot f_{ctd}$$

**Empirical equation**

## 4) AGGREGATE INTERLOCK

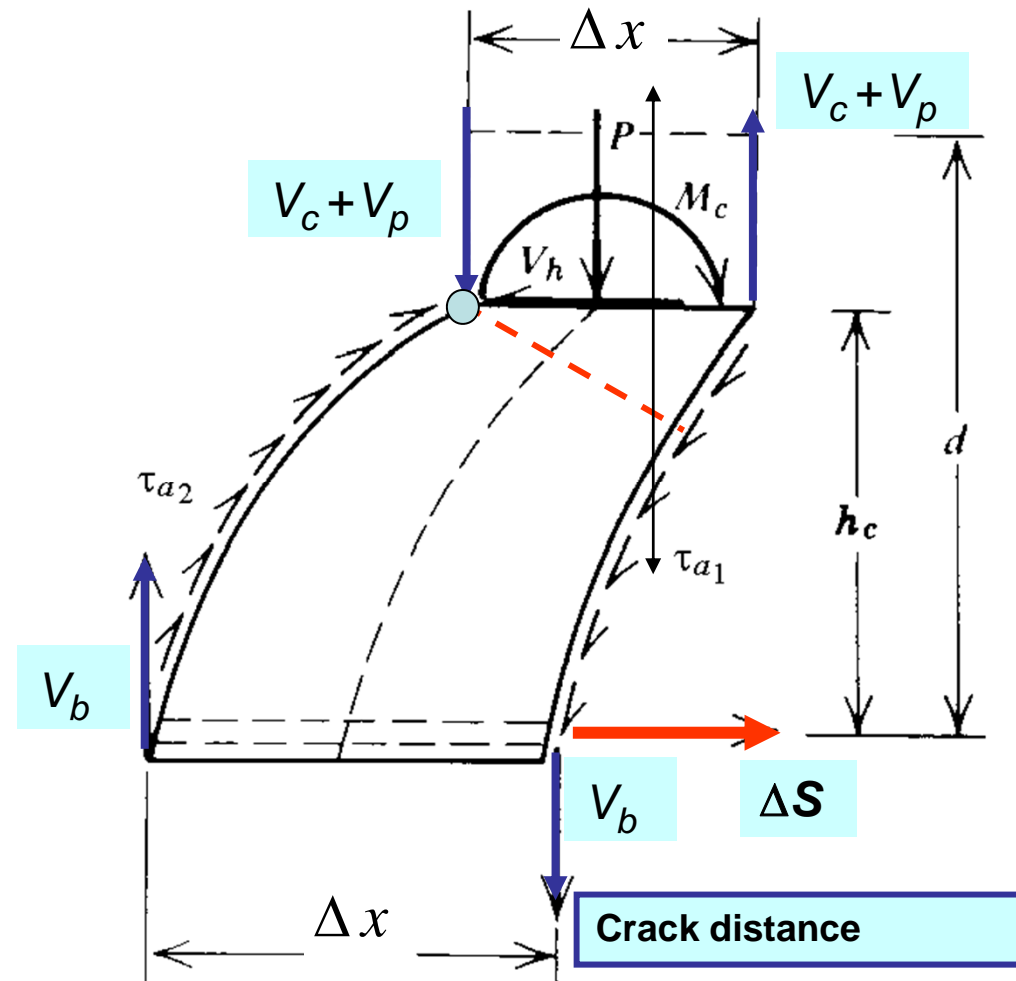


The friction between the uneven faces of cracks can transfer shear stresses.

- They depend on the presence of compression of the crack surfaces and therefore:
- Friction forces become almost zero in case of traction.
- Longitudinal and most importantly web reinforcement can increase the magnitude of this effect by bridging the cracks

#### 4) AGGREGATE INTERLOCK

- The main effect is that related to the different stress in the rebars at two different cracks
- There is interaction among the effects previously described
- Web reinforcement has positive effects
- Traction reduces the magnitude of all the effects previously described.



This behaviour has a stabilizing effect of the strength of the mechanism 1



**SHEAR STRENGTH WITHOUT WEB REINFORCEMENT**

There is interaction among the effects previously described

- Italian code (D.M. 1996)

$$V_{Rd1} \cong 0.25 \cdot b_w \cdot d \cdot f_{ctd} \cdot \delta \cdot (1 + 50 \rho_{sl}) \cdot r$$

$\Delta S$

DOWEL EFF.

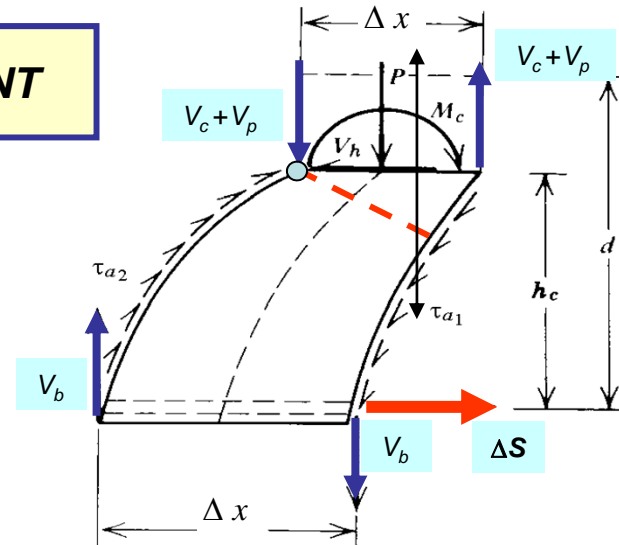
Axial force

Aggregate interlock

$\delta = 1$  (P = 0)  
 $\delta = 0$  (Traction)  
 $\delta > 1$  (Pre-stressed)

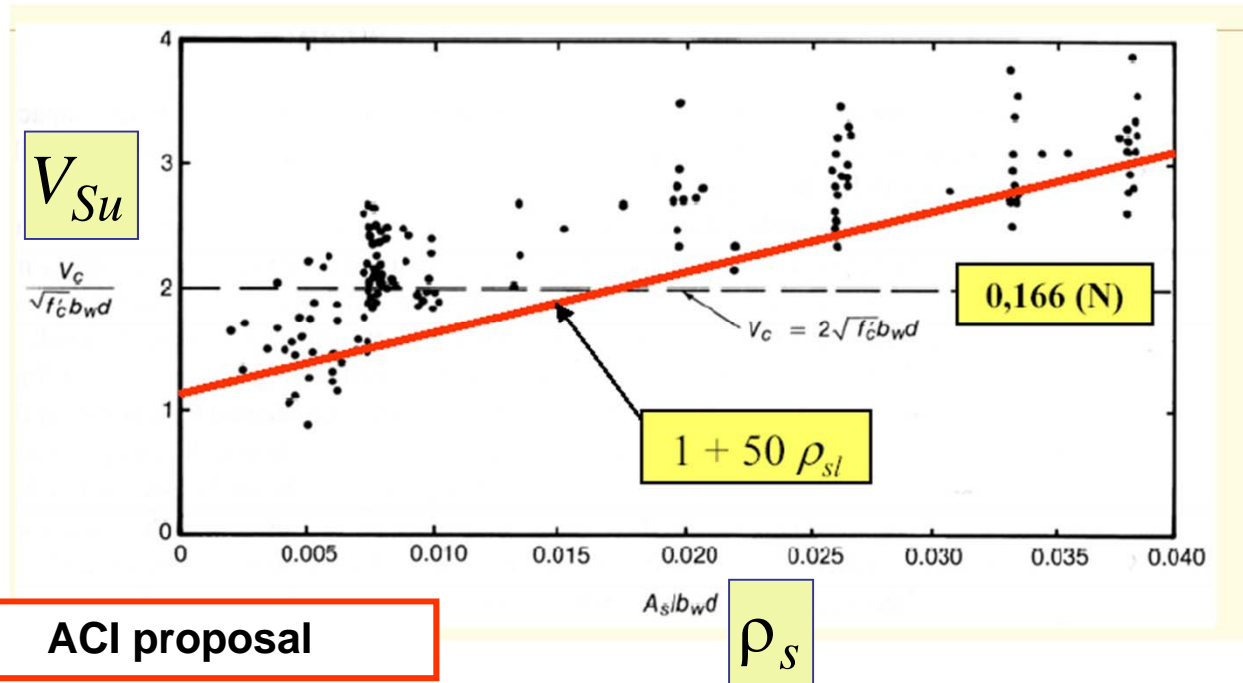
$r = (1,6-d)$  for  $d \leq 0,60$  m  
 $r = 1$  per  $d > 0,60$  m

NEXT SLIDE





## DOWEL EFFECT



ACI proposal

- Huge dispersion of results
- Empirical equations

For these reasons different codes use different equations

## NTC 2008 & EC2 [2005]

### FULLY EMPIRICAL EQUATIONS

$$V_{Rd} = \left\{ 0,18 \cdot k \cdot (100 \cdot \rho_1 \cdot f_{ck})^{1/3} / \gamma_c + 0,15 \cdot \sigma_{cp} \right\} \cdot b_w \cdot d \geq (v_{min} + 0,15 \cdot \sigma_{cp}) \cdot b_w \cdot d$$

### PRESTRESSING CONTRIBUTION

$$k = 1 + \sqrt{\frac{200}{d}} \leq 2.0$$

$$v_{min} = 0.035 \cdot \sqrt[3]{k^2} \cdot \sqrt{f_{ck}}$$

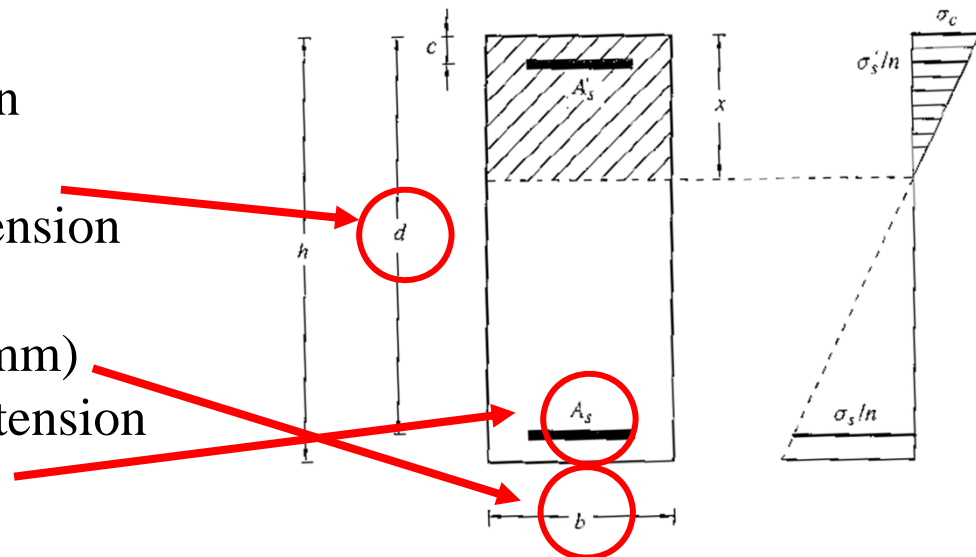
$$\rho_1 = A_{s1} / (b_w \cdot d) \quad (\leq 0,02);$$

$$\sigma_{cp} = N_{Ed} / A_c \quad (\leq 0,2 f_{cd});$$

**d**: distance from the extreme fibre in compression to the centroid of the longitudinal reinforcement on the tension side (mm).

**b<sub>w</sub>**: width of the web of the beam (mm)

**A<sub>s1</sub>**: area of reinforcement near the tension face of the beam (mm\*mm)



**EXAMPLE: SHEAR STRENGTH WITHOUT WEB REINFORCEMENT**

**B = b<sub>w</sub> = 30 cm**

**H = 50 cm d = 46 cm**

**Longitudinal steel bars: 3 Ø 16 = 603 mm<sup>2</sup>**

**R<sub>ck</sub> = 25 MPa = 25 N / mm<sup>2</sup> ⇒ f<sub>ctd</sub> = 1 N / mm<sup>2</sup>**

**DM1996**

**V<sub>Rd1</sub> ≅ 0.25 · b<sub>w</sub> · d · f<sub>ctd</sub> · δ · (1 + 50ρ<sub>sl</sub>) · r**

**r = 1.6 – 0.46 = 1.14      ρ<sub>sl</sub> = 603 / (300 x 460) = 0.0044      δ = 1**

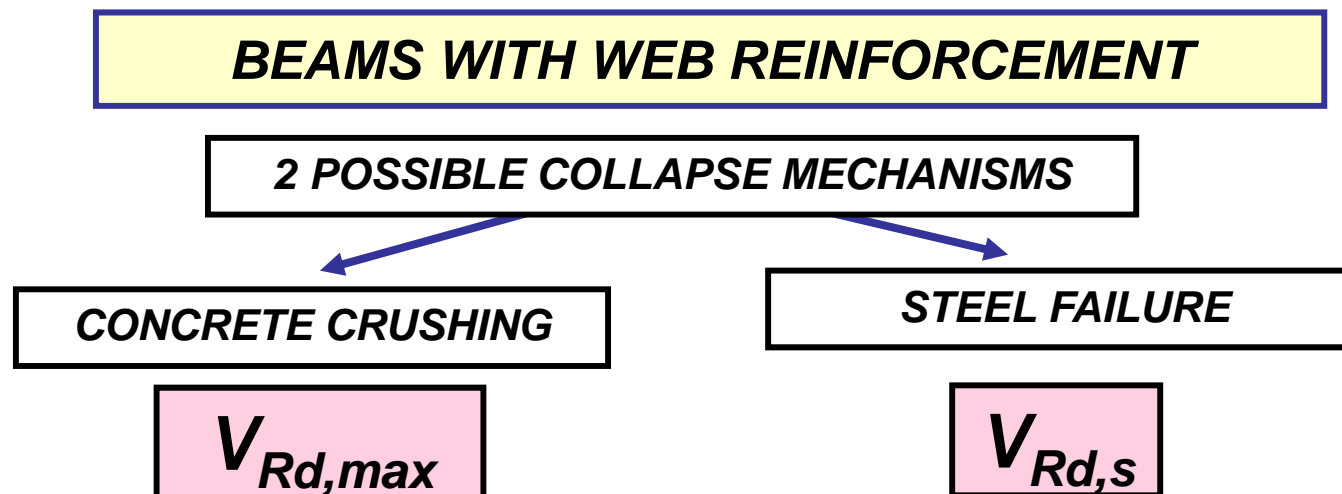
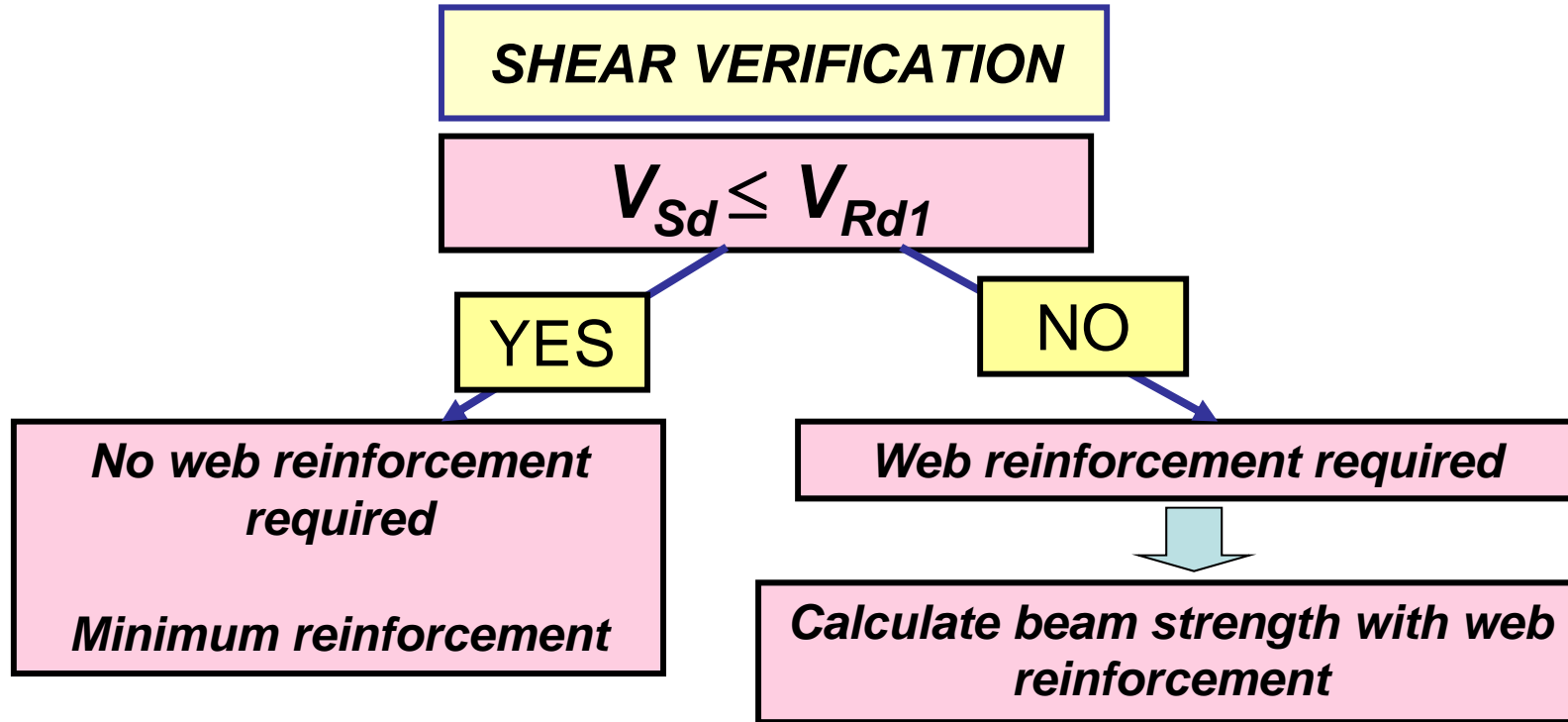
**V<sub>Rd1</sub> = 0.25 × 300 × 460 × 1 × 1 × (1 + 50 × 0.0044) × 1.14 = 48 kN**

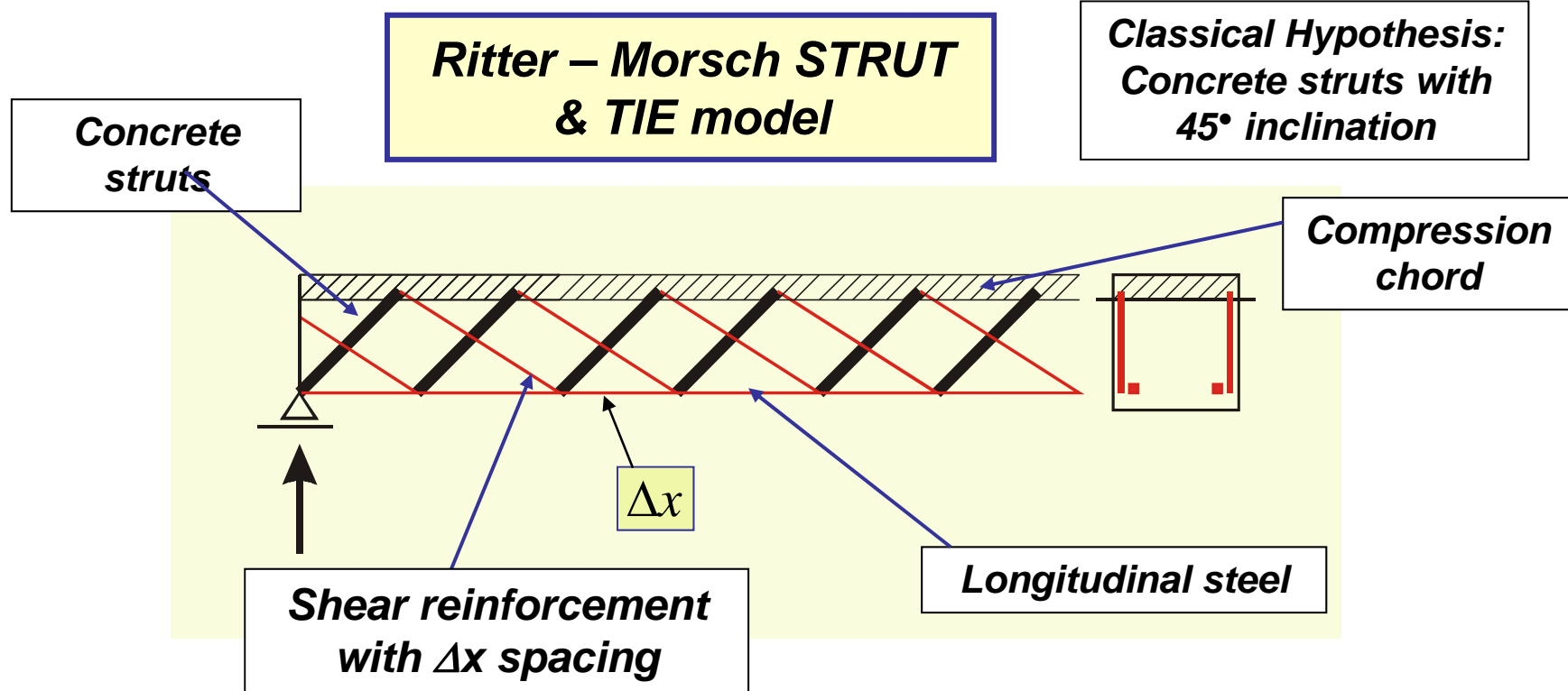
**NTC2008 –  
EC2**

**V<sub>Rd</sub> = { 0,18 · k · (100 · ρ<sub>l</sub> · f<sub>ck</sub>)<sup>1/3</sup> / γ<sub>c</sub> + 0,15 · σ<sub>cp</sub> } · b<sub>w</sub> · d**

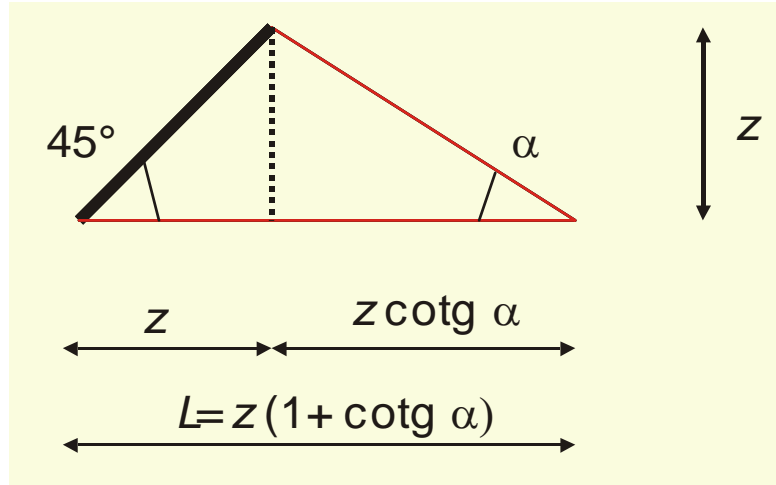
**r = 1 + (200/460)<sup>(1/2)</sup> = 1.65 < 2      σ<sub>cp</sub> = 0      V<sub>min</sub> = v<sub>min</sub> · b<sub>w</sub> · d = 46 kN**

**V<sub>Rd</sub> = ( 0.18 · 1.65 · (100 · 0.0044 · 20)<sup>1/3</sup> / 1.5 ) · 300 · 460 = 56 kN ≥ V<sub>min</sub>**





**THE GENERAL TRUSS ELEMENT**

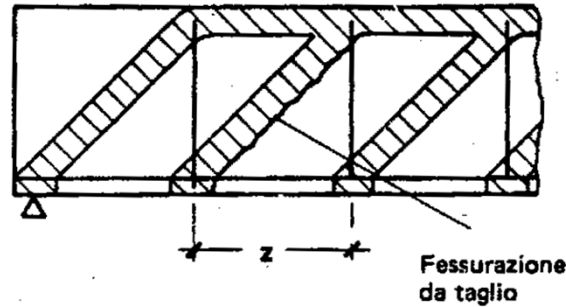
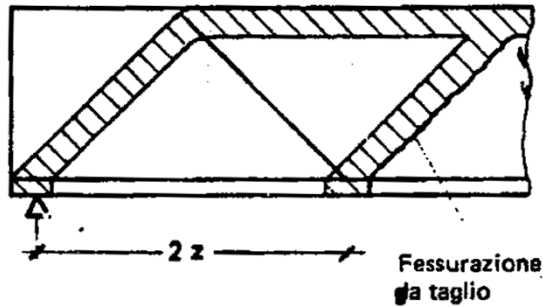


**Multiplicity of the truss**

$$m = \frac{L}{\Delta x} = \frac{z(1 + \cotg \alpha)}{\Delta x}$$

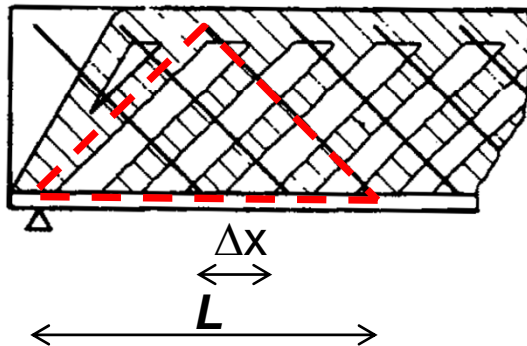
## Multiplicity of the isostatic lattice model

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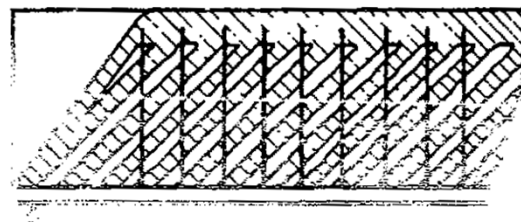
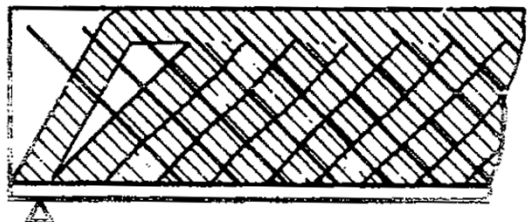
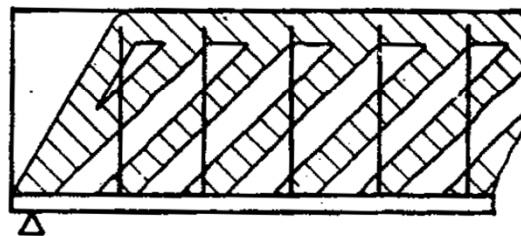


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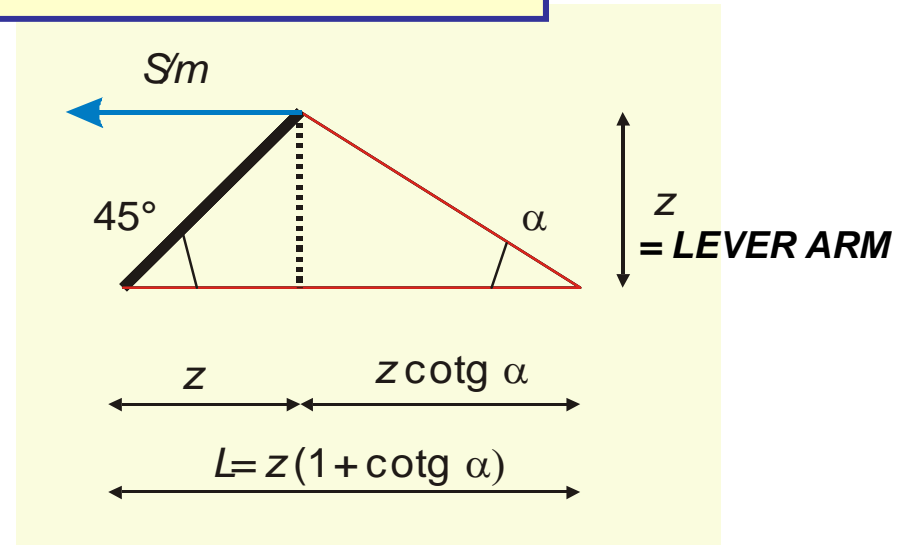
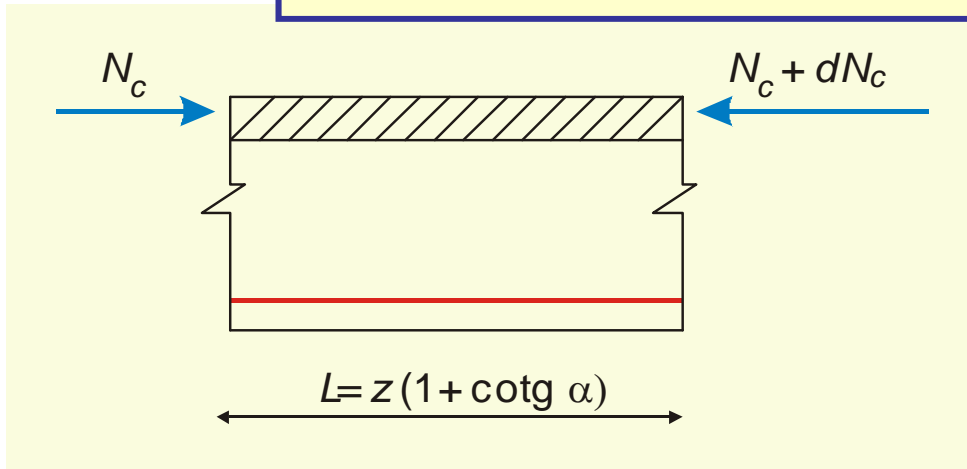
$m=4$



$m=2$



**THE SHEAR FORCE TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE REINFORCEMENT**



$$\Delta N_c = S = \tau \cdot b \cdot L = \frac{V S}{J b} \cdot b \cdot L = \frac{V}{z} \cdot L$$

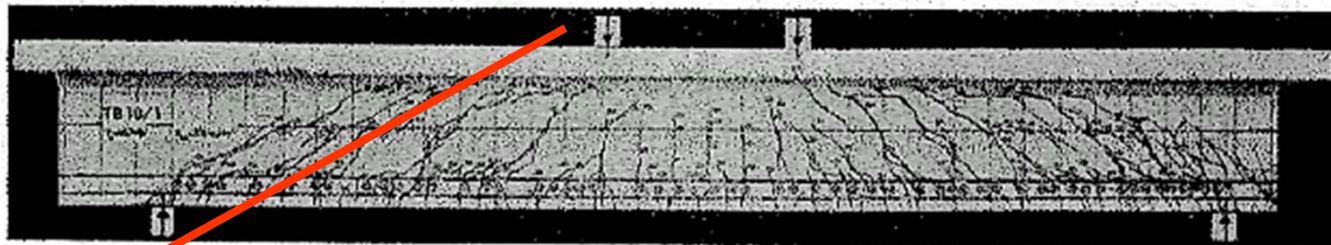
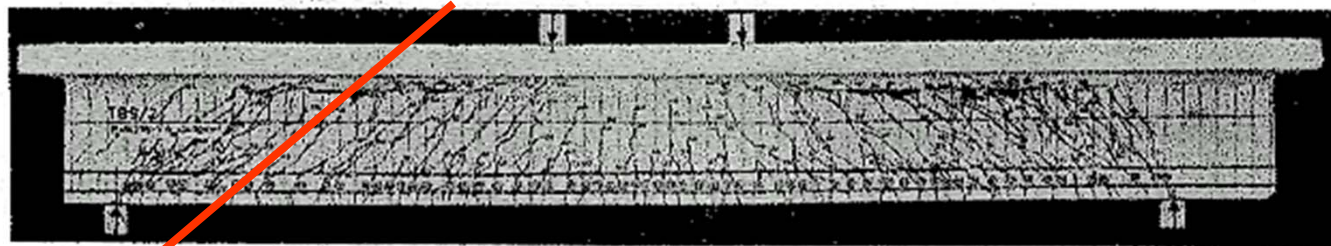
**SHEAR FORCE TO BE CARRIED OUT ON THE LENGTH L**

$$S / m = \frac{V L}{z m}$$

**SHEAR FORCE TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE GENERAL TRUSS ELEMENT**

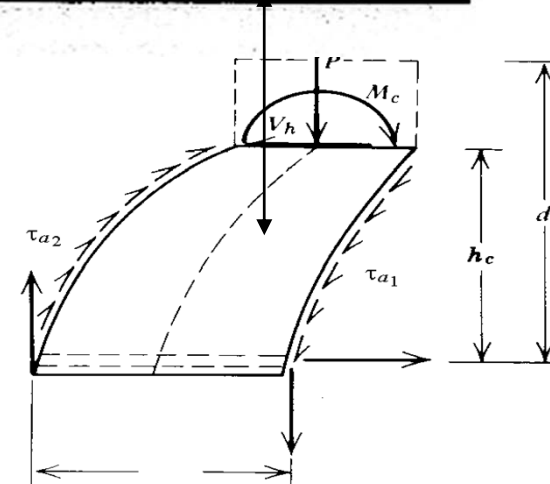
## STRUT AND TIE MODEL WITH VARIABLE INCLINATION

HIGH STEEL REINFORCEMENT



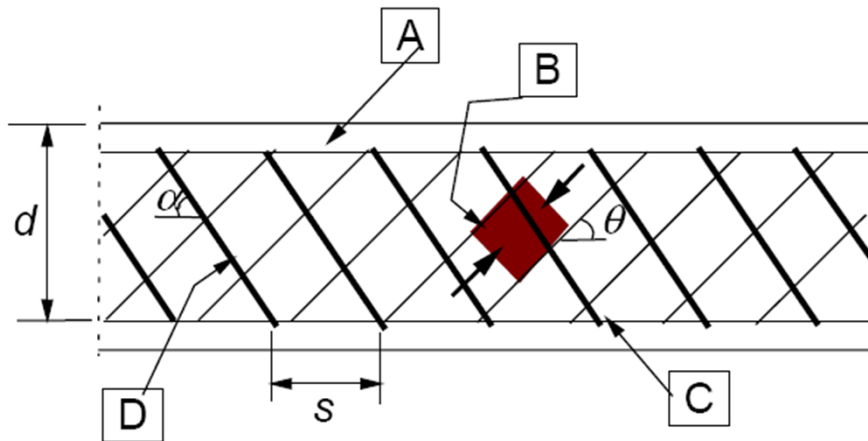
LOW STEEL REINFORCEMENT

**INCLINATION OF CONCRETE STRUCTS  
MAY BE DIFFERENT FROM  $\theta=45^\circ$**





## STRUT AND TIE MODEL WITH VARIABLE INCLINATION



A - compression chord, B - struts

C - tensile chord, D - shear reinforcement

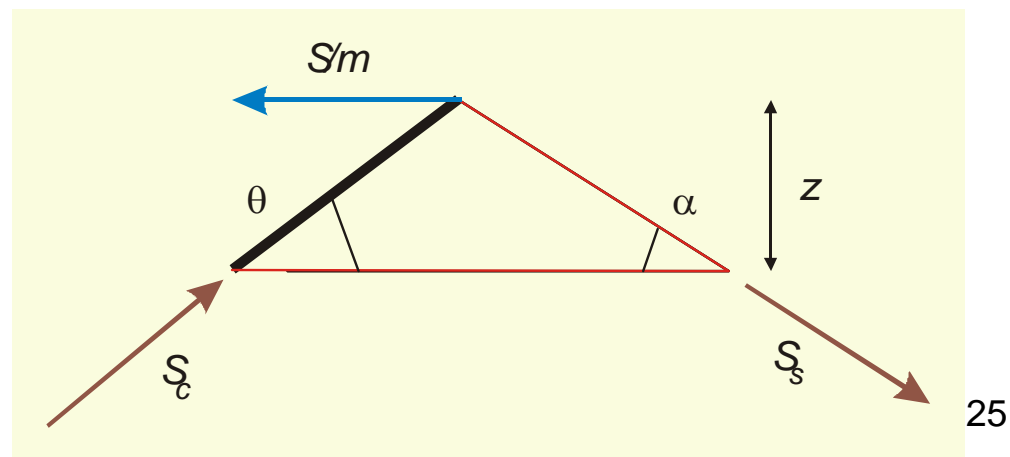
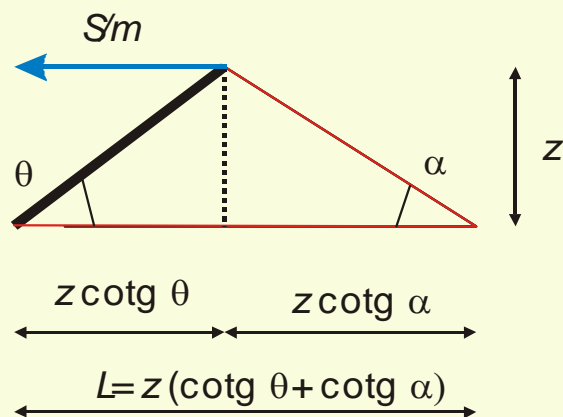
**Multiplicity of the truss**

*The inclination of the concrete strut is not 45° but  $\theta$*

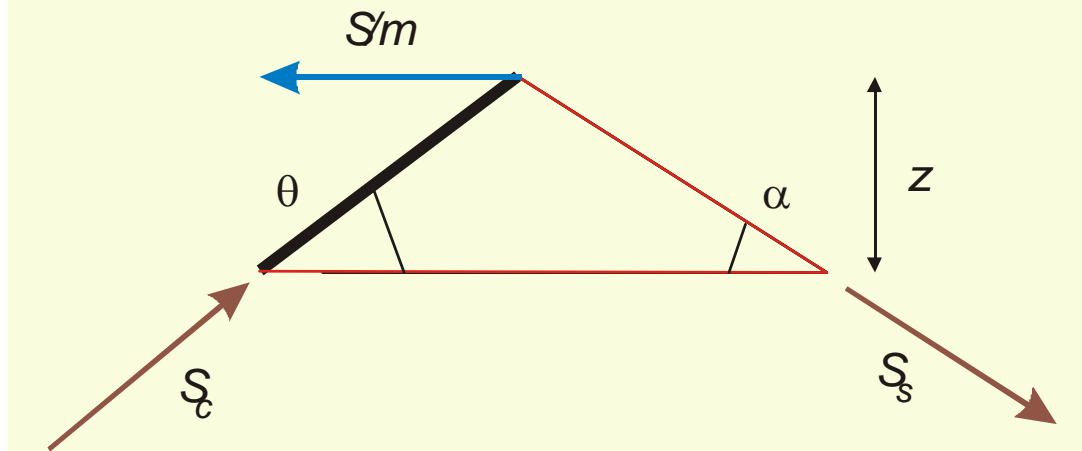
$$21,8^\circ \leq \theta \leq 45^\circ$$

$$2.5 \geq \cotg \theta \geq 1.0$$

$$m = \frac{L}{\Delta x} = \frac{z(\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha)}{\Delta x}$$



## SHEAR FORCES ON THE CONCRETE STRUCTURE AND THE STEEL REINFORCEMENT



$$V_{Rd,max} = b_w z v f_{cd} \frac{\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha}{1 + \cotg^2 \theta}$$

**RESISTANCE AGAINST  
CONCRETE FAILURE**

$$V_{Rd,s} = A_{sw} f_{ywd} \frac{z}{\Delta x} (\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha) \sin \alpha$$

**RESISTANCE AGAINST  
STEEL YIELDING**

**DESIGN SHEAR  
RESISTANCE**

$V_{Rd} = \min(V_{Rd,max}, V_{Rd,s})$

**ATTENTION:** the concrete contribution is now not considered to calculate  $V_{wd}^{26}$

**EXAMPLE: STRUT AND TIE MODEL  
WITH VARIABLE INCLINATION**

$$\theta = 45^\circ \Rightarrow \cotg \theta = 1$$

$$21,8^\circ \leq \theta \leq 45^\circ \quad 2.5 \geq \cotg \theta \geq 1.0$$

$$V_{Rcd} = v f_{cd} b_w z \frac{1 + \cotg \alpha}{2}$$

$$V_{Rcd} = b_w z v f_{cd} \frac{\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha}{1 + \cotg^2 \theta}$$

$$V_{wd} = f_{ywd} \cdot A_{sw} \frac{z}{\Delta x} (\sin \alpha + \cos \alpha)$$

$$V_{wd} = A_{sw} f_{ywd} \frac{z}{\Delta x} (\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha) \sin \alpha$$

**IF VALUES OF  $\cotg \theta$  GREATER THAN 1 ARE ASSUMED  
(INCLINATION OF THE CONCRETE STRUTS SMALLER  
THAN  $45^\circ$ ):**

- **THE SHEAR STRENGTH AGAINST CONCRETE FAILURE IS SMALLER (but it is usually large for beams with constant web width)**
- **THE FORCE ON THE STEEL REINFORCEMENT IS REDUCED (and a smaller web reinforcement is required)**

**EXAMPLE: STRUT AND TIE MODEL  
WITH VARIABLE INCLINATION**

1.0 <  $\cot \theta$  < 2.0,  $V_{Rd2} = \frac{b_w z v f_{cd}}{\cot \theta + \tan \theta}$ ,  $\frac{A_{sw}}{s} = \frac{V_{sd}}{z f_{ywd} \cot \theta}$

$\cot \theta$	$V_{Rd2}$ (kN)	$A_{sw}/s$ (cm <sup>2</sup> /m)	Staffe
1.0	480.2	12.4	Φ8/8
1.50	443.3	8.27	Φ8/12
2.0	384.2	6.20	Φ8/16

**IF VALUES OF  $\cot \theta$  GREATER THAN 1 ARE ASSUMED (INCLINATION OF THE CONCRETE STRUTS SMALLER THAN 45°):**

- **THE SHEAR STRENGTH AGAINST CONCRETE FAILURE IS SMALLER (but it is usually large for beams with constant web width)**
- **THE FORCE ON THE STEEL REINFORCEMENT IS REDUCED (and a smaller web reinforcement is required)**

**STRUT AND TIE MODEL WITH  
VARIABLE INCLINATION –  
HOW TO OBTAIN DESIGN FORMULAS**

$$t_{Sd} = \frac{V_{Sd}}{b_w z f_{cd}}$$

**NON DIMENSIONAL (EXTERNAL) SHEAR FORCE**

$$t_{Rcd} = \frac{V_{Rcd}}{b_w z f_{cd}} = v \frac{(\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha) A}{1 + \cotg^2 \theta} \quad \text{NON DIMENSIONAL SHEAR STRENGTH AGAINST CONCRETE FAILURE}$$

$$t_{Rsd} = \frac{V_{wd}}{b z f_{cd}} = \frac{A_{sw} f_{ywd}}{b z f_{cd}} \frac{z}{\Delta x} (\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha) \sin \alpha = \omega_{sw} (\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha) \sin \alpha$$

**NON DIMENSIONAL SHEAR STRENGTH  
AGAINST STEEL YIELDING**

**WHERE**

$$\omega_{sw} = \frac{A_{sw} f_{ywd}}{\Delta x b f_{cd}}$$

**IS THE NON DIMENSIONAL STEEL RATIO**

## STRUT AND TIE MODEL WITH VARIABLE INCLINATION

**BALANCE CONDITION**

$$t_{Rcd} = t_{Rsd}$$

$$v \frac{(\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha)}{1 + \cotg^2 \theta} = \omega_{sw} \sin \alpha (\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha) \quad v \frac{1}{1 + \cotg^2 \theta} = \omega_{sw} \sin \alpha$$

**Example: vertical stirrups:  $\alpha = 90^\circ$**

$$\cotg \theta = \sqrt{\frac{v}{\omega_{sw}} - 1}$$

**WHERE**

$$\omega_{sw} = \frac{A_{sw} f_{ywd}}{\Delta x b f_{cd}}$$

**VERIFICATION PROBLEM:**

**Input data:**

**Cross-section, Steel reinforcement  $\omega_{sw}$**

**Calculate:**

**Cotg  $\theta$ , Design shear strength  $t_{Rcd}$**

**DESIGN PROBLEM:**

**Input data:**

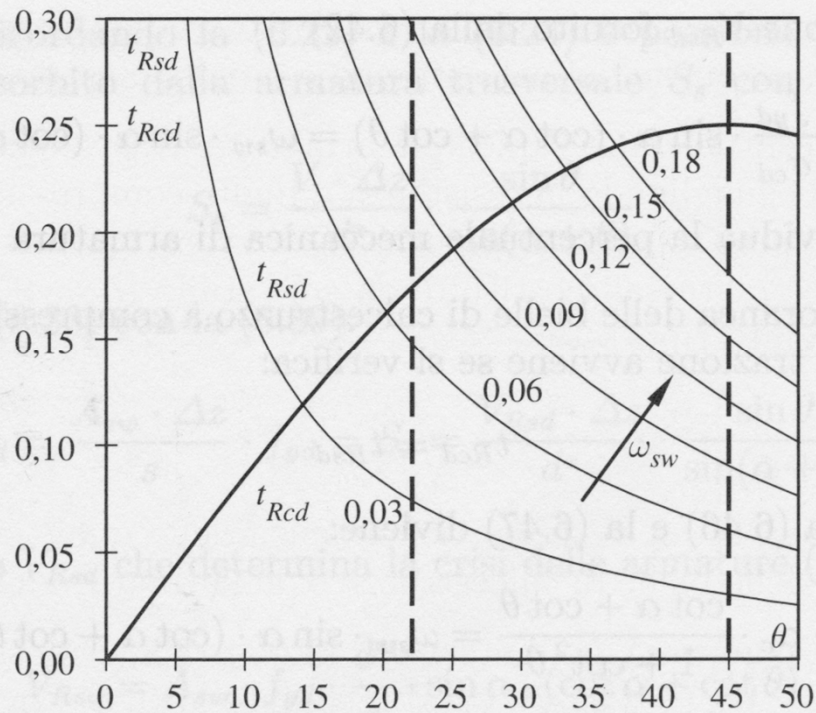
**Cross-section, External shear force  $t_{sd}$**

**Calculate:**

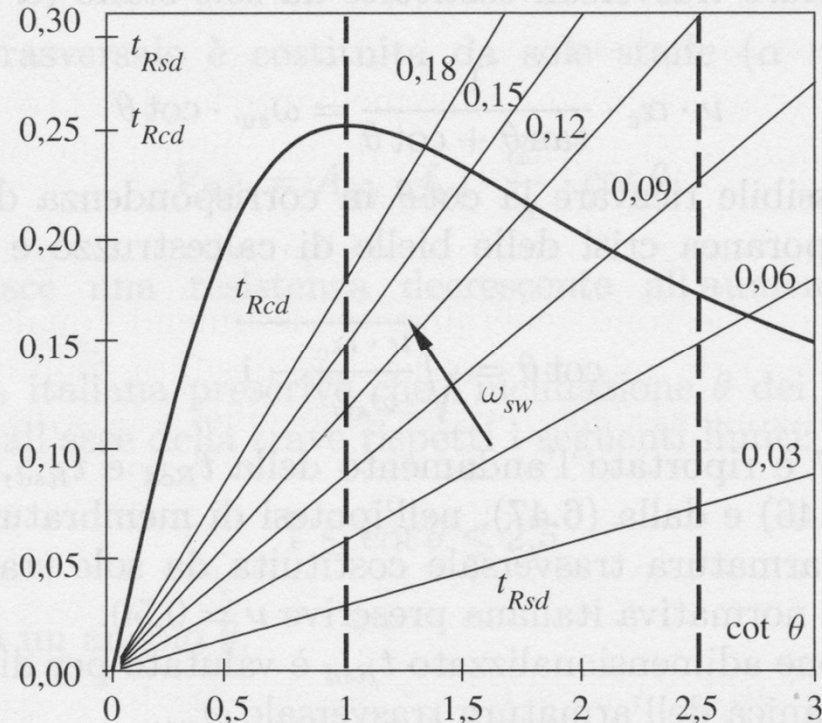
**Cotg  $\theta$ , Steel reinforcement  $\omega_{sw}$**

## STRUT AND TIE MODEL WITH VARIABLE INCLINATION – DESIGN FORMULAS

**Shear action, shear resistance against concrete failure or steel yielding**

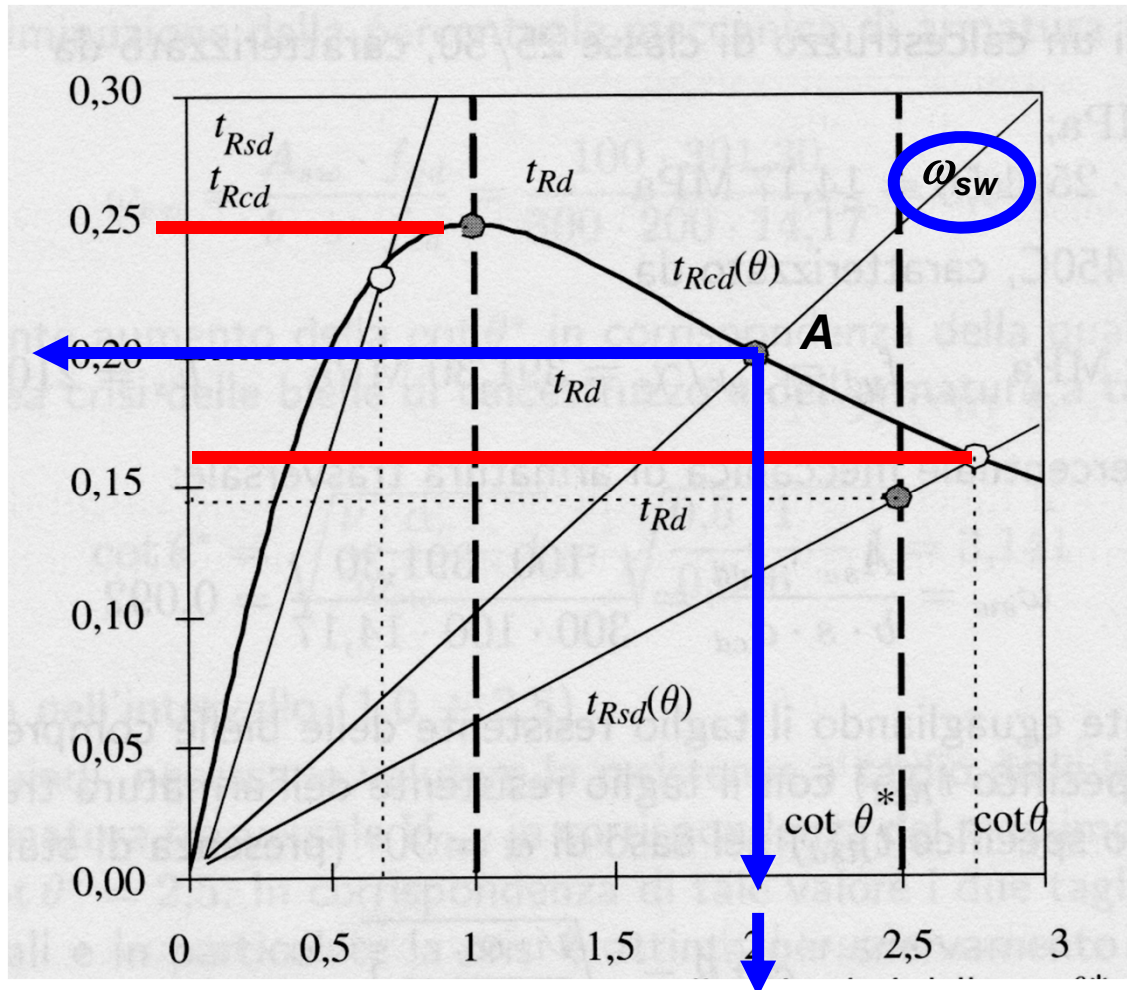


**Limits for  $\theta$**



**Limits for  $\cot \theta$**

**SHEAR – VERIFICATION PROBLEM  
HOW TO CALCULATE THE SHEAR RESISTANCE**



**Input data:**

**Cross-section**

**Steel reinforcement  $\omega_{sw}$**

**Select the Balance point A**

**Calculate:**

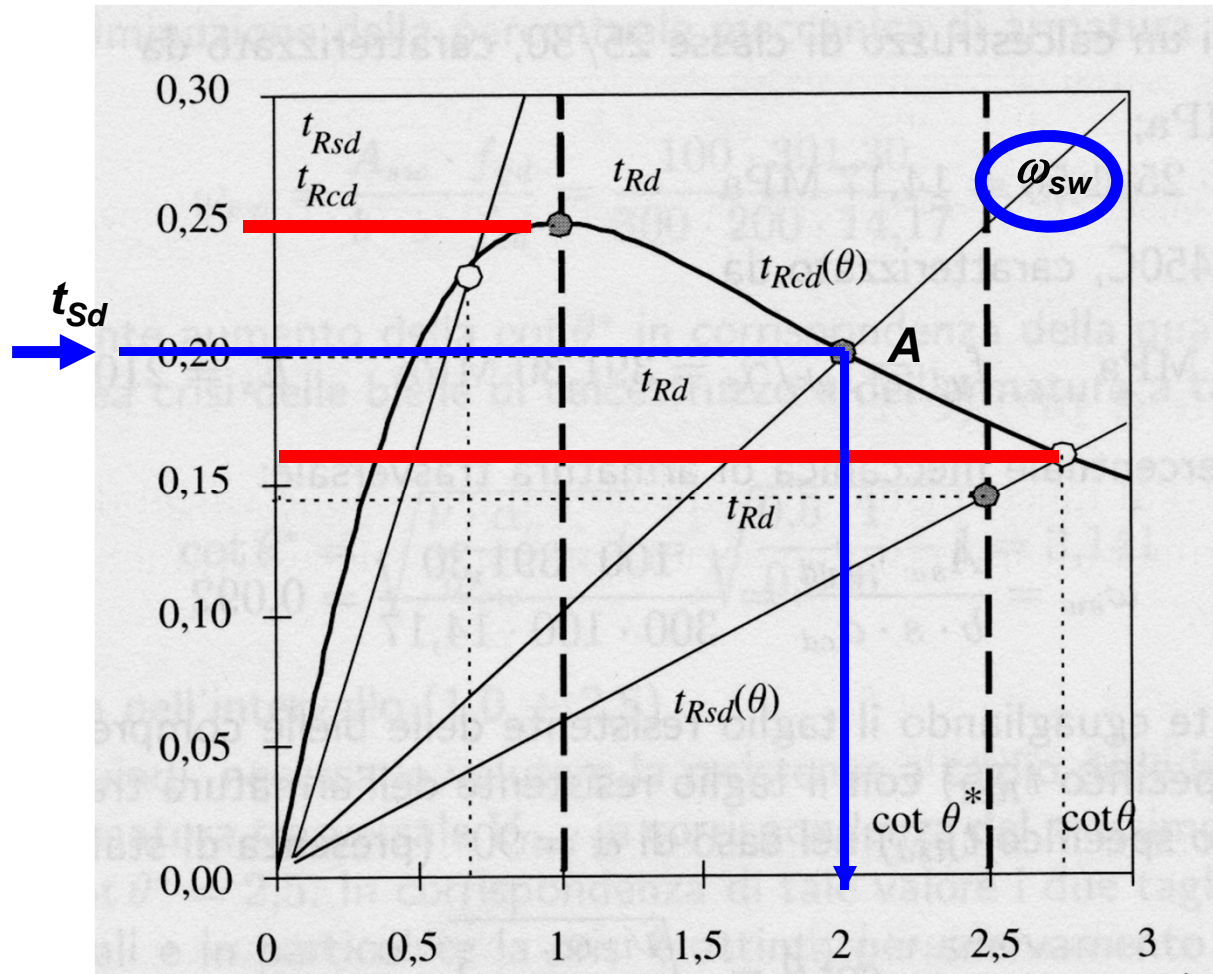
**$\cot \theta$**

**Design shear strength  $t_{Rcd}$**

**Shear action, shear resistance against concrete failure or steel yielding**



**SHEAR - DESIGN PROBLEM**  
**HOW TO OBTAIN THE SHEAR REINFORCEMENT**



**DESIGN PROBLEM:**

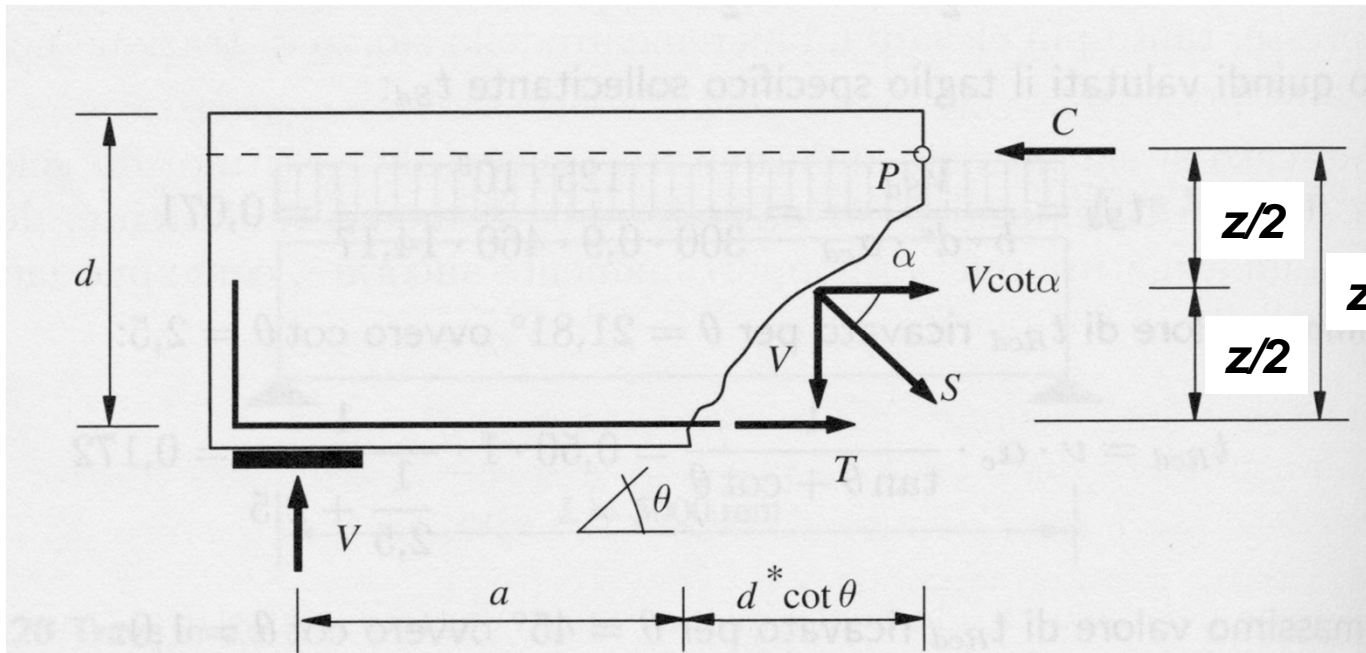
**Input data:**  
**Cross-section,**  
**External shear force  $t_{Sd}$**

**Select the Balance point A**

**Calculate:**  
 **$\cot \theta$ ,**  
**Steel reinforcement  $\omega_{sw}$**

**Shear action, shear resistance against concrete failure or steel yielding** 33

**THE EFFECT OF CRACK INCLINATION ON THE STRESS ON LONGITUDINAL BARS**



$\alpha$  : Angle of web reinforcement

$\theta$  : Angle of shear crack

**EQUILIBRIUM EQUATION WITH RESPECT TO POINT P**

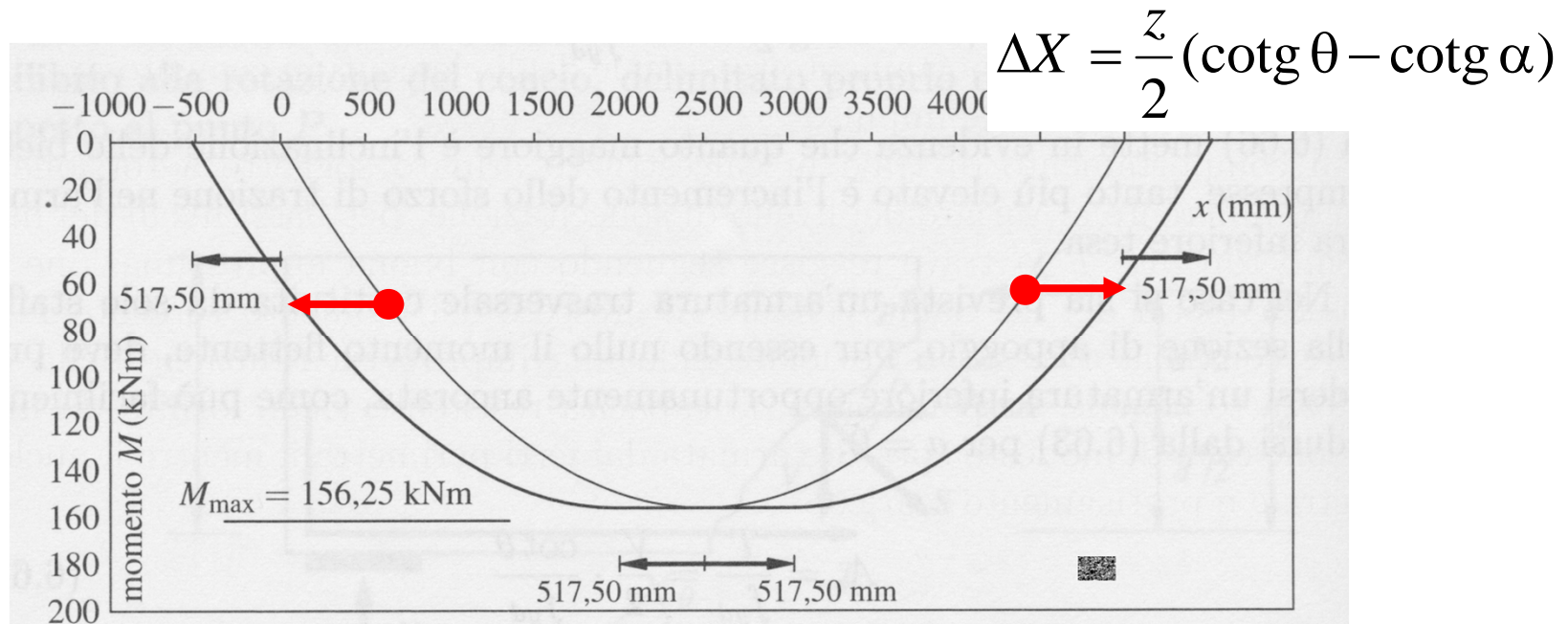
$$T z - V (a + z \cotg \theta) + V \frac{z}{2} \cotg \theta + (V \cotg \alpha) \frac{z}{2} = 0$$

$$T = \frac{V}{z} \left[ a + \frac{z}{2} (\cotg \theta - \cotg \alpha) \right] \quad 34$$

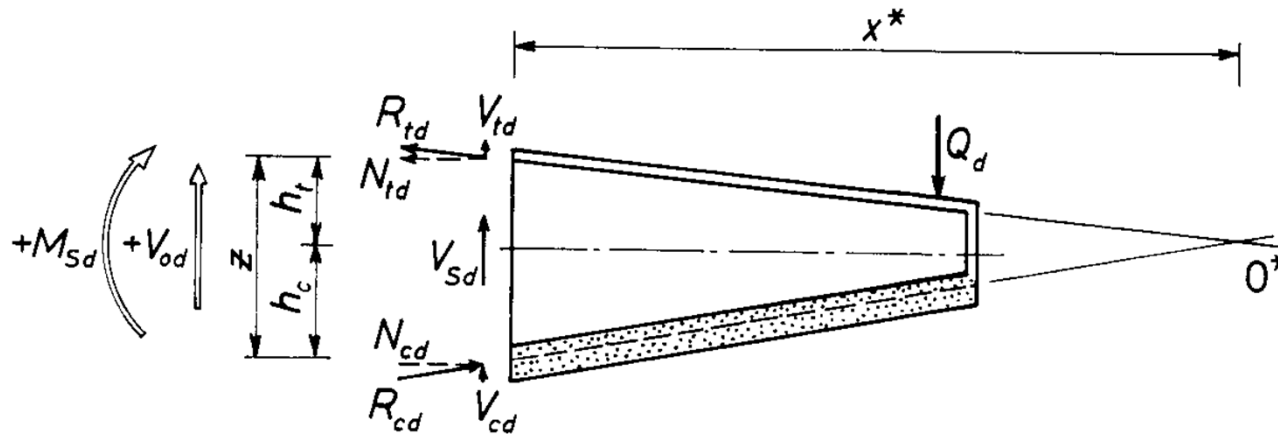
**THE EFFECT OF CRACK INCLINATION ON THE STRESS ON LONGITUDINAL BARS**

**substituting**  $M = V \cdot a$        $T = \frac{M}{z} + \frac{V}{2} (\cotg \theta - \cotg \alpha)$

**Hence, due to the inclined crack, the force in the longitudinal bars is greater than that calculated for the section at  $x=a$**



## SHEAR IN BEAMS WITH VARIABLE SECTION



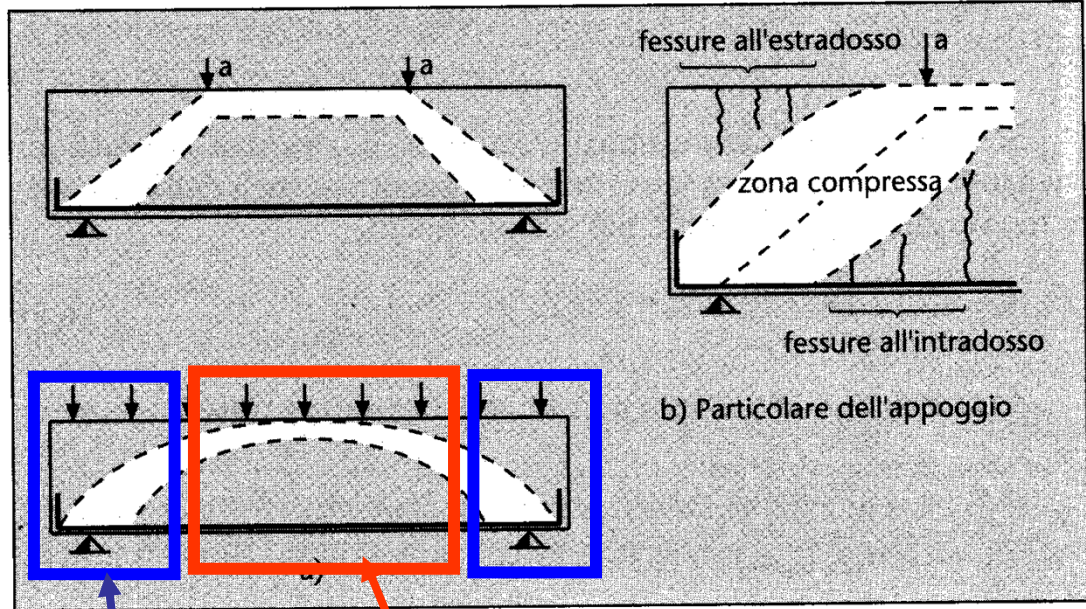
**EXTERNAL SHEAR**

$$V_{sd} = V_{0d} - V_{td} - V_{cd}$$

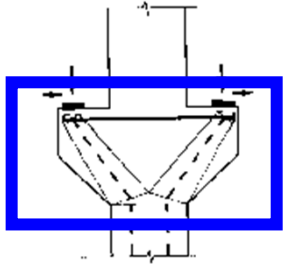
**EFFECTIVE SHEAR TO  
BE USED IN DESIGN**

**CONTRIBUTIONS OF VERTICAL  
COMPONENTS OF TENSILE  
RESULTANT IN STEEL AND  
COMPRESSION CHORD**

**EXAMPLES OF STRUT-AND-TIE MODELS FOR DIFFUSION ZONES**



**D - DIFFUSION ZONE**  
**B - BEAM ZONE**



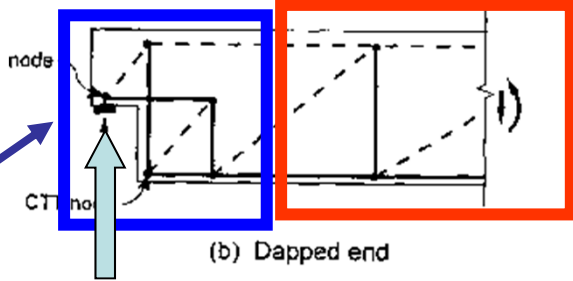
(b) Dapped end beam on corbel

**D - DIFFUSION ZONE**

**B - BEAM ZONE**

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(b) Dapped end

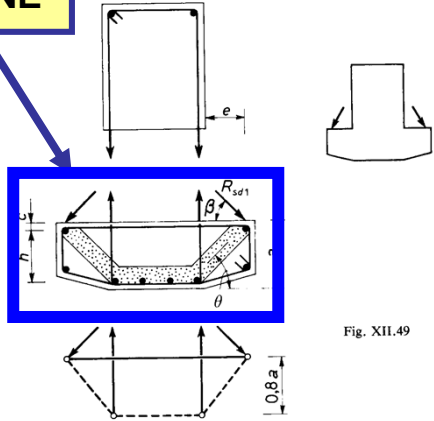


Fig. XII.49

## STRUT-AND-TIE MODELS FOR DIFFUSION ZONES

**IN THE CASE OF DIFFUSION ZONES, THE STRESS STATE IS VERY COMPLEX, AND CLASSICAL MODELS DO NOT APPLY.**

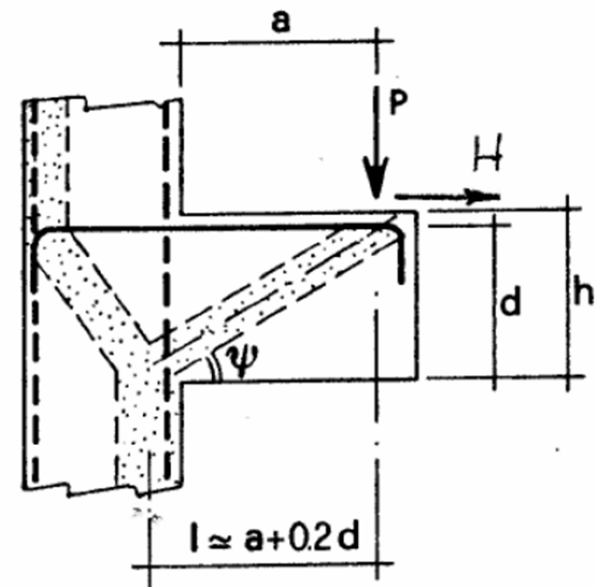
**STRUT-AND-TIE MODELS are based on EQUILIBRIUM EQUATIONS, and THE GEOMETRY is defined according to the experience or GuideLines.**

**The safety verifications are done with respect to:**

- 1. Resistance of the tensile elements (steel reinforcement) ( $R_s$ )**
- 2. Resistance of the concrete struts ( $R_c$ )**
- 3. Anchorage of the steel bars ( $R_b$ )**
- 4. Resistance of the nodes ( $R_n$ )**

**The following inequality is required in order to have a DUCTILE FAILURE MECHANISM**

$$R_s < (R_n, R_b, R_c)$$

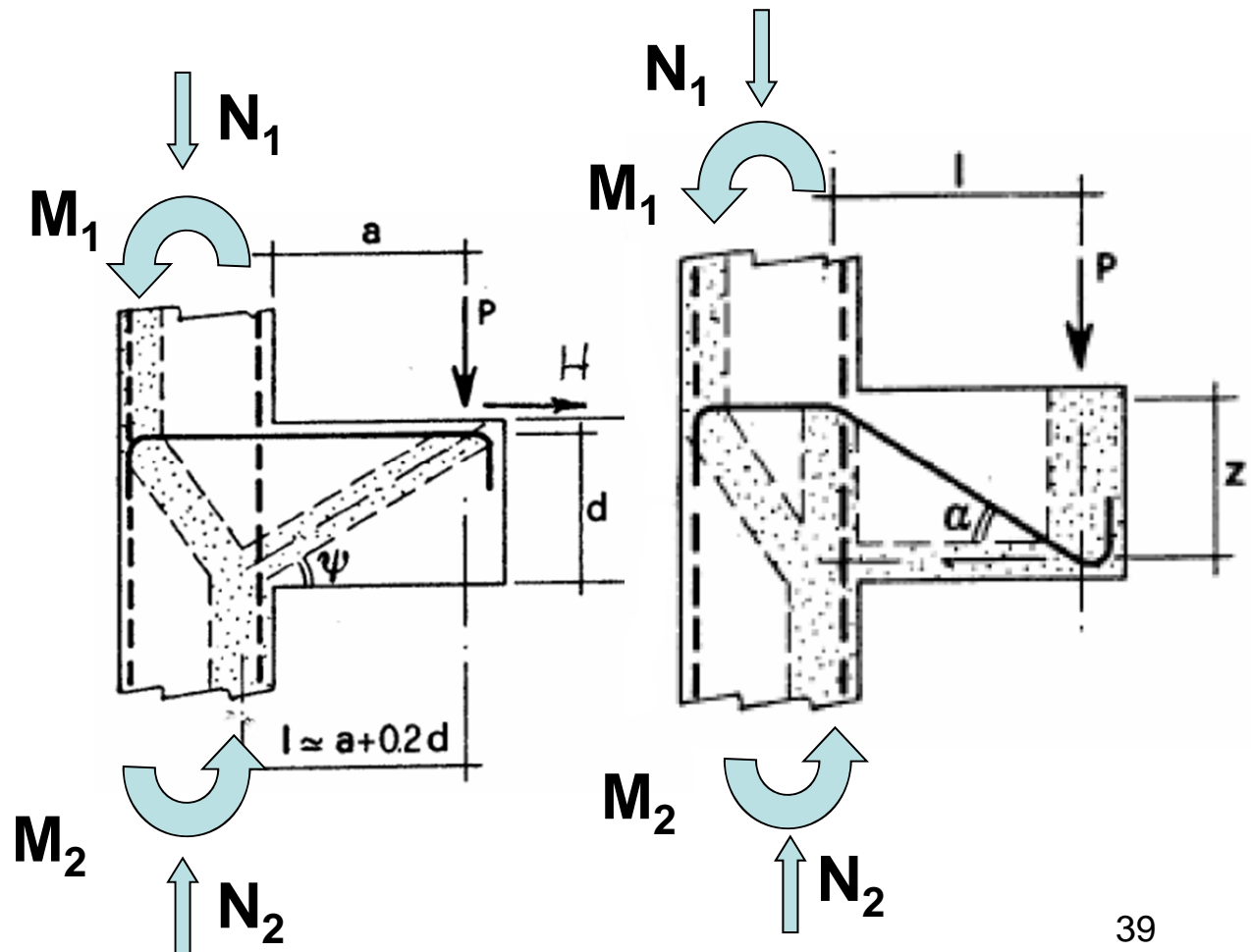


## EXAMPLE: STRUT-AND-TIE MODEL FOR RC CORBELS

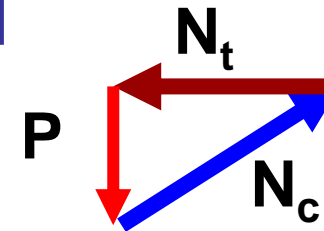
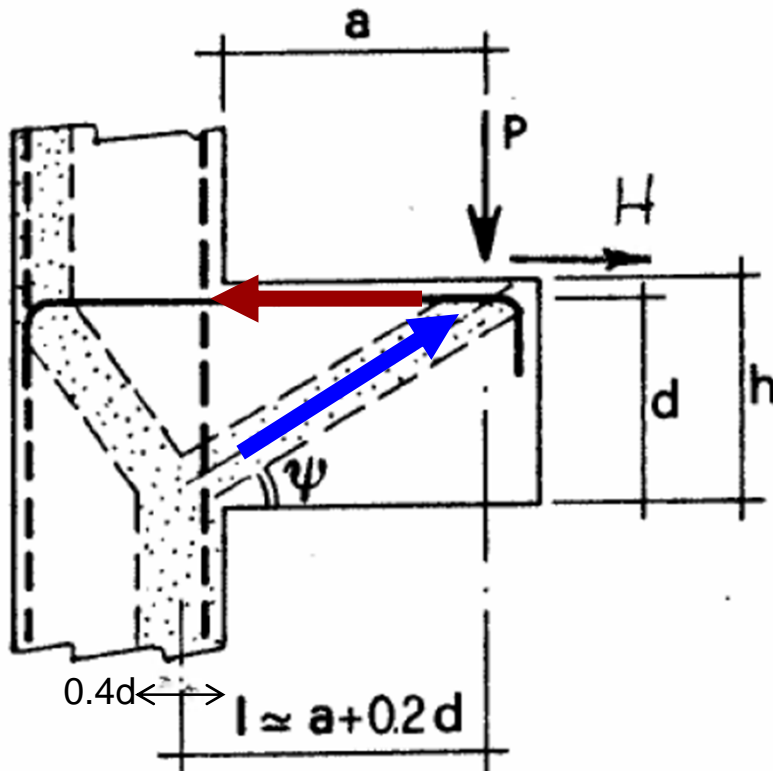
The **STRUT-AND-TIE MODEL** depends on the positioning of the main steel reinforcement

### RULES:

1. In column, position and width of the concrete struts are obtained from a beam analysis.
2. Ties where steel reinforcement is placed.
3. Equilibrium of the nodes must be satisfied
4. The widths of the concrete struts are defined according to experience rules.
5. Accurate detailing rules are required.



**EXAMPLE: STRUT-AND-TIE MODEL FOR RC CORBELS**



**EQUILIBRIUM EQUATIONS**

$$\begin{cases} N_c \cdot \sin \psi + P = 0 & \rightarrow & N_c = -\frac{P}{\sin \psi} \\ N_t + N_c \cdot \cos \psi = 0 & \rightarrow & N_t = P \cdot \cot \psi \end{cases}$$

**ASSUMPTION**

**Design Value (concrete strength)**

$$P_{c,Rd} = N_c \sin \psi = 0.4d b \sin \psi f_{cd} \sin \psi \geq P$$

**Design Value (steel yielding)**

$$P_{t,Rd} = \frac{N_t}{\cot \psi} = A_s \cdot f_{yd} \cdot \frac{1}{\cot \psi} \geq P$$

**A CORRECT DESIGN REQUIRES**

**HIERARCHY OF RESISTANCES**

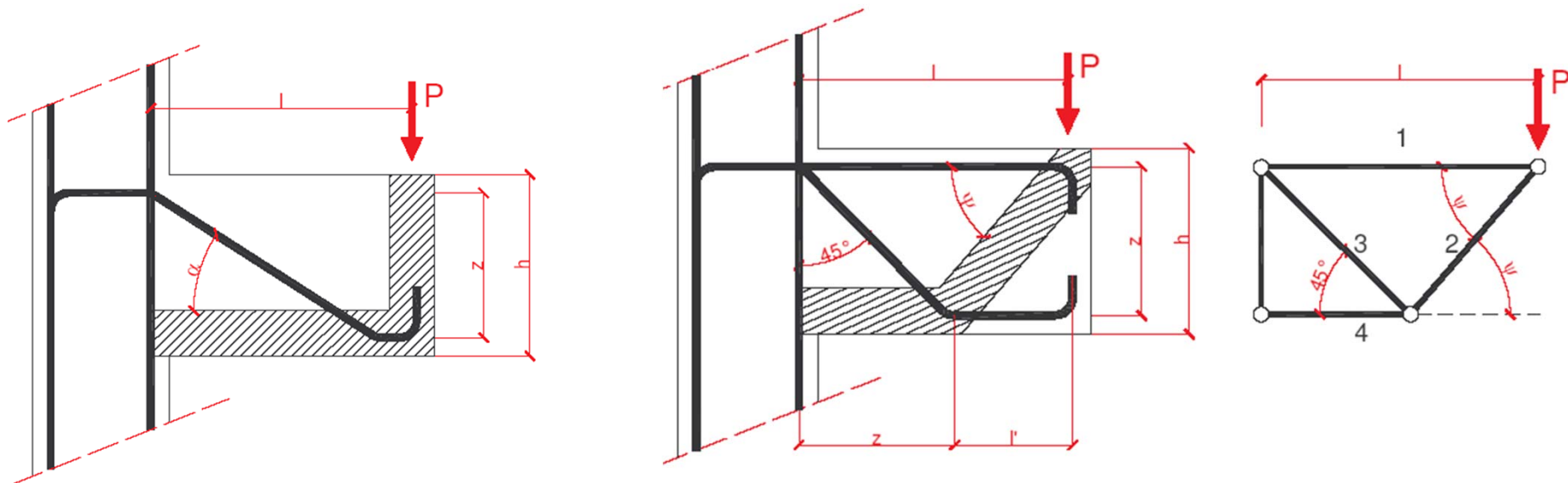
$$P_{t,Rd} < P_{c,Rd}$$

**THEN**

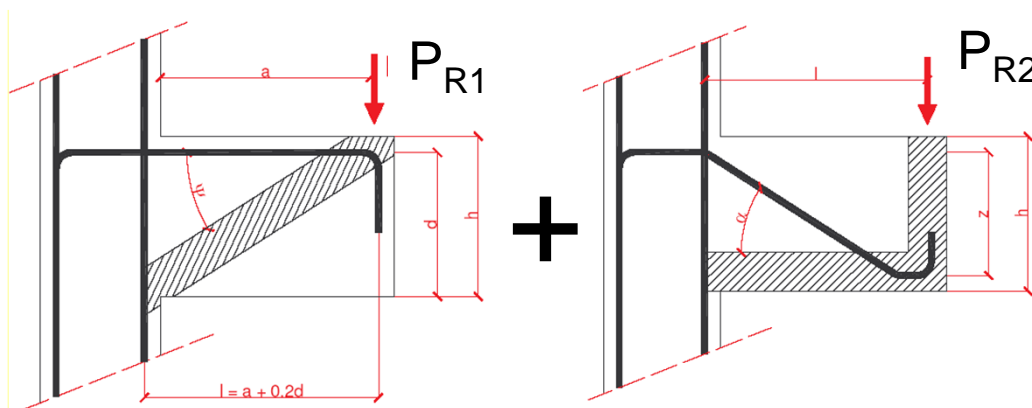
$$P_{Rd} = P_{t,Rd}$$



**OTHER MODELS FOR RC CORBELS WITH ALTERNATIVE STEEL POSITIONING**



**SYSTEMS WITH STATICALLY REDUNDANT TRUSS SYSTEMS ARE POSSIBLE (if both steel ties are present, two equilibrated mechanisms are possible)**



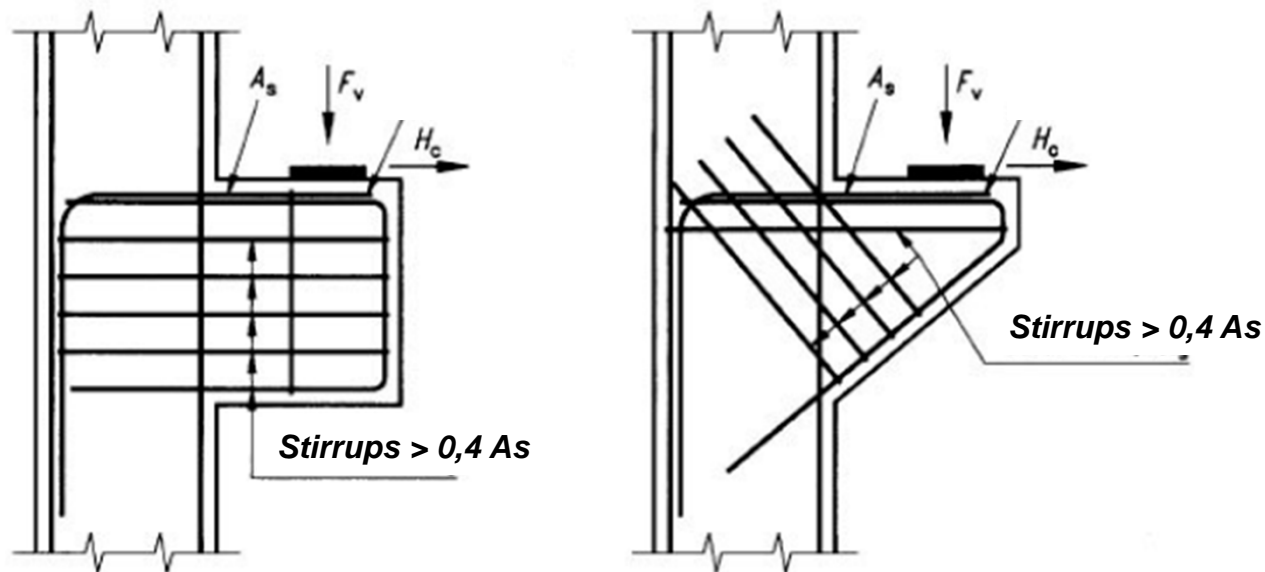
**The sum is motivated by the ductile behaviour of the system if the HIERARCHY OF RESISTANCES is satisfied:**

$$P_{Rd} = P_{R1} + 0,8 P_{R2}$$

## DETAILING FOR RC CORBELS

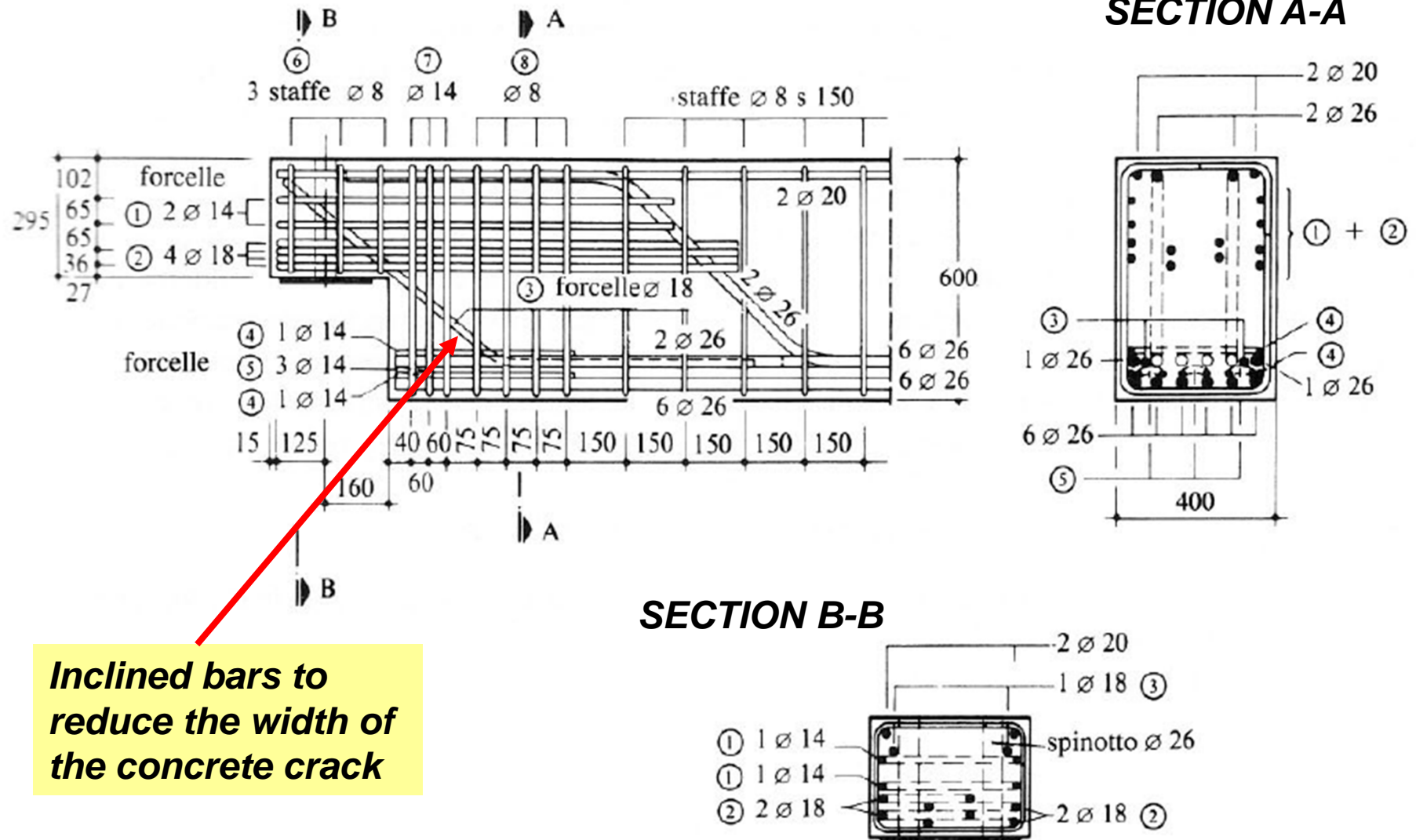
*The steel tie must be adequately anchored*

*Struct and tie model is an EQUILIBRIUM MODEL: additional distributed steel is required to reduce the cracking of the corbel under service loadings*



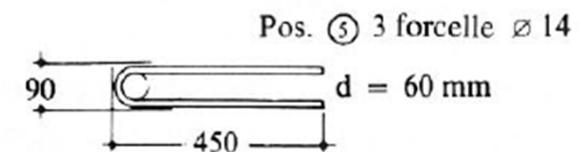
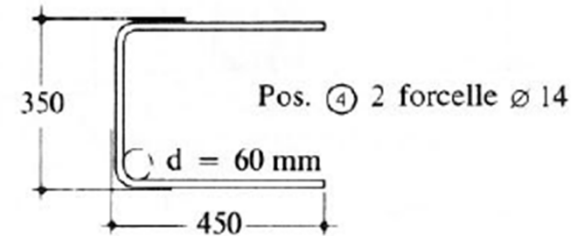
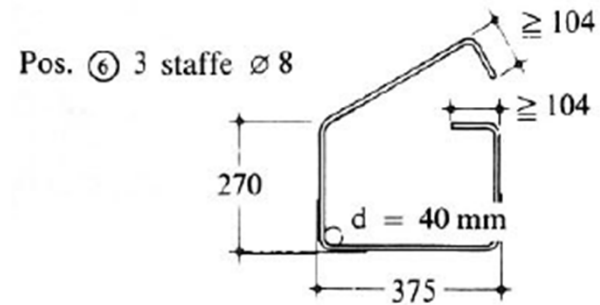
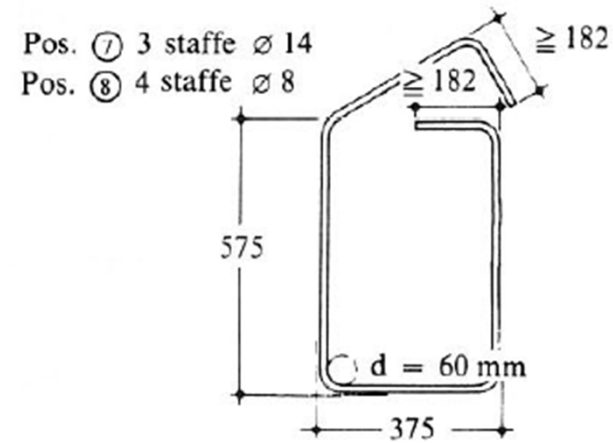
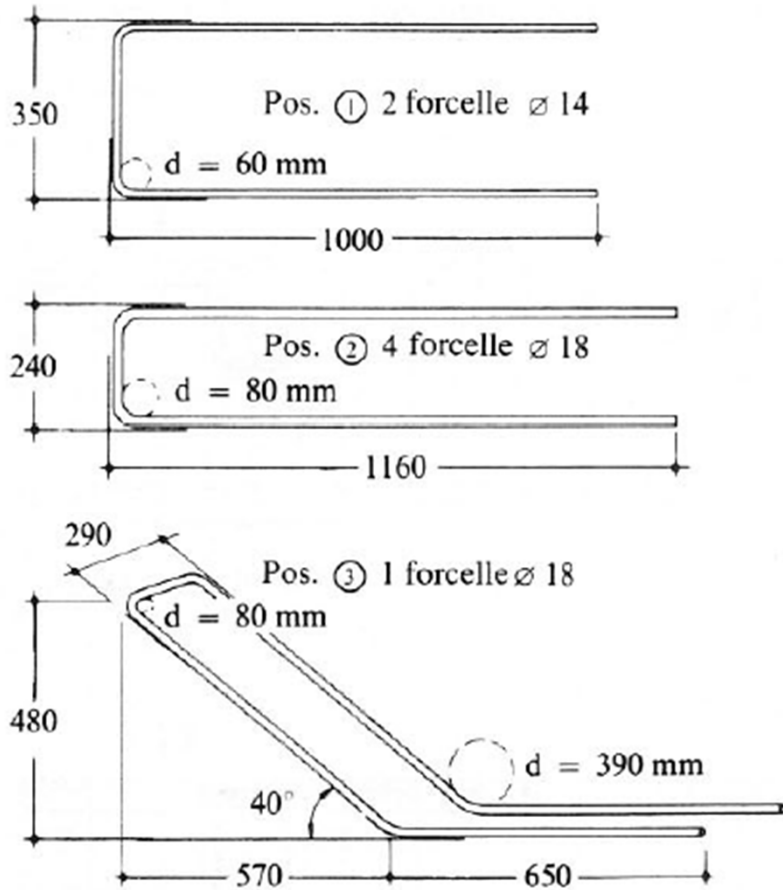


## DETAILING FOR GERBER SADDLE



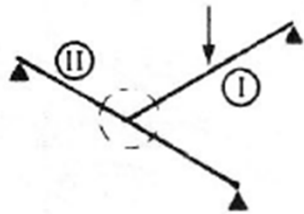
**Inclined bars to reduce the width of the concrete crack**

**DETAILING FOR GERBER SADDLE**

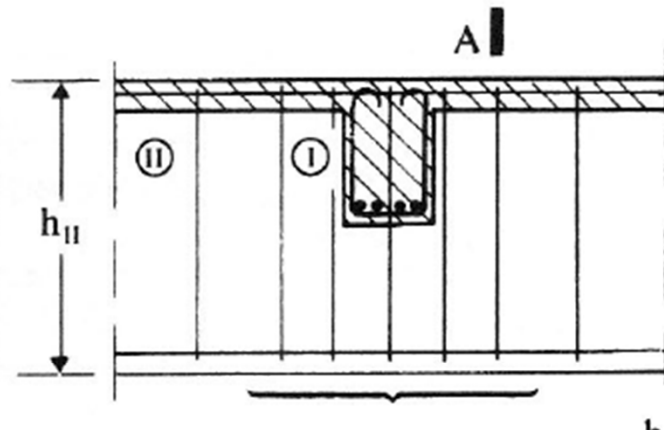
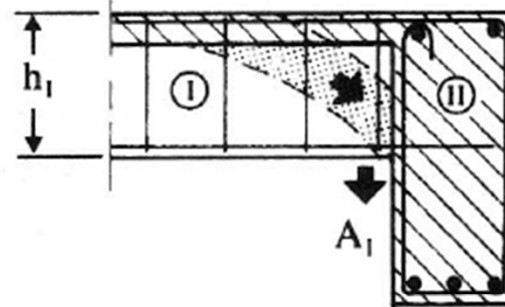


**INDIRECT LOADING: SUSPENSION STEEL REINFORCEMENT**

**a**  
**Static scheme**



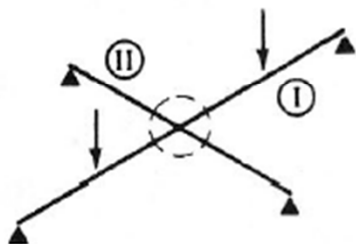
**SECTION A-A**



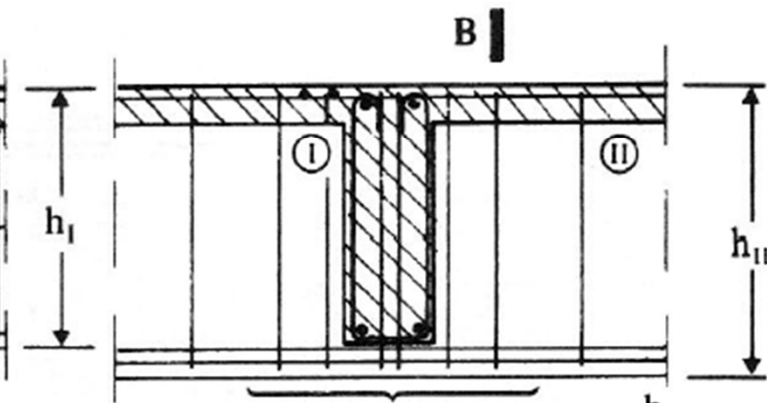
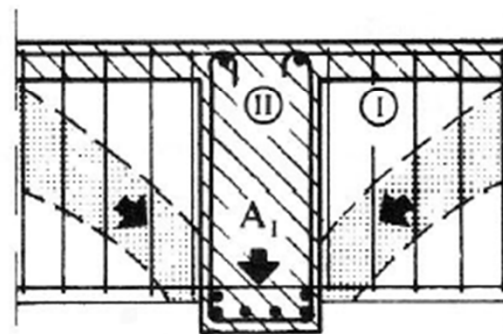
$A_1 =$  **Support reaction**

**Suspension steel bars**

**b**  
**Static scheme**



**SECTION B-B**



**Suspension steel bars**

**A suspension reinforcement must be designed to carry the support reaction  $A_1$**

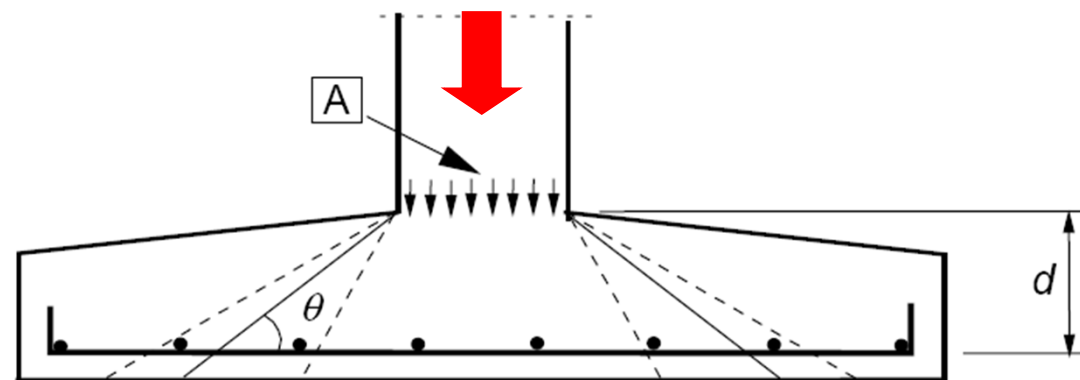
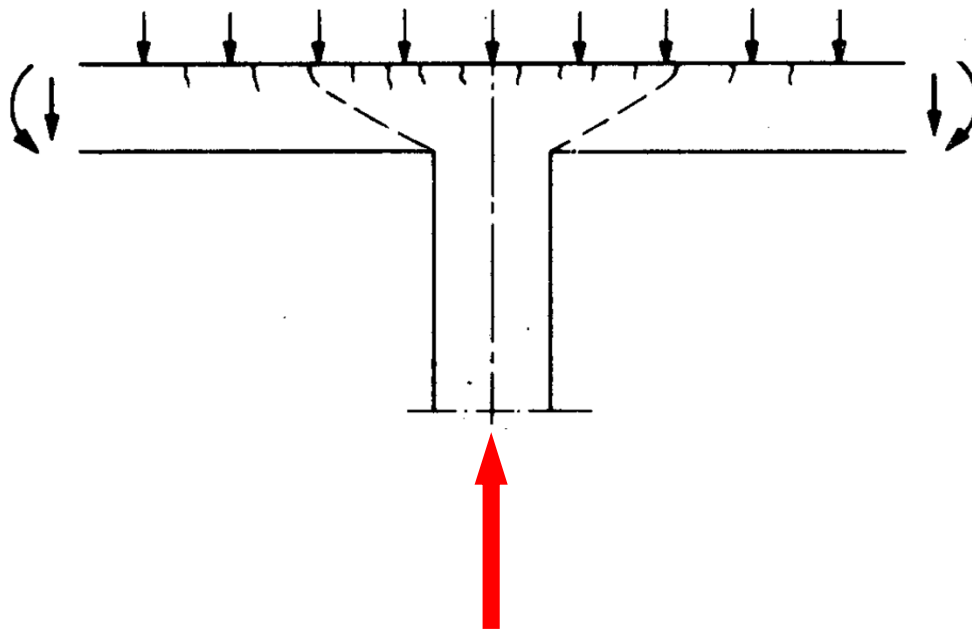
# PUNCHING SHEAR

Punching shear results from a **CONCENTRATED LOAD** or a **REACTION** acting on a relatively small area (the loaded area  $A_{load}$ )

**Example:**  
**SOLID SLAB OVER COLUMNS**

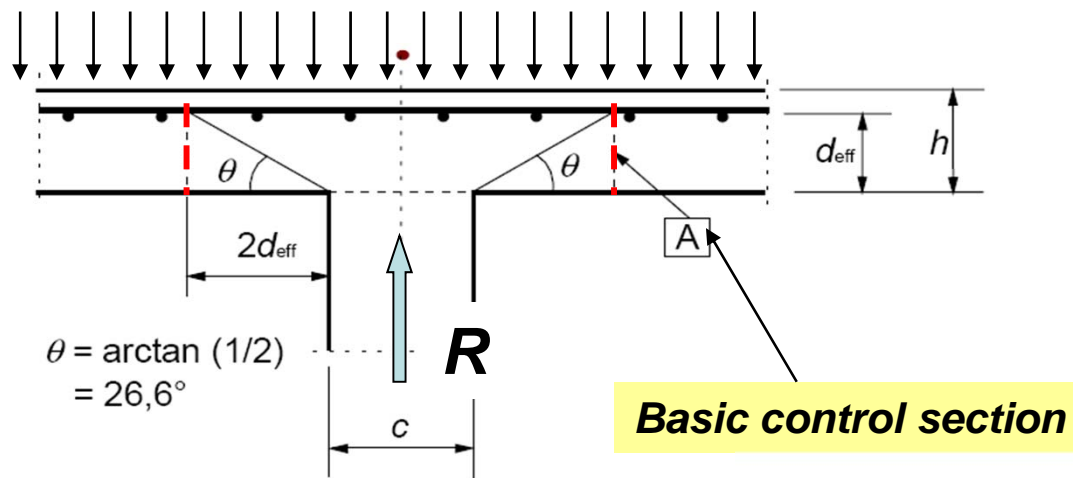
**Other examples:**  
**CONCENTRATED LOADS OVER**  
**SMALL THICKNESS SOLID**  
**SLABS**

**FOOTINGS**



# PUNCHING SHEAR

## MODEL FOR CHECKING PUNCHING FAILURE AT ULTIMATE LIMIT STATE (EC2) (circular section – axial force only, no bending)



**Calculate the load which is transferred over the Basic control Section**

The load contribution acting directly on the control area can be subtracted

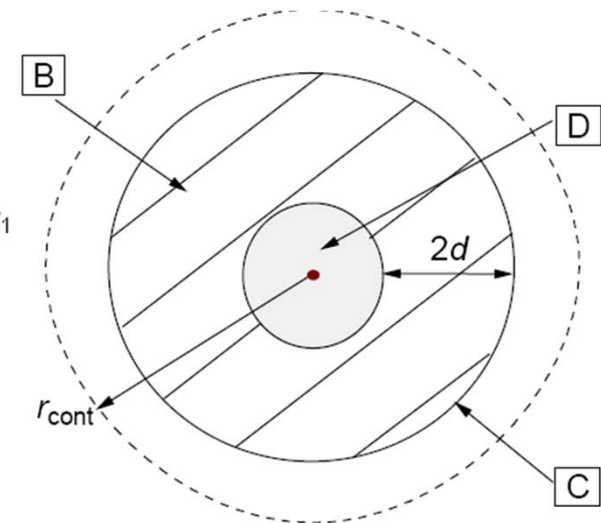
### SHEAR STRESS OVER THE BASIC CONTROL SECTION

$$v_{Ed} = \frac{R - q A_{cont}}{A_A} = \frac{q(A_{slab} - A_{cont})}{A_A}$$

### CONTROL SECTION AREA

$$A_A = 2\pi(2d_{eff} + c/2)d_{eff} = u_1 d_{eff}$$

- [B] - basic control area  $A_{cont}$
- [C] - basic control perimeter,  $u_1$
- [D] - loaded area  $A_{load}$
- $r_{cont}$  further control perimeter





## PUNCHING SHEAR

### VERIFICATION OF THE CONCRETE (EC2)

*Punching shear around the column*

$$v_{Ed} \leq v_{Rd,max} = 0.5 v f_{cd} \quad v = 0.5 \text{ cracking of concrete due to shear}$$

### VERIFICATION OF THE TENSILE FORCE (EC2)

In control perimeter  $u_1$

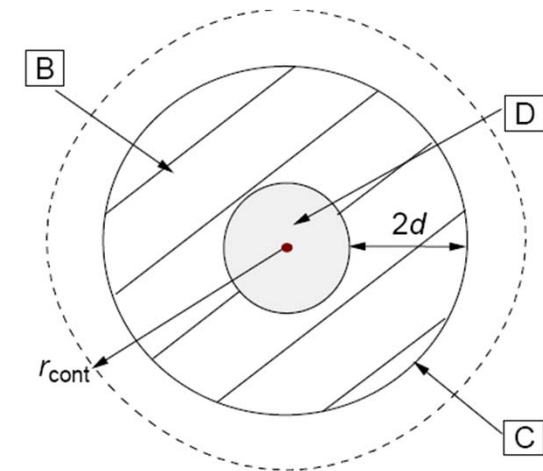
*Punching shear reinforcement is not necessary if*

$$v_{Ed} < v_{Rd,c}$$

*Punching shear resistance per unit area (similar to shear in beams)*

$$v_{Rd,c} = \frac{0,18}{\gamma_c} k (100 \rho_l f_{ck})^{1/3} \geq 0.035 k^{3/2} f_{ck}^{1/2}$$

$$k = 1 + \sqrt{200/d} \leq 2 \quad \text{Size effect} \quad \rho_l = \sqrt{\rho_{lx} \cdot \rho_{ly}} \leq 0,02 \quad \text{Tensile steel ratio}$$



**B** - basic control area  $A_{cont}$

**C** - basic control perimeter,  $u_1$

**D** - loaded area  $A_{load}$

$r_{cont}$  further control perimeter

# PUNCHING SHEAR

In control perimeter  $u_1$

## VERIFICATION WITH REINFORCEMENT (EC2)

### PUNCHING SHEAR RESISTANCE (UNIT AREA) WITH SHEAR REINFORCEMENT

$$v_{Rd,cs} = 0,75 v_{Rd,c} + 1,5 \frac{d A_{sw}}{s_r} f_{ywd} \frac{1}{u_1 d} \sin \alpha$$

concrete contribution

Radial spacing

Control perimeter

50

### COMPARE WITH BEAMS

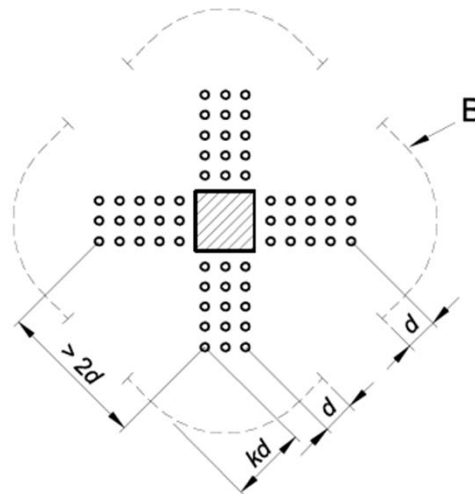
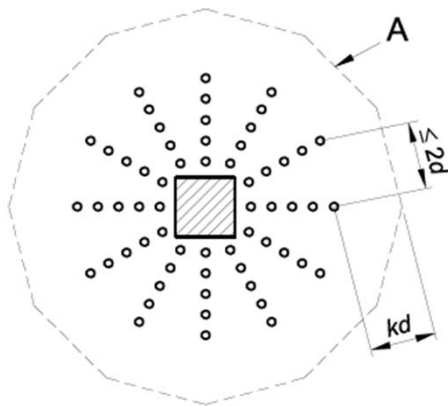
$$V_{wd} = A_{sw} f_{ywd} \frac{z}{\Delta x} (\cotg \theta + \cotg \alpha) \sin \alpha$$

Perimetri di verifica per pilastri interni

Legenda

A Perimetro  $u_{out}$

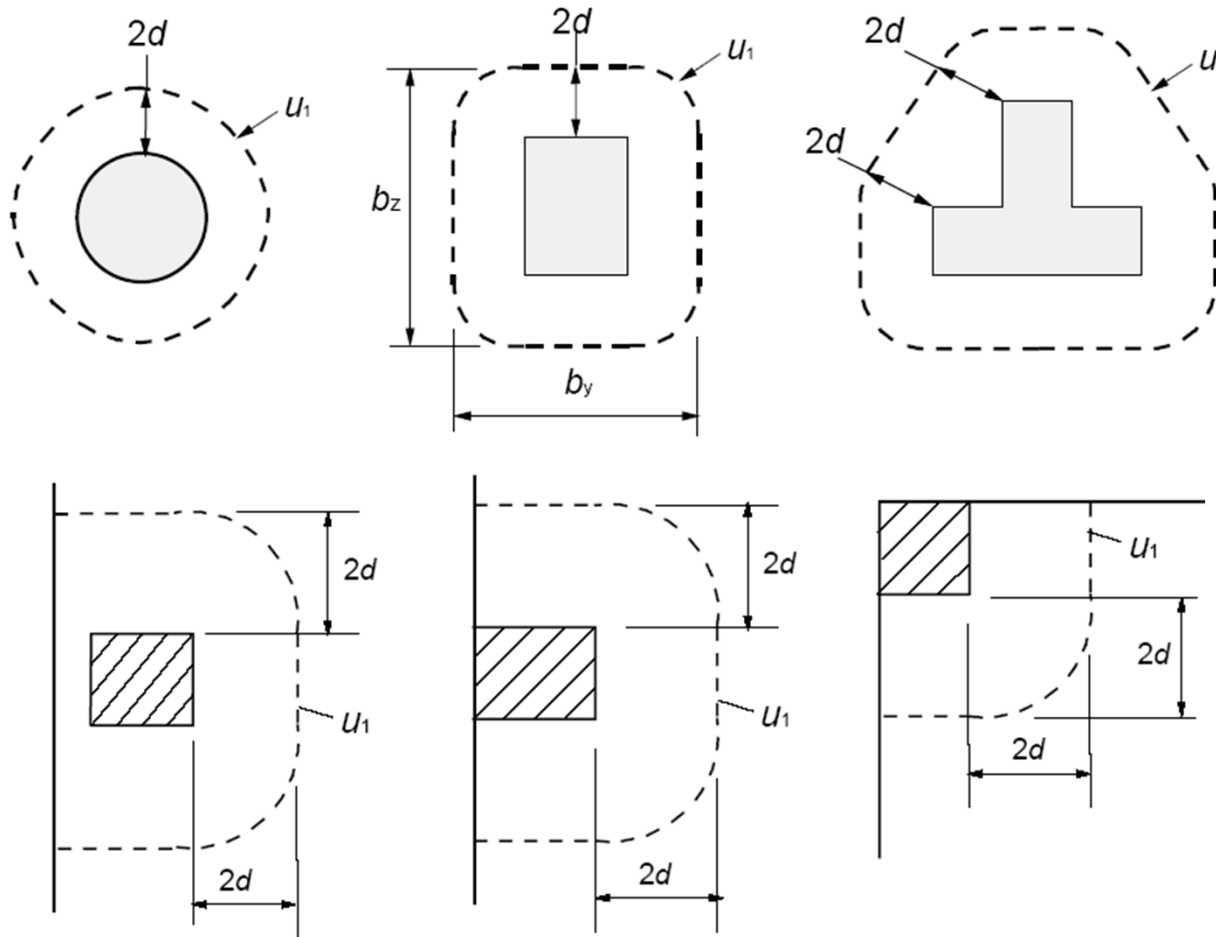
B Perimetro  $u_{out,ef}$



Definition of the perimeter where the reinforcement is not necessary in order to obtain the extension of the reinforcement

## PUNCHING SHEAR

*In real cases, the problem can be more complex:*



**CONTROL PERIMETERS AROUND LOADED AREAS OR COLUMN SECTIONS**

# PUNCHING SHEAR

## FOOTINGS WITH VARIABLE HEIGHT – different control sections must be considered

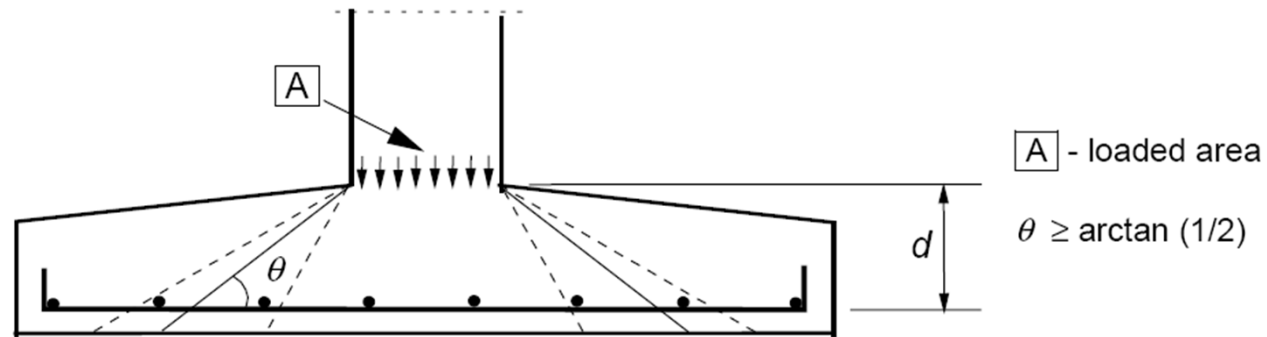
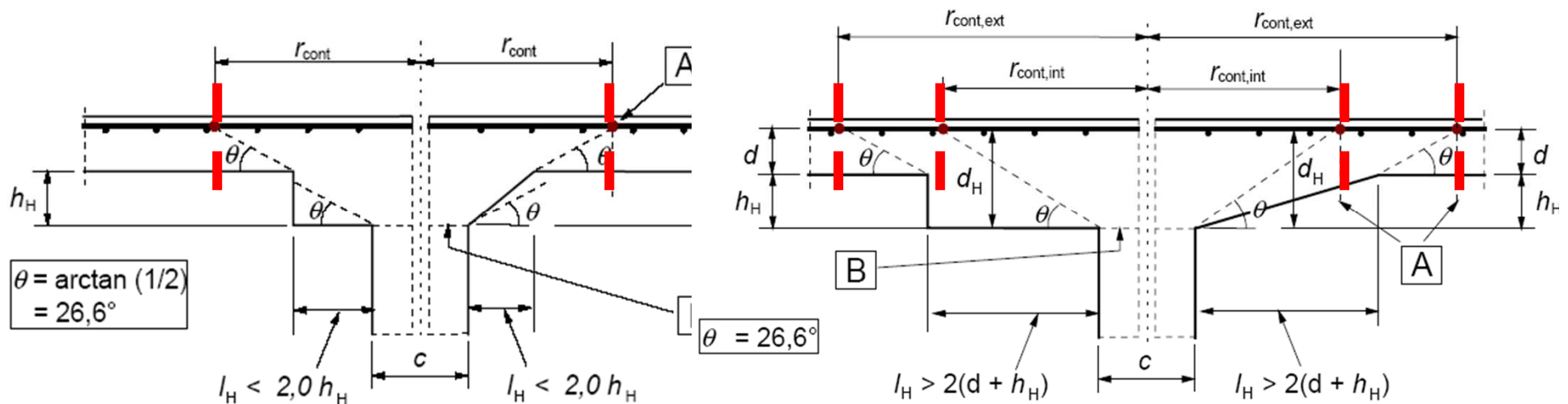


Figure 6.16: Depth of control section in a footing with variable depth

## CONCRETE SLABS WITH ENLARGED COLUMN HEAD



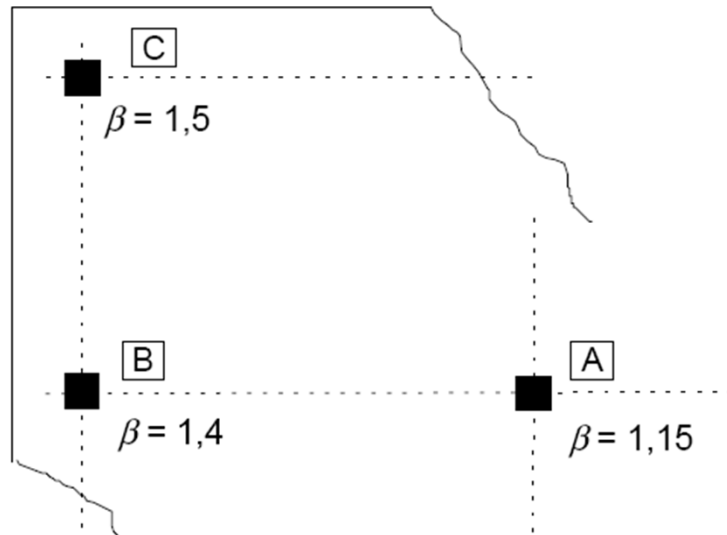
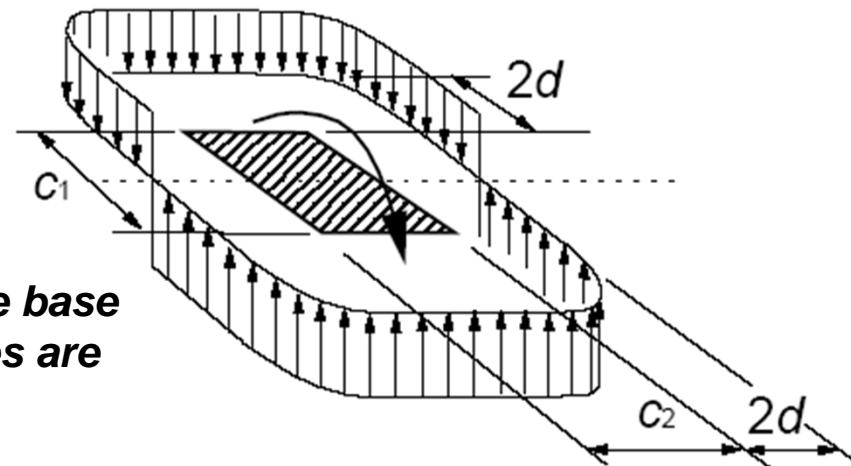
# PUNCHING SHEAR

## MAXIMUM SHEAR STRESS IN THE CASE OF AN ECCENTRIC REACTION

$$v_{Ed} = \beta \frac{V_{Ed}}{u_1 d}$$

$$\beta \geq 1$$

depend on Moment and Shear acting on the base and on geometrical parameters (many cases are explicitly considered in EC2)



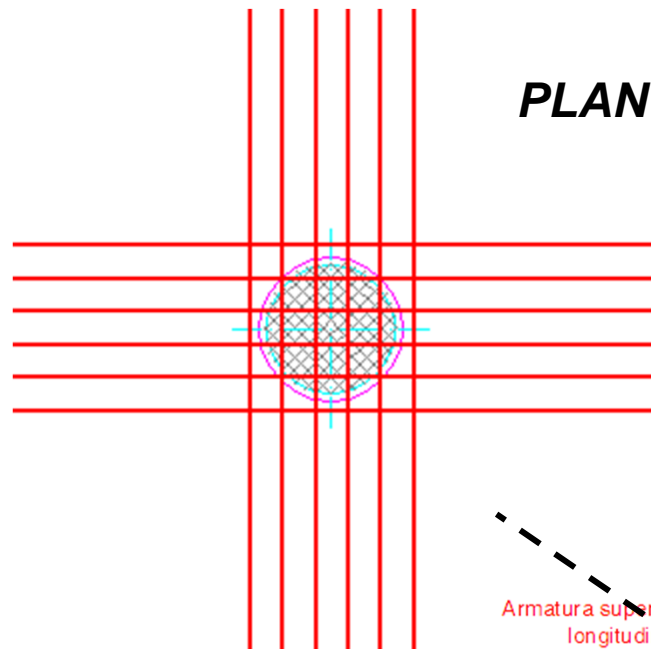
- A - internal column
- B - edge column
- C - corner column

**Approximate values for  $\beta$  coefficient**

**The effect of the moment is greater in the case of edge columns**

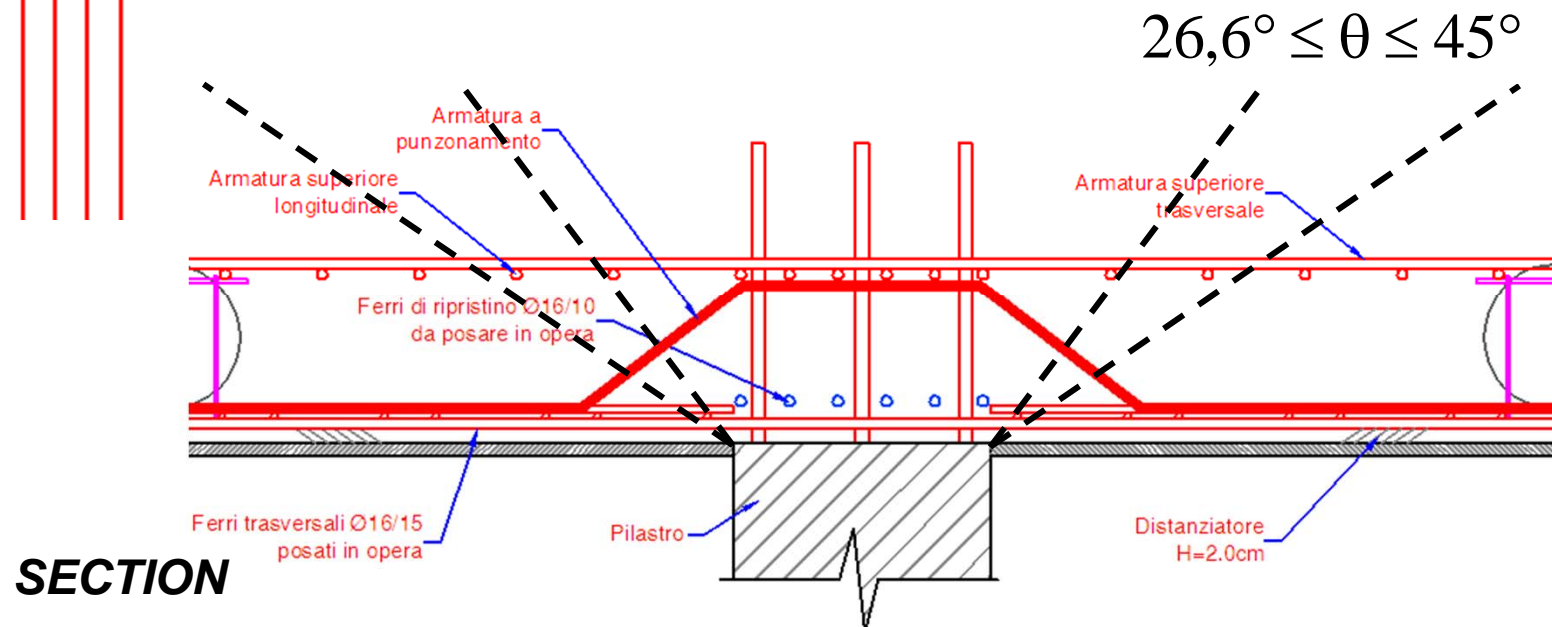
## PUNCHING SHEAR

*Some examples of steel reinforcement against punching shear*



• *The individual contributions of the steel bars crossed by the control section must be computed*

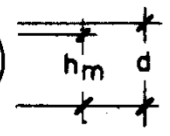
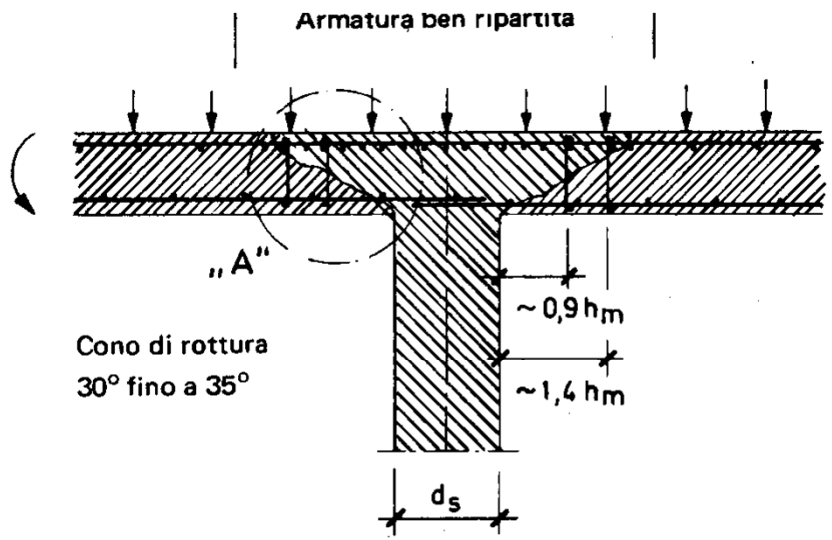
• *Different control sections must be considered – all of them must be crossed by the shear bars against punching*



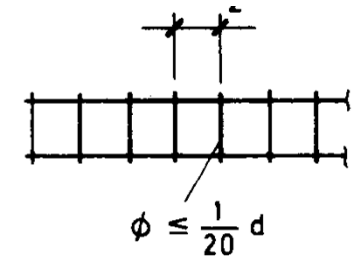
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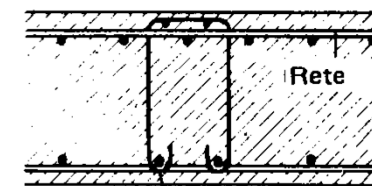
- The individual contributions of the steel bars crossed by the control section must be computed
- Different control sections must be considered



Dimensioni per scale e gabbie di staffe

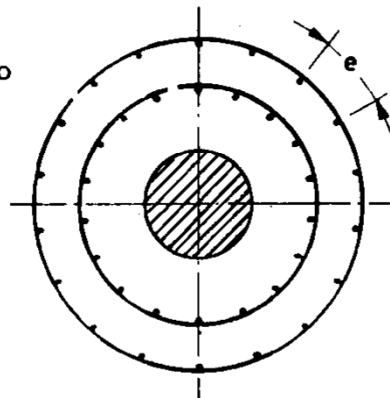


Sezione a - a

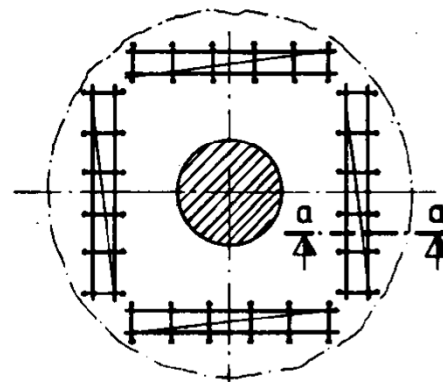


Gabbia di staffe

Pianta Armatura di taglio



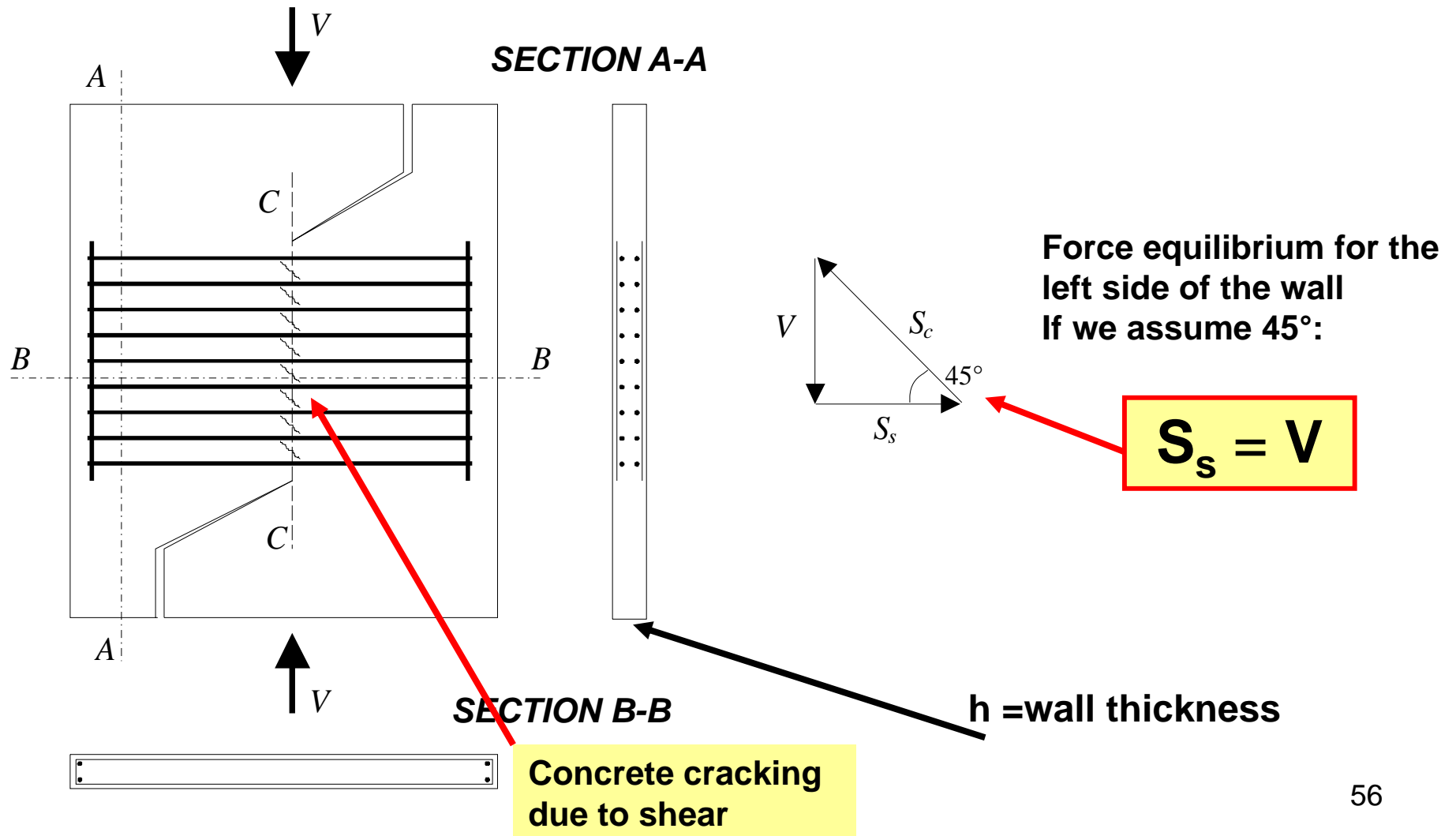
Scale circolari di staffe



Scale o gabbie di staffe disposte in quadrato

## SHEAR AT THE INTERFACE BETWEEN THIN-WALLED RC ELEMENTS

The Walraven tests  
Delft Polytechnic of Technology (1971)



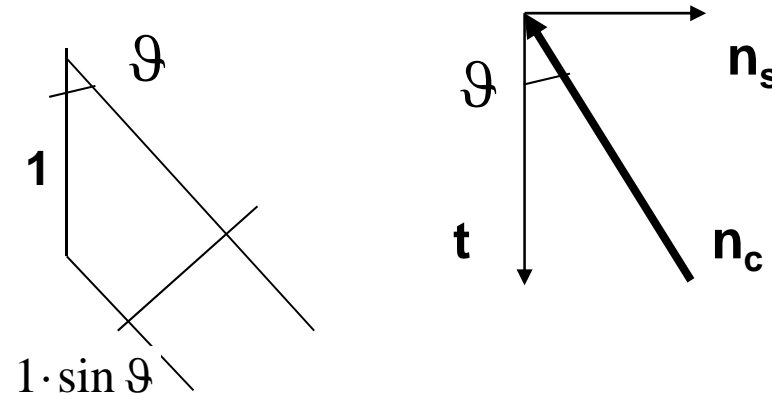


## SHEAR AT THE INTERFACE – VARIABLE INCLINATION MODEL (EC2)

Equilibrium of forces per unit length

$$n_c = \frac{t}{\cos \vartheta}$$

$$n_s = t \tan \vartheta$$



$$\sigma_c \cdot h \cdot 1 \cdot \sin \vartheta = \frac{t}{\cos \vartheta}$$

**DESIGN OF THE TRANSVERSE REINFORCEMENT (  $t \rightarrow A_s$  )**

**SHEAR STRENGTH AGAINST CONCRETE FAILURE**

$$V_{Rcd} = v f_{cd} \cdot h \cdot \cos \vartheta \cdot \sin \vartheta$$

$$\frac{A_s}{s_f} f_{yd} \geq \frac{t}{\cotg \vartheta}$$

$$V_{Rcd} \geq V_{Ed}$$

**EFFICIENCY OF CONCRETE STRUTS**

$$v = 0.6 \left[ 1 - \frac{f_{ck}}{250} \right] \text{ with } f_{ck} \text{ in MPa}$$

## SHEAR AT THE INTERFACE – VARIABLE INCLINATION MODEL (EC2)

**MINIMUM TRANSVERSE  
REINFORCEMENT  
(BALANCE POINT)**

$$v_{Rcd} = v f_{cd} \cdot h \cdot \cos \vartheta \cdot \sin \vartheta$$

$$v_{Rsd} = \frac{A_s}{s_f} f_{yd} \cotg \vartheta$$

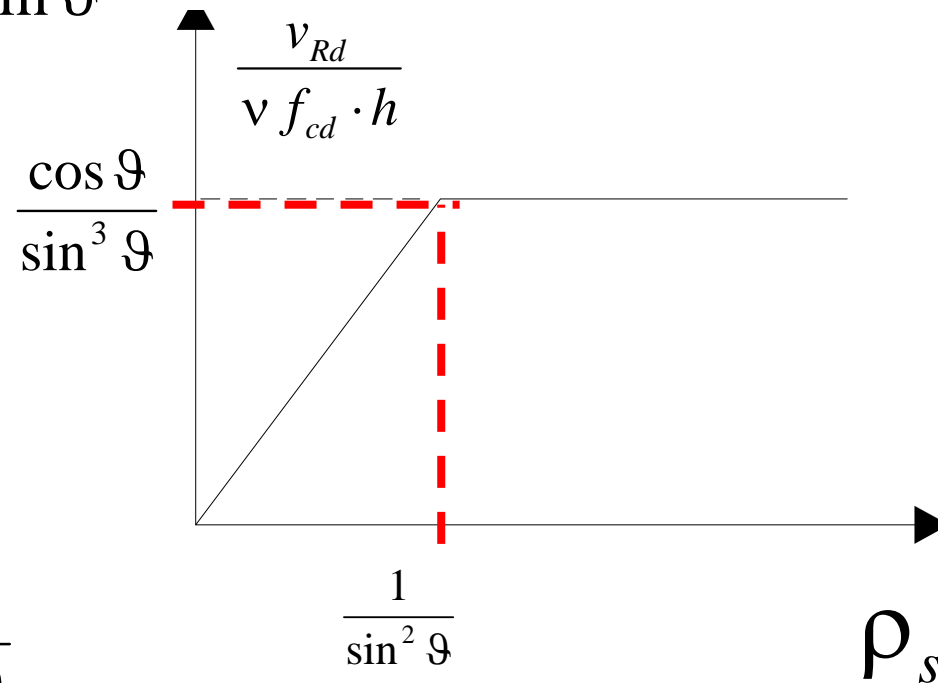
$$\frac{A_{s,\min}}{s_f} f_{yd} \cotg \vartheta = v f_{cd} h \cos \vartheta \sin \vartheta$$

**Setting (transverse reinforcement ratio)**

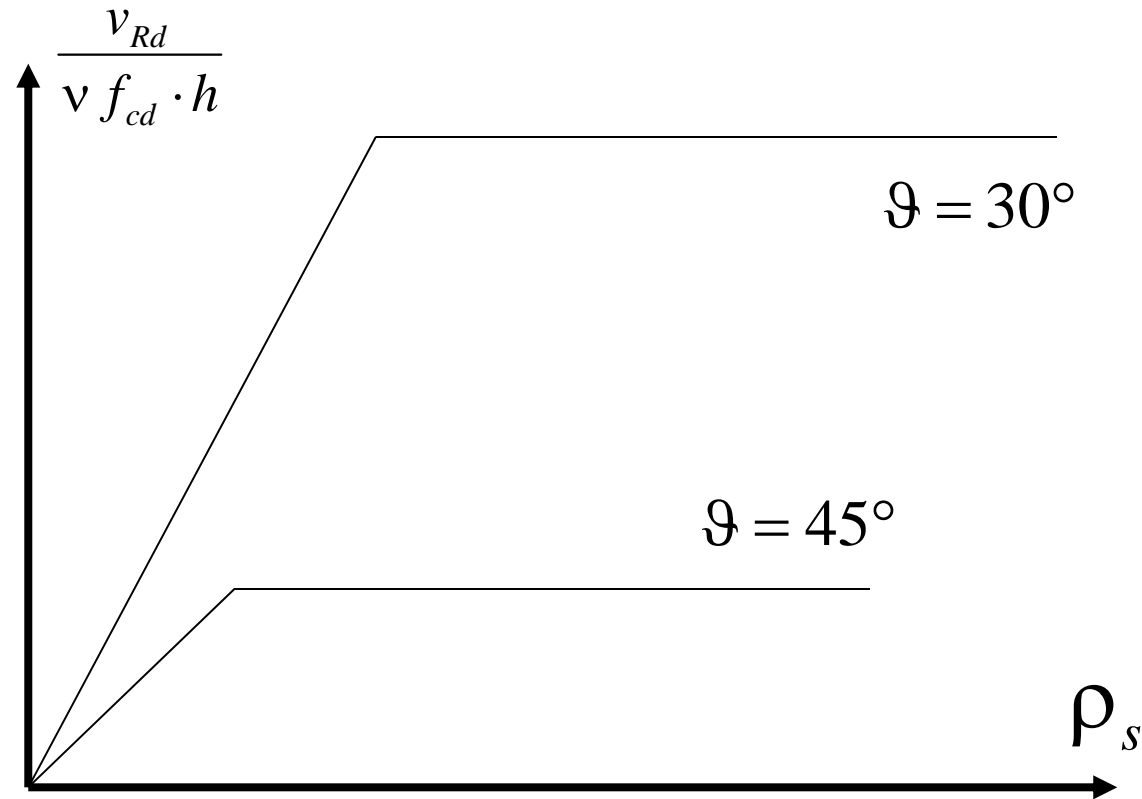
$$\rho_s = \frac{A_s}{s_f} \frac{1}{h} \frac{f_{yd}}{v f_{cd}}$$

**Balance condition**

$$\rho_{s,\min} = \frac{1}{\sin^2 \vartheta} \quad \frac{v_{Rd}}{v f_{cd} \cdot h} = \frac{\cos \vartheta}{\sin^3 \vartheta}$$

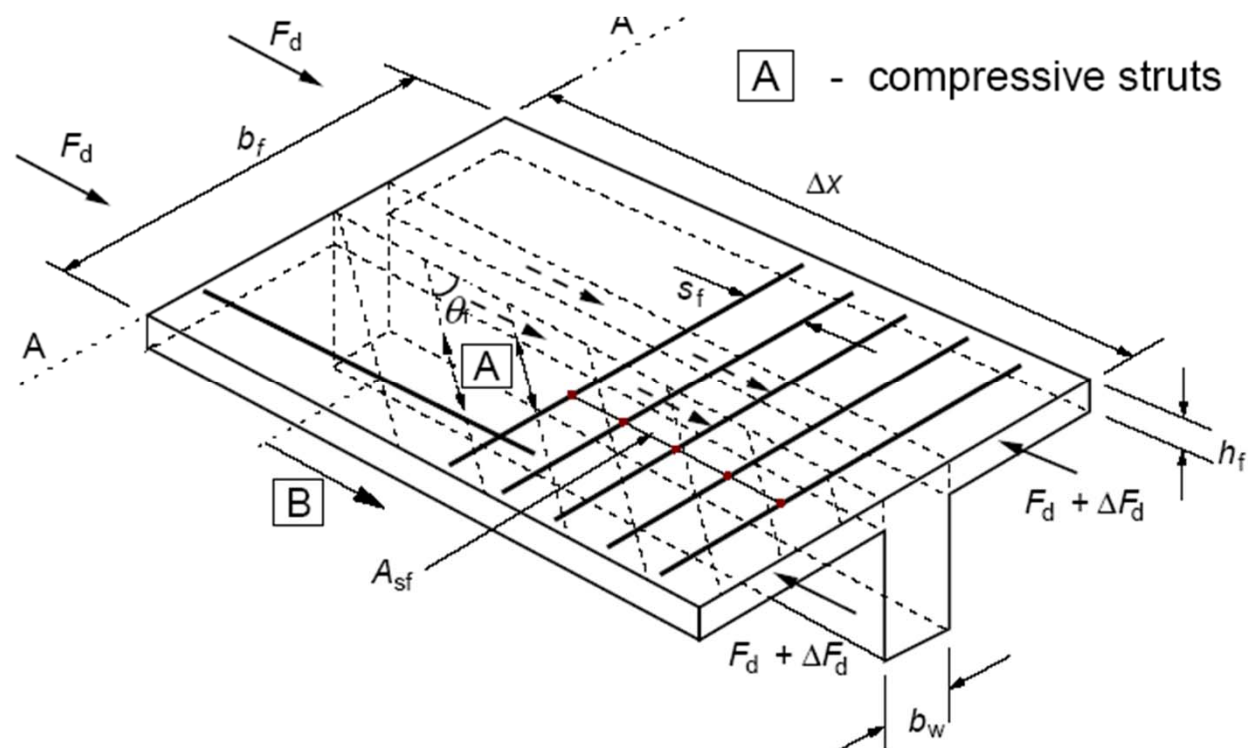
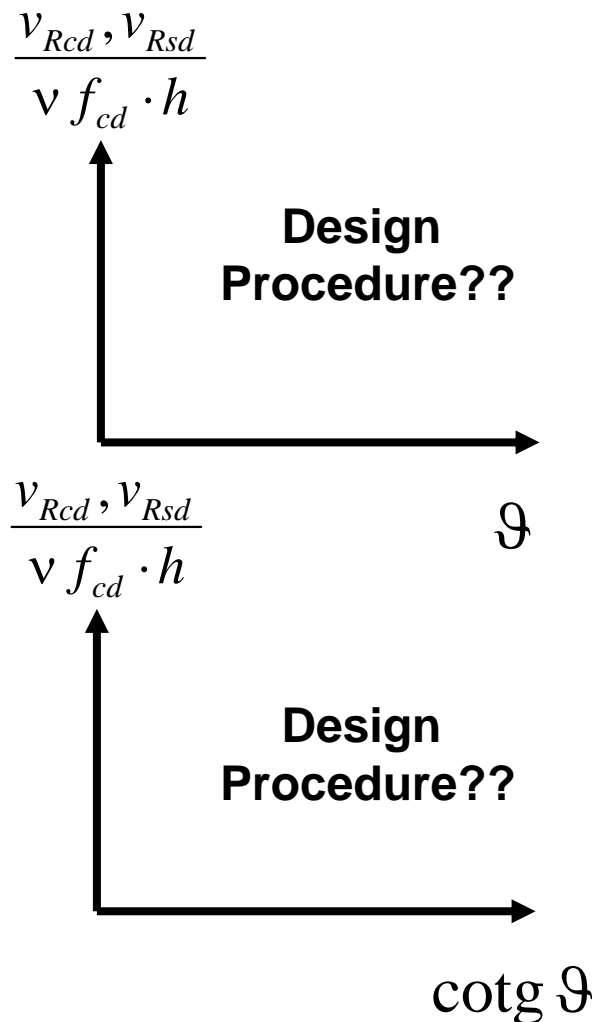


## SHEAR AT THE INTERFACE – VARIABLE INCLINATION MODEL (EC2)



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### APPLICATION OF THE METHOD

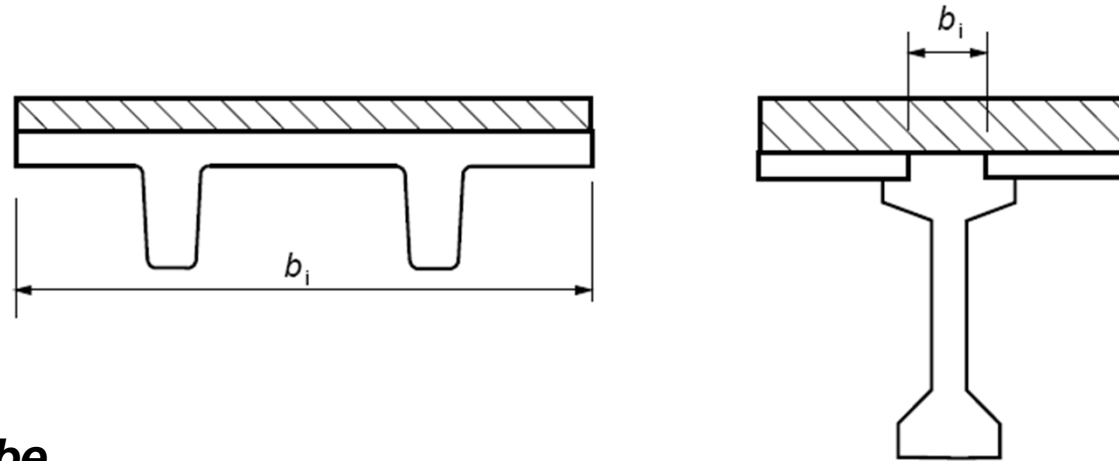


$1,0 \leq \cot \theta_f \leq 2,0$  for compression flanges ( $45^\circ \geq \theta_f \geq 26,5^\circ$ )

$1,0 \leq \cot \theta_f \leq 1,25$  for tension flanges ( $45^\circ \geq \theta_f \geq 38,6^\circ$ )

*With more details in the following...* 60

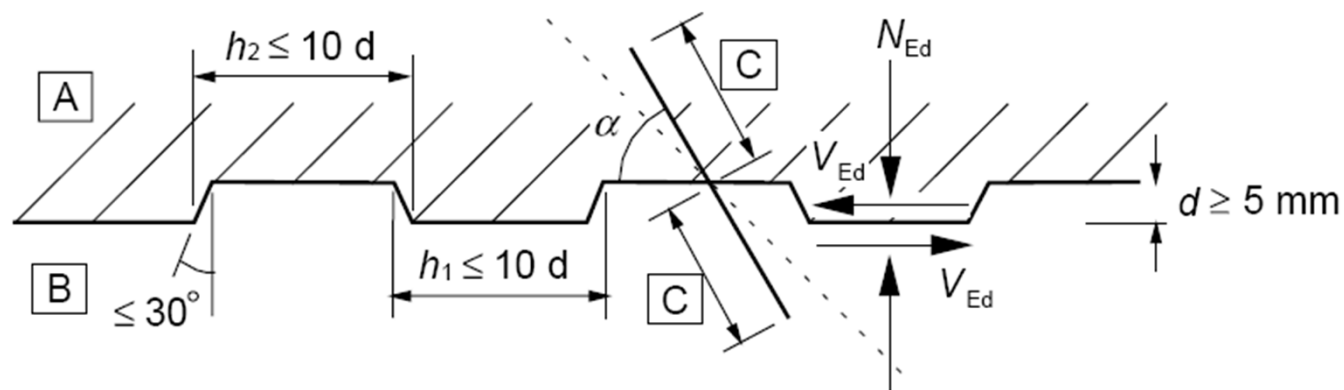
**OTHER EXAMPLES:  
SHEAR AT THE INTERFACE BETWEEN CONCRETES CAST AT DIFFERENT TIMES**



*In these cases, the inclination angle must be defined as a function of the friction between the two materials*



**INDENTED JOINT**

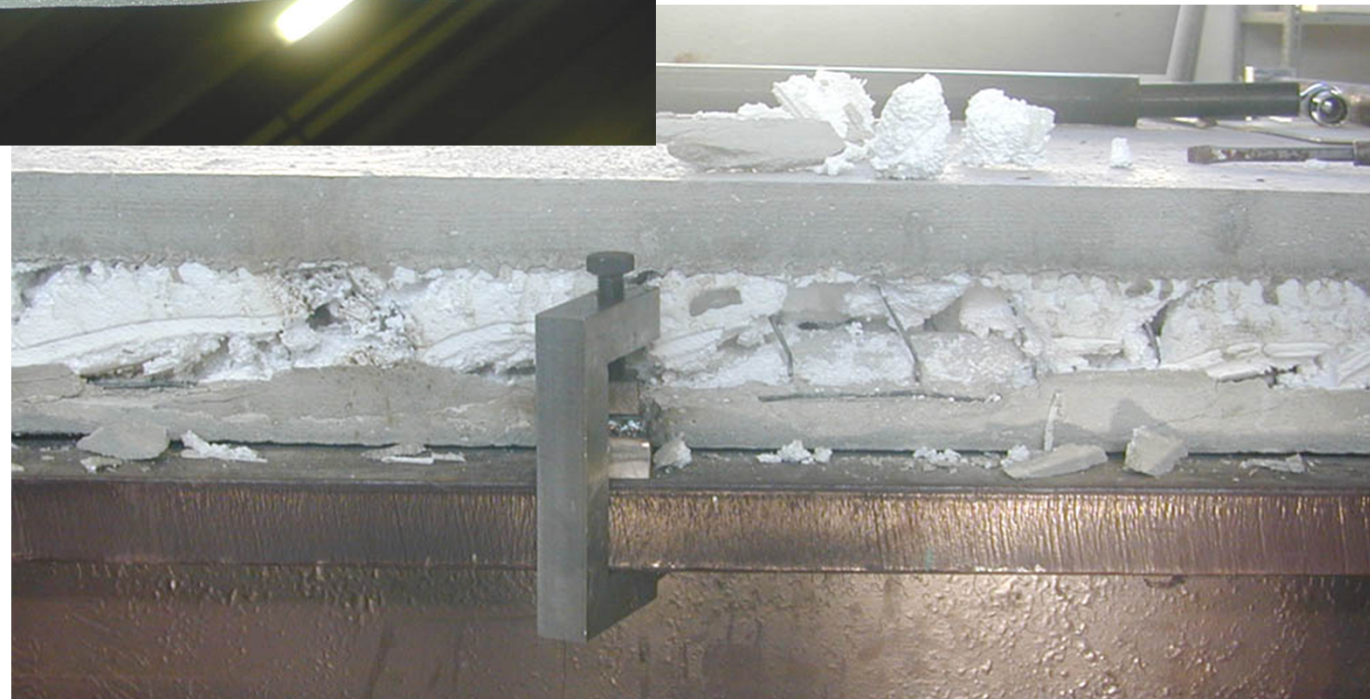


[A] - new concrete, [B] - old concrete, [C] - anchorage

**AN EXAMPLE:  
CONCRETE – POLYSTYRENE SANDWICH PANEL**



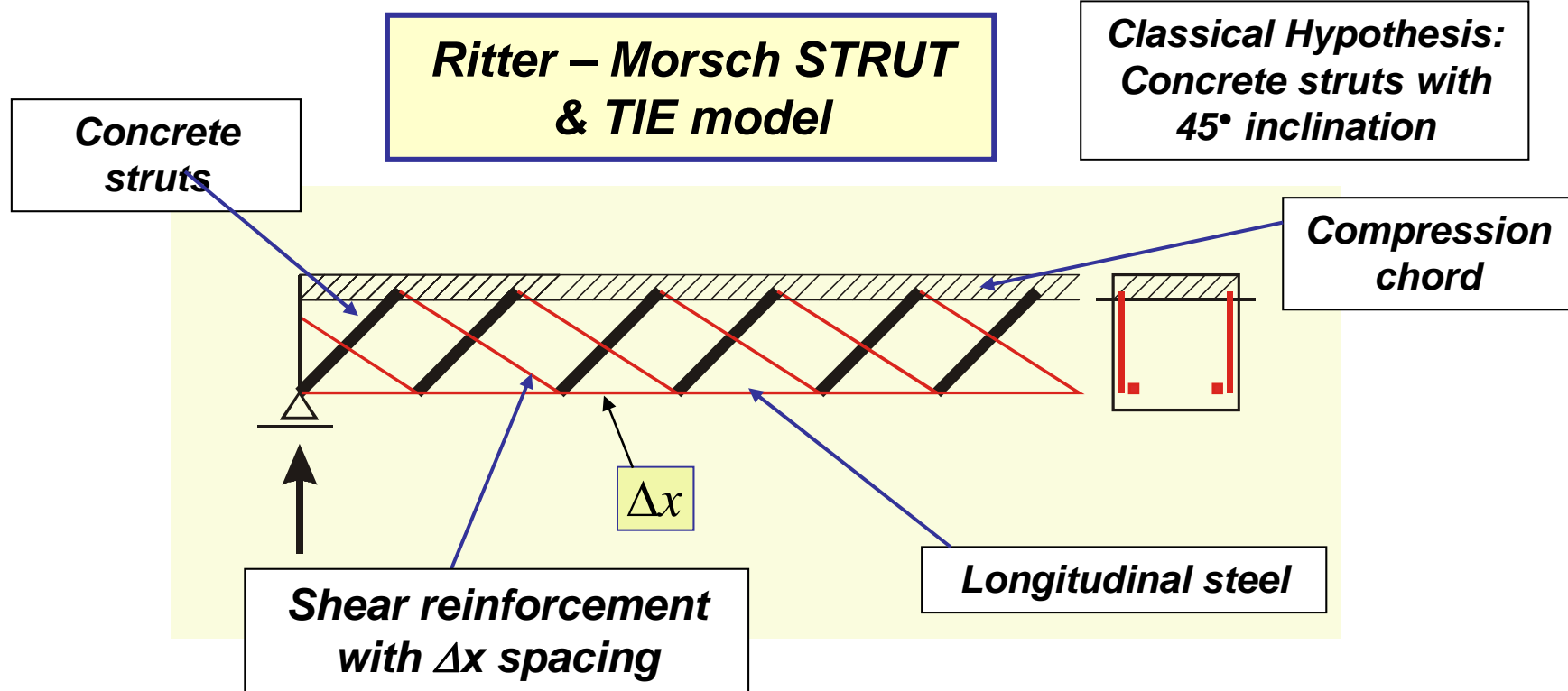
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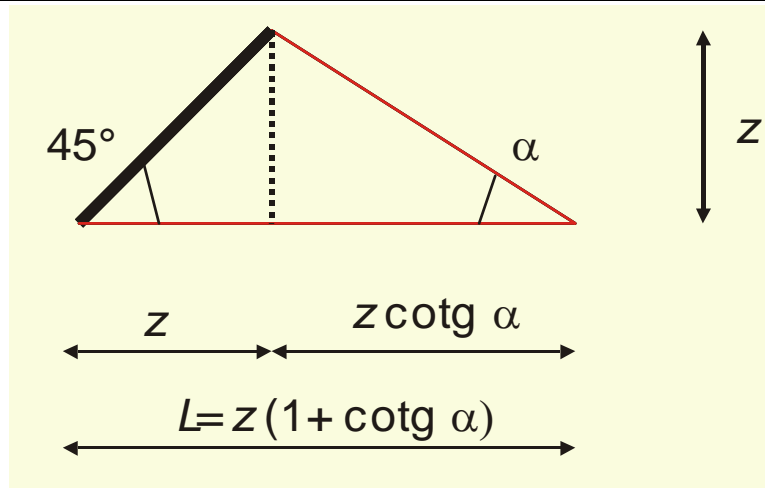
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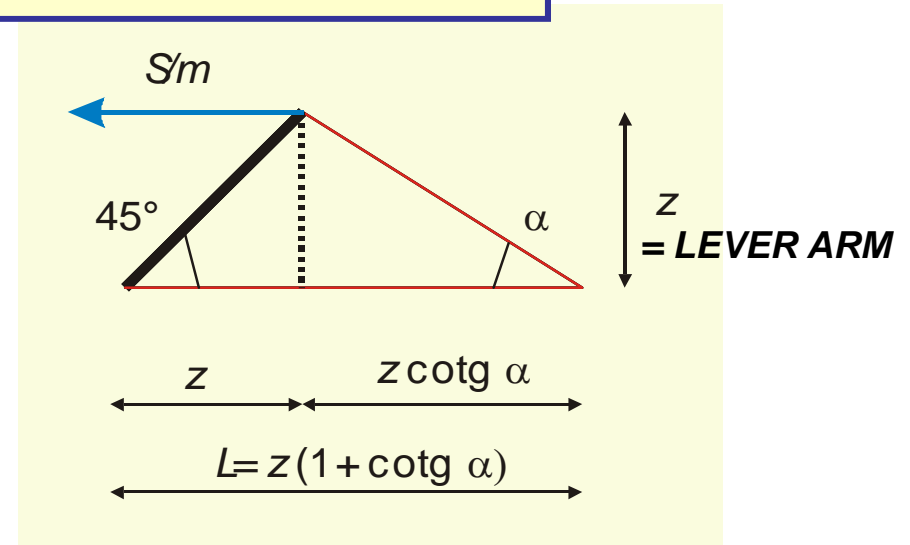
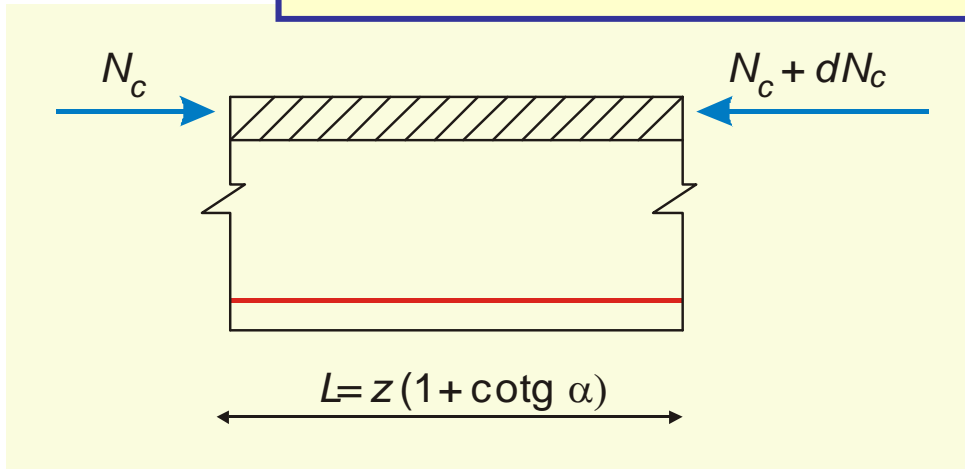
**THE GENERAL TRUSS ELEMENT**



**Multiplicity of the truss**

$$m = \frac{L}{\Delta x} = \frac{z(1 + \cotg \alpha)}{\Delta x}$$

**THE SHEAR FORCE TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE REINFORCEMENT**



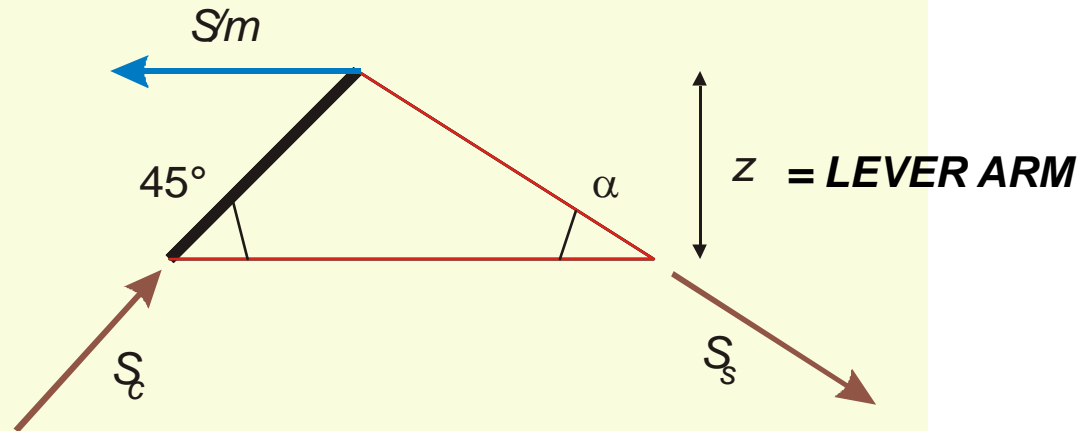
$$\Delta N_c = S = \tau \cdot b \cdot L = \frac{V S}{J b} \cdot b \cdot L = \frac{V}{z} \cdot L$$

$$S / m = \frac{V L}{z m}$$

**SHEAR FORCE TO BE CARRIED OUT ON THE LENGTH L**

**SHEAR FORCE TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE GENERAL TRUSS ELEMENT**

**FORCES ACTING ON THE  
CONCRETE STRUTS AND THE  
STEEL REINFORCEMENT**



$$S_s = \frac{V \Delta x}{z (\sin \alpha + \cos \alpha)}$$

**Traction force on the steel reinforcement**

$$S_c = \sqrt{2} \sin \alpha \cdot S_s = \frac{\sqrt{2} \sin \alpha}{(\sin \alpha + \cos \alpha)} \frac{V \Delta x}{z} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(1 + \cot g \alpha)} \frac{V \Delta x}{z}$$

**Compression on concrete struts**

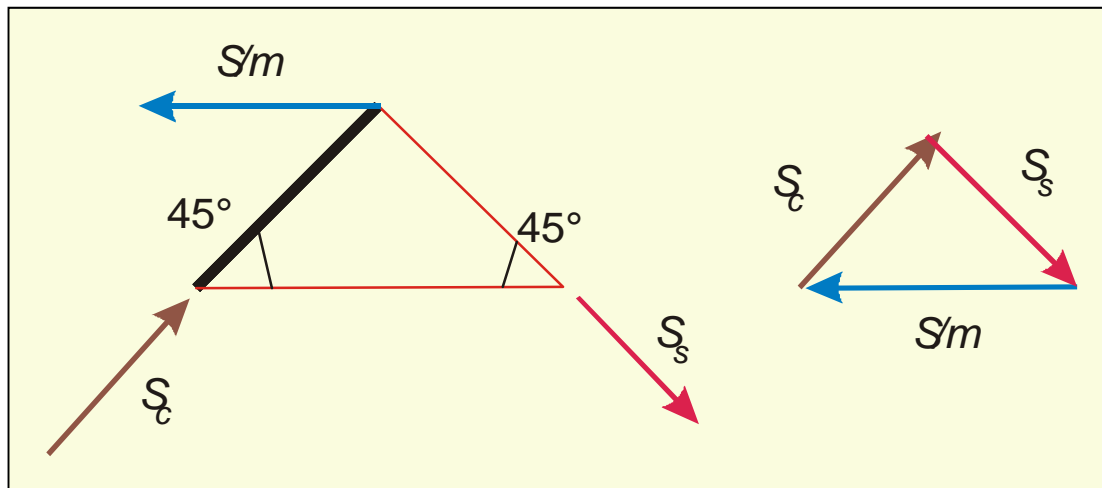
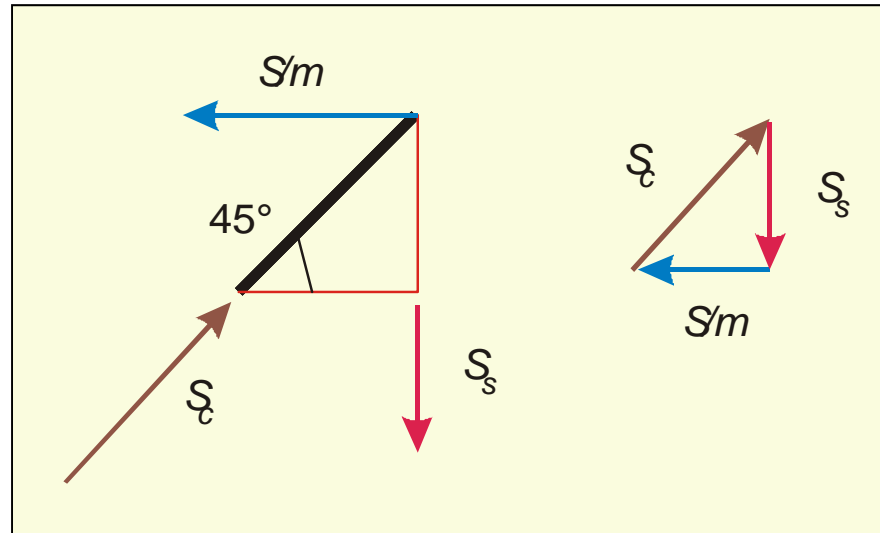
**Forces acting on the concrete struts and the steel reinforcement**

**Example: vertical stirrups:  $\alpha = 90^\circ$**

$1 + \cotg \alpha = 1$

$S_s = \frac{V \Delta x}{z}$

$S_c = \sqrt{2} \frac{V \Delta x}{z}$



**Example:  $\alpha = 45^\circ$**

$1 + \cotg \alpha = 2$

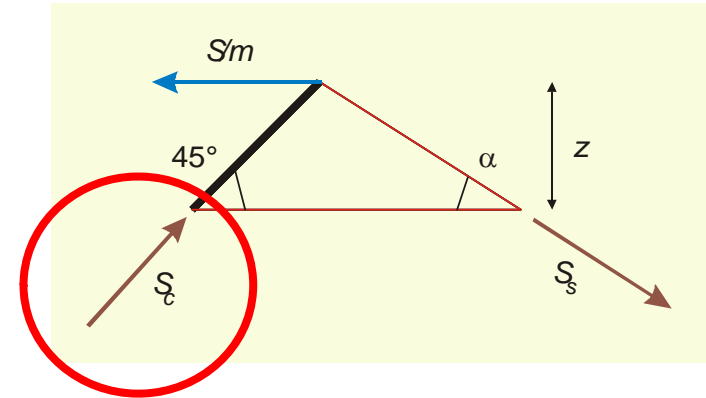
$S_s = \frac{\sqrt{2} V \Delta x}{2 z}$

$S_c = \frac{\sqrt{2} V \Delta x}{2 z}$

## CHECK OF THE CONCRETE STRUT

**Force on the concrete strut**

$$S_c = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{1 + \cotg \alpha} \frac{V \Delta x}{z}$$



**Ultimate strength of the concrete strut**

$$S_{cd} = f'_{cd} b_w \frac{\Delta x}{\sqrt{2}}$$

**Maximum compression strength**

$$f'_{cd} = v f_{cd}$$

**EFFICIENCY COEFFICIENT FOR THE CONCRETE STRUTS DUE TO FLEXURE**

$$v = 0.5$$

**Italian NTC 2008**

$$v = 0.6 \left[ 1 - \frac{f_{ck}}{250} \right] \text{ with } f_{ck} \text{ in MPa}$$

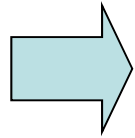
**WE SET (LIMIT CONDITION):**

$$S_c = S_{cd}$$

**EC2**

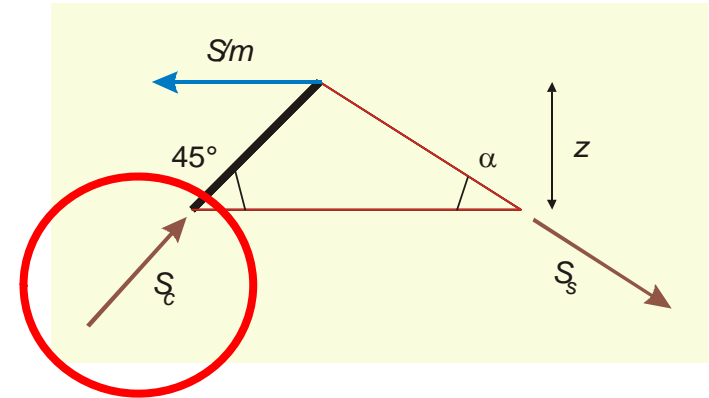
**CHECK OF THE CONCRETE STRUT**

$$S_c = S_{cd}$$



$$V_{Rcd}$$

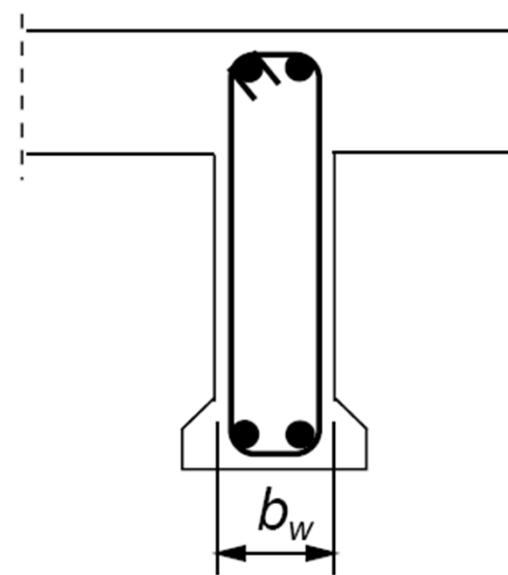
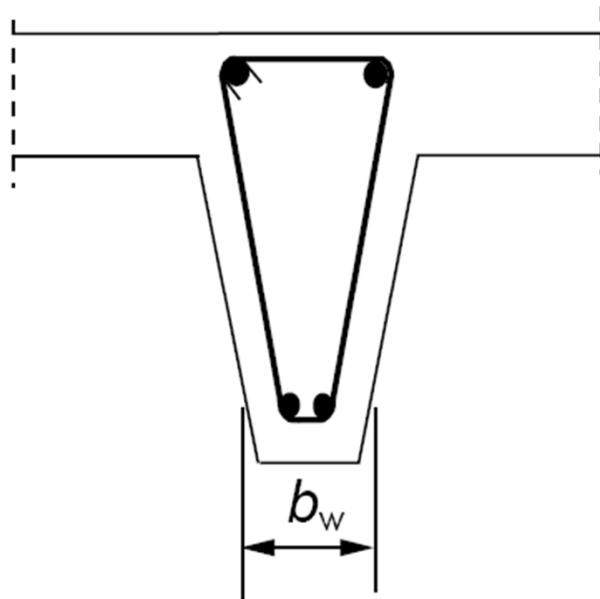
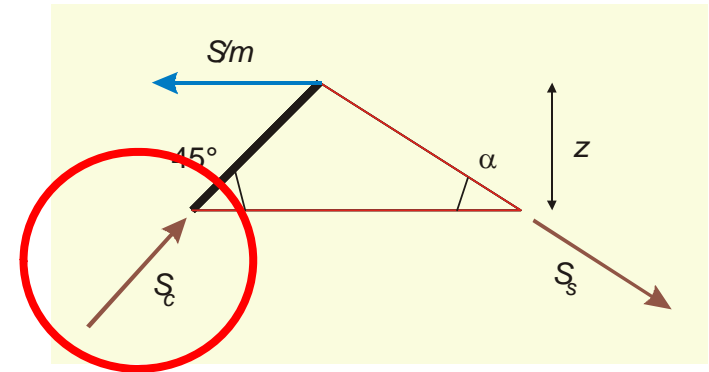
$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{1 + \cotg \alpha} \frac{V \Delta x}{z} = v f_{cd} b_w \frac{\Delta x}{\sqrt{2}}$$



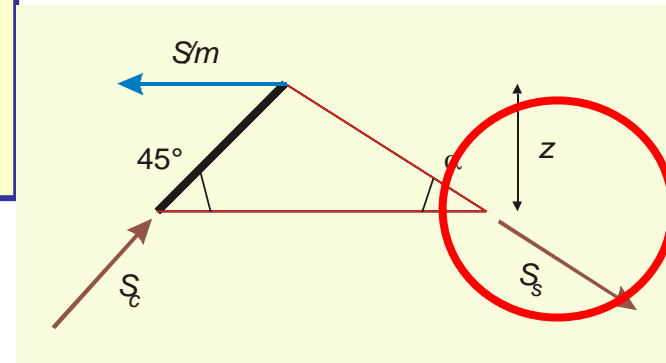
**SHEAR RESISTANCE FOR A BEAM WITH FAILURE OF CONCRETE STRUTS (with 45° inclination)**

$$V_{Rcd} = v f_{cd} b_w z \frac{1 + \cotg \alpha}{2}$$

## DEFINITION OF THE WEB THICKNESS



**SHEAR RESISTANCE AGAINST STEEL FAILURE – HOW TO CALCULATE THE WEB STEEL REINFORCEMENT ( $\theta=45^\circ$ )**



$$V_{Rd} = V_{cd} + V_{wd}$$

DESIGN SHEAR RESISTANCE

CONCRETE CONTRIBUTION

WEB REINFORCEMENT CONTRIBUTION

$$S_s = \frac{V \Delta x}{z (\sin \alpha + \cos \alpha)}$$

SETTING  $A_{sw} f_{ywd} = S_s$

$$V_{cd} = 0.6 \cdot f_{ctd} \cdot b_w d \cdot \delta$$

• CONCRETE CONTRIBUTION IS SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE BEAMS WITHOUT SHEAR REINFORCEMENT

• Coefficient 0.6 has been obtained experimentally (aggregate interlock is more favourable)

$$V_{wd} = f_{ywd} \cdot A_{sw} \frac{z}{\Delta x} (\sin \alpha + \cos \alpha)$$

- ITALIAN CODE (D.M. 1996)
- Vcd not allowed by NTC2008 and EC2 (see next section)
- The ACI approach is similar



**EXAMPLE: CALCULATE THE WEB REINFORCEMENT**

Same example considered before

$B = b_w = 30 \text{ cm}$   
 $H = 50 \text{ cm} \quad d = 46 \text{ cm}$

$V_{sd} = 150 \text{ kN}$   
**STIRRUPS** ( $\alpha=90^\circ$ )  
 $\varnothing 8 @ 200 \text{ mm}$

$$R_{ck} = 30 \text{ N/mm}^2 \Rightarrow f_{cd} = 13.2 \text{ N/mm}^2 \Rightarrow f_{ctd} = 1.1 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

**SHEAR RESISTANCE AGAINST  
 CONCRETE FAILURE**

$$V_{Rcd} = 0.5 b_w d f_{cd} (1 + \cotg \alpha)$$

$$V_{Rcd} = 0.5 \times 300 \times 460 \times 13 \times (1 + 0) = 896 \text{ kN} > V_{sd}$$

$$V_{Rd} = V_{cd} + V_{wd}$$

$$V_{wd, \min} = V_{Sd} - V_{cd}$$

$$V_{cd} = 0.6 \cdot f_{ctd} \cdot b_w d \cdot \delta = 0.6 \times 1.1 \times 300 \times 460 \times 1 = 82 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_{wd, \min} = V_{Sd} - V_{cd} = 150 - 82 = 68 \text{ kN}$$

$$V_{wd} = f_{ywd} \cdot A_{sw} \frac{0.9 d}{\Delta x} (\sin \alpha + \cos \alpha) = 374 \times 101 \times 0.9 \times \frac{460}{200} \times 1 = 78 \text{ kN}$$

**EXAMPLE: WEB REINFORCEMENT CALCULATED WITH THE 1° METHOD**

Same section as before

$B = b_w = 30 \text{ cm}$   
 $H = 50 \text{ cm} \quad d = 46 \text{ cm}$

$V_{sd} = 192 \text{ kN}$   
**VERTICAL STIRRUPS ( $\alpha=90^\circ$ )**  
 $\Phi 8 \text{ mm}$

$$R_{ck} = 30 \text{ N/mm}^2 \Rightarrow f_{cd} = 13.2 \text{ N/mm}^2 \Rightarrow f_{ctd} = 1.1 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

**CALCULATE THE MAXIMUM STIRRUP SPACING**

$$V_{Rd2} = 0.3 b_w d f_{cd}, \quad V_{wd} = V_{sd} - V_{cd}, \quad \frac{A_{sw}}{s} = \frac{V_{wd}}{0.9 d f_{ywd}}$$

$V_{Rd2}$ (kN)	$V_{cd}$ (kN)	$A_{sw}/s$ (cm <sup>2</sup> /m)	STIRRUPS
<b>896</b>	82	9.0	$\Phi 8/11$



**ACCORDING THE THE ALLOWABLE STRESS METHOD**

$$\frac{A_{sw}}{s} = \frac{V_{sd} / 1.5}{z \bar{\sigma}_s} = 12.1 \text{ cm}^2 / \text{m}$$

**Stirrups  $\Phi 8 @ 80 \text{ mm}$**

