



# FLEXURAL BEHAVIOUR OF REINFORCED CONCRETE ONE WAY SLAB WITH OPENING

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### Introduction

- Reinforced concrete (R.C) solid slab has been widely used for the multi-story building. Small openings are required in the slab to accommodate the mechanical and electrical services such as heating, plumbing and ventilating risers. Meanwhile, substantial size openings are required by lift, stairways and elevator shafts as shown in figures (1). The structural effect of small openings is often not considered due to the ability of the structure to redistributed stresses. However, for large openings, the static system may be altered when it involves a significant amount of concrete and reinforcement bar that need to be removed. This may lead to decrease in ability of the structure to withstand the imposed loads and the structure needs.
- For newly constructed slabs, the locations and sizes of the required openings are usually predetermined in the early stages of design and accommodated accordingly.



**Figure(1)** shows different figures with opening.

## The effect of opening on the slab

- The proposed opening in a roof of a building may affect in one or all of the following ways:
- The design live load is increased at the new stair landing area, thereby overloading adjacent portions of the slab.
- The original structural design assumptions (e.g., continuous beam, arch action, etc.) may not be satisfied with the opening
- In the case of a T-beam, the flange is partially or completely removed at the opening side, thereby reducing flexural resistance and stiffness.
- Structural capacities are undermined when floor reinforcement is eliminated or cut off when creating an opening in a concrete slab .

## Aims of the Study

- This study investigates the flexural behavior of R.C one-way slab with opening which include the effect of:
- 1. The size of the openings( 4.2% , 7.4% , 11.6% of the slab volume) .
- 2. The shape of the opening ( square ,circle and rectangular openings).
- 3. The configuration of steel reinforcement around the opening .
- 4. the number of steel bars surrounding the opening.

### **Experimental Work**

Table (1) Specimen Details

| Specimen   | Opening<br>shape | Opening<br>dimension<br>(mm) | %<br>opening | Internal<br>strength<br>(mm) | configuration of<br>strengthening |
|------------|------------------|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>S</b> 1 | -                | -                            | -            | -                            | -                                 |
| S2         | Square           | 200                          | 7.4          | -                            | -                                 |
| <b>S</b> 3 | Square           | 150                          | 4.2          | -                            | -                                 |
| <b>S</b> 4 | Square           | 250                          | 11.6         | -                            | -                                 |
| <b>S</b> 5 | Rectangular      | 151*265                      | 7.4          | -                            | -                                 |
| <b>S</b> 6 | Circle           | D = 225.7                    | 7.4          | -                            | -                                 |
| <b>S</b> 7 | Square           | 200                          | 7.4          | 1 <b>ф</b> 10                | Surrounding                       |
| <b>S</b> 8 | Square           | 200                          | 7.4          | 1 φ 10                       | Diagonal                          |
| <b>S</b> 9 | Square           | 200                          | 7.4          | 1 <b>ф</b> 10                | Surrounding and<br>Diagonal       |
| S10        | Square           | 200                          | 7.4          | 2 <b>\overline{10}</b>       | Surrounding                       |

 Table (\*) Groups Details

| Group | Specimen                 | Parameter   |  |  |  |
|-------|--------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| G1    | \$1 ,\$2 ,\$3 ,\$4       | The effect of the opening size.                                     |  |  |  |
| G2    | S1 ,S3 , S5 , S6         | The effect of opening shape.  |  |  |  |
| G3    | \$1, \$3,\$7,\$8<br>,\$9 | The effect of configuration of steel reinforcement.                 |  |  |  |
| G4    | S1 ,S3 ,S7 ,S10          | The effect of No. of additional steel bars surrounding the opening. |  |  |  |

### **Materials**



#### Figure (\*) Coarse and Fine Aggregate stocks.

• The American mix design method was adopted as the guidance for designing the concrete mixes to have a target 28 days characteristic compressive strength (fcu) equal to (40 MPa), with a slump equal to 120 mm ,and the mix proportions are given in Table (1) below:

Table (\*) Concrete Mixture Design (by Weight).

| Designation Cement<br>content<br>(kg/m3) |     | Aggregate<br>(kg/m3) |        | Water<br>(kg/m3) | W/C  | Slump<br>(mm) |
|--|-----|----------------------|--------|------------------|------|---------------|
|  |     | sand                 | Gravel |                  |      |               |
| C40                                      | 450 | 855                  | 855    | 240              | 0.53 | 120           |



Figure (\*) wooden mold for slabs.



Figure(<sup>£</sup>) the slab system plan.



Figure (°) group1 slabs reinforcement details.



Figure (<sup>¬</sup>) group2 slabs reinforcement details.



Figure (V) group3 slabs reinforcement details.







Figure (<sup>A</sup>) group4 slabs reinforcement details.



Figure (<sup>4</sup>) Preparing Wooden Molds for Slabs and Openings.



Figure (1 · ) Preparing and Weighting Materials



Figure (1) Mixing and Casting Concrete



Figure (1<sup>\*</sup>) Compacting with Rod Vibrator



Figure (1<sup>w</sup>) Slump Tests



Figure (1<sup>£</sup>) Concrete Mixing and Placing



#### Figure (1°) Concrete Mixing and Placing



Figure (17) Curing



Figure (1<sup>v</sup>) Curing



**Figure (1^) Compressive Strength Test** 



**Figure (19) Compressive Strength Test** 



**Figure (20) Splitting Tensile Strength Test** 



**Figure (21) Flexural Strength Test** 



#### Figure (22) painting slabs.



Figure (2<sup>v</sup>) Strain Gauges Arrangement







Applying CN-E adhesive

Applying a constant pressure Figure (2<sup>£</sup>) Strain Gauges Installing

Coating with SB tape

## **Testing Machine**



Figure (2°) Testing Machine

### **Concrete Strain Measurement**



Figure (26) Strain Gauges Arrangement.

## **Data logger TDS-530**



Figure (2<sup>V</sup>) Data Logger TDS-530.

### **Crack Width Measurement**



Figure (2<sup>A</sup>) Optical Micro-Meter.
### **Deflection Measurement**



#### Figure (2<sup>4</sup>) Dial Gauge Position.



Figure (\* • ) Dial Gauge Reading.

## **Experimental Results and Discussions**



Figure (3<sup>1</sup>) Deflection profile for specimen S1.





#### Figure (3<sup>\*</sup>) Crack pattern of specimen S1.



Figure (3<sup>w</sup>) Deflection profile for specimen S2.





Figure (3<sup>£</sup>) Crack pattern of specimen S2.



Figure (3°) Deflection profile for specimen S3





Figure (3<sup>7</sup>) Crack pattern of specimen S3.



Figure (3<sup>v</sup>) Deflection profile for specimen S4





Figure (3<sup>A</sup>) Crack pattern of specimen S4.



Figure (3<sup>4</sup>) Deflection profile for specimen S5.





#### Figure (*t* ·) Crack pattern of specimen S5.



Figure (41) Deflection profile for specimen S6





Figure (4<sup>\*</sup>) Crack pattern of specimen S6.



Figure (4<sup>\*</sup>) Deflection profile for specimen S7.





Figure (4<sup>£</sup>) Crack pattern for S7.



**Figure (4°) Deflection profile for specimen S8** 





Figure (4<sup>1</sup>) Crack pattern of specimen S8.



Figure (4<sup>V</sup>)Deflection profile for specimen S9.





Figure (4<sup>A</sup>) Crack pattern of specimen S9.



Figure (4<sup>4</sup>)Deflection profile for specimen S10.





Figure (° · ) Crack pattern for S10.



Figure (5<sup>1</sup>) Effect of opening size on load-deflection curve.

#### **Effect of Opening Shape**



Figure (5<sup>\*</sup>) Effect of opening shape on load-deflection curve.





Table (£) Ultimate load capacity of specimens .

| Specimen   | Ultimate load,<br>P <sub>u</sub> (KN) | % Pu/Pu<br>Reference | % decreasing in<br>P <sub>u</sub> |
|------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>S1</b>  | 68.8                                  | Reference            | Reference                         |
| <b>S2</b>  | 34.4                                  | 50.00                | 50.00                             |
| <b>S</b> 3 | 36.9                                  | 53.63                | 46.37                             |
| <b>S4</b>  | 28.2                                  | 40.99                | 59.01                             |
| <b>S</b> 5 | 34.3                                  | 49.85                | 50.15                             |
| <b>S6</b>  | 34.7                                  | 50.44                | 49.56                             |
| <b>S7</b>  | 39.7                                  | 57.70                | 42.30                             |
| <b>S8</b>  | 35.5                                  | 51.60                | 48.40                             |
| <b>S9</b>  | 49.7                                  | 72.24                | 27.76                             |
| <b>S10</b> | 47.6                                  | 69.19                | 30.81                             |

Table (°) Enhancement in ultimate load capacity and service deflection dueto additional steel reinforcement around the opening.

| Specimen   | Ultimate<br>load P <sub>u</sub><br>(KN) | Ultimate<br>deflection<br>$\Delta_u$ (mm) | ∆@70<br>% of<br>P <sub>u</sub> *<br>(mm) | %<br>increase in<br>P <sub>u</sub> | %<br>decrease<br>in $\Delta$ @70%<br>of $P_u$ |
|------------|---|---|--|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>S2</b>  | 34.4                                    | 32.80                                     | 6.62                                     | Reference                          | Reference                                     |
| <b>S7</b>  | 39.7                                    | 13.40                                     | 3.50                                     | 15.41                              | 47.13   |
| <b>S8</b>  | 35.5                                    | 24.25                                     | 5.60                                     | 3.20                               | 15.41   |
| <b>S9</b>  | 49.7                                    | 23.00                                     | 4.26                                     | 44.48                              | 35.65   |
| <b>S10</b> | 47.6                                    | 16.28                                     | 3.50                                     | 38.37                              | 47.13   |

\*Deflection at 70% of ultimate load of reference slab S2

# Table (٦) Enhancement of concrete compressive strain due to<br/>additional steel reinforcement around the opening.

| Specimen   | Ultimate strain<br>ε <sub>u</sub> (mm/mm) | ε@70% of P <sub>u</sub> *<br>(mm/mm) | %<br>Decrease in<br>ε@70% of P <sub>u</sub> |
|------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| <b>S2</b>  | 0.004056                                  | 0.001078                             | Reference                                   |
| <b>S7</b>  | 0.001700                                  | 0.000711                             | 34.04                                       |
| <b>S8</b>  | 0.005000                                  | 0.001217                             | -12.89                                      |
| <b>S9</b>  | 0.002012                                  | 0.000848                             | 21.33                                       |
| <b>S10</b> | 0.001612                                  | 0.000758                             | 29.68                                       |



Figure (5°) Effect of opening size on load-concrete compressive strain curve



**Figure** (57) Effect of opening shape on load-concrete. compressive strain curve



Figure (5<sup>v</sup>) Effect of configuration of additional steel reinforcement around opening on load-concrete compressive strain curve.



Figure (5<sup>A</sup>) Effect of No. of additional steel reinforcement around opening on loadconcrete compressive strain curve.

#### Table (<sup>v</sup>) Cracking load of specimens.

| Specimen   | Crack<br>load<br>P <sub>cr</sub> (kN) | Ultimate<br>load, P <sub>u</sub><br>(kN) | % Pcr/Pu | % Decrease<br>in cracking<br>load |
|------------|---------------------------------------|--|----------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>S1</b>  | 9.9                                   | 68.8                                     | 14.39    | Reference                         |
| <b>S2</b>  | 6.9                                   | 34.4                                     | 20.06    | 30.3                              |
| <b>S3</b>  | 7.3                                   | 36.9                                     | 19.78    | 26.3                              |
| <b>S4</b>  | 5.2                                   | 28.2                                     | 18.44    | 47.5                              |
| <b>S5</b>  | 7.1                                   | 34.3                                     | 20.70    | 28.3                              |
| <b>S6</b>  | 6.8                                   | 34.7                                     | 19.60    | 31.3                              |
| <b>S7</b>  | 7.7                                   | 39.7                                     | 19.40    | 22.2                              |
| <b>S8</b>  | 7.1                                   | 35.5                                     | 20.00    | 28.3                              |
| <b>S9</b>  | 7.7                                   | 49.7                                     | 15.49    | 22.2                              |
| <b>S10</b> | 9.3                                   | 47.6                                     | 19.54    | 6.1                               |



Figure (5<sup>4</sup>) Effect of opening size on load-crack width curve.



Figure (<sup>1</sup>, ) Effect of opening shape on load-crack width curve


Figure (61) Effect of configuration of additional steel reinforcement around opening on load-crack width curve.



crack width curve.

 Table (^) Enhancement of crack width due to additional steel

 reinforcement around the opening.

| Specimen   | Ultimate crack<br>width w <sub>u</sub> (mm) | ( w @ 70% of<br>P <sub>u</sub> )* (mm) | %<br>Decrease in<br>(w@70% of P <sub>u</sub> ) |
|------------|---|--|--|
| <b>S2</b>  | 2.30  | 0.18036                                | Reference                                      |
| <b>S7</b>  | 1.40  | 0.07864                                | 56.4   |
| <b>S8</b>  | 3.40  | 0.21183                                | -17.4  |
| <b>S9</b>  | 1.50  | 0.07292                                | 59.6   |
| <b>S10</b> | 1.54  | 0.08778                                | 51.3   |

\*crack width at 70% of ultimate load of reference slab S2

## Conclusions

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- The ultimate load capacity of reinforced concrete slabs with opening ratio of (4.2%, 7.4% and 11.6%) are less than of reinforced concrete one way slabs without opening by about (40%, 50% and 60%) respectively.
- The service deflection, concrete compressive strain and crack width of reinforced concrete slabs with opening are greater than of reinforced concrete one way slabs without opening.

- The ultimate load capacity of reinforced concrete slabs with opening ratio of 7.4% and have different shape of (square, rectangle and circle) are less than of reinforced concrete one way slabs without opening by about (50%) respectively.
- The enhancement of RC one way slab with opening using additional steel reinforcement with form of (surrounding, surrounding + diagonal and double surrounding) gave, an increase in ultimate load capacity by about (15%, 45% and 40%), an decrease in service deflection by about (47%, 36% and 47%), an decrease in concrete compressive strain by about (35%, 20% and 30%), and an decrease in crack width by about (55%, 60% and 50%), respectively.

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