# A NEW MODEL FOR THE COMPLETE DESIGN OF CIRCULAR ISOLATED FOOTINGS CONSIDERING THAT THE CONTACT SURFACE WORKS PARTIALLY UNDER COMPRESSION

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ABSTRACT. This paper presents a new model for the complete design of circular isolated footings considering that the contact surface works partially under compression. The writers used the footing contact surface equations described earlier in a companion paper. The methodology is developed by integration to obtain the moments, the bending shear and the punching shear by means of the pressure volume below of the footing. Other authors present the equations to obtain the design for the circular isolated footing, but consider the total area working under compression. Also, a comparison is presented between the new model (contact surface works partially to compression) and the model proposed by other authors (contact surface works totally to compression). Therefore, the new model is more economic with respect to the model proposed by other authors. **Keywords:** Circular isolated footings, Complete design, Moments, Bending shear,

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1. Introduction. Design of shallow foundations dependent on the application of the loads can be: 1) the footings under concentric load; 2) the footings under uniaxial bending; 3) the footings under biaxial bending [1,2].

Figure 1 presents the distribution of soil pressure under the footing according to the stiffness of the footing and the type of soil. Figure 1(a) shows a rigid footing on sandy soil. Figure 1(b) presents a rigid footing on clay soil. Figure 1(c) shows a flexible footing on sandy soil. Figure 1(d) presents a flexible footing on clay soil. Figure 1(e) shows the uniform distribution used in the current design [1].

The pressure distribution diagrams can be applied when the center of gravity of the footing coincides with the position of the resultant force (see Figure 1).

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FIGURE 1. Distribution of the soil pressure under footing

The works which present the dimensions of the contact surface on the soil for foundations are: for square, rectangular and circular isolated footings [3-9]; for strap, trapezoidal, rectangular, corner and T-shaped combined footings [10-15]. These models consider the entire contact surface working in compression.

Other researchers have presented mathematical models to obtain the stresses at the base of rectangular isolated footings that consider a linear distribution of soil pressure and the contact surface working partially in compression [16-23].

The analytical models have been studied by several researchers to obtain the design of isolated footings subjected to an axial load and two moments on the X and Y axes (biaxial bending) and taking into account the linear distribution of the soil for rectangular isolated footings by Luévanos-Rojas et al. [24], for circular isolated footings by Luévanos-Rojas [25], for square isolated footings by López-Chavarría et al. [26]. Other researchers have developed mathematical models to obtain the design of combined footings subjected to an axial load and two moments in orthogonal directions (biaxial bending) in each column and taking into account the linear distribution of the soil for boundary rectangular combined footings by Luévanos-Rojas [27], for rectangular combined boundary footings with two restricted opposite sides by Luévanos-Rojas [28], for boundary trapezoidal combined footings by Luévanos-Rojas [29], for T-shaped combined footings by Luévanos-Rojas et al. [30], for strap combined footings by Yáñez-Palafox et al. [31]. Also, several researchers have presented optimal models for the design of isolated footings under the criterion of minimum cost for rectangular isolated footings by Luévanos-Rojas et al. [32], and for circular isolated footings by López-Chavarría et al. [33]. Also, these models consider the entire contact surface working in compression.

According to the bibliographic review, the closest papers are the new design and optimal model of circular isolated footings, but the contact surface with the soil woks totally under compression. Therefore, there is no paper with the current level of knowledge about the design of circular isolated footings considering that contact surface works partially in compression.

This paper shows an analytical model to obtain the complete design to obtain the thickness and areas of longitudinal and transverse steel of the circular isolated footings considering that contact area with the soil works partially to compression on the basis that the contact area with the soil proposed by Soto-García et al. [34], and the methodology is developed by integration to obtain the pressure volume below footing. Other authors present the equations to obtain the design for the circular isolated footing, but consider the total area working under compression. Also, a comparison is presented between the new model (contact surface works partially to compression) and the model proposed by other authors (contact surface works totally to compression) to observe the differences between the two models. In addition, this study presents the characteristics of the environment indicator related to quality of life [35].

The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 describes the methodology according to the building code requirements for structural concrete (ACI 318-19) [36]. Subsection 2.1 shows

2. Methodology. Building code requirements for structural concrete (ACI 318-19) mentions the following [36]:

1) For location of critical sections for moment, shear, and development of reinforcement in footings, it shall be permitted to treat circular or regular polygon-shaped concrete columns or pedestals as square members with the same area.

2) Maximum factored moment " $M_u$ " shall be computed at face of column, pedestal, or wall, for footings supporting a concrete column, pedestal, or wall.

3) Location of critical section for bending shear shall be measured from face of column, pedestal, or wall to a distance "d" (effective deep), for footings supporting a column, pedestal, or wall.

4) Location of the critical section for the punching shear is in the perimeter " $b_0$ " around the column at a distance "d/2" from face of column or pedestal.

Figures 1 and 2 show a circular isolated footing under axial load and moment in two orthogonal directions (biaxial bending) proposed by Soto-Garcia et al. [34].

The pressure anywhere of the contact surface for the circular isolated footing " $\sigma_{y'}$ " is obtained by Equation (12) in function of  $\sigma_p$  (available permissible load capacity of the soil), R (radius of the circular footing), y' (axis where the maximum stress is located) and  $y_0'$  (distance from the origin to the axis where the stresses are zero, measured along the Y' axis) proposed by Soto-Garcia et al. [34].

In this section the two models are shown, the model proposed in this work (The contact area of the footing with the soil works partially in compression) and the model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas [25] (The contact area of the footing with the soil works totally in compression).

2.1. Formulation of the new model. Figure 2 shows the axes for the critical sections where the moments are presented. The points  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are located where the stresses



FIGURE 2. Critical sections for moments of a circular isolated footing

are zero, i.e., the line that joins the points  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  is the neutral axis and  $P_3$  is located where the stress is maximum " $\sigma_p$ ". Here, " $c_1$ " is the side of the column in the direction of the Y axis, " $c_2$ " is the side of the column in the direction of the X axis, " $\theta$ " is the inclination angle of the Y' axis with respect to the Y axis, the X' and Y' axes are the rotated coordinates, the X and Y axes are the original coordinates.

Critical sections for moments appear in sections "a-a" and "b-b".

The general equation of a plane in 3-D is

$$Ax + By + C\sigma_z + D = 0 \tag{1}$$

The three known points of the plane in 3D are

$$P_{1}\left(\sqrt{R^{2}-y_{0}^{\prime 2}}\cos\theta+y_{0}^{\prime}\sin\theta, \ y_{0}^{\prime}\cos\theta-\sqrt{R^{2}-y_{0}^{\prime 2}}\sin\theta,0\right)$$

$$P_{2}\left(-\sqrt{R^{2}-y_{0}^{\prime 2}}\cos\theta+y_{0}^{\prime}\sin\theta,y_{0}^{\prime}\cos\theta+\sqrt{R^{2}-y_{0}^{\prime 2}}\sin\theta,0\right)$$

$$P_{3}\left(R\sin\theta,R\cos\theta,\sigma_{p}\right)$$

$$(2)$$

Now, the general equation of the plane by determinant is obtained:

$$x - \sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \cos \theta - y_0' \sin \theta \qquad y + \sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \sin \theta - y_0' \cos \theta \qquad \sigma_z$$
$$-2\sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \cos \theta \qquad 2\sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \sin \theta \qquad 0 \qquad (3)$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{c} (R - y_0')\sin\theta - \sqrt{R^2 - {y_0'}^2}\cos\theta & \sqrt{R^2 - {y_0'}^2}\sin\theta + (R - y_0')\cos\theta & \sigma_p \end{array} \right|$$

The value of  $\sigma_z$  by Equation (3) is obtained:

$$\sigma_z = \frac{\sigma_p \left( y \cos \theta - y_0' + x \sin \theta \right)}{R - y_0'} \tag{4}$$

If it is required to find the equation of the straight line where the stresses are zero by Equation (4), it is obtained:

$$y\cos\theta - y_0' + x\sin\theta = 0 \tag{5}$$

The factorized moment on the "a" axis " $M_{ua}$ " is obtained by the pressure " $\sigma_z$ " and the area defined by the "a" axis, the equation of the straight line from the point  $P_2$  to the "a" axis and the equation of the circumference, all this pressure is with respect to the "a" axis (see Figure 2).

The general equation of the factorized moment on the "a" axis " $M_{ua}$ " is

$$M_{ua} = \int_{y_0' \cos \theta + \sqrt{R^2 - {y_0'}^2} \sin \theta}^R \int_{-\sqrt{R^2 - y^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2 - y^2}} \sigma_z \left( y - \frac{c_1}{2} \right) dx dy + \int_{\frac{c_1}{2}}^{y_0' \cos \theta + \sqrt{R^2 - {y_0'}^2} \sin \theta} \int_{\frac{y_0' - y \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}}^{\sqrt{R^2 - y^2}} \sigma_z \left( y - \frac{c_1}{2} \right) dx dy$$
(6)

The factorized moment on the "b" axis " $M_{ub}$ " is obtained by the pressure " $\sigma_z$ " and the area defined by the "b" axis, the equation of the straight line from the point  $P_1$  to the "b" axis and the equation of the circumference, all this pressure is with respect to the "b" axis (see Figure 2).

The general equation of the factorized moment on the "b" axis " $M_{ub}$ " is

$$M_{ub} = \int_{y_0' \sin \theta + \sqrt{R^2 - {y_0'}^2} \cos \theta}^{R} \int_{-\sqrt{R^2 - x^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2 - x^2}} \sigma_z \left( x - \frac{c_2}{2} \right) dy dx$$

$$+\int_{\frac{c_2}{2}}^{y_0'\cos\theta+\sqrt{R^2-y_0'^2}\sin\theta}\int_{\frac{y_0'-x\sin\theta}{\cos\theta}}^{\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}\sigma_z\left(x-\frac{c_2}{2}\right)dydx\tag{7}$$

Figure 3 shows the axes of the critical sections where the bending shears occur. Critical sections for bending shears appear in sections "c-c" and "e-e".



FIGURE 3. Critical sections for bending shears of a circular isolated footing

The factorized bending shear on the "c" axis " $V_{uc}$ " is obtained by the pressure " $\sigma_z$ " and the area defined by the "c" axis, the equation of the straight line from the point  $P_2$  to the "c" axis and the equation of the circumference according to Figure 3.

The general equation of the factorized bending shear on the "c" axis " $V_{uc}$ " is

$$V_{uc} = \int_{y_0' \cos \theta + \sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \sin \theta}^{R} \int_{-\sqrt{R^2 - y^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2 - y^2}} \sigma_z dx dy + \int_{\frac{c_1}{2} + d}^{y_0' \cos \theta + \sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \sin \theta} \int_{\frac{y_0' - y \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}}^{\sqrt{R^2 - y^2}} \sigma_z dx dy$$
(8)

The factorized bending shear on the "e" axis " $V_{ue}$ " is obtained by the pressure " $\sigma_z$ " and the area defined by the "e" axis, the equation of the straight line from the point  $P_1$  to the "e" axis and the equation of the circumference according to Figure 3.

The general equation of the factorized bending shear on the "e" axis " $V_{ue}$ " is

$$V_{ue} = \int_{y_0' \sin \theta + \sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \cos \theta}^{R} \int_{-\sqrt{R^2 - x^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2 - x^2}} \sigma_z dy dx + \int_{\frac{c_2}{2} + d}^{y_0' \cos \theta + \sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \sin \theta} \int_{\frac{y_0' - x \sin \theta}{\cos \theta}}^{\sqrt{R^2 - x^2}} \sigma_z dy dx$$
(9)

Figure 4 shows the perimeter of the critical section where the punching shear occurs. Critical sections for punching shear appear on the dotted line.

The factorized punching shear " $V_{up}$ " is obtained by factorized axial load " $P_u$ " of the column subtracting the pressure " $\sigma_z$ " shown and the area defined in the Y direction of  $-c_1/2 - d/2$  to  $c_1/2 + d/2$  and in the X direction of  $-c_2/2 - d/2$  to  $c_2/2 + d/2$  according to Figure 4.

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FIGURE 4. Critical section for punching shear of a circular isolated footing

The general equation of the factorized punching shear on the perimeter of the critical section " $V_{up}$ " is

$$V_{up} = P_u - \int_{-\frac{c_1}{2} - \frac{d}{2}}^{\frac{c_1}{2} + \frac{d}{2}} \int_{-\frac{c_2}{2} - \frac{d}{2}}^{\frac{c_2}{2} + \frac{d}{2}} \sigma_z dx dy$$
(10)

2.2. Equations of the model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas. Figure 5 shows the axes for the critical sections where the moments are presented.



FIGURE 5. Critical sections for moments of a circular isolated footing

The general equation of the factorized moment on the "a" axis " $M_{ua}$ " is [25]

$$M_{ua} = \frac{\left(2M_{ux} - P_{u}c_{1}\right)}{4} + \frac{P_{u}\left(c_{1}^{2} + 8R^{2}\right)\sqrt{4R^{2} - c_{1}^{2}}}{24\pi R^{2}} + \frac{M_{ux}c_{1}\left(c_{1}^{2} - 10R^{2}\right)\sqrt{4R^{2} - c_{1}^{2}}}{24\pi R^{4}} + \frac{\left(P_{u}c_{1} - 2M_{ux}\right)}{2\pi} \operatorname{arcsin}\left(\frac{c_{1}}{2R}\right)$$
(11)

The general equation of the factorized moment on the "b" axis " $M_{ub}$ " is [25]

$$M_{ub} = \frac{(2M_{uy} - P_u c_2)}{4} + \frac{P_u (c_2^2 + 8R^2) \sqrt{4R^2 - c_2^2}}{24\pi R^2} + \frac{M_{uy} c_2 (c_2^2 - 10R^2) \sqrt{4R^2 - c_2^2}}{24\pi R^4} + \frac{(P_u c_2 - 2M_{uy})}{2\pi} \arcsin\left(\frac{c_2}{2R}\right)$$
(12)

Figure 6 shows the axes of the critical sections where the bending shears occur.



FIGURE 6. Critical sections for bending shears of a circular isolated footing

The general equation of the factorized bending shear on the "c" axis " $V_{uc}$ " is [25]

$$V_{uc} = \frac{P_u}{2} - P_u \left(\frac{c_1 + 2d}{4\pi R^2}\right) \sqrt{4R^2 - (c_1 + 2d)^2} - \frac{P_u}{\pi} \arcsin\left(\frac{c_1 + 2d}{2R}\right) + \frac{M_{ux} \left[4R^2 - (c_1 + 2d)^2\right]^{3/2}}{3\pi R^4}$$
(13)

The general equation of the factorized bending shear on the "e" axis " $V_{ue}$ " is [25]

$$V_{ue} = \frac{P_u}{2} - P_u \left(\frac{c_2 + 2d}{4\pi R^2}\right) \sqrt{4R^2 - (c_2 + 2d)^2} - \frac{P_u}{\pi} \arcsin\left(\frac{c_2 + 2d}{2R}\right) + \frac{M_{uy} \left[4R^2 - (c_2 + 2d)^2\right]^{3/2}}{3\pi R^4}$$
(14)

Figure 7 shows the perimeter of the critical section where the punching shear occurs.

The general equation of the factorized punching shear on the perimeter of the critical section " $V_{up}$ " is [25]

$$V_{up} = P_u - \frac{P_u \left(c_1 + d\right) \left(c_2 + d\right)}{\pi R^2}$$
(15)

3. Numerical Problems. Three designs of circular isolated footings that support a square column are presented according to Figures 1 and 2 proposed by Soto-García et al. [34], and the following information is given: the column is of  $40 \times 40$  cm; H (Depth of the footing) = 1.50 m;  $P_D$  (Dead load) = 300 kN (Example 1), 250 kN (Example 2) and 200 kN (Example 3);  $P_L$  (Live load) = 200 kN (Example 1), 150 kN (Example 2) and 100 kN (Example 3);  $M_{Dx}$  (Moment around the X axis of the dead load) = 200 kN-m;  $M_{Lx}$  (Moment around the X axis of the live load) = 100 kN-m;  $M_{Dy}$  (Moment around

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FIGURE 7. Critical section for punching shear of a circular isolated footing

the Y axis of the dead load) = 60 kN-m;  $M_{Ly}$  (Moment around the Y axis of the live load) = 40 kN-m;  $f'_c$  (Specified compressive strength of concrete at 28 days) = 21 MPa;  $f_y$  (Specified yield strength of steel reinforcement) = 420 MPa;  $q_a$  (Permissible load capacity of the soil) = 220 kN/m<sup>2</sup>;  $\gamma_c$  (Concrete density) = 24 kN/m<sup>3</sup>;  $\gamma_s$  (fill soil density) = 15 kN/m<sup>3</sup>. The available permissible load capacity of the soil " $\sigma_p$ " is obtained as follows: the permissible load capacity of the soil " $q_a$ " is subtracted from the weight of the footing " $\gamma_{ppz}$ " ( $\gamma_c$  by the thickness of the footing), and the weight of the soil fill " $\gamma_{pps}$ " ( $\gamma_s$  by the thickness of the soil fill).

3.1. New model. The thickness of the footing must satisfy the moments, bending shear, and punching shear. After making several proposals for the three examples, the thickness that meets the conditions mentioned above is 30 cm. Therefore, the available permissible load capacity of the soil is  $\sigma_p = 194.80 \text{ kN/m}^2$ .

Substituting  $M_y$  and  $M_x$  into Equation (2) proposed by Soto-García et al. [34], and the resultant moment for the three examples is obtained:  $M_R = 316.23$  kN-m. Now, substituting P and  $M_R$  into Equation (6) proposed by Soto-García et al. [34], and the eccentricity is found:  $e_R = 63.25$  cm (Example 1), 79.06 cm (Example 2) and 105.41 cm (Example 3). By Equation (10) proposed by Soto-García et al. [34], it is obtained: R =1.49 m (Example 1), 1.44 m (Example 2) and 1.40 m (Example 3). Then  $e_R > R/4$  for the three examples (resultant force is located outside the central nucleus of the footing). Substituting  $\sigma_p$ , P and  $M_R$  into Equations (17) and (20) proposed by Soto-García et al. [34] are obtained: R and  $y_0'$ . Therefore, the proposed radius of the footings will be R =1.55 m (Example 1), 1.55 m (Example 2) and 1.70 m (Example 3). Now, substituting R, P and  $M_R$  into Equations (17) and (20) proposed by Soto-García et al. [34] are obtained: R and  $y_0'$ .

The factored mechanical elements  $(P_u, M_{ux} \text{ and } M_{uy})$  that act on the footing are obtained by  $P_u = 1.2P_D + 1.6P_L$ ,  $M_{ux} = 1.2M_{Dx} + 1.6M_{Lx}$  and  $M_{uy} = 1.2M_{Dy} + 1.6M_{Ly}$ .

The inclination angle of the Y' axis with respect to the Y axis by Equation (3) proposed by Soto-García et al. [34] is obtained:  $\theta = 0.33$  Radians (for the three examples).

The factored resultant moment by Equation (2) proposed by Soto-García et al. [34] is obtained:  $M_{uR} = 422.49$  kN-m (for the three examples).

Now, substitute R,  $P_u$  and  $M_{uR}$  into Equations (17) and (20) proposed by Soto-García et al. [34] to find the values of  $\sigma_{up}$  (ultimate design stress) and  $y_0'$  (for the three examples).

Table 1 shows all the values of the three examples of circular isolated footings obtained for the new model.

	R (m)	$y_0'$ (m)	R (m)	$\sigma_{\rm max}~({\rm kN/m^2})$	$y_0'$ (m)	$\sigma_{up} \; (kN/m^2)$	$y_0'$ (m)	
Example	By Equations		Proposed	By Equati	ons	By Equations		
	(17) and $(20)$ [34]			(17) and $(20)$	) [34]	(17) and $(20)$ [34]		
1	1.53	-0.72	1.55	185.63	-0.76	248.19	-0.79	
2	1.55	-0.32	1.55	194.19	-0.32	258.19	-0.34	
3	1.65	0.20	1.70	174.32	0.14	142.48	-0.56	

TABLE 1. New model

The moment " $M_{ua}$ " on the "a" axis by Equation (6) and the moment " $M_{ub}$ " on the "b" axis by Equation (7) are obtained.

The effective deep "d" is obtained by the code for each moment (ACI 318-19) [36]:  $d_a$  and  $d_b$ , the values of "d" are less than 22 cm for the three examples (minimum dimension according to the code), therefore, the proposed dimensions are: d = 22 cm, r (Cover over the reinforcing steel) = 8 cm and t (Total thickness) = 30 cm.

The bending shear " $V_{uc}$ " on the "c" axis by Equation (8) and the bending shear " $V_{ue}$ " on the "e" axis by Equation (9) are obtained. The bending shear resisted by concrete is (ACI 318-19) [36]:  $\emptyset_v V_{cf}$ . Therefore,  $V_{uc}$  and  $V_{ue} \leq \emptyset_v V_{cf}$  must meet.

The punching shear " $V_{up}$ " on critical perimeter by Equation (10) is obtained. The punching shear resisted by concrete are (ACI 318-19) [36]:  $\emptyset_v V_{cp}$ . Therefore,  $V_{up} \leq \emptyset_v V_{cp}$ , must meet.

The main reinforcing steel areas " $A_{spy}$  and  $A_{spx}$ " in the X and Y axis directions, the minimum steel areas " $A_{smin}$ " are obtained according to the code [36].

The minimum development length for deformed bars is found (ACI 318-14) [36]:  $L_d$ . The available length of the footing is  $L_a$ . Then,  $L_d < L_a$ . Therefore, it does not require a hook (for the three examples).

3.2. Model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas. The thickness of the footings and the resultant moments " $M_R$ " are the same as in the new model.

Now, substituting P and  $M_R$  into Equations (9) and (10) presented by Soto-García et al. [34] are obtained the radius, and the eldest is the one who governs.

Therefore, the proposed radius of the footings will be R = 2.55 m (Example 1), 3.20 m (Example 2) and 4.25 m (Example 3).

Table 2 shows all the values of the three examples of circular isolated footings obtained for the model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas [4].

Example		R (m)	$\sigma_{\rm max}~({\rm kN/m^2})$ $\sigma_{\rm min}~({\rm kN/m^2})$			
	By Equation	By Equation	Proposed	By Equation $(8)$ [34]		
	(9) [34]	(10) [34]	Toposcu			
1	2.53	1.49	2.55	48.76	0.19	
2	3.16	1.44	3.20	24.72	0.15	
3	4.22	1.40	4.25	10.53	0.04	

TABLE 2. Model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas [4]

The factored mechanical elements  $(P_u, M_{ux} \text{ and } M_{uy})$  are the same as in the new model. The moment " $M_{ua}$ " on the "a" axis by Equation (11) and the moment " $M_{ub}$ " on the "b" axis by Equation (12) are obtained.

The effective deep "d" is the same as in the new model.

The bending shear " $V_{uc}$ " on the "c" axis by Equation (13) and the bending shear " $V_{ue}$ " on the "e" axis by Equation (14) are obtained. The bending shear resisted by concrete is (ACI 318-19) [36]:  $\emptyset_v V_{cf}$ . Therefore,  $V_{uc}$  and  $V_{ue} \leq \emptyset_v V_{cf}$  must meet.

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4. **Results.** Tables show the comparison of the two models for the three examples: The NM (new model) proposed in this document and the MPLR (model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas).

Table 3 presents the moments  $M_{ua}$  and  $M_{ub}$ , the analysis widths by bending  $b_{wb}$ , the bending shears that act  $V_{uc}$  and  $V_{ue}$ , the permissible bending shear  $\mathcal{O}_v V_{cf}$ , the analysis widths for bending shear  $b_{ws}$ , the punching shear that acts  $V_{up}$ , the permissible punching shear  $\mathcal{O}_v V_{cp}$ , the perimeter of the critical section for punching shear  $b_0$  for the two models.

	Example 1			E	Example 2	2	Example 3		
Concept	NM	MPLR	MPLR	NM	MPLR	MPLR	PLR NM NM	MPLR	MPLR
			/NM			/NM			/NM
$M_{ua}$ (kN-m)	328.79	476.81	1.45	312.43	493.66	1.58	242.81	505.99	2.08
$M_{ub}$ (kN-m)	212.46	362.33	1.71	175.08	375.64	2.15	144.91	384.52	2.65
$b_{wb}$ (m)	3.07	5.08	1.65	3.07	6.39	2.08	3.38	8.49	2.51
$V_{uc}$ (kN)	411.58	401.80	0.98	400.60	330.92	0.83	285.67	254.69	0.89
$V_{ue}$ (kN)	287.57	314.17	1.09	237.95	261.02	1.10	180.72	202.01	1.12
$b_{ws}$ (m)	2.98	5.03	1.69	2.98	6.34	2.13	3.29	8.46	2.57
$O_v V_{cf}$ (kN)	434.13	732.82	1.69	434.13	923.61	2.13	479.29	1232.45	2.57
$V_{up}$ (kN)	647.79	667.20	1.03	522.15	533.55	1.02	386.43	397.29	1.03
$b_0$ (m)	2.48	2.48	1.00	2.48	2.48	1.00	2.48	2.48	1.00
$O_v V_{cp}$ (kN)	1083.86	1083.86	1.00	1083.86	1083.86	1.00	1083.86	1083.86	1.00
	978.70	978.70	1.00	978.70	978.70	1.00	978.70	978.70	1.00
	701.32	701.32	1.00	701.32	701.32	1.00	701.32	701.32	1.00

TABLE 3. Moments, bending shears and punching shears

Table 4 shows the reinforcing steel in the X and Y directions  $A_{spx}$  and  $A_{spy}$ , the minimum steel  $A_{smin}$ , the proposed reinforcing steel in the X and Y directions  $A_{sx}$  and  $A_{sy}$ , the rods spacing in the X and Y directions  $s_x$  and  $s_y$  of the two models.

Table 5 presents the radius R, the effective deep d, the cover over the reinforcing steel r, the total thickness t, the concrete volume  $V_C$ , the steel volume in the X and Y directions  $V_{Sx}$  and  $V_{Sy}$ , the total steel volume  $V_{St}$  for the two models.

Table 3 presents the following. The moments that act on the "a" and "b" axes are greater in the MPLR with respect to NM. The bending shear that acts on the "c" axis

	Example 1			Example 2			Example 3		
Concept	NM	MPLR	MPLR /NM	NM	MPLR	MPLR /NM	NM	MPLR	MPLR /NM
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$A_{spy} \ (\mathrm{cm}^2)$	42.71	61.29	1.44	40.41	62.65	1.55	30.69	63.38	2.06
$A_{spx} \ (\mathrm{cm}^2)$	26.80	45.77	1.71	21.89	47.02	2.15	17.93	47.67	2.66
$A_{smin} \ (\mathrm{cm}^2)$	22.54	37.28	1.65	22.54	46.86	2.08	24.79	62.26	2.51
$\Lambda$ (am <sup>2</sup> )	43.18	62.23	1.44	40.64	63.50	1.56	31.75	63.50	2.00
$A_{sy}$ (cm <sup>2</sup> )	$(34\emptyset 1/2")$	$(49\emptyset 1/2")$		$(32\emptyset 1/2")$	$(50\emptyset 1/2")$		$(25\emptyset 1/2")$	$(50\emptyset 1/2")$	
$A_{sx} \ (\mathrm{cm}^2)$	27.94	46.99	1.68	22.86	48.26	2.11	25.40	63.50	2.50
	$(22\emptyset 1/2")$	$(37\emptyset 1/2")$		$(18\emptyset 1/2")$	$(38\emptyset 1/2")$		$(20\emptyset 1/2")$	$(50\emptyset 1/2")$	
$s_y (cm)$	9	10	1.11	9	12	1.33	14	17	1.21
$s_x (cm)$	14	14	1.00	17	17	1.00	17	17	1.00

TABLE 4. Reinforcing steel of the footings

TABLE 5. Volumes of the materials used to construct of footings

	Example 1			I	Example 2		Example 3		
Concept	NM	MPLR	MPLR	NM	MPLR	MPLR	NM	MPLR	MPLR
	1111		/NM			/NM	1.1.1		/NM
R (cm)	155	255	1.65	155	320	2.06	170	4.25	2.50
d (cm)	22	22	1.00	22	22	1.00	22	22	1.00
r (cm)	8	8	1.00	8	8	1.00	8	8	1.00
t (cm)	30	30	1.00	30	30	1.00	30	30	1.00
$V_C (\mathrm{m}^3)$	2.26	6.13	2.71	2.26	9.65	4.27	2.72	17.02	6.26
$V_{Sy} \ (\mathrm{cm}^3)$	12644.05	30717.21	2.43	11900.28	39559.66	3.32	10250.33	52861.76	5.16
$V_{Sx} \ (\mathrm{cm}^3)$	8134.50	23176.91	2.85	6624.28	30016.02	4.53	8131.89	52861.76	6.50
$V_{St} \ (\mathrm{cm}^3)$	20456.18	54442.49	2.66	18524.56	69575.68	3.76	18382.22	105723.52	5.75

is greater in the NM with respect to MPLR, and the bending shear that acts on the "e" axis is greater in the MPLR with respect to NM. The punching shear that acts on the perimeter of the critical section is greater in the MPLR with respect to NM. This is for the three examples.

Table 4 shows the following. All reinforcing steel areas are larger for the MPLR with respect to the NM. This is for the three examples.

Table 5 presents the following. The radius, the volume of the concrete, the volume of the steel in the X and Y directions and the total volume of the steel are greater in the MPLR with respect to the NM. The effective deep, the cover over the reinforcing steel and the total thickness are the same. This is for the three examples.

Figure 8 shows the detailed diagram of a general shape of the circular isolated footing. To verify the new model of this paper is as follows:

1) Replacing  $c_1/2$  by  $y_0' \cos \theta - \sqrt{R^2 - {y_0'}^2} \sin \theta$  and  $y - c_1/2$  by y in Equation (6) gives:  $M_{ux}$  (Moment on the X axis), this moment is equal to the factored moment acting on the footing in the X axis.

2) Replacing  $c_2/2$  by  $y_0' \sin \theta - \sqrt{R^2 - {y_0'}^2} \cos \theta$  and  $x - c_2/2$  by x in Equation (7) gives:  $M_{uy}$  (Moment on the Y axis), this moment is equal to the factored moment acting on the footing in the Y axis.

3) Replacing  $c_1/2 + d$  by  $y_0' \cos \theta - \sqrt{R^2 - {y_0'}^2} \sin \theta$  in Equation (8) gives:  $P_u$ , this load is equal to the factored axial load acting on the footing.

4) Replacing  $c_2/2 + d$  by  $y_0' \sin \theta - \sqrt{R^2 - y_0'^2} \cos \theta$  in Equation (9) gives:  $P_u$ , this load is equal to the factored axial load acting on the footing.



FIGURE 8. Diagram of the circular isolated footing

Therefore, the new model of this paper is verified, because it complies with the axial load and the moments applied due to the column against the soil pressure by Equations (6), (7), (8) and (9).

5. **Conclusions.** The new model presented in this paper applies only for design of circular isolated footings. This study presents a robust and effective solution applied only to obtaining the effective deep and the reinforcing steel of circular isolated footings resting on elastic soils, which satisfy with the linear distribution of the soil pressure.

The main contributions of this document are as the following.

1) The new model presents a significant reduction in the volumes of reinforcing steel and concrete, if the resultant force is located outside the central nucleus  $(e_R > R/4)$ .

2) The thickness for the new model is governed by the bending shear, and for the model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas [25] it is governed by the punching shear.

3) According to the materials used to construct the circular isolated footing (Reinforcing steel and concrete), the new model is more economical with respect to the model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas [25] and on any other model.

4) The new model occupies less contact surface with the soil compared to the model proposed by Luévanos-Rojas [25]. This results into a smaller volume of soil excavation and therefore generates a greater savings.

5) If the eccentricity increases, greater savings are obtained using the new model (see Table 5).

6) The new model is verified by equilibrium for moment and bending shear.

The suggestions for future research could be

1) Minimum cost design of a circular isolated footing by the new model presented in this document using optimization techniques.

2) When totally cohesive soils (clay soils) and/or totally granular soils (sandy soils) are presented, the pressure diagram is different, because the pressure is not linear as it presented herein.

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