Key to Identifying Insect Induced Drop of Young Fruit

Fruit cross-section Nut Slice nut here Shuck Necrotic zone

- Non insect induced:
 no necrotic ring or zone
 e.g., nutrition, pollination
 (can peel shuck away
 from shell at tip of nutlet)
- Insect induced:
 dark, necrotic zone present
 e.g., nut casebearer,
 mirids, stinkbugs
 (can't separate shuck
 from shell)