
**Welding and allied processes —
Vocabulary —**

**Part 3:
Welding processes**

*Soudage et techniques connexes — Vocabulaire —
Partie 3: Procédés de soudage*



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- *Part 1: General terms [Technical Report]*
- *Part 3: Welding processes [Technical Report]*
- *Part 4: Arc welding [Technical Report]*

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- *Part 2: Safety and health [Technical Report]*

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Welding and allied processes — Vocabulary —

Part 3: Welding processes

1 Scope

This part of ISO/TR 25901 contains terms and definitions for welding processes, classified in accordance with their physical characteristics and to the relevant energy carrier.

It does not contain terms and definitions related to specific processes or particular aspects of welding and allied processes that are covered in other parts of this Technical Report (see Foreword) or in other ISO standards.

In the main body of this part of ISO/TR 25901, terms are arranged in a systematic order. [Annex A](#) provides an index in which all terms are listed alphabetically with reference to the appropriate subclause. In addition, it provides French translations, covering two of the three official ISO languages (English, French and Russian). German translations are also provided; these are published under the responsibility of the member body for Germany (DIN) and are given for information only.

NOTE 1 Only the terms given in the official languages (English, French and Russian) are to be considered as ISO terms and definitions.

NOTE 2 All these terms and definitions are also available on the ISO Online Browsing Platform (OBP): <https://www.iso.org/obp/ui/>

2 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

2.1 Basic terms and definitions

2.1.1

metal welding

operation which unifies metal(s) by means of heat or pressure, or both, in such a way that there is continuity in the nature of the metal(s) which has (have) been joined

Note 1 to entry: A filler metal, the melting temperature of which is of the same order as that of the parent metal(s), can be used and the result of welding is the weld.

Note 2 to entry: This definition also includes surfacing.

2.1.2

welding with pressure

welding in which sufficient external force is applied to cause a greater or lesser degree of plastic deformation of both the faying surfaces, generally without the addition of filler metal

Note 1 to entry: Usually, but not necessarily, the faying surfaces are heated in order to permit or to facilitate unifying.

2.1.3

fusion welding

welding without application of external force in which the faying surface(s) has (have) to be molten

Note 1 to entry: Usually, but not necessarily, molten filler metal is added.

2.1.4

energy carrier

physical phenomenon which provides the energy required for welding either by transmission to or by transformation within the workpiece(s)

Note 1 to entry: The following energy carriers with their respective sequential numbers are used in 2.2:

- 1) solid body;
- 2) liquid;
- 3) gas;
- 4) electrical discharge;
- 5) radiation;
- 6) movement of a mass;
- 7) electric current;
- 8) unspecified.

Note 2 to entry: When welding using a solid body, a liquid, a gas or an electrical discharge, the heat required for welding should be applied to the workpiece(s), while when welding by means of a beam of radiant energy, movement of mass or electric current, the heat (or the mechanical energy in cold welding with pressure) is generated by energy transformation within the workpiece itself.

For a solid body, liquid and gas, the decisive factor is their enthalpy. Electrical discharge and current passage are mechanisms guiding the energy of moving charged particles to the welding zone. In the case of an electrical discharge, this is done by plasma or sparks and in the case of electric current, by resistance heat where the current is produced by induction or transmitted by conduction.

Radiation is propagation of energy in the sense of dissemination of waves by light or charged particle beams. For movement of a mass, the characteristic factors are force and displacement in time. Different kinds of movement are translational motion, rotation and oscillation.

2.2 Terms related to welding processes

2.2.1 Welding with pressure

2.2.1.1 Energy carrier: solid body

2.2.1.1.1

heated element welding

welding with pressure (2.1.2) where the workpieces are heated by the heating tool in the area where the joint will be made

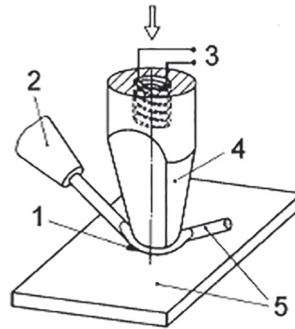
Note 1 to entry: Heating can be constant or pulsating and the weld is made by the application of force without the addition of a filler material. The force is applied by either a wedge shaped tool or through a nozzle through which one of the workpieces is fed.

2.2.1.1.2**heated wedge welding**

heated element welding (2.2.1.1.1) by means of a heated wedge

Note 1 to entry: Heated wedge welding can also be carried out by *energy carrier* (2.1.4) movement of mass (*ultrasonic welding* (2.2.1.6.1)) or as a combination of both.

Note 2 to entry: Heated wedge welding is illustrated in [Figure 1](#).

**Key**

1	weld	3	power source	5	workpiece
2	workpiece feed	4	wedge-shaped tool		

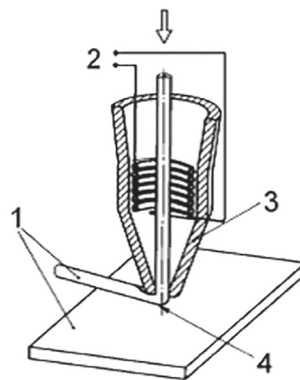
Figure 1 — Heated wedge welding

2.2.1.1.3**heated nozzle welding**

heated element welding (2.2.1.1.1) by means of a heated nozzle

Note 1 to entry: Heated nozzle welding can also be carried out by *energy carrier* (2.1.4) movement of mass (*ultrasonic welding* (2.2.1.6.1)) or as a combination of both.

Note 2 to entry: Heated nozzle welding is illustrated in [Figure 2](#).

**Key**

1	workpiece	3	nozzle
2	power source	4	weld

Figure 2 — Heated nozzle welding

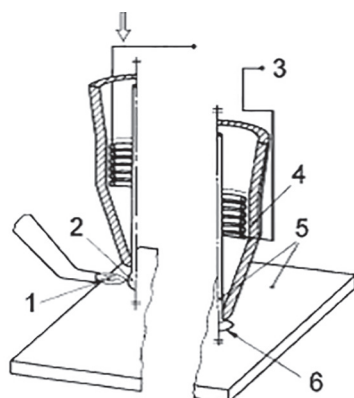
2.2.1.1.4

nail head welding

heated nozzle welding (2.2.1.1.3) in which the end of one or two wires which has been fed through the nozzle and heated by a flame or electric discharge, forms a small globule, which under the effect of the applied force is flattened into the shape of a nail head

Note 1 to entry: Nail head welding can also be carried out by *energy carrier* (2.1.4) movement of mass (*ultrasonic welding* (2.2.1.6.1)) or as a combination of both.

Note 2 to entry: Nail head welding is illustrated in Figure 3.



Key

1	flame	3	power source	5	workpiece
2	molten metal globule	4	nozzle	6	weld

Figure 3 — Nail head welding

2.2.1.2 Energy carrier: liquid

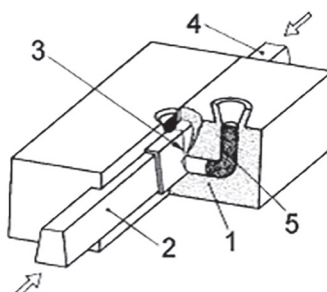
2.2.1.2.1

flow welding with pressure

welding with pressure (2.1.2) where the joint assembly is in a mould and molten metal is poured over the surfaces to be welded until the joint is made

Note 1 to entry: The molten metal is often produced by an aluminothermic reaction (see 2.2.2.2.2).

Note 2 to entry: Flow welding with pressure is illustrated in Figure 4.



Key

1	mould	3	weld	5	molten metal
2	workpiece	4	workpiece		

Figure 4 — Flow welding with pressure

2.2.1.3 Energy carrier: gas

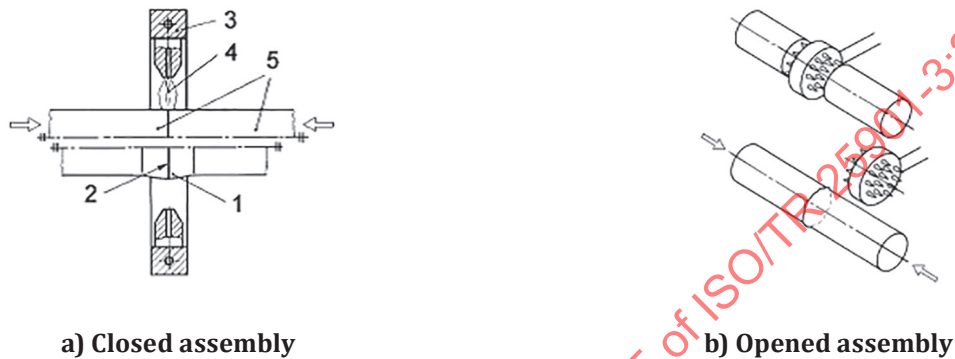
2.2.1.3.1

oxyfuel gas pressure welding

welding with pressure (2.1.2) in which the workpieces are heated at the faying surfaces by an oxyfuel gas flame and the weld is made by applying a force without addition of filler metal

Note 1 to entry: The assembly may be of the open or closed type.

Note 2 to entry: Oxyfuel gas pressure welding is illustrated in Figure 5.



Key

1 upset	3 welding blowpipe	5 workpiece
2 weld	4 gas flame	

Figure 5 — Oxyfuel gas pressure welding

2.2.1.4 Energy carrier: electric discharge

2.2.1.4.1

magnetically impelled arc welding

DEPRECATED: magnetically impelled arc butt welding

arc welding (2.2.2.4.1) with pressure in which an arc, impelled by a magnetic field, moves along the joint, heating the faying surfaces which are then brought together by a force and welded

2.2.1.4.2

percussion welding

welding with pressure (2.1.2) employing the heat from an arc produced by a rapid discharge of electrical energy

Note 1 to entry: Pressure is applied percussively during or immediately following the electrical discharge. It can be accompanied by additional resistance heating.

Note 2 to entry: This process is mainly used for the welding of studs.

2.2.1.4.3

arc stud welding

arc welding (2.2.2.4.1) with pressure that uses an arc between a metal stud, or similar part, and the workpiece

Note 1 to entry: Ceramic ferrule, shielding gas or both may be used.

2.2.1.4.4

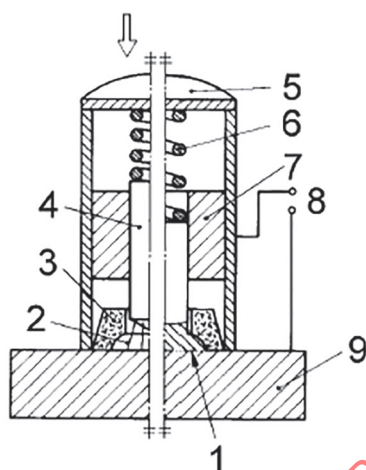
drawn arc stud welding

drawn arc stud welding with ceramic ferrule or shielding gas

arc stud welding (2.2.1.4.3) where a discharge is ignited by lifting the stud and the weld pools are shielded by a ceramic ferrule, shielding gas or both

Note 1 to entry: The welding time is usually more than 100 ms.

Note 2 to entry: Drawn arc stud welding is illustrated in Figure 6.



Key

1 weld	4 stud (workpiece)	7 lifting magnet
2 arc	5 welding gun	8 power source
3 ceramic ferrule	6 spring	9 workpiece

Figure 6 — Drawn arc stud welding with ceramic ferrule

2.2.1.4.5

short-cycle drawn arc stud welding

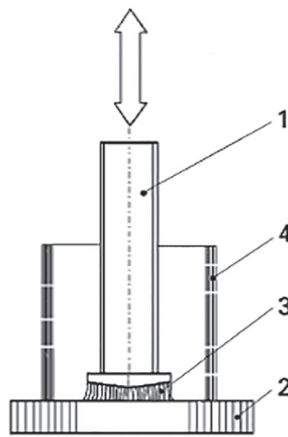
drawn arc stud welding (2.2.1.4.4) where the welding time is between 10 ms and 100 ms

2.2.1.4.6

capacitor discharge drawn arc stud welding

drawn arc stud welding (2.2.1.4.4) in which the electrical energy is provided by the discharge of a capacitor and the welding time is between 1 ms and 10 ms

Note 1 to entry: Capacitor discharge drawn arc stud welding is illustrated in Figure 7.

**Key**

- | | |
|-------------|----------------|
| 1 stud | 3 arc |
| 2 workpiece | 4 support tube |

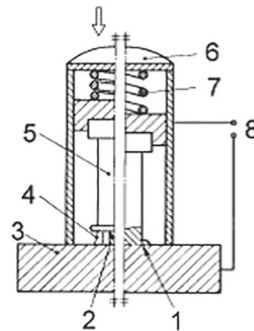
Figure 7 — Capacitor discharge drawn arc stud welding**2.2.1.4.7****capacitor discharge stud welding with tip ignition**

arc stud welding (2.2.1.4.3) where the arc is ignited by explosively melting and partially vaporizing a specially formed tip of the stud

Note 1 to entry: The workpieces are pressed together before the capacitor is totally discharged.

Note 2 to entry: Welding time is usually between 0.5 ms and 5 ms.

Note 3 to entry: Capacitor discharge stud welding with tip ignition is illustrated in Figure 8.

**Key**

- | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|----------------|
| 1 weld | 4 arc | 7 spring |
| 2 stud tip | 5 stud (workpiece) | 8 power source |
| 3 workpiece | 6 welding gun | |

Figure 8 — Capacitor discharge stud welding with tip ignition**2.2.1.4.8****drawn arc stud welding with fusible collar**

drawn arc stud welding (2.2.1.4.4) where a discharge is ignited by lifting the stud which has a fusible collar

2.2.1.5 Energy carrier: radiation

(No processes known so far)

2.2.1.6 Energy carrier: movement of a mass

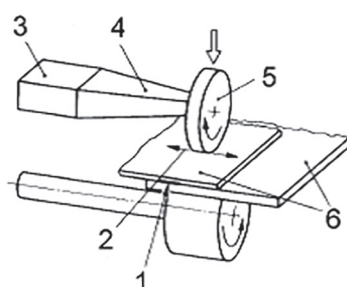
2.2.1.6.1

ultrasonic welding

welding with pressure (2.1.2) in which mechanical vibrations of high frequencies and of low amplitude, superimposed on a static force, make a weld between the two workpieces to be joined at a temperature well below the melting point of the material

Note 1 to entry: Additional heat can be applied.

Note 2 to entry: Ultrasonic welding is illustrated in [Figure 9](#).



Key

1 weld	3 transducer	5 vibrating tool
2 ultrasonic vibration	4 sonotrode	6 workpiece

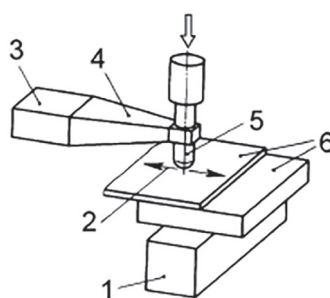
Figure 9 — Ultrasonic welding

2.2.1.6.2

ultrasonic hot welding

ultrasonic welding (2.2.1.6.1) in which the anvil is heated separately during the welding operation

Note 1 to entry: Ultrasonic hot welding is illustrated in [Figure 10](#).



Key

1 electrically heated support (anvil)	3 transducer	5 vibrating tool
2 ultrasonic vibration	4 sonotrode	6 workpiece

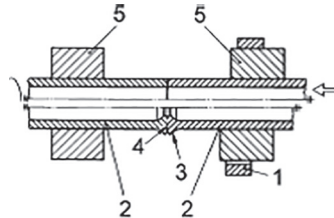
Figure 10 — Ultrasonic hot welding

2.2.1.6.3**friction welding**

welding with pressure (2.1.2) in which the interfaces are heated by friction normally by rotating one or both workpieces in contact with each other or by means of a separate rotating friction element

Note 1 to entry: The weld is completed by an upset force, generally after rotation has ceased.

Note 2 to entry: Friction welding is illustrated in Figure 11.

**Key**

1 brake	3 flash	5 clamp
2 workpiece	4 weld	

Figure 11 — Friction welding

2.2.1.6.4**direct drive friction welding**

DEPRECATED: continuous drive friction welding

friction welding (2.2.1.6.3) using constant speed rotation

2.2.1.6.5**inertia friction welding**

friction welding (2.2.1.6.3) where the rotational energy is stored in a fly wheel; thus the rotational speed decreases continuously

Note 1 to entry: Inertia friction welding is illustrated in Figure 12.

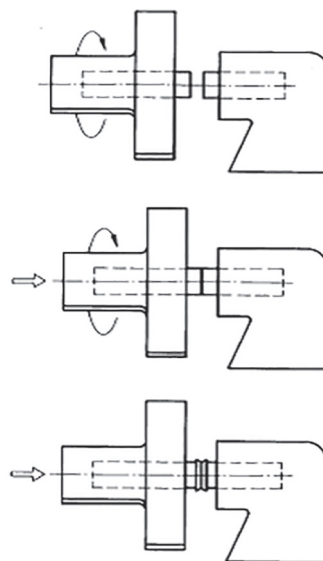


Figure 12 — Inertia friction welding

2.2.1.6.6

orbital friction welding

friction welding (2.2.1.6.3) in which an orbital motion is produced at the weld interface by rotating both the workpieces at the same speed in the same direction but displacing the axis of rotation of one workpiece slightly with respect to the other

Note 1 to entry: At the end of the displaced cycle, the workpieces are aligned again and are welded.

Note 2 to entry: Orbital friction welding is illustrated in Figure 13.

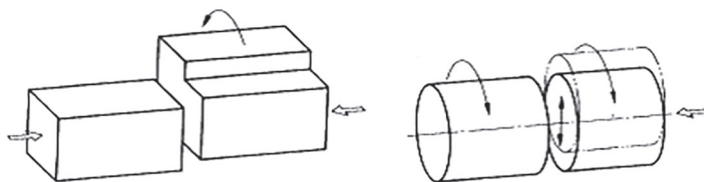


Figure 13 — Orbital friction welding

2.2.1.6.7

radial friction welding

friction welding (2.2.1.6.3) in which a shaped ring is rotated and radially compressed onto two circular hollow sections in such a manner that a joint is formed

Note 1 to entry: Conventional radial friction welding is illustrated in Figure 14 a). The technique can also be used to expand a ring inside hollow sections to form a joint; see Figure 14 b). In a third embodiment, it is possible to weld a ring usually of a dissimilar material to the outside of a solid bar; see Figure 14 c).

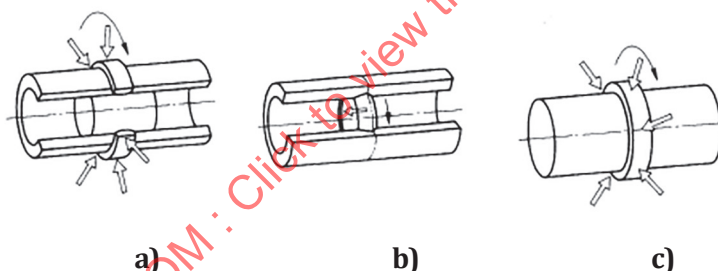


Figure 14 — Radial friction welding

2.2.1.6.8

friction stud welding

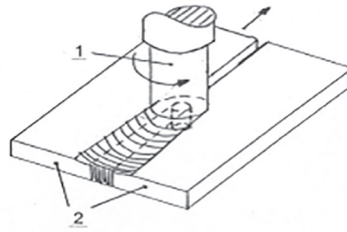
friction welding (2.2.1.6.3) of studs

2.2.1.6.9

friction stir welding

joining process producing a weld by the friction heating and mixing of material in the plastic state caused by a rotating tool that traverses along the weld

Note 1 to entry: Friction stir welding is illustrated in Figure 15.

**Key**

- | | | | |
|---|---------------|---|-----------|
| 1 | rotating tool | 2 | workpiece |
|---|---------------|---|-----------|

Figure 15 — Friction stir welding**2.2.1.6.10****shock welding**

welding with pressure (2.1.2) in which the workpieces are welded by the application of a striking force

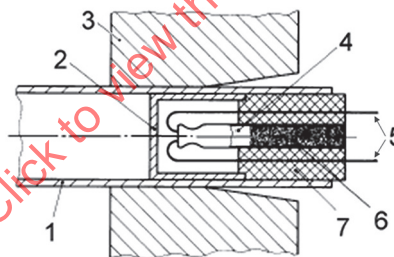
Note 1 to entry: The heat generated by the sudden collision contributes to the welding.

2.2.1.6.11**explosion welding**

DEPRECATED: explosive welding

shock welding (2.2.1.6.10) in which the workpieces are welded when impacted together by the detonation of an explosive charge

Note 1 to entry: Explosion welding is illustrated in Figure 16.

**Key**

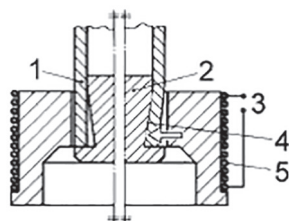
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| 1 | tube | 4 | detonator | 6 | main explosive charge |
| 2 | protective sheath | 5 | detonation wires | 7 | plastic transmission medium |
| 3 | tube plate | | | | |

Figure 16 — Explosion welding of tube to plate**2.2.1.6.12****magnetic pulse welding**

DEPRECATED: magnetic impulse welding

shock welding (2.2.1.6.10) in which a high current impulse passing through a coil surrounding the workpieces produces a magnetic field which exerts the welding force

Note 1 to entry: Magnetic pulse welding is illustrated in Figure 17.



Key

- | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1 tube (workpiece) | 3 power source | 5 magnetic coil |
| 2 plug (workpiece) | 4 weld | |

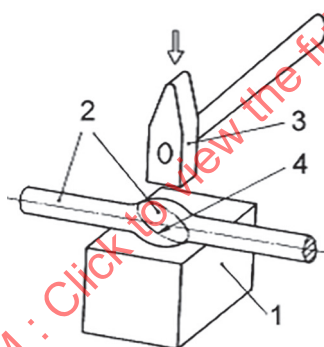
Figure 17 — Magnetic pulse welding

2.2.1.6.13

forge welding

welding with pressure (2.1.2) in which the workpieces are heated in air in a forge and the weld is made by applying blows or some other impulsive force sufficient to cause permanent deformation at the interfaces

Note 1 to entry: Forge welding is illustrated in [Figure 18](#).



Key

- | | |
|-------------|----------|
| 1 anvil | 3 hammer |
| 2 workpiece | 4 weld |

Figure 18 — Forge welding

2.2.1.6.14

cold pressure welding

welding with pressure (2.1.2) in which continuous pressure alone is used, producing considerable plastic deformation

2.2.1.6.15

cold upset welding

cold pressure welding (2.2.1.6.14) in which dies are used as jaws to provide the required deformation and flow

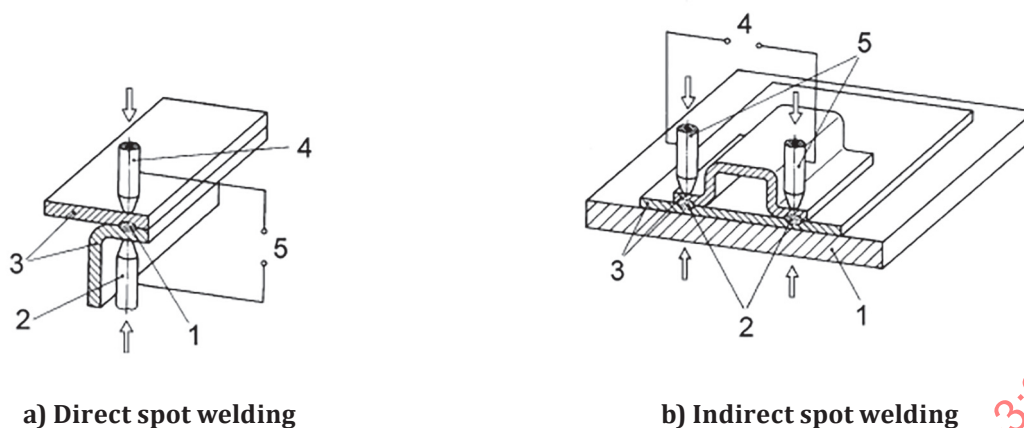
Note 1 to entry: Cold upset welding is illustrated in [Figure 19](#).

3 clamps

A cross-sectional diagram of a hot-chamber die casting mold. It shows a vertical plunger (1) with a downward arrow indicating its movement. The plunger is surrounded by a mold cavity (2) and a spruing channel (3). The mold is made of a material (4) that is heated to melt the metal. The diagram illustrates the process of pouring molten metal into the mold cavity.

4 die

13



Key

- 1 weld spot
- 2 spot-welding electrode
- 3 workpiece
- 4 spot-welding electrode
- 5 power source

- 1 conductive base plate
- 2 weld spot
- 3 workpiece
- 4 power source
- 5 spot-welding electrode

Figure 21 — Resistance spot welding

2.2.1.7.3

resistance seam welding

resistance welding ([2.2.1.7.1](#)) in which force is applied continuously and current continuously or intermittently to produce a linear weld, the workpieces being placed between two electrode wheels or an electrode wheel and an electrode bar

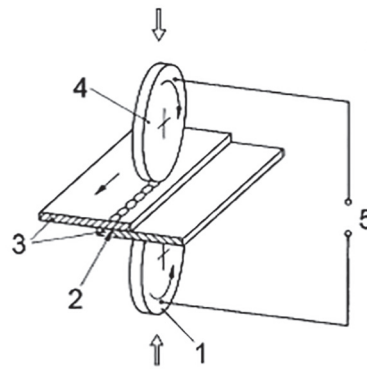
Note 1 to entry: The wheels apply the force and current and rotate continuously during the making of the seam weld.

2.2.1.7.4

lap seam welding

resistance seam welding ([2.2.1.7.3](#)) to produce an overlap joint

Note 1 to entry: Lap seam welding is illustrated in [Figure 22](#).

**Key**

- | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1 electrode wheel | 3 workpiece | 5 power source |
| 2 weld | 4 electrode wheel | |

Figure 22 — Lap seam welding**2.2.1.7.5****mash seam welding**

resistance seam welding (2.2.1.7.3) of two workpieces of similar thickness, where the overlap determines the width of the weld so that the ultimate thickness of the workpiece at the weld approximates to that of one component

Note 1 to entry: Mash seam welding is illustrated in Figure 23.

**Key**

- | | |
|--------------|--------|
| 1 workpieces | 2 weld |
|--------------|--------|

Figure 23 — Mash seam welding**2.2.1.7.6****prep-lap seam welding**

lap seam welding (2.2.1.7.4) with prior preparation of the sheet edges

Note 1 to entry: Prep-lap seam welding is illustrated in Figure 24.



Figure 24 — Prep-lap seam welding

2.2.1.7.7

wire seam welding

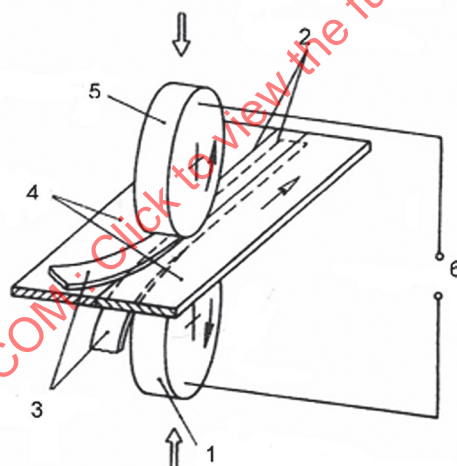
resistance seam welding (2.2.1.7.3) of two overlapped coated components with copper or copper alloy wires between the electrode wheels and the surfaces of the components

2.2.1.7.8

foil butt-seam welding

resistance seam welding (2.2.1.7.3) of two close square butted workpieces with metal tape placed or fed centrally to bridge both sides of the joint

Note 1 to entry: Foil butt seam-welding is illustrated in Figure 25.



Key

- | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 electrode wheel | 3 contact strip | 5 electrode wheel |
| 2 weld | 4 workpiece | 6 power source |

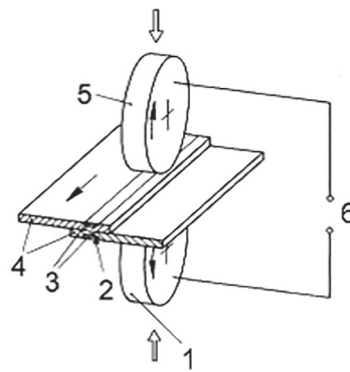
Figure 25 — Foil butt-seam welding

2.2.1.7.9

seam welding with strip

lap seam welding (2.2.1.7.4) using a contact strip on one side or both sides of the lapping workpieces

Note 1 to entry: Seam welding with strip is illustrated in Figure 26.

**Key**

1 electrode wheel	3 contact strip	5 electrode wheel
2 weld	4 workpiece	6 power source

Figure 26 — Seam welding with strip**2.2.1.7.10****projection welding**

resistance welding (2.2.1.7.1) in which the force and current are localized by the use of a projection or projections raised on or formed from one or more of the faying surfaces, the projections collapsing during welding

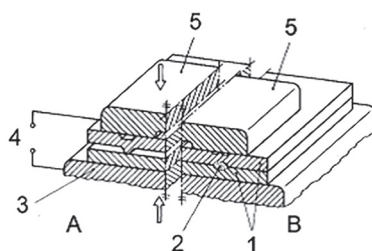
Note 1 to entry: Current and force are usually transmitted through platens, fixtures, jigs or clamps.

Note 2 to entry: Projection welding is illustrated in Figures 27 and 28.

**Key**

A before welding	B after welding
1 workpiece	1 workpiece
2 base plate	2 weld
3 power source	3 base plate
4 projection welding electrode	4 projection welding electrode

Figure 27 — Indirect projection welding

**Key**

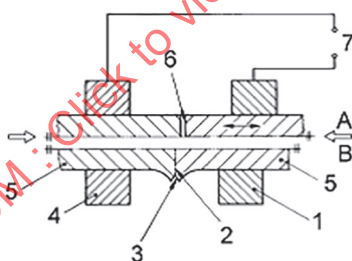
A	before welding	2	weld	4	power source
B	after welding	3	electrode	5	projection welding electrode
1	workpiece				

Figure 28 — Direct projection welding**2.2.1.7.11****flash welding**

resistance welding (2.2.1.7.1) during which heating is obtained when the workpieces are progressively and repeatedly advanced towards each other, causing the current to flow through localized points, thus creating flashing and expulsion of molten metal

Note 1 to entry: When the welding temperature is reached, the rapid application of force produces upset metal and completes the weld. Flashing can be preceded with preheating (241) or without (242). Current and force are transmitted by clamps.

Note 2 to entry: Flash welding is illustrated in [Figure 29](#).

**Key**

A	before welding	2	weld	5	workpiece
B	after welding	3	flash	6	flashing area
1	clamp	4	clamp	7	power source

Figure 29 — Flash welding

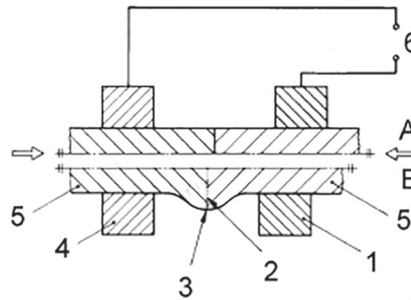
2.2.1.7.12**resistance butt welding**

resistance welding (2.2.1.7.1) in which the components are butted together under pressure before heating is started

Note 1 to entry: Pressure is maintained and current is allowed to flow until the welding temperature is reached at which point upset metal is produced.

Note 2 to entry: Current and force are transmitted through clamps.

Note 3 to entry: Resistance butt welding is illustrated in [Figure 30](#).

**Key**

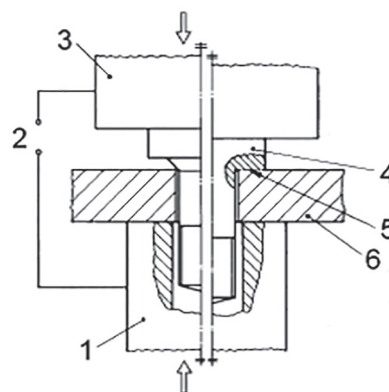
A	before welding	2	weld	5	workpiece
B	after welding	3	upset	6	power source
1	clamp	4	clamp		

Figure 30 — Resistance butt welding

2.2.1.7.13**resistance stud welding**

stud welding using *projection welding* (2.2.1.7.10)

Note 1 to entry: Resistance stud welding is illustrated in [Figure 31](#).

**Key**

1	projection welding electrode	3	projection welding electrode	5	weld
2	power source	4	stud (workpiece)	6	workpiece

Figure 31 — Resistance stud welding

2.2.1.7.14

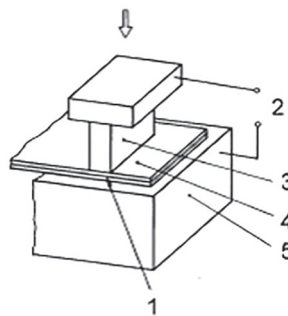
HF resistance welding

high frequency resistance welding

resistance welding (2.2.1.7.1) in which alternating current of at least 10 kHz is fed through mechanical contacts or induced by an inductor in the workpiece

Note 1 to entry: The high frequency current is concentrated along adjacent surfaces to produce highly localized heat prior to the application of welding force.

Note 2 to entry: HF resistance welding is illustrated in Figure 32.



Key

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 weld | 3 electrode | 5 electrode |
| 2 high-frequency power source | 4 workpiece | |

Figure 32 — HF resistance welding

2.2.1.7.15

induction welding

welding with pressure (2.1.2) in which the heat is obtained from the resistance of the workpieces to induced electric current

2.2.1.7.16

induction butt welding

induction welding (2.2.1.7.15) in which the components are butted together under pressure before or after heating is started

Note 1 to entry: When the welding temperature is reached, upset force is applied to produce a forge weld.

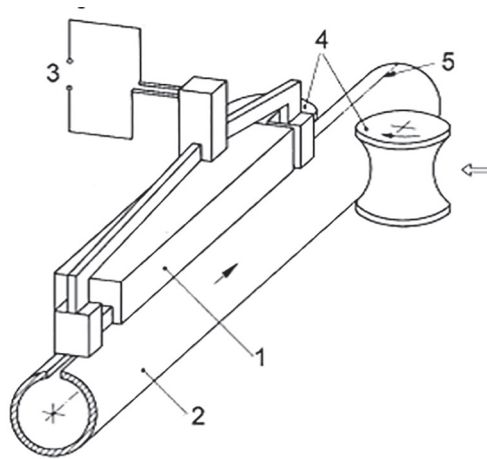
2.2.1.7.17

induction seam welding

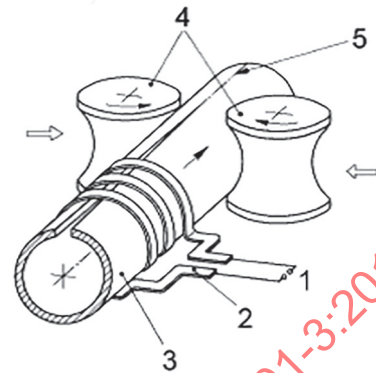
induction welding (2.2.1.7.15) in which the force is applied by one or more forging wheel(s) to produce a linear forge weld

Note 1 to entry: It is generally used with a set of forging wheels to produce tubular components from strips, sheets or plates.

Note 2 to entry: Induction seam welding is illustrated in Figure 33.



a) Welding using rod inductors



b) Welding using a surrounding inductor

Key

- 1 inductor
- 2 workpiece
- 3 power source
- 4 pressure roller
- 5 weld

- 1 power source
- 2 induction coil
- 3 workpiece
- 4 pressure roller
- 5 weld

Figure 33 — Induction seam welding**2.2.1.7.18****HF induction welding****high frequency induction welding**

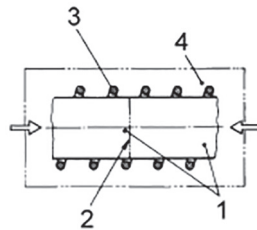
induction welding (2.2.1.7.15) in which alternating current of high frequency is fed through mechanical contacts or induced by an inductor in the workpiece

2.2.1.8 Energy carrier: unspecified**2.2.1.8.1****diffusion welding**

welding with pressure (2.1.2) whereby the workpieces are kept in contact under specified continual pressure and are heated either on their faying surfaces, or in their entirety at a defined temperature over a controlled time

Note 1 to entry: This results in local plastic deformation and thereby intimate contact of the surfaces and diffusion of the atoms through the interface. This produces complete continuity of the material. The operation can take place in a vacuum, under a gas shield or in a fluid, preferably without the addition of a filler metal.

Note 2 to entry: Diffusion welding is illustrated in [Figure 34](#).



Key

- | | | | |
|---|-----------|---|-------------------|
| 1 | workpiece | 3 | induction heating |
| 2 | weld | 4 | work chamber |

Figure 34 — Diffusion welding

2.2.1.8.2

hot pressure welding

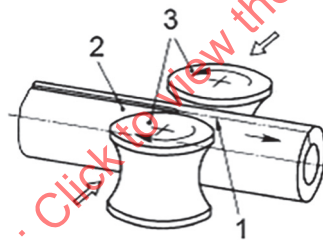
welding with pressure (2.1.2) where sufficient heat and pressure are applied to produce significant deformation of the workpieces

2.2.1.8.3

roll welding

hot pressure welding (2.2.1.8.2) in which a force is progressively applied by mechanically operated rolls after heating

Note 1 to entry: Roll welding is illustrated in [Figure 35](#).



Key

- | | | | | | |
|---|------|---|-----------|---|------|
| 1 | weld | 2 | workpiece | 3 | roll |
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Figure 35 — Roll welding

2.2.2 Fusion welding

2.2.2.1 Energy carrier: solid body

(No processes known so far)

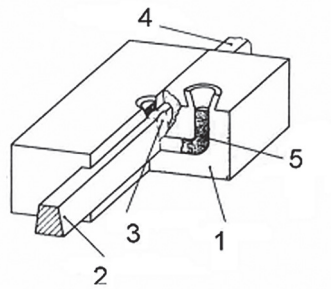
2.2.2.2 Energy carrier: liquid

2.2.2.2.1

flow welding

fusion welding (2.1.3) where the weld assembly is enclosed in a mould and molten filler metal is poured over the surfaces to be welded until the weld is made

Note 1 to entry: Flow welding is illustrated in [Figure 36](#).

**Key**

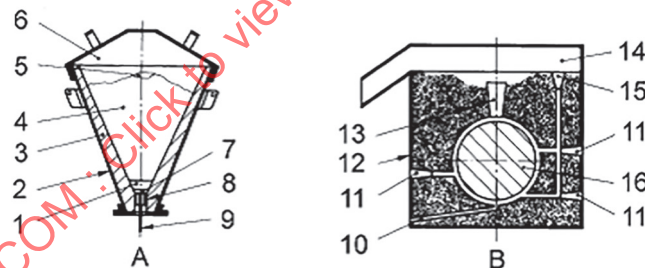
- | | | |
|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1 mould | 3 weld | 5 molten metal |
| 2 workpiece | 4 workpiece | |

Figure 36 — Flow welding**2.2.2.2.2****aluminothermic welding**

flow welding (2.2.2.2.1) whereby the welding heat is obtained from reacting a mixture of metal oxides with finely ground aluminium powder whose ignition produces an exothermic reaction in which the molten metal produced is the filler metal

Note 1 to entry: Preheating can be employed. In certain variants of the process, additional pressure is also applied.

Note 2 to entry: Aluminothermic welding is illustrated in [Figure 37](#).

**Key**

- | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| A crucible | 5 ignition powder | 11 preheating gate |
| B section through mould | 6 crucible cap | 12 mould box |
| 1 slag seal | 7 thermal insulation | 13 riser |
| 2 crucible shell | 8 thimble | 14 slag trough |
| 3 refractory lining | 9 tapping pin | 15 pouring gate |
| 4 charge | 10 wax drain | 16 workpiece |

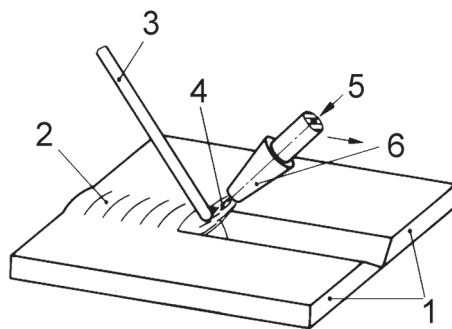
Figure 37 — Aluminothermic welding**2.2.2.3 Energy carrier: gas**

2.2.2.3.1

gas welding

fusion welding (2.1.3) in which the heat for welding is produced by the combustion of a fuel gas, or a mixture of fuel gases, with an admixture of oxygen

Note 1 to entry: Gas welding is illustrated in [Figure 38](#).



Key

1 workpiece	3 filler metal	5 fuel gas and oxygen
2 weld	4 gas flame	6 welding blowpipe

Figure 38 — Gas welding

2.2.2.3.2

oxyacetylene welding

gas welding (2.2.2.3.1) where the fuel gas is acetylene

2.2.2.3.3

oxypropane welding

gas welding (2.2.2.3.1) where the fuel gas is propane

2.2.2.3.4

oxyhydrogen welding

gas welding (2.2.2.3.1) where the fuel gas is hydrogen

2.2.2.4 Energy carrier: electric discharge

2.2.2.4.1

arc welding

fusion welding (2.1.3) using an electric arc

2.2.2.4.2

metal arc welding

arc welding (2.2.2.4.1) using a consumable electrode

2.2.2.4.3

metal arc welding without gas protection

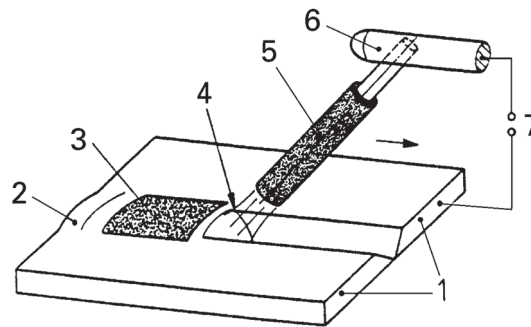
metal arc welding (2.2.2.4.2) in which no external shielding gas is used

2.2.2.4.4

manual metal arc welding

manually operated *metal arc welding* (2.2.2.4.2) using a covered electrode

Note 1 to entry: Manual metal arc welding is illustrated in [Figure 39](#).

**Key**

- 1 workpiece
- 2 weld
- 3 slag

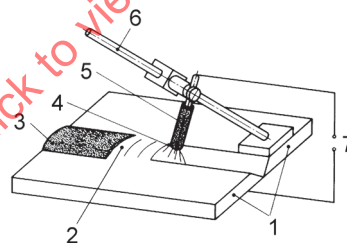
- 4 arc
- 5 covered electrode

- 6 electrode holder
- 7 power source

Figure 39 — Manual metal arc welding**2.2.2.4.5****gravity welding****gravity (arc) welding with covered electrode**

metal arc welding (2.2.2.4.2) using a covered electrode supported by a mechanism which allows the electrode to slide down and move along the joint under gravity

Note 1 to entry: Gravity welding is illustrated in [Figure 40](#).

**Key**

- 1 workpiece
- 2 weld
- 3 slag

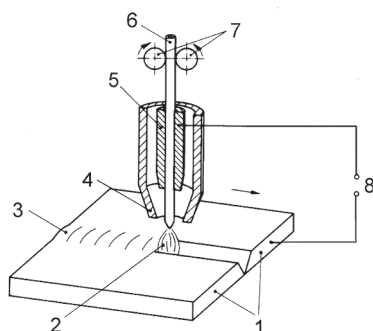
- 4 arc
- 5 covered electrode

- 6 bar
- 7 power source

Figure 40 — Gravity welding**2.2.2.4.6****self-shielded tubular cored arc welding**

metal arc welding (2.2.2.4.2) using a tubular cored electrode without external shielding gas

Note 1 to entry: Self-shielded tubular cored arc welding is illustrated in [Figure 41](#).



Key

1 workpiece	4 torch	7 wire feed rolls
2 arc	5 contact tip	8 power source
3 weld	6 flux-cored electrode	

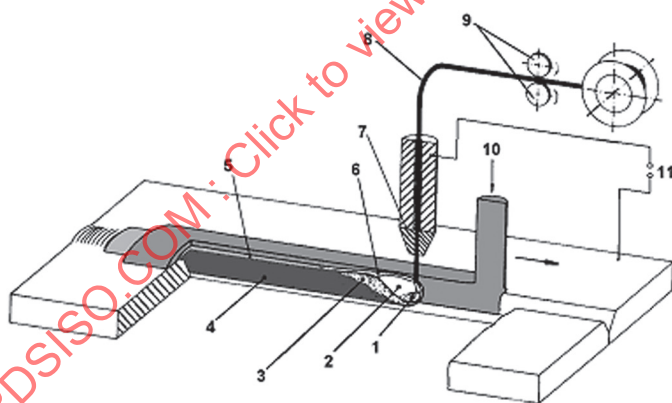
Figure 41 — Self-shielded tubular cored arc welding

2.2.2.4.7

submerged arc welding

metal arc welding (2.2.2.4.2) in which one or more wire electrode(s) or strip electrode(s) are used, the arc(s) being completely enveloped by molten slag which fuses from the granular flux that is deposited loosely in the joint

Note 1 to entry: Submerged arc welding is illustrated in Figure 42.



Key

1 arc	5 solidified slag	9 wire feed rolls
2 cavity	6 liquefied slag	10 flux
3 weld pool	7 contact tube	11 power source
4 weld	8 wire electrode	

Figure 42 — Submerged arc welding

2.2.2.4.8

submerged arc welding with solid wire electrode

submerged arc welding (2.2.2.4.7) using a solid wire electrode

2.2.2.4.9**submerged arc welding with strip electrode**

submerged arc welding (2.2.2.4.7) using a solid or cored strip electrode

2.2.2.4.10**submerged arc welding with metal powder addition**

submerged arc welding (2.2.2.4.7) using one or more wire electrodes with the addition of metal powder

2.2.2.4.11**submerged arc welding with tubular cored electrode**

submerged arc welding (2.2.2.4.7) using one or more tubular electrodes

2.2.2.4.12**submerged arc welding with cored strip electrode**

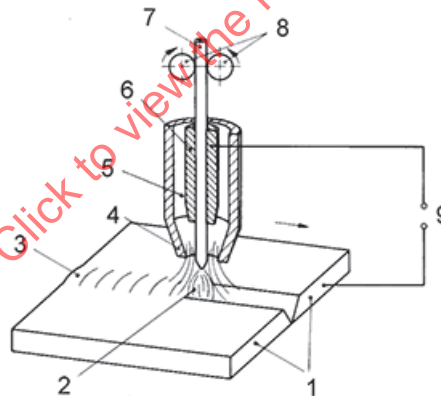
submerged arc welding (2.2.2.4.7) using a cored strip electrode

2.2.2.4.13**gas-shielded metal arc welding****gas metal arc welding****MIG/MAG welding**

metal arc welding (2.2.2.4.2) using a wire electrode in which the arc and the weld pool are shielded from the atmosphere by a shroud of gas supplied from an external source

Note 1 to entry: Acronyms MIG and MAG, respectively, stand for metal inert gas and metal active gas.

Note 2 to entry: Gas-shielded metal arc welding is illustrated in [Figure 43](#).

**Key**

1 workpiece	4 nozzle	7 wire electrode
2 arc	5 shielding gas	8 wire feed rolls
3 weld	6 contact tip	9 power source

Figure 43 — Gas-shielded metal arc welding

2.2.2.4.14**MIG welding with solid wire electrode**

gas-shielded metal arc welding (2.2.2.4.13) using a solid wire electrode and the shielding is provided by an inert gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym MIG stands for metal inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of argon, helium or a mixture of both.

2.2.2.4.15

MIG welding with flux cored wire electrode

gas-shielded metal arc welding ([2.2.2.4.13](#)) using a flux cored wire electrode and the shielding is provided by an inert gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym MIG stands for metal inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of argon, helium or a mixture of both.

2.2.2.4.16

MIG welding with metal cored wire electrode

gas-shielded metal arc welding ([2.2.2.4.13](#)) using a metal cored wire electrode and the shielding is provided by an inert gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym MIG stands for metal inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of argon, helium or a mixture of both.

2.2.2.4.17

MAG welding with solid wire electrode

gas-shielded metal arc welding ([2.2.2.4.13](#)) using a solid wire electrode and the shielding is provided by a chemically active gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym MAG stands for metal active gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of a mixture containing 0,5 % or more of oxygen or carbon dioxide.

2.2.2.4.18

MAG welding with flux cored electrode

gas-shielded metal arc welding ([2.2.2.4.13](#)) using a flux cored wire electrode and the shielding is provided by a chemically active gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym MAG stands for metal active gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of a mixture containing 0,5 % or more of oxygen or carbon dioxide.

2.2.2.4.19

MAG welding with metal cored electrode

gas-shielded metal arc welding ([2.2.2.4.13](#)) using a metal cored wire electrode and the shielding is provided by a chemically active gas

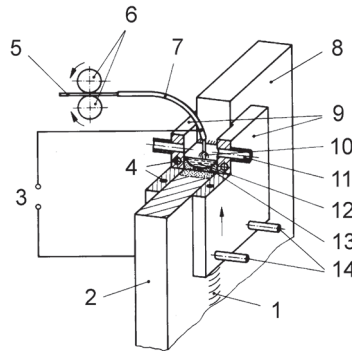
Note 1 to entry: Acronym MAG stands for metal active gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of a mixture containing 0,5 % or more of oxygen or carbon dioxide.

2.2.2.4.20

electrogas welding

gas-shielded metal arc welding ([2.2.2.4.13](#)) using a wire or strip electrode to deposit metal into the weld pool, which is retained in the joint by cooled shoes which move progressively upwards as the weld is made

Note 1 to entry: Electrogas welding is illustrated in [Figure 44](#).

**Key**

1 weld	6 wire feed rolls or strip feed rolls	11 shielding gas
2 workpiece	7 electrode guide	12 weld pool
3 power source	8 workpiece	13 weld metal
4 water cooling	9 sliding shoes	14 water cooling
5 wire electrode or strip electrode	10 arc	

Figure 44 — Electrogas welding**2.2.2.4.21****gas-shielded arc welding with non-consumable tungsten electrode
gas tungsten arc welding**

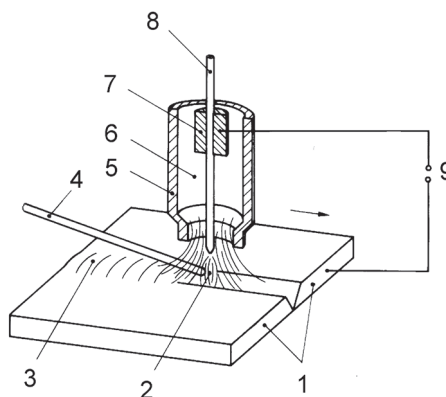
gas-shielded *arc welding* (2.2.2.4.1) using a non-consumable, pure or activated tungsten electrode in which the arc and the weld pool are protected by a shielding gas

2.2.2.4.22**TIG welding with solid filler material (wire/rod)**

gas-shielded *arc welding with non-consumable tungsten electrode* (2.2.2.4.21) with a solid wire or rod and an inert shielding gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym TIG stands for tungsten inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of argon, helium or a mixture of both.

Note 2 to entry: TIG welding with solid filler material is illustrated in [Figure 45](#).

**Key**

1 workpiece	4 filler metal	7 collet
2 arc	5 nozzle	8 tungsten electrode
3 weld	6 shielding gas	9 power source

Figure 45 — Tungsten inert gas welding

2.2.2.4.23

autogenous TIG welding

gas-shielded arc welding with non-consumable tungsten electrode ([2.2.2.4.21](#)) without filler material

Note 1 to entry: Acronym TIG stands for tungsten inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of argon, helium or a mixture of both.

2.2.2.4.24

TIG welding with tubular cored filler material (wire/rod)

gas-shielded arc welding with non-consumable tungsten electrode ([2.2.2.4.21](#)) using a tubular cored wire or rod and an inert shielding gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym TIG stands for tungsten inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of argon, helium or a mixture of both.

2.2.2.4.25

TIG welding using reducing gas and solid filler material (wire/rod)

gas-shielded arc welding with non-consumable tungsten electrode ([2.2.2.4.21](#)) using a solid wire or rod and a reducing shielding gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym TIG stands for tungsten inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of a mixture containing 0,5 % to 50 % of hydrogen.

2.2.2.4.26

TIG welding using reducing gas and tubular cored filler material (wire/rod)

gas-shielded arc welding with non-consumable tungsten electrode ([2.2.2.4.21](#)) using a tubular cored wire or rod and a reducing shielding gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym TIG stands for tungsten inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of a mixture containing 0,5 % to 50 % of hydrogen.

2.2.2.4.27

gas-shielded arc welding with non-consumable tungsten electrode using active gas

TAG welding

gas-shielded arc welding with non-consumable tungsten electrode ([2.2.2.4.21](#)) in which the arc and the weld pool are protected by an active shielding gas

Note 1 to entry: Acronym TAG stands for tungsten active gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of a mixture containing 0,5 % or more of oxygen or carbon dioxide.

2.2.2.4.28

plasma arc welding

arc welding ([2.2.2.4.1](#)) using the plasma of a constricted arc

Note 1 to entry: Shielding can be supplemented by an auxiliary gas. Filler metal can be added.

2.2.2.4.29

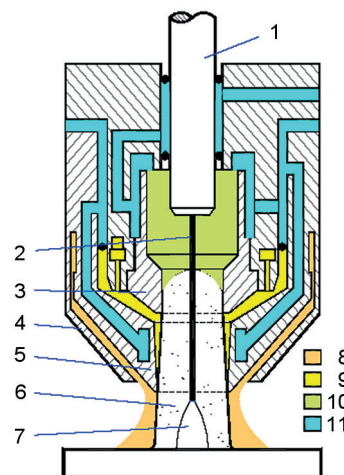
plasma MIG welding

combination of *MIG welding* ([2.2.2.4.14](#)) and *plasma arc welding* ([2.2.2.4.28](#))

Note 1 to entry: This is a hybrid welding process. If the MIG welding is done with a solid wire electrode, the process number should read 15 + 131.

Note 2 to entry: Acronym MIG stands for metal inert gas. The shielding gas used typically consists of argon, helium or a mixture of both.

Note 3 to entry: Plasma MIG welding is illustrated in [Figure 46](#).

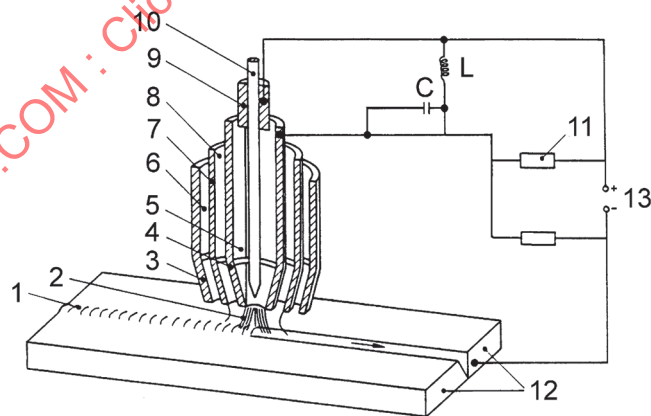
**Key**

1	collet	5	plasma gas nozzle	9	plasma gas
2	wire electrode (MIG)	6	plasma arc	10	shielding gas (MIG)
3	plasma electrode	7	welding arc (MIG)	11	water cooling
4	shielding gas nozzle	8	shielding gas		

Figure 46 — Plasma MIG welding**2.2.2.4.30****powder plasma arc welding**

plasma-arc welding with transferred arc ([2.2.2.4.31](#)) and metallic powder feeding

Note 1 to entry: Powder plasma arc welding is illustrated in [Figure 47](#).

**Key**

1	weld	6	extra shielding gas (optional)	10	tungsten electrode
2	transferred arc	7	shielding gas nozzle	11	ignition device
3	extra shielding gas nozzle (optional)	8	filler powder + shielding gas	12	workpiece
4	plasma gas nozzle	9	collet	13	power source
5	plasma gas				

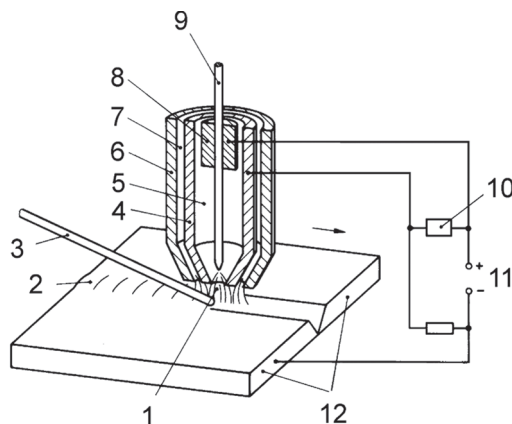
Figure 47 — Powder plasma welding

2.2.2.4.31

plasma arc welding with transferred arc

plasma arc welding (2.2.2.4.28) in which the electrical power supply is connected between electrode and workpiece

Note 1 to entry: Plasma arc welding with transferred arc is illustrated in [Figure 48](#).



Key

1 transferred arc	5 plasma gas	9 tungsten electrode
2 weld	6 shielding gas nozzle	10 ignition device
3 filler metal	7 shielding gas	11 power source
4 plasma gas nozzle	8 collet	12 workpiece

Figure 48 — Plasma arc welding with transferred arc

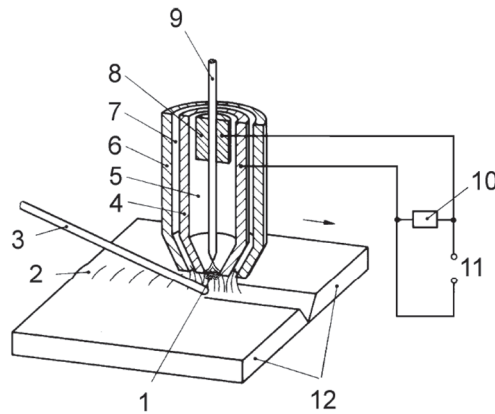
2.2.2.4.32

plasma arc welding with non-transferred arc

plasma jet welding

plasma arc welding (2.2.2.4.28) in which the electrical power supply is connected between the collet and the plasma gas nozzle thus producing a plasma jet

Note 1 to entry: Plasma arc welding with non-transferred arc is illustrated in [Figure 49](#).

**Key**

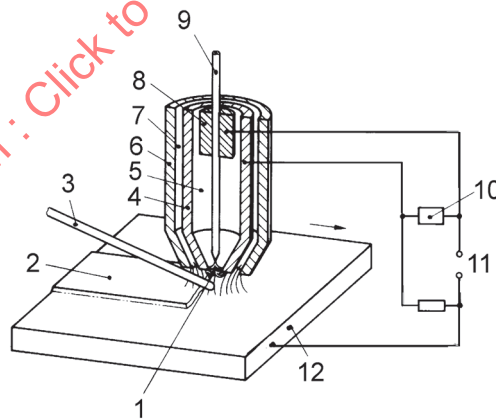
1 non-transferred arc	5 plasma gas	9 tungsten electrode
2 weld	6 shielding gas nozzle	10 ignition device
3 filler metal	7 shielding gas	11 power source
4 plasma gas nozzle	8 collet	12 workpiece

Figure 49 — Plasma arc welding with non-transferred arc**2.2.2.4.33****plasma arc welding with partially transferred arc**

plasma arc welding (2.2.2.4.28) where the arc switches between transferred and non-transferred modes

Note 1 to entry: Plasma arc welding with partially transferred arc is usually used for surfacing.

Note 2 to entry: Plasma arc welding with partially transferred arc is illustrated in [Figure 50](#).

**Key**

1 semi-transferred arc	5 plasma gas	9 tungsten electrode
2 build-up welding	6 shielding gas nozzle	10 ignition device
3 filler metal	7 shielding gas	11 power source
4 plasma gas nozzle	8 collet	12 workpiece

Figure 50 — Plasma arc welding with partially transferred arc

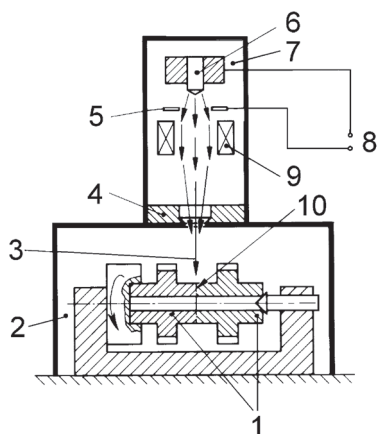
2.2.2.5 Energy carrier: radiation

2.2.2.5.1

electron beam welding

fusion welding (2.1.3) using a focused beam of electrons

Note 1 to entry: Electron beam welding is illustrated in [Figure 51](#).



Key

1 workpiece	5 anode	8 power source
2 work chamber	6 cathode	9 focusing coil
3 electron beam	7 vacuum chamber	10 weld
4 deflector coil		

Figure 51 — Electron beam welding

2.2.2.5.2

electron beam welding in vacuum

electron beam welding (2.2.2.5.1) performed in vacuum

2.2.2.5.3

electron beam welding in atmosphere

electron beam welding (2.2.2.5.1) performed in atmosphere

2.2.2.5.4

electron beam welding with addition of shielding gases

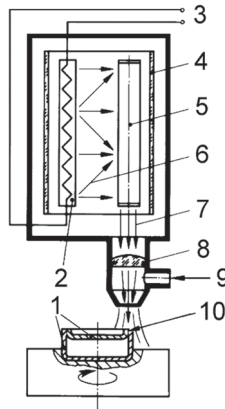
electron beam welding (2.2.2.5.1) where a shielding gas is used

2.2.2.5.5

laser welding

fusion welding (2.1.3) using a coherent beam of monochromatic light

Note 1 to entry: Laser welding is illustrated in [Figure 52](#).

**Key**

1	workpiece	5	laser rod or gas filled tube	8	lense
2	light source	6	light beam	9	shielding gas
3	power source	7	laser beam	10	weld
4	elliptical mirror				

Figure 52 — Laser welding**2.2.2.5.6****solid state laser welding**

laser welding ([2.2.2.5.5](#)) in which the lasing medium is a solid state crystal

2.2.2.5.7**gas laser welding**

laser welding ([2.2.2.5.5](#)) in which the lasing medium is a gas

2.2.2.5.8**diode laser welding**

laser welding ([2.2.2.5.5](#)) in which the lasing medium is a diode

2.2.2.5.9**light radiation welding**

welding where light radiation focuses the welding energy to the welding point

2.2.2.5.10**infrared welding**

light radiation welding ([2.2.2.5.9](#)) where the welding energy is achieved by infrared radiation

2.2.2.6 Energy carrier: movement of a mass

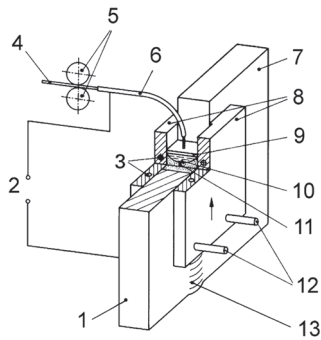
(No process known so far)

2.2.2.7 Energy carrier: electric current**2.2.2.7.1****electroslag welding**

fusion welding ([2.1.3](#)) using the combined effects of current and electrical resistance in a consumable electrode, or electrodes, and a conducting bath of molten slag through which the electrode passes into the molten pool, both the pool and the slag bath being retained in the joint by cooled shoes which move progressively upwards

Note 1 to entry: After the initial arcing period, the end of the electrode is covered by the rising slag and then melts continuously until the joint is completed. Electrodes can be bare or flux cored strip(s) or plate(s).

Note 2 to entry: Electroslag welding is illustrated in [Figure 53](#).



Key

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|---|---------------|---|------------------|----|---------------|
| 1 | workpiece | 6 | electrode holder | 10 | weld pool |
| 2 | power source | 7 | workpiece | 11 | weld metal |
| 3 | water cooling | 8 | sliding shoes | 12 | water cooling |
| 4 | electrode | 9 | slag bath | 13 | weld |
| 5 | feed rolls | | | | |

Figure 53 — Electroslag welding

2.2.2.7.2

electroslag welding with strip electrode

electroslag welding ([2.2.2.7.1](#)) using a strip electrode

2.2.2.7.3

electroslag welding with wire electrode

electroslag welding ([2.2.2.7.1](#)) using a wire electrode

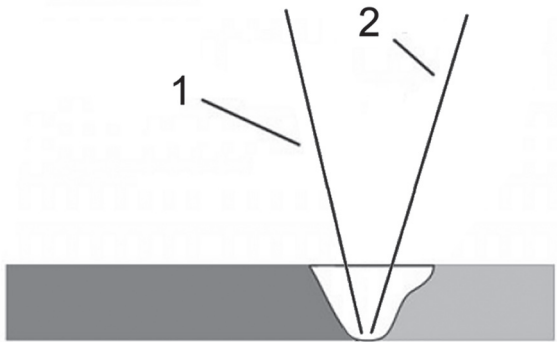
2.2.2.8 Energy carrier: unspecified

2.2.2.8.1

hybrid welding

welding in which two or more welding processes are used simultaneously in the same weld pool

Note 1 to entry: Hybrid welding is illustrated in [Figure 54](#).



Key

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|---|-------------------|---|-------------------|
| 1 | welding process 1 | 2 | welding process 2 |
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Figure 54 — Hybrid welding