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FATIGUE OF SELECTED
HIGH STRENGTH STEELS
IN SEAWATER - A COMPILATION OF
MATERIAL PROPERTIES

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SUMMARY

The research project of which this report is a part, has as its objective the characterization of fatigue properties of high strength steels in sea water under conditions related to offshore structures. In conjunction with this activity a series of eight steels with yield stress in the range 372-745 MPa (54-108 ksi) have been obtained. These include a conventional, high toughness quenched and tempered steel (HY-80) for comparison purposes, a precipitation hardened steel (A 710), three microalloyed quenched and tempered steels and three thermomechanically control processed (TMCP) steels. Each of these was provided as 25.4 mm plate with butt welds in both the as-welded and ground and post weld heat treated conditions. This report presents material properties for these steels, as provided by the individual manufacturers. The data have been grouped according to properties to facilitate comparison between steels.

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INTRODUCTION

The overall objective of this research project involves characterization of the fatigue properties of selected (representative) steels with yield stress in the range 372-745 MPa (54-108 ksi) and under conditions relevant to offshore structures. Particular emphasis was placed upon recently developed microalloyed and thermomechanically control processed steels but with the opportunity for comparison to a more conventional steel in the same strength range. Welding was performed according to the best available technique, as recommended by the supplier, but with the procedure being qualified by a sub-committee of the Technical Advisory Committee.

This report constitutes a compilation of properties for the different steels employed in this program. Table I lists the steels, identifies the supplier and defines a designation system which is hereafter followed.

Properties were determined by the individual manufacturers and no limit was placed on what data should be developed. Hence, the type and format of data is not always uniform. For ease of comparison, where it was necessary, data is normalized and presented in a separate table.

STEEL	DESIGNATION
HY-80 (Sumitomo)	1
ASTM A710 Grade A Class 3 (NKK)	2
NKHITEN 62E (NKK)	3a
River ACE 80M (Kawasaki)	3b
EH 36 (ABS) (Sumitomo)	4
ASTM A537 Class 2 direct quenched (Kawasaki)	5
ASTM A537, accelerated cool (Kawasaki)	6
Pipe Line X 70 (Sumitomo)	7

Table I : Material and Specimen Designation Convention

Section I

Chemical Composition

STEEL NO.	1	2	3a	3b	4	5	6	7
ELEMENT								
C	0.13	0.04	0.08	0.11	0.13	0.12	0.07	
Si	0.16	0.30	0.23	0.23	0.37	0.41	0.26	
Mn	0.28	0.45	1.40	0.86	1.42	1.30	1.35	
P	0.005	0.004	0.01	0.004	0.018	0.014	0.011	
S	0.005	0.002	0.002	0.003	0.002	0.003	0.003	
Cu	0.02	1.14	0.01	0.24	0.01	0.01	0.14	
Ni	3.08	0.82	0.43	0.98	0.01	0.03	0.14	
Cr	1.70	0.67	0.09	0.43	0.02	0.04	0.01	
Mo	0.44	0.18	0.06	0.44	0.01	0.05	0.02	
Nb	—	0.037	0.002	—	0.025	—	0.017	
V	0.006	0.004	0.04	0.027	0.003	0.044	—	
B	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0009	—	—	—	
Ti	0.004	0.002	0.005	—	0.022	—	—	
N	0.0089	0.0047	0.0026	—	0.0038	—	—	
Sol. Al	0.019	0.034	0.051	—	0.046	—	—	
O	0.0031	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Carbon								
Equivalent	0.7108*	0.4165£	0.3807£	0.4853*	0.3890*	0.3781*	0.3163*	

* $C_{eq} = C + Mn/6 + Si/24 + Ni/40 + Cr/5 + Mo/4 + V/14$

£ $C_{eq} = C + Mn/6 + Cu/15 + Ni/15 + Cr/5 + Mo/5 + V/5$

Table I.1 : Chemical Composition of Test Steels

Section II

Manufacturing Process

Steel Making	Electric Furnace
Steel Casting	Ingot Case
Slab Making	Universal Mill
Heating	Reheating Furnace
Rolling	Plate Mill
Heat Treatment	Quenching $900^{\circ}\text{C} \times 30 \text{ min W.Q.}$ Tempering $670^{\circ}\text{C} \times 1 \text{ Hr A.C.}$

Table II.1 : Process Flow for Manufacture of Steel 1 Plates

PROCESS	FACILITIES	PROCEDURE
Steel Making	<p>Pig Iron</p> <p>Desulphurizing</p> <p>Deoxidation</p> <p>Ladle Refining</p> <p>Degassing</p> <p>Ingot making</p>	<p>Mechanical stirring (KR Type)</p> <p>Add CaC</p> <p>Basic oxygen furnace 250 tons/charge</p> <p>NK-AP P I</p> <p>R II Process</p> <p>Ingot size thickness : 730-1100 mm width : 1870-2685 mm height : 2750-3200 mm Weight : 26-50 tons</p>
Slabbing	<p>Soaking</p> <p>Slabbing</p>	<p>Hot top : exothermic powder Pouring temperature : 1560°C min.</p> <p>Soaking temperature : About 1300°C</p> <p>High lift slabbing mill</p>

Table II.2 : Process flow for Manufacture of Steel 2 Plates.

PROCESS	FACILITIES	PROCEDURE
<p>Slab Cutting</p> <p>→</p> <p>Shear or flame cutting</p> <p>Slab size : thickness : 95-500 mm width : 1250-2304 mm length : 1650-5300 mm</p> <p>Scarfing</p> <p>→</p> <p>Cold scarfers</p> <p>Surface and Dimension inspection</p> <p>Plate rolling</p> <p>→</p> <p>Reheating</p> <p>→</p> <p>Continuous Reheating furnace Batch reheating furnace</p> <p>1). Slab thickness for continuous R. F. : 95-350 mm 2). Slab thickness for batch R. F. : 95-500 mm 3). Reheating temperature : 1150-1300°C</p> <p>Hydraulic scale breaker 150kg/cm 216.5 inches 4-hi mill - ray thickness gauge</p> <p>Rolling</p> <p>→</p> <p>Hot leveling</p> <p>→</p> <p>Hot leveler 4-hi type</p> <p>Cooling</p> <p>→</p> <p>Surface examination</p> <p>In process inspection</p>		

Table II.2 (continued...)

PROCESS	FACILITIES	PROCEDURE
	<p>Rough Cutting</p> <p>Interim Marking</p> <p>Shot Blasting</p> <p>Quenching</p> <p>Tempering</p> <p>Surface Examination</p> <p>Cutting (Plate and Test coupons)</p> <p>Dimension and visual inspection</p>	<p>Mechanical Shear and/or Gas Cutter</p> <p>De-scaling of plate surface before heat treatment</p> <p>Shot blaster</p> <p>No. 1 heat treatment furnace with hearth roller (non-oxidize atmosphere)</p> <p>No. 2 heat treatment furnace</p> <p>In process inspection</p> <p>Flame planer</p> <p>Physical testing</p>

Table III.2 (continued...)

PROCESS	FACILITIES	PROCEDURE
Continuous Casting	No. 1 Slab Continuous Casting Machine (Vertical bending type with soft reduction) thickness : 250 mm width : 1595-2304 mm shape : square corner	Applicable plate thickness : max. 83 mm
Slabbing	Shear or flame cutting	
	Slab Cutting Scarfing Cold scarifiers	1). Slab thickness for continuous R. F. : 95-350 mm 2). Slab thickness for batch R. F. : 95-500 mm 3). Reheating temperature : 1150 - 1300 °C
	Surface and Dimension inspection	Continuous reheating furnace Batch reheating furnace
Plate rolling	Reheating Rolling Hot Levelling Cooling	Hydraulic scale breaker 150kg/cm 216.5 inches 4-hi mill - ray thickness gauge Hot leveller 4-hi type

Table II.3 : Process flow for Manufacture of Steel 3a Plates.

PROCESS	FACILITIES	PROCEDURE
<p>Surface Examination</p> <pre> graph TD A[Surface Examination] --> B[Rough Cutting] B --> C[Interim Marking] C --> D[Shot Blasting] D --> E[Quenching] E --> F[Tempering] F --> G[Surface Examination] G --> H[Cutting] H --> I["(Plate and Test coupons)"] I --> J[Dimension and visual inspection] J --> K[Physical testing] </pre>	<p>Mechanical shear and/or Gas Cutter</p> <p>Shot blaster</p> <p>No. 1 heat treatment furnace with hearth roller (non-oxidize atmosphere)</p> <p>No. 2 heat treatment furnace</p> <p>Flame planer</p>	<p>In process inspection</p> <p>De-scaling of plate surface before heat treatment</p> <p>Holding Temperature : 900°C ± 10°C</p> <p>Holding Temperature : 620°C ± 5°C</p> <p>In process inspection</p> <p>In process inspection</p>

Table II.3 (continued...)

Steel Making	Converter
Steel Casting	Continuous Case
Slab Making	_____
Heating	Reheating Furnace
Rolling	Plate Mill
Heat Treatment	Control Rolling

Table II.4 : Process Flow for Manufacture of Steel 4 Plates

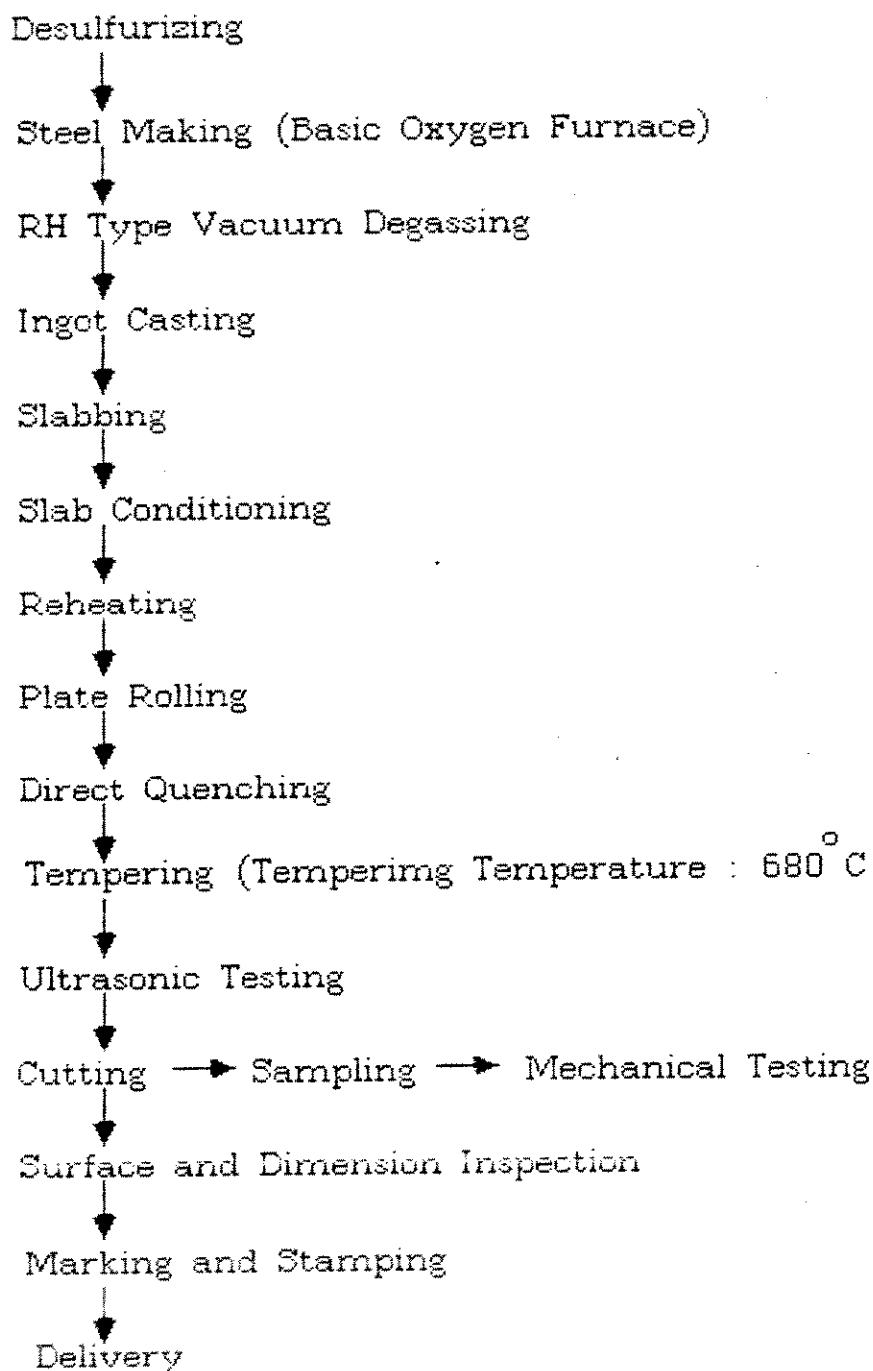


Table II.5 : Process flow for Manufacture of Steel 5 Plates

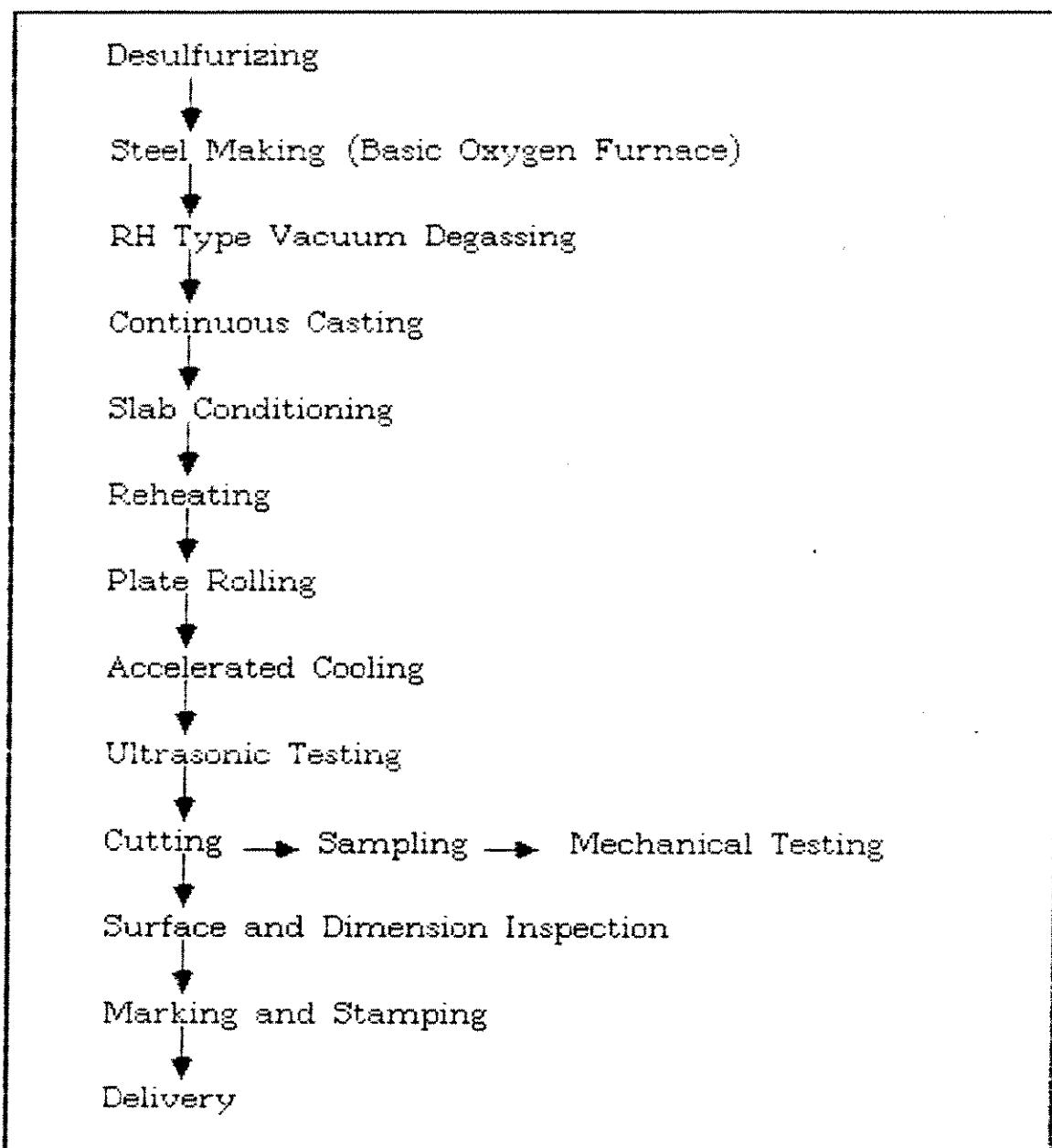


Table II.6 : Process flow for Manufacture of Steel 6 Plates

Section III

Tensile Test Results

S t e e	Yield Strength MPa (ksi)						Tensile Strength MPa (ksi)									
	As QT			PWHT**			As QT			PWHT**						
	L*	C	Spec.	L	T	Z	L	T	L*	C	Spec.	L	T	Z	L	T
1	636 (92.2)	654.6 (94.9)	549.2 (79.7)				736.5 (106.8)	742.9 (107.7)				622 (90.3)	621 (90.2)	623 (90.5)	617 (89.6)	615 (89.3)
2				563 (81.7)	563 (81.7)		546 (79.2)	553 (80.2)								
3a				537 (77.9)	533 (77.4)		528 (76.6)	526 (76.4)				613 (88.9)	611 (88.6)	610 (88.4)	610 (88.3)	609 (88.3)
3b				745 (108)								824 (119)				
4	370.7 (53.8)	416.3 (60.4)										518.8 (75.2)	536 (77.7)	490.4 (71.1)		
5														598 (86.7)		
6															551 (80.3)	525 (76.4)
7																

L*-Ladle, C=Check, Z-Through Thickness Direction
 Table III.1 : Yield and Tensile Strengths – Comparative Analysis

THICKNESS (mm)		YP * Kgf/mm ²	YP 0.2%, Kgf/mm ²	TS Kgf/mm ²	EL %	RA %	YR YP*/TSx100
25.4	L	-	64.5 65.2	74.5 75.7	21.0 21.4	73.2 74.0	67 87
	C	-	66.2 67.3	75.7 75.8	20.1 20.4	68.4 68.7	87 89
	Spec	-	56/70	-	GL=50.0mm >=20	>=50	-

L-Ladle, C-Check

Table III.2 Tensile Test Results for Steel 1

Heat Treatment	Direction	YS MPa (ksi)	TS MPa (ksi)	EL %	RA %
As QT	L	563 (81.7)	622 (90.3)	31.8	82.7
	T	563 (81.7)	621 (90.2)	31.9	82.1
	Z	—	623 (90.5)	—	75.0
PWHT (600°C x 1hr)	L	546 (79.2)	617 (89.6)	31.1	82.1
	T	553 (80.2)	615 (89.3)	32.3	82.2

a) Tensile Specimen

0.5 in. diameter x 2 in. gage length from the mid-thickness position for L and T direction

0.4 in. diameter for Z direction

b) L Longitudinal direction

T Transverse direction

Z Through Thickness direction

Table III.3 Tensile Test Results for Steel 2

Heat Treatment	Direction	YS MPa (ksi)	TS MPa (ksi)	EL %	RA %
As QT	L	537 (77.9)	613 (88.9)	27.9	81.6
	T	533 (77.4)	611 (88.6)	25.0	75.8
	Z	—	610 (88.4)	—	75.5
PWHT (600 °C x 1hr)	L	528 (76.6)	610 (88.4)	28.0	81.4
	T	553 (76.4)	609 (88.3)	24.6	74.7

a) Tensile Specimen

0.5 in. diameter x 2 in. gage length from the mid-thickness position
for L and T direction
0.4 in. diameter for Z direction

b) L Longitudinal direction

T Transverse direction

Z Through Thickness direction

Table III.4 Tensile Test Results for Steel 3a

THICKNESS mm (inch)	YIELD STRENGTH		TENSILE STRENGTH		ELONGATION %
	MPa	Ksi	MPa	Ksi	
25.4 (1.0)	745	108	824	119	24

Table III.5 Tensile Test Results for Steel 3b

THICKNESS (mm)		YP * Kgf/mm ²	YP 0.2%, Kgf/mm ²	TS Kgf/mm ²	EL %	RA %	YR YP*/TSx100
25.4	L	40.0	37.3	52.9	35.2	74.6	70.5
		39.6	38.3	52.9	34.6	75.4	72.4
	C	44.8	42.6	54.6	34.0	73.6	78.0
		44.5	42.1	54.6	34.0	73.8	76.9
Spec.		>= 36	—	50/63	GL=50.0mm >=22	—	—

L-Ladle, C-Check

Table III.6 Tensile Test Results for Steel 4

THICKNESS	YIELD STRENGTH		TENSILE STRENGTH		ELONGATION
mm (inch)	MPa	Ksi	MPa	Ksi	%
25.4(1.0)	500	73	598	87	28

Table III.7 Tensile Test Results for Steel 5

Heat Treatment	YIELD STRENGTH		TENSILE STRENGTH		ELONGATION %
	MPa	Ksi	MPa	Ksi	
As received	452	65.9	551	80.3	30
PWHT	438	63.9	525	76.4	32

Table III.8 Tensile Test Results for Steel 6

Section IV

Charpy Impact and CTOD Test Results

Steel	Condition	Direction	Charpy Energy, Joules				50% FATT °C
			0 °C	-20 °C	-40 °C	-60 °C	
1		L*	268.3			278.5	277.5
		C	207.9		210.8	188.3	-112
2	As QT	L		378	371		-127
		T		363	362		-133
3a	PWHT	L		368	366		-119
		T		366	364		-108
3b	As QT	L		333	319		-91
		T		302	278		-89
	PWHT	L		324	290		-76
		T		360	219		
4	As Welded			215.8			
5	PWHT			192.5	179.8		
6		L	274.5	215.7			
		C	257.9	184.3			
7	As Welded			126.5	121.9		
				262.8	248.5		

L*-Ladle, C-Check, L-Longitudinal, T-Transverse, Z-Through Thickness Direction

Table IV.1 : Charpy Test Results – Comparative Analysis

Steel	Thick- ness (mm)		vE _o kgf·m	vE ₋₄₀ kgf·m	vE ₋₆₀ kgf·m	vE ₋₈₅ kgf·m	vTs °C
				Ave.		Ave.	
1	25.4	L	29.6		27.3	28.2	
			28.8	29.4	28.8	28.4	29.3
			29.8		29.2	27.5	28.3
		C	20.5		21.1	20.2	
			21.4	21.2	22.2	21.5	18.2
			21.8		21.3	19.2	19.2
		Spec.	-	-	-	>0.7	>6.9

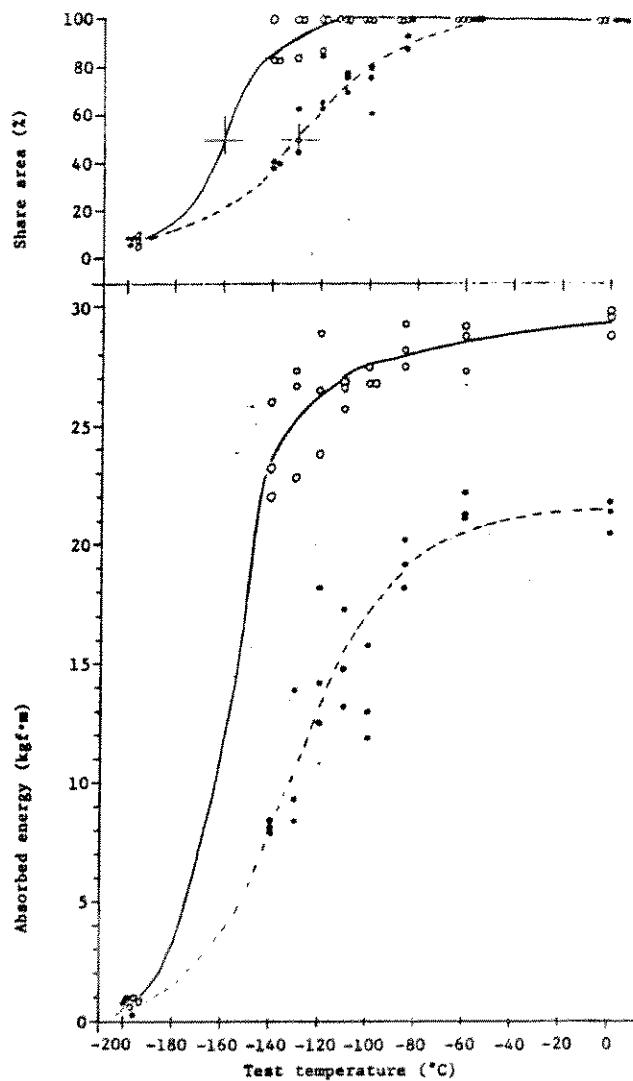


Figure IV.1 : Charpy Impact Test Results for Steel 1

Steel	Thick-ness (mm)	Temper-ature °C	Result	
1	25.4	-115	○ ○ ○	
		-120	○ ○ ○	
		-125	● ● ●	
		NDT	-120	
Condition				
Test piece : P1				
Direction : C				
Energy : 83 kgf·m				

Figure IV.1a : CTOD Test Results for Steel 1
(NRL Drop Weight Test)

Heat Treatment	Direction	V-E-40°C J (ft-lb)	V-E-60°C J (ft-lb)	50% FATT °C (°F)
As QT	L	378(279)	371(274)	-112(-170)
	T	363(268)	362(267)	-127(-197)
PWHT (600°C x 1hr)	L	368(272)	366(270)	-133(-207)
	T	366(270)	364(268)	-119(-182)

(AsQT , L)

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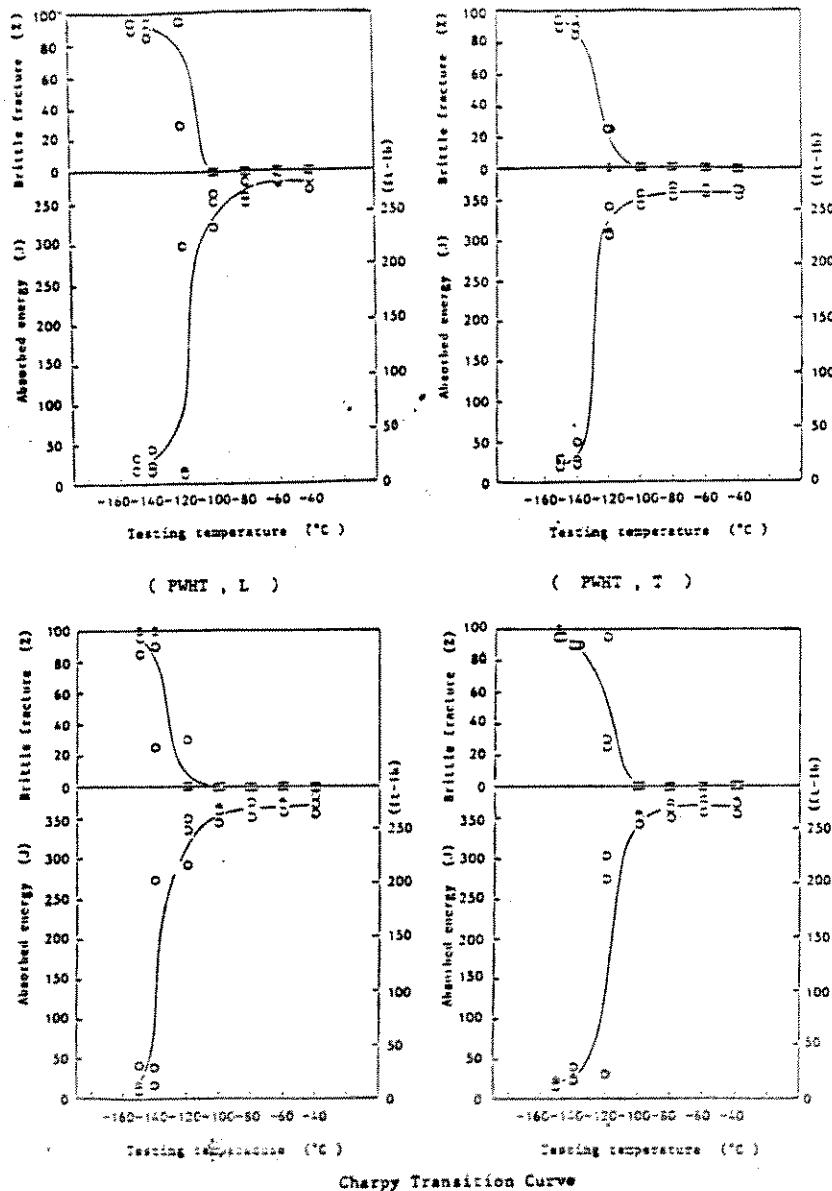
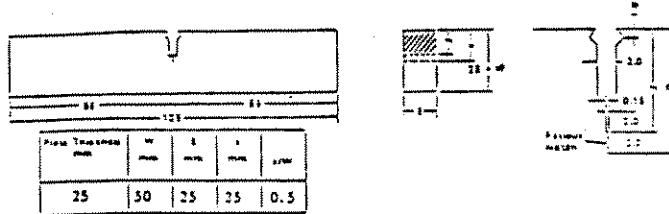


Figure IV.2 : Charpy Impact Test Results for Steel 2
(2 mm V-notch Charpy Impact Specimen, Full size from quarter thickness position)

Test Condition : Test Specimen : Type P-1 (ASTM E208)
 Drop Weight Energy : 813J
 Electrode : NRL - S (KOBE Steel LTD)

NRL Drop Weight Test Results (As QT)						
Direction	Testing Temperature °C(°F)				NDTT	
	-75(-103)	-80(-112)	-85(-121)	-90(-130)	°C(°F)	
L	○ ○ ○	○ ○ ○	○ ● ●	● ● ●	-85(-121)	
○ : No Break , ● : Break						

CTOD Test

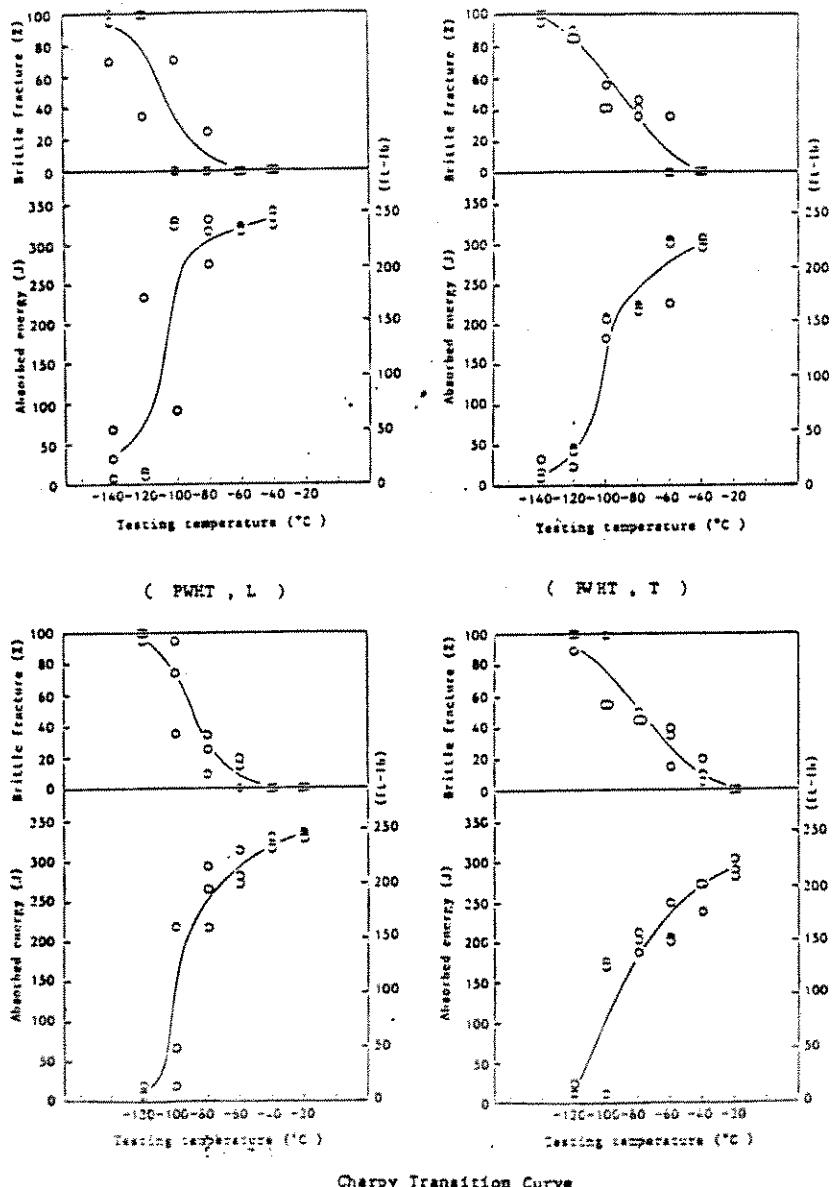


Dimension of Test Specimen and Notch Detail

CTOD Test Results (As QT)									
Direction	B	W	a	Y	Testing Temp. °C(°F)	σ_y kg/mm ²	P kg	V _p mm	Critical CTOD Value mm(mil)
L	25	50	25.8	11.18	-10 (- 14)	58.8	8440	>4.4	>1.34 (>52.8)
	25	50	26.3	11.56	-10 (- 14)	58.8	7770	>4.4	>1.29 (>50.8)
	25	50	26.0	11.33	-50 (- 58)	61.2	8150	>4.4	>1.32 (>52.0)
	25	50	26.1	11.40	-90 (-130)	65.0	7410	>4.4	>1.29 (>50.8)
	25	50	25.5	10.96	-110(-166)	67.6	8250	0.93	0.35 (13.8)
	25	50	25.8	11.18	-130(-202)	71.2	9170	2.16	0.71 (28.0)
	25	50	26.6	11.79	-150(-238)	76.3	7180	0.05	0.079(3.1)
	25	50	26.1	11.40	-170(-274)	83.9	6850	0	0.050(2.0)

Figure IV.2a : CTOD Test Results for Steel 2

Heat treatment	Direction	$vE-40^{\circ}\text{C}$ J (ft-lb)	$vE-60^{\circ}\text{C}$ J (ft-lb)	50% FATT °C (°F)
As QT	L	333(246)	319(235)	-108(-162)
	T	302(223)	278(205)	-91 (-132)
PWHT (600°C x 1hr)	L	324(239)	290(214)	-89 (-128)
	T	260(192)	219(162)	-76 (-105)



Charpy Transition Curve

Figure IV.3 : Charpy Impact Test Results for Steel 3a
(2 mm V-notch Charpy Impact Specimen, Full size from quarter thickness position)

Test Condition : Test Specimen : Type P-I (ASTM E208)

Drop Weight Energy : 813J

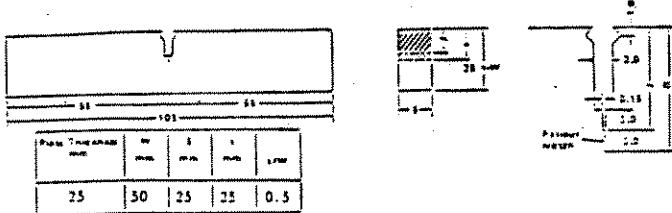
Electrode : NRL-S (KOBE Steel LTD)

NRL Drop Weight Test Results (As QT)

Direction	Testing Temperature °C(°F)				NDTT °C(°F)
	-40(-40)	-45(-49)	-50(-58)	-55(-67)	
L	○ ○ ○	○ ○ ○	○ ● ●	● ● ●	-50(-58)

○ : No Break , ● : Break

CTOD Test



Dimension of Test Specimen and Notch Detail

CTOD Test Results (As QT)

Direction	B mm	W mm	a mm	y mm	Testing Temp. °C(°F)	G kg/mm ²	P kg	V _p mm	Critical CTOD Value mm(mil)
L	25	50	25.0	10.61	-10(-14)	56.2	8020	>4.4	>1.38 (>54.3)
	25	50	24.3	10.15	-10(-14)	56.2	8520	>4.4	>1.44 (>56.7)
	25	50	26.0	11.33	-50(- 58)	58.6	7660	>4.4	>1.31 (>51.6)
	25	50	24.7	10.41	-70(- 94)	60.3	8540	3.78	1.22 (48.0)
	25	50	24.5	10.28	-90(-130)	62.4	7920	0.51	0.21 (8.3)
	25	50	26.8	11.96	-110(-166)	65.1	5610	0	0.048(1.9)
	25	50	26.3	11.56	-130(-202)	68.8	5210	0	0.037(1.5)
	25	50	25.8	11.18	-150(-238)	73.9	4530	0	0.024(0.9)

Figure IV.3a : CTOD Test Results for Steel 3a

Steel	Heat treatment	Test temp.		Charpy impact strength					
				Weld metal		HAZ		Parent plate	
		°C	°F	Joule	ft-lbs	Joule	ft-lbs	Joule	ft-lbs
3b	As welded	-20	-4	78.5	57.9	128.5	94.8	—	—
				86.3	63.7	88.3	65.1		
				116.7 (93.8)	86.1 (69.2)	108.9 (108.6)	80.3 (80.1)		
		-40	-40	77.5	57.2	79.4	58.6	198.1	146.1
				78.5	57.9	85.3	62.9	224.6	165.7
	PWHT	-20	-4	70.6 (75.5)	52.1 (55.7)	68.6 (77.8)	50.6 (57.4)	224.6 (215.8)	165.7 (159.2)
				78.4	57.8	186.3	137.4	185.3	136.7
		-40	-40	93.2	68.7	192.2	141.8	202.0	149.0
				142.2 (104.6)	104.9 (77.1)	201.0 (193.2)	148.2 (142.5)	190.2 (192.5)	140.3 (142.0)

Numbers in parentheses are the average of three specimens.

Figure IV.4 : Charpy Impact Test Results for Steel 3b

Steel	Thick- ness (mm)		vE ₀	vE ₋₄₀	vE ₋₆₀	vE ₋₈₀	vTs		
			Ave.	Ave.	Ave.	Ave.	°C		
4	25.4	L	29.0	26.0					
			28.5	28.0	22.5	22.0	-	-82	
			26.5		17.5		-		
		C	27.0		19.5				
			26.0	26.3	19.0	18.8	-	-70	
			25.8		18.0		-		
Spec.		-		L>3.5		-	-		
				C<2.4					

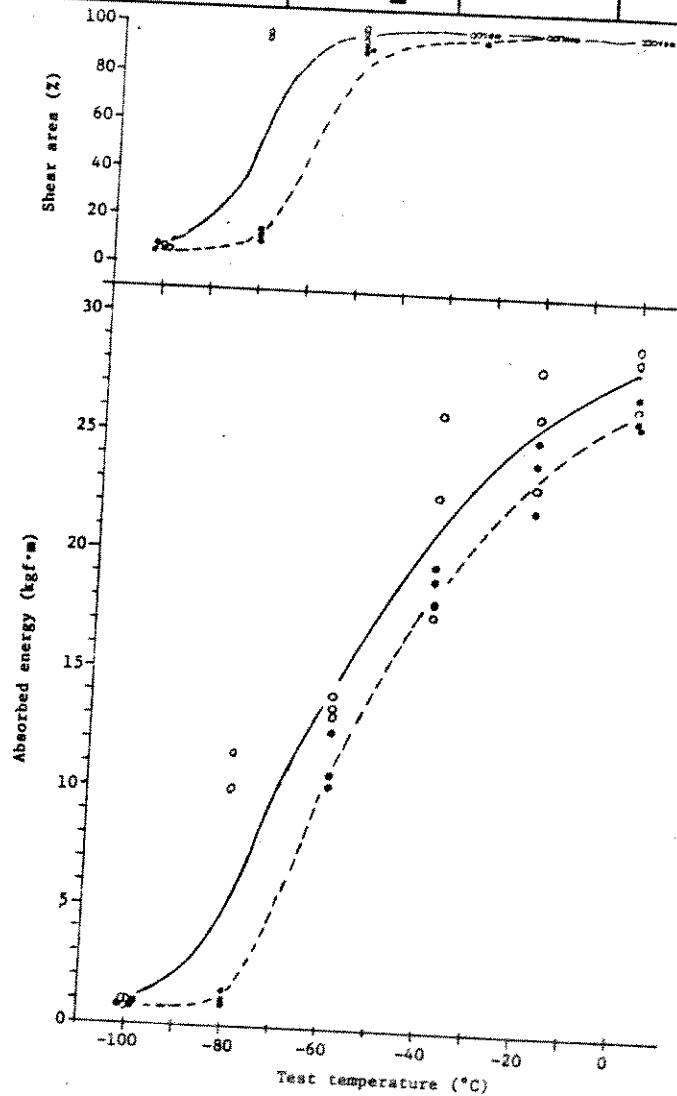


Figure IV.5 : Charpy Impact Test Results for Steel 4

Steel	Thick-ness (mm)	Temper-ature °C	Result	
4	25.4	-40	8  0  0 	
		-45	1  20  15  16 5  12	
		-50	1  2  3 	
		NDT	-45°C	
Condition				
Test piece : P1				
Direction : C				
Energy : 83 kgf·m				

Figure IV.5a : CTOD Test Results for Steel 4
(NRL Drop Weight Test)

Steel	Heat treatment	Test temp.		Charpy impact strength					
				Weld metal		HAZ		Parent plate	
		°C	°F	Joule	ft-lbs	Joule	ft-lbs	Joule	ft-lbs
5	As welded	-20	-4	175.5	129.4	120.6	88.9	159.8	117.9
				175.5	129.4	104.9	77.4	146.1	107.8
				150.0	110.6	111.8	82.5	73.5	54.2
				(167.0)	(123.1)	(112.4)	(82.9)	(126.5)	(93.3)
	PWHT	-40	-40	154.9	114.2	79.4	58.6	148.1	109.2
				113.8	83.9	112.8	83.2	145.1	107.0
				103.0	76.0	68.6	50.6	72.6	53.5
				(123.9)	(91.4)	(86.9)	(64.1)	(121.9)	(89.9)

Numbers in parentheses are the average of three specimens.

Figure IV.6 : Charpy Impact Test Results for Steel 5

Heat treatment	Temp. (°C)	Weld metal		HAZ	
		Joule	ft · lbs	Joule	ft · lbs
As welded	-20	236.3	174.3	220.6	162.7
	-40	166.7	123.0	216.7	159.8
PWHT	-20	186.3	137.4	224.6	165.6
	-40	155.9	115.0	200.0	147.6

Figure IV.7 : Charpy Impact Test Results for Steel 6

Section V

Hardness Test Results

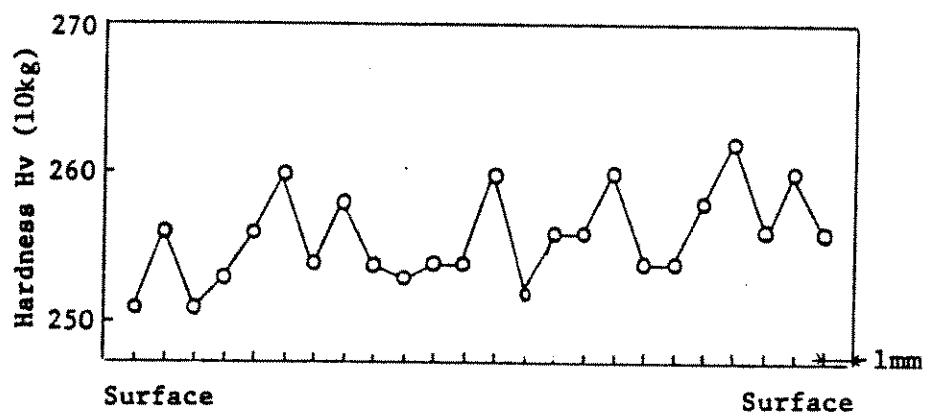


Figure V.1 : Hardness Test Results for Steel 1

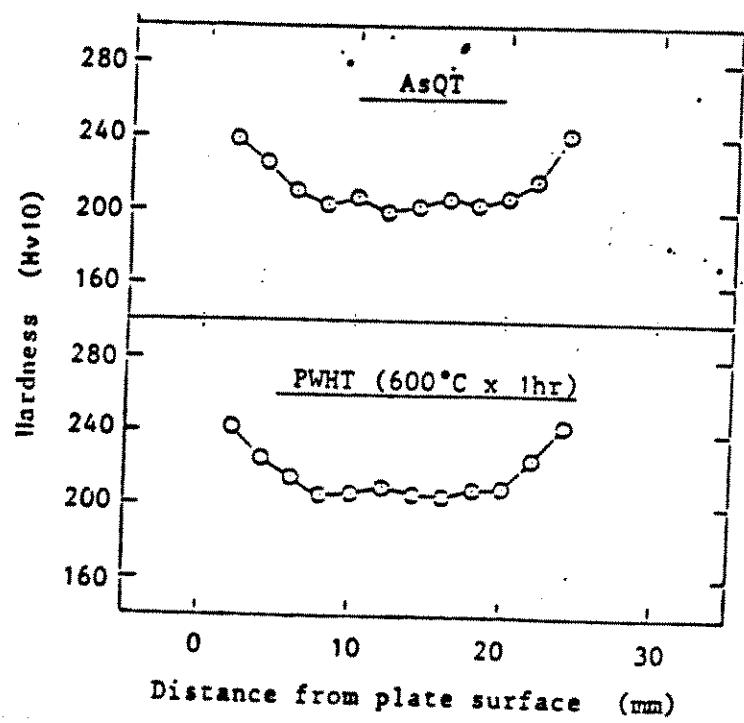


Figure V.2 : Hardness Test Results for Steel 2

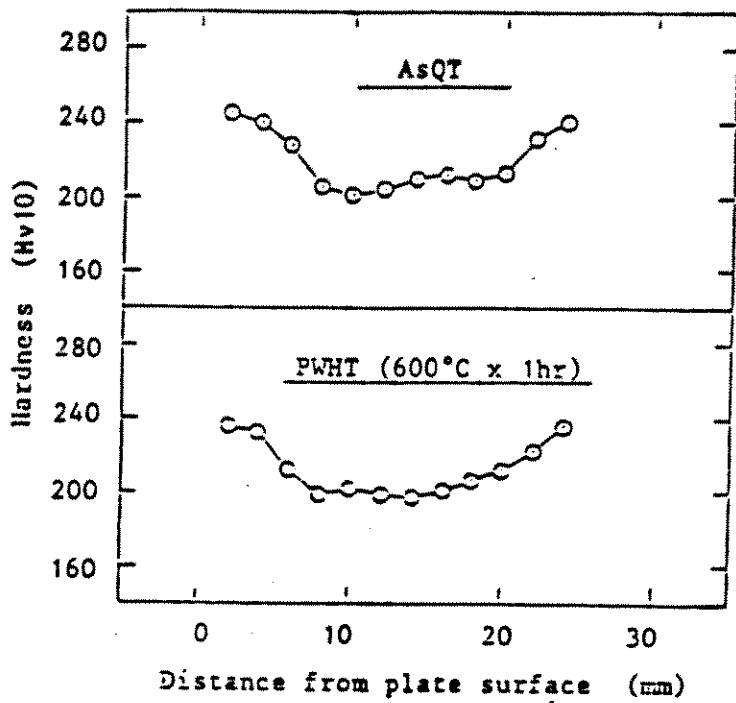


Figure V.3 : Hardness Test Results for Steel 3a

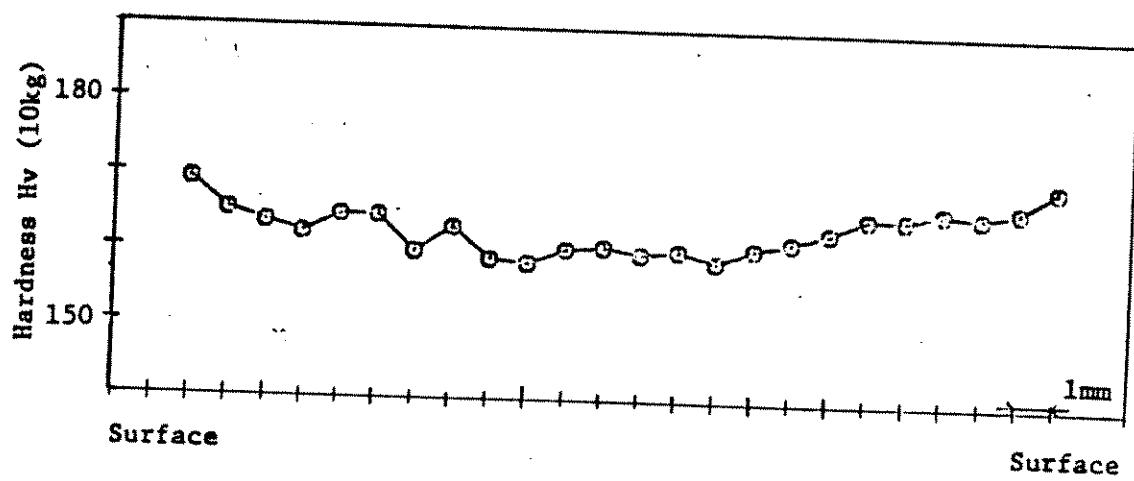


Figure V.4 : Hardness Test Results for Steel 4

Section VI

Microstructure

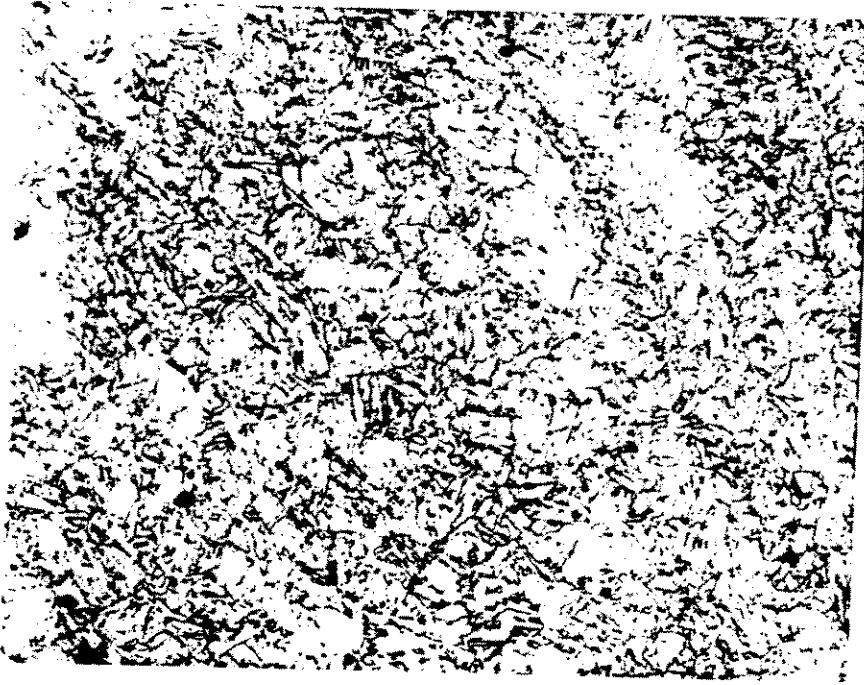


Figure VI.1 : Microstructure of Steel 1 (400 X)

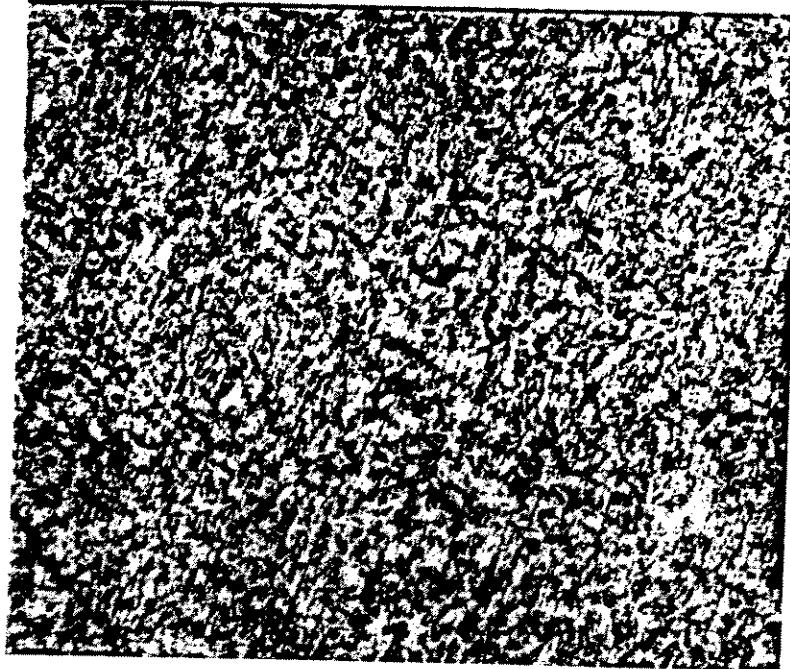


Figure VI.2 : Microstructure of Steel 2 (400 X)

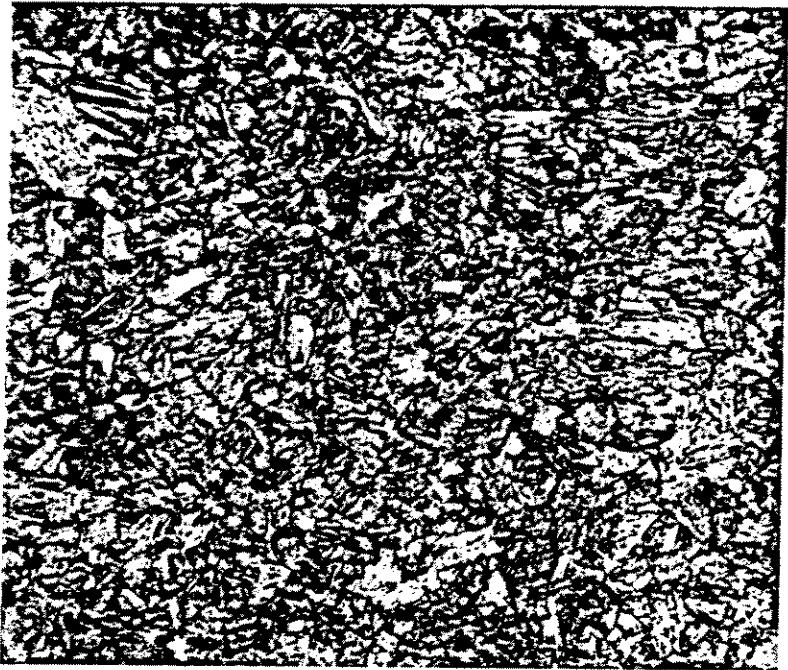


Figure VI.3 : Microstructure of Steel 3a(400 X)

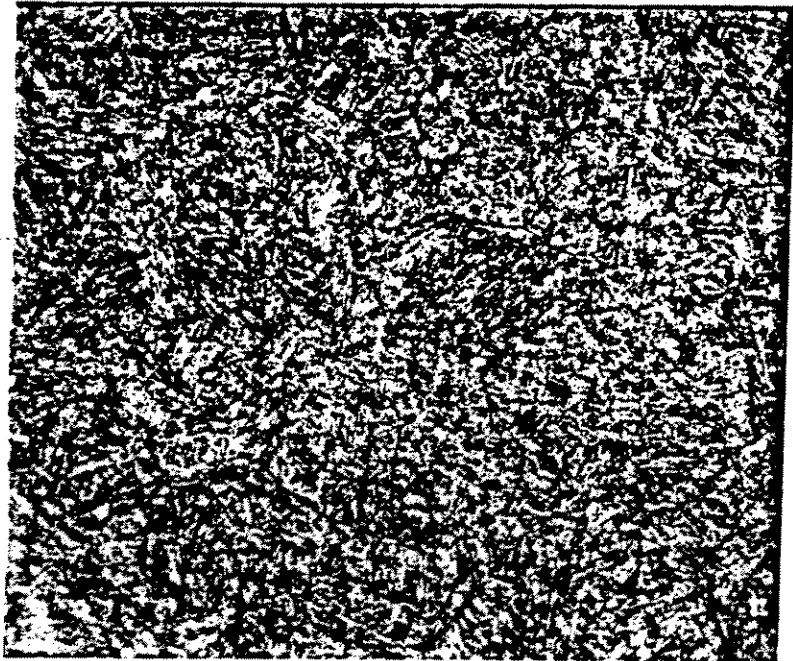


Figure VI.4 : Microstructure of Steel 3b(400 X)

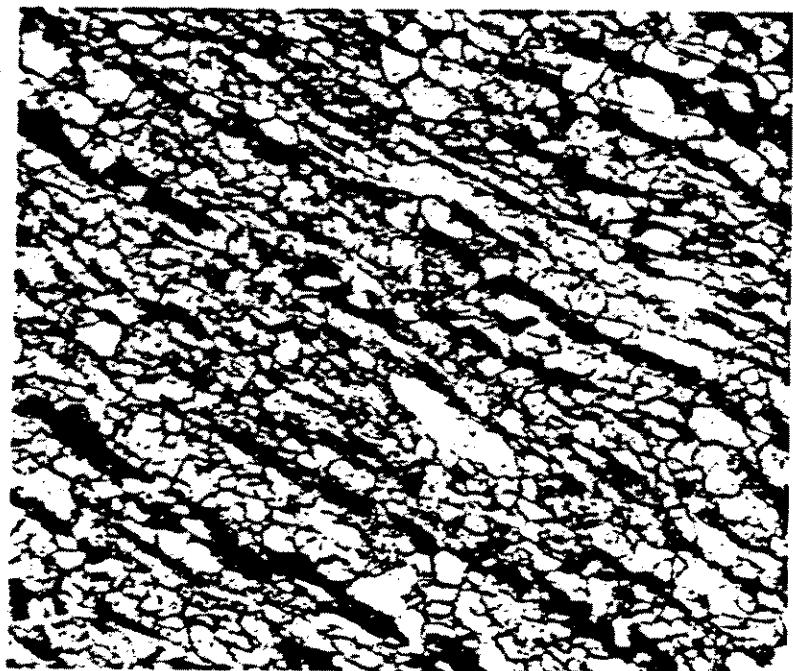


Figure VI.5: Microstructure of steel 4 (400 X)



Figure VI.6 : Microstructure of Steel 5 (400 X)

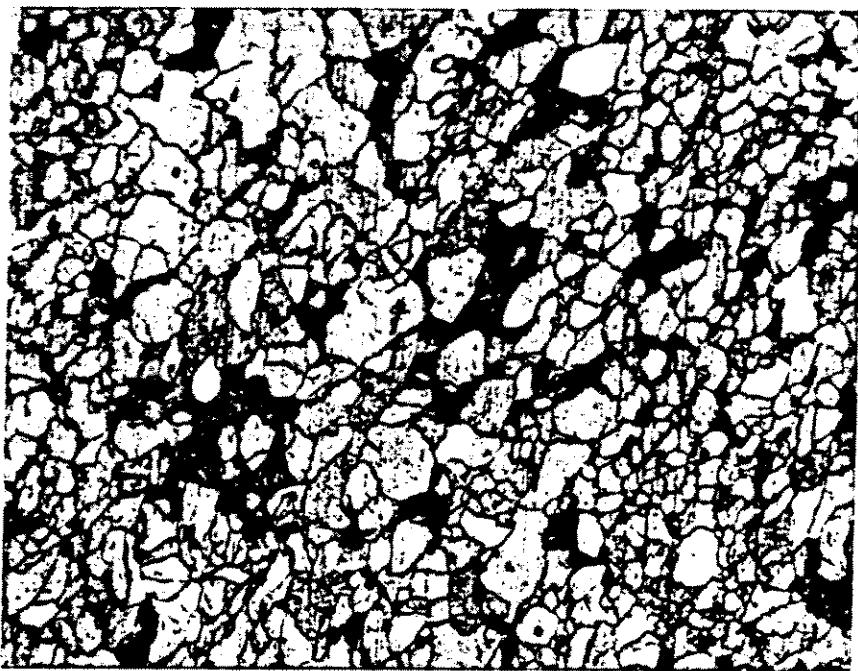


Figure VI.7: Microstructure of steel 6 (400 X)

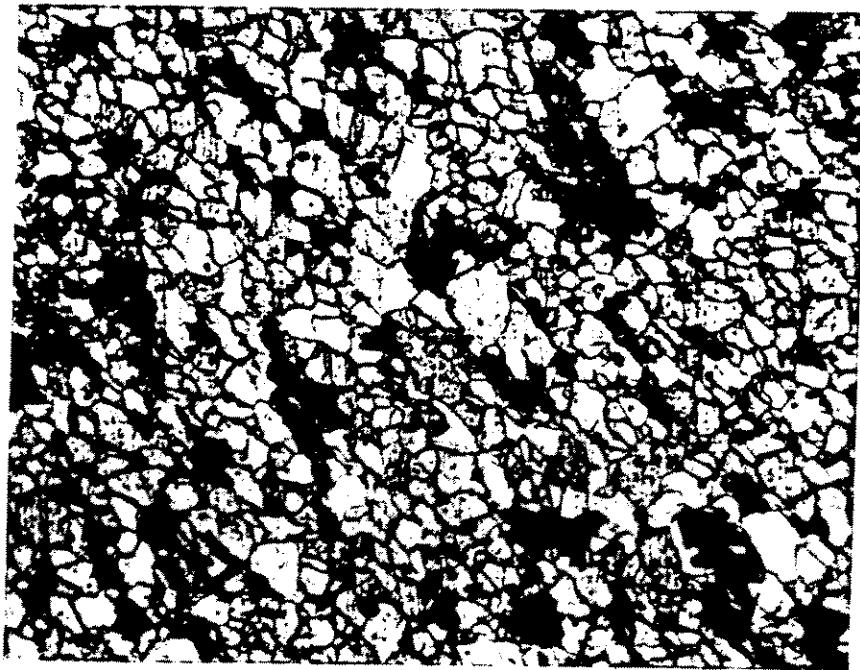


Figure VI.8 : Microstructure of Steel 7 (400 X)

Section VII

Welding

A) Welding Procedure

B) Weld Properties

A) Welding Procedure

Welding Procedure Specification

1 Material 1

2 Welding Procedure

Welding Process S.A.W.

Manual or Machine Machine

Position of Welding Flat

Filler Metal W543(4mmφ)

Flux B2CM(Bond Flux)

Welding Current 650Amp

Welding Voltage 38Volt

Welding Speed 16.5Inch/min

Preheat and 150-200 C
Interpass Temperature

Post Heat Temperature 600 Cx2Hr A.C.

Joint Detail

Edge Preparation

Layer of Pass

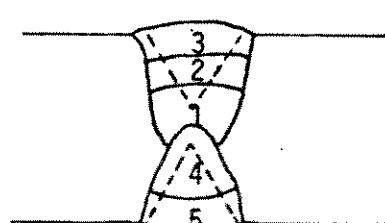
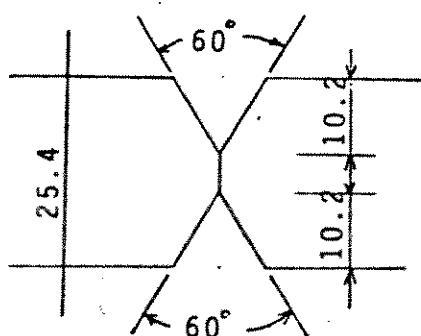


Figure VII.A.1 : Welding Procedure for Steel 1

1. Base plate

Plate No.2 ASTM A710 GradeA Class3 ($\sigma_y : 70 - 80 \text{ ksi}$)

Plate No.3 NKHITEN 62E ($\sigma_y : 70 - 80 \text{ ksi QT plate}$)

Note : The same welding procedure will be applied for both plates.

2. Welding procedure

(1) Welding process : Submerged arc (Multi-pass)

(2) Welding material

Wire : US-40 (Kobe Steel Ltd.)
Wire diameter : 4 mm

Flux : PFH-55S (Kobe Steel Ltd.)

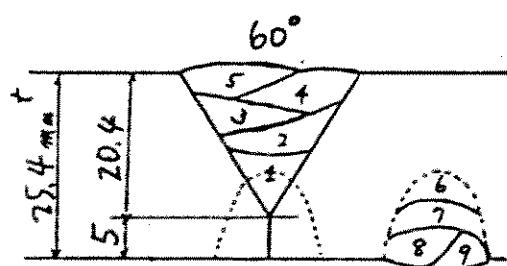
AWS Classification : F8P6-EA3-A4

(3) Current and porality : AC

(4) Preheat temperature : Ambient temperature
Interpass temperature : 200°C

(5) Post weld heat treatment : 600 °C × 1 hr and As Welded

(6) Standard welding condition



Root pass (1 and 6)
500 A - 27 V - 30 cm/min
Other passes
550 A - 32 V - 30 cm/min

Back gouging : Arc air
(profile 5 R - 35° - 12 mm depth)

Figure VII.A.2 : Welding Procedure for Steel 2 & 3a

Material specification ASTM A314F equivalent (3b)

Welding process SAW

Manual or machine Machine

Position of welding Flat

Filler metal specification AWS AS.23

Filler metal and flux classification F11A6-EG-G, KB-80C x KW-103B

Single or multiple pass Multiple

Single or multiple arc Single

Welding current AC

Root treatment Gouging

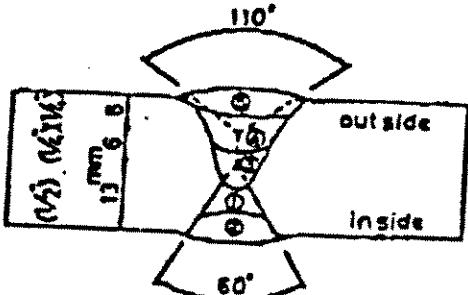
Preheat and interpass temperature 100-200 °C

Post heat treatment 580-600 °C x 1 hr/in.

Welding Procedure

* in./min.

Pass no.	Electrode size	Welding current		Travel speed	Joint detail
		Amperes	Volts		
1	4.06	550	28	10	
2			30		
3					
4					
5					



gauged after 2nd pass

This procedure may vary due to fabrication sequence, fit-up, pass size, etc., within the limitation of variables given in 4B, C, or of AWS D1.1, Structural Welding Code.

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Date May 31, 1984 Senior Researcher

Figure VII.A.3 : Welding Procedure for Steel 3b

1 Material EH-36 (Alloy type C.R.) (4)

2 Welding procedure

Welding Process S.A.W.

Manual or Machine Machine

Position of Welding Elat

Filler Metal W36(4mmφ)

Flux BL55(Bond Flux)

Electrode and Flux combination A.W.S. A5.17 F7A8-EH14

Welding Current 1 Pass: 520Amp, 2-5 Pass: 600 Amp

Welding Voltage 1 Pass; 29Volt, 2-5 Pass: 32-34Volt

Welding Speed 13.0 Inch/min

Preheating Temperature 75°C

Interpass Temperature 75-125°C

Post Heat None (Sample No. EH36 B1-4)

600°Cx2 Hr A.C. (Sample No. EH36 A1-2, EH36 C1-2)

Joint Detail:

Edge Preparation

Layer of Pass

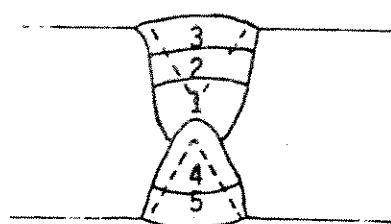
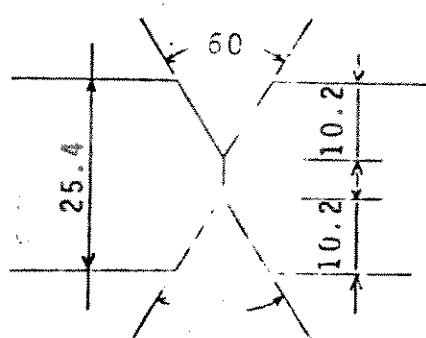


Figure VII.A.4 : Welding Procedure for Steel 4

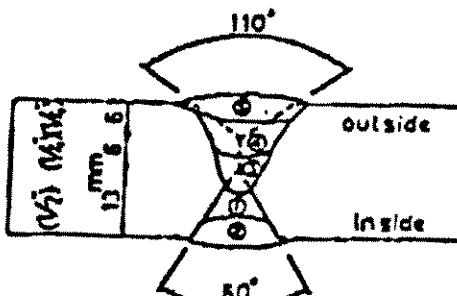
Material specification ASTM A537 cl. 2 (5)
 Welding process SAW
 Manual or machine Machine
 Position of welding Flat
 Filler metal specification AWS A5.23
 Filler metal and flux classification F8A6-EG-G, KB-110 x KW-101B

 Single or multiple pass Multiple
 Single or multiple arc Single
 Welding current AC
 Root treatment Gouging
 Preheat and interpass temperature 100-200 °C
 Post heat treatment 580-600 °C x 1 hr/in.

Welding Procedure

* in./min.

Pass no.	Electrode size	Welding current		Travel speed*	Joint detail
		Amperes	Volts		
1	4.0¢	550	28	10	
2			30		
1					
5					



gouged after 2nd pass

This procedure may vary due to fabrication sequence, fit-up, pass size, etc., within the limitation of variables given in 4B, C, or of AWS D1.1, Structural Welding Code.

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Figure VII.A.5 : Welding Procedure for Steel 5

Material specification ASTM A537 class 2 (TMCP steel) (6)

Welding process SAW

Manual or machine Machine

Position of Welding Flat

Filler metal specification AWS A5.23

Filler metal and flux specification F8A6-EG-G, KB-110×KW-101B

Single or multiple pass Multiple

Single or multiple arc Single

Welding current AC

Root treatment Gouging

Preheat and interpass temperature 100~200 °C

Post heat treatment 580~600 °C × 1 hr

Welding procedure

* in./min.

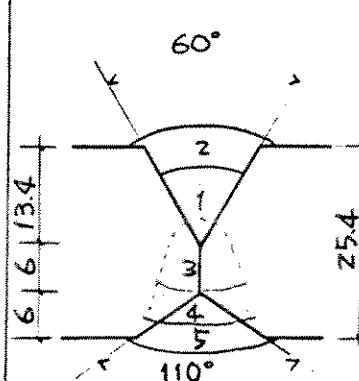
Pass no.	Electrode size (mm)	Welding current		Travel speed *	Joint detail
		Ampares	Volts		
1	4.0	550	28	10	
2	"	"	30	"	
3	"	"	"	"	
4	"	"	"	"	
5	"	"	"	"	

Figure VII.A.6 : Welding Procedure for Steel 6

B) Weld Properties

- B1) Steel 1 and 4
- B2) Steel 3a
- B3) Steel 3b and 5

B1) Steel 1 and 4

results for the welded joint

Tension test

Tension test

Steel	Thickness mm	PWHT	TS kgf/mm ²	Position of fracture
1	25.4	o	79.4	M.M.
		o	80.0	M.M.
4	25.4	-	58.7	W.M.
		o	54.7	W.M.

Charpy impact test

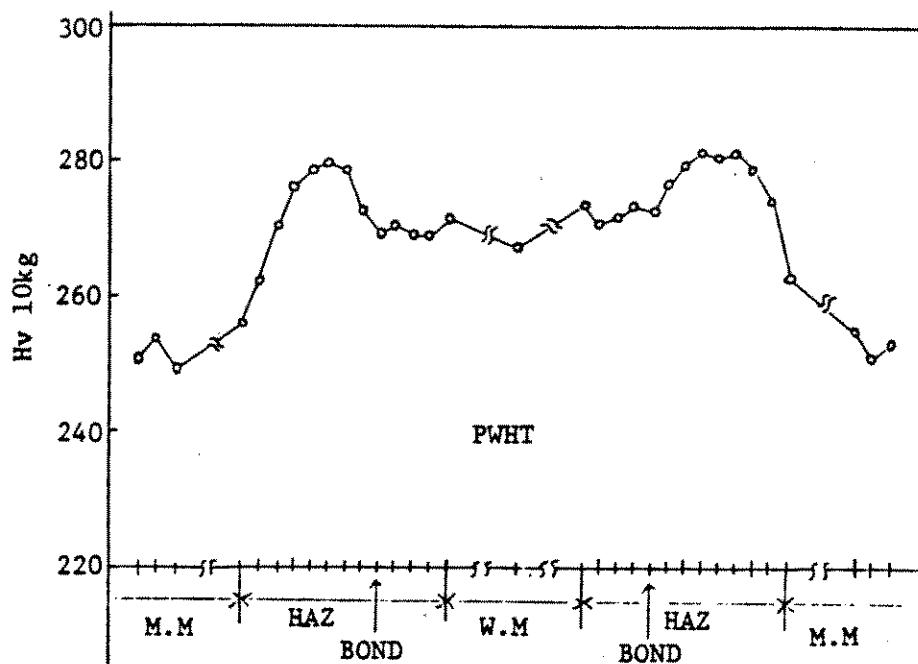
Charpy impact test

Steel	Thickness mm	PWHT		vE-20		vE-46		vE-85	
				kgf·m	SA %	kgf·m	SA %	kgf·m	SA %
1	25.4	o	W.M	6.6	60	3.6	28	2.0	8
				6.6	60	3.8	34	2.1	8
				6.6	62	4.4	35	2.3	13
			BOND	6.7	63	3.0	35	2.6	18
				8.8	68	4.0	48	2.7	18
				10.4	78	4.8	51	3.0	21
			HAZ 1mm	18.9	100	19.3	100	2.6	25
				18.9	100	19.5	100	2.7	25
				22.0	100	19.6	100	3.6	42

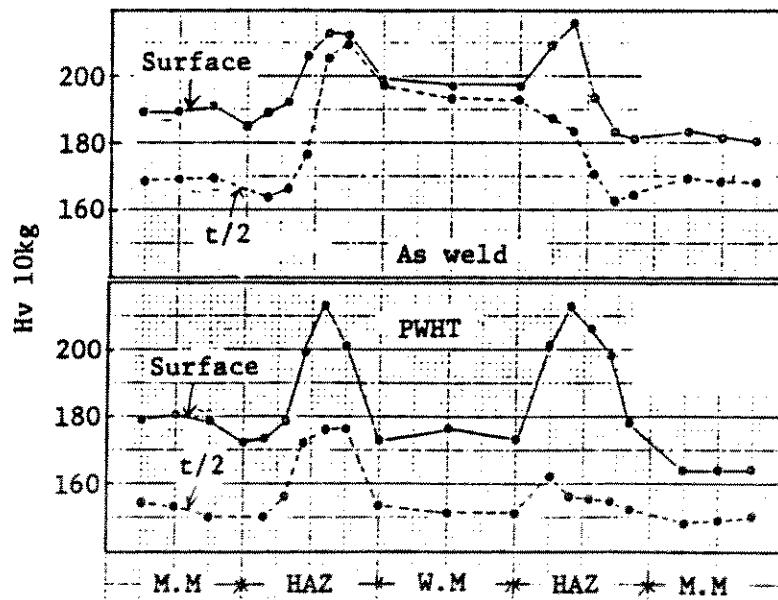
Charpy impact test

Steel	Thickness mm	PWHT		vE-20		vE-40	
				kgf·m	SA %	kgf·m	SA %
4	25.4	-	W.M.	16.3	86	13.5	74
				16.2	85	14.1	76
						14.1	74
			BOND	10.8	70	13.3	66
				15.4	74	14.3	68
		o	HAZ 1mm	12.4	72	6.5	46
				10.7	66	5.3	42
						4.9	38
			W.M.	16.8	72	13.5	54
				15.9	70	5.5	32
			BOND	7.5	54	2.8	38
				5.9	50	3.1	36
						4.5	42
			HAZ 1mm	5.9	36	4.5	42
				7.1	48	4.0	38
						3.9	38

Hardness test



Hardness distribution - steel 1



Hardness distribution - steel 4

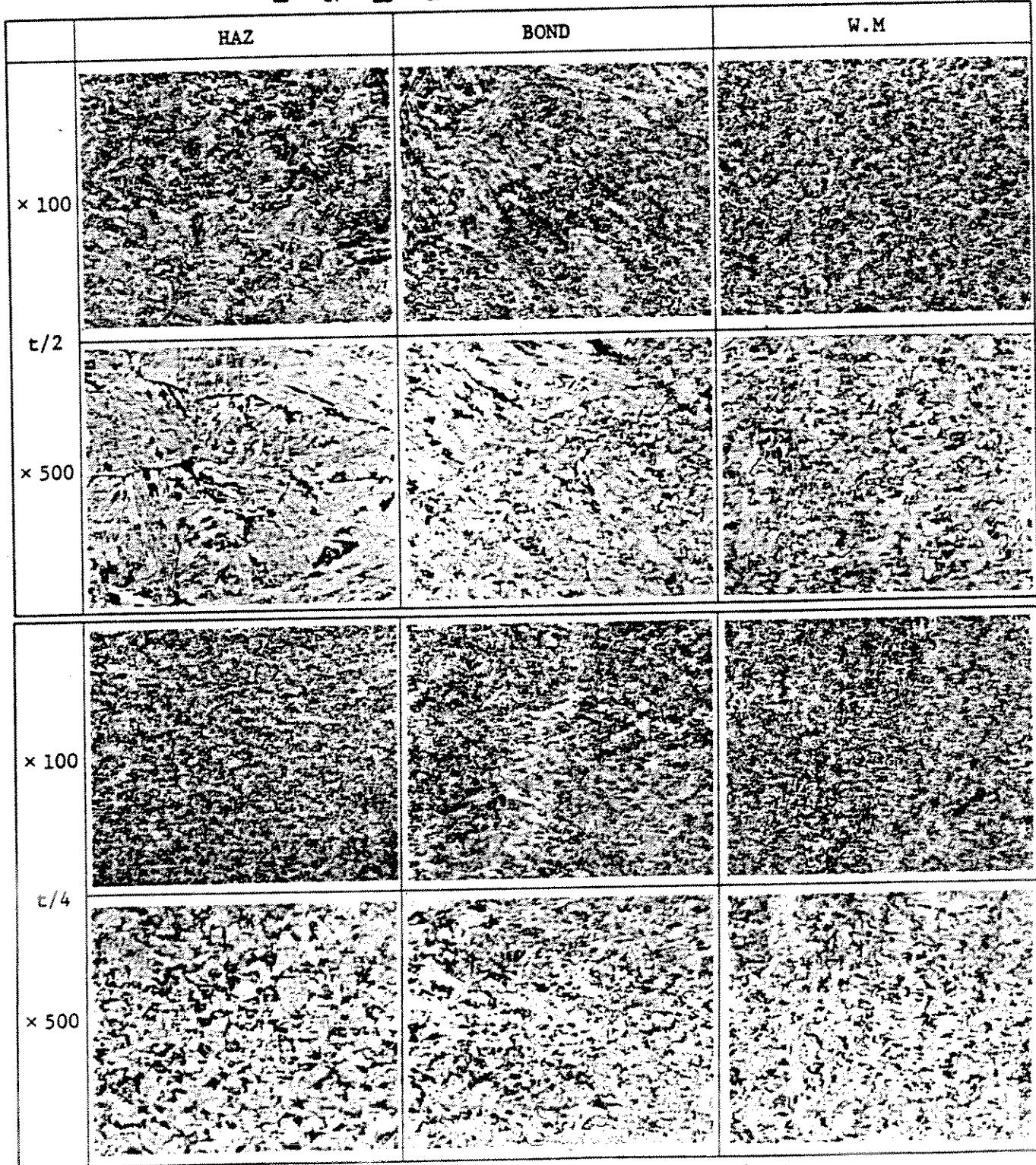
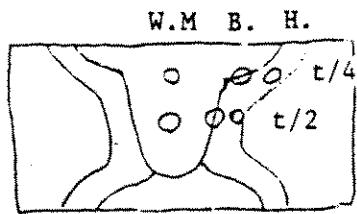
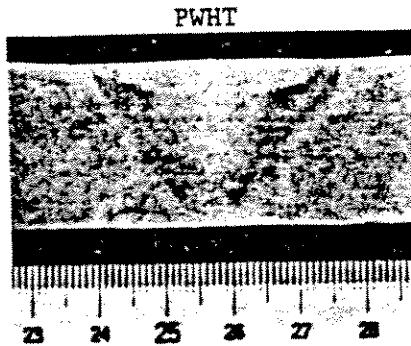


Photo. 3. Micro structure-steel 1

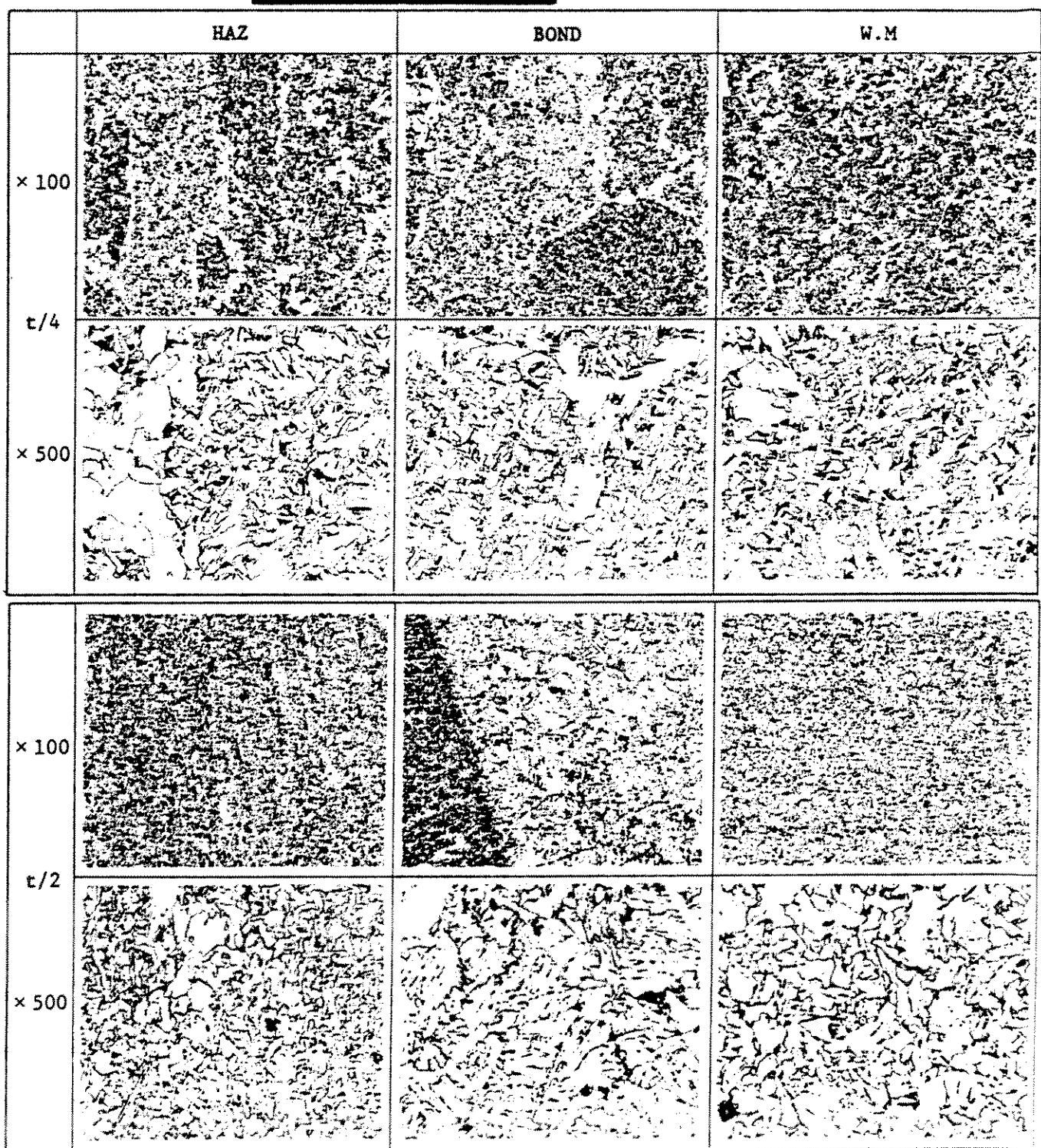
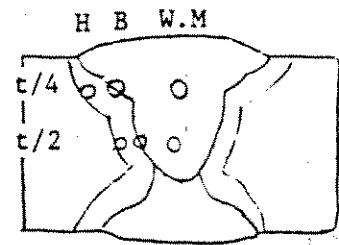
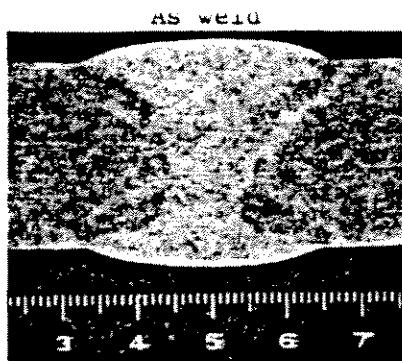


Photo. 4. Micro structure-steel 1

B2) Steel 3a

1. Forward

A study on corrosion fatigue in saline water is being conducted between FAU and Steel makers cooperatively.

NIPPON KOKAN K.K. (NKK) studied two steel plates of NK-HITEN62E and A710-Gr. A-Cl.3.

This report is to describe the test results on the mechanical properties of the welded joint of NK-HITEN62E.

2. Tested Steel Plates

Table 1 Chemical composition of plate

		C	Si	Mn	P	S	Cu	Ni	(wt%)
3a	ladle	0.08	0.25	1.34	0.013	0.003	-	0.46	
	check	0.08	0.23	1.40	0.010	0.002	0.01	0.43	

Cr	Mo	Nb	V	Ti	B	sol Al	N
0.10	0.06	-	0.041	0.006	-	0.054	0.0031
0.09	0.06	0.002	0.040	0.005	0.0001	0.051	0.0026

3. Welding Condition

(1) Welding Method : SAW (Multi-pass)

(2) Welding Consumables

i) Wire : US-40 (KOBE STEEL Ltd.)

ii) Flux : PFH-55S (KOBE STEEL Ltd.)

AWS classification : F8P6-EA3-A4

Table 2 Typical chemical composition of wire-electrode

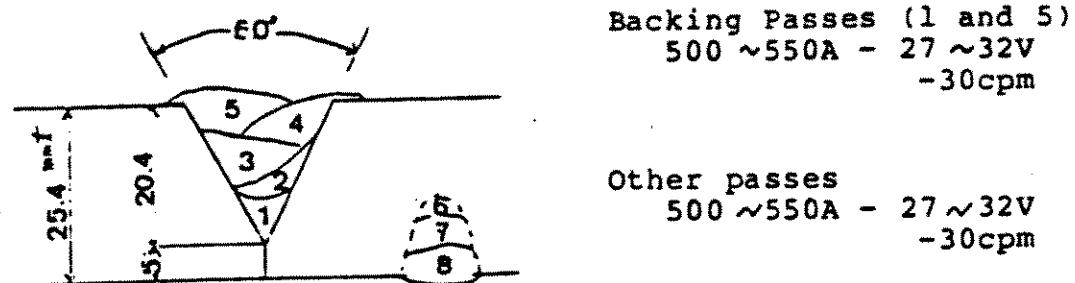
Brand	C	Si	Mn	P	S	Mo
US40	0.13	0.04	1.80	0.011	0.010	0.52

4mm in dia.

(3) Preheat : room temperature

Interpass temperature : 200 °C

(4) bead sequence and welding condition



Back Gouging Profile
5R - 35' - 12mm depth

Fig.1 Bead sequence

(5) PWHT

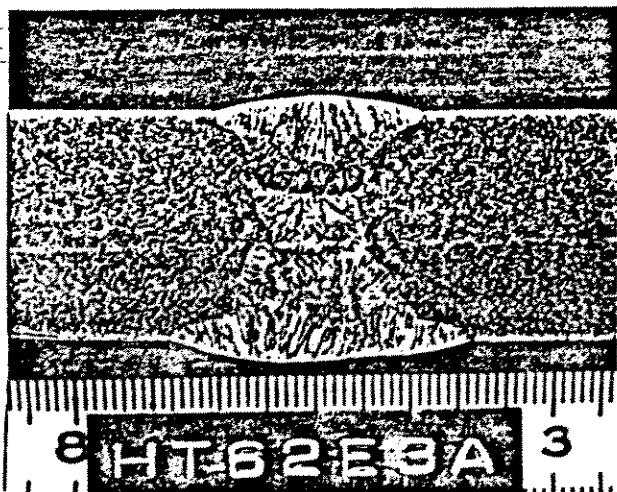
As welded

PWHT 600 °C x 1 hr

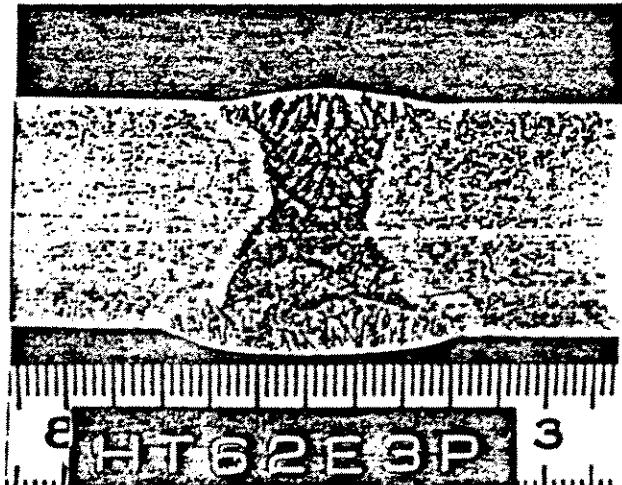
cooling rate 600 to 300 °C : 42 °C/hr.

4. Testing Results

4-1) Macrostructure



As Welded



PWHT

Photo 1 Macrostructure - steel 3a

4-2) Check analysis of weld metal

Check analysis of weld metal are shown in Table 3.

Table 3 Chemical composition of weld metal (wt%)

	C	Si	Mn	P	S	Cu	Ni	Cr
Weld Metal	0.07	0.16	1.33	0.010	0.007	0.08	0.16	0.06

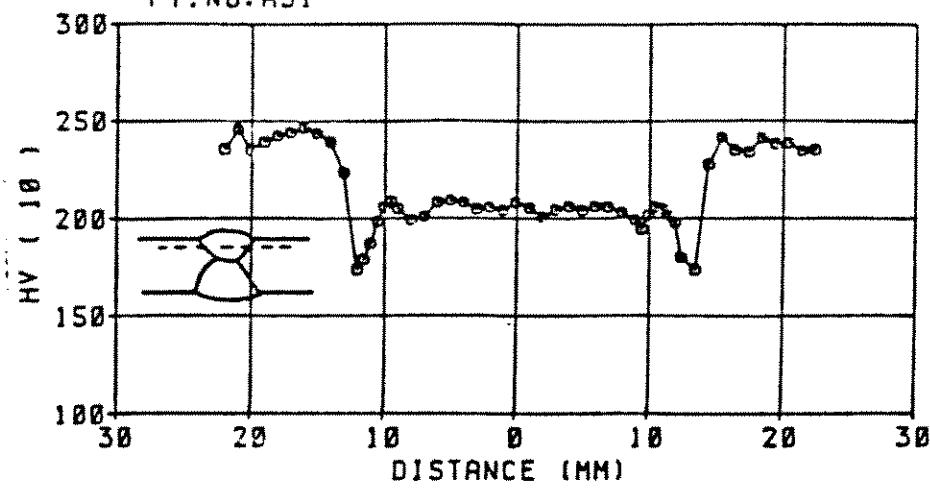
Mo	Nb	V	Ti	B	sol Al	N
0.34	Tr.	0.014	0.005	0.0005	0.006	0.0048

4-3) Hardness test results.

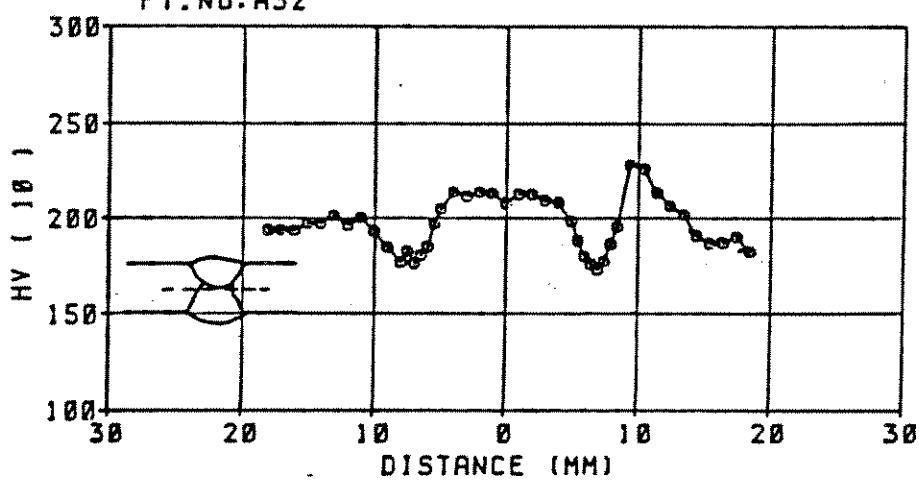
Vicker's hardness test was carried out on a weld area cross section with transverse of 2mm from top and bottom surfaces and mid-thickness of the plate using 10kg load.

The results of hardness distribution are shown in Fig.2 in as welded condition and Fig.3 in PWHT.

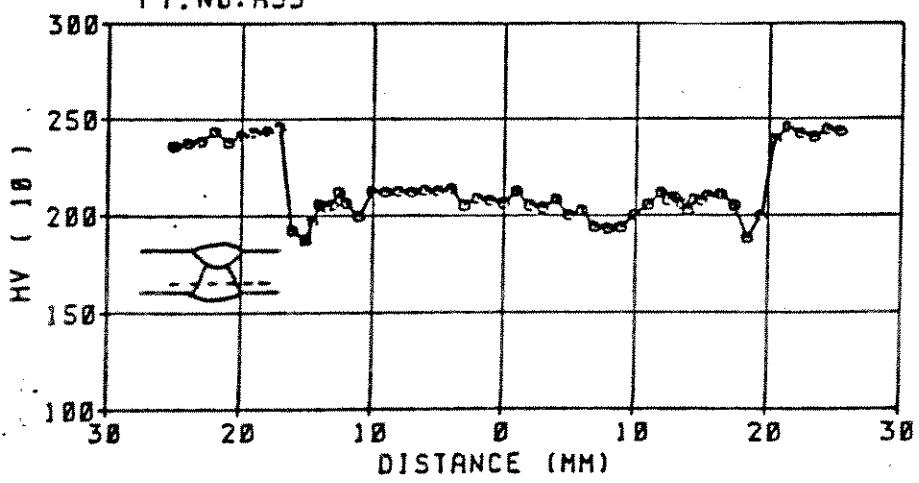
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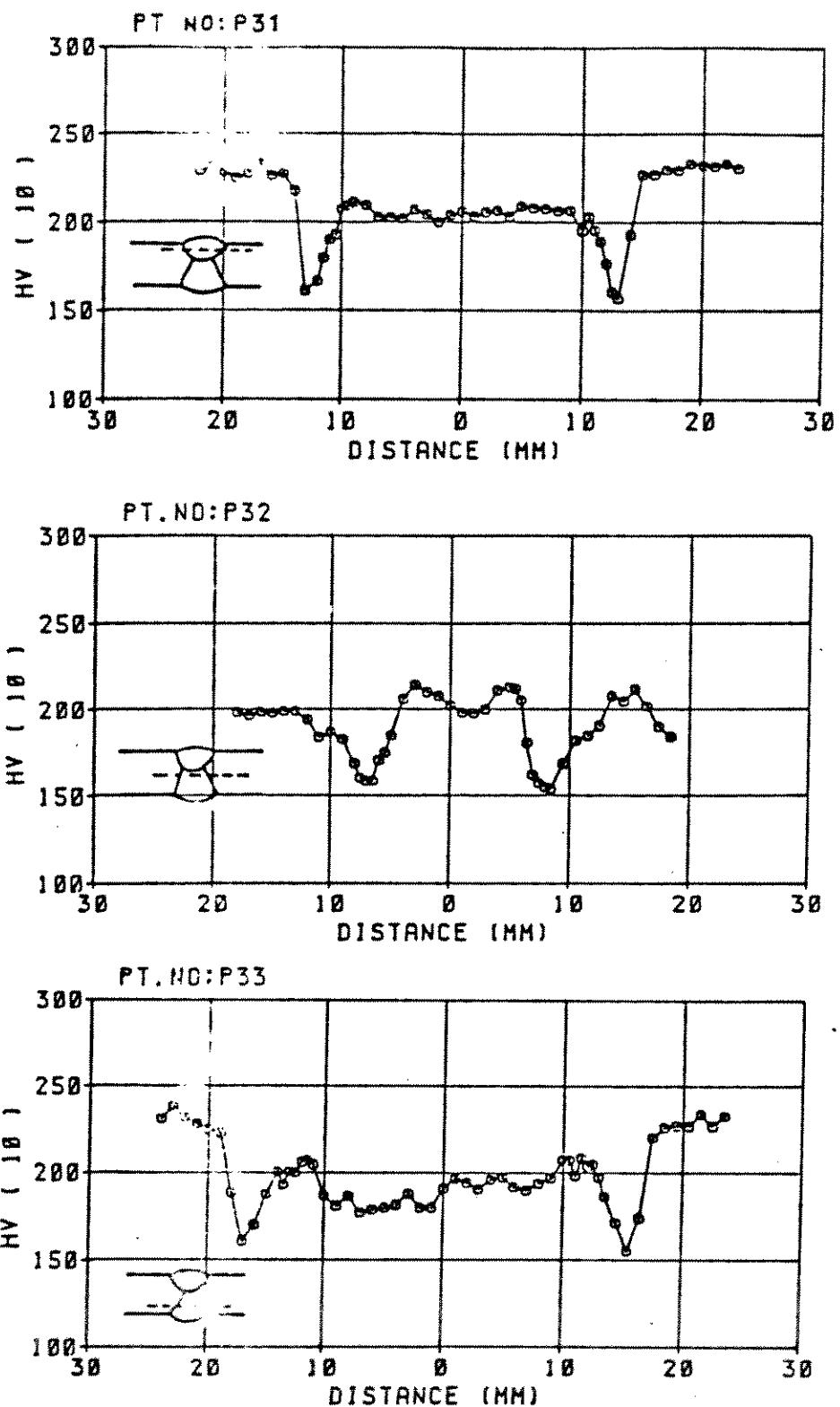
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Hardness distribution of welded joint of Steel 3a
(As welded condition)



Hardness distribution of welded joint of steel 3a
(After PWHT)

4-4) Microstructure of welded joint

Microstructures of weld metal, 1mm and 3mm distance from fusion line at a quater thickness in as welded condition and PWHT are shown in Photo.2 and 3. The magnification is 200 times.

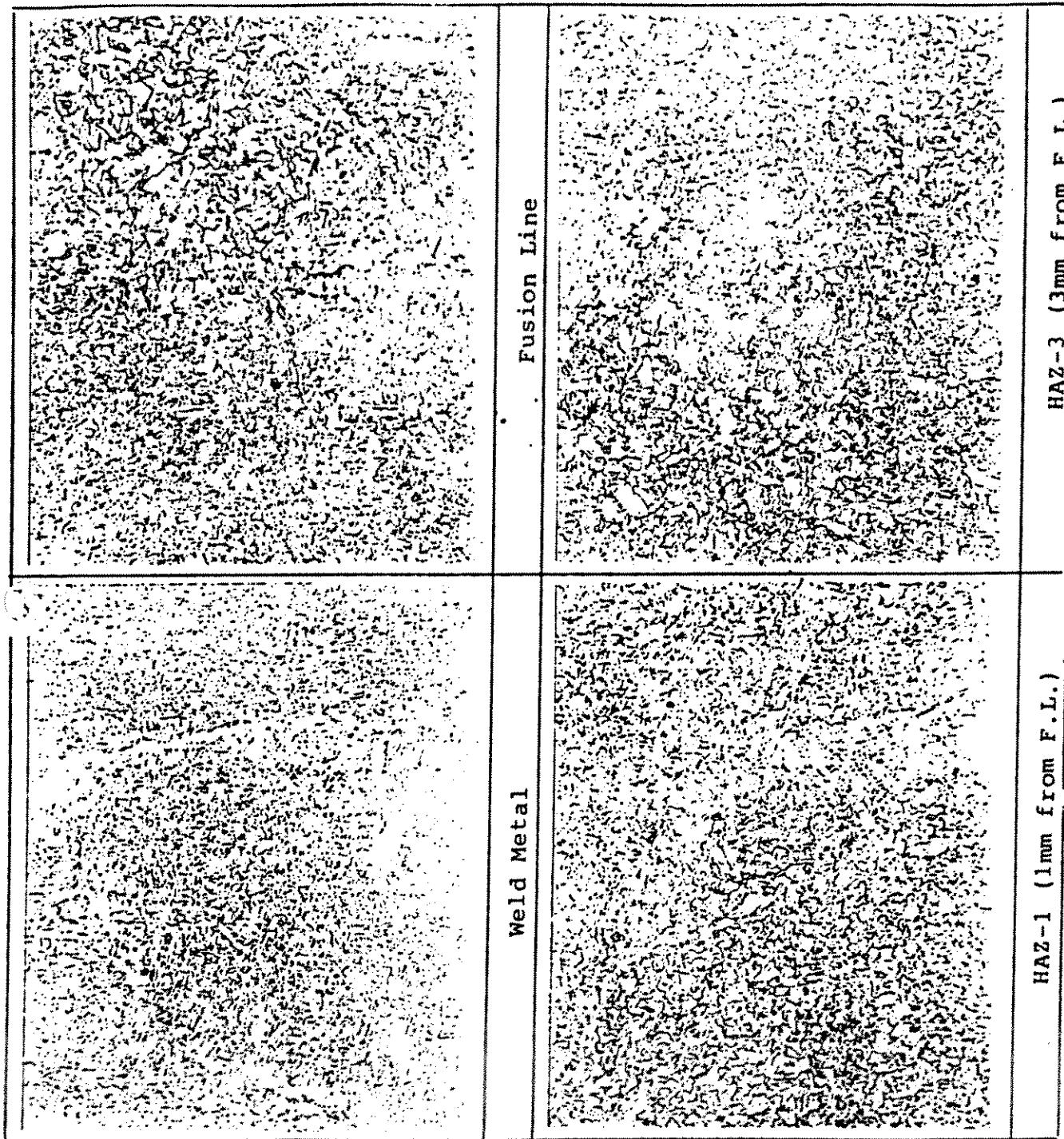
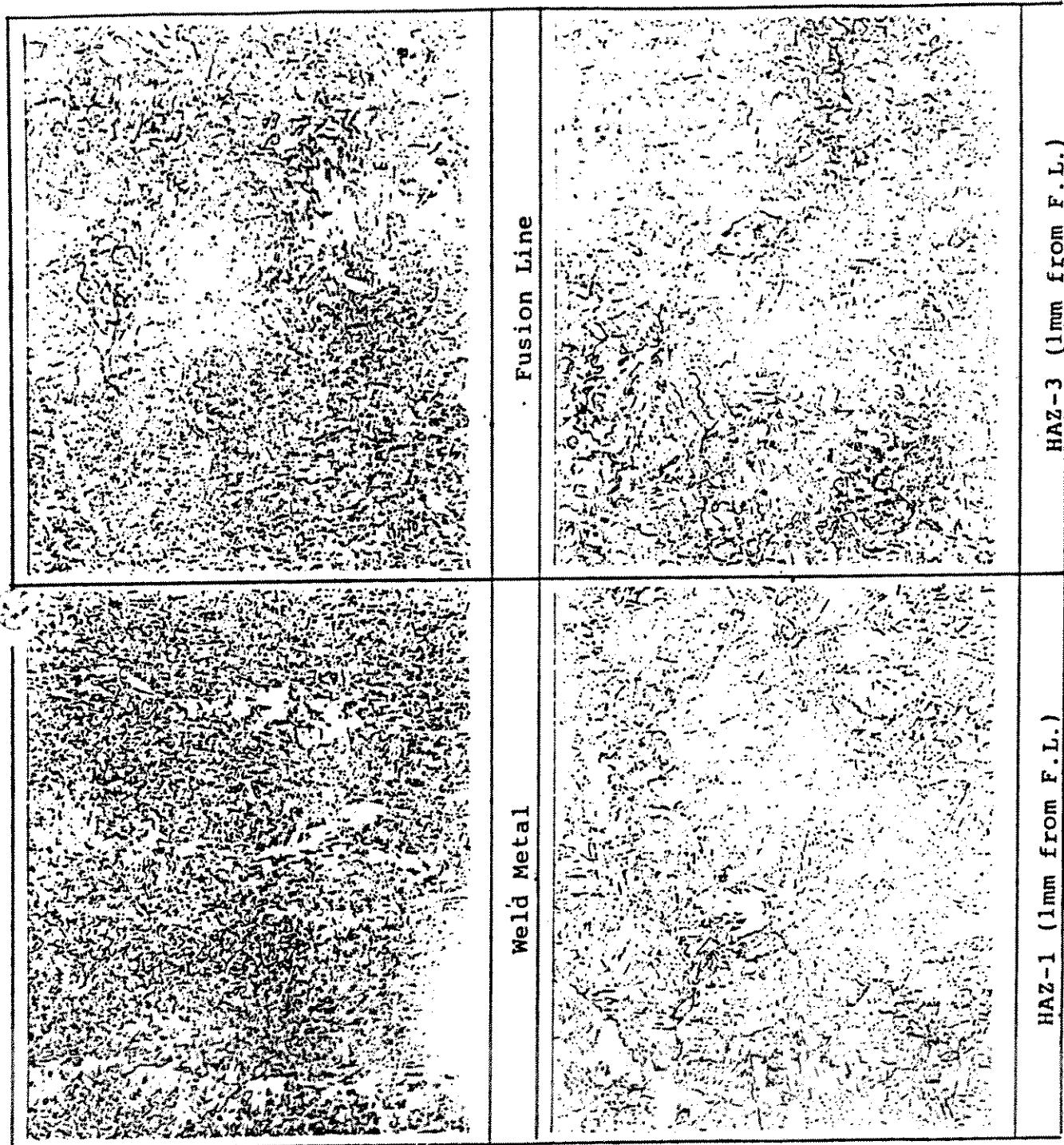


Photo.2 Microstructure of weld portion of steel 3a in as welded condition
X 200

Photo.3 Microstructure of weld portion of
in PWHT condition



4-5) Result of Charpy test

Charpy test of weld portion was carried out in both as welded and PWHT condition.

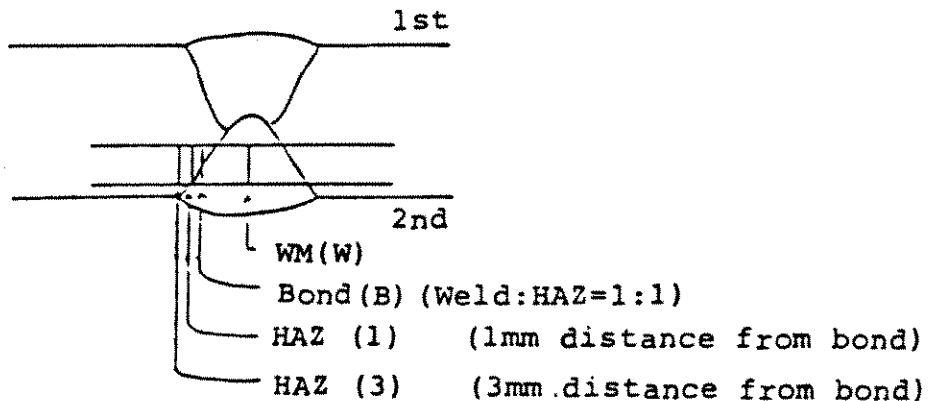
Test pieces were taken in a quarter thickness of the plate.

Table 4 shows the results of Charpy test.

Fig.4 and 5 show the Charpy transition curves in the as welded and PWHT condition.

Charpy test result

	As weld			PWHT		
	vE-20°C (J)	vE-40°C (J)	vTrs (°C)	vE-20°C (J)	vE-40°C (J)	vTrs (°C)
Weld Metal Ave.	179	116	-49	160	110	-35
	176	122		179	111	
	173	116		206	94	
	176	118		182	105	
Bond Ave.	210	108	-25	294	294	-79
	155	121		291	294	
	102	101		294	294	
	156	110		293	294	
HAZ(1) Ave.	294	252	-44	294	294	-77
	277	215		294	294	
	294	294		294	294	
	288	254		294	294	
HAZ(3) Ave.	294	160	-24	294	294	<-80
	214	99		294	294	
	224	135		294	294	
	244	131		294	294	



Notch Location of Charpy Specimen

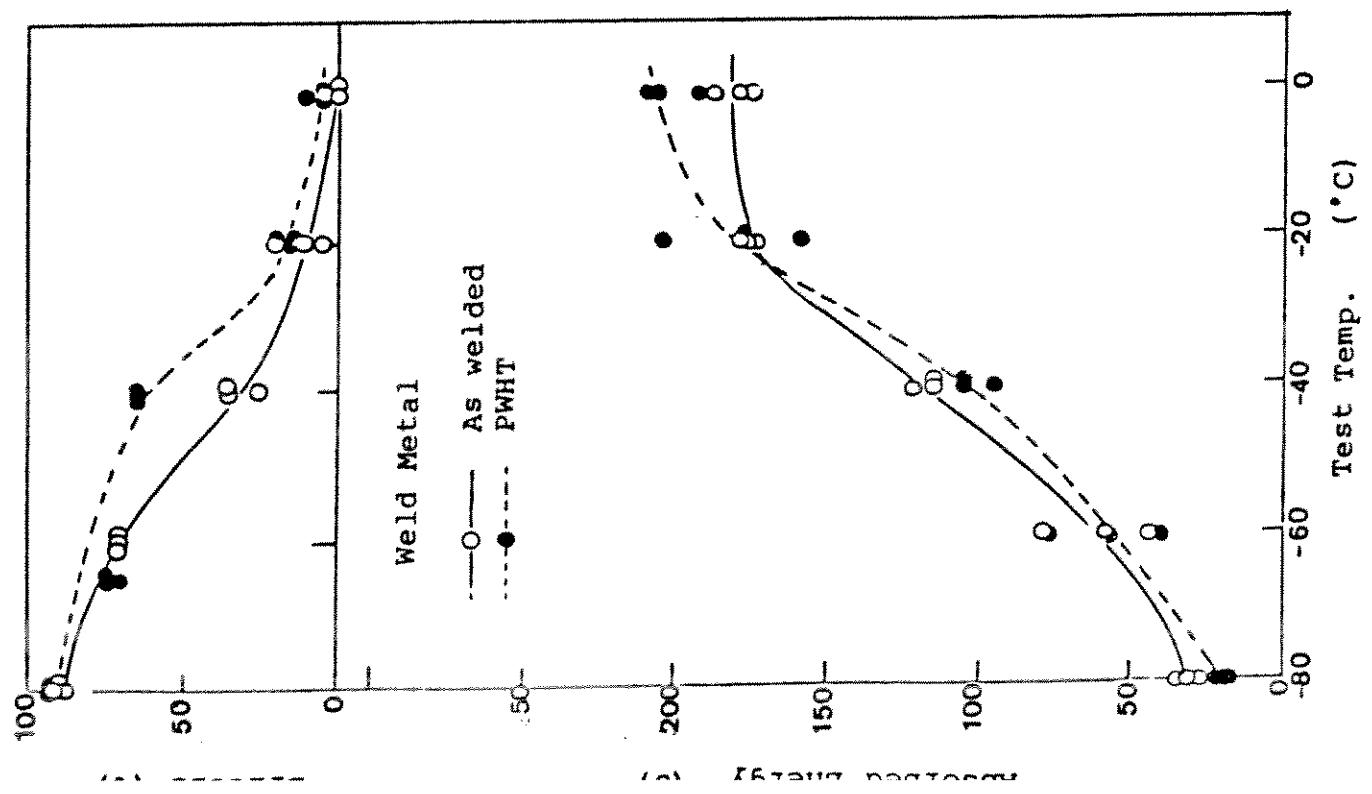
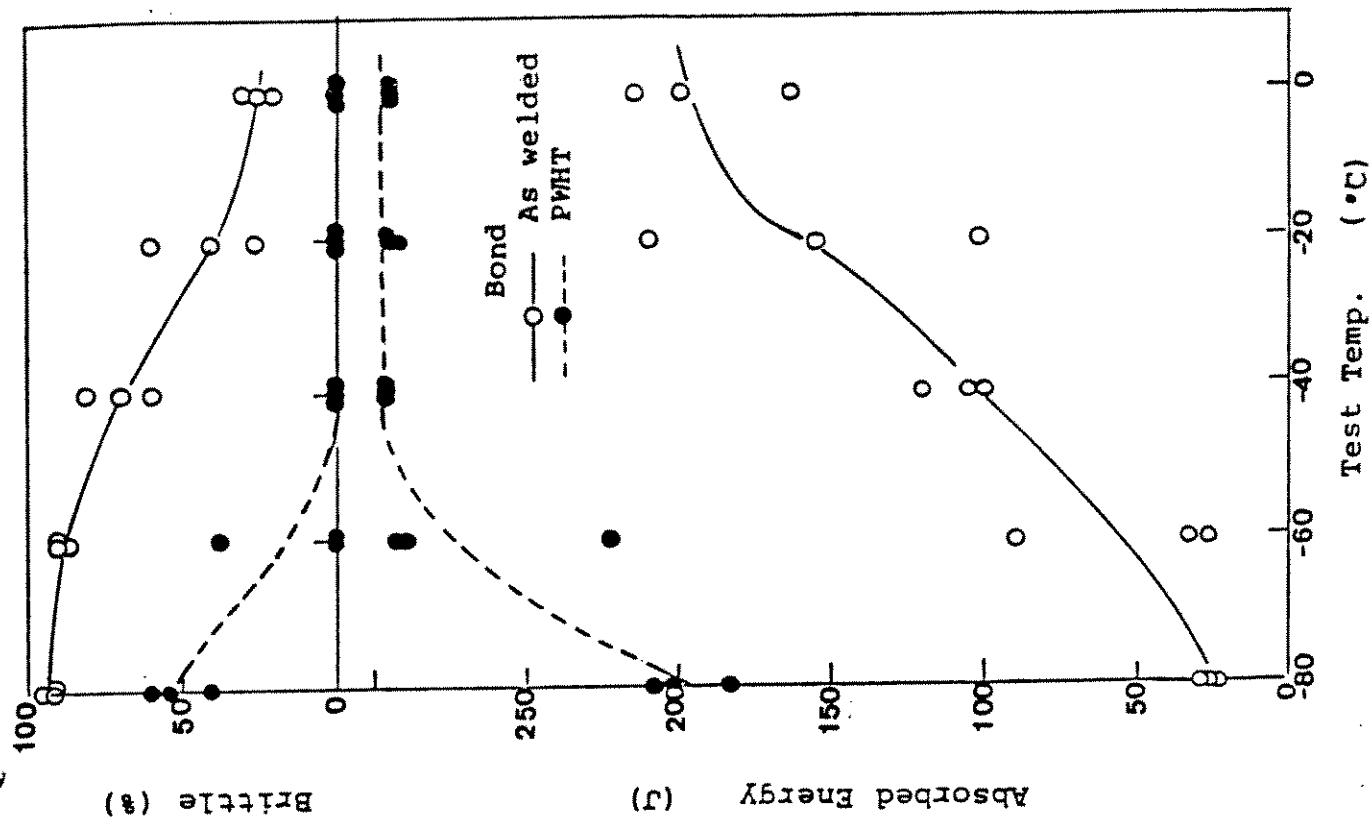
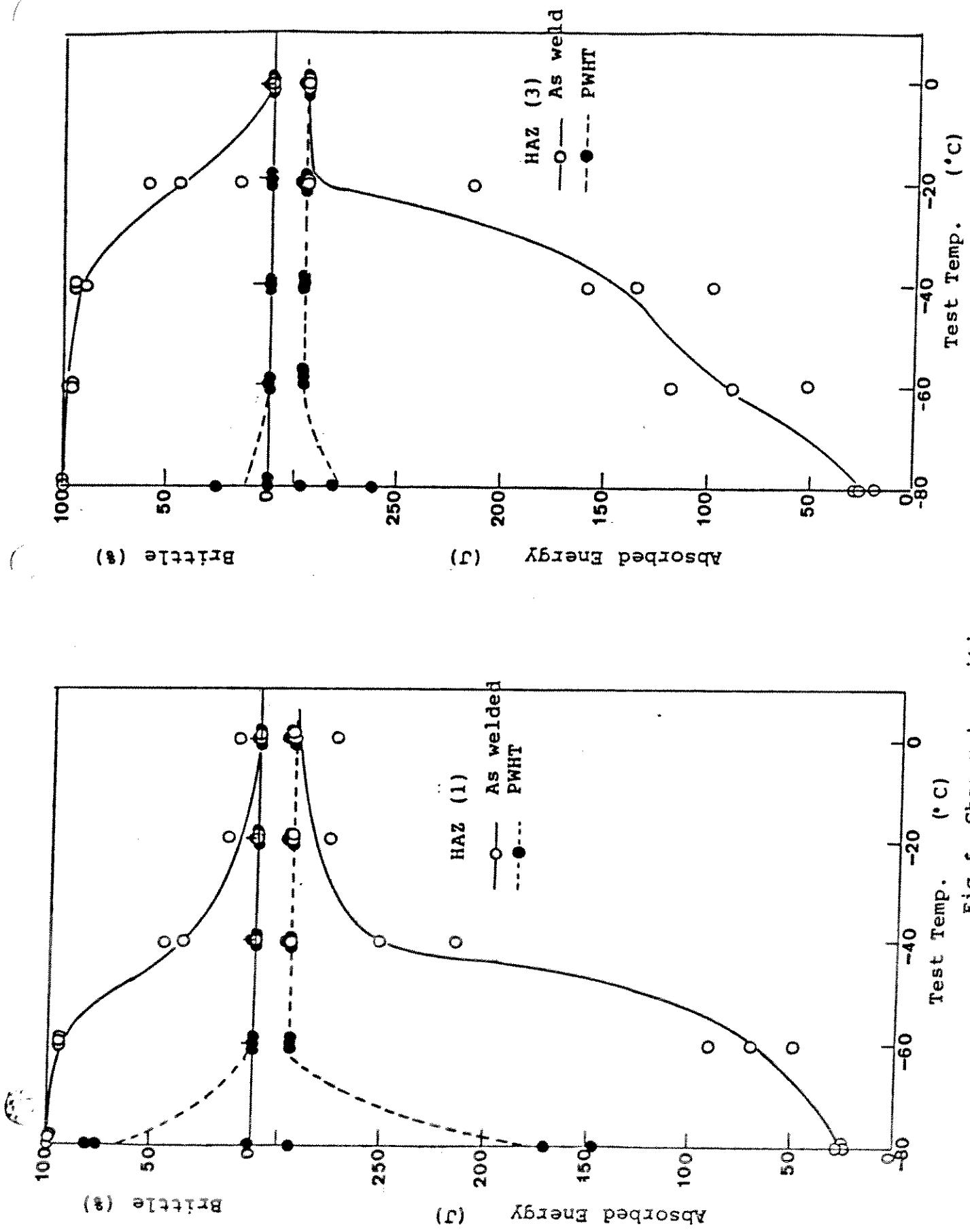


Fig.4 Charpy transition curves of welded joint (1)

Fig. 5 Charpy transition curves of welded joint (2)



4-6) Results of weld tensile test

Weld tensile test was carried out in accordance with the specimen shown in Fig.6. Weld reinforcement was grinded and followed by blashing.

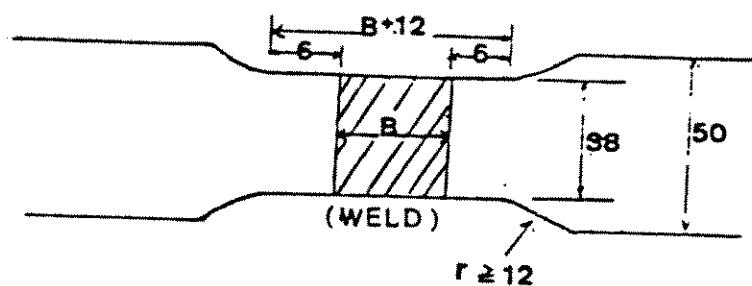


Fig.6 Shape and size of weld tensile specimen

The results of weld tensile test are shown in Table 5.

Table 5 Result of weld tensile test

	TS MPa. (Ksi)	Breaking Position
As welded	645 (93.8)	Weld Metal
PWHT	620 (88.3)	

4-7) Results of CTOD test in accordance with BS5762:1979

CTOD test specimens were taken from weld metal and HAZ. Fatigued side notch was adopted for the specimen. The shape and size of test specimen are shown in Fig.7.

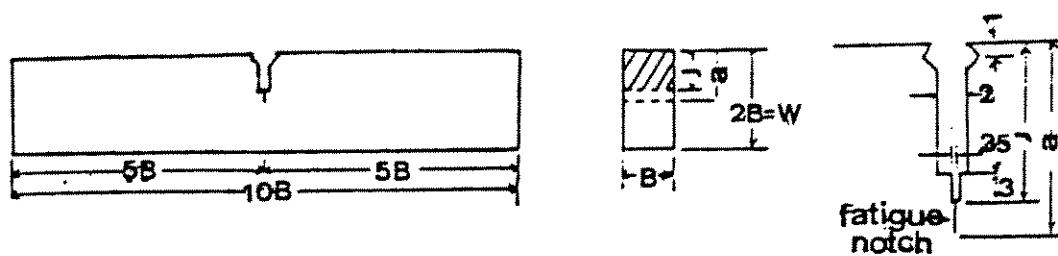


Fig.7 Dimension of test specimen and notch detail

The transition curves of CTOD test are shown in Fig.8 in as welded condition and Fig.9 in PWHT.

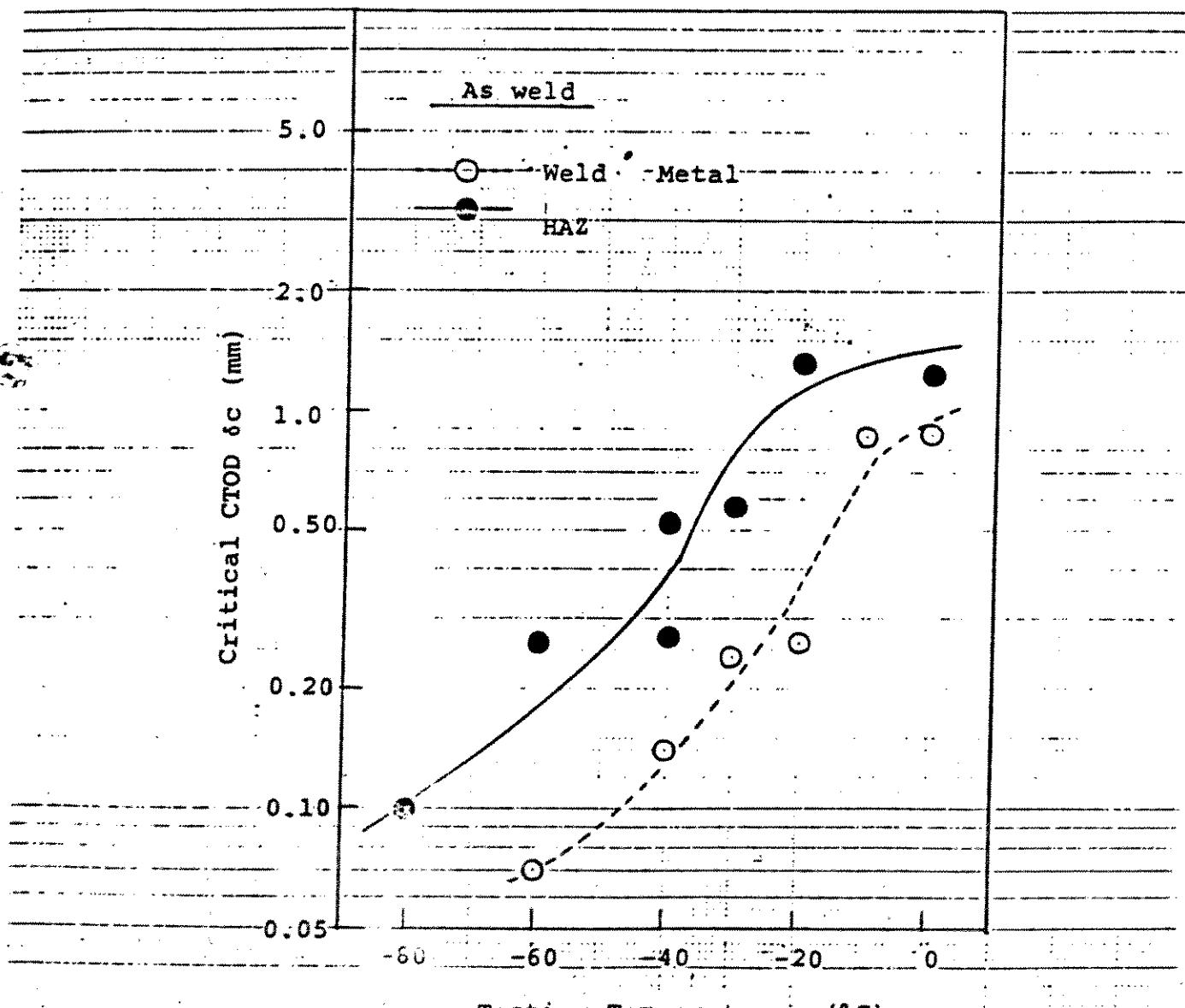


Fig.8 Transition curves of CTOD test of weld metal and HAZ-1 in as welded condition

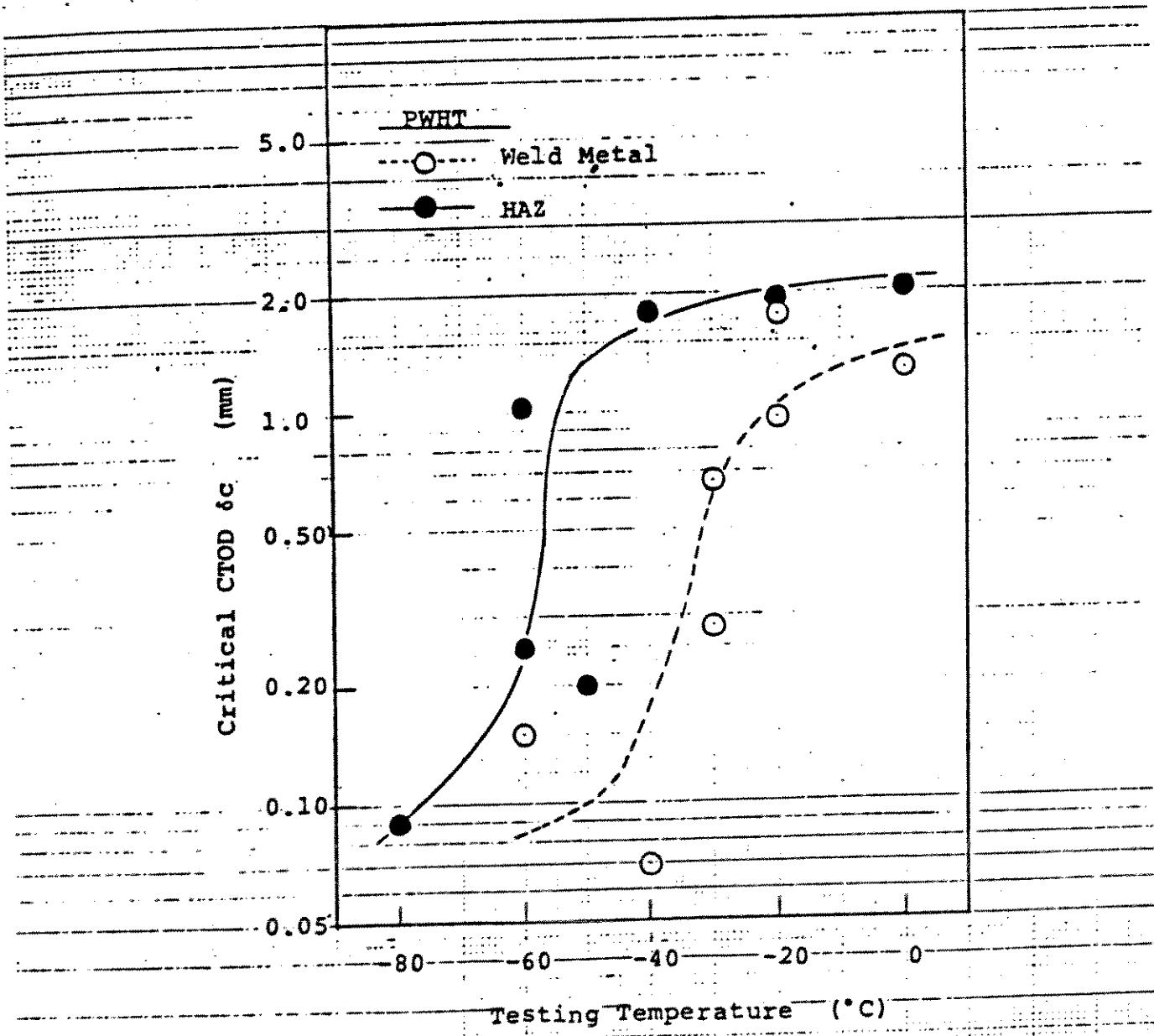


Fig.9 Transition curves of CTOD test of
Weld metal and HAZ-1 in PWHT.

B3) Steel 3b and 5

ASTM A370 half size (1/4" dia.) round specimens were used to investigate the tensile properties of the joints.

Tensile properties of the weld metal

Steel	Heat treatment	Y.S.		T.S.		E1. %	R.A. %
		MPa	ksi	MPa	ksi		
3b	As welded	684	100	805	117	27	70
	PWHT	664	97	805	117	25	68
5	As welded	569	82	628	91	28	77
	PWHT	539	78	640	93	31	77

Impact strength was investigated by Charpy V-notch specimen. Location of these specimen were at 2 mm deep from the surface of finishing side weld.