

SA508 cl.3

Study on the microstructure and toughness of RPV SA508 class 3 steel weldments

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가 307

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150

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555

(as - welded)

(PWHT)

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2.4 3.6kJ/mm

2.4kJ/mm

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Abstract

The microstructures of RPV SA508 class 3 steel multipass weld metals with submerged arc welding process by varying the heat inputs of 2.4 and 3.6kJ/mm were investigated by optical and scanning electron microscopes. The microstructures were also compared between as - welded and postweld heat treatment conditions. The relationship between weld microstructures and toughness as well as hardness of weld metals was evaluated. The toughness was enhanced a little in the lower heat input of 2.4kJ/mm but the hardness of welds was decreased. The microstructures of welds made at the lower heat input used in this study consisted of a little higher proportion of acicular ferrite than those of welds made at the higher heat input(3.6kJ/mm), in which unfavorable microstructure to toughness such as grain boundary ferrite and bainitic structure were increased.

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grain boundary ferrite(GBF), polygonal ferrite(PF), ferrite sideplate(Widmanstatten ferrite, FSP), acicular ferrite(AF) ferrite with aligned second phase, ¹⁾

AF가

basketweave

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2.

2.1

50mm

24mm, 가

120mm, 400mm 가

AWS US40N

(basic)

(bonded flux)

AWS PFH55SN

250

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가

200 가

2.2

30° 가

3mm

Table 1

2.4 3.6kJ/mm

120

200

600

40

Table 1 Heat inputs and welding parameters used in this study

Heat input (KJ/mm)	Welding Current (A)	Voltage (V)	Travel speed (cm/min)	PWHT	Preheat T()	Interpass T()
2.4	530	30	40	600 40hrs	120	200
3.6	600	30	30			

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15mm

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2% Nital

(I.C.P.)

(emission spectrometer)

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Fig.2

2mm

10x10x55mm

55mm

V

- 140 ~ 20

, 0 ~ -60

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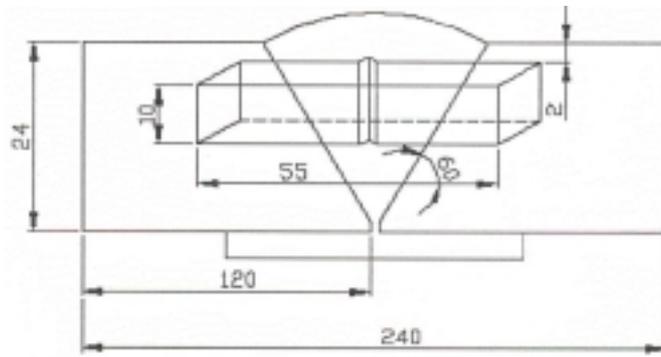


Fig. 1 Schematic diagram of Charpy V notch impact test specimen in the weld joint geometry (unit:mm)

2.5

1mm

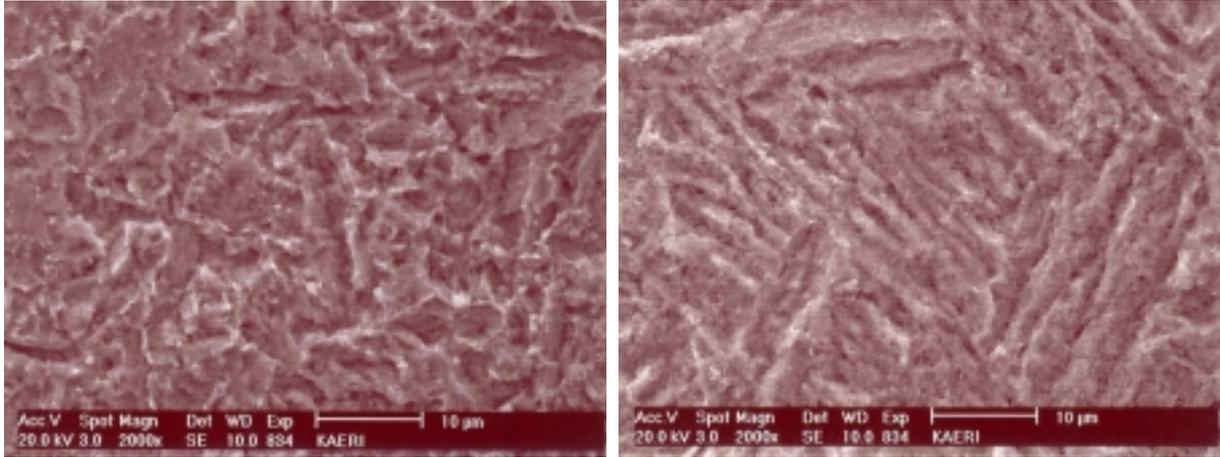
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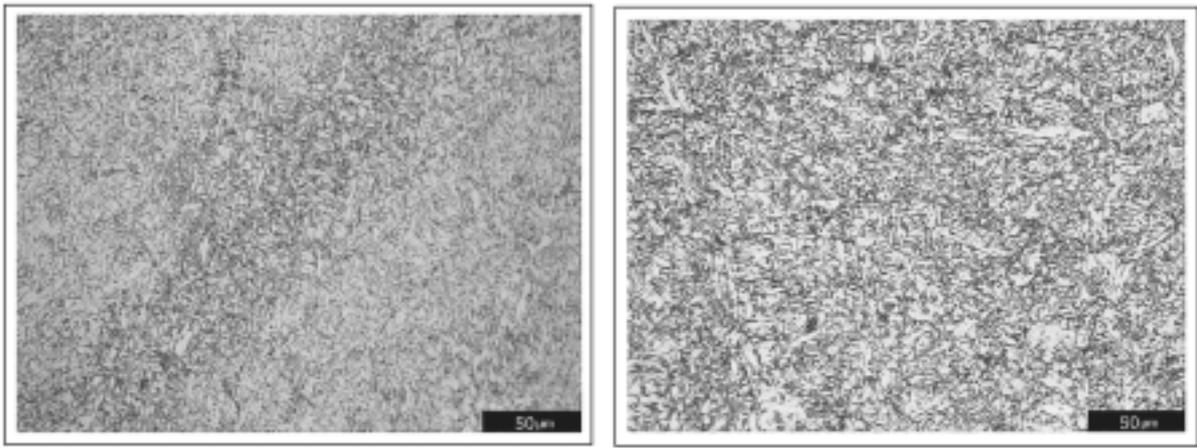
가 , 2.4kJ/mm
 9 가 , 3.6kJ/mm 6 가 ,
 가 Table 2 (dilution) 가
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Table 2 Chemical composition of weld metals



(a) (b)
 Fig. 3 SEM micrographs of as - deposited weld metal microstructure.
 (a) 2.4 and (b) 3.6kJ/mm.

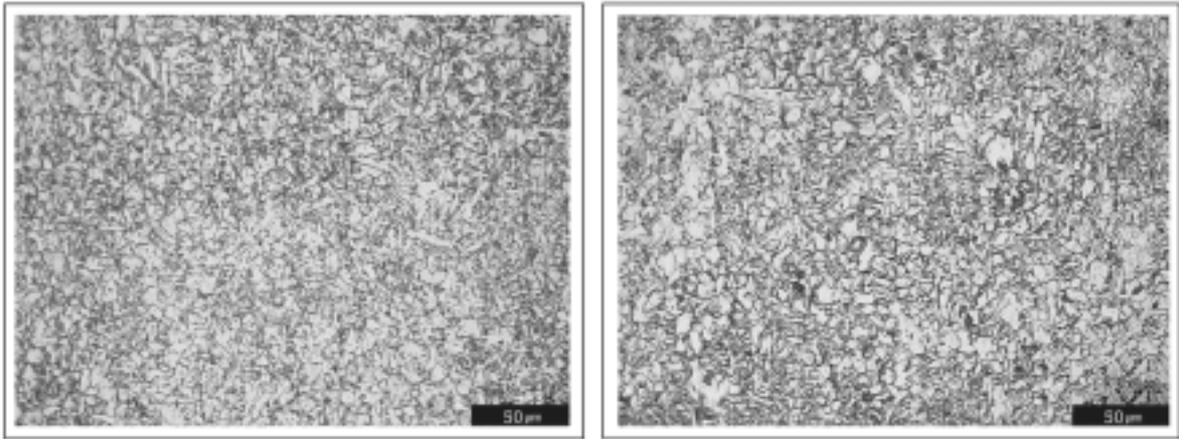
Fig.4(a) (b) 2.4 3.6kJ/mm (as - welded)
 (PF), (FSP), (AF) ferrite
 with aligned second phase 가 가 가



(a) (b)
 Fig. 4 Postweld heat treated weld microstructures made with different heat inputs.
 (a) 2.4 and (b) 3.6kJ/mm

Fig. 5(a) (b) (as - welded)
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 4)

(peak temperature)



(a)

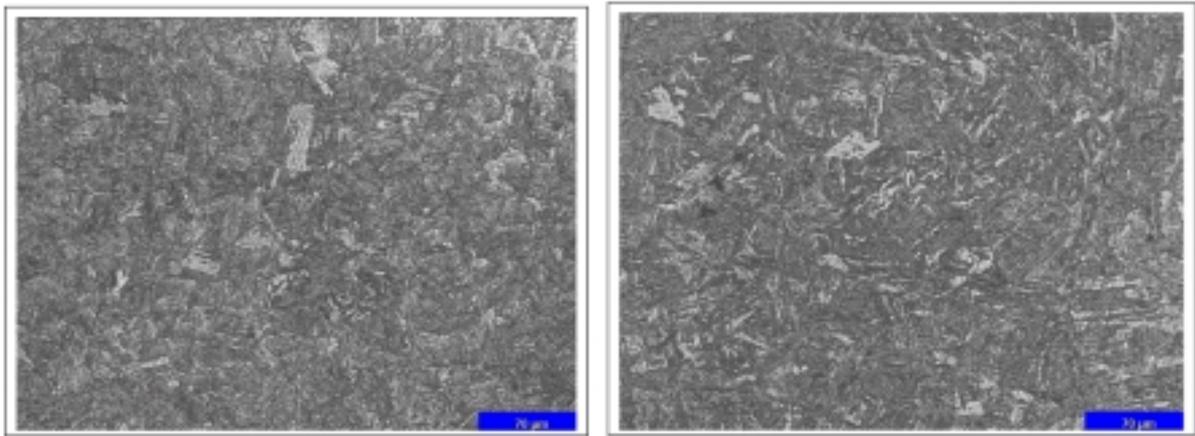
(b)

Fig. 5 Weld microstructure of reheated zone made with different heat inputs.

(a) 2.4 and (b) 3.6kJ/mm

Fig. 6(a) 2.4kJ/mm
(tempered martensite)
6(b) 3.6kJ/mm

Fig.



(a)

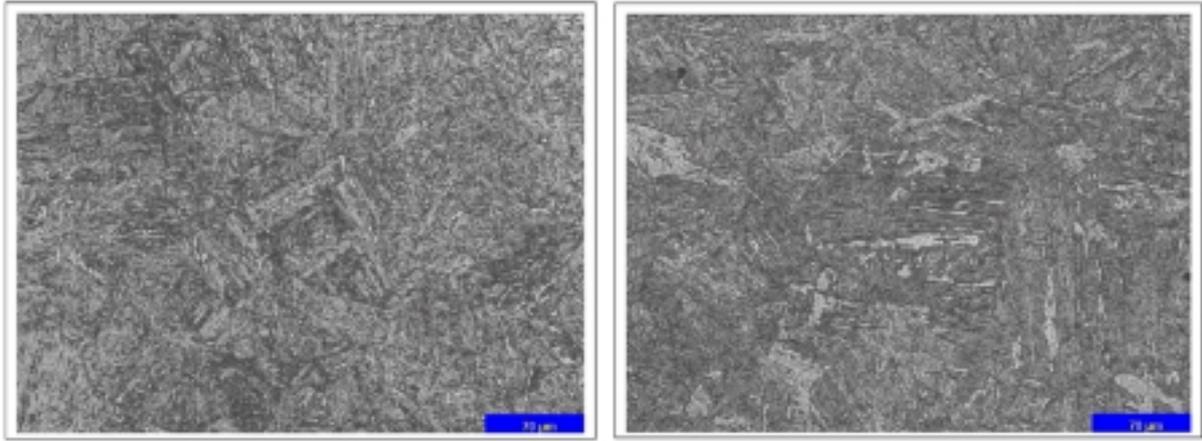
(b)

Fig. 6 As - welded HAZ microstructures with different heat inputs.

(a) 2.4 and (b) 3.6kJ/mm

Fig. 7(a) 2.4kJ/mm
Fig. 7(b) 3.6kJ/mm

(lath) Fig. 6(a) (b)



(a)

(b)

Fig. 7 Postweld heat treated HAZ microstructures with different heat inputs.
 (a) 2.4 and (b) 3.6kJ/mm

3.2

Fig. 8	Fig. 9	(as - weled)	(PWHT)
0 ~ 20	가	3.6kJ/mm가	2.4kJ/mm
0 ~ 140		2.4kJ/mm가	3.6kJ/mm
			3.6kJ/mm가
- 30 ~ 20			- 30 ~ - 140
2.4kJ/mm	가	Fig. 10	2.4kJ/mm
3.6kJ/mm			Fig.
11			2.4kJ/mm
3.6kJ/mm	20	- 60	가 - 60 ~ - 140
	- 100		
		3.6kJ/mm가	2.4kJ/mm
			2.4kJ/mm가 3.6kJ/mm
		가	
AF		GBF, FSP	ferrite with aligned second phase,
가			
2.4kJ/mm			FSP, PF GBF가
		AF가	3.6kJ/mm
AF	FSP, PF	GBF	가

AF 가

3.3

Fig. 12(a) (b)

(lower shelf energy)

(quasi - cleavage)

가

(2.4kJ/mm)

(facet)

(3.6kJ/mm)

Fig. 13(a) (b)

Fig. 12(a) (b)

Fig. 13(a)

(river pattern line)

(cleavage facet)

Fig.

13(b)

Fig. 13(a)

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9,10,

3.6kJ/mm

2.4kJ/mm

가

Fig. 14(a) (b)

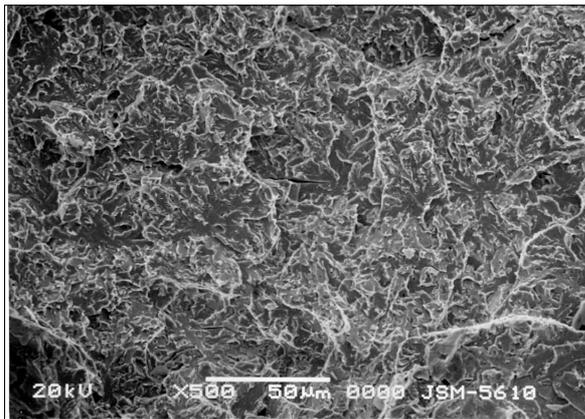
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3.6kJ/mm

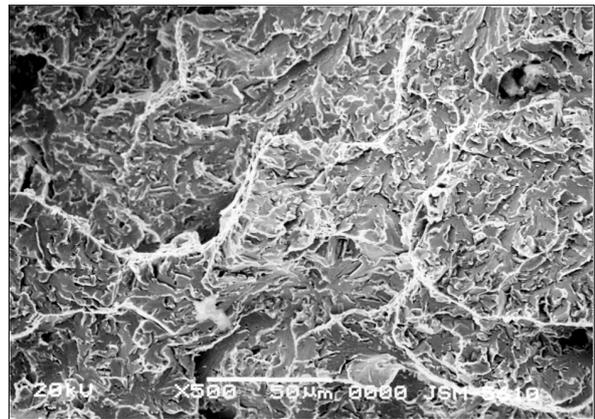
2.4

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3.6kJ/mm



(a)



(b)

Fig. 12 Fractographs of lower shelf energy of transition curve(PWHT) with heat inputs of (a) 2.4 and (b) 3.6kJ/mm

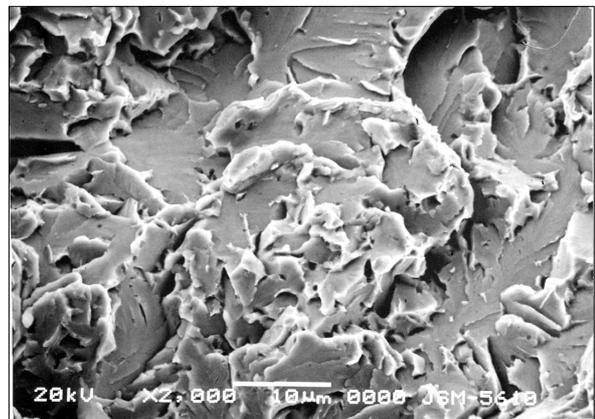
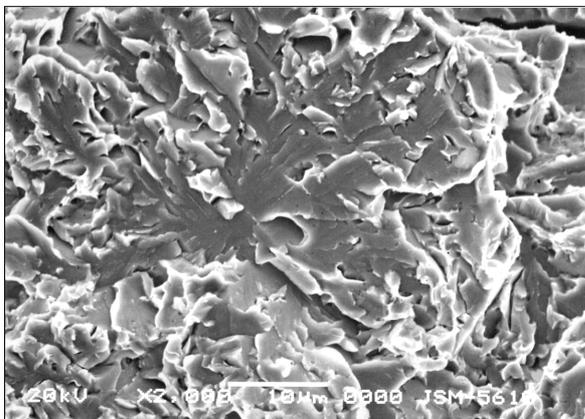


Fig. 13 Fractographs of higher magnification of Fig. 12(a) and (b).

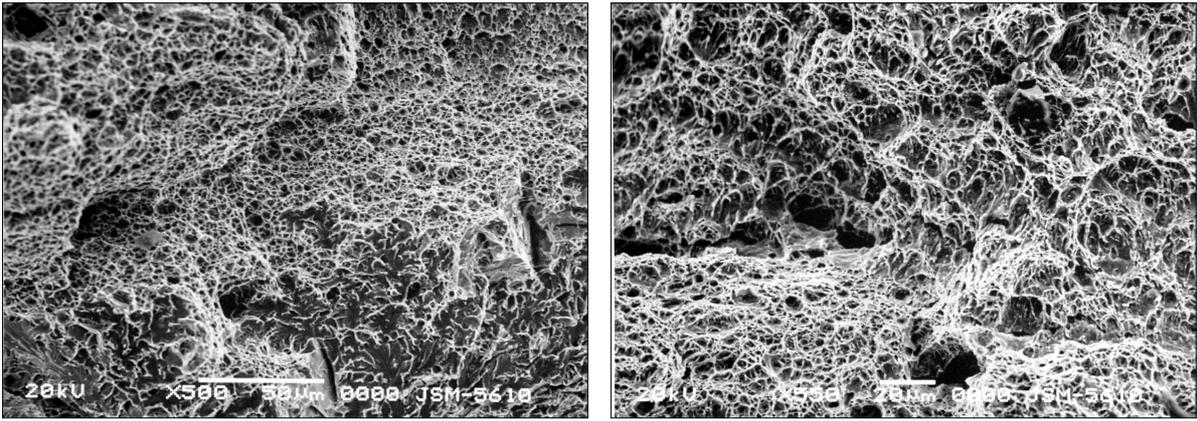


Fig. 14 Fractographs of upper shelf energy of transition curve.

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Fig. 15 Fig. 16
 3.6kJ/mm 가 2.4kJ/mm 가
 3.6kJ/mm FSP PWHT
 가 PWHT

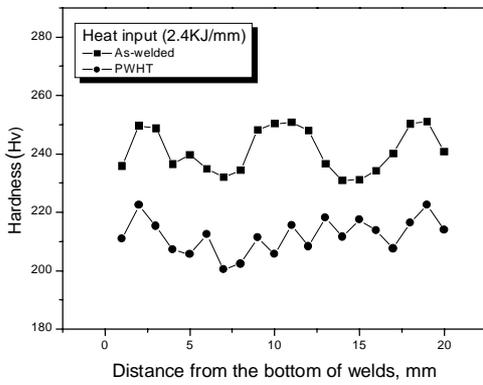


Fig. 15 Hardness profile along the weld centerline from bottom to top of the deposited weld metal

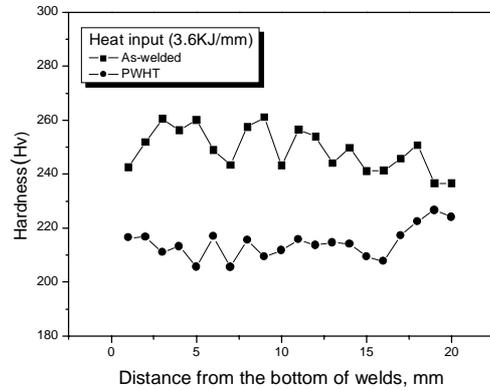


Fig. 16 Hardness profile along the weld centerline from bottom to top of the deposited weld metal

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가 2.4 3.6kJ/mm

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2.4kJ/mm

(AF)

3.6kJ/mm
 PF, FSP

2. (as - welded) (PWHT)
3. 가 , 가 가
AF GBF, FSP
4. SA508 Mn, Mo, Ni , 2 ~ 4kJ/mm
AF
AF 가
5. , ,
가 , 가



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