

La₂O₃对 MGH956 合金 TIG 焊焊缝组织和性能的影响

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摘 要: 为了研究 La₂O₃ 对焊缝组织和性能的影响, 分别以未添加、添加 2% 和 4% La₂O₃ 的填充材料对 MGH956 合金进行 TIG 焊接, 应用光学显微镜、扫描电镜和透射电镜对焊缝的微观组织和拉伸断口进行观察, 同时测试焊缝的抗拉强度。结果表明, 适当提高 La₂O₃ 含量, 可以使焊缝晶粒得到细化, 添加 2% La₂O₃ 的焊缝晶粒最细小均匀, 焊缝中的颗粒相增多且分布均匀, 强化机制是由细晶强化和 Orowan 强化共同作用, 但当 La₂O₃ 加入量达到 4% 时, 发现颗粒相有团聚现象, 强化主要由位错塞积引起。添加 2% La₂O₃ 的焊缝抗拉强度最大, 为 628 MPa, 拉伸断口为韧脆混合断裂。

关键词: MGH956 合金; TIG 焊; 组织; 力学性能

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0 序 言

MGH956 合金是采用机械合金化方法制造的氧化物弥散强化 (oxide dispersion strengthened, ODS) 高温合金, 合金中均匀分布着高热稳定性和化学稳定性的纳米 Y₂O₃ 颗粒对基体进行强化^[1], 性能优异^[2]。目前国外学者对 ODS 合金的摩擦焊和搅拌摩擦焊研究较多^[3-5], 然而电弧焊具有适用性强, 操作简单等优势, 因此研究 ODS 合金电弧焊对推广 ODS 合金的应用有一定意义。

稀土元素中以 La 元素的性质最为活泼, 而且 La 元素的脱硫率最高^[6], 适量稀土 La 元素对焊缝能起到净化和变质作用, 但添加纯 La 元素极易氧化, 因此通过添加含有不同 La₂O₃ 的填充材料对 MGH956 合金进行 TIG 焊, 以期通过 La₂O₃ 达到细化晶粒, 提高接头性能的目的。

1 试验方法

试验材料选用 1.3 mm 厚的 MGH956 合金, 合金的化学成分如表 1 所示。试验使用 MW3000 逆变全数字化钨极氩弧焊机进行焊接, 焊接电流 72 A, 电弧电压 12 V, 焊接速度 1.8 mm/s, 钨极直径为

2.4 mm, 采用直流正接, 纯度为 99.9% 的氩气作为保护气体, 气体流量为 8 L/min, 三种填充材料的具体化学成分如表 2 所示。

表 1 MGH956 合金化学成分 (质量分数, %)

Table 1 Chemical compositions of MGH956 alloy

Cr	Al	Ti	Y ₂ O ₃	O	N	C	Fe
19.64	5.06	0.52	0.4	0.22	0.02	0.007	余量

表 2 三种填充材料的化学成分 (质量分数, %)

Table 2 Chemical compositions of three filler materials

Ni	Cr	Mn	Si	C	Ti	Al	La ₂ O ₃	Fe
32	21	1	0.35	0.3	1.2	1.35	—	余量
32	21	1	0.35	0.3	1.2	1.35	2	余量
32	21	1	0.35	0.3	1.2	1.35	4	余量

试板尺寸为 70 mm × 35 mm × 1.3 mm, 焊后沿焊缝横向制取金相试样, 用光学显微镜对焊缝微观组织进行观察, 腐蚀液为 10% HNO₃ + 10% HF + 80% H₂O (质量分数)。用扫描电子显微镜对拉伸断口和焊缝颗粒形貌进行观察, 采用透射电子显微镜对焊缝组织微结构进行观察, 拉伸试验在 Instron 电子万能试验机上进行, 拉伸速度为 1 mm/min。

2 试验结果与讨论

2.1 焊接接头组织及拉伸性能

图 1 为焊缝的微观组织形貌, 可以看出, 未添加

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La_2O_3 焊缝晶粒粗大, 并且分布有较多气孔, 添加 La_2O_3 后, 焊缝晶粒明显细化, 气孔数量明显减少, 而且添加 2% La_2O_3 的焊缝晶粒最细小均匀. 这是由于 La_2O_3 在电弧的高温下发生分解, 即熔池中会过渡部分 La 原子, La 原子半径很大 (0.187 nm), 且是表面活性元素, 在焊缝凝固过程中会在液-固界面前沿富集, 减小成分过冷, 增大过冷度和形核率, 从而使晶粒细化. 焊缝中极易与硫、氧等发生化学反应生成 $\text{La}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$, La_2O_3 等化合物^[7], 这些化合物一部分聚集成渣, 净化了焊缝, 一些高熔点的化合物在焊缝凝固过程中可以成为异质形核核心, 研究表

明^[8], 初生 γ 相的最密排面 (111) 在 La_2O_3 的 (0001) 面上形核的点阵错配度为 8% (错配度大于 12% 认为核心无效), 这说明 La_2O_3 成为非均质形核核心是有效的. 同时 La_2O_3 会增加合金的熔化潜热, 减小液-固凝固区间, 降低了熔池中合金元素的扩散和运动, 进一步阻碍晶粒长大. 适量的 La_2O_3 还能够降低 Ni-Cr-Al 等合金体系熔点^[9], 提高熔池流动性, 从而使生成气体容易逸出, 进一步减少焊缝中气孔. 当加入过多的 La_2O_3 时, 潜在的形核质点可能团聚, 导致真正能够成为形核质点的数量减少, 从而导致焊缝晶粒粗化且大小不均匀, 如图 1c 所示.

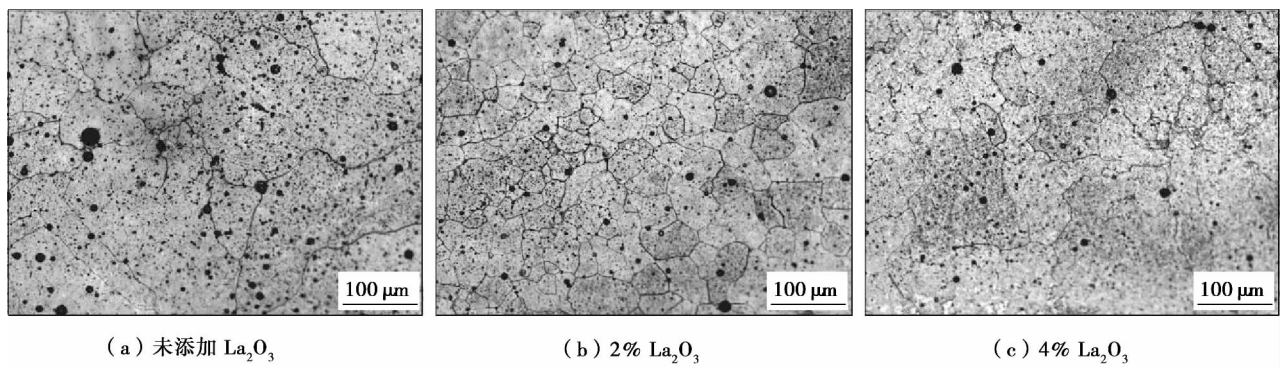


图 1 添加不同 La_2O_3 焊缝中心的微观组织
Fig. 1 Weld microstructure with different La_2O_3

图 2 为焊缝的 SEM 形貌, 未添加 La_2O_3 时, 焊缝中生成的颗粒相比较少, 而且发现有规则几何形状的颗粒, 能谱分析表明颗粒主要为 TiC 和 TiN (图 3a). 添加 2% La_2O_3 时, 焊缝中颗粒相明显增

多, 分布更加均匀, 规则几何形状的颗粒变成了圆形或近球形. 能谱分析表明, 焊缝中除了含有 TiN 等颗粒外, 还含有 Al_2O_3 (图 3b) 等颗粒, 但当 La_2O_3 的添加量达到 4% 时, 颗粒相发生了严重的团聚现象.

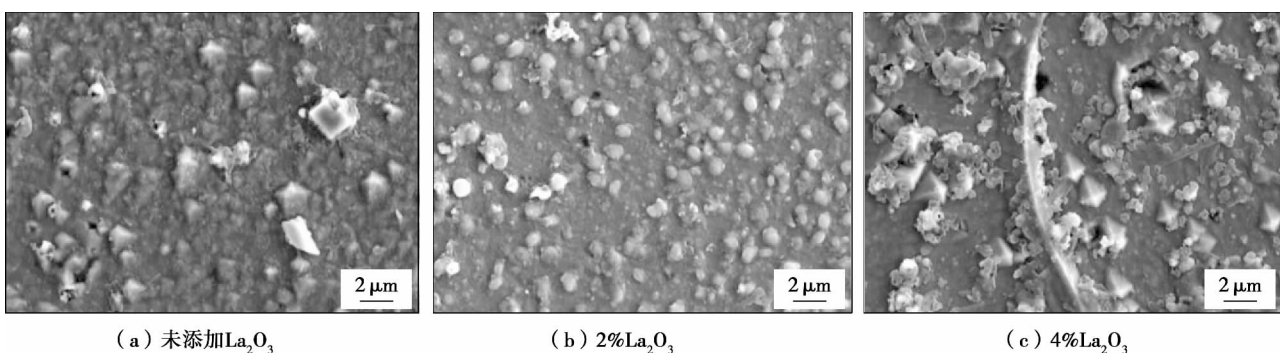


图 2 添加不同 La_2O_3 焊缝的 SEM 形貌
Fig. 2 SEM photograph of joints with different La_2O_3

由此可以看出, 适量的 La_2O_3 能够促进颗粒相的弥散分布, 对焊缝起到弥散强化作用, 这是由于 La_2O_3 进入焊缝中会与熔池中的其它元素 (如 O 元素等) 生成稳定的微小化合物, 这些化合物一方面

净化了焊缝, 另一方面可以起到变质核心的作用, 使颗粒相的形核核心增多, 聚集长大的机会减少, 更多的颗粒相只能在原生位置结晶长大, 从而使颗粒相更多的生成并且弥散分布, 同时 La_2O_3 的存在也使

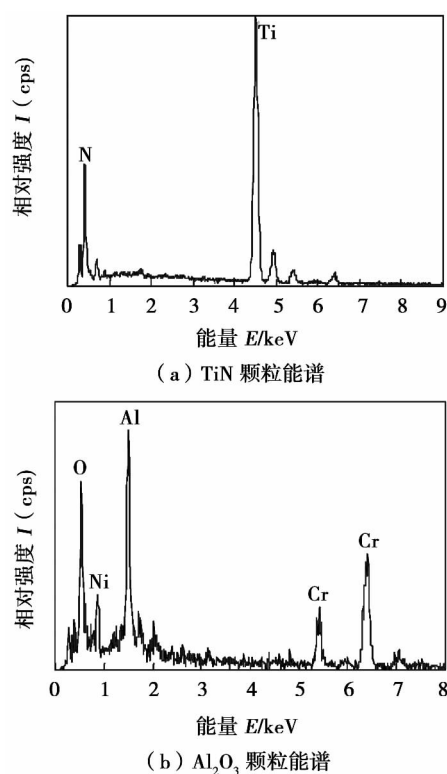


图 3 焊缝中颗粒能谱

Fig. 3 EDS analysis of particles in joints

焊缝晶粒细化,微观晶界增加,进一步阻碍合金原子的扩散和运动,使颗粒相不容易聚集长大,分散更加均匀. 研究表明^[10],焊缝中的 La₂O₃ 不仅可以细化焊缝晶粒,生成的微小化合物还可以成为 TiC 等颗粒的形核核心,增加了 TiC 弥散分布的几率. 但当 La₂O₃ 的添加量达到 4% 时,熔池单位体积内异质核心增多,生成的颗粒相彼此之间距离变小,所以容易发生团聚现象.

试验根据国家标准 GB/T228—2002《金属材料

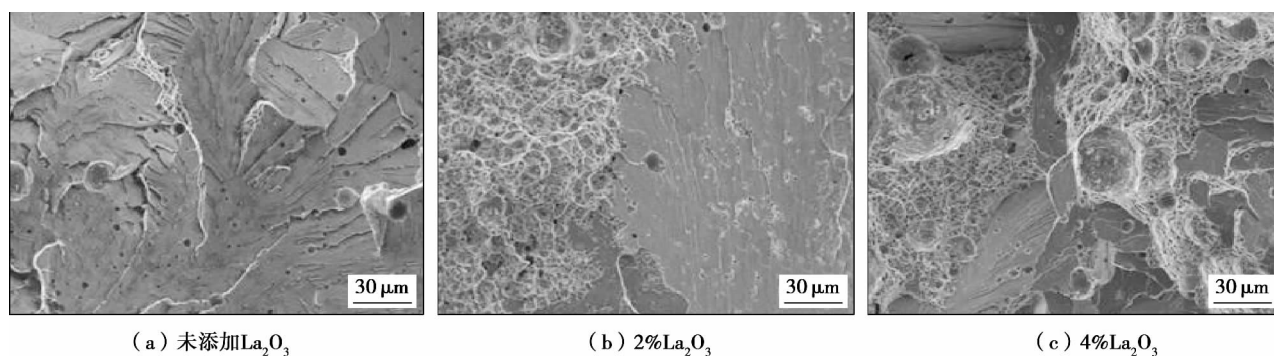
室温拉伸试验方法》制取拉伸试样,取三个试样平均值作为拉伸试验结果,如表 3 所示.

表 3 试样抗拉强度 (R_m /MPa)
Table 3 Tensile strength of samples

未添加 La ₂ O ₃	2% La ₂ O ₃	4% La ₂ O ₃
553	628	587

由表 3 可以看出随着 La₂O₃ 含量的增加,焊缝的抗拉强度先升高后降低,添加 2% La₂O₃ 的焊缝抗拉强度最高,为 628 MPa,这是因为添加 2% La₂O₃ 后气孔数量明显减少,焊缝有效截面积增加,焊缝中颗粒相弥散分布,有助于提高焊缝强度. 同时焊缝晶粒得到细化,晶粒细化后,增加了阻碍裂纹扩展的晶界的面积,有助于减轻晶界上杂质元素的偏聚浓度而避免沿晶脆性断裂. 当焊缝中加入 4% La₂O₃ 时,焊缝强度有所下降,这是因为与未添加 La₂O₃ 的焊缝相比,焊缝晶粒有所细化,气孔有所减少,但没有添加 2% La₂O₃ 焊缝晶粒细小均匀;另外焊缝中的颗粒相发生了团聚,粗大颗粒相数量增多,在外加应变场中,颗粒相发生损伤的速度随着尺寸的增大而加快^[11],因此颗粒增强相的团聚和粗化会使其在较低的外应力作用下发生断裂,而且颗粒相的团聚也会导致焊缝中局部颗粒相的体积分数提高,使内应力增加,进而促使颗粒相断裂.

图 4a 为未添加 La₂O₃ 的焊缝的拉伸断口,断口呈明显河流状花样,总体表现出脆性穿晶解理断裂,而添加 La₂O₃ 的焊缝断口河流花样特征不明显,而且出现大片韧窝,说明焊缝存在一些韧性,从断口形貌可判断断裂特征为韧性脆性混合断裂,如图 4b 和图 4c 所示.

图 4 添加不同 La₂O₃ 焊缝的断口 SEM 形貌Fig. 4 SEM fractographs of joints with different La₂O₃

2.2 接头微观强化机理分析

图 5a 是未添加 La₂O₃ 时焊缝的 TEM 形貌,可

以看出焊缝中位错密度较低,颗粒相很少,而添加 2% La₂O₃ 的焊缝中均匀分布着纳米级的增强颗粒

和大量的位错,当位错运动时,邻近的其它位错会对其产生阻碍作用,产生位错强化. 根据第二相颗粒与滑移位错的交互作用机制并结合图 5b 可以看出,位错是通过 Orowan 机制绕过增强颗粒的,图 5b 中 A 处为位错绕过颗粒相的初始阶段,可以看出位错线已经开始弯曲,B 处为位错绕过颗粒相的过程,C 处为位错绕过颗粒相后留下的位错环. 当滑移位错以 Orowan 机制绕过不可变形颗粒时,位错发生弯曲会增大位错的线张力,此时若使位错绕过颗粒相继续滑移就需要更大的外加应力,因此导致焊缝强化.

当颗粒相尺寸较小时,位错是以 Orowan 机制绕过颗粒相的,但当位错遇到尺寸较大的颗粒相或者晶界、亚晶界等阻碍时,位错将会在阻碍物前不断沉积形成位错塞积,此时微观结构细化和位错塞积起到主要的强化作用^[11]. 图 5c 是添加 4% La_2O_3 焊缝的 TEM 形貌,可以看出焊缝中颗粒相分布不均匀,存在颗粒相团聚现象,在颗粒团聚处形成位错塞积(图 5c 中箭头处),而远离塞积处位错密度很低,因此结合以上分析及图 2c 和图 5c,可以认为添加 4% La_2O_3 的焊缝位错塞积起到主要强化作用.

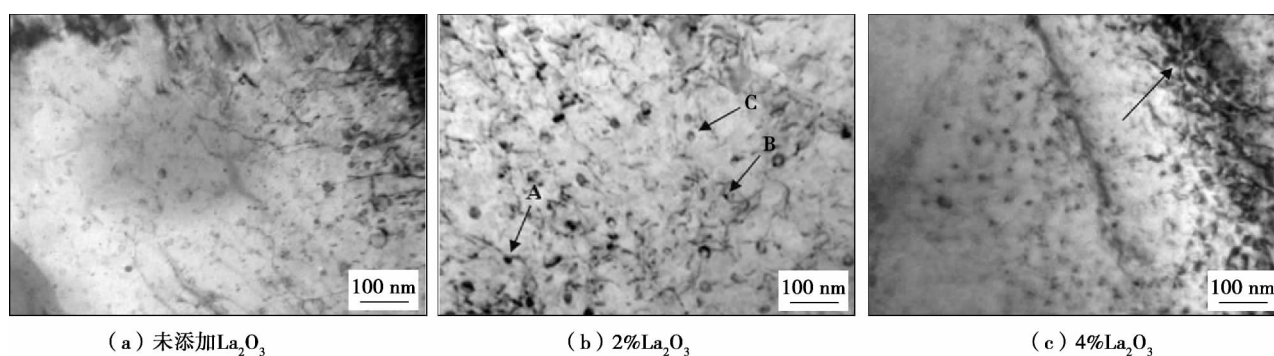


图 5 添加不同 La_2O_3 焊缝的 TEM 形貌
Fig. 5 TEM photograph of joints with different La_2O_3

3 结 论

(1) 焊缝中加入 La_2O_3 后组织得到一定程度的细化,当加入 2% La_2O_3 时焊缝组织最细小均匀,颗粒相生成较多,且弥散分布,提高了焊缝的强度,但当 La_2O_3 添加量达到 4% 时,发现颗粒相有团聚现象.

(2) 随着 La_2O_3 含量的增加,焊缝强度先升高后降低,拉伸断口由脆性解理断裂变为韧-脆混合断裂. 添加 2% La_2O_3 焊缝的强化是由于晶粒细化和 Orowan 强化共同作用,而添加 4% La_2O_3 焊缝的强化主要由位错塞积引起.

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性能最差,从而使高频电阻焊接头在 CO₂/H₂S 腐蚀环境中产生了沟槽腐蚀。

(2) 试验钢焊缝处的大角晶界比例高于母材和热影响区,这使得焊缝区反应速度常数高于母材和热影响区,因此焊缝的腐蚀速率最高。

(3) 通过电化学分析表明,焊缝处的电极反应的极化阻力最小,腐蚀反应易于发生;而母材的电极反应的极化电阻最大,腐蚀反应不易进行。因此在腐蚀过程中,焊缝区的腐蚀速率高于母材和热影响区,这与腐蚀试验所得结果及极化曲线分析结果一致。

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MAIN TOPICS, ABSTRACTS & KEY WORDS

Effect of La_2O_3 on microstructure and mechanical properties of MGH956 alloy during TIG welding

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Abstract: In order to study the effect of La_2O_3 on joint microstructure and mechanical properties, tungsten insert gas (TIG) welding of MGH956 alloy was performed without La_2O_3 and with 2%, 4% La_2O_3 as filler materials respectively. The joint microstructure and fracture surfaces were analyzed by testing method such as optical microscope(OM) , scanning electron microscope(SEM) and transmission electron microscopy(TEM) . Tensile strengths were also tested. The results show that grain refinement occurs in joint when the content of La_2O_3 increases properly. When the joint contains 2% La_2O_3 , joint grain is the smallest and uniformly distributed, particle-phase increases and it is uniform distributed in the joint. The strengthening mechanism of joint are fine-grain strengthening and Orowan strengthening. When the content of La_2O_3 is 4% , particles partially agglomerate in joint. The joint is strengthened mainly by piling up of dislocations. When the joint contains 2% La_2O_3 , tensile strength is the largest and reaches 628 MPa. The fracture surface of joint exhibits brittle-ductile mixed fracture.

Key words: MGH956 alloy; TIG welding; microstructure; mechanical properties

Research on controlling method of size and distribution of oxide inclusions in weld metal with auxiliary electric field

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Abstract: For controlling size and distribution of oxide inclusions in weld metal, a method was presented in which an auxiliary electric field was applied between molten slag and weld pool metal with submerged arc welding so as to lead ion flow in molten by making use of auxiliary electric field. The preliminary experimental research was carried out with voltage supplied by direct current power supply as auxiliary electric field. The results show that when tungsten is used as cathode of auxiliary electric field, the electric conductivity of molten slag can be greatly improved due to lots of free electrons running into molten slag, and this makes a steady directional ion flow effectively inside the molten. By making complex particles ionization inside the molten, the auxiliary electric field applied between molten slag and weld pool metal impels both positive and negative ions to produce inverse flowers and results in electrochemical reactions at interface, thus reducing the opportunity of oxidation and this is helpful for inclusions to be broken and homogeneous. Meanwhile, under auxiliary electric field, the free oxygen ion in weld pool will migrate to slag-metal interface and be preferably combined with oxide forming elements in molten slag, then enter into slag.

Therefore the oxygen content in weld metal can be effectively reduced.

Key words: auxiliary electric field; molten slag; weld pool; inclusion

Experiments and numerical simulation on spot-welded structure of ultra-high strength steel

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Abstract: Mechanical parameters of spot-welded structure of 22MnB5 ultra-high strength steel were obtained by a series of experiments including tensile-shear testing, optical experiment and the vickers-hardness testing. In addition, intensity simulations on the spot-welded structure were carried out by software ANSYS. The good agreement of simulation results with experimental data confirmed the rationality of the three-phase finite element model of the spot-welded structure, which consist of weld nugget, plastic ring and base metal. Based on the simulation results, the plastic ring edge of the spot-welded structure interface is the weakest position, where the structural failure is mainly caused by the shear stress. For purpose of spot-welded structure optimization, the dependence of strength of the spot-welded structures on their structure parameters were analyzed. The simulations results uncovered that the maximum Von Mises stress of the structure can be reduced to a considerable extent by increasing radius of the weld nugget, the overlapping length of the two sheets and the thickness of the plates.

Key words: ultra-high strength steel; spot weld; tensile-shear experiment; numerical simulation

Seam tracking control for mobile welding robots based on dynamic model

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Abstract: As the requirement of high accuracy in seam tracking, the systems dynamics become more prominent in seam tracking process. The non-complete dynamic model for the four wheeled mobile welding robot was established. Variable structure controller with sliding mode has been designed to complete coordinately controlling of cross-slider and mobile welding robot. Several factors have been considered including the influence of the inertia, electrical machinery dynamics, surface irregularity and other factors in seam tracking process on the tracking accuracy. Through the theoretical analysis and simulation, it has been proved that the dynamic model and the variable structure controller with sliding mode are correct and valid in seam tracking. It has set up important foundation for off-line programming, simulation and dynamic control of mobile welding robot.