Non-Arc Welding Processes

- Resistive heating, chemical reactions, focused light and electrons, sound waves, and friction can also be used to join materials
 - Resistance welding
 - Oxy-Fuel Welding
 - Solid State
 - Laser and electron beam welding
 - Brazing and soldering
 - Plastics joining
 - Adhesive bonding

Solid-State Welding

- Processes that produce a weld through the application of pressure at a temperature below the melting temperature of the base material; no filler metal is used
 - Friction welding
 - Diffusion welding
 - Ultrasonic welding
 - Explosion welding

Friction Welding (FRW)





Basic steps in friction welding

Friction Welding - Advantages

- For correct part geometry, friction welding is faster than most other processes
- Can join dissimilar materials together
 - Copper to steel or aluminum
- Easily automated for high volume production
- Can join plastics



Limitations of Friction Welding



- Start-up cost is high
- Parts must be able to rotate about an axis of symmetry
- Free machining alloys are difficult to weld
- Non-forgeable materials cannot be friction welded

Diffusion Welding Working Principles

- 1st stage
 - deformation forming interfacial boundary.
- 2nd stage
 - Grain boundary migration and pore elimination.
- 3rd stage
 - Volume diffusion and pore elimination.

asperities come into contact.



1st stage deformation and interfacial boundary formation







2nd stage grain boundary migration and pore elimination

3rd stage volume diffusion pore elimination









Ultrasonic Welding Process

Process Description:

- Components of ultrasonic welding system include:
 - -Transducer
 - -Sonotrode
 - -Anvil



Ultrasonic Welding

- Advantages
 - Fast
 - Can spot or seam weld
- Limitations
 - Equipment complex, many variables
 - Only use on small parts



 More on this below for plastics

Principles of Explosion Welding

- Welding arrangement consists of three components -
 - Base component
 - Prime component
 - Explosive.
- Base component remains stationary, supported by anvil.



Principles of Explosion Welding

- Prime component is placed either parallel or at an angle to the base.
- Explosive is distributed over top surface of prime component.
- Upon detonation, prime component collides with base component to complete welding.



Action between components during explosion welding.



Figure 6.66 — Schematic of an explosion weld (EXW) between an austenitic Cr-Ni stainless steel cladding and a plain steel base plate