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Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee WD-003, Welding of Structures, to supersede AS/NZS 2205.3.1:2020.

The objective of this document is to specify a method for making transverse root, face and side bend tests on test specimens taken from butt welds, butt welds with cladding (subdivided into welds in clad plates and clad welds) and cladding without butt welds, in order to reveal imperfections on or near the surface of the test specimen which is under tension during bend testing and/or assess ductility. It also gives the dimensions of the test specimen.

In addition, this document specifies methods to be used instead of transverse bend tests with a former for welded joints when base materials, heat affected zones and/or weld metal have a significant difference in their physical and mechanical properties in relation to bending.

This document applies to metallic materials in all forms of product with welded joints made by any welding process.

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This fourth edition cancels and replaces the third edition (ISO 5173:2009) which has been technically revised. It also incorporates the Amendment ISO 5173:2009/Amd 1:2011.

The main changes are as follows:

- scope has been updated to introduce guided transverse bend tests with a roller and longitudinal bend tests as alternative methods of testing for heterogeneous assemblies;
- in [Clause 4](#), the testing temperature has been removed;
- [Subclause 7.2.2](#) has been modified accordingly;
- figures have been corrected;
- document has been aligned with the latest ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2.

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1 Scope

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2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
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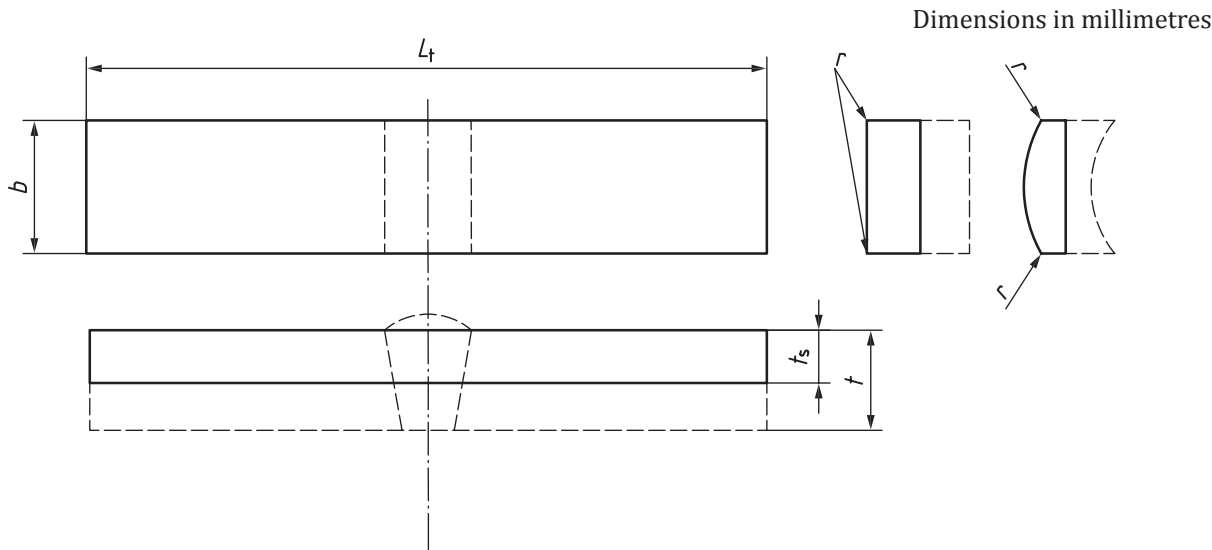
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transverse face bend test specimen for a butt weld

TFBB

transverse butt weld specimen where the face is in tension

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 1](#).



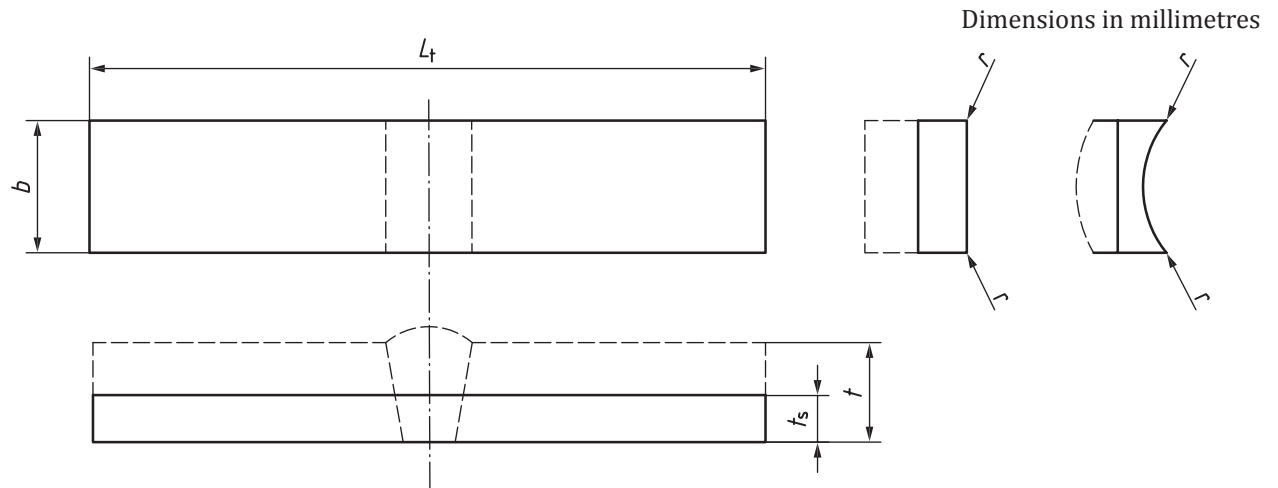
Key

- b width of the test specimen
- L_t total length of the test specimen
- r radius of the test specimen edges
- t thickness of the test piece
- t_s thickness of the test specimen

Figure 1 — Transverse face bend test specimen for a butt weld (TFBB)

3.2
transverse root bend test specimen for a butt weld
TRBB
transverse butt weld specimen where the root is in tension

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 2](#).

**Key**

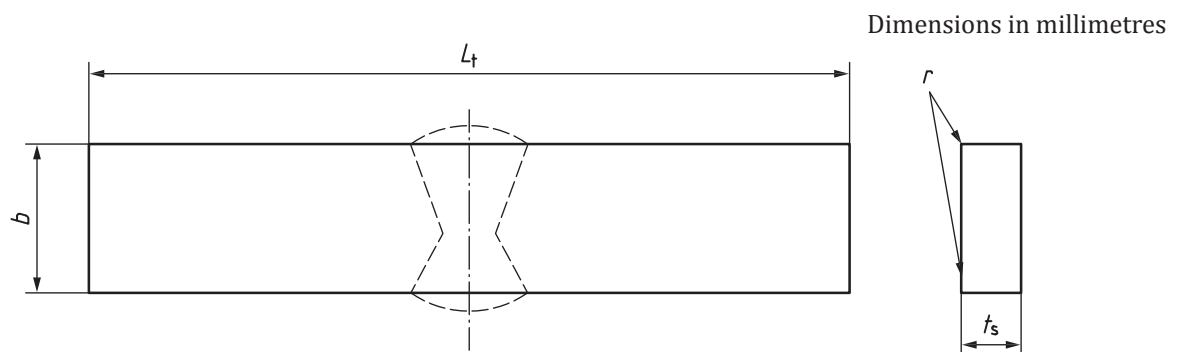
- b width of the test specimen
- L_t total length of the test specimen
- r radius of the test specimen edges
- t thickness of the test piece
- t_s thickness of the test specimen

Figure 2 — Transverse root bend test specimen for a butt weld (TRBB)

3.3**transverse side bend test specimen for a butt weld****TSBB**

specimen where the surface in tension is a cross-section of the weld

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 3](#).

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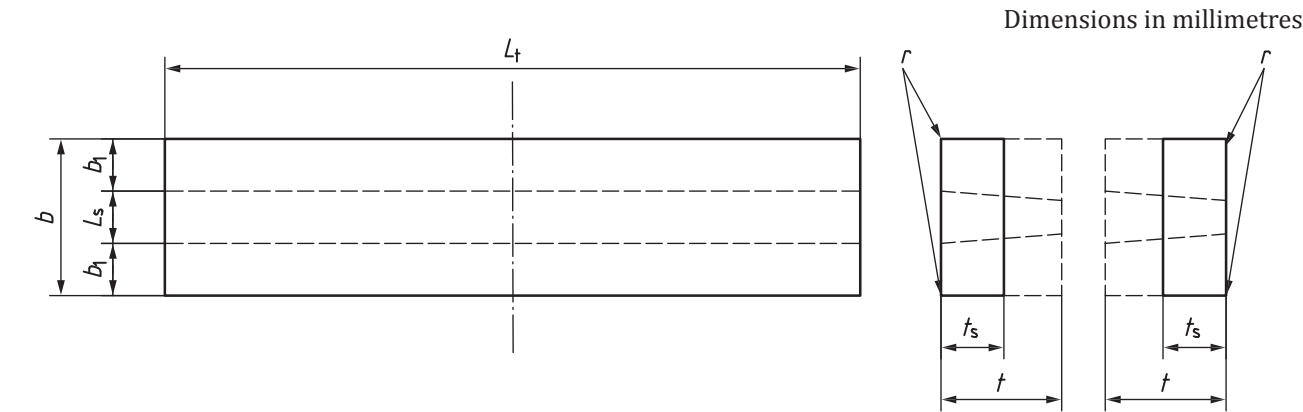
- b width of the test specimen
- L_t total length of the test specimen
- r radius of the test specimen edges
- t_s thickness of the test specimen

Figure 3 — Transverse side bend test specimen for a butt weld (TSBB)

3.4
longitudinal face bend test specimen for a butt weld
LFBB

specimen where the direction is parallel to the butt weld direction and where the face is in tension

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 4](#)



- Key**
- b width of the test specimen
 - L_s maximum width after machining
 - L_t total length of the test specimen
 - r radius of the test specimen edges
 - t thickness of the test piece
 - t_s thickness of the test specimen
 - b_1 width of outside fusion line

Figure 4 — Longitudinal face/root bend test specimen for a butt weld (LFBB and LRBB)

3.5
longitudinal root bend test specimen for a butt weld
LRBB

specimen where the direction is parallel to the butt weld direction and where the root is in tension

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 4](#).

3.6
face bend test specimen for cladding without a butt weld
FBC

specimen for which the cladding is in tension, applicable to both transverse and longitudinal specimens

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 5](#).