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List of Symbols

Symbol	Description	Units
y _{sl}	Interfacial tensions at the solid-liquid interface	(N/m)
y _{sg}	Interfacial tensions at the solid-gas interfaces	(N/m)
y _{LG}	Molten slag surface tension	(N/m)
Wa	Adhesion energy (specific surface energy)	(J/m ²)
θ	Contact angle	Degree (°)
n	No of experiments	-
k	No of regression variables	-
D	Composite desirability function	-
di	Desirability of specific response	-
T _c	Thermal conductivity	W/mK
T _D	Thermal diffusivity	mm²/s
ΔH	Change in enthalpy	J/g
SH	Specific heat	MJ/m ³ K
D	Density	g/cm ³
ΔW %	Percentage weight loss	%
Hv	Microhardness	-
CE	Carbon equivalent	-
K _p	Parabolic rate constant	mg²/cm⁴s
t	Oxidation time	S
Т	Temperature	°C
ΔW/A	Weight gain/unit area	mg/cm ²
η_{Cr}	Mass transfer coefficient (Chromium)	-
η_{Mn}	Mass transfer coefficient (Manganese)	-
$\eta_{\rm Nb}$	Mass transfer coefficient (Niobium)	-
η_{Si}	Mass transfer coefficient (Silicon)	-

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List of Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Full form
РСС	Pulverized coal combustion
SC	Super critical
USC	Ultra super critical
AUSC	Advanced ultra super critical
IGCC	Integrated gasification combined cycle
SMAW	Shielded metal arc welding
GTAW	Gas tugsten arc welding
GMAW	Gas metal arc welding
SAW	Submerged arc welding
MMA	Manual metal arc
TIG	Tungsten inert gas
A-TIG	Activated Tungsten inert gas
DMW	Dissimilar metal weld
AC	Alternative current
DC	Direct current
DCEP	Direct current electrode positive
CaO	Calcium oxide source
CaF	Calcium fluoride
SiO	Silica
Al ₂ O ₂	Aluminium oxide
TiO	Butile
P	Phosphorous
Mg	Magnesium
Fe	Iron
S	Sulphur
Nb	Niobium
Al	Aluminium
Ni	Nickel
Mo	Molybdenum
Ti	Titanium
C	Carbon
BI	Basicity Index
IIW	International Institute of welding
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
BM	Base metal
FM	Filler metal
WM	Weld metal
HAZ	Heat affected zone
CGHAZ	Coarse grain heat affected zone
FGHAZ	Fine grain heat affected zone
XRF	X-ray fluorescence
TGA	Thermogravimetric analysis
FTIR	Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy
XRD	X-ray diffraction
SEM	Scanning electron microscopy
EDS	Energy dispersive spectrometry
ANOVA	Analysis of variance

SS	Sum of square
DOF	Degree of freedom
MS	Mean sum of square
CE	Commercial electrode
UTM	Universal testing machine
Ys	Yield strength (N/mm ²)
UTS	Ultimate tensile strength (N/mm ²)
%E	Percentage elongation
SM1	Salt Mixture 1 (Na2SO4 + 60% V2O5)
SM2	Salt Mixture 2 (Na2SO4 + 50% NaCl)