A dual feed mechanism has been devised to enable proportioning of two different weld feed wires during automated TIG welding to produce a weld alloy deposit of the desired composition. The wires are fed into the weld simultaneously, each wire having an independently controlled feed system. The relative feed rates of the wires and the wire diameters determine the composition of the weld deposit.

This system would be useful in shops or laboratories having need for special weld alloys on short notice or in limited quantities. It should be especially useful for experimentation and development to establish suitable weld alloy compositions.

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