

ABSTRACT

A METHOD OF JOINING COMPONENTS

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First and second components 2, 4, which may be metallic components, are joined together in a process which comprises introducing a sinterable powder 20 between the components, the powder being retained within a receptacle 16, displacing the
10 component 4 towards the component 2 to compress the powder, and subsequently applying heat and pressure to the powder 20 to form a sintered bond.

15 [Figs 5 to 7]