

# — 整合式微步進驅動器及馬達



## AK-STEP Summary

AK-STEP is an all-in-one unit. In other words, a motor and a driver are integrated seamlessly together. Because it is an all-in-one unit product, AK-STEP makes it possible to apply many functions compared with a conventional stepping motor, such as the sensorless detection of the loss of synchronization, smooth control over the whole velocity range by software damping control, and no vibration at the low speed range.

For high-speed and high-precision drive of a stepping motor, AK-STEP is a unique driver that adopts a new control scheme by using an on-board high-performance digital signal processor. With a unique position estimation algorithm, it can instantaneously detect an out-of-synchronization in the rotor position of the stepping motor, which is not an easy task in a conventional stepping motor and drive (effective only over 300 rpm). Utilizing a software damping and filtering method, a high-speed actuation is realized by the exciting angle control of a step-angle.

The resolution of AK-STEP can be improved from basic  $1.8^\circ$  up to  $0.0072^\circ$  (1/250). In addition, it generates various signals including loss-of-synchronization alarm.

Detection of loss-of-synchronization

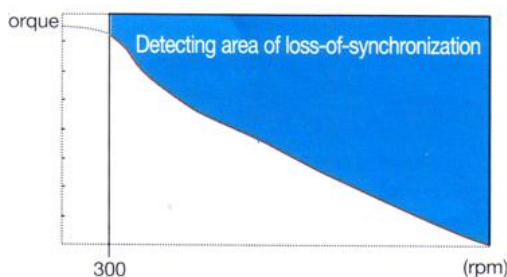
Software Damping

Run/Stop Signal Output

## 1 Step-Out Detection (Patent pending)

AK-STEP can detect the loss-of-synchronization of a stepping motor without the addition of an external sensor. By monitoring the voltage, the current, and the back-emf signal, the on-board DSP estimates the current position of a rotor and enables to detect the loss-of-synchronization (so far seemingly impossible task in a conventional stepping motor drive), in turn realizing operation in high-speed region without worrying about loss-of-synchronization\*.

\*effective only over 300 rpm



## 2 Microstep and Filtering

High Precision microstep function and Filtering (Patent pending)

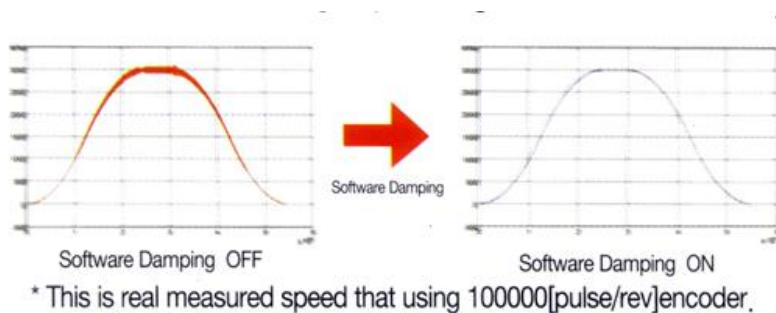
The high-performance DSP resolves the basic resolution of  $1.8^\circ$  up to maximum  $0.0072^\circ$  (1/250 steps). Contrary to a conventional driver, AK-STEP adjusts PWM control signal in every 25 usec, which makes it possible to more precise current control and realizes a high-precision microstep operation.

## 3 Software Damping

Vibration suppression and High-speed operation (Patent pending)

Usually the applied currents to a stepping motor are precise sinusoidal waves. But in practice the magnetic flux nonlinearity of the motor, the lowering of current due to the increase of back emf at high-speed and the lowering of the phase voltage are the sources of motor vibration.

In these practices AK-STEP detects these nonlinearities with DSP and adjusts the phase of the current according to the pole position of the motor, drastically suppressing vibration. As reducing the vibration of the motor, it is possible to operate in a high-speed regime.



## 4 Diverse Output Signal Monitoring

Besides alarming loss-of-synchronization, there are various warning signals depending on the alarm issued. Also, AK-STEP provides an easy interface to communicate with an upper controller by issuing RUN/STOP signal.

(The type of alarm issued can be identified by LED indicator)

## 5 Improve of High-Speed Driving

Depending on the speed of a stepping motor, AK-STEP automatically increases the supply voltage and prevents the torque weakening due to the low effective operating voltage on a motor from the back emf voltage, in turn enabling a high-speed operation. Also, the software damping algorithm minimizes the vibration and prevents the loss-of-synchronization at high-speed.