

Renesas and MinebeaMitsumi Collaborate on Stepping Motor Solutions for Robots

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Market Changes Driving Evolving Technology Needs

Labor saving



Automated robots

Automated driving

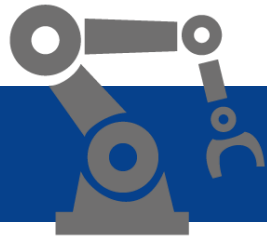


Automated logistics robots

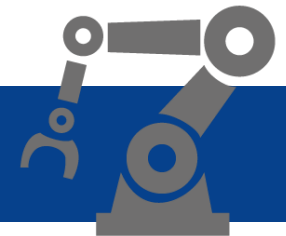
Aging society



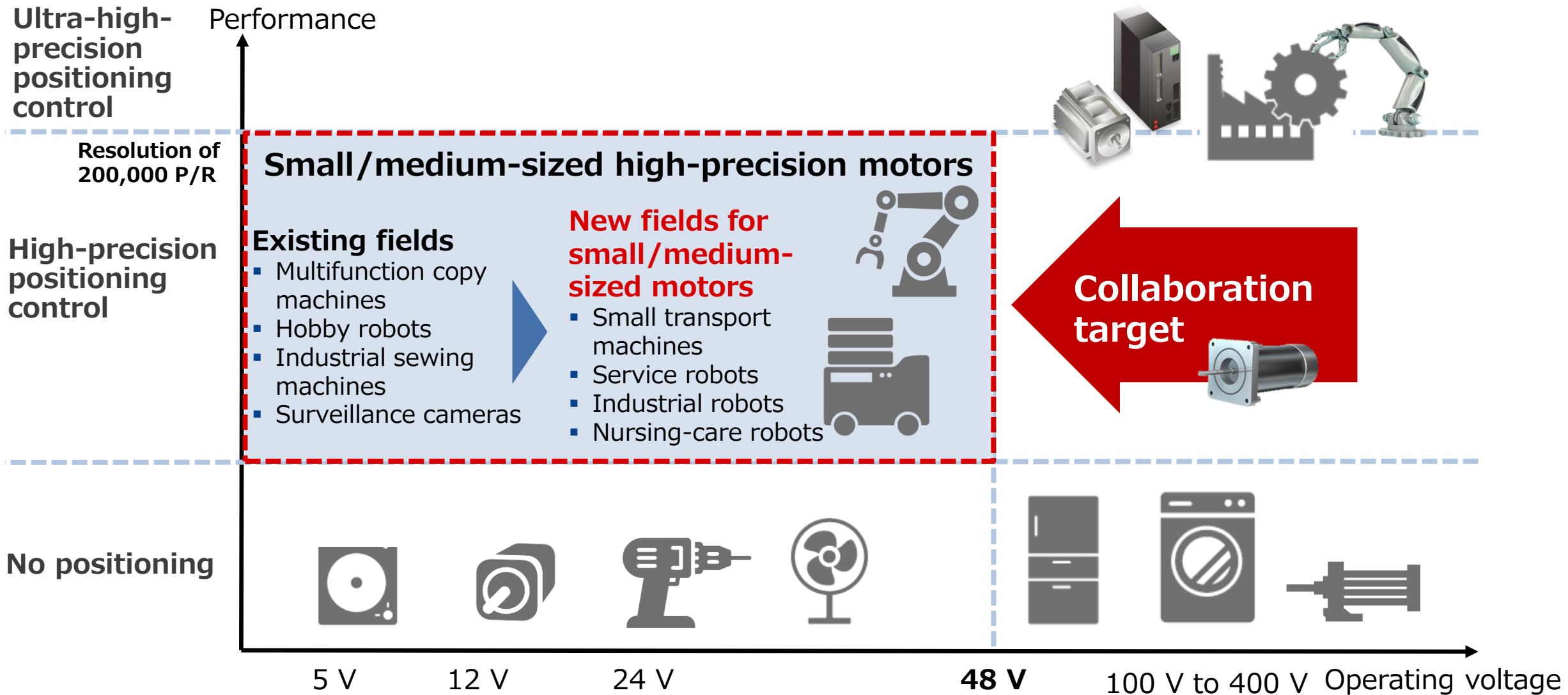
Nursing-care/medical robots



Increasing demand for small/medium-sized robots

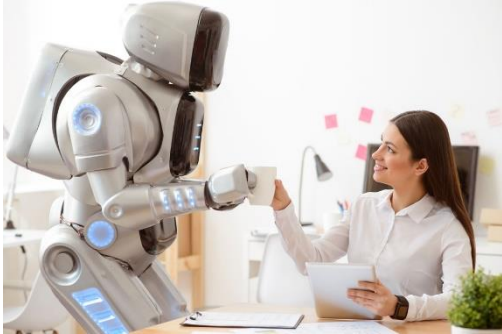



New Application Fields for Small/Medium-Sized Motors



Needs and Challenges in Small/Medium-Sized Motor Market

As the robot industry expands, the increased demands become more difficult to satisfy using conventional motors

	High performance	Sturdiness	Compact size
Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High-precision positioning control Smooth low-speed rotation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heat resistance Dust/vibration resistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long battery life Small motor with high torque designed for compact devices 
Challenges	<p>Installing a position sensor on the motor would solve the problem, but</p> <p>➔ An optical sensor is expensive.</p>	<p>An optical sensor is</p> <p>➔ Vulnerable to heat and dust.</p>	<p>A small stepping motor with high torque works the best, but</p> <p>➔ A step-out margin is required.</p> <p>➔ Conventional control consumes large electricity and generates a lot of heat.</p>

Jointly Developed Solutions to Meet Changing Needs

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	A motor with an angle sensor "resolver" is ideal Popular in automotive and aircraft industries High environmental resistance and cost effectiveness		Advanced motor control technology is required

MinebeaMitsumi

World's leading supplier of stepping motors
 50 years of experience in developing in-vehicle and aircraft resolvers



Renesas Electronics

Global market leader of 32-bit microcontrollers
 Deep motor control design expertise

MinebeaMitsumi and Renesas: Jointly developed stepping motors with a resolver as well as semiconductors and the software required for control

Resolver-Based Stepping Motor Control Solutions

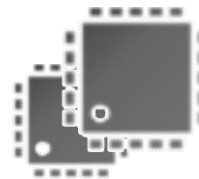
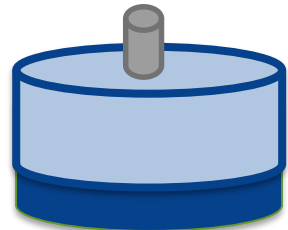
Ready-to-use solutions include everything needed for development

Integrates motor, sensor, semiconductor, and software for optimization

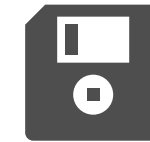
MinebeaMitsumi's
stepping motor with resolver

Renesas'
resolver-based stepping motor control solution

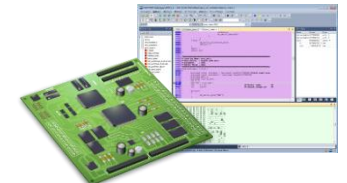
Stepping motor
Resolver sensor



Semiconductor



Software



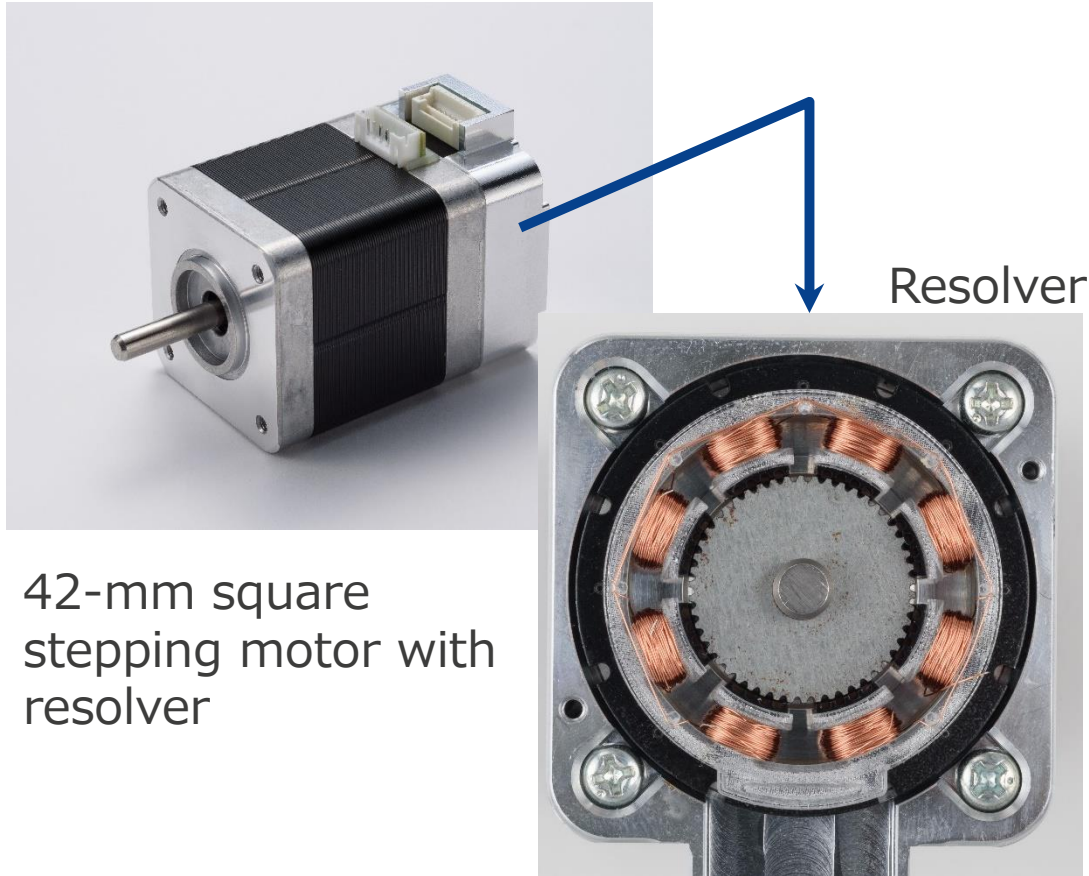
Development kit

Satisfies new needs
for small/medium-
sized motors

- High-precision control using a stepping motor with a resolver
- Environmental resistance of the resolver opens up a wider range of applications
- Easy development with the motor control development kit

MinebeaMitsumi's Stepping Motor with Resolver

MinebeaMitsumi's New Stepping Motor with Resolver



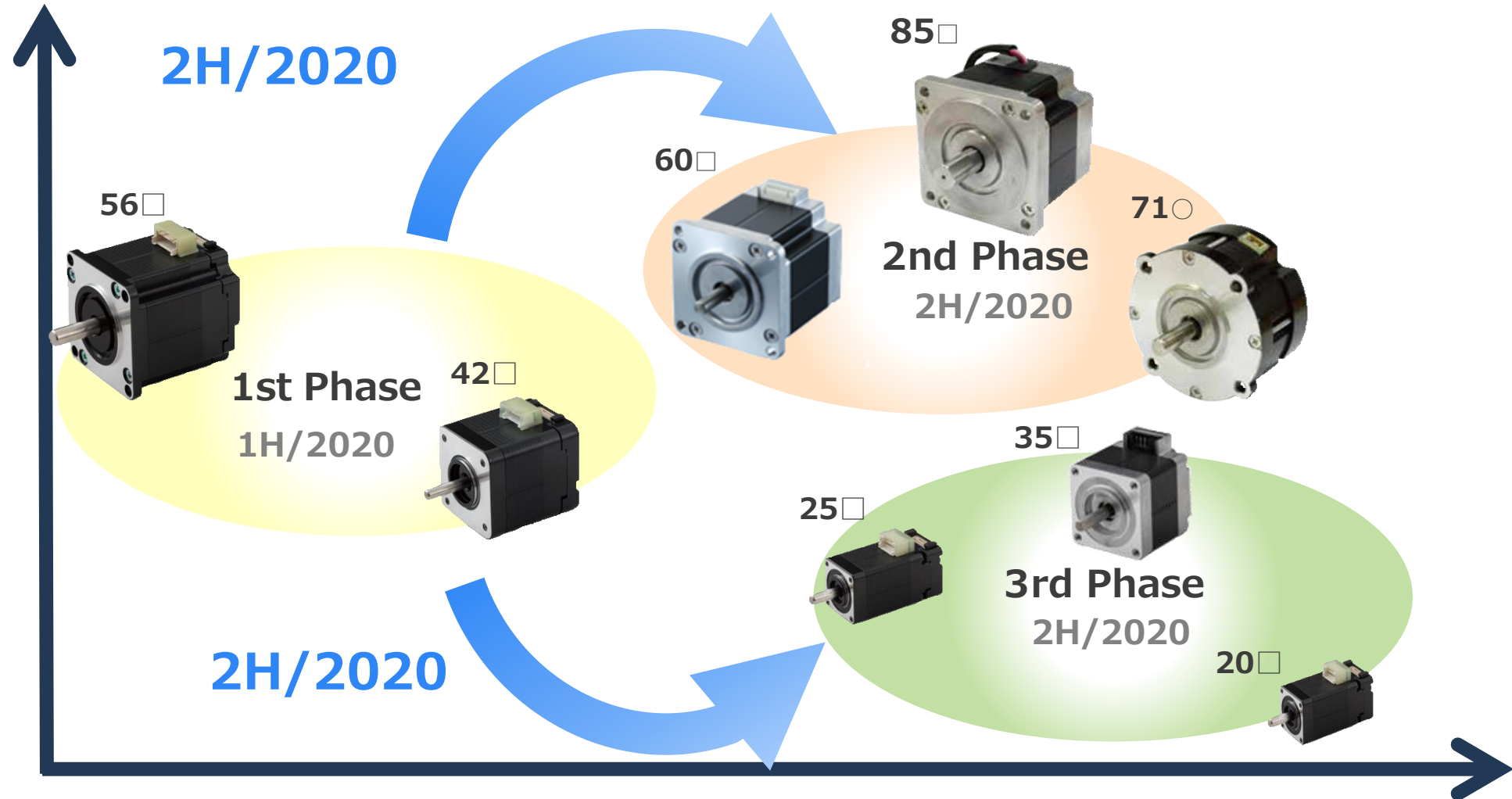
42-mm square stepping motor with resolver

	Features
High torque characteristics	2-3x torque compared to existing products since no step-out control required
Control characteristics	Able to drive at both broadband and ultra-low speeds
Low power consumption	Current optimization by servo control that responds to the actual load
High precision	High position precision achieved by high resolution of 200,000 P/R
Environmental resistance	Highly resistant to heat, dust, and vibration due to its simple structure
Miniaturization	The high torque of these motors makes miniaturizing application products possible

Sample shipments start in January 2020 with mass production starting in April 2020

Future Planned Products

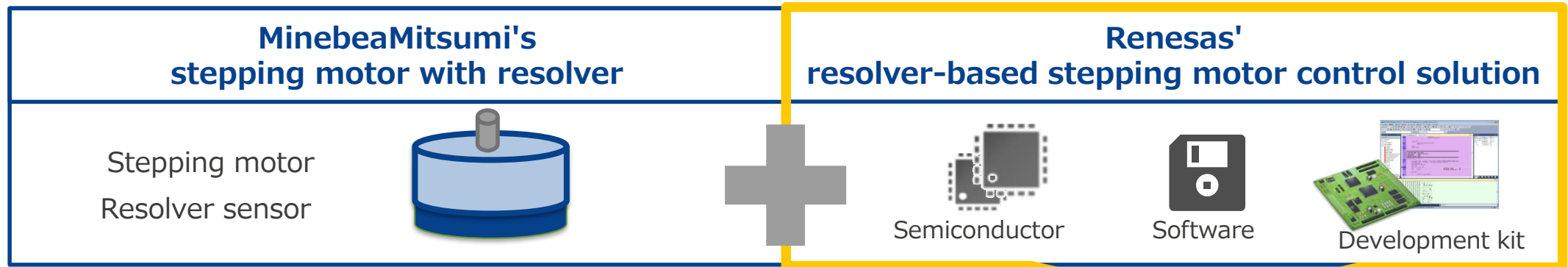
MinebeaMitsumi's stepping motor with resolver lineup (Plan)



Renesas Electronics Resolver-Based Motor Control Solutions

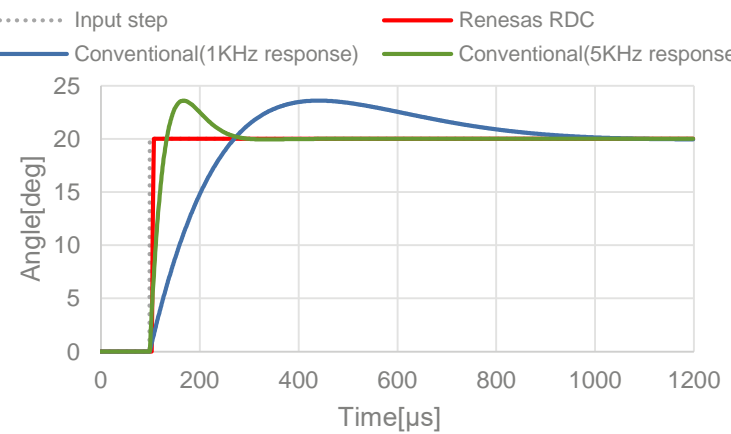
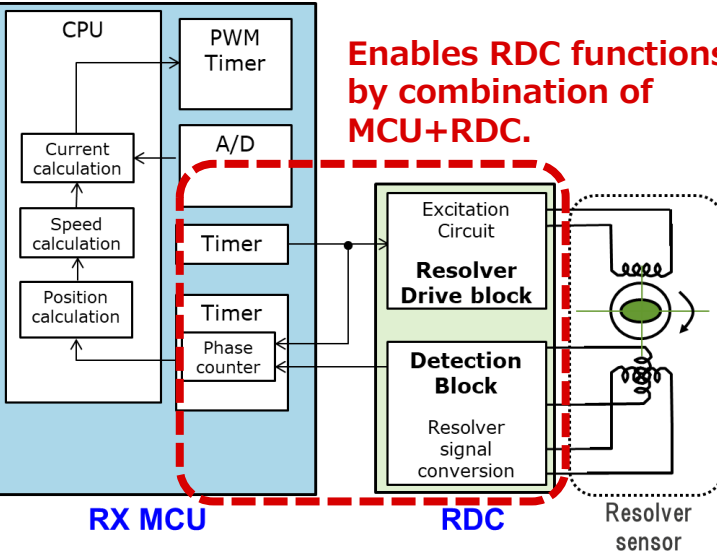
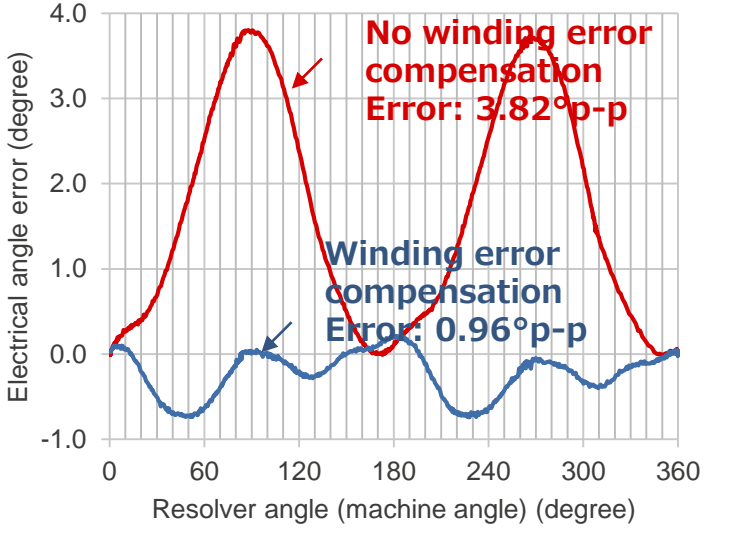
Renesas' Resolver-Based Motor Control Solutions

Provides the IC and software required for resolver control and motor control



Features of New Renesas RDC-IC

Realizing new cost-effective resolver solutions

High-speed response using new control method	Cost reduction in RDC-IC	Cost reduction in resolver sensors
<p>A new type of RDC-IC used in combination with a microcontroller to deliver high-speed response, reducing takt time.</p>	<p>The RDC-IC circuit is simplified by using some microcontroller functions, reducing RDC-IC circuits and costs.</p>	<p>Supports both voltage- and current-detection type resolver sensors and implements the winding error compensation function to reduce resolver sensor costs.</p>
<p>Renesas RDC immediately follows input commands.</p>  <p>The graph plots Angle [deg] on the y-axis (0 to 25) against Time [μs] on the x-axis (0 to 1200). A dotted line indicates the input step at approximately 100 μs. The Renesas RDC (red line) reaches the target angle of 20 degrees almost instantaneously. The conventional 1KHz response (blue line) takes about 400 μs to reach the target, and the conventional 5KHz response (green line) takes about 150 μs.</p>	<p>Enables RDC functions by combination of MCU+RDC.</p>  <p>The diagram shows the integration of an RX MCU and an RDC. The RX MCU contains a CPU, PWM Timer, A/D, Timer, and Phase counter. The RDC contains an Excitation Circuit, Resolver Drive block, and Detection Block (Resolver signal conversion). The Resolver sensor is connected to the RDC. A red dashed box highlights the MCU and RDC components that enable RDC functions.</p>	 <p>The graph plots Electrical angle error (degree) on the y-axis (-1.0 to 4.0) against Resolver angle (machine angle) (degree) on the x-axis (0 to 360). The red curve, labeled 'No winding error compensation', shows a large error of 3.82° p-p. The blue curve, labeled 'Winding error compensation', shows a significantly reduced error of 0.96° p-p.</p>

Resolver-Based Stepping Motor Control Kit

Evaluation System for Stepping Motor with Resolver



Item	Specification
Kit name	Evaluation System for Stepping Motor with Resolver
Kit model number	RTK0EMX270S01020BJ
Kit configuration	48 V 2 A stepping motor drive inverter board RX24T CPU card with RDC Stepping motor with a resolver (Made by MinebeaMitsumi)
Inverter specifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Rated voltage: 48 VRated current: 2 A (continuous)Rated output: 100 WDetection function: Phase current, bus voltageProtection function: Overcurrent protection
I/F specifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">External equipment I/F: RS485, CAN, pulse command, general-purpose I/O
Development support function	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Renesas Motor WorkbenchOn-board emulator circuit (flash programming circuit)

The ready-to-use kit will be launched in January 2020

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