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TITLE OF THE INVENTNION
ROTARY MOTOR AND LAMINATED CORE

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to the construction of a motor for driving a medium used in a magnetic disk drive unit or an optical disk drive unit, and the laminated core thereof.

Description of the Prior Art

Fig. 139 shows the stator of the spindle motor for the disk drive unit disclosed in Japanese Patent Publication No. 5-39020. The same Figure shows a stator core 20 formed integrately by punching the magnetic material and stator coils 2 which are wound around respective teeth of the stator core 20 so that they are contained in respective slots. The spindle motor using this stator core 20 is called inner rotor type. Inside the stator, a rotor and rotor magnets are disposed so as to face the stator. The structure of the inner rotor makes it possible to form a thin structure motor and therefore is suitable for a magnetic disk drive unit and optical disk drive unit which are required to be of compact and thin structure.

Figs. 140, 141 show a stator of the spindle motor for the disk drive unit disclosed in Japanese Patent Laid-Open No.2- 133055 and the magnetic pole tooth of the stator core, respectively. Fig. 140 shows the stator core formed integrately by punching magnetic material and Fig. 141 shows a magnetic tooth 15 of the stator core, which is

wound with stator coil 2. The spindle motor using this stator core is called outer rotor type. Outside the stator, a ring like rotor and rotor magnets are disposed so as to face the stator. A rotor shaft is located in the center of the stator and the rotor shaft is connected to the ring like rotor magnet through a thin circular plate. The spindle motor having such structure also makes it possible to obtain small diameter and thin structure, and therefore is often used as the spindle motor for driving a magnetic disk drive unit or an optical disk drive unit.

Figs. 142A, 142B, 143A, 143B show part of the stator cores of other spindle motors for the disk drive unit disclosed in Japanese Patent Laid-Open No.2-133055. The spindle motor using this stator core is also of outer rotor type. A difference thereof from the aforementioned outer rotor structure is that part of the respective magnetic teeth can be separated. In the stator core shown in Figs. 142A, 142B, slot heads 15-2 are inserted into the magnetic teeth wound with the coil 2. In the stator core shown in Figs. 143A, 143B, respective magnetic teeth 15-3 wound with the coils 2 are inserted into the stator body 15-1.

Fig. 146 shows the structure of a motor for the magnetic disk drive unit and optical disk drive unit disclosed in Japanese Utility Model Laid-Open No.5-86151. This motor is of inner rotor type. As shown in the same Figure, three magnetic teeth constitute a stator core 20 as a single block. Each tooth 15 is wound with the coil 2. The feature of this motor is that the stator core 20 is not disposed in the space in which the head of the disk drive unit moves. On the circumference of the rotor magnet 4, in which the stator core 20 is not disposed, shield yokes 4a are disposed so as to cover the rotor magnet.

Fig. 147 is a partial sectional view showing the stator core and the coil of the spindle motor of conventional floppy disk drive unit disclosed in Japanese Patent Laid-Open No.5- 176484. Fig. 148 is a front view of the spindle motor. This motor is of inner rotor type. In the respective Figures, reference numeral 122 designates a stator core formed by punching magnetic material integrally and numeral 130 designates stator coil wound around the magnetic pole tooth 122a of the stator core 122. The stator core 122 is formed by laminated core in which a plurality of magnetic materials are stacked. Resin layer is formed on the surface of the stator core 122 to insulate between the stator core 122 and the stator coil 130. Reference numeral 112 designates a magnet, numeral 114 designates a shaft and numeral 116 designates a yoke.

Fig. 149 shows the stator core of a conventional thin structure motor disclosed in Japanese Patent Laid-Open No.5- 38109. As shown in the same Figure, insulating film 150 is formed on the circumference of the magnetic pole tooth of the stator core 151. That is, the insulating sheet of thermoplastic resin is heated and pressed from both sides to form insulating film 150 on the circumference of the magnetic pole tooth in order to achieve insulation treatment.

The stator shown in Fig. 139 has an integrated ring shaped stator core and therefore, it is difficult to wind the magnetic pole teeth facing inward of the stator with stator coil. In coiling, a nozzle through which wire is run is rotated around the magnetic pole teeth. However, because the inside of the stator core is small, the structure of the winding apparatus is complicated. Additionally, the coiling speed cannot be increased more

than 1,000 rpm thereby suppressing the productivity of coiling low. It is impossible to increase the number of slots because the number of slots is restricted by the difficulty of coiling, thereby obstructing the increase of torque and resulting in torque ripple. Although winding wire of the coil neatly contributes to compacting and enhancement of the characteristic and reliability of the coil, it is impossible to wind wire neatly because the space between the stator core and the winding apparatus is very small.

Fig. 140 shows an integrated structure stator. Because the shape of the magnetic pole teeth of the stator core is complicated, it is impossible to wind wire effectively. For the reason, productivity is so low that cost increases and further a special winding apparatus is required.

Although the stator shown in Figs. 142A, 142B was proposed to solve the aforementioned problem, it is impossible to achieve effective winding of wire if the number of slots is increased to improve the characteristic of the motor. Further, magnetic resistance increases at portions in which divided stator portions are combined by engagement and air gap is unequalized, so that the characteristic of the motor deteriorates. Although winding procedure is facilitated to the stator shown in Fig. 143, two coil terminals are required for every magnetic pole tooth, thereby the step for connecting coil terminals electrically after coiling is required. Thus, production cost is increased and the reliability of connection is decreased.

By dividing the stator core into blocks in the motor shown in Fig. 146, the difficulty of coiling which is a problem of the inner rotor type is relaxed. However, the

step for connecting the coils wound around the respective magnetic pole teeth in respective blocks after coiling is required, thereby increasing production cost and thus decreasing the reliability. Further, because the stator core is divided to blocks, it is difficult to fix the stator core with a certain gap with respect to the rotor magnet. Still further, because the stator core comprises divided blocks, the stator core is not easy to handle or assemble.

In the stators shown in Figs. 147 and 148, the stator core 122 is of integrated ring structure. Therefore, it is difficult to wind the respective magnetic pole teeth 122a having small gap from an magnetic pole tooth nearby, with the stator coil 130 in the direction in which the stator coil is wound inward of the stator. Namely, when a nozzle through which wire is run is rotated around the magnetic pole tooth 122a for coiling, the structure of the winding apparatus is complicated because the inside of the stator core is small. Additionally, it is impossible to increase the winding speed over 1,000 rpm, thereby suppressing productivity low.

It is impossible to increase the number of slots because the number of slots is restricted by the difficulty of coiling, thereby obstructing the increase of torque and resulting in torque ripple. Although winding wire of the coil neatly contributes to compacting and enhancement of the characteristic and reliability of the coil, in this conventional example, it is impossible to wind wire neatly because the space between the stator core 122 and the winding apparatus is very small.

Resin is integrally molded to insulate between the stator coil 130 and the stator core 122. In this case,

because the process of integrated molding of resin is required, production cost is increased. Further, because resin layer is formed on the stator core 122, additional length of the stator coil 130 is required. Thus, the amount of the magnet wire used for the stator coil 130 increases and therefore, it is impossible to form a thin structure motor.

In the stator shown in Fig. 149, insulating film 150 is formed by heating and pressing the insulating sheet of thermoplastic resin from both sides of the stator core 151 in order to insulate between the coil and the stator core 151. As a result, the insulating sheet and the process for heating and pressing thereof are required, thereby increasing production cost.

Summary of the Invention

In accordance with the invention, there is provided a rotary motor comprising:

a base;

a rotor portion mounted to said base;

a stator portion having a stator core including laminated magnetic pole teeth;

and coils disposed on the magnetic pole teeth; and

a storage container for storing said stator core, said storage container being mountable to said base,

wherein said stator core is bendable about the rotor portion and mounted to said storage container, said storage container being constructed and arranged to fix said stator core in a predetermined position about said rotor portion when said storage container is mounted to said base.

In another aspect, there is provided a laminated core for a rotary motor, said core comprising:

a plurality of sheets of magnetic material stacked to form the magnetic path of the rotary motor,

said plurality of sheets of magnetic material forming a plurality of block portions and thin portions connecting said block portions, each block portion including a plurality of magnetic pole teeth, said laminated core being bendable at said thin portions, wherein said block portions and said thin portions are integrally formed with said sheets of magnetic material.

Brief Description of the Drawings

The invention is described in more detail with reference to one or more of the examples which are illustrated in the following drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a front view of the rotary motor according to the first and fifth examples.

Fig. 2 is a sideways cross sectional view of the rotary motor according to the first and fifth examples.

Fig. 3 is a front view of the rotary motor according to the second example.

Fig. 4 is a front view of the rotary motor according to the third and fourth
5 examples.

Fig. 5 is a partial side view of the stator according to the fourth examples.

Fig. 6 is a front view of the stator core according to the first and fifth examples.

Fig. 7 is a front view of the stator core being wound with wire according to the first, second and fifth examples.

10 Fig. 8 is a front view of the stator core molded integrately with resin, according to the sixth example.

Fig. 9 is a front view of the stator core molded integrately with resin, according to the sixth example.

15 Fig. 10 is a front view of the stator and the substrate according to the seventh example.

Fig. 11 is a partial perspective view of the stator and the substrate according to the seventh example.

Fig. 12 is a front view of the stator according to the eighth and ninth examples.

Fig. 13 is a sideways section view of the stator according to the eighth example

20 Fig. 14 is a perspective view of the stator according

to the tenth example.

Fig. 15 is a front view of the stator core according to the tenth example.

Fig. 16 is a partial side view of the stator core viewed from the rotor facing side, according to the tenth example.

5 Fig. 17 is a perspective view of the stator core according to the tenth example.

Fig. 18 is a front view of the stator core according to the tenth example.

Fig. 19 is a partial sectional view of the stator core viewed from the rotor facing side, according to the tenth example.

Fig. 20 is a front view of another stator according to the eleventh example.

10 Fig. 21 is a front view of the stator core according to the eighth example.

Fig. 22 is a front view of the stator core wound with wire, according to the eighth and ninth examples.

Fig. 23 is an explanatory view for explaining the procedure of wire winding on the stator core according to the eighth example.

15 Fig. 24 is a front view of the molded resin product according to the eighth example.

Fig. 25 is an explanatory view for explaining the procedure of forming the stator core according to the eighth example.

Fig. 26 is a disassembly perspective view of the rotary motor according to the twelfth example.

Fig. 27 is a plan view of the stator core according to the twelfth example.

Fig. 28 is a sectional view of the stator core shown in Fig. 27.

Fig. 29 is a plan view of the stator core wound with wire, according to the twelfth example.

5 Fig. 30 is a sectional view of the stator core shown in Fig. 29.

Fig. 31 is a plan view of the stator according to the twelfth example.

Fig. 32 is a plan view of the rotary motor according to the thirteenth example in which the cover holder is partially cut away.

10 Fig. 33 is a plan view of the rotary motor according to the fourteenth example in which the cover holder is partially cut away.

Fig. 34 is a partial sectional view of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 33.

Fig. 35 is a partially enlarged view of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 33.

Fig. 36 is a perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor according to the fifteenth example.

15 Fig. 37 is a sectional view of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 36.

Fig. 38 is a plan view of the rotary motor according to the sixteenth example in which the cover holder is partially cut away.

Fig. 39 is an enlarged view of the section A shown in Fig. 38.

Fig. 40 is a plan view of the rotary motor according to

the seventeenth example, in which the cover holder is partially cut away.

Fig. 41 is a sectional view of the major parts of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 40.

Fig. 42 is a perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor according to the eighteenth example.

5 Fig. 43 is a perspective view of the stator holder according to the eighteenth example.

Fig. 44 is an enlarged view of the stator core according to the nineteenth example.

Fig. 45 is a perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor according to the twentieth example.

10 Fig. 46 is a plan view of the rotary motor according to the twentieth example.

Fig. 47 is a partial perspective view of the stator according to the twenty first example.

Fig. 48 is a perspective view showing the stator according to the twenty second example and the fixing means for the holding ring.

15 Fig. 49 is a perspective view of the stator according to the twenty third example and the fixing means for the holding ring.

Fig. 50 is a partially cutaway plan view of the rotary motor for explaining the deflection of the rotation in the twenty fourth example.

20 Fig. 51 is a partially cutaway plan view of the rotary motor according to the twenty fourth example.

Fig. 52 is an explanatory diagram for showing the relationship between the gap gb between the magnetic balancer and the rotor magnet in the twenty fourth example and the deflection of the rotation.

Fig. 53 is a partially cutaway plan view of the rotary motor according to the twenty
5 fifth example.

Fig. 54 is a perspective view showing the fixing means for the magnetic balancer and the stator according to the twenty sixth example.

Fig. 55 is a perspective view showing the magnetic balancer and the stator according to the twenty seventh example.

10 Fig. 56 is a perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor according to the twenty eighth example.

Fig. 57 is a plan view of the major parts of the rotary motor according to the twenty ninth example.

15 Fig. 58 is a perspective view showing the jointing means for the magnetic balancer according to the twenty ninth example.

Fig. 59 is a perspective view showing the jointing means for the magnetic balancer according to the thirtieth example.

Fig. 60 is a perspective view showing the configuration of and the jointing means for the magnetic balancer according to the thirty first example.

20 Fig. 61 is an enlarged view of the stator for explaining magnetic resistance or the like in the thirty second example.

Fig. 62 is an enlarged view of the block of the stator according to the thirty second example.

Fig. 63 is an enlarged view of the block of the stator according to the thirty third example.

5 Fig. 64 is an enlarged view of the block of the stator according to the thirty fourth example.

Fig. 65 is a plan view of the state in which the stator core according to the thirty fifth example is being coiled.

10 Fig. 66 is a plan view for explaining the unbalanced magnetic attraction in the thirty sixth example.

Fig. 67 is a plan view of the major parts of the rotary motor according to the thirty sixth example.

Fig. 68 is a plan view of the major parts of the rotary motor according to the thirty seventh example.

15 Fig. 69 is a perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor according to the thirty eighth example.

Fig. 70 is a sectional view of the magnetic pole teeth of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 69.

20 Fig. 71 is a disassembly perspective view showing the state in which the rotary motor according to the thirty ninth example is mounted on an apparatus.

Fig. 72 is a front view showing the rotary motor according to the fortieth example

Fig. 73 is a front view of the laminated core of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 72.

Fig. 74 is a side view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 73.

Fig. 75 is a front view showing the laminated core according to the fortieth example in which the coils are formed.

5 Fig. 76 is a side view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 75.

Fig. 77 is a front view showing the stator according to the fortieth example in which the thin portion of the laminated core is deformed.

Fig. 78 is a front view showing other laminated core according to the fortieth example.

10 Fig. 79 is a side view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 78.

Fig. 80 is a front view showing the laminated core according to the fortieth example in which other coils are formed.

Fig. 81 is a side view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 80.

15 Fig. 82 is a front view showing the stator in which the thin portions of other laminated core are deformed, according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 83 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the coils are formed on the laminated core according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 84 is a plan view showing the state in which the laminated core in which the coils are formed according to the fortieth example is being

bent.

Fig. 85 is a plan view showing the state in which bending of the laminated core shown in Fig. 84 is finished.

5 Fig. 86 is a front view showing the state in which materials of the laminated core according to the fortieth example are obtained by punching by means of press.

Fig. 87 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the reinforcing members of the laminated core shown in Fig. 86 are removed.

10 Fig. 88 is a front view showing further other laminated core according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 89 is a partial perspective view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 88.

Fig. 90 is a partial perspective view showing the state in which the protrusions of the laminated core according to the fortieth example are fused together.

Fig. 91 is a partial side view of the fused portion shown in Fig. 90.

15 Fig. 92 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the laminated core according to the fortieth example is integrately fused.

Fig. 93 is a partial front view showing the protrusions for electrically fusing the laminated core according to the fortieth example integrately.

20 Fig. 94 is an explanatory view for explaining the state in which the protrusions of the laminated core according to the fortieth example are electrically fused.

Fig. 95 is a partial sectional view of the laminated

core which is electrically fused, shown in Figs. 92, 94.

Fig. 96 is a partial sectional view showing the magnetic material of other laminated core according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 97 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the laminated core shown
5 in Fig. 96 is electronically fused.

Fig. 98 is a partial sectional view of the laminated core which is electrically fused, shown in Fig. 96.

Fig. 99 is a partial perspective view showing another laminated core according to the fortieth example.

10 Fig. 100 is a partial sectional view showing still another laminated core according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 101 is a partial sectional view showing further laminated core according to the fortieth example.

15 Fig. 102 is a partial sectional view showing still further laminated core according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 103 is a partial perspective view showing a yet still further laminated core according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 104 is a partial sectional view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 103.

20 Fig. 105 is a disassembly perspective view showing an enlargement of a yet still further laminated core according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 106 is a partial sectional view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 105.

Fig. 107 is a disassembly perspective view of a yet

still further laminated core according to the fortieth example.

Fig. 108 is a partial sectional view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 107.

Fig. 109 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the magnetic materials are bent according to the forty first example.

5 Fig. 110 is an explanatory view showing the shape before the magnetic material shown in Fig. 109 is bent.

Fig. 111 is an explanatory view showing the shape after the magnetic material shown in Fig. 109 is bent.

10 Fig. 112 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the bent magnetic materials shown in Fig. 111 are stacked.

Fig. 113 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the magnetic pole tooth of the magnetic material is bent according to the fortieth first example.

Fig. 114 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the magnetic pole teeth shown in Fig. 113 are stacked.

15 Fig. 115 is a front view showing the laminated core according to the forty second example.

Fig. 116 is a front view of another laminated core according to the forty second example.

20 Fig. 117 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the neutral point treatment portion and the connector portion are integrally molded in the laminated core according to the forty second example.

Fig. 118 is a front view showing the state in which the coils are formed on the laminated core shown in Fig. 117.

Fig. 119 is a front view showing the process in which the laminated core according to the forty second example is being wound with wire.

5 Fig. 120 is a front view showing the state in which the laminated core shown in Fig. 119 is being bent.

Fig. 121 is a front view showing the rotary motor having the laminated core according to the forty second example.

10 Fig. 122 is a front view showing another rotary motor having the laminated core according to the forty second example.

Fig. 123 is a front view showing still another rotary motor having the laminated core according to the forty second example.

Fig. 124 is a front view showing the process in which the laminated core according to the forty second example is being wound with wire.

15 Fig. 125 is a side sectional view showing a further rotary motor having the laminated core according to the forty second example.

Fig. 126 is a front view showing the laminated core according to the forty third example.

20 Fig. 127 is a front view showing the state in which the laminated core shown in Fig. 126 is wound with wire to form the coil.

Fig. 128 is an explanatory view showing the state in which the laminated core shown in Fig. 127 is being wound with wire.

Fig. 129 is a front view showing the state in which the

laminated core shown in Fig. 127 is being bent.

Fig. 130 is a front view showing the state in which bending of the laminated core shown in Fig. 127 has been finished.

Fig. 131 is a front view showing the rotary motor having the stator shown in Fig. 130.

Fig. 132 is a front view showing the state in which the laminated core is being bent after the rotor shown in Fig. 129 is mounted.

Fig. 133 is a front view showing the rotary motor having the stator shown in Fig. 132.

Fig. 134 is a side sectional view showing another rotary motor having the laminated core according to the forty third example.

Fig. 135 is a front view showing the laminated core according to the forty fourth example.

Fig. 136 is a front view showing the state in which the coil is mounted to the laminated core shown in Fig. 135.

Fig. 137 is a front view showing the state in which the bobbin having the coil is being mounted onto the laminated core shown in Fig. 136.

Fig. 138 is a front view showing the transformer according to the forty fourth example.

Fig. 139 is a front view of conventional stator.

Fig. 140 is a front view of conventional stator core.

Fig. 141 is a partial enlarged view of the stator shown in Fig. 140.

Figs. 142A, 142B are partial front views of another conventional stator.

Figs. 143A, 143B are partial front view of another

conventional stator.

Figs. 144A, 144B are diagrams showing the result of the analysis of magnetic field of conventional stator.

Figs. 145A, 145B are diagrams showing the result of the analysis of magnetic field of the stator.

Fig. 146 is a plan view of conventional rotary motor.

Fig. 147 is a partial sectional view showing a conventional stator core and a conventional coil in the rotary motor shown in Fig. 146.

Fig. 148 is a front view of conventional inner rotor type thin structure rotary motor.

Fig. 149 is a front view of the conventional laminated core having insulating film.

Detailed Description

Example 1

A rotary motor according to the first example will be described with reference to Figs.

1, 2, 6 and 7. Fig. 6 shows a connecting stator core 20 which is formed by punching magnetic material by means of press. In the connecting stator core 20, the same number of magnetic teeth as the number of the phase of the motor are composed as a single block. A plurality of blocks of the connecting stator cores 20 are connected by means of thin portions 10. In producing the stator, some pieces of the connecting stator cores 20 are stacked and then subjected to insulation processing by coating or the like. Next, stacked connecting stator cores 20 i.e. a laminated core is wound with wires. That is, both ends of the

stacked connecting stator cores 20 are held with tension applied thereto as shown in Fig. 7 and nozzles 21 of a winding machine which spouts conductive wire are turned around the magnetic teeth 15 in order to form coils. Although the magnetic pole teeth 15 of a conventional motor are arranged radially around the motor shaft, in this case, the magnetic pole teeth 15 are arranged so as to be parallel to each other in a single block as shown in Figs. 1, 7. A plurality of the blocks 9 are connected to each other by means of thin portions 10. In winding process, a winding machine is placed at a position facing the connecting stator core 20 and one or a plurality of wire winding nozzles 21 are turned around the magnetic pole teeth. The wire winding nozzle 21 can be fed forward and backward with respect to the magnetic pole teeth 15 upon being turned around the magnetic pole teeth thereby facilitating winding wires neatly.

Then, the thin portions 10 are bent by means of a cylindrical jig placed on the side facing a rotor to form the wound connecting stator cores 20 in a desired shape of the stator.

The formed stator 1 is disposed and fixed to a molded resin housing 5 as shown in Figs. 1, 2 by crushing stator fixing pins by ultrasonic fusing or the like. The molded resin housing 5 is fixed to a substrate 6. In the substrate 6, a rotor 3 is supported through a bearing.

Figs. 144A and 144B show the result of magnetic field analysis of a conventional stator core. Fig. 144A shows the flux density at respective locations of the stator core. Figs. 145A and 145B shows the result of magnetic field analysis of the stator core. Fig. 145A shows the flux density at respective

locations of the stator core. As evident from Figs. 144A and 145A, there is no difference of the distribution of flux density between the conventional stator core and the stator core of the present example. Namely, in the stator core according to the present example, magnetic flux in the pass "a" in Fig. 144B is eliminated by block division, however, it is possible to prevent a drop of the characteristic of the motor by assuring the magnetic flux of the yoke portion sufficiently.

Example 2

Then, the rotary motor according to the second example will be explained with reference to Figs. 3, 7.

In the rotary motor of the present example, the coil 2 is formed around the magnetic pole teeth 15 and yoke coils 17 are formed on the yoke portion 16. Thus, magnetic flux generated in the coils 2 of the magnetic pole teeth 15 flows to the yoke portion 16 as well as to the rotor 3. The yoke coil 17 is supplied with electricity to enhance the magnetic flux flowing through the yoke portion 17.

When the yoke coil 17 is wound with wire, the stacked connecting stator core 20 is turned around its longitudinal length and the wire winding nozzle 21 is used. In this case, a single wire winding nozzle 21 should be used because the yoke coil 17 is wound with wire.

Example 3

Then, the rotary motor according to the third example will be described with reference to Fig. 4. As in the first example, the stacked connecting stator core 20 is wound with wire. However, in this case, the beginning end and the terminating end of the coil are tied

on part of the block. After winding of wire terminates, the tied portion is soldered to electrically connect the coil end to the stator core material of each block. As for the tying protrusion 34 on which wire is tied, in the case of three phase, three protrusions for common terminal portion 11 are provided and three protrusions for coil terminal portion 12 are provided. The three tying protrusions 34 for the common terminal portion 11 are provided on the same block 9.

When the stator is assembled, the thin portion 10 of the stator is cut without cutting the crossover wire 25 and the stator is installed to the substrate. Neutral point connection is achieved by placing three tying protrusions 34 at the same potential level within a single block. The coil terminal portion 12 is connected to the coil power supply section of the substrate through each block.

Example 4

Next, the rotary motor according to the fourth example will be described with reference to Figs. 4 and 5. In each stacked connecting stator core 20, each respective block 9 near the substrate is provided with two stepped protrusions 19 which are perpendicular to the substrate 6. Insulation procedure and winding procedure are performed in the same manner as in the first embodiment. When the stator is assembled to the substrate 6, the thin portion 10 is cut, the stepped protrusions 19 are inserted into holes provided on the substrate 6 to position the stator, and then the stepped protrusions 19 are fixed with adhesive.

Example 5

Then, the production method for the rotary motor will be described with reference to Figs. 1, 2, 6 and 7. First, respective connecting stator cores 20 are formed by punching magnetic material by means of press. The connecting stator core 20 is formed so that the respective blocks 9 are connected linearly in a direction perpendicular to the direction of magnetic flux flow in the central teeth. After insulation processing is performed by coating or the like, coils are formed on respective magnetic pole teeth 15 so that the coils are continuous without cutting the crossover wire 25. Then, a bending jig is placed on the side facing the rotor of the connecting stator core 20 and the thin portions 10 are bent. The connecting stator cores 20 are disposed and fixed to the molded resin housing 5. Fixing of the connecting stator cores 20 to the molded resin housing 5 is performed by crushing the stator fixing pin provided on the molded resin housing 5 by ultrasonic fusing or the like. The coil terminal portions 12 are temporarily tied to part of the connecting stator core 20 and wires are placed up to the land position of a wiring pattern on the substrate and then connected to the land.

Example 6

The production method of other rotary motor will be described with reference to Figs. 8, 9. First, respective connecting stator cores are formed in the same manner as described above. Then, the connecting stator cores 20 are stacked, and subjected to insulation treatment and integrated resin molding by integrally molded resin 22 in order to fix the block. Resin pins 23 are formed on the block fixing portion. Then, coils are formed on respective

magnetic pole teeth 15 so that they are continuous without cutting the crossover wire 25. Then, the thin portion 10 of the connecting stator core 20 is cut and nearby blocks are turned relative to the resin pins 23 by means of a jig placed on the side facing the rotor in order to form a stator. The integrally molded resin 22 is fixed to the substrate 6 by means of adhesive or the like.

Example 7

The rotary motor according to the seventh example will be described with reference to

Figs. 10, 11. If the stator is provided with a cut-out section in which the carriage of a read/write head reciprocates in an inner rotor type medium rotation driving motor such as a magnetic disk, an unbalanced load occurs.

Then, rising sections 24 are provided with the iron substrate 6 in the portion in which part of the stator is cut off. In order to compensate for the imbalance of magnetic attraction due to the cut-off of the stator, a plurality of rising sections 24 having a large width are disposed with an appropriate gap with respect to the rotor.

Example 8

Next, the rotary motor according to the eighth example will be described with

reference to Figs. 12, 13 and 21-25. Figs. 12, 13 show an outer rotor type in which the stator core is divided for every magnetic pole tooth. As shown in Fig. 21, the connecting stator cores 20 are produced by punching the material in the form of a plurality of magnetic pole teeth 15 which are connected in the direction of magnetic flux of the magnetic pole teeth 15. That is, the connecting stator

core 20 is a string composed of magnetic pole teeth having the same phase, which are connected to each other with the thin portions 10.

A plurality of stacked pieces of the connecting stator cores 20 are subjected to insulation treatment such as coating. Then, as shown in Fig. 23, both ends of the stacked connecting stator cores 20 are pulled by means of the stator holding apparatus 32 and the connecting stator cores 20 are rotated with respect to the length thereof to wind the connecting stator cores 20 with wires. Fig. 22 shows the connecting stator cores 20 after wound with wires. The crossover wire 25 between the coils of the magnetic pole teeth is wound so as to be continuous without cutting the crossover wire as shown in Fig. 22.

Then, the stator is assembled. As shown in Fig. 25, a resin molded product 26 shown in Fig. 24 is set on a rotary jig. The magnetic pole teeth 15 are assembled to the resin molded product 26 by cutting the thin portions 10 of the connecting stator cores 20 of different phases which are wound with wires by means of laser or the like. Upon winding the connecting stator core with wire, the connecting stator cores 20 are wound with wire loosely to assure tolerance of winding in order to keep the crossover wire 25 continuous between the magnetic pole teeth.

It is permissible to rotate an assembled stator with respect to the center of the stator and cut or shave the surface thereof facing the rotor by means of laser beam or the like. In this case, the surface of the magnetic pole tooth, facing the rotor in the punched connecting stator core 20 is provided with a processing allowance.

Further, it is permissible to fit the yoke portions 16 of the magnetic pole teeth 15 and fasten the yoke portions

16 by fusing thermally by means of laser beam or the like after the stator is assembled. Fig. 12 shows the fusion-fixed portion 27.

Example 9

It is permissible to compose the rotary motor as follows. As shown in Figs. 22, 12, the beginning end and the terminating end of the coil are tied to both ends of the connecting stator core 20. One end thereof is the common terminal portion 11 and the other end is the coil terminal portion 12. Although the coil terminal portion 12 is separated from the magnetic pole tooth when the stator is assembled and connected onto the land of the wiring pattern, the common terminal portion 11 is directly connected to the stator core by soldering or the like. Because respective magnetic pole teeth which are divided when the stator is assembled are fit to each other or bonded with each other, the stator has the same potential as the neutral point potential.

Example 10

Then, the rotary motor according to the tenth example will be described with reference to Figs. 14 - 19. Fig. 14 shows an example in which the rotor facing surface 28 is formed so as to have a plurality of steps along the length of the shaft of the rotary motor. This composition can be achieved by using a plurality of cores having different shapes. Figs. 15, 16 show an example in which the magnetic pole teeth are formed so as to have two steps. Figs. 17, 18, 19 show a construction in which the rotor facing surface 28 of the magnetic pole teeth is partially bent to provide slanted

portions 30.

It is possible to reduce the unevenness of the rotation resulting from cogging torque easily by changing the shape of the core material of the stator. As a method for reducing the cogging torque of the rotary motor, it is possible to produce magnetic formation on the rotor magnet in the form of a spiral. However, a special apparatus is required to realize the method and further the accuracy of magnetic formation was low.

Example 11

It is permissible to construct the stator as shown in Fig. 20 to reduce the unevenness of rotation. That is, magnetic material wire 31 is wound around or in the vicinity of the rotor facing surface of the stator according to the eighth example by several turns.

Consequently, part of magnetic flux which effectively acts on the rotor magnet from the magnetic pole teeth leaks to the magnetic pole teeth nearby, so that cogging torque occurs inactively thereby reducing the unevenness of rotation.

Example 12

The rotary motor according to the twelfth example will be described with reference to Figs. 26 - 31. Fig. 26 is a disassembly perspective view of the rotary motor. The rotary motor of the present example is a thin inner rotor type brushless motor which is used for a flexible disk drive, a hard disk drive or the like. Reference numeral 1 designates the stator, numeral 3 designates the rotor, numeral 230 designates a cover holder which acts as the protective member for the rotary motor, numeral 40

designates the base and numeral 50 designates a magnetic balancer. The stator 1 is formed and then fixed to the cover holder 230.

The stator 1 comprises the stacked stator core 1a in which the stator cores 20 produced by punching magnetic material by means of press as shown in Figs. 27, 28 are stacked, and the coils 2 which are wound around the stacked stator core 1a as shown in Figs. 29, 30. As shown in Fig. 27, the stator core 20 is formed so that a plurality of the blocks 9 are connected to each other by means of the thin portions 10. Each block 9 is composed of the same number of the magnetic pole teeth 15 as the number of the phases of the rotary motor. Winding of wire for the coil 2 is performed in the state in which the stacked stator core 1a is placed straightly as shown in Fig. 27. Generally, the coil 2 is formed around the stacked stator core 1a after the stator core 1a is subjected to insulation treatment such coating.

In the rotor 3 shown in Fig. 26, a spindle shaft 8 is held in the center thereof and comprises a circular rotor holder 223 which acts as the back yoke of the rotor magnet 4, connecting the spindle shaft 8 to the rotor magnet 4, and a hub 224 mounted on the rotor holder 223. The base 40 has the bearing 7. The rotor 3 is mounted so that the bearing 7 engages with the spindle shaft 8.

The stator 1 is formed by deforming the thin portion 10 from linear shape to circular shape. After this, the stator 1 is mounted on the cover holder 230. The stator portion 100 comprising the stator 1 and the cover holder 230 as shown in Fig. 26 is fastened to the base 40 through screw portions 42 provided on the base 40 and screws 60 so that the rotor magnet 4 faces the tips 15a of the magnetic

pole teeth 15 with a predetermined gap therebetween. Reference numeral 43 designates an insulating sheet which insulates the coil 2 from the base 40.

As described above, the shape of the stator 1 is determined by the cover holder 230 to hold the stator 1. Additionally, the cover holder 230 protects the stator 1 and the rotor 3.

According to the present example, the stator 1 which comprises a plurality of the blocks 9 is incorporated in the cover holder 230 which acts as the protective member of the rotary motor thereby increasing the accuracy of the location of the stator cores 20. Further, the stator portion 100 including the cover holder 230 can be handled more easily, thereby facilitating the assembly of the rotary motor. Still further, because the stator portion 100 can be handled separately, it is possible to incorporate the rotary motor on a complicated structure base.

Example 13

The twelfth example shows the stator core 20 in which the blocks 9 are connected to each other by means of the thin portions 10. As shown in a plan view of Fig. 32 in which part of the cover holder 230 is cut away, it is permissible to construct the stator 1 in which the thin portions 10 are broken and the blocks 9 are incorporated within the cover holder 230 such that the blocks 9 are connected to each other. In this case also, the same effect can be achieved.

Example 14

The rotary motor according to the fourteenth example

will be described with reference

to Figs. 33 - 35. Fig. 33 is a plan view of the rotary motor in which the cover holder 230 is partially cut away. Fig. 34 is partial sectional view of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 33 and Fig. 35 is a partially enlarged view of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 33. As shown in Fig. 33, the stator 1 is embedded in the cover holder 230 which is resin molded to a predetermined shape. The position of the stator core along the height thereof is determined by making the top face of the back yoke portion 218 in the rear of the block 9 in contact with the abutment surface 231 provided on the cover holder 230 and further the top of the tip 15a of the magnetic pole teeth 15 in contact with the abutment surface 232.

Further, the position of the stator core along the radius thereof is determined by making the rear side of the back yoke 218 in contact with the abutment surface 233 as shown in Fig. 35. The position of the stator core along the circumference thereof is determined by making both sides of the tip 15a of the magnetic pole teeth 15 in contact with the partition portions 234 which act as the rib of the cover holder 230. As shown in Figs. 33, 35, the cover holder 230 has holding pins 235 at such positions in which the thin portions 10 of the stator core 20 are inserted. Further, supporting pins 236 are provided so as to engage with the fixing portions 219 provided on both ends of the stator core. Then, the stator 1 is fixed to the cover holder 230 by caulking the tips of the supporting pins 235, 236 by means of thermal means such as a heater chip, as shown in Fig. 34.

The supporting pins 235 have a function for pressing the stator 1 against the abutment surface 233 of the cover

holder 230 by its elasticity. Further, as shown in Fig. 34, the cover holder 230 is provided with a loosening stopper portion 237 for the rotor 3 such that the cover holder 230 does not overlap the rotor magnet 4 interfering therewith in terms of the height. By producing the cover holder 230 by molding resin, it is possible to provide the cover holder with a positioning means and a fixing means easily. By using these means, it is possible to position and fix the stator 1 to the cover holder 230 easily.

According to the present example, the cover holder 230 is produced by molding resin so as to serve as a protective cover for the rotary motor also and includes a positioning portion for positioning the stator 1 on the cover holder 230, a fixing portion for fixing the stator 1 and the loosening stopper portion 237 for the rotor 3. Thus, it is possible to incorporate the stator 1 at high precision and fix it easily. Additionally, the cover holder 230 prevents the rotor 3 from loosening.

Example 15

Then, the rotary motor according to the fifth example will be described with reference to Figs. 36,

37. Fig. 36 is a perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor and Fig. 37 is a sectional view of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 36. Reference numeral 130 designates a cover holder formed of non-magnetic material by means of press. As shown in Fig. 36, the stator formed in a predetermined shape is mounted on this cover holder 130. The position of the stator 1 along the height thereof is determined by making the top surface of the back yoke portion 218 in contact with a half pierce 131 which is provided on the top surface of the cover holder 130 by

punching or the like and further the tip 15a in contact with the abutment surface 132 of the cover holder 130. Further, the position of the stator 1 along the radius thereof is determined by making the rear side of the back yoke portion 218 in contact with the abutment surface 133 which is the outer circumference of the cover holder 130. Still further, the position of the stator 1 along the circumference thereof is determined by nipping the back yoke portion 218 with the abutment surface 133 of the cover holder 130 and the holding portion 134 and then the stator 1 is fixed to the cover holder 130. The reason is that the back yoke portions 218 are provided with dent portions 218a and the side face of the holding portion 134 abuts the inner wall thereof, so that the stator 1 is fixed and positioned to the cover holder 130. The holding portion 134 possesses also the function for pressing the stator 1 against the abutment surface 133 by means of elasticity.

Further, as shown in Fig. 37, the cover holder 130 is provided with the loosening stopper portion 135 for the rotor 3 so that the cover holder 130 does not overlap the rotor magnet 4 interfering therewith in terms of the height. By producing the cover holder 130 by forming non-magnetic material by means of press, it is possible to provide the cover holder 130 with a positioning means and a fixing means for the stator 1 easily. By these means, it is possible to position and fix the stator 1 to the cover holder 130 easily.

According to the present example, the cover holder 130 is produced by forming of non-magnetic material by means of press, the cover holder also acting as the protective cover of the rotary motor and includes the positioning portion for positioning the stator 1 in the

cover holder 130, the stator holding portion 134 for nipping the back yoke portion 218 connecting magnetically respective magnetic pole teeth and the rotor loosening stopper portion 135. Thus, it is possible to incorporate the stator 1 in the cover holder 130 at high precision and fix the stator 1 thereto easily. Additionally, it is possible to prevent the rotor 3 from being loosed by means of the cover holder 130.

Example 16

Then, the rotary motor according to the sixteenth example will be described with reference to Figs. 38, 39. Fig. 38 is a plan view of the rotary motor in which part of the cover holder 230 is cut away. Fig. 39 is an enlarged view of the section A of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 38. In the rotary motor, the cover holder 230 in which the stator 1 is fixed has several windows which allow to see the tips 15a of the magnetic pole teeth 15 and the rotor magnet 4 from above. Thus, it is possible to observe the gap gt between the tip 15a and the rotor magnet 4 by means of a video camera or the like. As a result, by developing images of the output of the video camera or the like and observing the result of the developed images, an operator can adjust the stator portion 100 through the respective windows 238 so as to equalize the gap gt . Thus, it is possible to dispose the stator portion 100 at high precision with respect to the rotor 3.

Example 17

The rotary motor according to the seventeenth example will be described with reference to Figs. 40, 41. Fig. 40 is a plan view of the

rotary motor in which part of the cover holder 230 is cut away. Fig. 41 is a sectional view of the major parts of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 40. Reference numeral 239 designates a coil terminating portion provided on the cover holder 230 and tying portions 239a corresponding to the number of phases of the rotary motor are provided at the tips of the coil terminating portions. The terminal 2t of the coil 2 is tied up to the tying portion 239a. In this manner, the terminal 2t of the coil 2 is not an obstacle when the stator portion 100 is handled. Additionally, by arranging the tying portions 239a in parallel to each other with the same pitch as that of the magnetic pole teeth 15, it is possible to wind the tying portion 239a with the terminal 2t of the coil 2 using the same winding machine as the winding machine for winding the stacked stator core 1a. Further, by providing the coil terminating portion 239 on the same level as the substrate 6 as shown in Fig. 41, soldering of the terminal 2t of the coil 2 wound on the tying portion 239a to the substrate 6 is facilitated thereby making it easy to automate the soldering process. In the same Figure, numeral 271 designates an insulating layer for insulating the substrate 6 from the coil 2 and numeral 272 designates solder.

As described above, because the cover holder 230 is provided with the terminating portion 239 of the coil 2, the coil terminal 2t is not an obstacle when the stator portion including the cover holder 230 is handled. Additionally, soldering work of the coil terminal 2t is simplified.

Example 18

The rotary motor according to the eighteenth example

will be described with reference to Figs. 42, 43. Fig. 42 is a disassembly perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor. Fig. 43 is a perspective view of the stator holder 80. As shown in Fig. 43, the stator holder 80 comprises coil winding portions 81 provided substantially radially, holding ring portion 82 which connects the coil winding portions 81 along the inner circumference thereof, and stator insertion portions 83 which are through holes provided substantially radially from the coil winding portion 81 to the holding ring portion 82. The coil winding portion 81 is wound with the coil 2 from the outer edge. As shown in Fig. 42, the stacked stator cores 1a are inserted into the stator insertion portions 83 of the stator holder 80 in the direction indicated by the arrow B from the outer circumference and then the stacked stator cores 1a are positioned by making the back yoke portion 218 in contact with the coil winding portion 81. Winding of the coil 2 is performed in the direction indicated by the arrow B. The stator portion 100 is composed of the stator holder 80, the coil 2 and the stacked stator cores 1a and the rotary motor is constituted by disposing the rotor 3 along the inner circumference thereof. This construction makes it possible to wind the coil 2 from the outer circumference in the inner rotor type rotary motor as well as in the outer rotor type rotary motor.

According to the present example, the blocked stator cores 1a are inserted into the stator holder 80 having the coil winding portions 81 substantially radially provided, around which the coil 2 is wound from the outer circumference. Thus, the magnetic pole teeth tips (stator core protrusion) 15a which act as an obstacle when the coil

2 is wound are not provided, thereby facilitating winding process.

Example 19

The rotary motor according to the nineteenth example will be described with reference to Figs. 43, 44. Fig. 44 is a plan view of the stacked stator core 1a. As shown in Fig. 44, the width W of the magnetic pole tooth 15 of the stacked stator core 1a is equal from the tip 15a to the root of the back yoke portion 218. Consequently, insertion of the stacked stator cores 1a into the stator holder 80 is facilitated and further the rotary motor can be assembled more easily.

Example 20

Next, the rotary motor according to the twentieth example will be described with reference to Figs. 45, 46. Fig. 45 is a perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor and Fig. 46 is a plan view of the major parts of the rotary motor. The stator 1 in which the coils 2 are formed on the stacked stator core 1a is bent at the thin portions 10 to be formed to a predetermined shape. After this, the stator 1 is fixed onto the holding ring 90 which is of substantially ring shape and which is provided so as to overlap the back yoke portion 218. The stator 1 and the holding ring 90 constitute the stator portion 100 and the rotor 3 is disposed on the inner circumference of the stator portion 100. As a result, the stator 1 in which the blocks 9 are connected to each other by means of the thin portions 10 can be supported stably at high precision by means of the holding ring 90.

Because the blocked stator core 1a is fixed to the holding ring 90, it is possible to hold the stator core 1a accurately, thereby facilitating the handling of the stator portion 100 including the holding ring 90.

Example 21

Although the aforementioned example presents the stator 1 as being composed of respective blocks which are connected to each other by means of the thin portions 10, it is permissible to have such a construction in which respective divided blocks 9 are mounted on the holding ring 90 shown in Fig. 47, thereby achieving the same effect as in the aforementioned example.

Example 22

Next, the rotary motor according to the twenty second example will be described with reference to Figs. 46,

48. Fig. 48 is a partial perspective view of the rotary motor shown in Fig. 46 for explaining the stator 1 and the holding ring 90 which is a fixing means. Reference numeral 201 designates an electrode of a spot welding machine. The spot welding machine 201 holds welding portions 9a provided on both ends of the block 9 and welding portion 91 of the holding ring 90 between the two members of the spot welding machine 201, and welds the welding portion 9a to the welding portion 91 in order to fix the stator 1 to the holding ring 90. The reason why the welding portion 9a is provided not in the center of the block 9 but on the ends of the block 9 is to prevent the magnetic characteristic of the center portion of the block 9 which is composed of the

magnetic pole teeth 15 and the back yoke portion 218, the block forming a magnetic path, from being deteriorated by welding heat. Consequently, it is possible to fix the stator 1 to the holding ring 90 by spot welding the stator 1 to the holding ring 90.

Example 23

Although the spot welding machine is used as a means for fixing the stator 1 to the holding ring 90 in the aforementioned example, it is possible to weld the welding portions 9a provided on both ends of the block 9 of the stator 1 to the welding portion 91 of the holding ring 90 by means of YAG laser 202 as shown in Fig. 49. YAG laser is capable of welding more accurately than the spot welding because the stator 1 is not pressed by the electrode 201. Additionally, because YAG laser is capable of narrowing the range which is heated by welding although the range differs slightly depending on welding condition, magnetic deterioration of the block 9 is lower than when in spot welding.

According to the twenty-second and the twenty-third examples, the holding ring 90 is magnetic material and the stator core 1a is welded to the holding ring 90 by spot welding or laser beam. Thus, it is possible to fix the stator core 1a to the holding ring 90.

Example 24

The rotary motor according to the twenty fourth example will be described with reference to Figs. 26, 42, 46, 50, 51 and 52. The magnetic balancer 50 shown in Figs. 26, 42, 46 is disposed in the portion in which no block 9 of the stator 1 is provided. The magnetic balancer

50 is a magnetic field stabilizing member presenting a substantially arc shape concentric with the rotor 3. The portion in which no block 9 is provided is disposed as a space in which the head of a recording/reproducing apparatus moves. The operation of the magnetic balancer 50 will be explained according to Figs. 50, 51. If the stator 1 has the portion 1b in which no block 9 is provided as shown in Fig. 50, magnetic field formed by the rotor magnet 4 of the rotor 3 and the stator 1 is uncontinuous at the portion 1b, so that ripples occur in the rotation of the rotor 3. Thus, the magnetic balancer 50 of substantially arc shape is disposed in the portion 1b as shown in Fig. 51 to make magnetic field continuous, thereby reducing the ripples.

Fig. 52 shows the measurement result of the effect of the magnetic balancer 50. For this measurement, the rotor 3 having the outer diameter D of about 35mm is used and the gap g_t between the tip 15a of the magnetic pole teeth 15 of the stator 1 and the rotor magnet 4 of the rotor 3 is 0.25mm. Fig. 52 shows the measurement result of the deflection of the rotation when the gap g_b between the magnetic balancer 50 and the rotor magnet 4 is changed. Meanwhile, the deflection of the rotation when no magnetic balancer 50 is provided is about 1.3%. It is when g_b is 0.55mm which is about twice g_t that the deflection of the rotation is minimized when the magnetic balancer 50 of substantially arc shape is used. The deflection of rotation increases if g_b becomes smaller than g_t . Thus, it is preferable to keep the relationship of $g_b \geq g_t$. If there is no problem concerned with the space, it is preferable to keep the relationship of $g_b \geq 2 \times g_t$. As described above, it is possible to minimize the deflection of the rotation

by disposing the magnetic balancer 50 in the portion 1b.

According to the present example, the portion 1b in which no block is disposed is provided in part of the stator core, and the magnetic balancer 50 made of substantially arc shaped magnetic material is provided so as to be almost concentric with the rotor 3, in the portion 1b. The relationship between the gap g_b between the magnetic balancer 50 and the rotor 3 and the g_t between the tip 15a of the electrode teeth and the rotor 3 is set to be $g_b \geq g_t$, thereby reducing the deflection of the rotation due to the influence of the portion 1b.

Example 25

Then, the rotary motor according to the twenty fifth example will be described with reference to Fig. 53.

Fig. 53 is a plan view of the rotary motor in which part of the cover holder 230 is cut away. The magnetic balancer 50 disposed in the portion 1b of the stator 1 is fixed by adhesive to the balancer mounting portion 230a of the cover holder 230 so that the magnetic balancer 50 faces the rotor magnet 4 provided on the rotor 3. The cover holder 230 is provided with a balancer pressing portion 230b in order to prevent the magnetic balancer 50 from contacting the rotor magnet 4 even if the magnetic balancer 50 is peeled. This balancer pressing portion 230b is also a guide member for mounting the magnetic balancer 50 to the cover holder 230. The magnetic balancer 50 is mounted from downward of the cover holder 230, and the position thereof is determined by the balancer mounting portion 230a, the balancer pressing portion 230b and the top face of the cover holder. By providing the cover holder 230 with a mounting portion, it is possible to mount the magnetic balancer 50 easily.

Further, by providing the cover holder 230 with the magnetic balancer 50, the magnetic balancer can be handled as part of the stator portion 100. Thus, the necessity of handling miscellaneous parts upon assembly of the rotary motor is eliminated thereby improving productivity and facilitating automation of the production.

Because the magnetic balancer 50 is fixed to the cover holder 230 according to the present example, it is possible to handle the magnetic balancer 50 as part of the stator so that the other parts can be fixed and handled more easily. By providing the cover holder 230 with a magnetic balancer mounting portion, it is possible to fix the magnetic balancer to the stator portion easily.

Example 26

The rotary motor according to the twenty sixth example will be described with reference to Fig. 54. Fig. 54 is a partial perspective view of the mounting portion of the magnetic balancer 50. As shown in the same Figure, the balancer holding portions 1c are provided on both ends of the stator 1 fixed to the holding ring 90. By spot welding the welding portion 50a of the magnetic balancer 50 to the balancer holding portion 1c, it is possible to fix the magnetic balancer 50 to the stator 1 easily. Reference numeral 201 designates the electrode of the spot welding machine. Meanwhile, it is possible to spot weld the stator 1, the holding ring 90 and the magnetic balancer 50 simultaneously.

Example 27

Although spot welding is used as a means for fixing the magnetic balancer 50 to the stator 1 in the aforementioned

embodiment, it is possible to weld the welding portion 50a of the magnetic balancer 50 to the balancer holding portion 1c by means of YAG laser 202 shown in Fig. 55.

According to the twenty-sixth and the twenty-seventh examples, the magnetic balancer 50 is welded to the stator core by spot welding or laser beam. Thus, it is possible to fix the magnetic balancer 50 to the stator portion easily.

Example 28

The rotary motor according to the twenty eighth example will be described with reference to Fig. 56.

Fig. 56 is a perspective view of the major parts of the rotary motor. In this motor, the magnetic balancer 50 is integrately mounted on the holding ring 90 for holding the stator 1. As a result, it is possible to provide the magnetic balancer 50 without increasing the number of parts. In the present example also, it is preferable that the relationship between the gap g_t between the rotor magnet 4 and the tip 15a of the magnetic pole teeth 15 and the gap g_b between the rotor magnet 4 and the magnetic balancer 50 is $g_b \geq g_t$ as in the twenty fourth example.

According to the present example, when the portion 1b in which no block is provided is disposed in part of the stator core, the magnetic balancer 50 made of magnetic material having a substantially fan shape concentric with the rotor 3 is provided in the portion 1b integrately with the holding ring 90. Then, by maintaining the relationship between the gap g_b between the magnetic balancer 50 and the rotor portion and the gap g_t between the tip 15a of the magnetic pole teeth and the rotor portion 3 so as to be $g_b \geq g_t$, it is possible to suppress the deflection of the

rotation due to the influence of the portion 1b. Additionally, it is possible to provide the magnetic balancer easily without increasing the number of parts.

Example 29

Next, the rotary motor according to the twenty ninth example will be described with reference to Fig. 57. Reference numeral 20a designates a magnetic balancer portion concentric with the rotor 3, the magnetic balancer portion extending from both ends of the stator core 20 provided on the portion 1b of the stator 1. The magnetic balancer portions 20a are constructed so that they abut each other at the abutment portion 20b in the center thereof as shown in Fig. 57. As described in the sixteenth example, for example, the stator cores 20 are obtained by punching magnetic material linearly by means of press and stacked. After the coils 2 are formed on the laminated stator core 1a, the thin portions 10 of each block 9 are bent to obtain the configuration shown in Fig. 57. As described above, according to the present example, it is possible to provide the stator core with the magnetic balancer portion 20a as part of the stator core, while maintaining ease of winding when the coil 2 is formed.

According to the present example, when the portion 1b in which no block is provided is disposed in part of the stator core, as the magnetic balancer 50 extending from both ends of the portion 1b of the stator core 20 is provided, minimizing deflection of the rotation due to the influence of the portion 1b in which no block is achieved.

Then, jointing of the magnetic balancer portions 20a will be described with reference to Fig. 58. Although, in the same Figure, respective blocks 9 are not connected by

means of the thin portions 10 but fixed to the holding ring 90, the method for jointing the magnetic balancer portions 20a is the same as in the case in which the respective blocks 9 are connected by means of the thin portions 10. When the magnetic balancer portions 20a are jointed with each other, first, the magnetic balancer portions 20a are brought into contact with each other and then, the abutment portion 20b is held between the electrodes 201 of the spot welding machine and welded together. Consequently, according to the present example, it is possible to weld the magnetic balancer portions 20a easily and further improve the strength of the stator portion 100 by welding.

Example 30

Although the aforementioned example indicates the case in which spot welding is used for jointing together the magnetic balancer portions 20a, it is possible to weld the abutment portion 20b of the magnetic balancer portion 20a by means of YAG laser 202 as shown in Fig. 59.

Example 31

Although the abutment portions 20b of the magnetic balancer 20a having flat end faces are shown in the twenty ninth and thirtieth examples, it is possible to increase the strength of jointing by overlapping the respective abutment portions alternately as shown in Fig. 60.

Example 32

Next, the rotary motor according to the thirty second example will be described with reference to Figs. 61 and 62. Fig. 61 is an enlarged view of the block 9 of the stator 1 used in the rotary motor according to the twelfth

example. When respective teeth 15b, 15c are provided so that they are substantially parallel to each other as shown in Fig. 61, the lengths L_b , L_a of the magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c from the tip 15a to the back yoke portion 218 has the relationship of $L_b > L_a$. Thus, the magnetic resistances of the magnetic paths formed in the magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c are different from each other.

To verify this phenomenon, the rotor 3 is rotated by external force and voltages induced in respective coils 2b, 2c were measured. Assuming that the induced voltages of the coil 2b, 2c are V_b , V_c , respectively, the relationship of $V_b > V_c$ is obtained. As a result of measurement under the same condition as in the twenty fourth embodiment, V_c/V_b became about 0.98. It is well known that the induced voltage is proportional to driving force (accurately speaking, torque constant). Thus, torques generated in the respective magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c differ from each other. The difference of torque results in torque ripples.

Then, the relationship between the winding number N_c of the coil 2c and the winding number N_b of the coil 2b is set so as to be $N_c > N_b$ and $d_2 > d_1$ is determined so that the resistances of respective coils 2b, 2c are not different, where the diameter of the coil 2b is d_1 and the diameter of the coil 2c is d_2 . As a result, it is possible to equalize the torques generated in the respective magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c, thereby realizing a rotary motor having small torque ripple.

According to the present example, in respective block 9 of the blocked stator core, the number of winding of the coil 2 and the diameter of the coil are increased as the length of the magnetic pole teeth 15 in the longitudinal direction thereof (magnetic path direction) is

increased. Consequently, it is possible to reduce the imbalance of magnetic field (rotating magnetic field) among respective magnetic pole teeth 15 of the block 9, thereby minimizing torque ripple.

Example 33

Then, the rotary motor according to the thirty third example will be described with reference to Figs. 61,

62. In the aforementioned example, the torque ripple caused from the difference between the lengths L_a , L_b of the magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c was improved by providing the coils with different numbers of winding. In the present example, if the width of the magnetic pole teeth 15b is w_1 and the width of the magnetic pole teeth 15c is w_2 as shown in Fig. 63, the relationship of $w_2 > w_1$ is maintained and further $d_2 > d_1$ is maintained not to make the resistances of the coils 15b, 15c different from each other, where the diameter of the coil 2b is d_1 and the diameter of the coil 2c is d_2 . As a result, as in the aforementioned embodiment, it is possible to equalize the torque generated in the respective magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c, thereby realizing a rotary motor having small torque ripple.

According to the present example, in respective block 9 of a blocked stator core, the width of the magnetic pole teeth 15 and the diameter of the coil are increased as the length of the magnetic pole teeth 15 in the longitudinal direction (magnetic path direction) is increased. As a result, it is possible to reduce the imbalance of magnetic field (rotating magnetic field) generated among respective magnetic pole teeth 15, thereby minimizing torque ripple.

Embodiment 34

The rotary motor according to the thirty fourth example will be described with reference to Fig. 64.

Although the specification of wire winding of the coil 2 has been modified to reduce torque ripple according to the thirty second example and the thirty third example, if the specification of the coil 2 differs between the magnetic pole teeth 15b and 15c, the efficiency of wire winding work drops.

However, it is possible to cope with torque ripple by setting the wire winding position on the respective coil 2, at a predetermined position (distance L from the tip 15a) from the tip 15a of the magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c. In this case, the number of windings of respective coil 2 is the same and the diameter of the coil 2 is the same.

According to the present example, torque ripple can be reduced without making the specification of wire winding of the coil 2 different between the respective magnetic pole teeth 15b and 15c. Thus, the efficiency of wire winding work does not drop.

According to the present example, the wire winding positions at the coils 2 are made different depending on the length of the magnetic pole teeth 15 (magnetic path direction) in the respective block 9 of the blocked stator core. As a result, it is possible to reduce the imbalance of magnetic field (rotating magnetic field) generated in the magnetic pole teeth 15 of the block 9, thereby reducing torque ripple.

Example 35

The rotary motor according to the thirty fifth example will be described with reference to Fig. 65.

Fig. 65 is a plan view showing the state in which the coil 2 is being formed on the laminated stator core 1a used in the twelfth, fourteenth, eighteenth, thirty second, thirty third and thirty fourth examples. By positioning the respective magnetic pole teeth 15 of the block 9 substantially parallel to each other as shown in Fig. 65, the nozzle 21 of the wire winding machine 203 is parallel to the magnetic pole teeth 15. Thus, it is possible to form the coil 2 on a plurality of the magnetic pole teeth 15 of the same block thereby improving the efficiency of wire winding. Meanwhile, by bending the thin portions 10 after the coils 2 are formed, as described in the twelfth embodiment, the laminated stator core 1a is formed as shown in Fig. 31.

According to the present example, because the respective magnetic pole teeth 15 of the block 9 are substantially parallel to each other, the nozzles 21 of the wire winding machine are placed parallel to all the magnetic pole teeth 15 when the coils 2 are formed on the magnetic pole teeth 15. Thus, it is possible to simplify the construction of the wire winding machine. Additionally, by placing the same number of the nozzles of the wire winding machine as the number of the magnetic pole teeth of a single block 9 along the magnetic pole teeth, it is possible to form a plurality of the coils at the same time. Further, because the motion of the nozzles 21 when wire is being wound can be simplified, it is possible to improve the speed of wire winding and reduce the possibility of fault occurrence. Accordingly, these effects make it possible to improve the productivity of wire winding on the stator.

Example 36

The rotary motor according to the thirty sixth example will be described with reference to Figs. 66, 67. Figs. 66, 67 are plan views of the motor. Assuming the condition in which the portion 1b in which no block is provided is disposed in the stator 1 as shown in Fig. 66 and the gap g between the tip 15a of the magnetic pole teeth 15 and the rotor magnet 4 is constant, unbalanced magnetic attraction acts against the rotor 3 from the portion 1b in the direction toward the spindle shaft 8 (direction X indicated by the arrow). As a result, friction on the bearing including the spindle shaft 8 supporting the rotor 3 increases. Consequently, the torque loss of the rotary motor increases thereby reducing the motor efficiency.

Then, as shown in Fig. 67, the rotor 3 is mounted eccentrically so that the relationship between the gap g_1 provided near the portion 1b in which no block is provided and the gap g_2 provided on the opposite side thereof is $g_2 > g_1$. As a result, the magnetic flux B_{g1} on the side of the portion 1b can be equivalently the same as the magnetic flux B_{g2} generated on the opposite side. Thus, the unbalanced magnetic attraction is reduced thereby decreasing torque loss. This reason is that unbalanced magnetic attraction is generated due to the imbalance of magnetic flux in the gap and proportional to the square of the magnetic flux B_g in the gap.

According to the present example, the portion 1b in which no block is provided is disposed in part of the stator core and then the rotor 3 is placed eccentrically toward the portion 1b. As a result, the unbalanced magnetic attraction is reduced so that the load applied to

the bearing can be reduced thereby suppressing the increase of shaft loss.

Example 37

The rotary motor according to the thirty seventh example will be described with reference to Fig. 68. In the aforementioned embodiment, the rotor 3 is mounted eccentrically toward the side of the portion 1b in order to reduce the unbalanced magnetic attraction. However, by enlarging the gap g_d of the block 9r provided on the opposite side of the portion 1b by g_d relative to the other gaps g , the same effect can be achieved.

According to the present example, when the portion 1b in which no block is provided is disposed in part of the stator core, the gap of the block on the opposite side of the portion 1b is enlarged as compared with the gaps of the other blocks. As a result, the unbalanced magnetic attraction is reduced so that the load applied to the bearing can be reduced, thereby suppressing the increase of shaft loss.

Example 38

The rotary motor according to the thirty eighth example will be described with reference to Figs. 69, 70. Fig. 69 is a partial perspective view of the stator portion 100 and Fig. 70 is a sectional view of the magnetic pole tooth 15b in the center, in which the length L from the tip 15a to the root of the back yoke portion 218 is the shortest of the magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c. As explained in the thirty second example, if the magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c are provided substantially parallel to each other, the magnetic resistance of the magnetic path formed in the

magnetic pole teeth 15b, 15c differs, so that the magnetic resistance of the magnetic path passing the magnetic pole tooth having a shorter L is reduced.

In this case, the magnetic pole teeth 15b are provided with trimmed caulking portions 20c for stacking the stator cores 20 to fix the stator cores 20. As a result, it is possible to equalize magnetic resistance of the magnetic path passing the respective teeth 15b, 15c by laminating the stator core by means of the trimmed caulking portions in the magnetic pole teeth 15b. The trimmed caulking portions 20c apply stress to the magnetic pole teeth 15b thereby deteriorating the magnetic characteristic of the magnetic pole teeth 15b. By providing shorter magnetic pole teeth with trimmed caulking portions, it is possible to equalize magnetic resistance thereby reducing torque ripple.

According to the present example, the magnetic pole teeth 15b having the shortest length in the longitudinal direction (magnetic path direction) of the magnetic pole teeth 15 in the respective blocks 9 of the blocked stator core, with the trimmed caulking portions 20c for laminating and fixing the stator core, the difference of magnetic resistance among the respective magnetic pole teeth decreases, so that the imbalance of magnetic field generated among the magnetic pole teeth 15 is reduced thereby minimizing torque ripple.

Example 39

In the twelfth example, the stator portion 100 and the rotor 3 are attached to the base 40. However, the following construction is also available; that is, as shown in Fig. 71, the bearing 7 is provided on the frame 140 of a

flexible disk drive unit, the spindle shaft 8 of the rotor 3 is engaged with the bearing 7, and then the stator portion 100 incorporating the stator 1 in the cover holder 230 in a desired configuration is fixed to the frame 140 through the screw 60 and the screw portion 141. According to this construction, the bottom face of the cover holder 230 is in contact with the surface of the screw portion 141 in order to determine the positions of the rotor 3 and the stator 1 along the height thereof. However, it is preferable to set the bottom face of the laminated stator core 1a so as to be in contact with the mounting face of the frame 140 in order to enhance the accuracy of positioning. As described above, the stator 1 is contained in the cover holder 230 so that the stator 1 can be handled as a unit of the stator portion 100. As a result, it is possible to mount the stator 1 on a frame having complicated configuration with side wall or the like, so that the process for building in the rotary motor is facilitated.

Example 40

The rotary motor according to the fortieth example will be described with reference to the Figure. Fig. 72 is a front view of the rotary motor. This motor is a brushless motor having thin structure, which is used in floppy disk drive units, hard disk drive units or the like. Reference numeral 1 designates a stator, numeral 2 designates coils wound around the magnetic pole teeth 15 of the stator 1, numeral 3 designates a rotor, and numeral 4 designates a rotor magnet. The stator 1 is constructed so that a plurality of stator components (block) 9 are connected by means of the thin portions 10. Each

respective stator component 9 comprises a plurality of magnetic pole teeth 15.

Fig. 73 is a front view of the laminated core (laminated connecting stator cores) constituting the stator 1 shown in Fig. 72. Fig. 74 is a side view thereof. As shown in Figures, the shape of the magnetic material 321 obtained by punching by means of press, that is, the shape of the stator core, is changed to a shape different from the stator 1 shown in Fig. 72 with respect to a plurality of the stator components 9 and the thin portions 10 which connect the stator components. Reference numeral 20 designates the laminated core if required.

Thin magnetic material 321 obtained by punching by means of press extends straight, and on the other hand, the shape of the stator 1 is circular. A plurality of the magnetic materials 321 or the connecting stator cores are stacked to form the laminated core 20. Reference numeral 311 designates a pair of protrusions extending on both sides of the thin portion 10.

Fig. 75 is a front view showing the state in which the coils 2 are formed around the magnetic pole teeth 15 of the laminated core 20. Fig. 76 is a side view thereof. When the coils 2 are formed, as shown in Fig. 83, for example, the wire winding machine 203 is located at a position facing the laminated core 20 formed straight. Then, a wire or wires are introduced from a wire winding nozzle or a plurality of wire winding nozzles respectively, and a wire or wires are wound around the magnetic pole tooth or teeth 15.

In this condition, the wire winding machine 203 can be located without being restricted by the shape of the laminated core 20, and therefore the coils 2 can be formed

easily, so that it is possible to wind wires neatly, quickly and at high density. Additionally, when the coils 2 are formed on a plurality of the stator components 9, it is possible to wind wires continuously without cutting the wires between the stator components 9 to secure the crossover wire 25 at the thin portion 10, when the coils 2 are formed on a plurality of the stator components 9, thereby simplifying the procedure for connecting wire between the coils 2.

Fig. 77 is a front view showing the stator 1 which is deformed to a circular shape by bending the thin portions 10 after the coils 2 are formed on the laminated core 20. Fig. 84 shows a process in which the thin portions 10 are being deformed with the stator 1 being pressed on the bending jig 319.

Fig. 85 shows the state in which the stator 1 having an appropriate shape has been obtained by bending the thin portions 10. As compared with the stator in which the laminated cores 20 are independent, this construction does not increase the number of the parts of the laminated core 20 and eliminates the necessity of handling small parts.

Fig. 78 is a front view showing the laminated core 20 of the other shape. Fig. 79 is a side view of the laminated core 20 shown in Fig. 78. Different from the laminated core shown in Fig. 73, the laminated core 20 of the present embodiment is provided with respective protrusions which act as a magnetic path forming portion 314 which is formed on both sides of the thin portion 10. Fig. 80 shows the state in which the coils 2 are formed on the laminated core 20 shown in Fig. 78. Fig. 81 is a side view of the laminated core shown in Fig. 78. Fig. 82 shows the stator 1 which is deformed to a circular shape by

bending the thin portion 10 as in Fig. 77.

When the circular shaped stator 1 is formed, a magnetic path is formed by the respective pairs of the magnetic path forming portions 314 located on both sides of the thin portions 10 as shown in Fig. 82. By the respective pairs of protrusions 311 located on both sides of the thin portion 10 as shown in Fig. 77 and the magnetic path forming portion 314 located on both sides of the thin portions 10 as shown in Fig. 82, fastening member insertion portions such as C-shaped cut-out portions 10a and circular holes 10b into which resin pins, screws or the like are to be inserted or screwed to fasten the stator 1 onto the substrate or the like are formed. The fastening member insertion portions are capable of fixing a plurality of the stator components 9 of the laminated core 20 tightly on both sides thereof.

Fig. 86 shows magnetic material 321 of the other shape, obtained by punching by mean of press. The magnetic material 321 has bridge-like reinforcing portions 309 in the vicinity of the thin portions 10. Fig. 87 shows the state in which the reinforcing portions 209 for reinforcing the thin portions 10 are removed after the coils 2 (not shown) are formed.

This procedure makes it possible to prevent the thin portions 10 of the laminated core 20 from being deformed or damaged in annealing the laminated core 20 or treatment for coiling. By placing the magnetic material 321 to be punched by means of press as shown in Fig. 86 in the press punching process, the sheets of the magnetic material can be used more effectively than in the case of the integrated type core, thereby reducing the amount of the material to be thrown away by punching.

Fig. 88 is a side view of the laminated core 20 in which the connecting stator cores punched by means of press so as to form the thin portion 10 as shown in Fig. 73 are combined with the magnetic material in which no thin portion is formed. Fig. 89 is a partial perspective view of the laminated stator core 20 which is deformed to the shape of the stator 1. Here, thin portion missing portion 329 is formed. This construction makes it possible to bend the thin portion 10 easily even if a number of the magnetic materials are stacked in the laminated core 20.

The connecting stator core shown in Fig. 73 has fixing portions 219 on both sides thereof. The fixing portion 219 may be a positioning portion made of a hole, circular shaped or C- shaped cut-out portion or protruded portion. This construction facilitates the handling of the laminated core 20. Additionally, the fixing portion 219 is capable of improving the accuracy of positioning when the laminated core composed of a plurality of connecting stator cores is wound with wire.

Fig. 90 shows the stator 1 in which the laminated core 20 is bent at the thin portions 10 after the coils are formed (the representation of the coils 2 is omitted here). In the stator 1, the protrusions facing each other which acts as the magnetic path forming portion 314 of the neighboring stator components 9 of the laminated core 20 are fit to each other or placed near each other and then the corresponding magnetic path forming portions are fused and fixed through both end faces or a single end face along the direction of the layers by means of YAG laser or the like. In the same Figure, reference numeral 324 designates the welded portion. Fig. 91 is a partial sectional view showing the detail of the welded portion 324. By fusing

and fixing the magnetic path forming portions 314 in this manner, the stator components 9 of the laminated core 20 can be fixed more firmly. That is, the integrated structure of the laminated core 20 is stabilized, so that mounting of the laminated core 20 onto the substrate through mainly the magnetic path forming portions 314 can be made firm and secure.

Fig. 92 shows the state in which a plurality of stacked magnetic materials 321 are welded by spot welding a single position or a plurality of positions. That is, the magnetic materials 321 are nipped by the upper electrode 325 and the lower electrode 326 of the spot welding machine along the thickness of the magnetic materials, pressure is applied to a plurality of stacked magnetic materials 321, and a large current is supplied thereto in order to fix a plurality of the stacked magnetic materials 321 by fusing the current passing portion by self generated heat. As a result, a plurality of the stacked magnetic materials 321 are fixed integratedly. In this case, the strength of spot welding is larger than in the case of caulking or adhesion and further, it is possible to select the position to be spot-welded freely.

Figs. 93, 94 show another method for fixing the magnetic materials. As shown in Fig. 93, the protrusions 311 at a single position or a plurality of positions of the stacked magnetic materials 321 punched by means of press are nipped between the upper electrode 325 and the lower electrode 326 along the thickness thereof as shown in Fig. 94, pressure is applied to the stacked magnetic materials 321 and a large current is supplied to the stacked magnetic materials 321 in order to fuse the current passing portion thereof. Consequently, a plurality of the stacked magnetic

materials 321 are fixed integratedly. Fig. 95 is a schematic view of the fused portion 327 of the laminated core 20 according to this method.

Figs. 96, 97, 98 show still another method for fixing the magnetic materials 321. As shown in Fig. 96, slight dent/protruding portions 328 are provided at a position or a plurality of positions on the surface of the magnetic material 321. This dent/protruding portion 328 can be formed easily by pressing. Then, as shown in Fig. 97, a plurality of the magnetic materials 321 obtained by punching by press, the magnetic materials having the dent/protruding portions 328, are stacked. Then, the locations corresponding to the dent/protruding portions 328 are nipped across the laminated core 20 by means of the upper electrode 325 and the lower electrode 326 along the thickness of the laminated core 20, pressure is applied to the laminated core and a large current is supplied thereto.

As a result, the dent/prctruding portions 328 are locally heated by the large current passing therethrough and the dent/protruding portions 328 are fused to each other at the fusing portions 327 as shown in Fig. 98, so that a plurality of the stacked magnetic materials 321 are integratedly fixed.

Fig. 99 is a view showing the details of the coil forming portions of the magnetic pole teeth 15 in the laminated core 20. In this Figure, reference numeral 329 designates the cross section of the coil forming portion indicating the cut section. For example, as shown in Fig. 100, part or all of the corners in the cross section of the magnetic materials 321 punched by means of press are formed so as to be of smoothly round shape 330. A plurality of such magnetic materials are stacked.

Then, it is possible to wind directly the laminated core 20 with wire or the laminated core 20 covered with thin coating film with wire. That is, it is not necessary to perform insulation treatments on the laminated core 20, such as integrated molding of resin, formation of resin bobbin or fusing of insulating sheet.

Figs. 101, 102 show the coil forming portion cross section 329 of other configuration. The magnetic materials 321 punched by means of press have such cross section in which part or all of the corners are formed with large-radius round shape 331 and small-radius round shape 332. Large-radius round shapes 331 are formed on the outside edges of two outermost pieces of stacked magnetic materials 321.

As a result, it is possible to wind directly the laminated core 20 with wire or the laminated core covered with thin coating film with wire. Additionally, this construction is capable of preventing wire from being damaged by the corners of the magnetic materials, located on both sides of the laminated core. For example, if a round shape larger than half of the sheet thickness of the magnetic material is formed on the outer edges of the outermost two pieces, this construction can be also applied to thin magnetic materials.

Figs. 103, 104 are a partial perspective view and a partial sectional view, respectively, showing the laminated core 20 of another configuration. Fig. 103 shows the state in which insulating thin plates 333 are bonded to the upper and lower surfaces of the laminated core 20 corresponding to the stator component 9. Fig. 104 shows the state of the coil forming portion cross section 329, in which the insulating thin plates 333 are bonded to the upper and

lower surfaces of the laminated core 20.

Consequently, this construction makes it possible to wind the laminated core 20 with wire without performing insulation treatment on the laminated core 20, such integrated molding of resin, formation of resin bobbin and fusing of insulating sheet.

Fig. 105 is a partial perspective view of still another laminated core 20 and Fig. 106 is a partial sectional view thereof. As shown in Fig. 105, the laminated core contains film like wiring sheet 334 which is sandwiched between arbitrary pieces of a plurality of the magnetic materials 321 punched by means of press. The wiring sheet 334 has wiring pattern 335 which is arranged in the insulating sheet. Fig. 106 shows the coil forming cross section 329 which contains the wiring sheet 334.

By forming the laminated core 20 in this manner, it is possible to connect the terminal wire of the coil 2 to the wiring pattern 335 of the wiring sheet 334.

Fig. 107 is a partial perspective view of a further laminated core 20 and Fig. 108 is a partial sectional view thereof. As shown in Fig. 107, the magnetic material substrate 336 is attached to one side of the laminated core 20. The magnetic material substrate 336 is of the same shape as the magnetic material 321, and insulating thin film and conductive thin film made of copper or the like are formed on the surface thereof. The wiring pattern 335 is formed by etching the conductive thin film. Fig. 108 shows the coil forming cross section in which the magnetic material substrate 336 is formed on the top surface of the laminated core 20.

By forming the laminated core 20 in the aforementioned manner, it is possible to connect directly the terminal

wire of the coil 2 to the magnetic material substrate 336, thereby achieving thin structure laminated core 20.

Example 41

Figs. 109 - 114 are explanatory views showing other method for forming the laminated core 20. As shown in Fig. 110, the sheet-like magnetic material 321 having the teeth 15 arranged symmetrically with respect to the axis line L is formed by punching by means of press. Then, as shown in Fig. 109, the magnetic material 321 is bent at a position (or a plurality of positions) in order to form the connecting stator core as shown in Fig. 111. This method makes it possible to position the burr portion on the edge of the magnetic material 321 formed due to punching, on the overlapping side and then position the drooping side on the outside. That is, it is possible to provide the corner of the coil forming portion with roundness, thereby reducing damage of the coil. Further, a plurality of the magnetic materials 321 or the connecting stator cores are stacked as shown in Fig. 112 to form the laminated core 20. Meanwhile, it is permissible to form the core 20 with only a single magnetic material 321.

Further, it is permissible to bend both sides of the magnetic pole teeth 15 of the magnetic material 321 punched by means of press so that the edges of the bent portions contact each other in order to provide both side ends with roundness and stack such magnetic pole teeth 15 to form the laminated core 20 as shown in Fig. 114. In this manner, it is possible to provide the corners of the cross section of the coil forming portion of the laminated core 20 with roundness, so that the burr formed by punching by press is not located on the corner of the cross section of the coil

forming portion. As a result, it is possible to form the coil 2 directly on the surface of the laminated core 20 or the laminated core coated with thin film.

Example 42

Fig. 115 is a plan view of the laminated core 20 for AC servo motor according to the forty second example of the present invention. This AC servo motor is a small sized, high power brushless motor used for automation equipment, industrial robot or the like. Fig. 125 shows a sectional view of the AC servo motor. In Fig. 125, reference numeral 1 designates a stator, numeral 2 designates a coil, numeral 3 designates a rotor and numeral 4 designates a rotor magnet.

In the present example, the magnetic material punched by means of press is formed so that a plurality of the stator components 9 are connected linearly by the thin portions 10, as shown in Fig. 115. For example, it is permissible to arrange a series of reinforcing material 309 so that they bridge the thin portions 10 as shown in Fig. 116, the reinforcing material being separable from the stator components 9.

Fig. 117 shows an example in which resin is integrately molded so as to form the coil forming portion 322 of the stator component 9, the neutral point treatment portion 338 and the connector portion 339 at predetermined positions of the laminated core 20. Meanwhile, it is permissible to construct the laminated core 20 so that the magnetic materials 321 in which the thin portion 10 is formed are stacked with the magnetic materials 321 in which the thin portion 10 is not formed.

As the method for fixing the laminated core 20, as

shown in Fig. 92, it is possible to use such a method in which a large current is supplied to a position or a plurality of positions of the stacked magnetic materials 321 with pressure applied to the stacked magnetic materials 321 in order to fuse the current passing portions of the magnetic materials 321 by self generated heat. Or as shown in Figs. 96 - 98, it is also possible to use such a method in which slight dent/protruding portions 328 are formed at a position or a plurality of positions on the surface of the magnetic material 321 punched by means of press, a plurality of the punched magnetic materials 321 are stacked, the dent/protruding portions 328 are nipped between the upper electrode 325 and the lower electrode 326 along the thickness thereof and a large current is supplied with pressure applied to the stacked magnetic materials.

Fig. 118 shows the state in which the coils 2 are formed by winding wire introduced from the wire nozzle 316 of the wire winding machine 317 as shown in Figs. 119 and 124. In this wire winding process, the wire nozzle 316 is rotated around the magnetic pole tooth 15 and then the position of the wire nozzle 316 is changed with respect to the laminated core 20, thereby facilitating to obtain the shape of coil in which wires are neatly arranged. Fig. 124 shows the laminated core 20 is attached to the index jig 340 during winding.

Fig. 120 shows the state in which the stator 1 is being formed by bending the laminated core 20 as shown in Fig. 118 through the thin portion 10. Fig. 121 shows the state in which the stator 1 has been formed by bending all the thin portions 10 completely. In this Figure, reference numeral 3 designates a rotor. When the laminated core 20 has been bent completely, as shown in Fig. 90, the

neighboring magnetic path forming portions 314 of the core portion 9 of the laminated core 20 are fit to each other or brought near each other, both ends or a single end thereof along the thickness of the laminated core 20 is fused and fixed by means of YAG laser or the like, thereby fixing together the core portions 9 of the laminated core 20 firmly.

Fig. 122 shows the state in which the thin portions 10 protrude in the shape of arc as the thin pieces 10c. Fig. 123 shows the state in which the respective thin portions 10 are thin arc pieces 10d having no edge.

Example 43

Fig. 126 is a plan view showing the laminated core 20 of an armature motor according to the forty third example. This armature motor is a small sized, high speed rotation, brush provided motor used in electric fans of cleaners, electric drill and the like. Fig. 134 shows a side view of an electric fan among those. In this Figure, reference numeral designates a stator, numeral 2 designates a coil, numeral 3 designates a rotor and numeral 343 designates a bracket.

As shown in Fig. 126, the magnetic material 321 punched by means of press includes two stator components 9, two yoke portions 344 and the thin portions 10 which combine the stator components with the yoke portions, the respective members being connected to each other in series. The laminated core 20 composed of the magnetic materials 321 may be constructed so that the magnetic materials having the thin portion 10 are stacked with the magnetic materials having no thin portion as shown in Fig. 88.

As the method for fixing the laminated core 20, it is

possible to use such a method in which, as shown in Fig. 92, a large current is supplied to a position or a plurality of positions of the stacked magnetic materials 321 with pressure applied thereto and the current passing portions of the stacked magnetic materials 321 are fused by self generated heat. Or it is also possible to use such a method in which, as shown in Figs. 96 - 98, slight dent/protruding portions 328 are provided on a position or a plurality of positions on the surface of the magnetic materials 321 punched by means of press, a plurality of the magnetic materials 321 punched by press are stacked and the dent/protruding portions 328 are nipped between the upper electrode 325 and the lower electrode 326 along the thickness of the stacked magnetic materials to supply a large current thereto.

Fig. 127 shows the state in which the coils 2 are formed around the magnetic pole teeth 15 of the laminated core 20 and Fig. 128 shows the process in which the coils 2 are being formed. According to the method shown in Fig. 128, the wire nozzle 316 for feeding wire are rotated around the magnetic pole teeth 15 and the position of the wire nozzle 316 is changed with respect to the position of the laminated core 20. Consequently, it is possible to obtain the coils 2 arranged neatly.

Fig. 129 shows the process in which the stator 1 is being formed by bending the thin portions 10 of the laminated core 20 in which the coils 2 are formed on the magnetic pole teeth 15. Fig. 130 shows the state in which all the thin portions 10 have been bent to form the stator 1. When all the thin portions 10 are bent completely, the magnetic path forming portions 314 of the neighboring core portion 9 of the laminated core 20 are fit to each other or

placed near each other as shown in Fig. 90 and both end faces or a single end face of the laminated core 20 is fused together by means of YAG laser or the like. As a result, the core portions 9 of the laminated core 20 are fixed together firmly.

By pressing the stator 1 into the ring like bracket 343 after all the thin portions 10 are bent completely as shown in Fig. 131, it is possible to fix the laminated core firmly.

In this case, in the process in which the thin portions are bent as shown in Fig. 132, the rotor 3 is disposed. Then, as shown in Fig. 133, all the thin portions 10 are bent to form the stator. After all the thin portions 10 are bent completely, the stator 1 is pressed into the bracket 343. According to this method, it is easy to wind wire so that the coils 2 are formed so as to surround the rotor 3.

Example 44

Fig. 135 is a front view of the laminated core 20 for small size transformers. As shown in the Figure, the yoke portion 344 which is part of the magnetic path of the laminated core 20 is connected to a substantially U-shaped core 9 through the thin portion 10. After a coil is mounted, the yoke portion 344 can be bent so as to close the U-shaped opening. As a method for fixing the laminated core, it is possible to use a conventional trimmed caulking portion. Further, it is possible to use such a method in which, as shown in Fig. 92, pressure is applied to a position or a plurality of positions of the stacked magnetic materials by means of the upper electrode 325 and the lower electrode 326 and then a large current is

supplied to fuse the current passing portion of the stacked magnetic materials 321 by self generated heat. Still further, it is possible to use such a method in which, as shown in Figs. 96 - 98, slight dent/protruding portions 328 are provided at a position or a plurality of positions on the surface of the magnetic material 321 punched by press, a plurality of the punched magnetic materials 321 are stacked, the dent/protruding portions 328 are nipped by the upper electrode 325 and the lower electrode 326 along the thickness of the stacked magnetic materials to apply pressure and then a large current is supplied thereto.

As shown in Figs. 136, 137, the coil 2 is formed on the bobbin 345 made of insulating material, the bobbin is mounted around the leg of the laminated core 20, and the yoke portion 344 is closed by bending the thin portion 10. As a result, as shown in Fig. 138, a magnetic path of the laminated core 20 is formed. With this condition, as shown in Fig. 90, the neighboring magnetic path forming portions 314 of the laminated core 20 are fit to each other and then both end faces or a single end face along the stacked layers is fused in order to fix the cores 9 of the laminated core 20 firmly.



WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A rotary motor comprising:
 - a base;
 - a rotor portion mounted to said base;
 - a stator portion having a stator core including laminated magnetic pole teeth;and coils disposed on the magnetic pole teeth; and
 - a storage container for storing said stator core, said storage container being mountable to said base,wherein said stator core is bendable about the rotor portion and mounted to said storage container, said storage container being constructed and arranged to fix said stator core in a predetermined position about said rotor portion when said storage container is mounted to said base.
2. The rotary motor according to claim 1,
 - wherein said stator core is fixed in said predetermined position relative to said rotor portion with a gap therebetween, said storage container including at least one window disposed adjacent said gap for inspecting said gap between said stator core and said rotor portion.
3. The rotary motor according to claim 1,
 - further comprising a plurality of tying portions disposed parallel to each other and having the same interval spacing as the magnetic pole teeth, said coils being electrically interconnected to and terminated at said tying portions.
4. The rotary motor according to claim 1, wherein a portion of the stator core disposed about the rotor portion is provided without magnetic pole teeth, the motor further comprising:
 - a magnetic balancer disposed at the portion of the stator core without the magnetic pole teeth,wherein a gap g_b between the magnetic balancer and the rotor is greater than a gap g_t between a tip of each of the magnetic pole teeth in the stator core and the rotor.



5. The rotary motor according to claim 4,
wherein the magnetic balancer is fixed in the storage container.
6. The rotary motor according to claim 1,
wherein the magnetic pole teeth include at least a first tooth and a second tooth disposed in parallel to each other in the stator core, the first tooth having a first length and the second tooth a second length, the stator core including a first wire having a first diameter forming a coil around the first tooth and a second wire having a second diameter forming a coil around the second tooth, wherein the first diameter is greater than the second diameter.
7. The rotary motor according to claim 1, wherein the magnetic pole teeth include at least a first tooth having a first length and a second tooth having a second length disposed in parallel to each other in the stator core and a first wire forming a first wire winding position and a second wire forming a second wire winding position, wherein said first and second wire winding positions on the first and second magnetic pole teeth differ depending on the length of the magnetic pole teeth.
8. The rotary motor according to claim 1,
wherein said rotor portion includes a rotor which is concentric with the stator core,
wherein the magnetic pole teeth are grouped into blocks, the teeth forming each block being parallel to each other and wherein said stator core is provided with a portion in which no block is provided, said rotor being placed eccentrically toward said portion in which no block is provided.
9. The rotary motor according to claim 1;
wherein said rotor portion includes a rotor which is concentric with the stator core,
wherein the magnetic pole teeth are grouped into blocks, the teeth forming each block being parallel to each other, said stator core provided with a portion having no block, and wherein a gap between the rotor and the block located opposite the portion of the stator core having no block is larger than a gap between the rotor and other blocks.



10. The rotary motor according to claim 1,
wherein the rotor portion includes a rotor which is concentric with the stator core,
and
wherein the magnetic pole teeth are grouped into blocks, the teeth forming each block being parallel to each other and having different lengths, and further comprising trimmed caulking portions for fixing the stator cores disposed on at least one of magnetic pole teeth in the stator core block.
11. A laminated core for a rotary motor, said core comprising:
a plurality of sheets of magnetic material stacked to form the magnetic path of the rotary motor,
said plurality of sheets of magnetic material forming a plurality of block portions and thin portions connecting said block portions, each block portion including a plurality of magnetic pole teeth, said laminated core being bendable at said thin portions, wherein said block portions and said thin portions are integrally formed with said sheets of magnetic material.
12. The laminated core according to claim 11, further comprising:
a plurality of protrusions, at least one protrusion disposed at each end of said thin portions, said protrusions constructed to connect to each other when said thin portions are bent, said protrusions forming fastening member insertion locations for fixing the core in the rotary motor.
13. The laminated core according to claim 11, further comprising:
reinforcing portions constructed to reinforce the thin portions, said reinforcing portions being connected to said block portions adjacent said thin portions.
14. The laminated core according to claim 11,
wherein the plurality of sheets of magnetic materials includes a first group of sheets and a second group of sheets, each of said first group of sheets including first layers of blocks connected to each other with thin portions, each of said second group of sheets including second layers of blocks that are not connected to each other with thin portions.



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15. The laminated core according to claim 11, wherein the laminated magnetic sheets are elongated and further comprise:
positioning interfaces on both ends of the plurality of sheets of magnetic material that are adapted to position the laminated core.
16. The laminated core according to claim 11 further comprising:
a pair of protrusions disposed at opposite ends of the thin portions, the protrusions having free ends that are constructed and arranged to be disposed adjacent each other when the laminated core is bent, wherein at least one protrusion has an end face and the protrusions are fixed to each other through the end face.
17. The laminated core according to claim 11,
wherein the stacked sheets of magnetic material are fused to each other at at least one position.
18. The laminated core according to claim 12,
wherein a plurality of sheets of stacked magnetic material are integrally bound to each other at the protrusions at the thin portions.
19. The laminated core according to claim 11, wherein each sheet of magnetic material has a first side and a second side, and
wherein a protruding portion is provided on the first side and a corresponding detent is provided on the second side such that the stacked magnetic materials are engaged through the protruding portion on the first side of one sheet and the corresponding detent of the second side of an adjacent sheet of magnetic material and said sheets are integrally bound together.
20. The laminated core according to claim 11,
wherein edges of at least one sheet of magnetic material of the stacked magnetic materials are rounded.
21. The laminated core according to claim 11,



wherein the edges of the plurality of sheets of magnetic material are rounded and have different radii, and the radius of the edges of the uppermost and lowest sheets of the stacked magnetic materials are larger than of the other edges.

22. the laminated core according to claim 11, wherein the laminated core includes a first face and a second face, and

further comprises insulating plates attached to the first and second faces.

23. The laminated core according to claim 11,

further comprising a wiring sheet having a wiring pattern through an insulator, said wiring sheet being sandwiched between two sheets of the stacked magnetic materials.

24. The laminated core according to claim 11, wherein the laminated core includes an uppermost sheet and lowermost sheet, and

further comprises a magnetic material substrate having a wiring pattern through an insulator attached to one of the uppermost and lowermost of the stacked magnetic materials.