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It is an object of this invention to attain reliable starting characteristics and stable rotation performance of a motor in a motor of a phase synchronization driving type.

To achieve this object, according to this invention, there is provided a motor driving apparatus having a stepping motor constituted by a stator with at least two poles, a rotor having a permanent magnet with at least two poles, and a driving coil magnetically coupled to the stator, a driving pulse generation means for outputting a driving pulse signal for driving the stepping motor, a driving circuit for supplying a driving current to the driving coil on the basis of the signal from the driving pulse generation means, a voltage detection circuit for detecting a counter electromotive voltage generated upon rotation of the rotor, and a pole position detection means for detecting the pole position of the rotating rotor with respect to the rotor on the basis of a detection signal generated by the voltage detection circuit, the driving pulse generation means controlling the output timing of the driving pulse signal on the basis of the detection signal from the pole position detection means, characterized in that the pole position detection means stops outputting the driving pulse signal on the basis of the detection signal

from the voltage detection circuit which is detected during the output period of the driving pulse signal, and outputs a driving pulse signal having a phase opposite to that of the driving pulse signal.

5 According to this invention, reliable starting characteristics, rapid acceleration, and stable rotation performance of the motor can be attained. By combining respective embodiments, a higher-performance motor driving circuit can be realized. Further, in this invention, high-speed,
10 large-torque rotation driving of the motor can be realized by a simple system arrangement without changing the structure of a conventional flat bipolar motor.