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1-9, 14(completely); 11-13(partially)

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The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions, namely:

1. claims: 1-9, 14(completely); 11-13(partially)

A printer for printing onto a printing medium containing regions having different color development characteristics. The printer has liquid drop feeders for feeding liquid drops for developing colors advantageously in respective regions of the printing medium and a calculator for calculating feed conditions of liquid drops respectively fed from liquid drop feeders so that the target reproduced colors are developed on the printing medium

2. claims: 10, 15(completely); 11-13(partially)

A printer for printing onto a printing medium containing regions having different color development characteristics. The printer comprising a corona treatment device for hydrophilizing at least one of the regions of the printing medium through corona treatment, and an ink jet device for feeding ink drops onto the printing medium by ink jet method, and an ink feeder for developing the target reproduced colors on the printing medium by controlling the corona treatment device and the ink jet device

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