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PRINTING APPARATUS AND PRINTING METHOD

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Abstract (en)  
A printing apparatus includes a medium transport portion configured to transport a recording medium in a transport direction, a discharge head configured to discharge liquid droplets each having one size among mutually different sizes onto the recording medium, a head moving portion configured to reciprocate the discharge head in a main scanning direction intersecting with the transport direction, a printer controller serving as a calculation portion configured to analyze the size of each of the liquid droplets and quantities with respect to the liquid droplets on the basis of image data corresponding to an image to be printed on the recording medium to calculate at least one adjustment value to be applied to discharge timing points at each of which a corresponding one of the liquid droplets is discharged, and a controller configured to change the discharge timing points on the basis of the at least one adjustment value.

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