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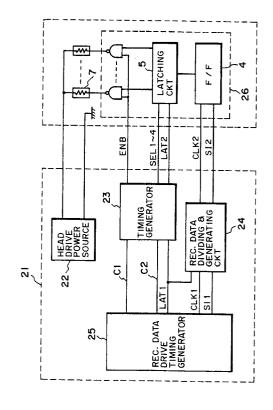
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- (54) Ink jet recording method and ink jet recording apparatus using same.
- An ink jet recording apparatus for an ink jet recording apparatus includes a plurality of electrothermal transducer element for producing thermal energies for formation of recording liquids; and driving device for supplying electric energy to the electrothermal transducer elements in accordance with data to be recorded and a control signal, wherein the plural electrothermal transducers are grouped into plural groups, and the groups are simultaneously driven by the driving device, wherein the electrothermal transducer elements in a group are supplied with electric power in a period between maximum expansion of a bubble in a previously driven group and expiration thereof.



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