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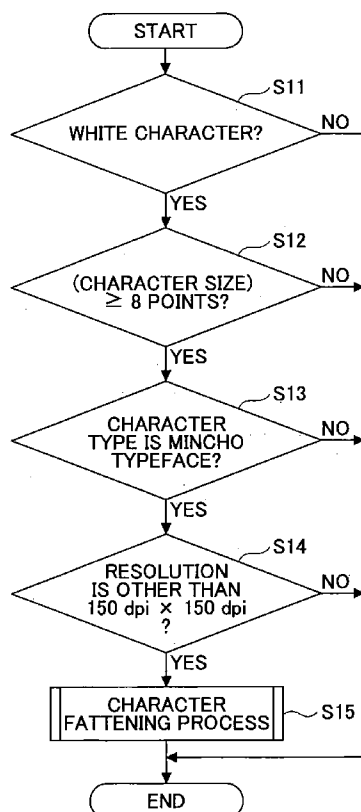
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(54) Title: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, COMPUTER-READABLE PROGRAM, IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM



(57) Abstract: An image processing method generates image data for use by an image forming apparatus which forms an image on a recording medium by ink dots formed by ejected ink drops. The image processing method includes the steps of judging an image portion and a background portion of the image, and adding image dots to the background portion adjacent to the image portion to fatten the image portion by a fattening process, depending on at least one of a character size of the image portion, a character type of the image portion, a resolution of the image portion, and a color of the background portion.

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