

Reading the directory

Just a simple routine which reads the directory file from a device and prints it to screen.

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        LDA #dirname_end-dirname
        LDX #<dirname
        LDY #>dirname
        JSR $FFBD      ; call SETNAM

        LDA #$02      ; filename 2
        LDX $BA
        BNE .skip
        LDX #$08      ; default to device number 8
.skip   LDY #$00      ; secondary address 0 (required for dir reading!)
        JSR $FFBA      ; call SETLFS

        JSR $FFC0      ; call OPEN (open the directory)
        BCS .error     ; quit if OPEN failed

        LDX #$02      ; filename 2
        JSR $FFC6      ; call CHKIN

        LDY #$04      ; skip 4 bytes on the first dir line
        BNE .skip2

.next   LDY #$02      ; skip 2 bytes on all other lines
.skip2  JSR getbyte    ; get a byte from dir and ignore it
        DEY
        BNE .skip2

        JSR getbyte    ; get low byte of basic line number
        TAY
        JSR getbyte    ; get high byte of basic line number
        PHA
        TYA            ; transfer Y to X without changing Akku
        TAX
        PLA
        JSR $BDCD      ; print basic line number
        LDA #$20      ; print a space first
.char   JSR $FFD2      ; call CHROUT (print character)
        JSR getbyte
        BNE .char      ; continue until end of line

        LDA #$0D
        JSR $FFD2      ; print RETURN
        JSR $FFE1      ; RUN/STOP pressed?
        BNE .next      ; no RUN/STOP -> continue
.error

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    ; Akkumulator contains BASIC error code

    ; most likely error:
    ; A = $05 (DEVICE NOT PRESENT)
exit:
    LDA #$02      ; filename 2
    JSR $FFC3     ; call CLOSE

    JSR $FFCC     ; call CLRCHN
    RTS

getbyte:
    JSR $FFB7     ; call READST (read status byte)
    BNE .end      ; read error or end of file
    JMP $FFCF     ; call CHRIN (read byte from directory)
.end
    PLA          ; don't return to dir reading loop
    PLA
    JMP exit

dirname:
    .TEXT "$"    ; filename used to access directory
dirname_end:
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