

Migrating to Linux with NetCOBOL and PostgreSQL

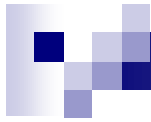
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Introduction

- Team: Craig Davies, Duane Percox, Jeff Woods
- A report on our on-going investigations and discoveries
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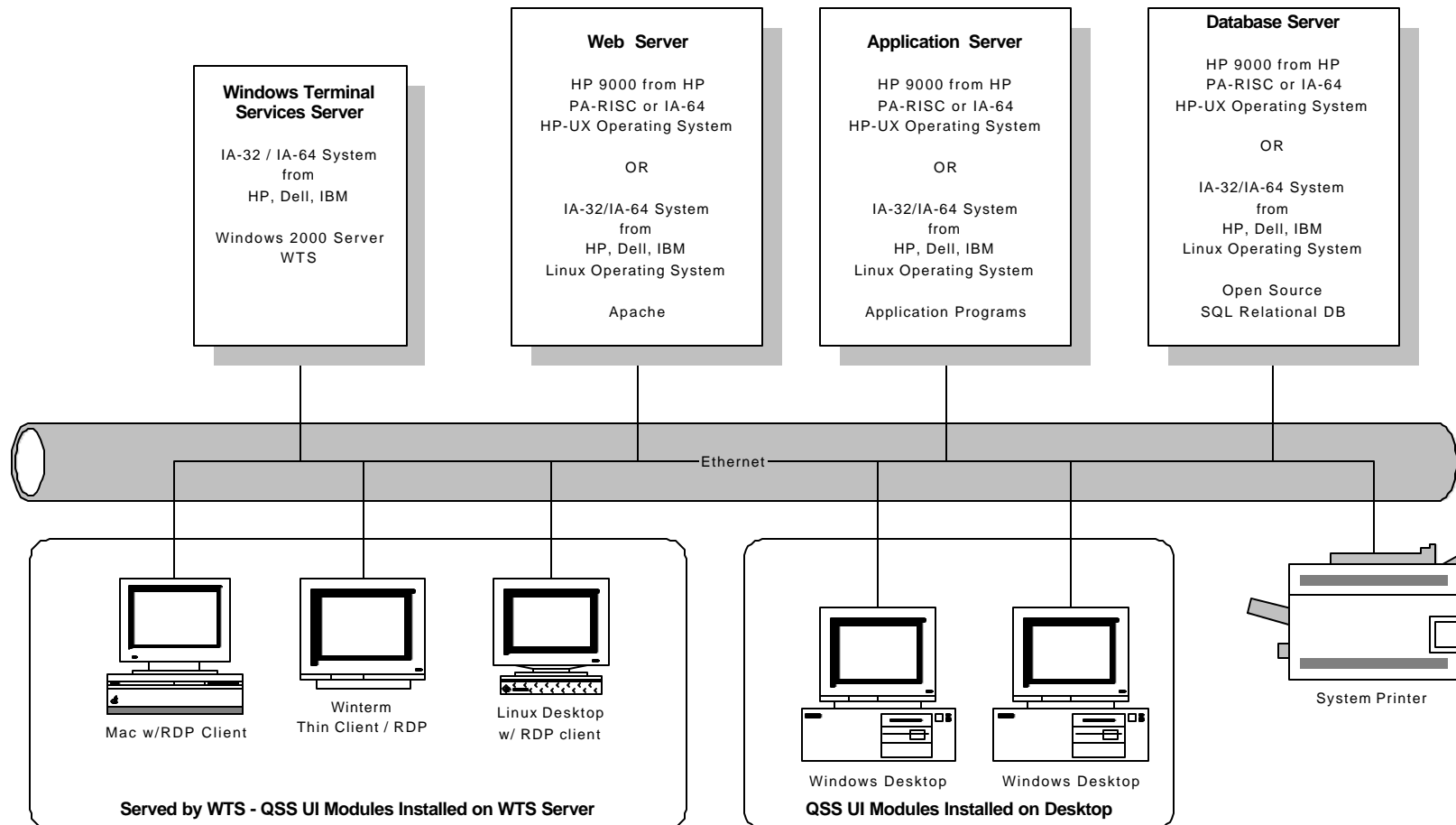


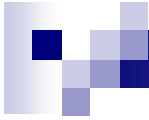
Background

- Vertical market ISV
- Cost sensitive customer base: Education
- 65% turnkey installations
- MPE/iX software library mostly HP COBOL II/iX, V/Plus, TurboIMAGE, some pascal, c, spl, ksam/xl, flat files
- Migrating software in two phases: (I) UI Migration to GUI/Web and (II) server (back-end) migration to open systems (Linux/HP-UX)
- ~ 4 million lines of cobol source that we would like to preserve (app servers, reports, computational processes, data mgt processes, utilities)

QSS/OASIS and STUDENT/3000 New Platform Definition

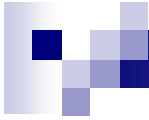
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Database Evaluation

- Evaluate Linux open source RDBMS options and viability for QSS applications
- Evaluate creation of RDBMS versions of existing TurboIMAGE DB
- Evaluate / Determine database interface
- Establish standard data type usage
- Establish methodology for moving data
- Evaluate how to access data once it has been relocated in the RDBMS
- Evaluate the need and feasibility of creating an abstracted SQL interface for RDBMS portability



DB Evaluation Results

- Open Source RDBMS can work for QSS applications and target market
- PostgreSQL chosen as primary RDBMS
- Customer feed-back indicated a desire to have support for additional (and in a few cases commercial) RDBMS
- Decided to create an abstracted SQL interface. Our early pilot projects used a version we called DBLIB, but recently decided to name it QDBI – QSS Database Interface



PostgreSQL References

- www.postgresql.org
- PostgreSQL Essential Reference – New Riders, Stinson, 2002
- PostgreSQL Developers Handbook – SAMS, Geschwinde and Schonig, 2002
- Practical PostgreSQL – O'Reilly, Worsley & Drake, 2002
- PHP and PostgreSQL –SAMS, Geschwinde and Schonig, 2002
- PostgreSQL – A comprehensive guide to building, programming, and administering PostgreSQL databases – SAMS, Douglas and Douglas, 2003



The Case for QDBI

- Want more than an illusion of portability
 - Be able to influence performance
 - Account for DB unique SQL syntax between different DB and different versions of same DB
 - Avoid different implementations of standard interfaces
 - No changes to COBOL source
- Avoid COBOL compiler “lock-in”
- Avoid database vendor embedded SQL “lock-in”
- Allow programmers to use a COBOL friendly API
- Avoid complexity of implementing ‘standards’
- Simplify COBOL source code migration
- Simplify post migration COBOL development



RDBMS Access from COBOL

- Embedded SQL (compiler generates CALL)
 - Specific DB vendor(s) API – either because the COBOL vendor supports a limited set of DB or you use a specific DB vendor pre-compiler like Oracle Pro*COBOL
 - Compiler DB API which calls DB vendor(s) API
 - ODBC API
- CALL API directly in COBOL
 - DB specific API
 - ODBC API
 - Your own API which calls DB vendor(s) or ODBC API
- Embedded SQL with vendor neutral syntax
 - Your own pre-processor (like Pro*COBOL)
 - Generate COBOL for your choice of API



Practical Considerations

- COBOL compiler embedded SQL
 - ☐ Some don't support embedded SQL
 - ☐ Possible syntactical differences between compilers
 - ☐ DB portability is usually qualified
 - ☐ ODBC drivers are not created equal
 - ☐ Giving up control where you might need it the most
- CALL API directly
 - ☐ Most API are designed to be called by 'c'
 - ☐ DB vendor API are unique or they use ODBC
 - ☐ ODBC is a complex API
 - ☐ API changes occur over time



COBOL Evaluation

- Evaluate availability of Linux (open systems) COBOL compiler(s) to compile and execute QSS COBOL code with acceptable performance
- Evaluate compatibility with hp-ux COBOL and ability to maintain single source code base
- Evaluate compatibility with QSS develop. IDE (WTPS)
- Evaluate effort to move to Linux/hp-ux COBOL
- Evaluate RDBMS interface provided by COBOL compilers
- Evaluate run-time environment and issues with code generation as it relates to interfaces with QSS library routines
- Evaluate development and deployment costs



COBOL Evaluation Results

- Currently working with Fujitsu NetCOBOL
- Native compilation for Linux ia-32, no run-time costs
- Has command line compilation / link facility so don't have to use their IDE
- Have support for hp-ux/pa-risc
- COBOL language standards give the freedom to make a change if we discover issues with this choice during the early stages of our migration



Linux Development Environment

- Dell PowerEdge 500SC server – PIII 1ghz, .5gbM, 20gbD (IDE)
- SuSe Professional 7.3
- PostgreSQL version 7.1.3 and 7.2.4
- gnu 'c' 2.95
- Standard Linux tools: vi, bash, ld, ar, man...
- NetCOBOL for Linux v7
- WhisperTech Programmer Studio
- Windows 2000 desktops with WRQ/Telnet and VNC/X-Windows (KDE)



Basic HP COBOL to NetCOBOL

- FTP ascii source to Linux
- '\$CONTROL' → '@OPTIONS'
- \$PAGE → /
- \$VERSION → no equivalent
- \$COPYRIGHT → no equivalent
- PIC ... COMP → PIC ... COMP-5
 - COMP is always big-endian
 - COMP-5 is native format for platform
- WHEN-COMPILED → WHEN-COMPILED (yes!)
- CALL ... GIVING → CALL ... RETURNING
- Inline comments (find out how...)



More HP COBOL to NetCOBOL

- Copy library containing multiple entries → individual file for each referenced COPY
- `<>` → NOT =
- `VALUE %nn (octal)` → `VALUE X"nn" (hex)`
- Concatenation in MOVE
 - `MOVE "MY TEXT" && X"00" TO WS-TEXT`



More HP COBOL to NetCOBOL

- Open systems are case sensitive and this impacts COBOL file names, COPY names, and CALL “....” names.
- SELECT MY-FILE ASSIGN TO “XFILE”
 - Accesses the file XFILE
 - No file change at run time because there are no file equations
- SELECT MY-FILE ASSIGN TO XFILE
 - At run time the variable XFILE is used to determine the location of MY-FILE.
 - This can be an internal variable in working storage or an exported variable set in the shell: export XFILE=./xfile.mulder



Makefile for Simple Programs

```
prime : prime.o
```

```
    cobol -dy -o prime prime.o
```

```
prime.o : prime.cob
```

```
    cobol -dy -M -c -o prime -WC,"SRF(FIX)" prime.cob
```

```
primebe : primebe.o
```

```
    cobol -dy -o primebe primebe.o
```

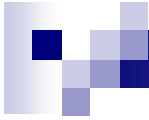
```
primebe.o : primebe.cob
```

```
    cobol -dy -M -c -o primebe -WC,"SRF(FIX)" primebe.cob
```




Makefile for Building Shared Lib

```
libqss.so : libqss.a
    ld -m elf_i386 -shared -o libqss.so --whole-archive libqss.a
libqss.a : module1.o module2.o proctime.o modulec.o
    ar cr libqss.a module1.o module2.o proctime.o modulec.o
module1.o : module1.cob
    cobol -shared -c -o module1.o module1.cob
module2.o : module2.cob
    cobol -shared -c -o module2.o module2.cob
proctime.o : proctime.c
    gcc -fPIC -c -o proctime.o proctime.c
modulec.o : modulec.c
    gcc -fPIC -c -o modulec.o modulec.c
modtst : libqss.so modtst.cob
    cobol -dy -M -o modtst -L. -lqss modtst.cob
```

TurboIMAGE vs PostgreSQL

- TurboImage access is direct with global structures used to control access
- RDBMS is through a connection to a DB engine in a client/server fashion
- Flexibility in DB access topology is provided natively in RDBMS and must be engineered for TurboIMAGE



PostgreSQL Basics

- Connection from client to db is transparent regardless if same system (shared memory) or different system (tcp/ip). X-system can use SSL for secure transmission.
- Server engine is called 'postmaster'
- Separate process created for each connection. Good performance on unix style o/s since was written for unix
- DB are organized into clusters. Each instance of postmaster provides access to all DB within the cluster
- Normal installation root dir is /usr/local/pgsql
- Default cluster root is /usr/local/pgsql/data (\$PGDATA)
- Databases are stored in \$PGDATA/base with a separate directory for each DB and individual files for each table
- The directory structure and files (DB) owned by postgres user and not viewable/accessible by ordinary users



PostgreSQL Versioning

- Versions are formatted as x.y.z ; x is major, y is minor, z is fix level
- Current major version is 7 and base versions found since 2001 are 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3
- Usually require a DB conversion between base versions as the DB structure could change
- Pre-built PostgreSQL found on distributions will be installed in /usr/local/pgsql root with directories like bin, lib, include, data for specific components and database files
- QSS initially installed 7.1.3 and just recently converted to 7.2.4
- Conversion to 7.2.4 was painless and no software changes were required



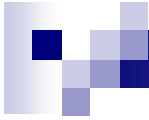
Managing Multiple Versions

- We wanted 7.1.3 and 7.2.4 installation and data available for testing and review
- Multiple versions of PostgreSQL can be installed and running at the same time. At run time your \$PGDATA, \$PATH, and \$LD_LIBRARY_PATH can be used to define the version
- We de-installed the original 7.1.3 version which was installed in the default directory and built from the source cvs tree 7.1.3 and 7.2.4 with the root directory set as /usr/local/pgsql/7_1_3 and /usr/local/pgsql/7_2_4
- We defined the db clusters as ~postgres/data-7_1_3 and ~postgres/data-7_2_4
- When building PostgreSQL from source you can set these locations as defaults which is then used by the postmaster and utility programs



Accessing Specific Version

- We setup soft links which would refer to the current and previous versions of PostgreSQL
- `/usr/local/pgsql/current` → `/usr/local/pgsql/7_2_4`
- `/usr/local/pgsql/previous` → `usr/local/pgsql/7_1_3`
- By setting `$PGDATA`
 - `export PGDATA=~postgres/current`
 - `export PGDATA=~postgres/previous`
- Use `$PGLOC` for root of version
 - `export PGLOC=/usr/local/pgsql/current`
 - `export PGLOC=/usr/local/pgsql/previous`



Making QDBI

libqdbi.so : libqdbi.a

```
ld -m elf_i386 -shared -o libqdbi.so --whole-archive libqdbi.a
```

libqdbi.a : qdbi.o

```
ar cr libqdbi.a qdbi.o
```

qdbi.o : qdbi.c

```
gcc -fPIC -I${PGLOC}/include -c -o qdbi.o qdbi.c
```




Making COBOL that Calls QDBI

```
fastpg : fastpg.cob
```

```
    cobol -dy -M -o fastpg -L. -lqdbi -L ${PGLOC}/lib -lpq fastpg.cob
```

```
# Make sure the following vars are set:
```

```
#
```

```
# COBCOPY=./
```

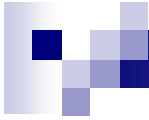
```
#   this defines the directory where the 'copy' modules are found
```

```
#
```

```
# COB_LIBSUFFIX
```

```
#   if NOT defined the copy members will be found using .cbl/.cob
```

```
#   set if you want to use something other than .cbl/.cob (cpy or CPY)
```

PostgreSQL Client Access

- psql – character mode DB utility
- pg_access – graphical (x-windows) DB utility
- pgadmin –graphical (win 9x/nt) DB utility



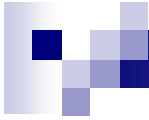
PostgreSQL Programmatic Access

- libpq – ‘c’ library for access to DB
- libpq++ - ‘c++’ library for access to DB
- libpqeasy – higher level/simpler access ‘c’ library (resolves to libpq)
- libpsqlodbc – unix style ODBC driver (resolves to libpq)
- jdbc – java DB driver



Notes on Programmatic Access

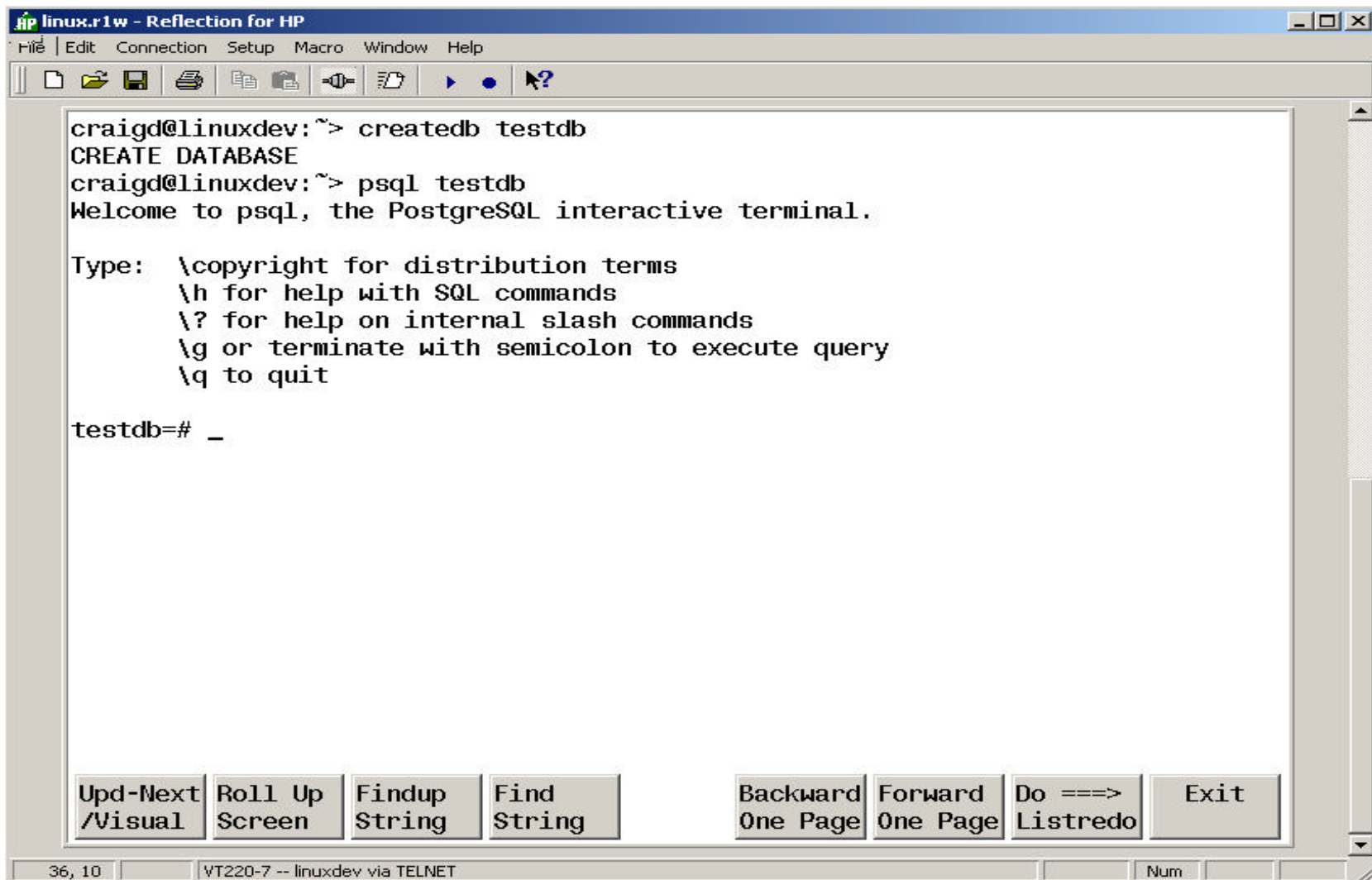
- PostgreSQL doesn't use the prepare/execute model
- You can return the entire result set to the client or you can define a cursor and fetch rows in blocks from the server. Each fetch will return metadata so be careful how much you fetch
- With libpq you don't bind the columns to a memory address (ODBC does this) but you access through libpq functions each column of the row as a null terminated ascii string
- You can use binary cursors which return raw data but you have to know how to decode (be very, very careful...)



PostgreSQL Examples

- Creating a DB
- Sample psql Session
- Sample pgAdmin Session
- Sample Data Import

Create a DB



```
linux.r1w - Reflection for HP
File Edit Connection Setup Macro Window Help
[Icons]
craigd@linuxdev:~> createdb testdb
CREATE DATABASE
craigd@linuxdev:~> psql testdb
Welcome to psql, the PostgreSQL interactive terminal.

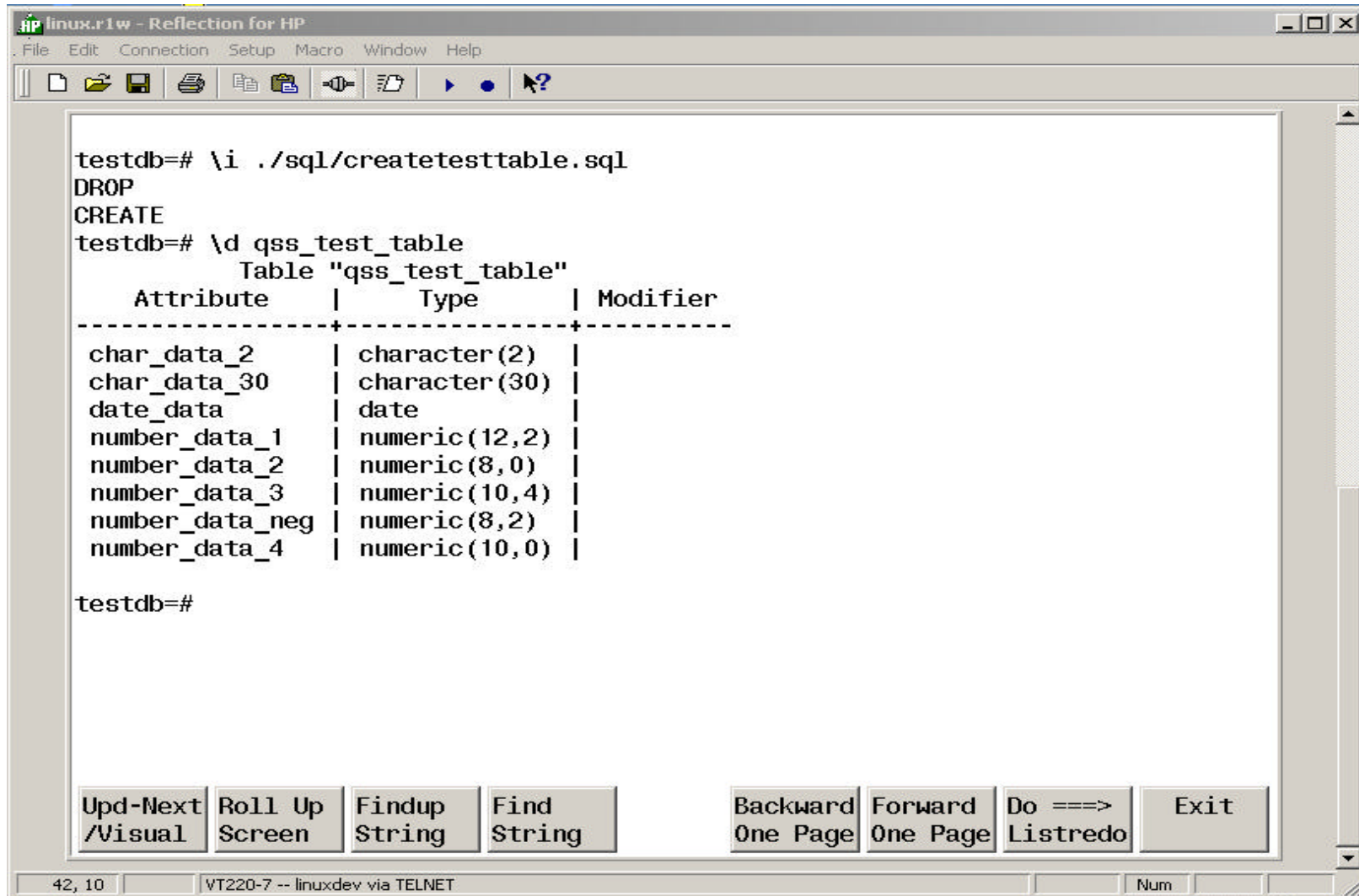
Type: \copyright for distribution terms
      \h for help with SQL commands
      \? for help on internal slash commands
      \g or terminate with semicolon to execute query
      \q to quit

testdb=# _
```

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Define a Sample Table



```
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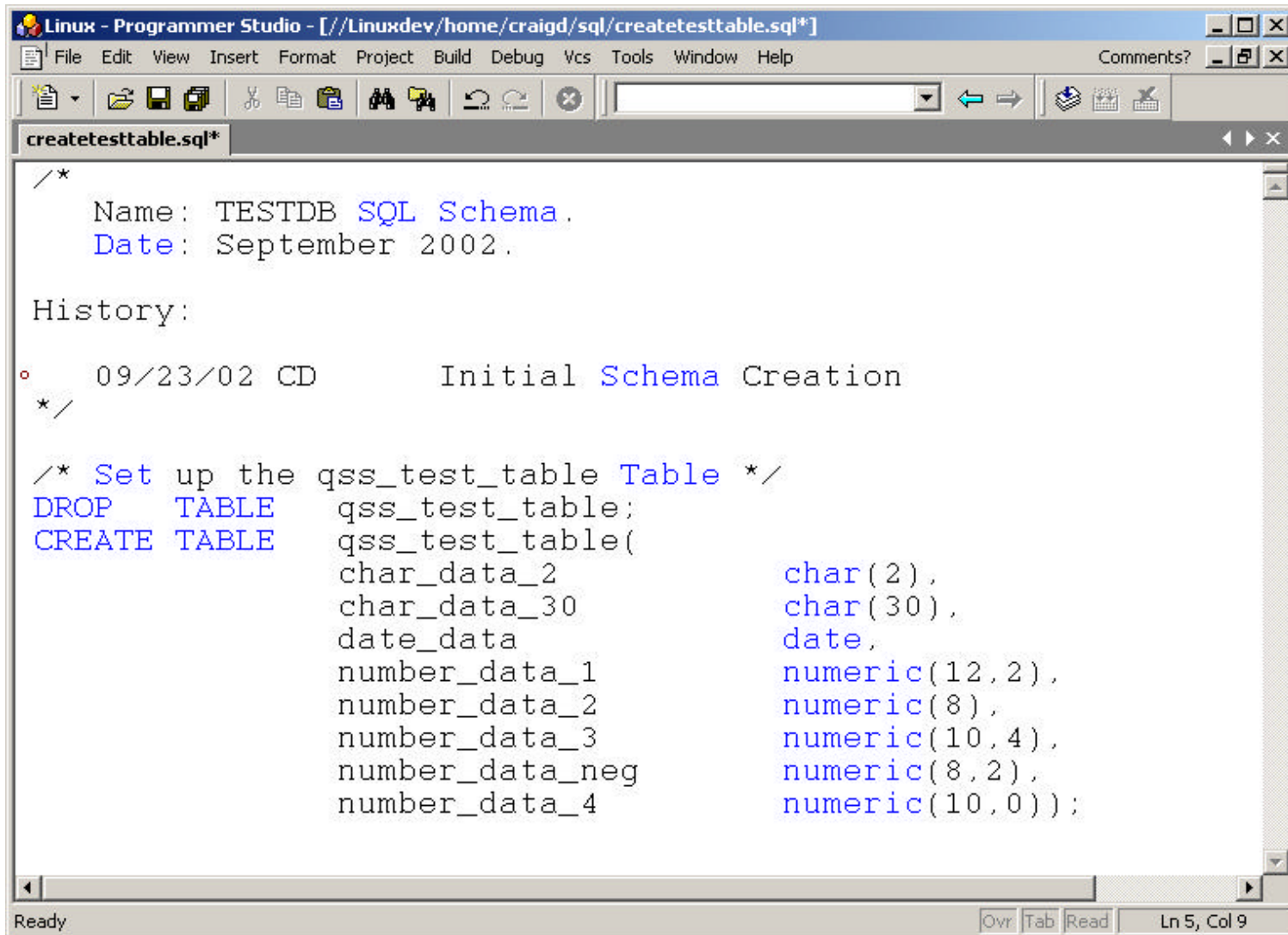
testdb=# \i ./sql/createtesttable.sql
DROP
CREATE
testdb=# \d qss_test_table
      Table "qss_test_table"
  Attribute |      Type      | Modifier
-----+-----+-----
 char_data_2 | character(2)    |
 char_data_30 | character(30)   |
  date_data  | date            |
 number_data_1 | numeric(12,2)   |
 number_data_2 | numeric(8,0)    |
 number_data_3 | numeric(10,4)   |
 number_data_neg | numeric(8,2)    |
 number_data_4 | numeric(10,0)   |

testdb=#
```

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Sample Table Script



The screenshot shows a window titled "Linux - Programmer Studio - [//Linuxdev/home/craigd/sql/createtesttable.sql*]". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Project, Build, Debug, Vcs, Tools, Window, and Help. The toolbar contains icons for file operations and development tools. The active file is "createtesttable.sql*", and the editor displays the following SQL script:

```
/*
    Name: TESTDB SQL Schema.
    Date: September 2002.

History:

o   09/23/02 CD      Initial Schema Creation
*/

/* Set up the qss_test_table Table */
DROP TABLE qss_test_table;
CREATE TABLE qss_test_table(
    char_data_2          char(2),
    char_data_30         char(30),
    date_data            date,
    number_data_1        numeric(12,2),
    number_data_2        numeric(8),
    number_data_3        numeric(10,4),
    number_data_neg      numeric(8,2),
    number_data_4        numeric(10,0));
```

The status bar at the bottom indicates "Ready" and "Ln 5, Col 9".

Load Test Data

```
linux.r1w - Reflection for HP
File Edit Connection Setup Macro Window Help

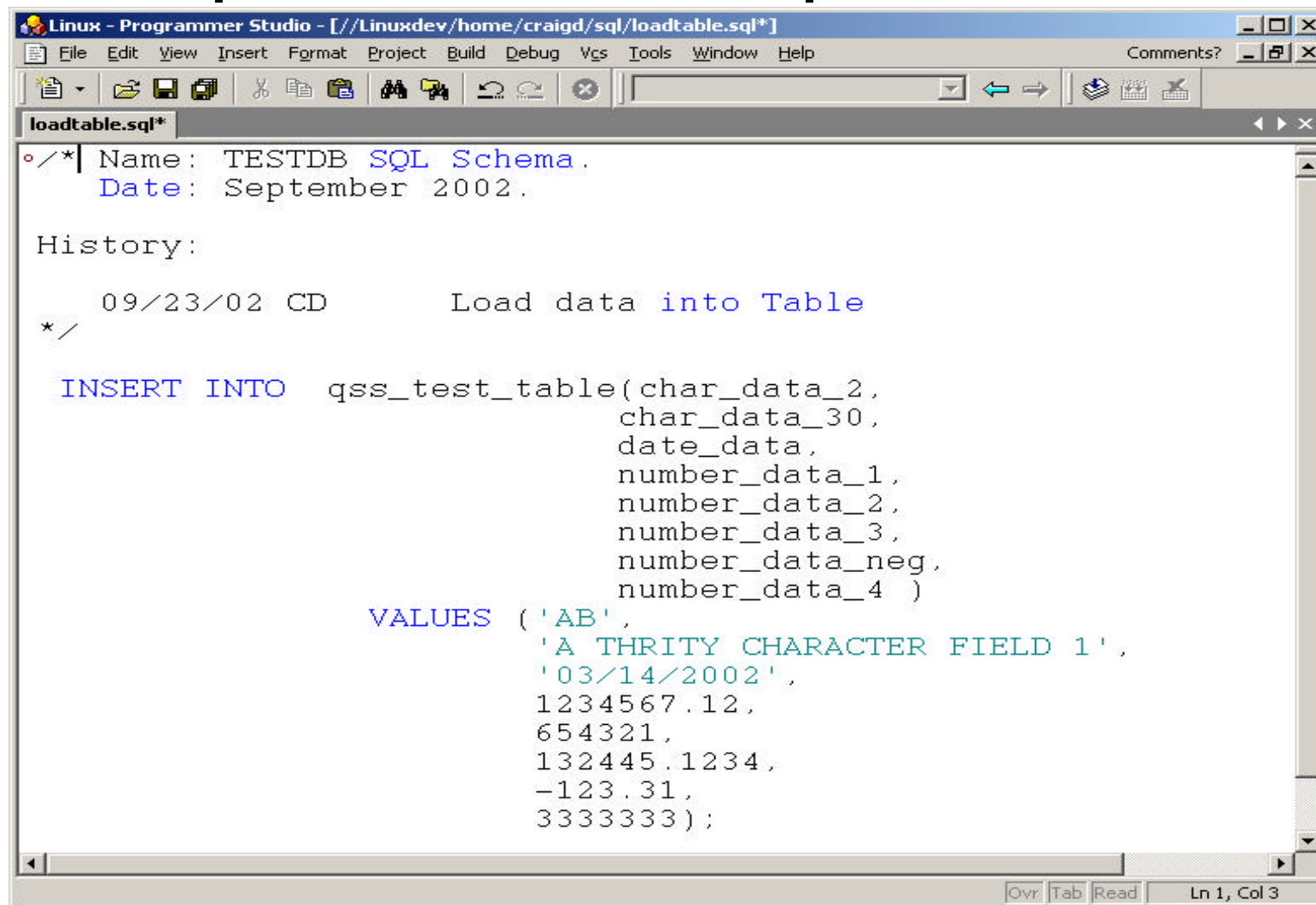
testdb=# \i ./sql/loadtable.sql
INSERT 1392283 1
testdb=# select * from qss_test_table;
 char_data_2 | char_data_30 | date_data | number_data_1 | num
ber_data_2 | number_data_3 | number_data_neg | number_data_4
-----+-----+-----+-----+-----
AB          | A THRITY CHARACTER FIELD 1 | 2002-03-14 | 1234567.12 |
654321 | 132445.1234 | -123.31 | 3333333
(1 row)

testdb=#
```

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Sample Load Script

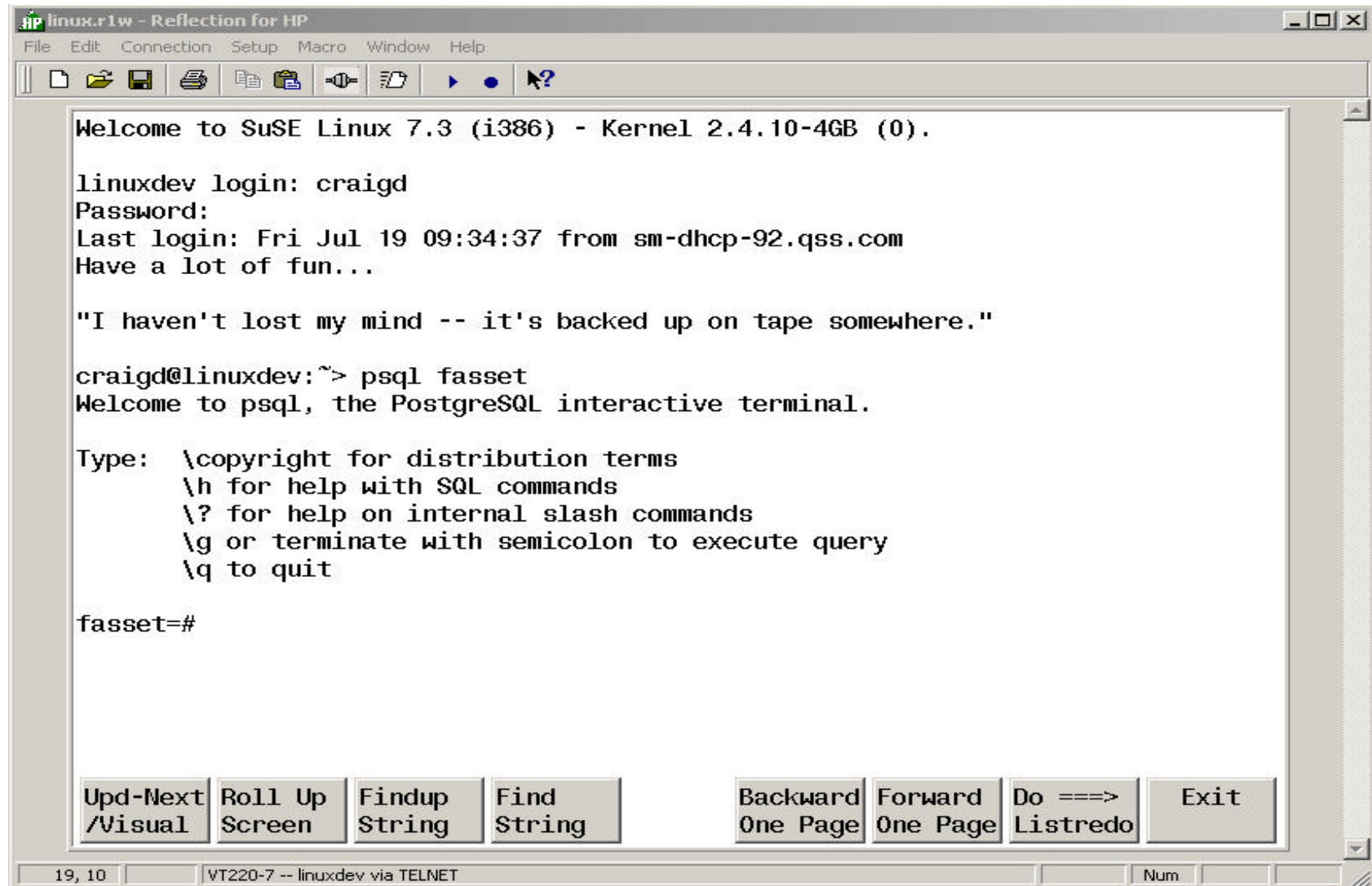


The screenshot shows a window titled "Linux - Programmer Studio - [//Linuxdev/home/craigd/sql/loadtable.sql*]". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Project, Build, Debug, Vcs, Tools, Window, and Help. The toolbar contains icons for file operations and execution. The editor displays a SQL script with a header section, a history comment, and an INSERT statement.

```
o/* Name: TESTDB SQL Schema.  
   Date: September 2002.  
  
History:  
  
   09/23/02 CD      Load data into Table  
*/  
  
INSERT INTO  qss_test_table(char_data_2,  
                             char_data_30,  
                             date_data,  
                             number_data_1,  
                             number_data_2,  
                             number_data_3,  
                             number_data_neg,  
                             number_data_4 )  
VALUES ( 'AB',  
        'A THRITY CHARACTER FIELD 1',  
        '03/14/2002',  
        1234567.12,  
        654321,  
        132445.1234,  
        -123.31,  
        3333333);
```

At the bottom right, there are tabs labeled "Ovr", "Tab", and "Read", and a status bar indicating "Ln 1, Col 3".

Sample psql Session



```
linux.r1w - Reflection for HP
File Edit Connection Setup Macro Window Help

Welcome to SuSE Linux 7.3 (i386) - Kernel 2.4.10-4GB (0).

linuxdev login: craigd
Password:
Last login: Fri Jul 19 09:34:37 from sm-dhcp-92.qss.com
Have a lot of fun...

"I haven't lost my mind -- it's backed up on tape somewhere."

craigd@linuxdev:~> psql fasset
Welcome to psql, the PostgreSQL interactive terminal.

Type: \copyright for distribution terms
      \h for help with SQL commands
      \? for help on internal slash commands
      \g or terminate with semicolon to execute query
      \q to quit

fasset=#
```

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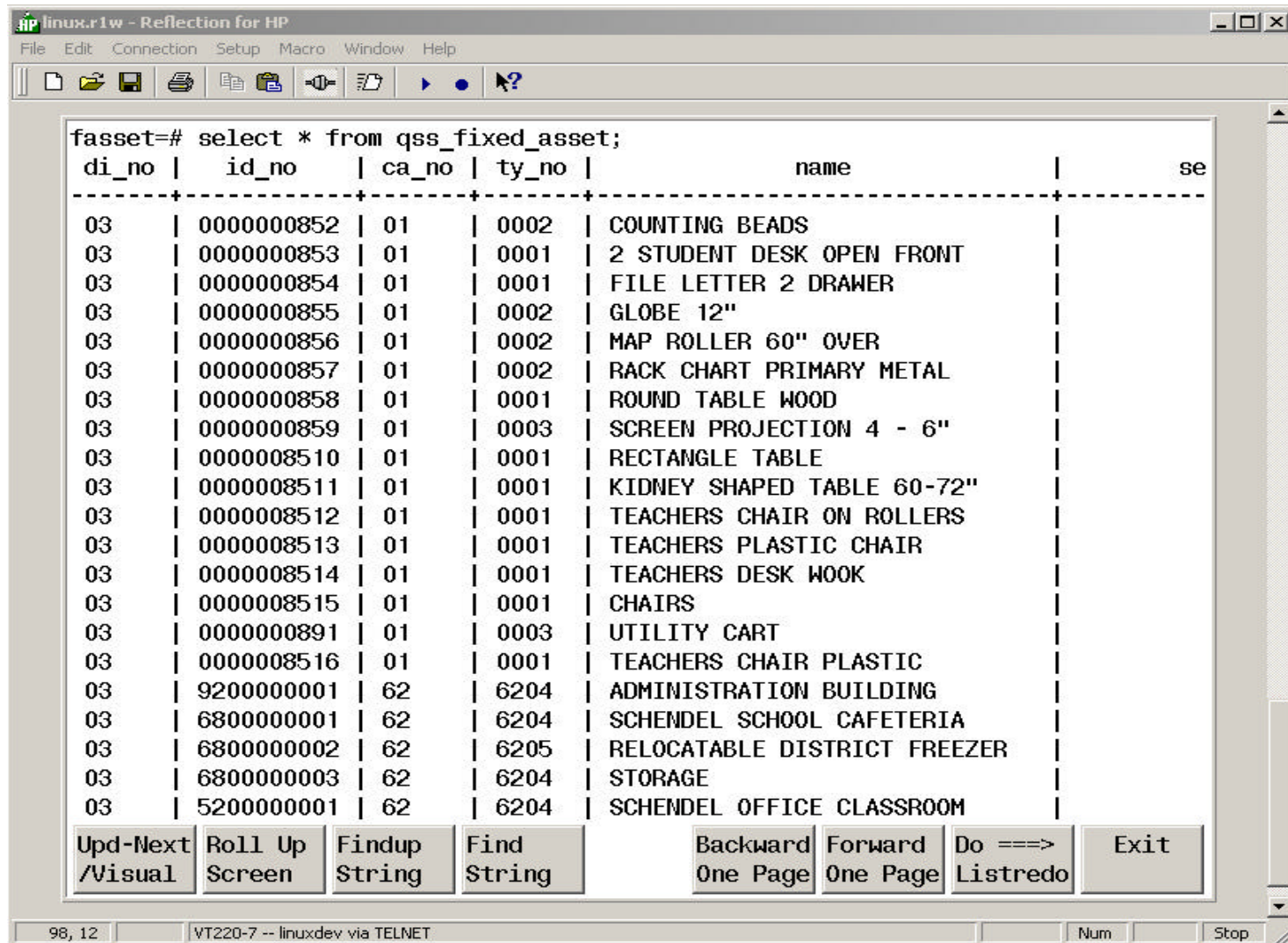
More Sample psql Session

```
fasst-# \d qss_fixed_asset
Table "qss_fixed_asset"
Attribute | Type | Modifier
-----+-----+-----
di_no    | character(2) |
id_no    | character(10) |
ca_no    | character(2) |
ty_no    | character(4) |
name     | character(30) |
serial   | character(20) |
tag      | character(10) |
si_no    | character(4) |
department | character(8) |
bldg     | character(8) |
floor    | character(8) |
room     | character(8) |
loc_descriptor | character(30) |
gl_fund  | character(8) |
gl_subfund | character(8) |
gl_object | character(8) |
project_loc | character(8) |
project_sta | character(8) |
project_fed | character(8) |
unit_cost | numeric(12,2) |
```

Upd-Next Roll Up Findup Find Backward Forward Do ==> Exit
/Visual Screen String String One Page One Page Listredo

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And More psql ...



The screenshot shows a psql terminal window titled "linux.r1w - Reflection for HP". The command prompt is "fasset=#". The query executed is "select * from qss_fixed_asset;". The result is a table with columns: di_no, id_no, ca_no, ty_no, name, and se. The table contains 20 rows of data. At the bottom of the window, there are several buttons for navigation and editing: Upd-Next / Visual, Roll Up Screen, Findup String, Find String, Backward One Page, Forward One Page, Do ==> Listredo, and Exit. The status bar at the bottom shows "98, 12" and "VT220-7 -- linuxdev via TELNET".

```
fasset=# select * from qss_fixed_asset;
```

di_no	id_no	ca_no	ty_no	name	se
03	0000000852	01	0002	COUNTING BEADS	
03	0000000853	01	0001	2 STUDENT DESK OPEN FRONT	
03	0000000854	01	0001	FILE LETTER 2 DRAWER	
03	0000000855	01	0002	GLOBE 12"	
03	0000000856	01	0002	MAP ROLLER 60" OVER	
03	0000000857	01	0002	RACK CHART PRIMARY METAL	
03	0000000858	01	0001	ROUND TABLE WOOD	
03	0000000859	01	0003	SCREEN PROJECTION 4 - 6"	
03	00000008510	01	0001	RECTANGLE TABLE	
03	00000008511	01	0001	KIDNEY SHAPED TABLE 60-72"	
03	00000008512	01	0001	TEACHERS CHAIR ON ROLLERS	
03	00000008513	01	0001	TEACHERS PLASTIC CHAIR	
03	00000008514	01	0001	TEACHERS DESK WOOD	
03	00000008515	01	0001	CHAIRS	
03	0000000891	01	0003	UTILITY CART	
03	00000008516	01	0001	TEACHERS CHAIR PLASTIC	
03	9200000001	62	6204	ADMINISTRATION BUILDING	
03	6800000001	62	6204	SCHENDEL SCHOOL CAFETERIA	
03	6800000002	62	6205	RELOCATABLE DISTRICT FREEZER	
03	6800000003	62	6204	STORAGE	
03	5200000001	62	6204	SCHENDEL OFFICE CLASSROOM	

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Sample pgAdmin Session

The screenshot displays the pgAdmin II application window. The left-hand tree view shows the 'linuxdev' server with a 'Databases (4)' folder expanded, listing 'duane', 'fasset', 'qords', and 'template0'. The 'fasset' database is selected. The central pane shows the 'Properties' tab for the selected database, listing various attributes and their values. The bottom pane shows the 'Definition' tab with the SQL command used to create the database. The status bar at the bottom indicates the current operation: 'Examining database... Done.'.

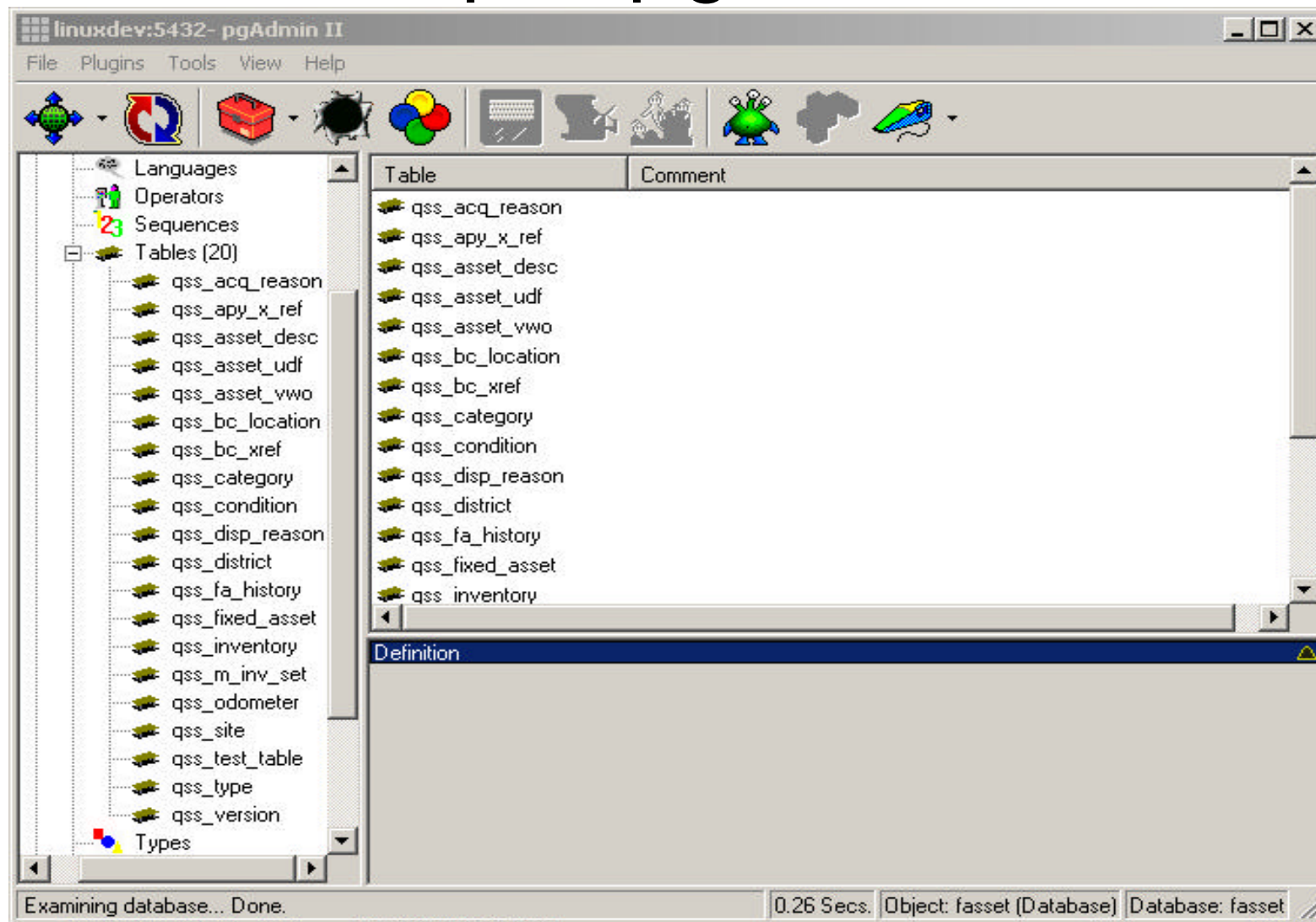
Property	Value
Name	fasset
OID	582587
Owner	craigd
Path	
Encoding	SQL_ASCII
Accessible?	Yes
Revision Control?	No
System Database?	No
Comment	

Definition

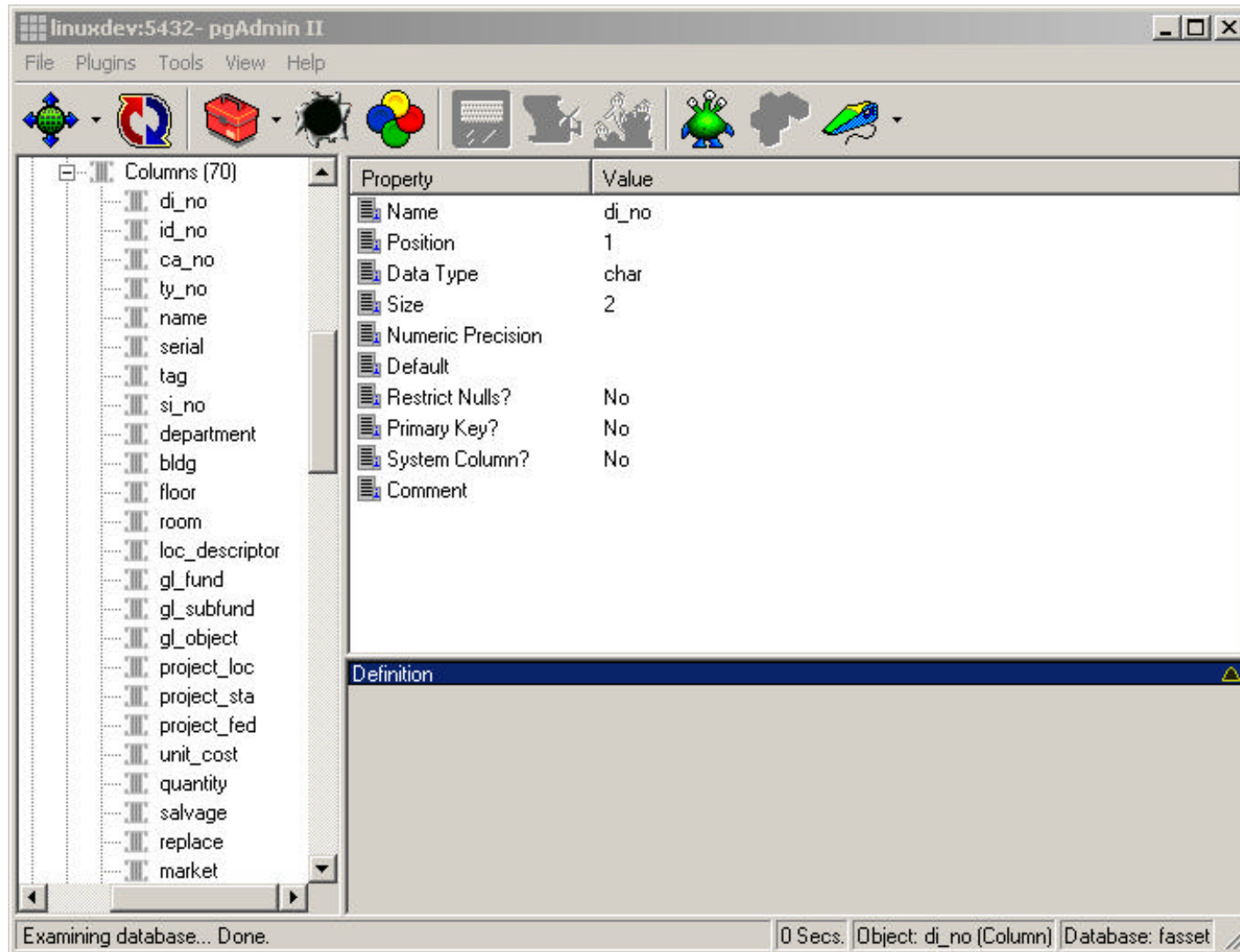
```
-- Database: fasset  
CREATE DATABASE "fasset" WITH ENCODING = 'SQL_ASCII';
```

Examining database... Done. 0.01 Secs. Object: fasset (Database) Database: fasset

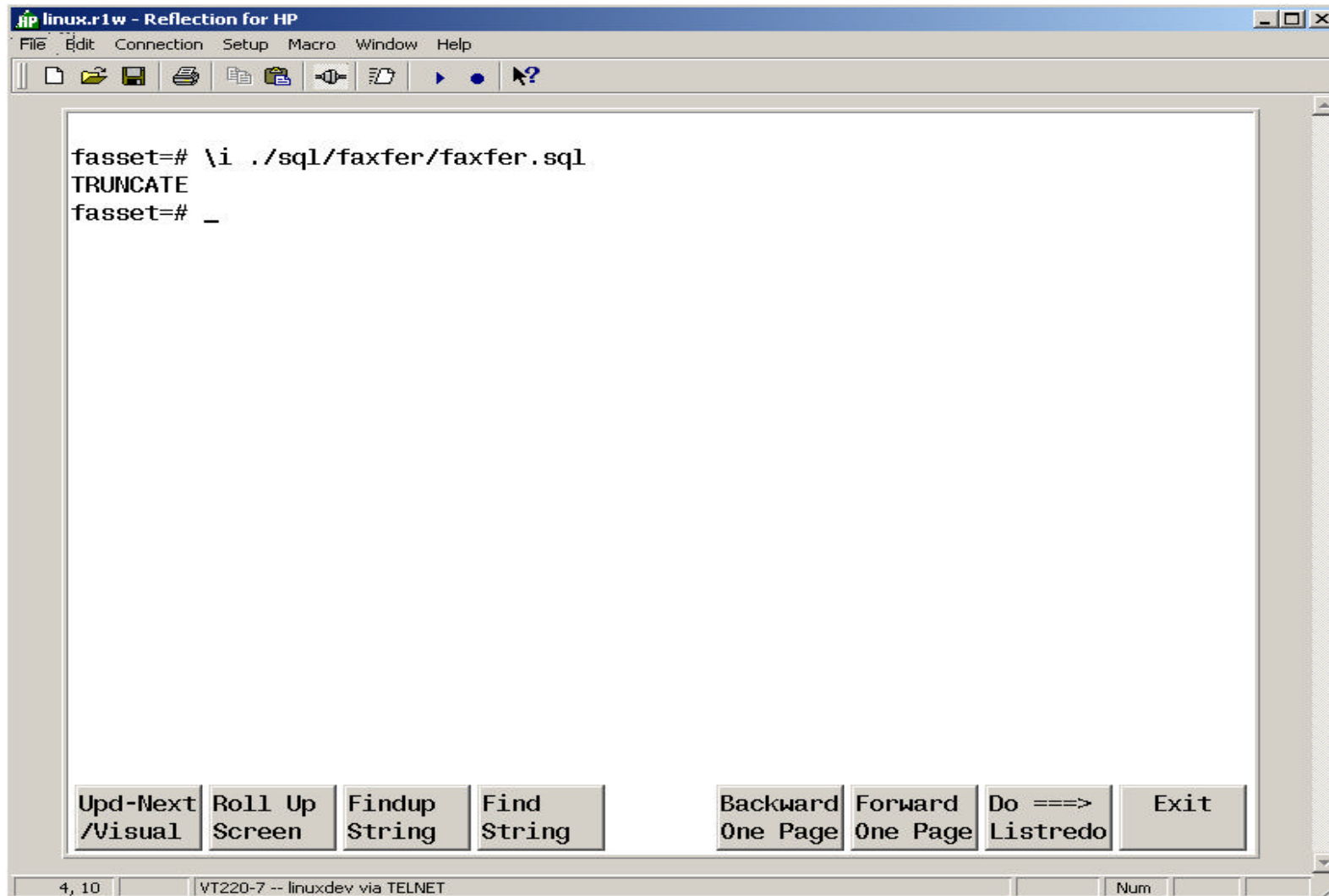
More Sample pgAdmin



And More pgAdmin



Sample Data Import



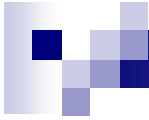
The screenshot shows a window titled "linux.r1w - Reflection for HP". The window has a menu bar with "File", "Edit", "Connection", "Setup", "Macro", "Window", and "Help". Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for file operations and navigation. The main text area contains the following text:

```
fasset=# \i ./sql/faxfer/faxfer.sql
TRUNCATE
fasset=# _
```

At the bottom of the window, there is a row of buttons: "Upd-Next /Visual", "Roll Up Screen", "Findup String", "Find String", "Backward One Page", "Forward One Page", "Do ==> Listredo", and "Exit". The status bar at the very bottom shows "4, 10" and "VT220-7 -- linuxdev via TELNET".

Data Import Script

```
TRUNCATE TABLE qss_fixed_asset;
COPY qss_fixed_asset FROM stdin USING DELIMITERS '~';
03~0000000851~01~0001~CHAIRS ~ ~ ~000000085
03~0000000852~01~0002~COUNTING BEADS ~ ~ ~000000085
03~0000000853~01~0001~2 STUDENT DESK OPEN FRONT ~ ~ ~000000085
03~0000000854~01~0001~FILE LETTER 2 DRAWER ~ ~ ~000000085
03~0000000855~01~0002~GLOBE 12" ~ ~ ~000000085
03~0000000856~01~0002~MAP ROLLER 60" OVER ~ ~ ~000000085
03~0000000857~01~0002~RACK CHART PRIMARY METAL ~ ~ ~000000085
03~0000000858~01~0001~ROUND TABLE WOOD ~ ~ ~000000085
03~0000000859~01~0003~SCREEN PROJECTION 4 - 6" ~ ~ ~000000085
03~00000008510~01~0001~RECTANGLE TABLE ~ ~ ~0000000851
03~00000008511~01~0001~KIDNEY SHAPED TABLE 60-72" ~ ~ ~0000000851
03~00000008512~01~0001~TEACHERS CHAIR ON ROLLERS ~ ~ ~0000000851
03~00000008513~01~0001~TEACHERS PLASTIC CHAIR ~ ~ ~0000000851
03~00000008514~01~0001~TEACHERS DESK WOOK ~ ~ ~0000000851
03~00000008515~01~0001~CHAIRS ~ ~ ~0000000851
03~0000000891~01~0003~UTILITY CART ~ ~ ~000000089
03~00000008516~01~0001~TEACHERS CHAIR PLASTIC ~ ~ ~0000000851
03~9200000001~62~6204~ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ~ ~ ~920000000
03~6800000001~62~6204~SCHENDEL SCHOOL CAFETERIA ~ ~ ~680000000
03~6800000002~62~6205~RELOCATABLE DISTRICT FREEZER ~ ~ ~680000000
03~6800000003~62~6204~STORAGE ~ ~ ~680000000
03~5200000001~62~6204~SCHENDEL OFFICE CLASSROOM ~ ~ ~520000000
03~6200000001~62~6204~5 CLASSROOMS ~ ~ ~620000000
03~5200000002~62~6204~CLASSROOMS ~ ~ ~520000000
```

Pilot Migration Project

- Asset Database
- Detail Set (FIXED-ASSET) with 70 fields
- 2-character path (DI-NO) and a 12-char path (ASSET-ID)
- Test programs to mirror find/get of large sets of records

TurboImage Set Definition

hp3k.r1w - Reflection for HP

File Edit Connection Setup Macro Window Help

FIXED-ASSET,DETAIL

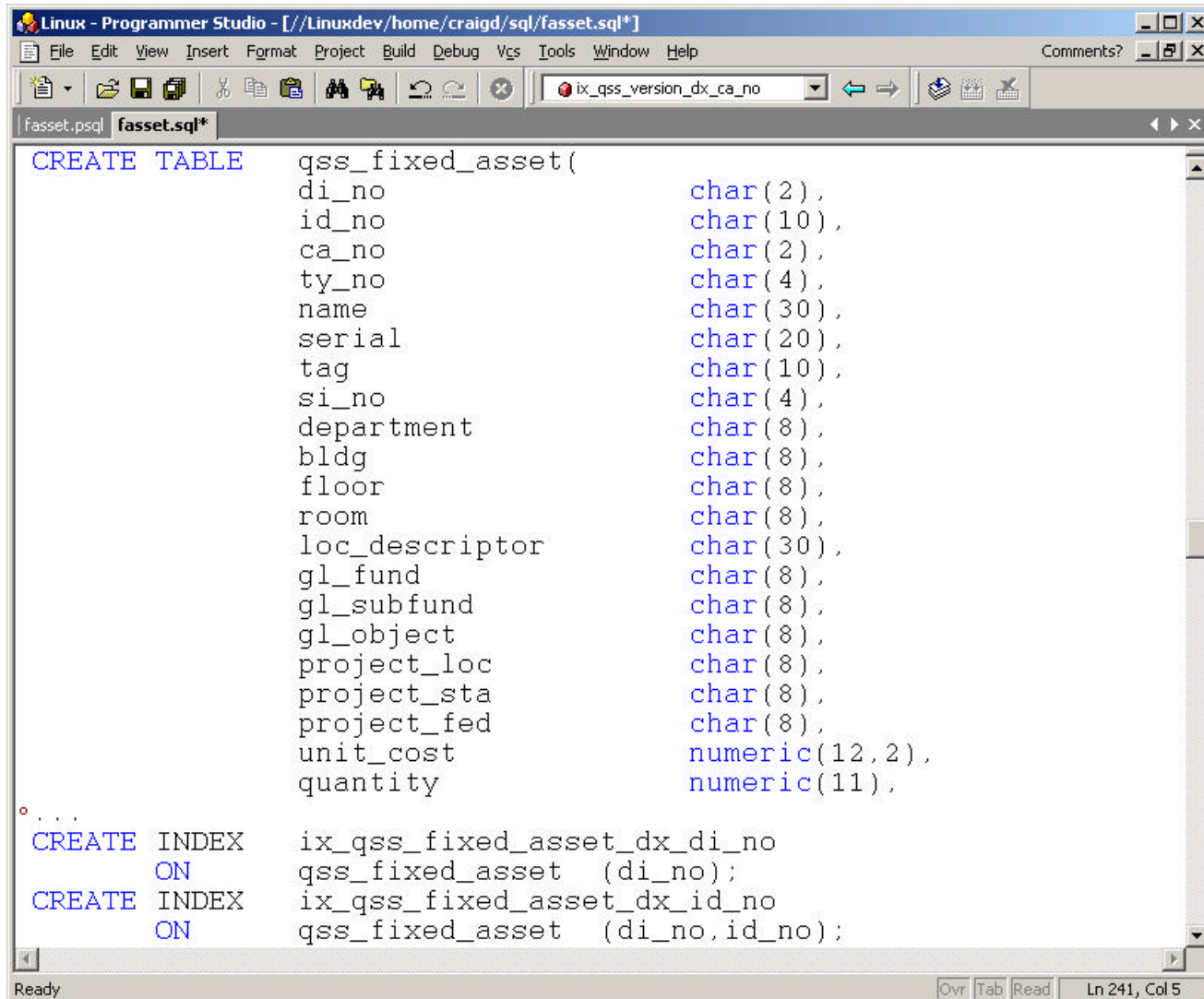
ITEMS:

KEY,	X12	<<SEARCH ITEM>>
DI-NO,	Z2	<<SEARCH ITEM>>
CA-NO,	Z2	
TY-NO,	Z4	
NAME,	X30	
SERIAL,	X20	
TAG,	X10	
SI-NO,	Z4	
DEPARTMENT,	X8	
BLDG,	X8	
FLOOR,	X8	
ROOM,	X8	
LOC-DESCRIPTOR,	X30	
GL-FUND,	X8	
GL-SUBFUND,	X8	
GL-OBJECT,	X8	
PROJECT-LOC,	X8	
PROJECT-STA,	X8	
PROJECT-FED,	X8	
UNIT-COST,	P12	
QUANTITY,	P12	
SALVAGE,	P12	

Upd-Next /Visual Roll Up Screen Findup String Find String Backward One Page Forward One Page Do ==> Listredo Exit

Create, open, and save settings, start new sessions, transfer files, print, log, and quit Reflection

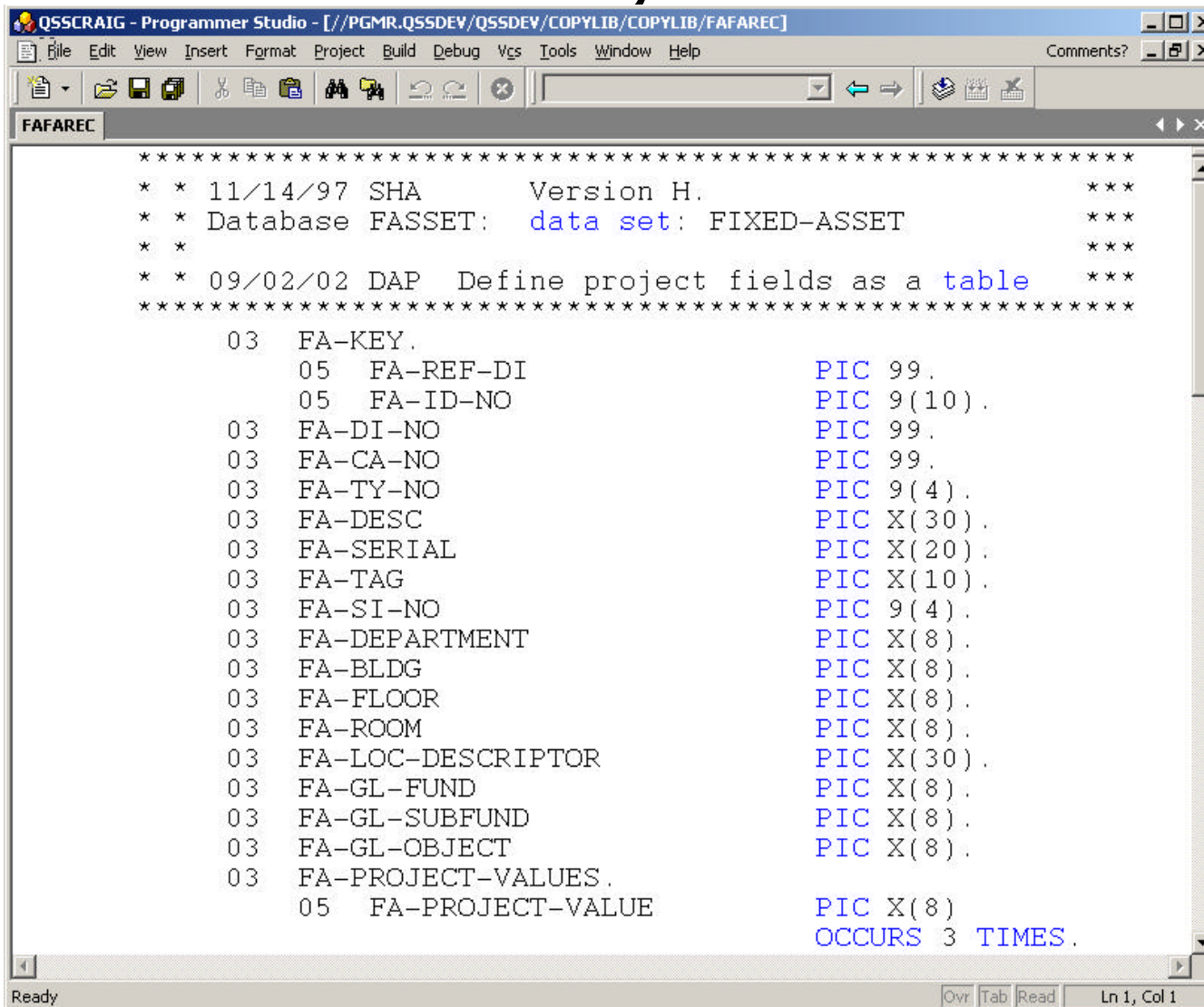
PostgreSQL Table Definition



The screenshot shows a window titled "Linux - Programmer Studio - [//Linuxdev/home/craigd/sql/fasset.sql*]". The window contains a text editor with a PostgreSQL table definition script. The script defines a table named "qss_fixed_asset" with various columns and their data types. It also includes two index definitions: "ix_qss_fixed_asset_dx_di_no" and "ix_qss_fixed_asset_dx_id_no". The status bar at the bottom indicates "Ready" and "Ln 241, Col 5".

```
CREATE TABLE qss_fixed_asset(  
    di_no char(2),  
    id_no char(10),  
    ca_no char(2),  
    ty_no char(4),  
    name char(30),  
    serial char(20),  
    tag char(10),  
    si_no char(4),  
    department char(8),  
    bldg char(8),  
    floor char(8),  
    room char(8),  
    loc_descriptor char(30),  
    gl_fund char(8),  
    gl_subfund char(8),  
    gl_object char(8),  
    project_loc char(8),  
    project_sta char(8),  
    project_fed char(8),  
    unit_cost numeric(12,2),  
    quantity numeric(11),  
    ...  
CREATE INDEX ix_qss_fixed_asset_dx_di_no  
ON qss_fixed_asset (di_no);  
CREATE INDEX ix_qss_fixed_asset_dx_id_no  
ON qss_fixed_asset (di_no,id_no);
```


TI Record Layout

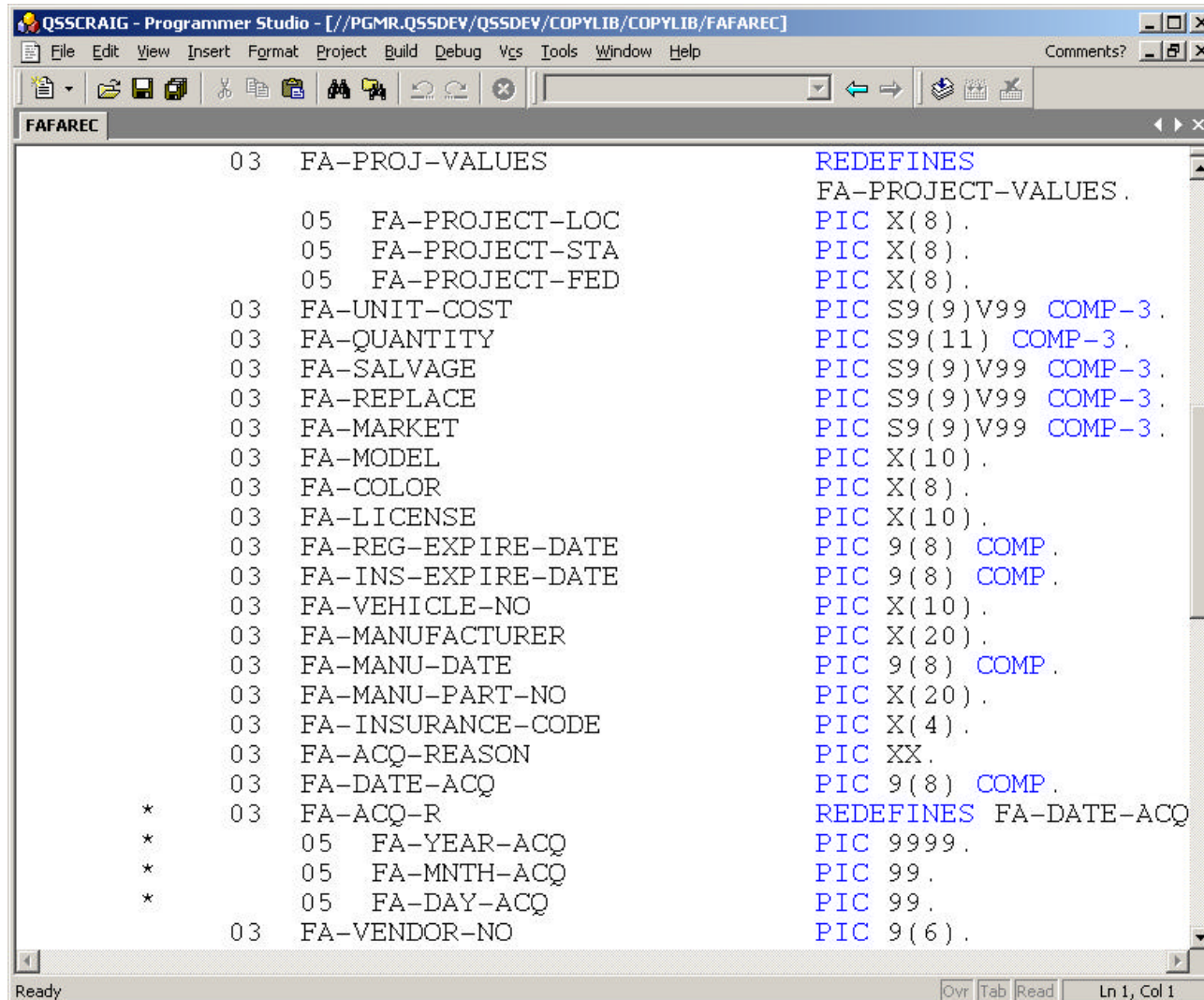


The screenshot shows a window titled "QSSCRAIG - Programmer Studio - [//PGMR.QSSDEV/QSSDEV/COPYLIB/COPYLIB/FAFAREC]". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Project, Build, Debug, Vcs, Tools, Window, and Help. The toolbar contains icons for file operations and development tools. The main text area displays the following record layout for FAFAREC:

```
*****  
* * 11/14/97 SHA      Version H.          ***  
* * Database FASSET:  data set: FIXED-ASSET ***  
* * 09/02/02 DAP  Define project fields as a table ***  
*****  
03  FA-KEY.  
    05  FA-REF-DI          PIC 99.  
    05  FA-ID-NO          PIC 9(10).  
03  FA-DI-NO             PIC 99.  
03  FA-CA-NO             PIC 99.  
03  FA-TY-NO             PIC 9(4).  
03  FA-DESC              PIC X(30).  
03  FA-SERIAL            PIC X(20).  
03  FA-TAG               PIC X(10).  
03  FA-SI-NO             PIC 9(4).  
03  FA-DEPARTMENT        PIC X(8).  
03  FA-BLDG              PIC X(8).  
03  FA-FLOOR             PIC X(8).  
03  FA-ROOM              PIC X(8).  
03  FA-LOC-DESCRIPTOR    PIC X(30).  
03  FA-GL-FUND           PIC X(8).  
03  FA-GL-SUBFUND        PIC X(8).  
03  FA-GL-OBJECT         PIC X(8).  
03  FA-PROJECT-VALUES.  
    05  FA-PROJECT-VALUE  PIC X(8)  
                           OCCURS 3 TIMES.
```

The status bar at the bottom shows "Ready" on the left and "Ovr Tab Read Ln 1, Col 1" on the right.

TI Record Layout cont.



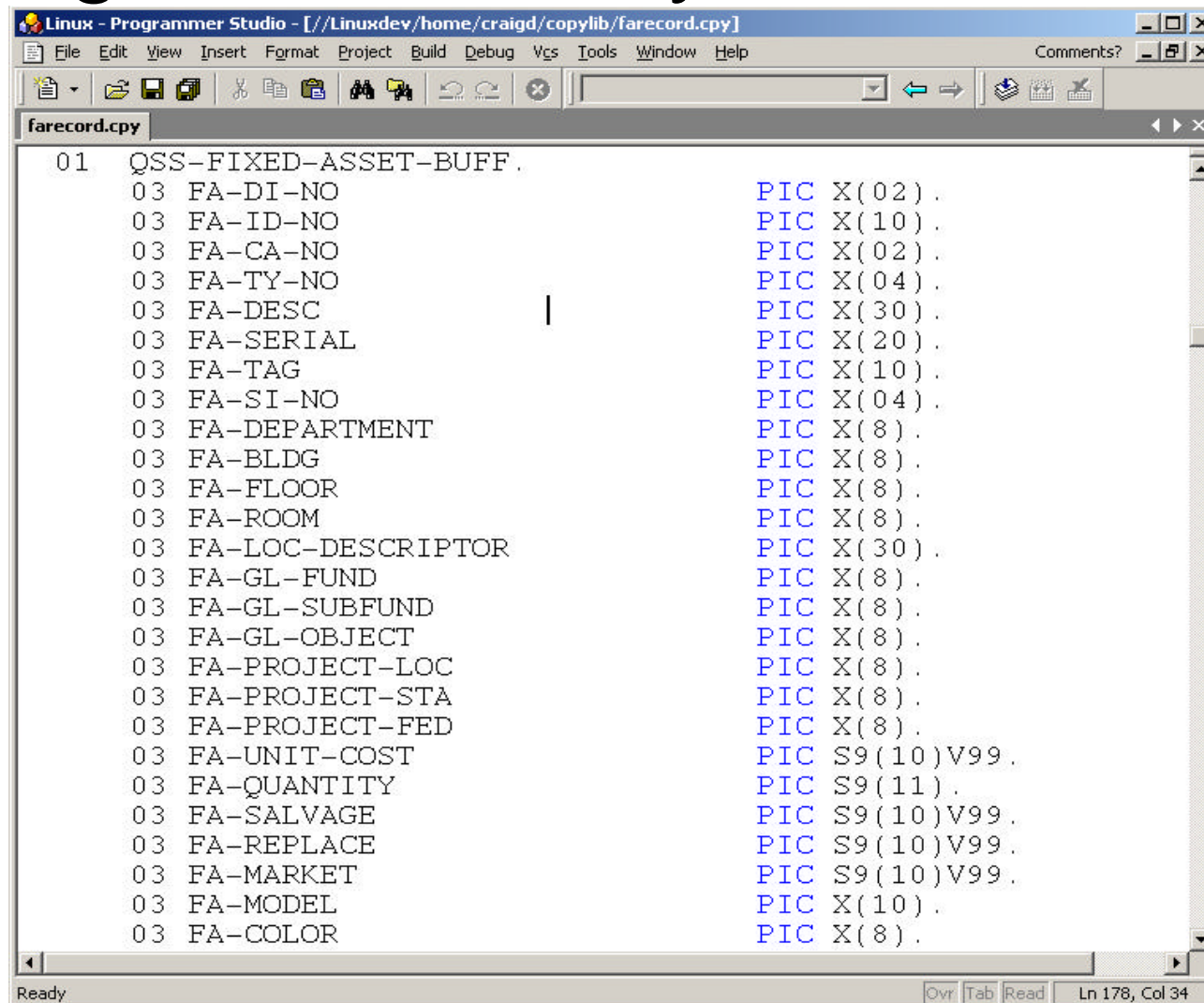
```
QSSCRAIG - Programmer Studio - [//PGMR.QSSDEV/QSSDEV/COPYLIB/COPYLIB/FAFAREC]
File Edit View Insert Format Project Build Debug Vcs Tools Window Help
Comments?

FAFAREC

03  FA-PROJ-VALUES                                REDEFINES
                                                FA-PROJECT-VALUES .
05  FA-PROJECT-LOC                                PIC X(8) .
05  FA-PROJECT-STA                                PIC X(8) .
05  FA-PROJECT-FED                                PIC X(8) .
03  FA-UNIT-COST                                  PIC S9(9)V99 COMP-3 .
03  FA-QUANTITY                                  PIC S9(11) COMP-3 .
03  FA-SALVAGE                                    PIC S9(9)V99 COMP-3 .
03  FA-REPLACE                                    PIC S9(9)V99 COMP-3 .
03  FA-MARKET                                     PIC S9(9)V99 COMP-3 .
03  FA-MODEL                                     PIC X(10) .
03  FA-COLOR                                     PIC X(8) .
03  FA-LICENSE                                    PIC X(10) .
03  FA-REG-EXPIRE-DATE                           PIC 9(8) COMP .
03  FA-INS-EXPIRE-DATE                           PIC 9(8) COMP .
03  FA-VEHICLE-NO                                PIC X(10) .
03  FA-MANUFACTURER                              PIC X(20) .
03  FA-MANU-DATE                                 PIC 9(8) COMP .
03  FA-MANU-PART-NO                              PIC X(20) .
03  FA-INSURANCE-CODE                            PIC X(4) .
03  FA-ACQ-REASON                                PIC XX .
03  FA-DATE-ACQ                                  PIC 9(8) COMP .
* 03  FA-ACQ-R                                    REDEFINES FA-DATE-ACQ
*    05  FA-YEAR-ACQ                              PIC 9999 .
*    05  FA-MNTH-ACQ                             PIC 99 .
*    05  FA-DAY-ACQ                              PIC 99 .
03  FA-VENDOR-NO                                PIC 9(6) .

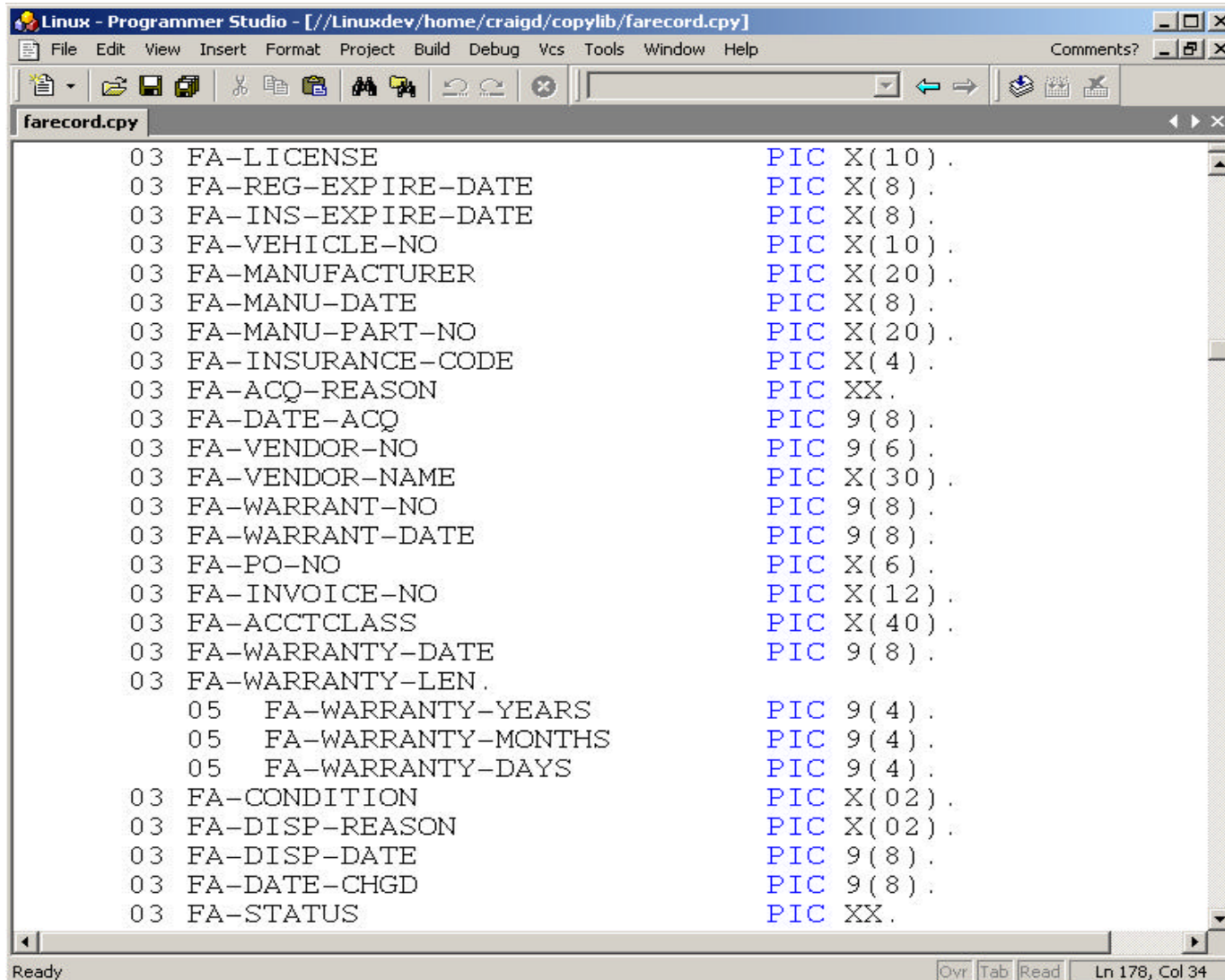
Ready Ovr Tab Read Ln 1, Col 1
```


Pg Record Layout



```
01 QSS-FIXED-ASSET-BUFF.  
   03 FA-DI-NO                PIC X(02).  
   03 FA-ID-NO                PIC X(10).  
   03 FA-CA-NO                PIC X(02).  
   03 FA-TY-NO                PIC X(04).  
   03 FA-DESC                PIC X(30).  
   03 FA-SERIAL              PIC X(20).  
   03 FA-TAG                 PIC X(10).  
   03 FA-SI-NO               PIC X(04).  
   03 FA-DEPARTMENT          PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-BLDG                PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-FLOOR               PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-ROOM                PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-LOC-DESCRIPTOR       PIC X(30).  
   03 FA-GL-FUND              PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-GL-SUBFUND           PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-GL-OBJECT            PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-PROJECT-LOC          PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-PROJECT-STA          PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-PROJECT-FED          PIC X(8).  
   03 FA-UNIT-COST            PIC S9(10)V99.  
   03 FA-QUANTITY             PIC S9(11).  
   03 FA-SALVAGE              PIC S9(10)V99.  
   03 FA-REPLACE              PIC S9(10)V99.  
   03 FA-MARKET               PIC S9(10)V99.  
   03 FA-MODEL                PIC X(10).  
   03 FA-COLOR                PIC X(8).
```

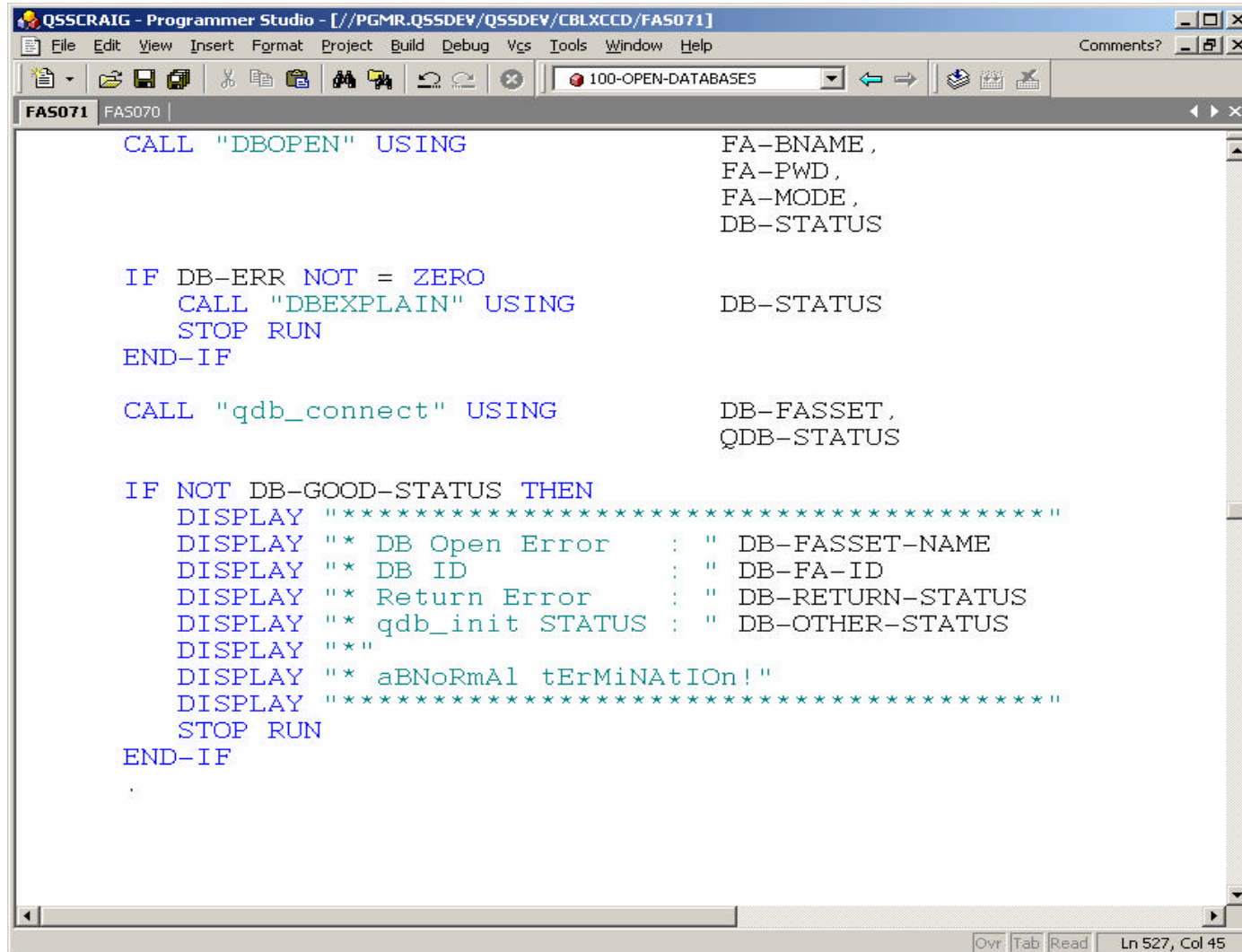

Pg Record Layout cont.



```
03 FA-LICENSE PIC X(10) .
03 FA-REG-EXPIRE-DATE PIC X(8) .
03 FA-INS-EXPIRE-DATE PIC X(8) .
03 FA-VEHICLE-NO PIC X(10) .
03 FA-MANUFACTURER PIC X(20) .
03 FA-MANU-DATE PIC X(8) .
03 FA-MANU-PART-NO PIC X(20) .
03 FA-INSURANCE-CODE PIC X(4) .
03 FA-ACQ-REASON PIC XX .
03 FA-DATE-ACQ PIC 9(8) .
03 FA-VENDOR-NO PIC 9(6) .
03 FA-VENDOR-NAME PIC X(30) .
03 FA-WARRANT-NO PIC 9(8) .
03 FA-WARRANT-DATE PIC 9(8) .
03 FA-PO-NO PIC X(6) .
03 FA-INVOICE-NO PIC X(12) .
03 FA-ACCTCLASS PIC X(40) .
03 FA-WARRANTY-DATE PIC 9(8) .
03 FA-WARRANTY-LEN .
    05 FA-WARRANTY-YEARS PIC 9(4) .
    05 FA-WARRANTY-MONTHS PIC 9(4) .
    05 FA-WARRANTY-DAYS PIC 9(4) .
03 FA-CONDITION PIC X(02) .
03 FA-DISP-REASON PIC X(02) .
03 FA-DISP-DATE PIC 9(8) .
03 FA-DATE-CHGD PIC 9(8) .
03 FA-STATUS PIC XX .
```

Ready Ovr Tab Read Ln 178, Col 34

Sample Code (1 of 3)



The screenshot shows a window titled "QSSCRAIG - Programmer Studio - [//PGMR.QSSDEV/QSSDEV/CBLXCCD/FAS071]". The window has a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Project, Build, Debug, Vcs, Tools, Window, Help) and a toolbar. Below the toolbar is a status bar showing "100-OPEN-DATABASES". The main editor area displays the following code:

```
CALL "DBOPEN" USING          FA-BNAME ,
                             FA-PWD ,
                             FA-MODE ,
                             DB-STATUS

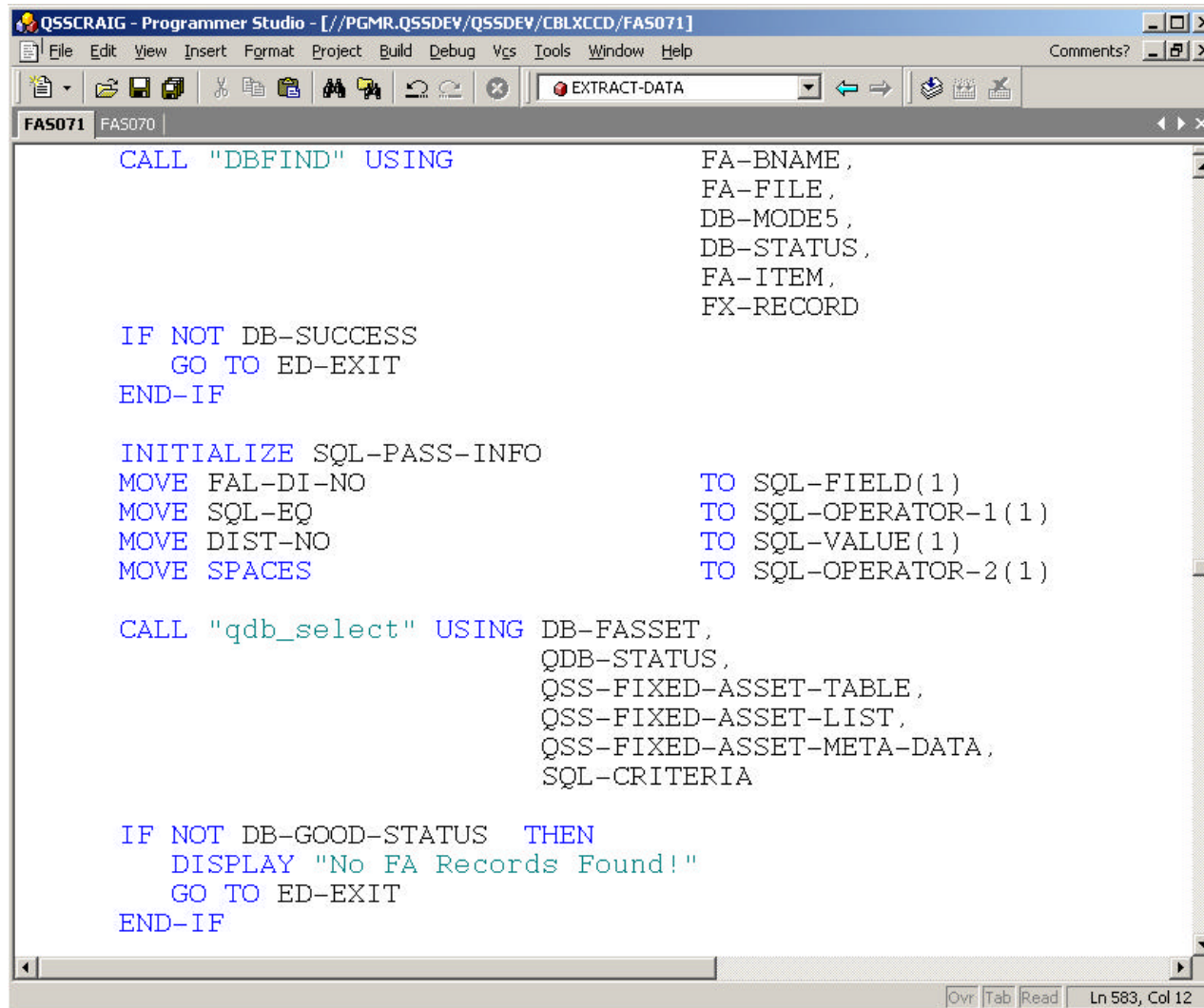
IF DB-ERR NOT = ZERO
    CALL "DBEXPLAIN" USING    DB-STATUS
    STOP RUN
END-IF

CALL "qdb_connect" USING      DB-FASSET ,
                             QDB-STATUS

IF NOT DB-GOOD-STATUS THEN
    DISPLAY "*****"
    DISPLAY "* DB Open Error      : " DB-FASSET-NAME
    DISPLAY "* DB ID              : " DB-FA-ID
    DISPLAY "* Return Error      : " DB-RETURN-STATUS
    DISPLAY "* qdb_init STATUS : " DB-OTHER-STATUS
    DISPLAY "*"
    DISPLAY "* aBNoRmAl tErMiNAtIoN!"
    DISPLAY "*****"
    STOP RUN
END-IF
```

The status bar at the bottom right indicates "Ln 527, Col 45".

Sample Code (2 of 3)



The screenshot shows a code editor window titled "QSSCRAIG - Programmer Studio - [//PGMR.QSSDEV/QSSDEV/CBLXCCD/FA5071]". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Project, Build, Debug, Vcs, Tools, Window, and Help. The toolbar contains icons for file operations and execution. The active window is "FA5071" with a tab labeled "FA5070". The code is written in a COBOL-like syntax with blue and green keywords. It includes a call to "DBFIND", conditional logic for success/failure, initialization of SQL fields, a call to "qdb_select", and a final conditional display of a message if the status is not good.

```
CALL "DBFIND" USING
    FA-BNAME ,
    FA-FILE ,
    DB-MODE5 ,
    DB-STATUS ,
    FA-ITEM ,
    FX-RECORD

IF NOT DB-SUCCESS
    GO TO ED-EXIT
END-IF

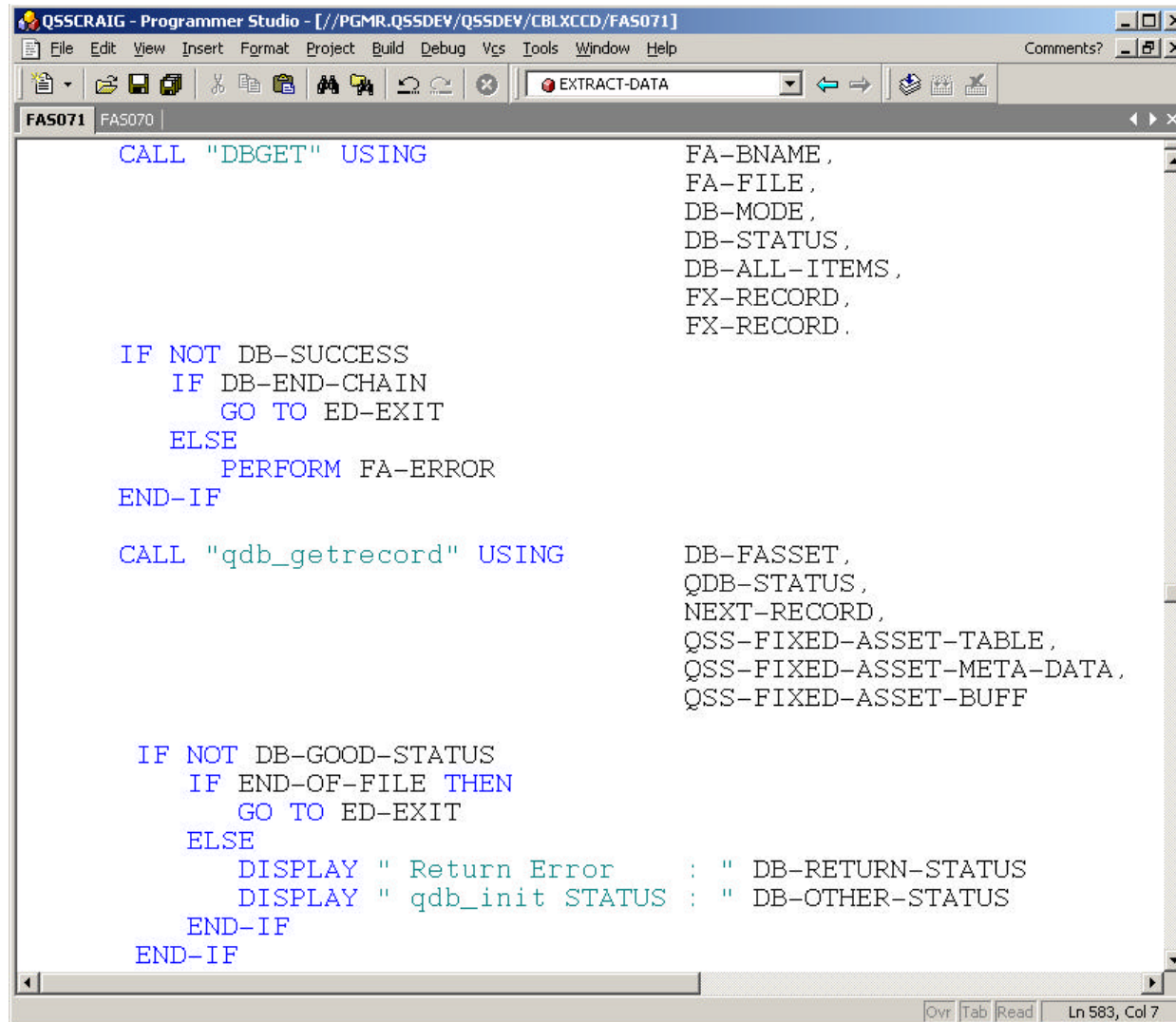
INITIALIZE SQL-PASS-INFO
MOVE FAL-DI-NO          TO SQL-FIELD(1)
MOVE SQL-EQ             TO SQL-OPERATOR-1(1)
MOVE DIST-NO           TO SQL-VALUE(1)
MOVE SPACES             TO SQL-OPERATOR-2(1)

CALL "qdb_select" USING DB-FASSET ,
    QDB-STATUS ,
    QSS-FIXED-ASSET-TABLE ,
    QSS-FIXED-ASSET-LIST ,
    QSS-FIXED-ASSET-META-DATA ,
    SQL-CRITERIA

IF NOT DB-GOOD-STATUS THEN
    DISPLAY "No FA Records Found!"
    GO TO ED-EXIT
END-IF
```

Ln 583, Col 12

Sample Code (3 of 3)



The screenshot shows a window titled "QSSCRAIG - Programmer Studio - [//PGMR.QSSDEV/QSSDEV/CBLXCCD/FA5071]". The window has a menu bar with "File", "Edit", "View", "Insert", "Format", "Project", "Build", "Debug", "Vcs", "Tools", "Window", and "Help". Below the menu bar is a toolbar with various icons. A dropdown menu is open, showing "EXTRACT-DATA". The main editor area displays the following code:

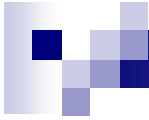
```
FA5071 FA5070  
  
CALL "DBGET" USING  
    FA-BNAME ,  
    FA-FILE ,  
    DB-MODE ,  
    DB-STATUS ,  
    DB-ALL-ITEMS ,  
    FX-RECORD ,  
    FX-RECORD .  
  
IF NOT DB-SUCCESS  
    IF DB-END-CHAIN  
        GO TO ED-EXIT  
    ELSE  
        PERFORM FA-ERROR  
    END-IF  
  
CALL "qdb_getrecord" USING  
    DB-FASSET ,  
    QDB-STATUS ,  
    NEXT-RECORD ,  
    QSS-FIXED-ASSET-TABLE ,  
    QSS-FIXED-ASSET-META-DATA ,  
    QSS-FIXED-ASSET-BUFF  
  
IF NOT DB-GOOD-STATUS  
    IF END-OF-FILE THEN  
        GO TO ED-EXIT  
    ELSE  
        DISPLAY " Return Error      : " DB-RETURN-STATUS  
        DISPLAY " qdb_init STATUS : " DB-OTHER-STATUS  
    END-IF  
END-IF
```

The status bar at the bottom right shows "Ln 583, Col 7".



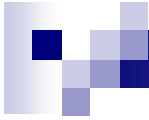
SQL Results Discussion

- Memory table on client or server (server side cursor) contains results
- Return n-rows of column data into local memory, one column (field) at a time
- Data is ascii readable null terminated (think 'c' string) and must be converted to COBOL fields before use in COBOL code



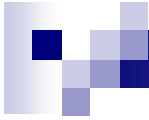
Mapping SQL Data to Buffer

- Characters are simple byte moves
- Date/Time must convert date/time format
- Numeric data must convert numbers like “123.45” to standard COBOL pictures



Making it Possible

- We chose standard data types – Fixed length Char, Date, Time, Numeric
- We decided to avoid binary pictures
- Metadata is programmatically available
- We added our own additional metadata structure for persistence across similar table access (note: we rarely use TurboImage item lists). This structure is filled in by QDBI the first time a table is accessed
- QDBI uses metadata to map from SQL results to COBOL record buffer



Performance Issues

- Converting each field's ascii SQL result to a COBOL buffer is a lot of overhead - 10,000 rows with 70 columns results in 700,000 conversions!
- Typical COBOL report programs for TurboIMAGE will DBGET and then select records by testing selection criteria
- Drop-in replacement of DBFIND with a select that selects all records and still contains logic to select records by testing selection criteria gives you a double performance hit and eliminates the SQL "select" feature of the RDBMS



Mitigating Performance Issues

- Don't return all columns – return a subset to significantly reduce the number of field conversions
- Move the logic to select records into your SQL select to reduce the number of returned rows
- Run linux on a system with more CPU than your HP e3000



QDBI - Architecting a Migration Solution

- Provide for 'drop-in' replacement called routines with extensions to subset the returned columns
- Provide for 'drop-in' with the ability to include the selection criteria in the Select instead of in the COBOL logic. Provide for dynamic build of SQL by QDBI by passing appropriate field/criteria/operator values.
- Design 'drop-in' to make migration easy
- Use build-in extensions when performance improvements are required (after basic migration has been performed)



Test Results from Pilot

- General feeling is that SQL access takes about 10-12 times more cpu time than similar access using TI
- But... you don't spend all your time in the DB
- Single SQL process accessing 73,000+ rows in multiple selects was slightly faster than same TurboIMAGE process. SQL was P-III with .5gb, IDE; TI was A400-110 (55) with 2gb, SCSI
- Multiple simultaneous tests came out equivalent indicating either MPE or a system configuration (memory, disk) influence on improved performance
- When migrating to linux/ia-32 you will have a substantially faster CPU and this will help mitigate performance issues



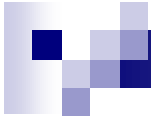
PostgreSQL Server Control

- `initdb` – prepare directory area and template db for new PostgreSQL system
- `initlocation` – initialize secondary db storage location
- `ipclean` – clean up orphaned semaphores and shared memory after db server crash
- `pg_ctl` – control functions (start/stop/etc)
- `pg_passwd` – manage pwd when using PostgreSQL authentication
- `postgres/postmaster` – db server engine



PostgreSQL DBA functions

- createdb – create new database
- createlang – register new language to DB
- createuser – add new user to PostgreSQL
- dropdb – delete specified DB
- droplang – removes a language from DB
- dropuser – remove user from PostgreSQL
- pg_dump/pg_dumpall/pg_restore – database export backup and restore
- vacuumdb – reclaims wasted disk and updates profile data for query optimizer



The End...