

Using the QVD LooQer

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The **QVD LooQer** enables fast and convenient viewing of QVD contents, with no additional associated software licensing costs.

The **QVD LooQer** traverses a user-specified directory tree to find all QVDs (via the **Refresh List** button); the user then selects the target QVD via a drop-down list and then clicks **LooQ at QVD** to see the QVD contents. As shown in the screen shot at right, several copies of the **QVD LooQer** can be created for concurrent viewing of multiple QVDs within a single tiled window, thereby enabling exploration of a multi-table data set, before that data is linked together in a finalized Qlik data model.

QVD LooQer is implemented with Qlik and therefore has **The Power of Gray**; **QVD LooQer** leverages associative logic to identify gaps in customer data architectures. For example, the **QVD LooQer** once indicated that a specific QVD was in **production** but not in **development** or **QA**, thereby identifying a change management issue in the customer's deployment.

QVD LooQer is read only; it does not have any UI-based data editing capability. (For bulk changing of values, we recommend using Qlik transformations, which can be added to the **post-processing** section of the **QVD LooQer**).

The top screenshot shows the 'QVD LooQer Copy*' window. The configuration panel on the right includes a 'Select the 1 (and only 1) Dir / QVD combination to view right here!' section with a dropdown menu showing 'ProductsExtract.qvd'. Below this are fields for 'Max Rows To Fetch from QVD' (set to ALL) and 'Num Fields To Show In Table' (set to 12). The main table displays product data with columns: ProductID, ProductName, SupplierID, CategoryID, QuantityPerUnit, UnitCost, UnitPrice, UnitsInStock, and UnitsOnOrder. The bottom screenshot shows the 'QVD LooQer*' window. The configuration panel on the right shows a dropdown menu with 'CustomersExtract.qvd' selected. The main table displays customer data with columns: CustomerID, CompanyName, ContactName, City, Country, DivisionID, Address, Fax, Phone, and PostalCode.

ProductID	ProductName	SupplierID	CategoryID	QuantityPerUnit	UnitCost	UnitPrice	UnitsInStock	UnitsOnOrder
1	Lenin Jeans...	1		1	10	15.37	20	39
2	Mr2 Trousers	1		1	10	16.17	19	17

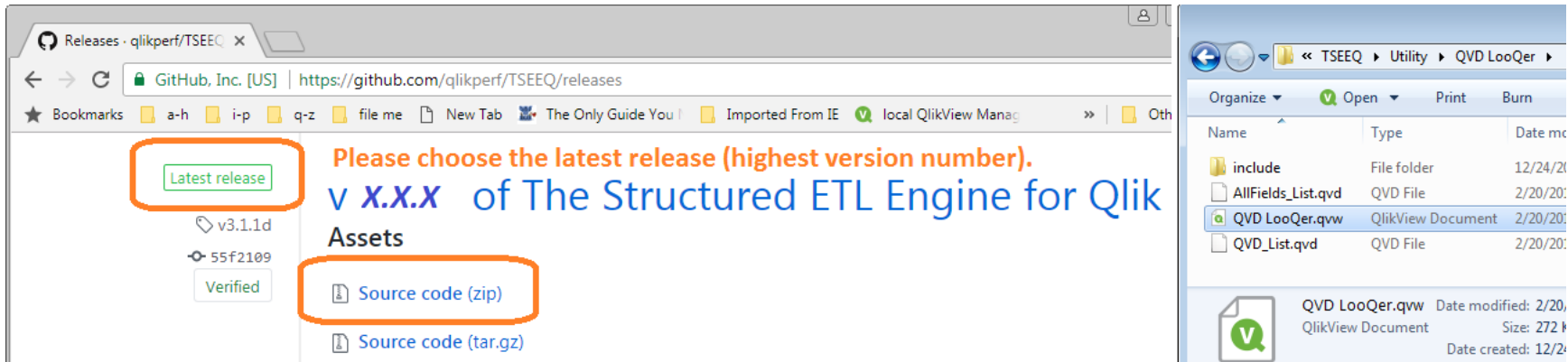
CustomerID	CompanyName	ContactName	City	Country	DivisionID	Address	Fax	Phone	PostalCode
1	Eintrach GS	Albert von E...	Berlin	Germany		1 Obere Str. 57	030-0076545	030-0074321	12
2	La Tienda de...	Paco el Maco	México D.F.	Mexico		2 Avda. de la ...	(5) 555-3745	(5) 555-4729	5i
3	La Ropa Vieja	Sancho Panza	México D.F.	Mexico		2 C/ Ritual de ...	-	(5) 555-3932	5i

Downloading the QVD LooQer

If you are reading this document, you probably have already downloaded the **QVD LooQer**; however, the following is provided for reference should you need to download a newer version in the future:

The **QVD LooQer** is currently distributed as part of **TSEEQ** (pronounced “seek”), *The Structured ETL Engine for Qlik*. To obtain the **QVD LooQer**, simply:

1. Download the **Source code (zip)** file for [the newest TSEEQ release](#).
2. Unzip the downloaded file and navigate to the resulting `~\Utility\QVD LooQer` subfolder.



Please do not be scared by the term "source code" as used by GitHub; the **QVD LooQer** is distributed as a QlikView **QVW** contained within the "source code" zip file; no compilation is required!

Note: If you are not a current QlikView user, please download the no-cost [QlikView Personal Edition](#) to open the **QVD LooQer** QVW. While it is implemented as a QlikView QVW, the **QVD LooQer** can open QVDs created by both Qlik Sense and QlikView.

We wish your success with the **QVD LooQer**; please [contact us](#) with any questions!