# WriteTree.py family tree writer

WriteTree.py is an extremely efficient recursive program which writes family tree data to a text file in a format suitable for display as a transposed generation table. The program is written in Python; the source data are stored using MySQL; the output data are written as comma-separated values (CSV) in a text file; and all operations are undertaken in an Ubuntu Linux (UL) environment running on a Windows 11 (W11) computer by means of the Microsoft Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL) utility. These various features and developments are summarised in four appendices:

- 1. W11 installation and initial setup of WSL, UL, MySQL, and Python
- 2. Source data preparation
- 3. WriteTree.py script
- 4. Sample output

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## Appendix 1. W11 installation and initial setup of WSL, UL, MySQL, and Python

The following prompts refer to: Windows 11 desktop (W11); Powershell as Administrator (PA); Powershell as User (PU); Ubuntu Linux shell (UL); and MySQL command environment (MS).

#### WSL activation

W11: Start icon; Search for Powershell; Select Run as Administrator

PA: dism.exe /online /enable-feature /featurename:Microsoft-Windows-Subsystem-Linux /all /norestart

PA: dism.exe /online /enable-feature /featurename:VirtualMachinePlatform /all /norestart

W11: Exit all processes; Restart; Start icon; Settings; Find a setting; Turn Windows features on or off; Verify that Windows Subsystem for Linux and Virtual Machine Platform are checked W11: Start icon; Search for Windows Powershell; Run as User

 $PU: \texttt{wsl.exe} \mbox{ --update} \rightarrow \texttt{The most recent version of Windows Subsystem for Linux is already installed.}$ 

PU:wsl --status  $\rightarrow$  Default Distribution: Ubuntu | Default Version: 2

#### Ubuntu installation and initial setup

W11: Start icon; Search for and select Windows Store; In Windows Store, search for and get Ubuntu; When prompted, launch Ubuntu

UL: Specify new UNIX username and password as required

UL: sudo apt-get update

UL: sudo apt-get upgrade; Implement updates as required

UL: sudo apt update  $\rightarrow$  All packages are up to date

UL: lsb\_release  $-a \rightarrow Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS$ 

#### Accessing UL filespace from W11, and vice versa

W11 File Explorer: Ctrl-1 then \\wsl\$ in the address box enables direct access to UL filespace UL: cd /mnt/c/Users likewise enables direct access to W11 user filespace UL: sudo apt install dos2unix; This utility must be used to reformat any text files that have been prepared in W11 and ported to UL, using syntax dos2unix filename

## MySQL installation and initial setup

 $\begin{array}{l} UL: \mbox{sudo apt install mysql-server} \\ UL: \mbox{mysql --version} \rightarrow \mbox{mysql Ver 8.0.36-0ubuntu0.22.04.1 for Linux on x86_64} \\ ((Ubuntu)) \\ UL: \mbox{sudo service mysql start} \\ UL: \mbox{sudo mysql} \\ MS: \mbox{CREATE DATABASE FamilyDB;} \\ MS: \mbox{CREATE USER 'Genealogist'@'localhost';} \\ MS: \mbox{GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON *.* TO 'Genealogist'@'localhost' WITH GRANT OPTION;} \\ MS: \mbox{exit} \rightarrow \mbox{Bye} \end{array}$ 

## Python installation and initial setup

UL: python3 -V  $\rightarrow$  Python 3.10.12 UL: sudo apt install python3-pip UL: pip install mysql-connector-python  $\rightarrow$  Successfully installed mysql-connectorpython-8.3.0 UL: exit

## Appendix 2. Source data preparation

For testing purposes I used the same dataset (based on *The Kingdon Family* Charts I-VIII) as my older Microsoft Access 2000 application, see <u>https://idealectic.com/idealectic/Genealogy.htm</u> This was read into Microsoft Excel 2000 in order to further refine the data model, resulting in worksheets {Persons, Spouses, Childes}:

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These three CSV files were then copied to the UL environment where they were uploaded to the MySQL database by means of Bash script FamilyDBSetup.sh, as follows:

UL: dos2unix \* UL: chmod a+x \* UL: sudo service mysql start UL: ./FamilyDBSetup.sh

#! /bin/bash # # What: Bash script FamilyDBSetup.sh # Where: FamilyDB # When: 8 March 2022 # Who: Roger Kingdon # Why: Script to create and populate FamilyDB tables # How: ./FamilyDBSetup.sh [rtn] # echo -e "SET GLOBAL local\_infile = 1;" > tmp1.bat echo -e "USE FamilyDB;\n"\ "CREATE TABLE Persons (PerID VARCHAR(50) PRIMARY KEY, Mnemonic VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL, "\ "Surname VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL, KnownAs VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL, GivenNames VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL, "\ "Male BOOLEAN NOT NULL, Birth VARCHAR(50) DEFAULT '', Death VARCHAR(50) DEFAULT '');\n"\ "CREATE TABLE Spouses (Perid VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL, Spid VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL, "\ "Seq INTEGER NOT NULL, Notes VARCHAR(50) DEFAULT ''); $n^{(-)}$ "CREATE TABLE Childes (PerID VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL, ChID VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL, " \ "Seq INTEGER NOT NULL, Notes VARCHAR(50) DEFAULT '');\n"\ "LOAD DATA LOCAL INFILE 'Persons.csv' INTO TABLE Persons FIELDS TERMINATED BY ',';\n"\ "LOAD DATA LOCAL INFILE 'Spouses.csv' INTO TABLE Spouses FIELDS TERMINATED BY ',';\n"\ "LOAD DATA LOCAL INFILE 'Childes.csv' INTO TABLE Childes FIELDS TERMINATED BY ',';"\ > tmp2.bat mysql --local\_infile=1 -u Genealogist < tmp1.bat</pre> mysql --local\_infile=1 -u Genealogist < tmp2.bat</pre> rm tmp\*.bat

## Appendix 3. WriteTree.py script

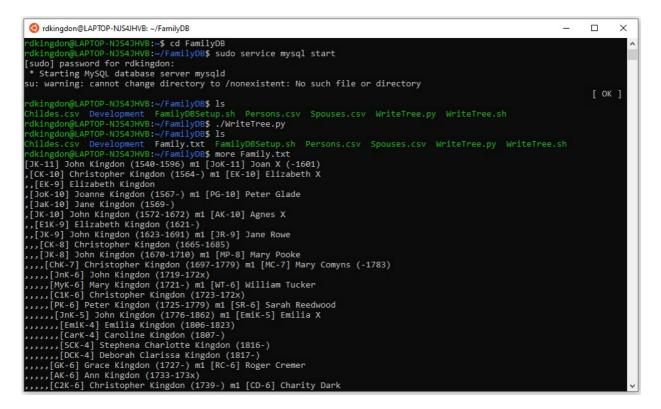
WriteTree.py may be executed in the UL environment as follows: UL: sudo service mysql start UL: ./WriteTree.py

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#! /usr/bin/python3
# What: Python script WriteTree.py
# Where: FamilyDB
# When: 8 March 2022
# Who: Roger Kingdon
# Why: Writes family tree for nominated person to nominated output file
# How: Specify user-defined parameters; ./WriteTree.py [rtn]
#
# User-defined parameters
# blnTree = True or False generates family tree headed by an ancestor or a
descendant respectively
# strHead is the head person ID (e.g. "Kingdon01" or "Kingdon06.1.2.2.2" for
blnTree = True or False respectively)
# strFile is the output file name
#
blnTree = True
strHead = "Kingdon01"
strFile = "Family.txt"
# End of user-defined parameters
#
#
# Spouses: Returns a text string naming nominated person and their spouse(s)
#
def Spouses(strID):
  strQ = "SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE Persons.PerID='" + strID + "'"
  cursor.execute(strQ)
  strRT = cursor.fetchall()
  for strR in strRT:
    strS = "[" + strR[1] + "] " + strR[4] + " " + strR[2]
    strB = strR[6]
    strD = strR[7]
   blnBD = False
    if (strB != ""):
      strB = strB[-4:]
      blnBD = True
    if (strD != ""):
      strD = strD[-4:]
      blnBD = True
    if (blnBD):
      strS = strS + " (" + strB + "-" + strD + ")"
#
  strQ = "SELECT Persons.*, Spouses.Seq FROM Spouses INNER JOIN Persons ON
Spouses.SpID = Persons.PerID WHERE Spouses.PerID='" + strID + "' ORDER BY
Spouses.Seq"
  cursor.execute(strQ)
  strRT = cursor.fetchall()
  for strR in strRT:
    strS = strS + " m" + str(strR[8]) + " [" + strR[1] + "] " + strR[4] + " " +
strR[2]
   strB = strR[6]
   strD = strR[7]
   blnBD = False
    if (strB != ""):
      strB = strB[-4:]
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blnBD = True
    if (strD != ""):
      strD = strD[-4:]
      blnBD = True
    if (blnBD):
      strS = strS + " (" + strB + "-" + strD + ")"
#
 return strS
#
# End of Spouses
#
#
# WriteGens: Recursively writes related generations of nominated person to
nominated output file
#
def WriteGens(strGen0, strID0):
 strGen = strGen0 + ","
  if (blnTree):
   strQ = "SELECT Childes.ChID FROM Childes WHERE Childes.PerID='" + strID0 +
" ' ORDER BY Childes.Seq"
  else:
    strQ = "SELECT Childes.PerID FROM Childes INNER JOIN Persons ON
Childes.PerID = Persons.PerID WHERE Childes.ChID='" + strID0 + "' ORDER BY
Persons.Male DESC"
 cursor.execute(strQ)
  strRT = cursor.fetchall()
  for strR in strRT:
   strID = strR[0]
    txtOut.write(strGen + Spouses(strID) + "\n")
   WriteGens(strGen, strID)
#
# End of WriteGens
#
#
# Start of WriteTree.py execution
#
from mysql.connector import connect
connection = connect(host="localhost", user="Genealogist", database="FamilyDB")
cursor = connection.cursor()
txtOut = open(strFile, "a+")
#
strGen = ""
strQ = "SELECT PerID FROM Persons WHERE Persons.PerID='" + strHead + "'"
cursor.execute(strQ)
strRT = cursor.fetchall()
for strR in strRT:
 strID = strR[0]
  if (strID == strHead):
    txtOut.write(strGen + Spouses(strID) + "\n")
    WriteGens(strGen, strID)
#
txtOut.close()
cursor.close()
connection.close()
#
# End of WriteTree.py execution
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#### **Appendix 4. Sample output**

Running Python script WriteTree.py generates output file Family.txt:



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,,,[CK-8] Christopher Kingdon (1665-16	585)					
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Once it has been copied to the W11 user filespace, Family.txt may be opened in Microsoft Excel (with comma-delimited fields) to display the family tree as a transposed generation table:

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