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To my daughter, Laura, I hope to see your smile every morning for a long time.

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Some of the tutorials he wrote earlier this year are as follows:

- OpenWRT wr841n mod (`https://github.com/annbigbig/wr841nd-memo`)
- Cubian memo (`https://github.com/annbigbig/cubian_memo`)

If you know Chinese language, you can discuss with him directly in Chinese. He will be very glad to talk to you. You can follow him on Twitter at `@annbigbig` and you can also e-mail him at `annbigbig@gmail.com`.

This is my first book with Packt Publishing, and I am very glad to meet you.

My dear kitten called PaPa passed away in summer 2013. He was a 17-year-old white Persian kitten, and I will always miss him.

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