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[h]ow I dealt with retirement. Retirement to me was my stereotype was just a lot of fun things to do, that I would get to do now that I had time. And so I started doing them all and quickly got bogged down and overcommitted. And my wife was constantly nagging me about spending more more time, more work after retirement than before.

So I noticed this happening and I said well I have to deal with it somehow. And what I ended up doing was to set a focus, and with the goal that fun activities showing up that were consistent with the focus I might think about doing those, but if a fun activity that was not related to the focus no matter how fun it was I'll just put it away until I'm 80.

And so I did that, and my focus is design the world's best data structures book course. And that turns out to be really a nice chunk of my time. I don't feel overworked at all and it's kind of fun evaluating potential things and seeing how they'll fit in my world's best data structures course.