

What is your field? Why did you choose this field?

I work in storage controllers, with an emphasis on data replication and disaster recovery for storage. When I was hired by IBM, I started working on storage, and about 10 years ago, was given the opportunity to work on a data replication function. Since then, I have done other things, but now I am concentrating on this exciting and expanding field. The need for storage continues to expand, and along with that, the importance of what we store, and the necessity of being able to access it “no matter what” is also increasing.

Is the engineering/science/technology field different than what you thought it would be?

It has definitely changed dramatically since I started with IBM 24 years ago, when one gigabit of disk storage was too heavy for one person to lift. I was worried, as a new hire, that I might get bored in this field – that has never happened.