

Moving Between Projects on GitHub

Preliminary Questions

How much software development experience do you have (in years)?

How much experience do you have contributing to GitHub repos (in years)?

What approximate fraction of your software development activities happens in public GitHub repos (1% - 100%)?

Joining New Projects on GitHub

Rate the following factors on how likely they are to influence your decision to start contributing to a new repository (repo) on GitHub:

	Very unlikely	Unlikely	Neither likely or unlikely	Likely	Very likely
I am already familiar with the programming language	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am already familiar with the domain	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have collaborated with the repo developer(s) in the past	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have collaborated with the repo owner(s) in the past	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
another repo I contribute to depends on this repo	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
another repo I contribute to referenced an issue, commit or pull request of this repo	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to learn a	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

new skill	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to learn a new domain	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to learn a new programming language	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to improve my CV	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to contribute to the overall success of the repo	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please describe any other factors that influence your decision to start contributing to a new repo on GitHub.

Rate the following factors on how likely they are to increase the amount of code you are able to contribute to a new repo on GitHub:

	Very unlikely	Unlikely	Neither likely or unlikely	Likely	Very likely
I am already familiar with the programming language	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am already familiar with the domain	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have collaborated with the repo developer(s) in the past	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have collaborated with the repo owner(s) in the past	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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another repo I contribute to referenced an issue, commit or pull request of this repo	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to learn a new skill	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to learn a	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

new domain	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to learn a new programming language	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to improve my CV	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
desire to contribute to the overall success of the repo	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please describe any other factors that increase the amount of code you are able to contribute to a new repo on GitHub.

Scheduling Work on Multiple Projects

How many software projects (GitHub repositories or projects hosted elsewhere) do you contribute to on an average day?

How many software projects do you contribute to in an average week?

Rate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements about how the projects you contribute to are related.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
They are supported by my organization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
They are pieces of a bigger puzzle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
They share code dependencies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Some other developers I know are also contributing to them	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
They are just things I am interested in	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please describe any other ways the projects you contribute to are related.

Rate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements about how you schedule work on multiple projects. I stop working on one project and begin working on a different project because:

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
my set of tasks is determined by someone else	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I became aware of a new issue in the other project	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I received a request from a developer on the other project	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I need to update code in the other project due to a dependency in the project I was working on	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I don't know how to finish my task	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am waiting for other developers to complete their tasks before I can finish my task	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I became interested in a new project	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have completed everything I intended for the project	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please describe any other reasons you stop working on one project and begin working on a different project.

Thinking about the number of software projects you currently contribute to, would you prefer to contribute to:

- More projects?
- Fewer projects?
- Current number of projects?

Why would you prefer to contribute to more/fewer/or the same number of projects?

Impacts of Contributing to Multiple Projects

I perceive productivity as being able to

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
contribute more code	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
review more pull requests	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
resolve more issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please describe any other ways you perceive productivity.

When contributing to multiple projects in parallel (compared to focusing on fewer projects), I

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
feel more productive	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
am able to contribute more code overall	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
am able to review more pull requests	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
am able to resolve more issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
introduce fewer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

bugs into the
code



increase the
chance of each
project
succeeding



Please describe any other impacts you have noticed, positive or negative, of contributing to multiple projects in parallel?

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