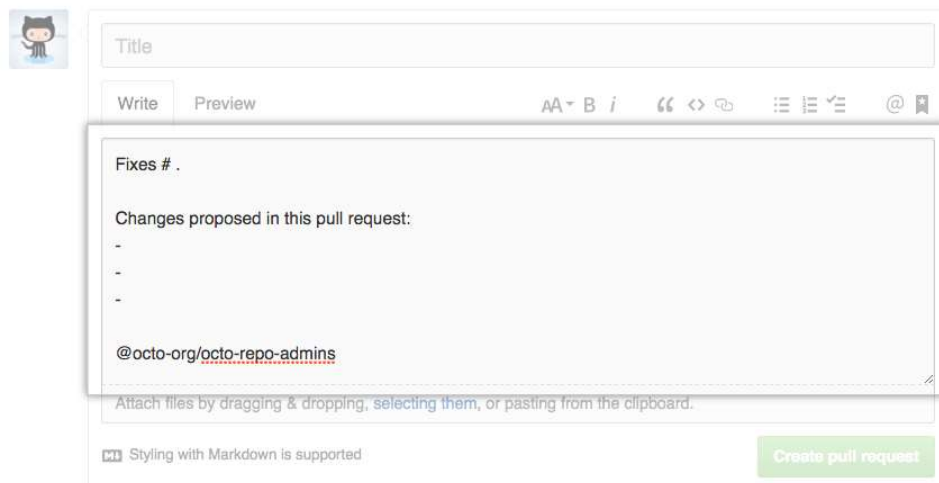# GitHub Issue/Pull-Request Template

Dear Sir/Madam:

This survey is being conducted by [Zhixing Li](#) and [Yue Yu](#). We are researchers from National University of Defense Technology studying the collaboration within Open Source Software (OSS) projects.

We conduct this survey to better understand OSS **contributors**' perceptions about GitHub [issue/pull-request(PR) templates](#) (below is an example PR template), particularly in terms of the *usefulness*, *challenges*, and *improvements*. We are grateful for your feedback according to your experience in OSS communities.

1. How many years of experience do you have in OSS projects?

- ◯ < 1 year

- ◯ 1-3 years

- ◯ 3-5 years

- ◯ 5-10 years

- ◯ >10 years

2. On average, how many issues/PRs do you submit to OSS projects each month?

- ◯ < 3

- ◯ 3~10

○ 10~30

○ >30

3. When opening an issue/PR to OSS projects, do you follow the template?

○ Never

○ Rarely

○ Sometimes

○ Often

○ Always

4. Based on your experience, how much do you agree with the following statements about the usefulness of issue/PR templates?

	Very disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Very agree
collect more relevant information (*e.g.,* software version and stack trace)	○	○	○	○	○
standardize issue/PR description	○	○	○	○	○
explain project guidelines (*e.g.,* adding tests)	○	○	○	○	○
guide contributors to more easily submit issues/PRs	○	○	○	○	○
lead contributors to submit high-quality issues/PRs	○	○	○	○	○
warn about common problems (*e.g.,* submitting duplicates)	○	○	○	○	○
discourage undesired submissions (*e.g.,* opening an issue to ask questions)	○	○	○	○	○

If any, please describe other benefits that issue/PR templates can bring:

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5. From the contributors perspective, what are the challenges of using the issue/PR template feature on GitHub?

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6. To better support your tasks as an OSS contributor, what improvements would you like to see for the issue/PR template feature on GitHub?

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7. Do you have anything else to tell us about issue/PR templates on GitHub?

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