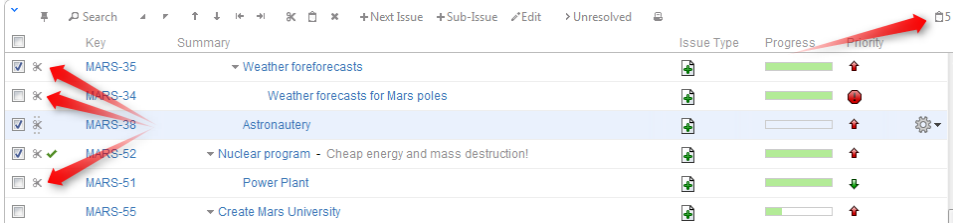# Copying Issues Between Structures

The contents of the clipboard is preserved in the **current browser window**, which allows you to copy issues from one structure and paste them into another.To copy issues (with their sub-issues) from one structure to another do the following:

Cut

First add the desired issues to the clipboard:

1. Open the structure to copy from.
2. Select the issues you want to cut. Either select a single issue, or use multiple select.
3. Click the **Cut** button on the structure toolbar (or press **Ctrl+x** or **Command+x**).
4. Selected issues will be added to the clipboard and marked with a small scissors icon ✂.
5. The **Clipboard** icon with the number of the cut issues 📋3 will appear in the top right corner of the structure widget.

> ℹ Note, that the cut issues are not removed from the structure.

> ℹ If the cut issue contains sub-issues, these sub-issues are not automatically cut with their parent. You need to select them explicitly. To cut an issue and all of the children, please select a parent issue, press Shift+Arrow Right (this selects an issue and all of the sub-issues) and then the Cut button.

Paste

After you have cut the issues, you can now paste them to any other structure:

1. **In the same browser window**, switch to a desired structure (you can use Structure Board or any other JIRA page with Structure).
2. If want to see the **Issue Clipboard** panel, you can open it clicking the **Clipboard** icon 📋3. However, this is not necessary to use the Cut/Paste function.
3. In the structure grid select the issue after which the issues from the clipboard should be placed.
4. Either click **Paste** button on the toolbar (or press **Ctrl+v** or **Command+v**) to place the issues **after** the selected issue at the same indentation level, or press **Ctrl+Shift+v** (or **Command+Shift+v** on Mac) to place the issues **under** the selected issue (as the children).

When you paste issue hierarchy from a different structure, it's possible that the target structure already contains some of the issues. In this case, iterative **Merge** is performed, where issue is either moved to a new position if it is present in the structure or added if it is not present.

> ✅ If you need to copy the same set of issues to several different structures, you can use drag-and-drop operation to move the issues from the secondary panel to the main grid instead of the Paste. In this case the issues will not be removed from the clipboard.

> ℹ If the cut issue contains sub-issues, these sub-issues are not pasted with their parent unless they were manually selected.

> ✅ The Paste operation can be undone.