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# Nautobot 1.1.0 Key Features

## New Features Overview

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# AGENDA

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# >>> Computed Custom Fields

## >>> Computed Fields

**Computed Fields** allow users to create *read-only* custom fields from data already in the database

The following slides will walk you through an example

# >>> Computed Fields

From the Web UI → Extensibility → Computed Fields

The screenshot shows the Nautobot Web UI interface. The top navigation bar includes the Nautobot logo and several dropdown menus: Organization, Devices, IPAM, Virtualization, Circuits, Power, Extensibility, and Plugins. The Extensibility menu is currently open, displaying a list of options. The 'Computed Fields' option is highlighted with a red rectangle. The main content area on the left shows a sidebar with categories like Organization, DCIM, and Devices, each with a list of items and a count. The right side of the interface shows a search bar and a list of items under the IPAM category.

Organization

- Sites (22)
- Tenants (0)

DCIM

- Racks (156)
- Device Types (6)
- Devices (208)

Extensibility

- Logging
- Change Log
- Job Results
- Data Sources
- Git Repositories (+)
- Data Management
- GraphQL Queries (+)
- Relationships (+)
- Automation
- Config Contexts (+)
- Config Context Schemas (+)
- Export Templates (+)
- Jobs
- Webhooks (+)
- Miscellaneous
- Computed Fields (+)**
- Custom Links (+)

## >>> Computed Fields Example

This computed fields example will deal with Interface objects

In the **Add a new computed field** form, specify **dcim|interface** in the *Content Types* dropdown selector

### Add a new computed field

Computed field

Content Types

Slug

Label

Description

Template

✓ -----

circuits | circuit

circuits | circuit type

circuits | provider

dcim | cable

dcim | console port

dcim | console port template

dcim | console server port

dcim | console server port template

dcim | device

dcim | device bay

dcim | device bay template

dcim | device role

dcim | device type

dcim | front port

dcim | front port template

dcim | interface

dcim | interface template

## >>> Computed Fields

The *Template* field holds Jinja2 template code

Within the *Template* field, **obj** refers to the object type specified in the *Content Types* field

Also specify a *Fallback value* to display, in the event the field can't be computed

Add a new computed field

Computed field

Content Types: dclm | interface

Slug: connection-description  
Internal field name

Label: Connection Description  
Name of the field as displayed to users

Description: Generates interface-name.device-name---remote-interface-name.remote-device.name

Template: `{{ obj.name }}.{{ obj.device.name }}---{{ obj.connected_endpoint.name }}.{{ obj.connected_endpoint.device.name }}`

Jinja2 template code for field value

Fallback value: No connection description available  
Fallback value to be used for the field in the case of a template rendering error.

Weight: 100

Create Create and Add Another Cancel

## >>> Computed Field Takes Effect

As soon as it's created, the Computed Field takes effect on the specified objects

Devices / [ams-edge-01](#) / Interfaces / Ethernet1/1

### ams-edge-01 / Ethernet1/1

Interface [Change Log](#)

Interface	
Device	<a href="#">ams-edge-01</a>
Name	Ethernet1/1
Label	—
Type	QSFP28 (100GE)
Enabled	✓
LAG	None
Description	test description
MTU	—
MAC Address	—
802.1Q Mode	—

Custom Fields	
Role	peer

Computed Fields	
Connection Description	Ethernet1/1.ams-edge-01---Ethernet1/1.ams-edge-02

Ethernet1/1.ams-edge-01---Ethernet1/1.ams-edge-02



## >>> Computed Fields and APIs

You can also retrieve computed fields programmatically via the **opt\_in\_fields=computed\_fields** qualifier.

For example - *to get computed fields for ams-edge-01 interface Ethernet1/1:*

[https://192.168.18.2/api/dcim/interfaces/?name=Ethernet1%2F1&device=ams-edge-01&opt\\_in\\_fields=computed\\_fields](https://192.168.18.2/api/dcim/interfaces/?name=Ethernet1%2F1&device=ams-edge-01&opt_in_fields=computed_fields)

```
{,
  "computed_fields": {
    "connection-description": "Ethernet1/1.ams-edge-01---Ethernet1/1.ams-edge-02"
  },
  "name": "Ethernet1/1"
```



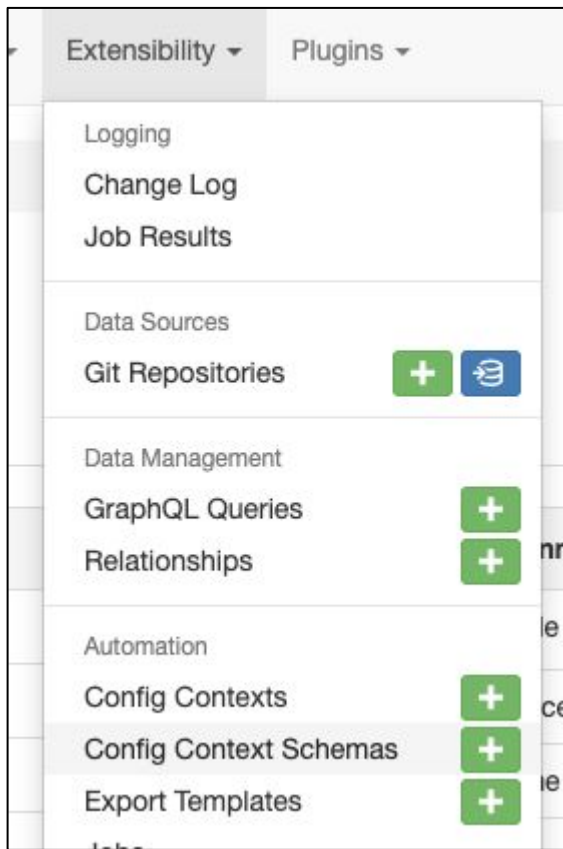
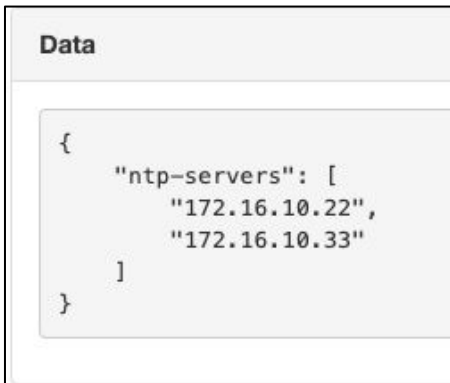
# >>> Config Context Schemas

## >>> Background on Config Contexts

Config contexts are an existing feature within Nautobot

Config contexts allow Nautobot to store arbitrary YAML and JSON data

At scale, it is helpful to have constraints on that data



## >>> Example Config Context Schema

The config context schema here specifies the following restrictions for config schema data for NTP servers:

- Min items = 2
- Max items = 2
- String type
- IPv4 format

Example here is from

<https://nautobot.readthedocs.io/en/latest/additional-features/config-contexts/#config-context-schemas>

### Add a new config context schema

#### Config Context Schema

Name

NTP Schema

Slug

ntp-schema

URL-friendly unique shorthand

Description

NTP config json schema enforcement

#### Data Schema

```
{
  "type": "object",
  "properties": {
    "ntp-servers": {
      "type": "array",
      "minItems": 2,
      "maxItems": 2,
      "items": {
        "type": "string",
        "format": "ipv4"
      }
    }
  },
  "additionalProperties": false
}
```

Enter context data in JSON format.

Create

Create and Add Another

Cancel

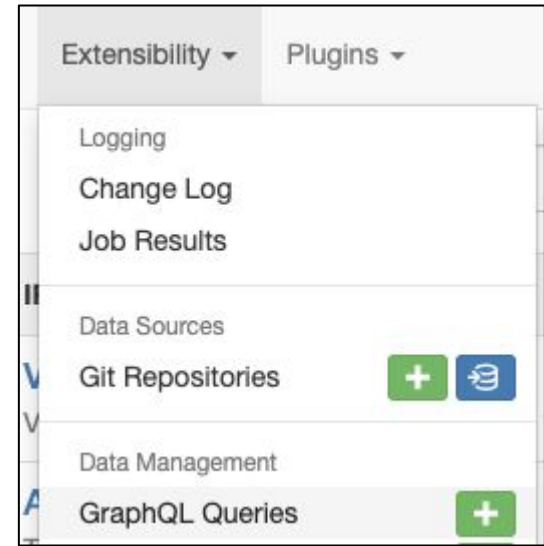
## >>> A better look at the schema we created

**Data Schema**

```
{
  "type": "object",
  "properties": {
    "ntp-servers": {
      "type": "array",
      "minItems": 2,
      "maxItems": 2,
      "items": {
        "type": "string",
        "format": "ipv4"
      }
    }
  },
  "additionalProperties": false
}
```

Enter context data in **JSON** format.

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NOTE: the data schemas can be stored in a git repository as well



## >>> Make Config Context

The **Add a new config context** form now has a field to specify the config context schema

This new config context will specify schema constraints on NTP server data

- The config context will then be bound by the *NTP Schema* config context

### Add a new config context ?

Config Context

Name

NTP Servers Junos

Weight

1000

Description

Description

Schema

NTP Schema

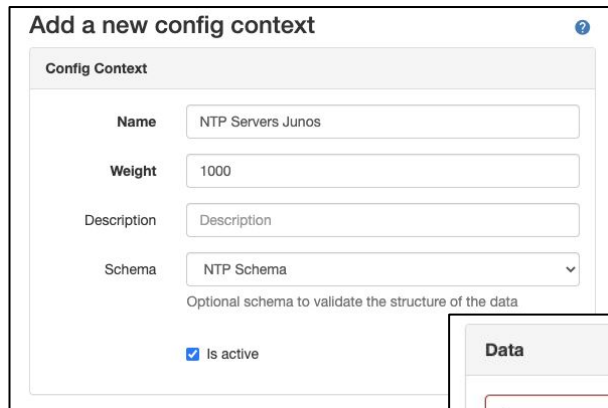
Optional schema to validate the structure of the data

☒ Is active

## >>> Make Config Context (continued)

This is the data we will specify in the **Add a new config context** form

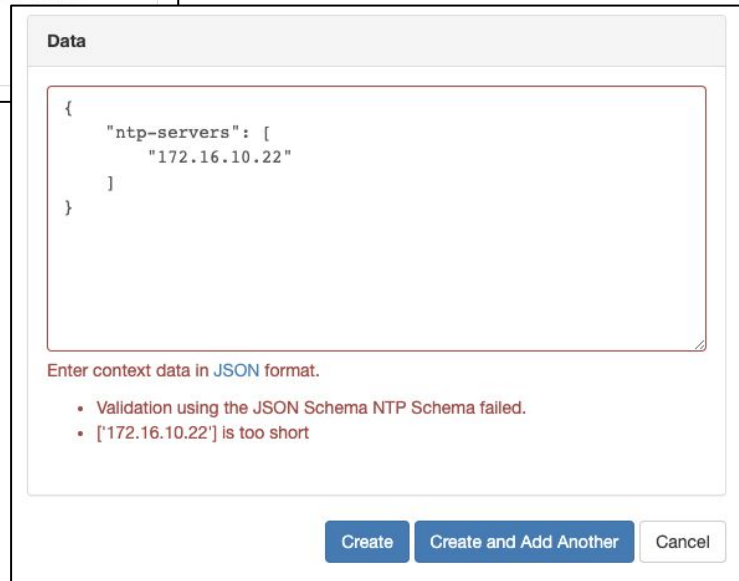
Creating this config context **fails** because the data does not meet the *NTP Schema* config context schema



The 'Add a new config context' form contains the following fields:

- Name:** NTP Servers Junos
- Weight:** 1000
- Description:** Description
- Schema:** NTP Schema (selected from a dropdown menu)

Below the fields, there is a checkbox labeled 'Is active' which is checked. A small text note below the schema dropdown reads: 'Optional schema to validate the structure of the data'.



The 'Data' form shows a JSON input field with the following content:

```
{
  "ntp-servers": [
    "172.16.10.22"
  ]
}
```

Below the input field, a message states: 'Enter context data in JSON format.'

Below the message, a list of error messages is displayed:

- Validation using the JSON Schema NTP Schema failed.
- ['172.16.10.22'] is too short

At the bottom of the form, there are three buttons: 'Create', 'Create and Add Another', and 'Cancel'.

## >>> Compliance

The config context can be modified on the **Add a new config context** form to comply with the schema, which allows the config context to be created

- In this case, IPv4 data for a second server is added

Assignment

Regions

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Sites

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Roles

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Device types

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Platforms

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Cluster groups

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Clusters

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Tenant groups

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Tenants

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Tags

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Data

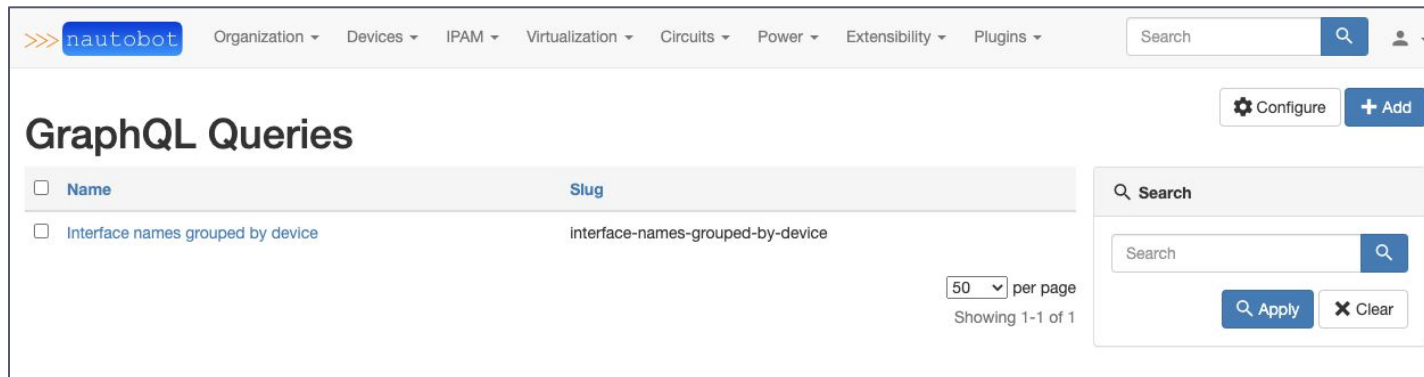
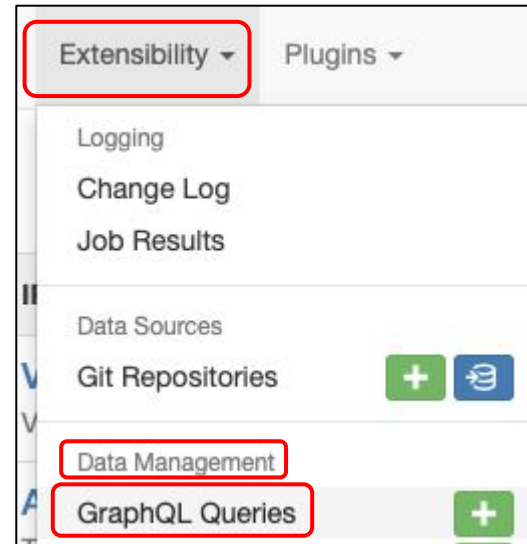
```
{
  "ntp-servers": [
    "172.16.10.22",
    "172.16.10.33"
  ]
}
```



# >>> Saved GraphQL Queries

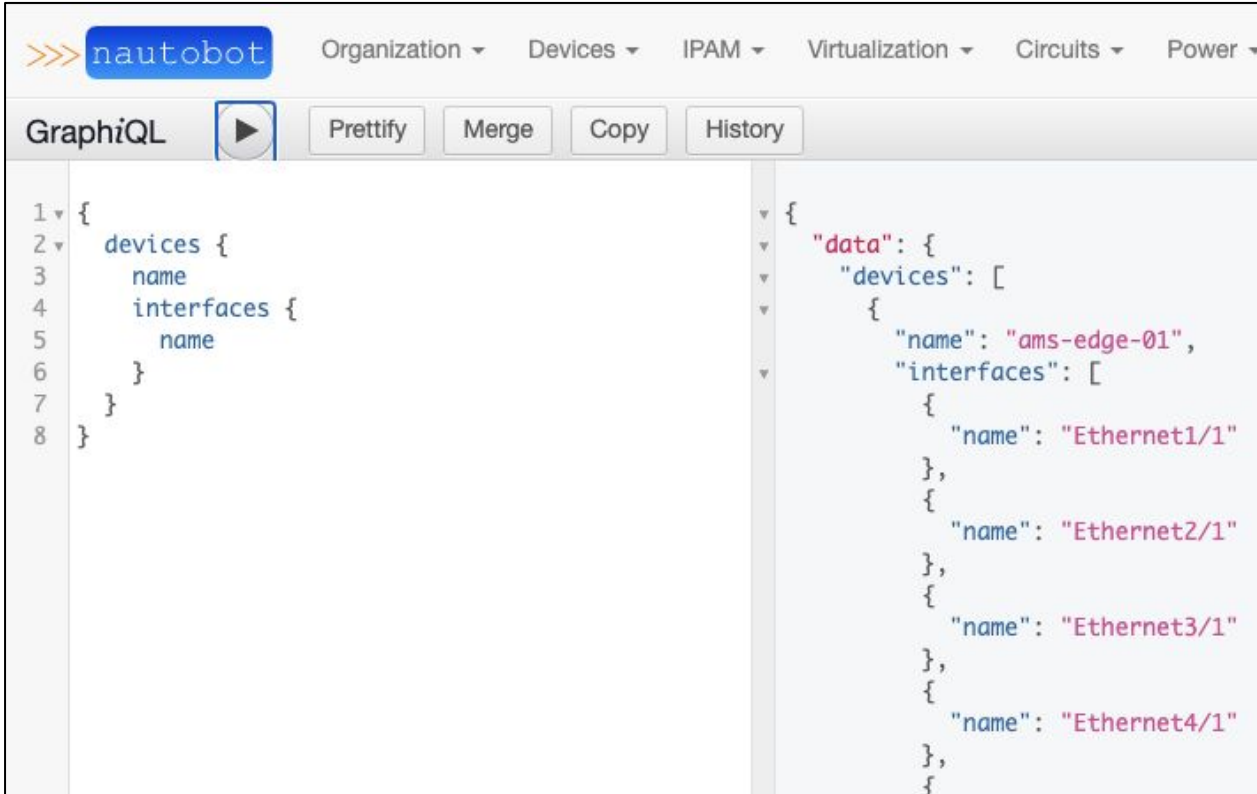
## >>> Users Can Save GraphQL Queries

Reach the GraphQL Queries main page via **Extensibility** → **Data Management** → **GraphQL Queries**





## >>> Test/tune query in Nautobot's GraphiQL interface . . . .



The screenshot displays the Nautobot GraphiQL interface. The top navigation bar includes the Nautobot logo and several dropdown menus: Organization, Devices, IPAM, Virtualization, Circuits, and Power. Below the navigation bar, the 'GraphiQL' tab is active, accompanied by buttons for 'Prettify', 'Merge', 'Copy', and 'History'. The interface is split into two panels. The left panel shows a GraphQL query with line numbers 1 through 8:



```
1 {  
2   devices {  
3     name  
4     interfaces {  
5       name  
6     }  
7   }  
8 }
```

The right panel displays the JSON response from the query:

```
{  
  "data": {  
    "devices": [  
      {  
        "name": "ams-edge-01",  
        "interfaces": [  
          {  
            "name": "Ethernet1/1"  
          },  
          {  
            "name": "Ethernet2/1"  
          },  
          {  
            "name": "Ethernet3/1"  
          },  
          {  
            "name": "Ethernet4/1"  
          }  
        ]  
      }  
    ]  
  }  
}
```

## >>> ... then save the query!

Get to the Add a new GraphQL query form

- Navigate to the GraphQL Queries main page and click the  button
- Or via the top-level menu:  
**Extensibility** → **Data Management** → **GraphQL Queries** → 

Fill out the form, pasting your query

### Add a new GraphQL query

GraphQL query

**Name**

Interface names grouped by device

**Slug**

interface-names-grouped-by-device

URL-friendly unique shorthand

**Query**

```
{
  devices {
    name
    interfaces {
      name
    }
  }
}
```

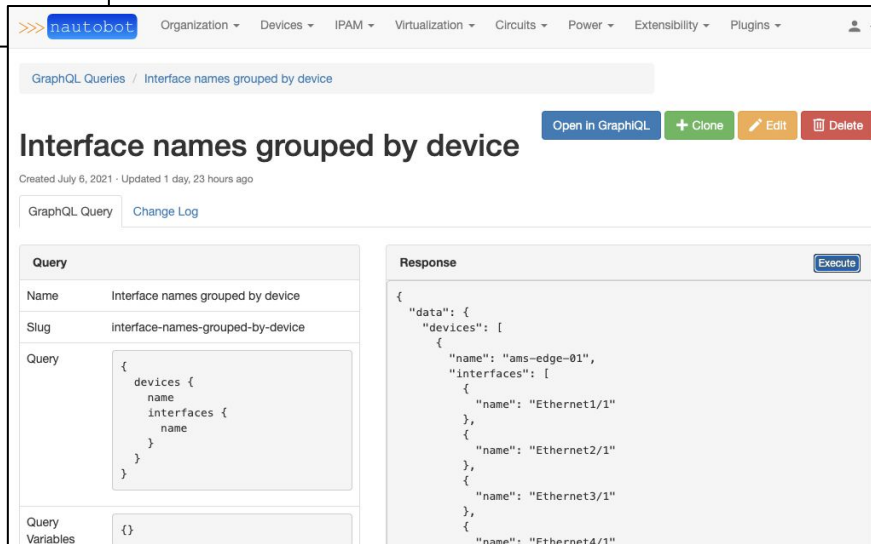
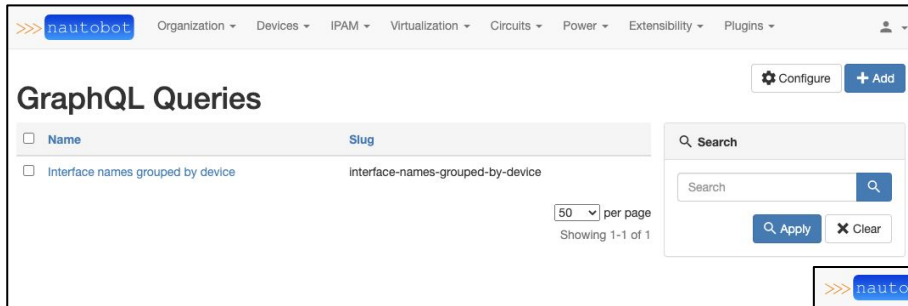
Create

Create and Add Another

Cancel

# >>> Accessing a Saved Query

You can access a saved query from the GraphQL Queries main page



## >>> Saved Query Operations

From the query's main page, you can

- Edit the query
- Execute the query
- Open the query in Nautobot's GraphQL interface
- Clone the query
- Delete the query

The screenshot displays the Nautobot GraphQL interface for a saved query. At the top, a breadcrumb trail shows 'GraphQL Queries / Interface names grouped by device'. To the right of the title are four buttons: 'Open in GraphQL', '+ Clone', 'Edit', and 'Delete'. Below the title, it says 'Created July 6, 2021 · Updated 0 minutes ago'. There are two tabs: 'GraphQL Query' (selected) and 'Change Log'. The 'Query' section contains a table with the following details:

Query	
Name	Interface names grouped by device
Slug	interface-names-grouped-by-device
Query	<pre>{   devices {     name     interfaces {       name     }   } }</pre>
Query Variables	<pre>{}</pre>

The 'Response' section shows the JSON output of the query, with an 'Execute' button in the top right corner. The response is:

```
{
  "data": {
    "devices": [
      {
        "name": "ams-edge-01",
        "interfaces": [
          {
            "name": "Ethernet1/1"
          },
          {
            "name": "Ethernet2/1"
          },
          {
            "name": "Ethernet3/1"
          },
          {
            "name": "Ethernet4/1"
          }
        ]
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

## >>> Executing a saved query programmatically

To execute a stored query via the REST API, a POST request can be sent to this endpoint:

`/api/extras/graphql-queries/[slug]/run/`

*Tip: the slug is available on the query's main page*

### Interface names grouped by device

Created July 6, 2021 · Updated 1 day, 23 hours ago

GraphQL Query [Change Log](#)

Query	
Name	Interface names grouped by device
Slug	interface-names-grouped-by-device





# >>> Read-Only Jobs

## >>> Read-Only Jobs

Allows programmer to write a Job that is explicitly *read-only*

- New *read\_only* Meta class attribute
- Defaults to False
- Explicitly set to True for a *read-only* Job

```
class NewBranch(Job):  
    class Meta:  
        name = "New Branch"  
        description = "Provision a new branch site"  
        field_order = ['site_name', 'switch_count', 'switch_model']  
        read_only = True
```

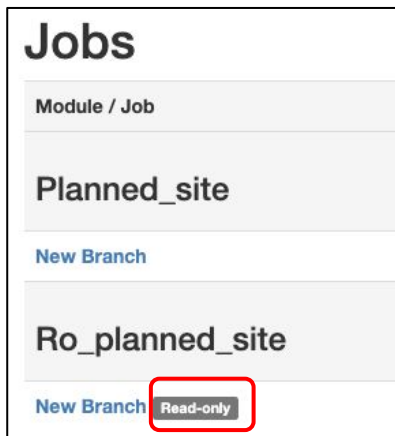
# >>> Read-Only Jobs

Marks read-only jobs with a  badge

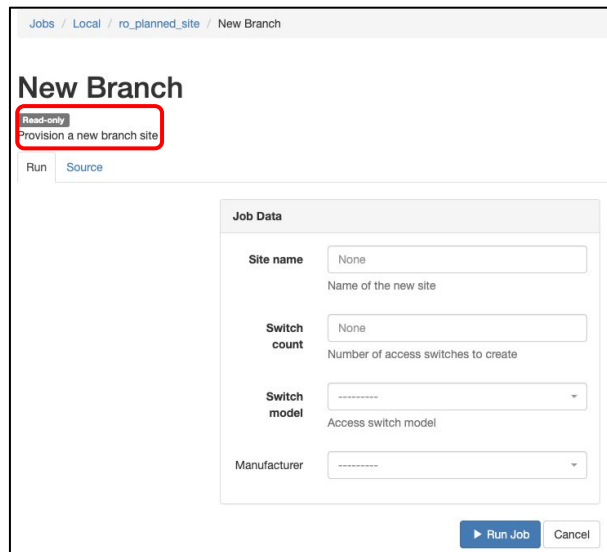
Removes *Commit changes* checkbox

☒ Commit changes

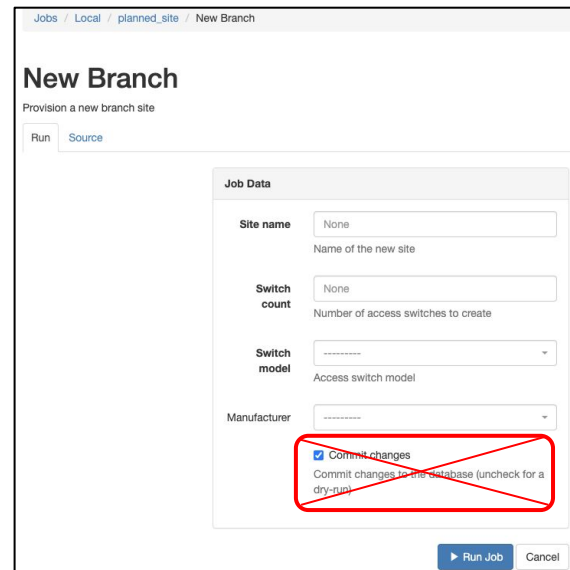
Commit changes to the database (uncheck for a dry-run)



The screenshot shows the 'Jobs' page with a sidebar containing 'Module / Job', 'Planned\_site', 'New Branch', and 'Ro\_planned\_site'. The 'New Branch' job is highlighted with a red box, and a 'Read-only' badge is visible next to it.



The screenshot shows the 'New Branch' form with the 'Read-only' badge highlighted in a red box. The form includes fields for 'Site name', 'Switch count', 'Switch model', and 'Manufacturer', and a 'Run Job' button.



The screenshot shows the 'New Branch' form with the 'Commit changes' checkbox crossed out with a red X. The form includes fields for 'Site name', 'Switch count', 'Switch model', and 'Manufacturer', and a 'Run Job' button.

## >>> Read-Only Jobs

Eliminates confusion  
for report-style Job  
users:

- Log messages that are normally automatically emitted about the database reversions are not included because no changes to data are allowed

Read-only



Summary of Results: **Completed** started at July 8, 2021 7:55 p.m. by demo and ran for 0 minutes, 4.46 seconds

run 9 1 0 0

Logs			
Time	Level	Object	Message
run 9 1 0 0			
2021-07-08T19:55:38.692728	Success	ang	Site ang successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:39.275642	Success	ang-edge-01	Device ang-edge-01 successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:39.851262	Success	ang-edge-02	Device ang-edge-02 successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:40.507504	Success	ang-leaf-01	Device ang-leaf-01 successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:41.012200	Success	ang-leaf-02	Device ang-leaf-02 successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:42.213288	Success	tel-30049149940741	Circuit tel-30049149940741 successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:42.385819	Success	tel-30049149987397	Circuit tel-30049149987397 successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:42.714595	Success	ntt-30049149940777	Circuit ntt-30049149940777 successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:42.811428	Success	ntt-30049149987433	Circuit ntt-30049149987433 successfully created
2021-07-08T19:55:42.879454	Info		Database changes have been reverted automatically.





# Plugin-Defined Navigation



## >>> Plugins and Nav Menus

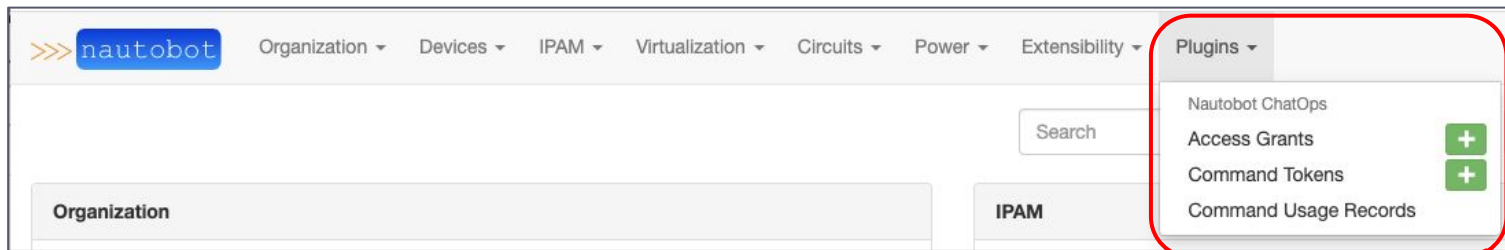
Up until Nautobot 1.1.0, a plugin's menu options resided in a **NavMenuGroup** under the *Plugins* **NavMenuTab**



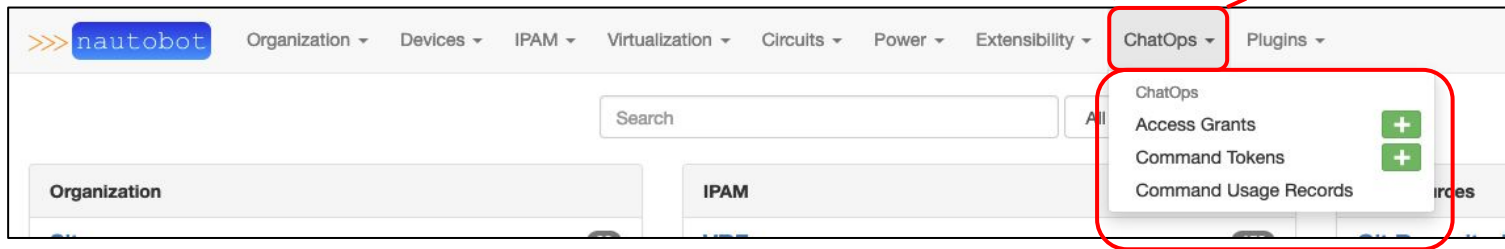
## >>> Plugin-Defined Navigation

Starting in 1.1.0, plugin developers can add tabs, groups, items, and buttons in the top navigation menu

- The example below shows the *Nautobot ChatOps* **NavMenuGroup** being promoted to a **NavMenuTab** named *ChatOps*



<https://github.com/nautobot/nautobot-plugin-chatops/pull/62/files>





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Thank You!

Stay Awesome!