

# Marlon Mejia

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## Bloomberg LP

**Datacenter Operations Engineer** *Nov 2020 - July 2024 - Fulltime*

- **Data Center Operations:**
  - Rack and Stack: Installed and configured servers and network equipment.
  - Decommissioning: Managed server and cable removal, data sanitization, and disposal.
- **Issue Diagnosis and Resolution:**
  - Address Layer 1 & 2 connectivity issues across 1000+ servers, switches, routers, and firewalls.
  - Resolve issues across operating systems, including Windows and Linux (Red Hat, Debian) to ensure consistent and reliable functionality.
- **Automation:**
  - Led a project to automate case opening and log gathering across multiple systems by utilizing **REST APIs** and **Python**.
  - Reduced operation time by over **98%**, from more than **20 minutes to just 30 seconds** per task.
- **Legacy Modernization:** Contribute to the overhaul of outdated programs and documentation with **Python, Bash, Git**.
- **Containerization:** Develop **Dockerfiles** to containerize and facilitate consistent deployment and testing of **Python** and **Bash**.
- **Incident Management:** Utilize **Jira** to plan, track, support tickets, and manage incidents, ensuring efficient resolution.
- **Monitoring and Analysis:** Servers and Network Devices across datacenters, tracking disruptions, resource utilization, and power consumption using **Grafana, Splunk, and Humio**.
- **Cross-Team Collaboration:** Collaborate across multiple technical teams to deliver Agile-based projects, ensuring seamless communication and coordination across multiple Datacenter sites.
- **System Maintenance and Upgrades:** Perform routine maintenance, hardware upgrades, firmware updates, and patch management, to ensure peak system performance.

## NYI - New York Internet

**Datacenter Technician**

*Jul 2020 - Nov 2020 - Fulltime*

- **Customer Support:** Provided remote technical support, including device configuration, troubleshooting, and optimization.
  - **Network Monitoring:** Monitored over 1000 devices using **LogicMonitor, ConnectWise, and Meraki**. resolved outages and network issues.
  - **Automation:** Automated Google Drive tasks with **Python** scripts using Drive **API**.
  - **Hardware Management:** Installed and organized hardware, performed cabling and tested with Fluke equipment.
  - **Customer Interaction:** Communicated with clients about services and provided performance tips.
  - **Documentation:** Documented server setups and task methodologies for efficient handovers.
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## Skills

- **Tools:** Docker, Active Directory, Excel, Command Line
  - **Infrastructure-as-Code:** Terraform, Ansible
  - **CI/CD:** Jenkins, Github Actions, AWS CodePipeline
  - **Operating Systems:** Linux (RedHat, Debian), Windows, Unix, iOS
  - **Programming:** Bash, Python, Powershell
  - **Monitoring:** Grafana, Splunk, Humio, Prometheus, Influxdb
  - **Databases:** MariaDB, MySQL, NoSQL
  - **Cloud:** AWS, ECS, EC2, VPC, IAM, cloud-init
  - **Networking:** IP, TCP, BGP, Server Load Balancers, Firewalls, ACLs, DNS, DHCP, IPAM, LDAP, NFS
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## Certifications

- EX200 Red Hat Certified System Administrator - Apr 08, 2022
  - AWS SAA-C03 - March 31, 2023
  - Comptia Security+ - November 02, 2020
  - API Security Architect - Jan 20 2024
  - Comptia A+ - May 22, 2020
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## Projects

### CI/CD Project for AWS and GitHub Pages

- **Objective:** Developed a robust CI/CD pipeline to automate the deployment of a static website hosted on AWS.
- **Technologies Used:**

- **AWS Services:** Utilized S3 for object storage, CloudFront for content distribution, and Route 53 for domain and DNS management. Implemented SSL certificates using AWS Certificate Manager for enhanced security.
- **Development:** Created content in Markdown for ease of editing and used **pandoc** to convert Markdown files into multiple formats such as PDF and DOCX.
- **Automation:** Implemented CI/CD pipelines using CodePipeline and GitHub Actions to automate the deployment and testing processes, ensuring seamless updates and multi-format document generation.
- **Outcome:** Achieved a streamlined and automated workflow for static website deployment and maintenance, resulting in increased efficiency and reduced manual intervention.

### Cloud Proxy Server (Diagram)

- **Objective:** Designed and automated the deployment of secure, scalable cloud infrastructure on Oracle Cloud to expose local resources.
- **Technologies Used:**
  - **Infrastructure as Code:** Automated the provisioning and management of cloud resources on Oracle Cloud with Terraform.
  - **Configuration Management:** Utilized Ansible to automate the setup and configuration of Wireguard VPN and NGINX on the provisioned infrastructure.
  - **Reverse Proxy:** Implemented a reverse proxy to securely route traffic to a Grafana local endpoint and a local website through a Wireguard connection between an OPNsense firewall and the OCI instance.
  - **Security:** Deployed CrowdSec on OPNsense to protect the reverse proxy, enhancing security and notifying of any threats via webhooks.
- **Outcome:** Established a robust, automated infrastructure that securely exposed local resources while enhancing performance and security.

### Automated Provisioning with Proxmox, Terraform, and Ansible

- **Objective:** Streamlined the provisioning and configuration of LXC containers and VM instances on Proxmox to enhance infrastructure management and automation.
- **Technologies Used:**
  - **Provisioning:** Utilized Terraform to automate the creation of LXC containers and VM instances on Proxmox, enabling scalable and efficient infrastructure deployment.
  - **Configuration Management:** Applied Ansible for post-provisioning configuration and management, ensuring uniform setup and operational consistency.
  - **Backups:** Set up automated backups using **Kopia**, with infrastruc-

ture code securely stored in GitHub for version control and disaster recovery.

- **Outcome:** Achieved a highly automated and efficient infrastructure management process, significantly reducing manual intervention, enhancing configuration consistency, and ensuring reliable backup and recovery.

### **STIG Compliance Configuration for Rocky Linux 9**

- **Objective:** Ensure Rocky Linux 9 adheres to DISA STIG Guidelines for RHEL 9, enhancing system security and compliance.
- **Tools Used:** STIG Viewer, OpenSCAP, oscap, csc
- **Outcome:** Successfully configured a government-compliant, highly secure operating system.

### **Killercoda Labs**

- **Objective:** Leveraged to create a sandbox environment to guide users through step-by-step setups of specific technologies, serving as an interactive learning platform.
- **Outcome:** Created educational hands-on labs leveraging virtualization to support and train emerging tech talent.