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Marvell Technology (MRVL US) – A Solid Semiconductor

Rebound Bet with AI-Driven Tailwinds

Conclusive Summary: We recommend adding MRVL stock around \$60 for opportunistic investors looking to capitalize on a semiconductor rebound following the recent market selloff.

Marvell (MRVL) delivered solid 4Q24 results, surpassing top and bottom-line estimates, however, missed top guidance estimates, which led to the stock's sharpest drop in two decades. The company's growth trajectory is closely tied to its application-specific integrated circuit (ASIC) business, which continues to benefit from rising AI and cloud demand from hyperscalers such as Amazon (14% of revenue) and Google (13%). The ongoing shift toward custom silicon-aimed at enhancing AI and cloud data center efficiency while reducing reliance on expensive GPUs from NVIDIA and AMD—is expected to drive long-term demand for Marvell's solutions. Concerns over muted hyperscaler CAPEX spending, which directly impacts Marvell, appear overblown. While demand cycles may introduce volatility, the push to build AI-driven data centers by major tech companies, coupled with government incentives, provides a strong tailwind for the company's expansion. With MRVL trading at a historical discount to its multiples combined with a multiyear technical support around \$60 and a PEG ratio of 0.5 (NTM PE ~25x), we believe the stock is well-positioned to benefit from a market rebound following the recent selloff driven by tariff uncertainty and recession fears.

Competitive Position: competes in a dynamic semiconductor market, facing major players like Broadcom, Intel, and NVIDIA. **Its differentiation lies in providing highly customized, semi-custom solutions, particularly in AI, data centers, 5G, and automotive**. Marvell's focus on integrated hardware, firmware, and software creates deeper customer ties and higher switching costs. The company's strength in **advanced SoC designs, cutting-edge manufacturing** (3nm, moving to 2nm), **and a robust IP portfolio further sets it apart**. Due to intense competition and risks from supply chain reliance and rapid tech shifts, Marvell is required to innovate and diversify strategically in response to market shifts and trends.

Valuation: Using a combination of multiple and DCF valuation, **we reach a blended target price (TP) of \$90, +37%** above current levels. MRVL stock is trading at ~20% multiple premium to peers, at the lower end over the last 5 years. The stock is trading at 1.0 and 1.5 standard deviations below its 2 and 5-year multiples respectively, indicating some room for multiple mean reversion. **We suggest adding MRVL stock around \$60.**

Ticker: MRVL US

Previous day close price: 65.67 Price range (52w.): \$53.19 - \$127.48 Reason for note: Post 4Q24 Earnings Selloff Target price: \$90 (+37% upside) Recommendation: **Buy** (0, **#60**

Description: Marvell Technology, Inc. (MRVL) is a fabless semiconductor company that designs high-performance products for data infrastructure. It outsources manufacturing while specializing in System-on-a-Chip (SoC) solutions that combine analog, mixed-signal, and digital signal processing. Marvell generates revenue from five key markets:

- 1. Data Center (40%): Products for AI systems, Ethernet switches, and storage solutions.
- 2. Enterprise Networking (22%): Solutions for routers, switches, and network appliances.
- 3. **Carrier Infrastructure (19%)**: Products for broadband, optical transport, and wireless networks.
- Consumer (11%): Semiconductor solutions for broadband gateways, gaming consoles, and home devices.
- 5. **Automotive/Industrial (8%)**: Products for ADAS, autonomous vehicles, and industrial networking.

Marvell's revenue comes from both standard products and custom solutions, sold through direct sales and third-party distributors.

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Target Multiple Next 12 Months		Financial Metric	Target EV	Net Debt	Target MCap	Shares	Target Price
EV/Rev	9	8,634	77,703	3,116	74,588	856.3	\$86.20
EV/EBITDA	24	3,368	80,836	3,116	77,721	865.3	\$89.82
P/FCF	32	2,324				865.3	\$85.94
Avg. Multiple Price			_				\$87.32
Avg. DCF Price							\$92.89
Avg. Multiple & DCF Price							\$90.10

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Post Earnings Preview:

MRVL	Expected Next Report Date		Next FY End		Review Date	
MARVELL TECHNOLOGY INC	5/30/2025	?	2/1/2026		3/7/2025	
Targets	DPRG	90.00	Street	116.17		
Current Price/ Upside	65.67	37.0%		60.7%		
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Earnings Q Review	Last Q Report					
Last Close	3/5/2025			Quarterly		
72.28	Q4	2025:A	Q4	Prev Quarter	Year Ago	
	Comparable % Surprise					
Sales, \$ mil.	1,817	0.91%	1,817	1,516	1,427	
			growth	19.9%	27.4%	
EBITDA, \$ mil.	691	7.82%	544	368	358	
			growth	47.9%	52.2%	
Net Income, \$ mil.	531	2.93%	146	39	-79	
			growth	279.3%	NA	
EPS, \$	0.6	1.52%	0.17	0.04	-0.09	
			growth	278.7%	NA	
Valuation	Current	-1STD	Average 2Y	+1STD	%STD	
EV to Forward 12M Sales	7.77	8.06	9.88	11.71	-116%	
EV to Forward 12M EBITDA	20.09	23.77	29.02	34.27	-170%	
Price to Forward 12M EPS	24.91	27.49	34.12	40.75	-139%	

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