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Marvell FY1Q25 earnings: Harnessing the Al revenue

Marvell (MRVL US, NR) released its FY1Q25 results. Revenue was down by 12.2% YoY/18.6% QoQ to US\$1.16bn, in line with the company's guidance (US\$1.16bn). Non-GAAP GPM was 62.4%, down from 63.9% in FY4Q24. Adj. EPS was US\$0.24 in FY1Q25, down 22.6% YoY/47.8% QoQ.

Mgmt. guided Q2 revenue to grow 8% QoQ at the midpoint, and mentioned growth will accelerate in Q3 and Q4, driven by DC/AI sales. Non-GAAP GPM is expected to be around 62%. We think Marvell's earnings confirmed AI demand remains strong, which should continue to benefit the supply chain.

- By segment, data center (DC) remained the primary revenue driver (70% of total revenue) due to strong demand from cloud AI applications. 1) DC revenue grew by 87.3% YoY/6.7% QoQ in Q1 and is expected to grow mid-single digit in Q2. 2) Enterprise and Carrier sales dropped 58.0% and 75.2% YoY in Q1. The company expected these two segments to bottom in 1H, with Q2 revenue remaining flat. 3) While Consumer business revenue was down 70.4% YoY, Marvell expected the sales to double in Q2. 4) Auto and industrial will continue to go through inventory correction and Q2 sales could be similar, according to the company.
- Marvell is expected to beat its previous Al revenue guidance of US\$1.5bn in FY2025 (vs. US\$550+mn in FY2024), implying 170%+ YoY growth. Al revenue remains the key focus. The company thinks yearly incremental sales will be at least US\$1bn. Marvell presented its Al opportunities on its Analyst Day, with a 29% 2023-28E CAGR for DC TAM, of which custom compute's TAM would expand even faster, at a 45% 5-year CAGR, from US\$7bn in FY2023 to US\$40bn+ in FY2028. The company disclosed it has won three customers out of the Big Four hyperscalers (Amazon, Google, Meta, and Microsoft).
- Optics business continued to be "very strong". The company said electro-optics revenue is expected to account for two-thirds of the US\$1.5bn projection this year. The growth drivers will be: 1) 800G support for Al buildouts (from both GPU and ASIC); 2) A broad upgrade of DC networking in standard cloud infrastructure; 3) Increasing sales of interconnect solutions from new customers; 4) The launch of new 1.6T products in Q1 with shipments later this year, which should contribute meaningfully to revenue growth in 2024/25.

We think the recent tech earnings have all led to optimistic prospects for the ongoing AI momentum. We believe the supply chain will continue to benefit. We remain positive on the AI supply chain, especially for those key beneficiaries with greater revenue contribution from AI. Maintain BUY rating on Innolight (300308 CH). We also see TFC (300394 CH), AMD (AMD US), Broadcom (AVGO US), Marvell (MRVL US), Arista (ANET US), SMCI (SMCI US), SK Hynix (000660 KS) and TSMC (TSM US) as indispensable names in this AI boom.

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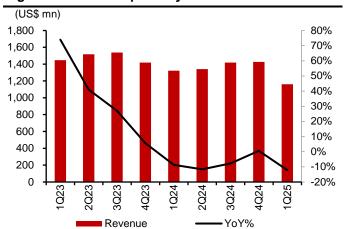
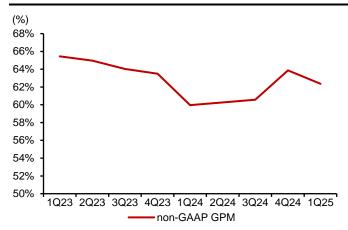


Figure 2: Marvell's quaterly GPM



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Figure 3: Marvell's quarterly revenue breakdown

US\$ mn	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24	2Q24	3Q24	4Q24	1Q25
Data Center	641	643	627	498	436	460	556	765	816
yoy%	NA	48.4%	25.5%	-13.3%	-32.0%	-28.5%	-11.4%	53.8%	87.3%
qoq%	11.6%	0.5%	-2.5%	-20.7%	-12.4%	5.5%	20.9%	37.7%	6.7%
%	44.3%	42.4%	40.8%	35.1%	33.0%	34.3%	39.2%	53.6%	70.3%
Enterprise Networking	287	340	376	366	365	328	271	265	153
yoy%	NA	52.8%	52.1%	39.3%	27.2%	-3.7%	-27.9%	-27.7%	-58.0%
qoq%	9.0%	18.7%	10.5%	-2.6%	-0.5%	-10.1%	-17.3%	-2.3%	-42.2%
%	19.8%	22.4%	24.5%	25.8%	27.6%	24.4%	19.1%	18.6%	13.2%
Carrier Infrastructure	252	285	271	275	290	276	317	170	72
yoy%	NA	45.0%	26.2%	14.3%	15.0%	-3.4%	16.6%	-38.3%	-75.2%
qoq%	4.6%	13.2%	-4.8%	1.5%	5.3%	-5.0%	14.9%	-46.3%	-57.8%
%	17.4%	18.8%	17.7%	19.4%	21.9%	20.5%	22.3%	11.9%	6.2%
Consumer	179	164	178	180	142	168	169	144	42
yoy%	NA	-0.6%	-2.2%	-3.0%	-20.4%	2.0%	-5.4%	-20.0%	-70.4%
qoq%	-3.7%	-7.9%	8.5%	0.8%	-21.0%	18.0%	0.6%	-14.7%	-70.8%
%	12.3%	10.8%	11.6%	12.7%	10.8%	12.5%	11.9%	10.1%	3.6%
Automotive / Industrial	89	84	84	99	89	110	107	82	78
yoy%	NA	45.6%	26.2%	25.0%	0.0%	31.8%	26.5%	-17.2%	-13.1%
qoq%	12.3%	-6.4%	0.7%	18.1%	-10.2%	23.4%	-3.4%	-22.7%	-5.7%
%	6.2%	5.5%	5.5%	7.0%	6.8%	8.2%	7.5%	5.8%	6.7%
Total revenue	1,447	1,517	1,537	1,419	1,322	1,341	1,419	1,427	1,161
yoy%	73.9%	41.0%	26.9%	5.6%	-8.7%	-11.6%	-7.7%	0.6%	-12.2%
gog%	7.7%	4.8%	1.3%	-7.7%	-6.8%	1.5%	5.8%	0.6%	-18.6%

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