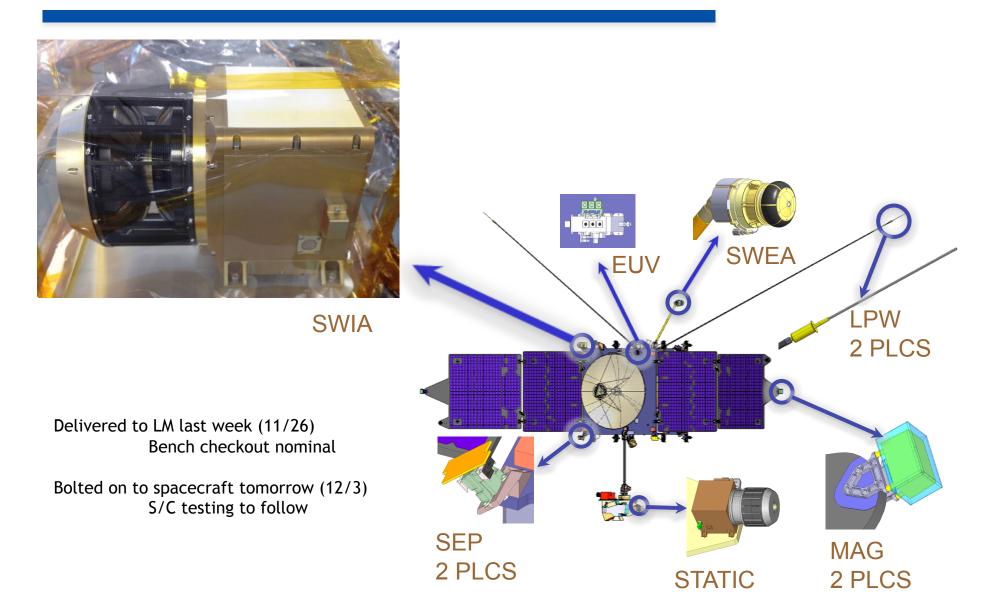


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## **SWIA Family Portrait**





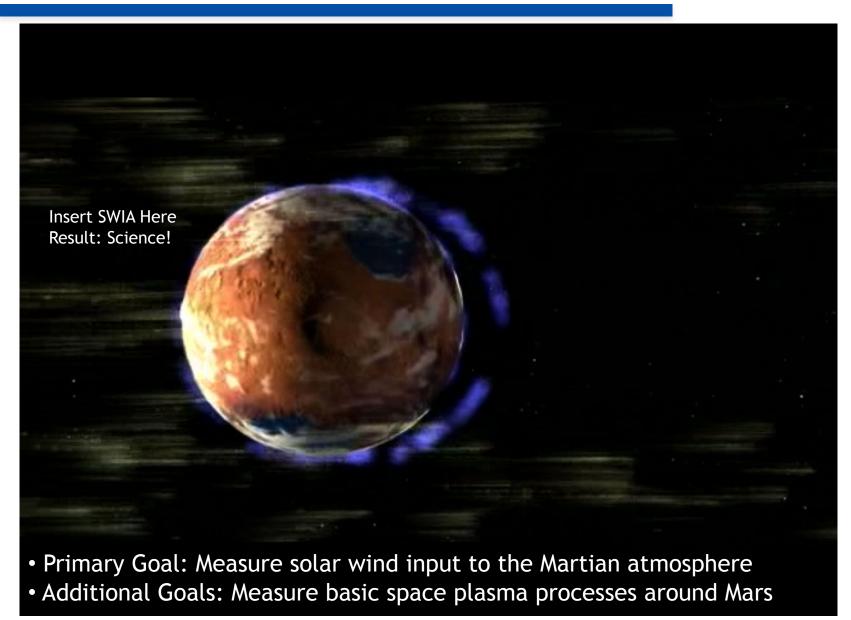
# SWIA Level 1 Requirements



4.1.9: Solar Wind Ions	
<b>Baseline:</b> MAVEN shall determine density and velocity distributions of solar wind and magnetosheath protons (from 1000 km/s to 50 km/s). Better than 15% energy resolution; better than 30 degrees angular resolution.	<b>Rationale:</b> Solar-wind ion properties determine the solar-wind and magnetosheath properties near Mars and constrain the nature of the solar-wind interactions with the upper atmosphere, determine the ionization rates of neutrals from charge exchange, and determine the pickup acceleration of newly formed ions by the <b>v x B</b> electric field.

#### **SWIA Science Goals**



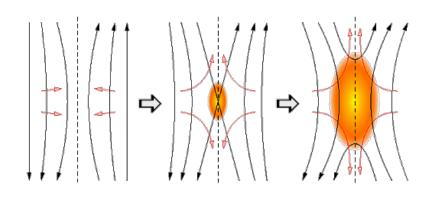


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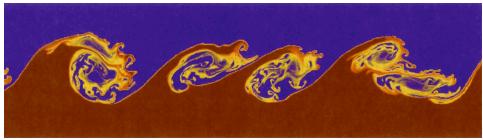
# **SWIA Science Goals**



- Non-thermal ion loss processes are key for MAVEN
  - Reconnection/Flux Ropes/Plasmoids
  - Bulk escape/plasma clouds
  - Polar wind
  - Auroral processes
  - Kelvin Helmholtz/boundary instabilities
  - Pickup escape







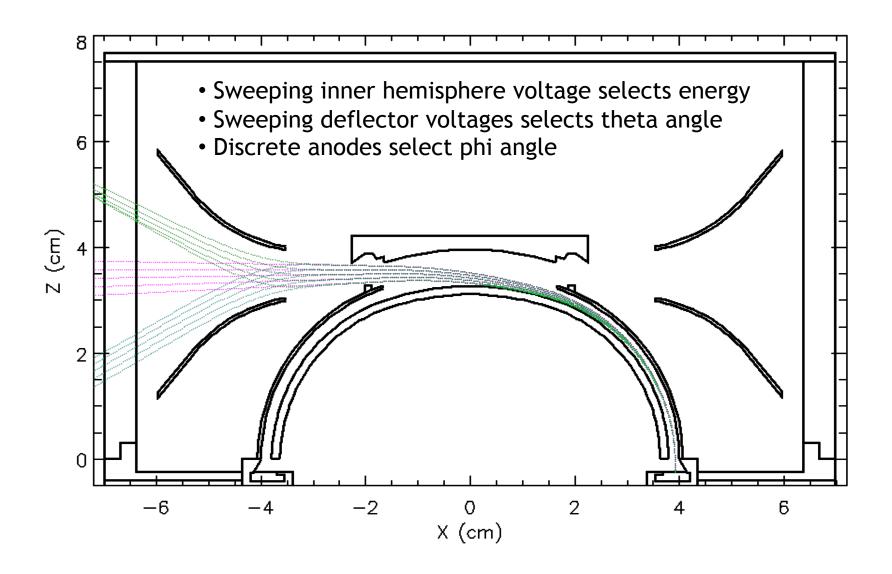
# SWIA Measurement Capabilities



REQUIREMENT	SWIA Capability
<b>PF72</b> : SWIA shall measure energy fluxes from $1 \times 10^7$ to $1 \times 10^{10}$ eV/(cm <sup>2</sup> s sr eV) with no worse than 25% precision	SWIA will measure energy fluxes from $5x10^4$ to $7x10^{11}$ eV/(cm <sup>2</sup> s sr eV)
<b>PF73</b> : SWIA shall measure ion flow velocities from 50-1000 km/s	SWIA will measure from 5-25000 eV (flow velocities from 30-2000 km/s)
<b>PF74</b> : SWIA shall have energy resolution dE/E at least 15%	SWIA has energy resolution of 14.5% (13.5% with attenuator)
<b>PF75</b> : SWIA shall have angular resolution of at least 30° (10° in Sun direction)	SWIA has angular resolution of 22.5°, with 4.5° sectors in Sun direction
<b>PF76</b> : SWIA shall have time resolution of at least 1 minute or better	The basic SWIA measurement cadence is 4 seconds.
<b>PF77</b> : SWIA shall have a FOV of 180x40° or better	SWIA has a FOV of 360x90°

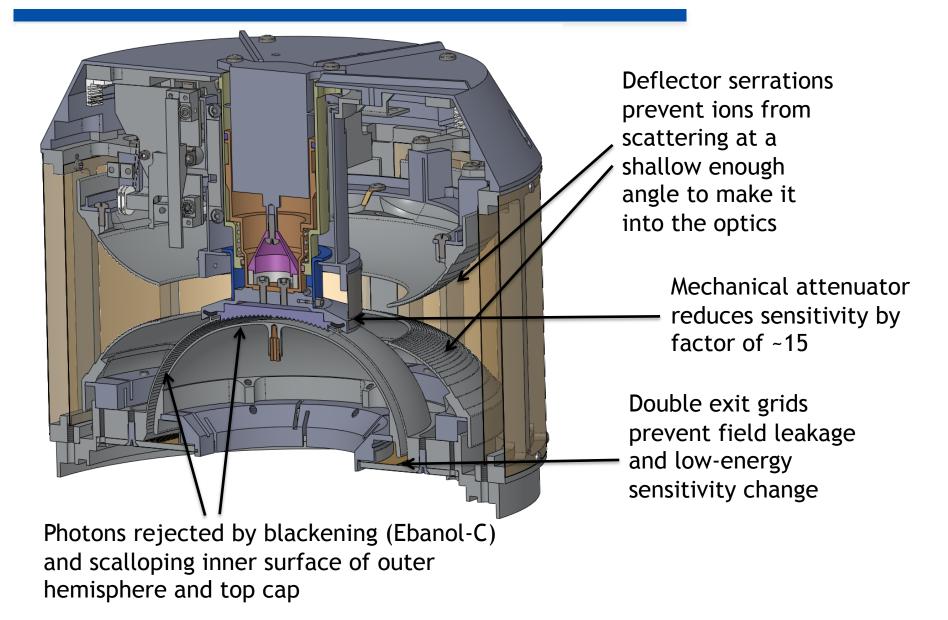






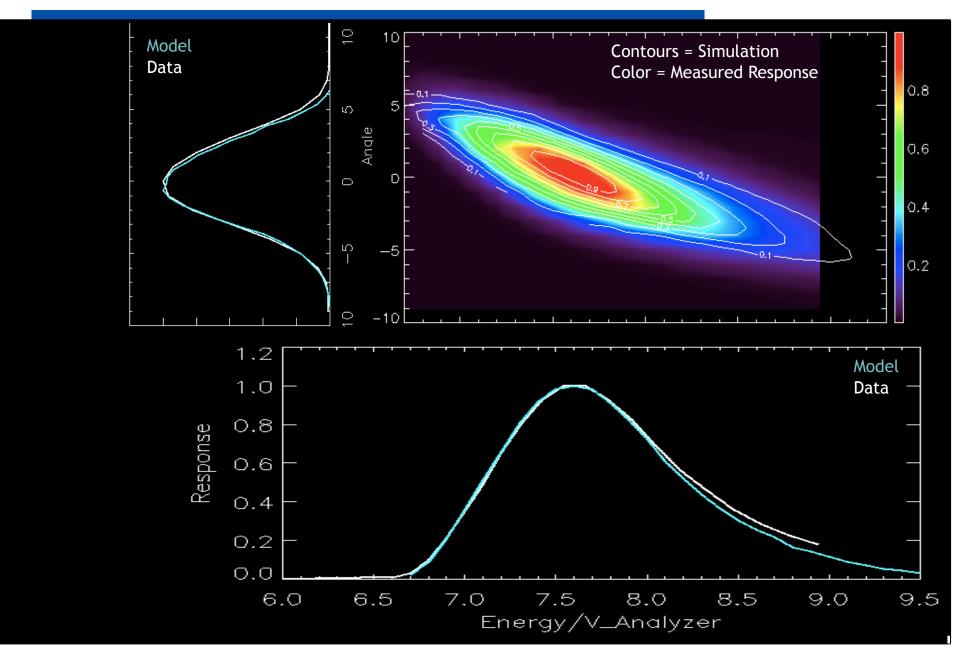
### **SWIA Optics Details**





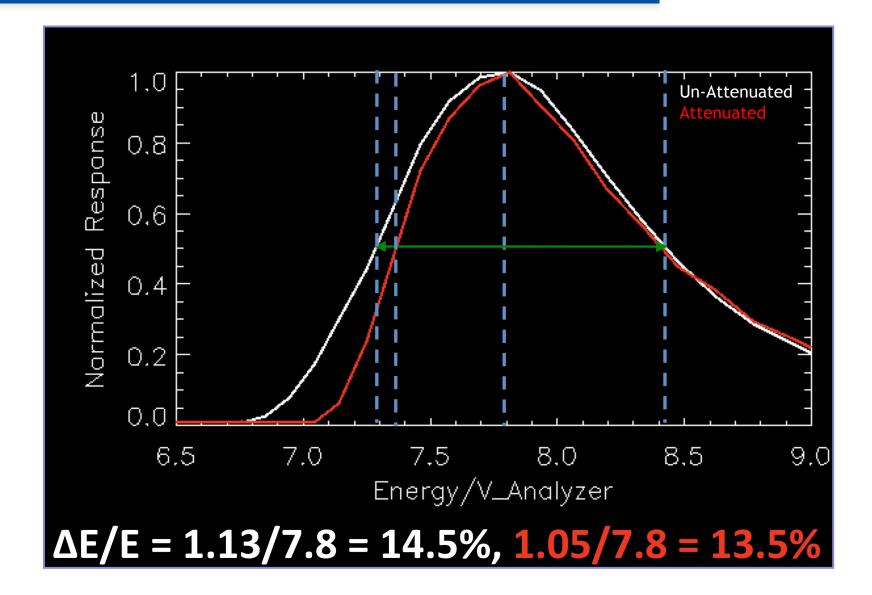
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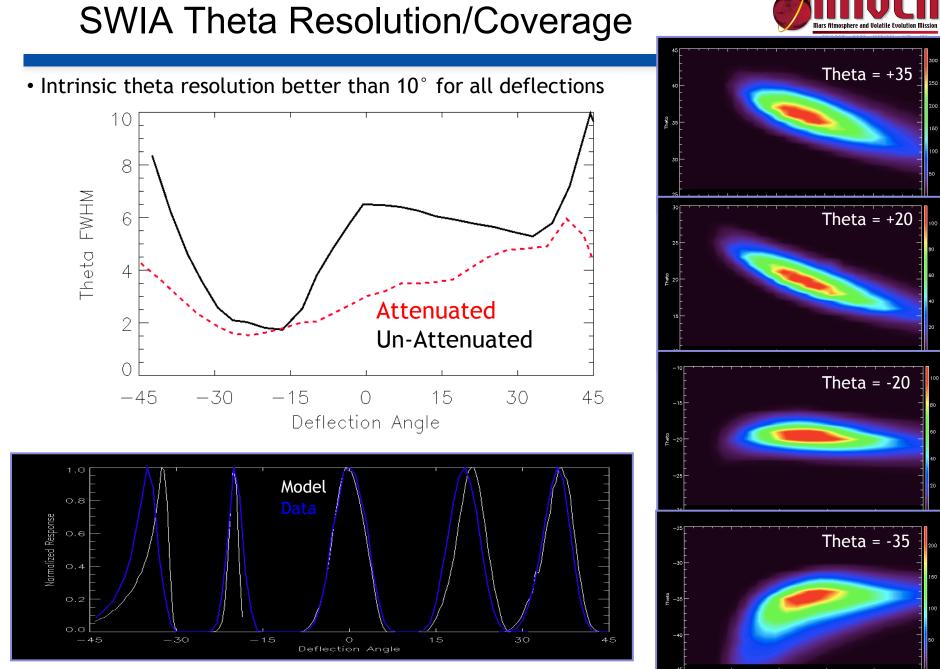




## SWIA Energy Resolution





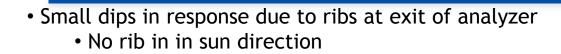


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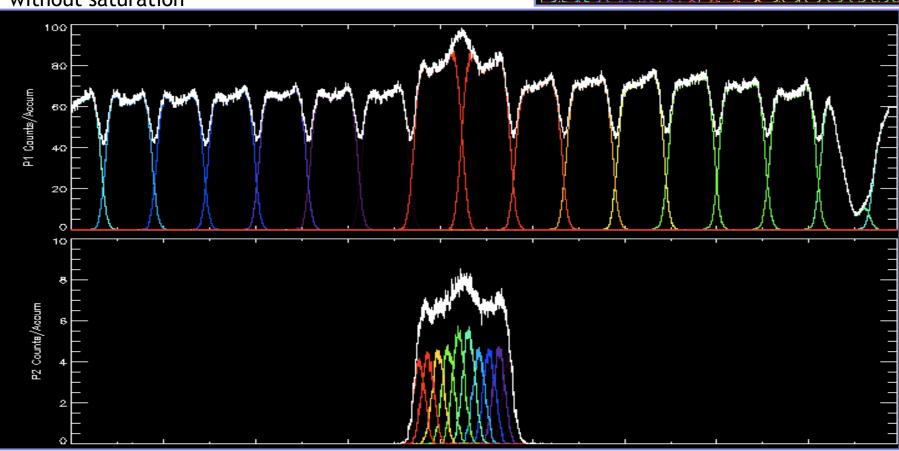
## SWIA Phi Resolution/Coverage



Attenuator In

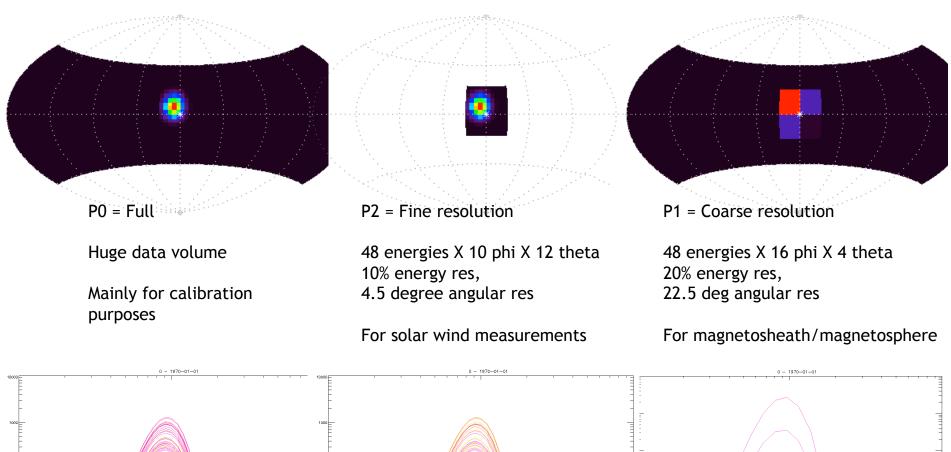


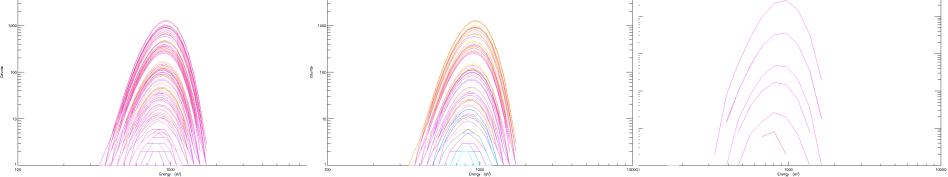
- Fine anodes cover "Sweet Spot" in sun direction
- Attenuator allows measurement of intense fluxes without saturation



#### **SWIA Basic Data Products**









- PFPDU packetizes P1 and P2 products, with configurable binning/sub-selection in both energy and angle
  - Can trade energy/angle resolution vs. time resolution
- PFDPU calculates partial moments (n,v,p,T,Q) onboard from either P1 or P2, depending on mode
  - Allows very high cadence measurement of basic plasma parameters
- PFDPU calculates average energy spectra onboard from P1
  Very useful survey product



• PFDPU automatically switches SWIA telemetry mode based on how localized the distribution is in phase space

#### • SW Mode:

- Fine 32E x 6φ x 8θ every 32 s [Covers Solar Wind Flows]
- Coarse 24E x 16φ x 4θ every 128 s [Survey for Pickup Ions]
- Energy Spectra every 8 s
- P2 Moments every 4 s

#### Sheath Mode:

- Coarse 24E x 16φ x 4θ every 32 s for [Covers Sheath Flows]
- Energy Spectra every 8 s
- P1 Moments every 4 s

(\*) Later in mission, better Earth-Mars geometries allow higher telemetry rates