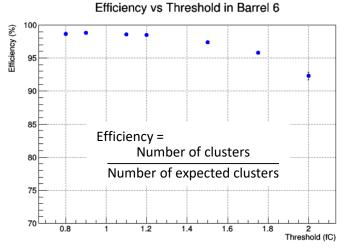
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## Improving the data quality efficiency at the **ATLAS Semiconductor Tracker (SCT)**

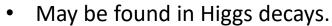


Built in Liverpool and continues to be a core part of the Inner Detector (ID).

- Study aging due to radiation damage.
  - Requires optimisation of settings for Run 3.
- Investigate trade off between Hit Efficiency and Occupancy.
  - By varying charge threshold.

## **Searching for Long Lived Axion-like Particles**

ALPs are hypothetical light particles that may be a component of the dark sector.



ATLAS can probe (g-2)<sub>u</sub> anomaly sensitivity region.

ALPs can decay to photons either **promptly** (current analysis in Liverpool) or displaced (my analysis).

