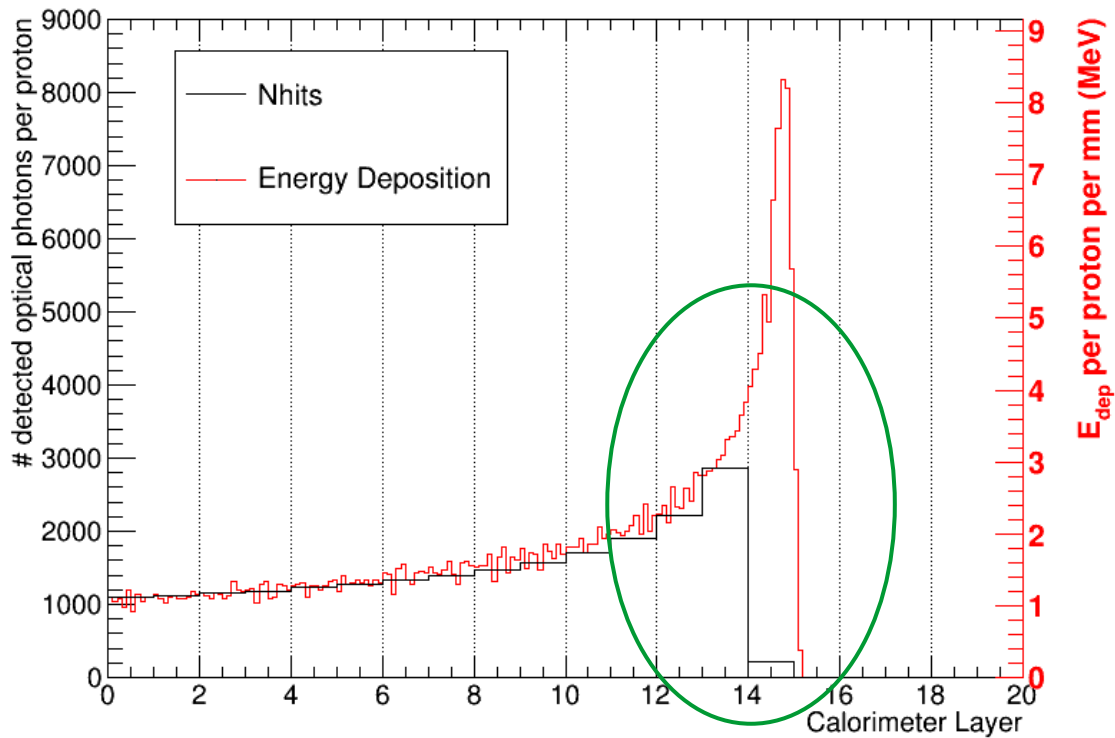


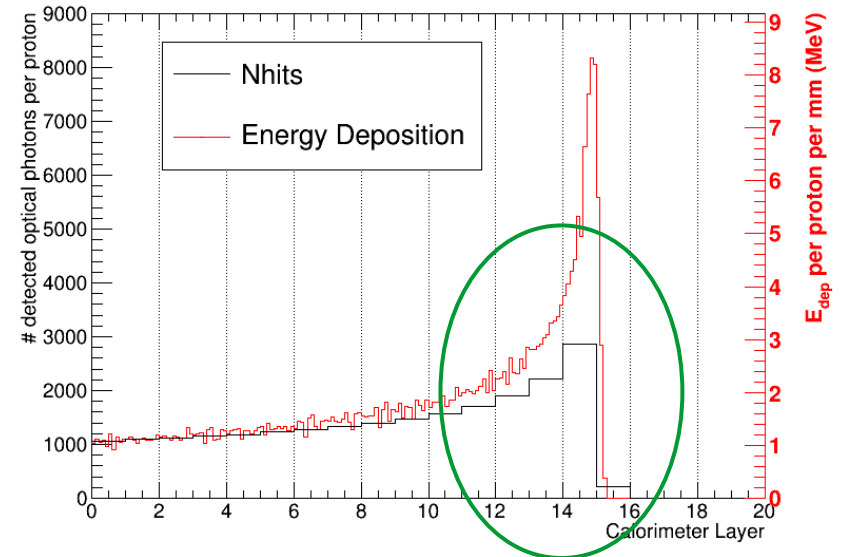
# Fit curves for energy deposition and photon yield

# Last weeks update: Wrong alarm



That was actually nothing;  
A bug guzzled one calorimeter layer

This is how it really looks like:



# Bortfeld1997

$\kappa_0 \varrho \alpha^{-1} (1 + \beta R_0)$   
 $E_0$ , which is in  
 resulting from the  
 translate  $\Phi_E(E)$   
 $R) \Delta R$  is the flu-  
 $R + \Delta R$ . This is  
 relation  $\Phi_R(R)$   
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Note that this expression is of the same form as the second term,  $\hat{D}_2(z)$ , of Eq. (11). Straggling can now be considered in the same way as in the previous section, which results in the final expression  $D_{\text{tail}}(z)$ . Adding this expression to the  $D(z)$  of Eq. (15) gives

$$(21) \quad D(z) = \Phi_0 \frac{e^{-\zeta^2/4} \sigma^{1/p} \Gamma(1/p)}{\sqrt{2\pi} \varrho p \alpha^{1/p} (1 + \beta R_0)} \left[ \frac{1}{\sigma} \mathcal{D}_{-1/p}(-\zeta) + \left( \frac{\beta}{p} + \gamma\beta + \frac{\epsilon}{R_0} \right) \mathcal{D}_{-1/p-1}(-\zeta) \right]. \quad (26)$$

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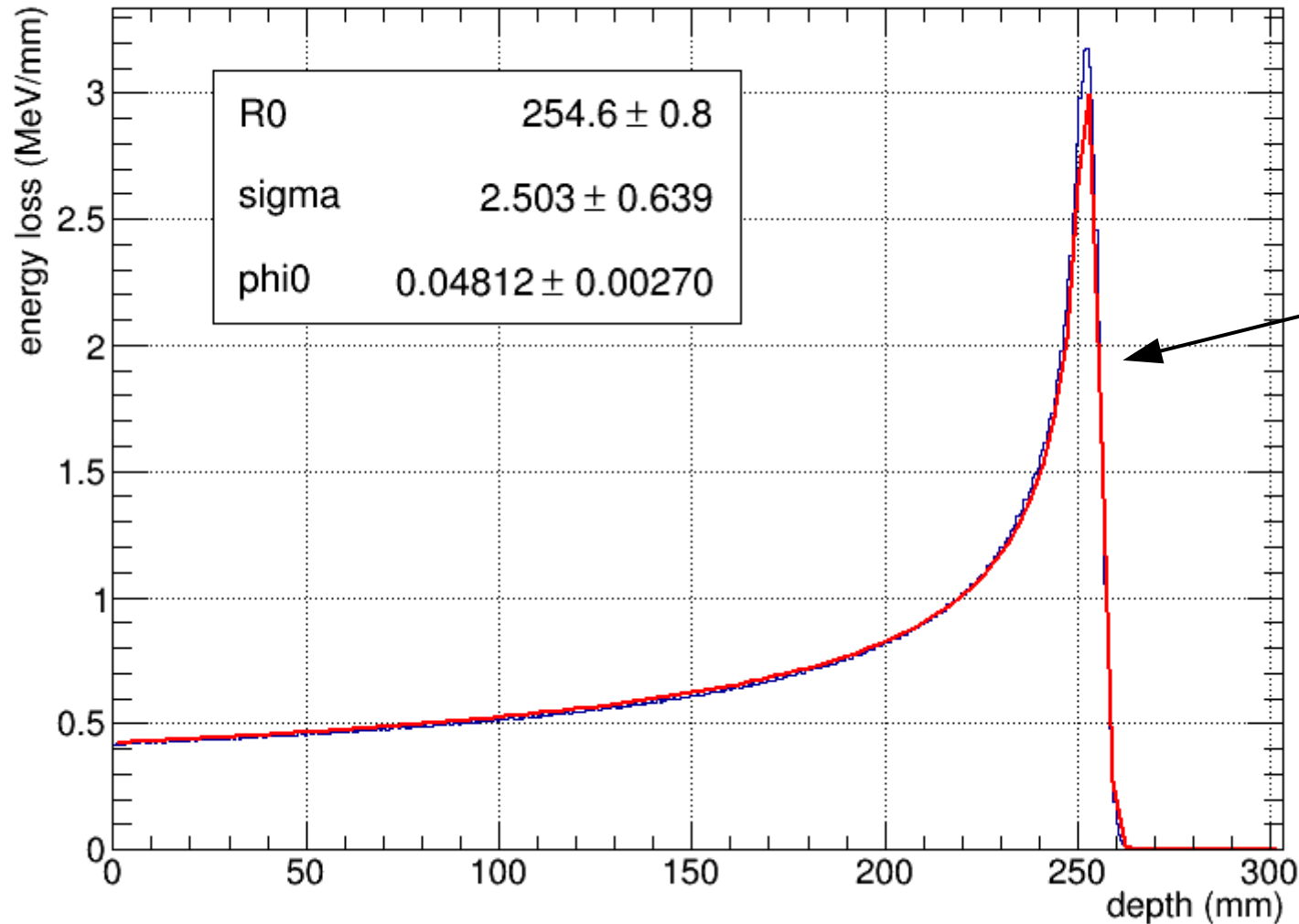
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TABLE II. Parameters for the fit of Eq. (29) to measured data published in the literature.

Calculate D() numerically: Coded in C++/ROOT  
 Unfortunately, ROOT has no routine for parabol. Cyl. functions

## Bragg curve fit to simulated 200MeV proton beam



I'm still using the material-dependent model parameter for water! Fit should improve when adapting parameter to scintillator

From fitted range  $R_0$ , calculate  $E_0 = (R_0/\beta)^{-1/p}$

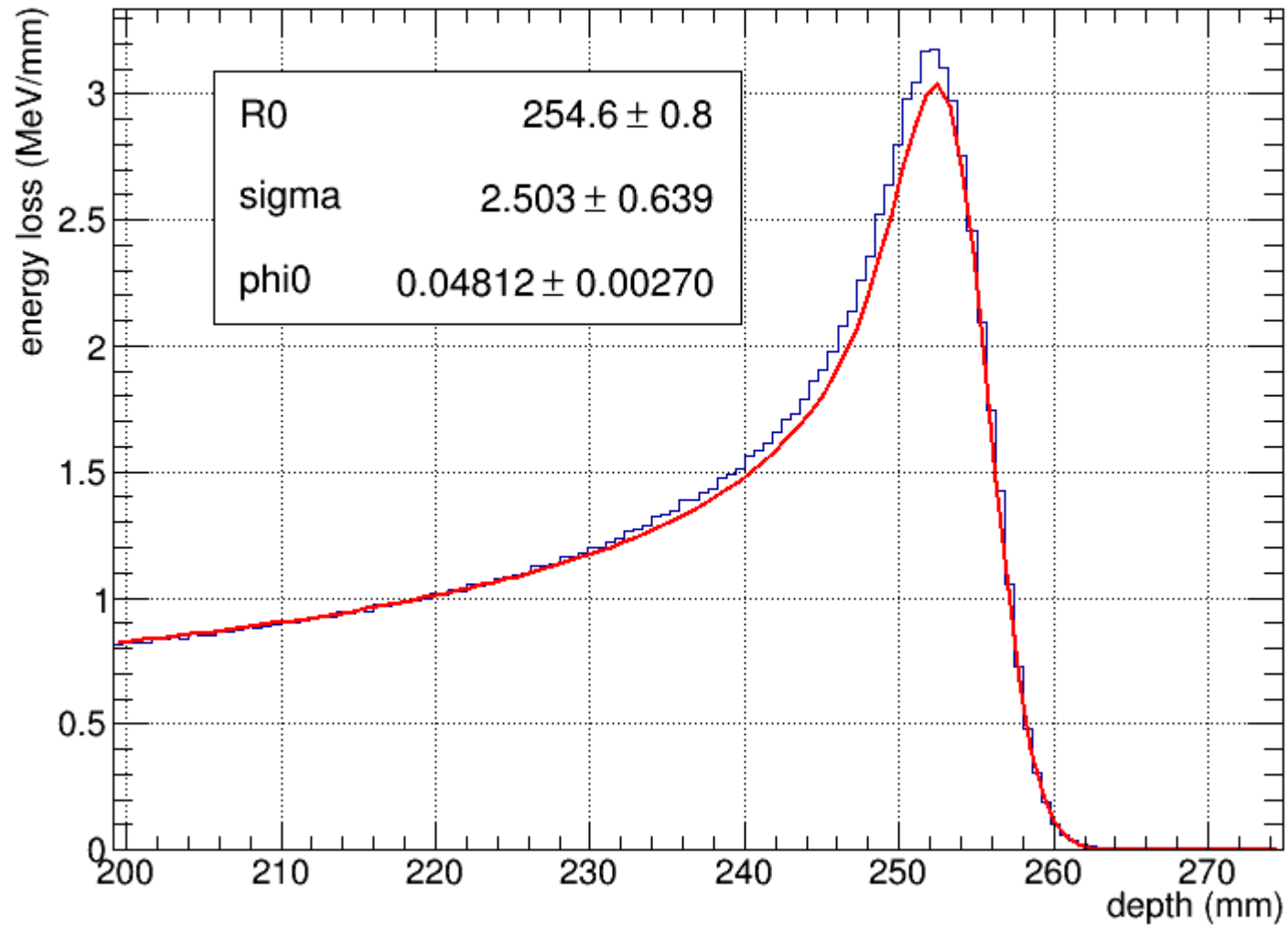
Model parameter:

$\beta = 0.012 \text{ cm MeV}^{-p}$

$p = 1.77$

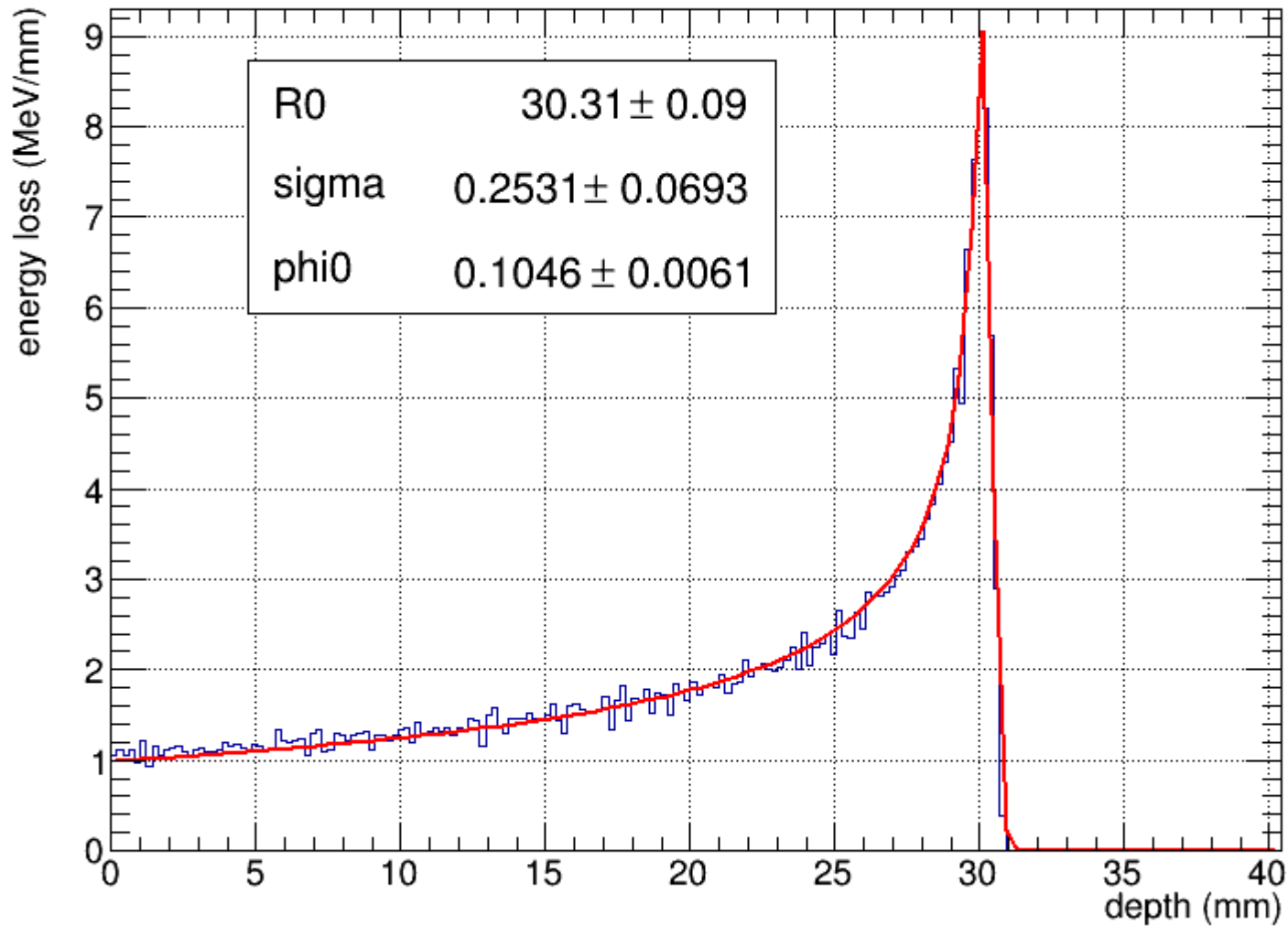
# Zoom to Bragg peak

Bragg curve fit to simulated 200MeV proton beam



$E_0 = 197.582 \text{ MeV}$

First Bragg curve fit to simulated 60MeV proton beam

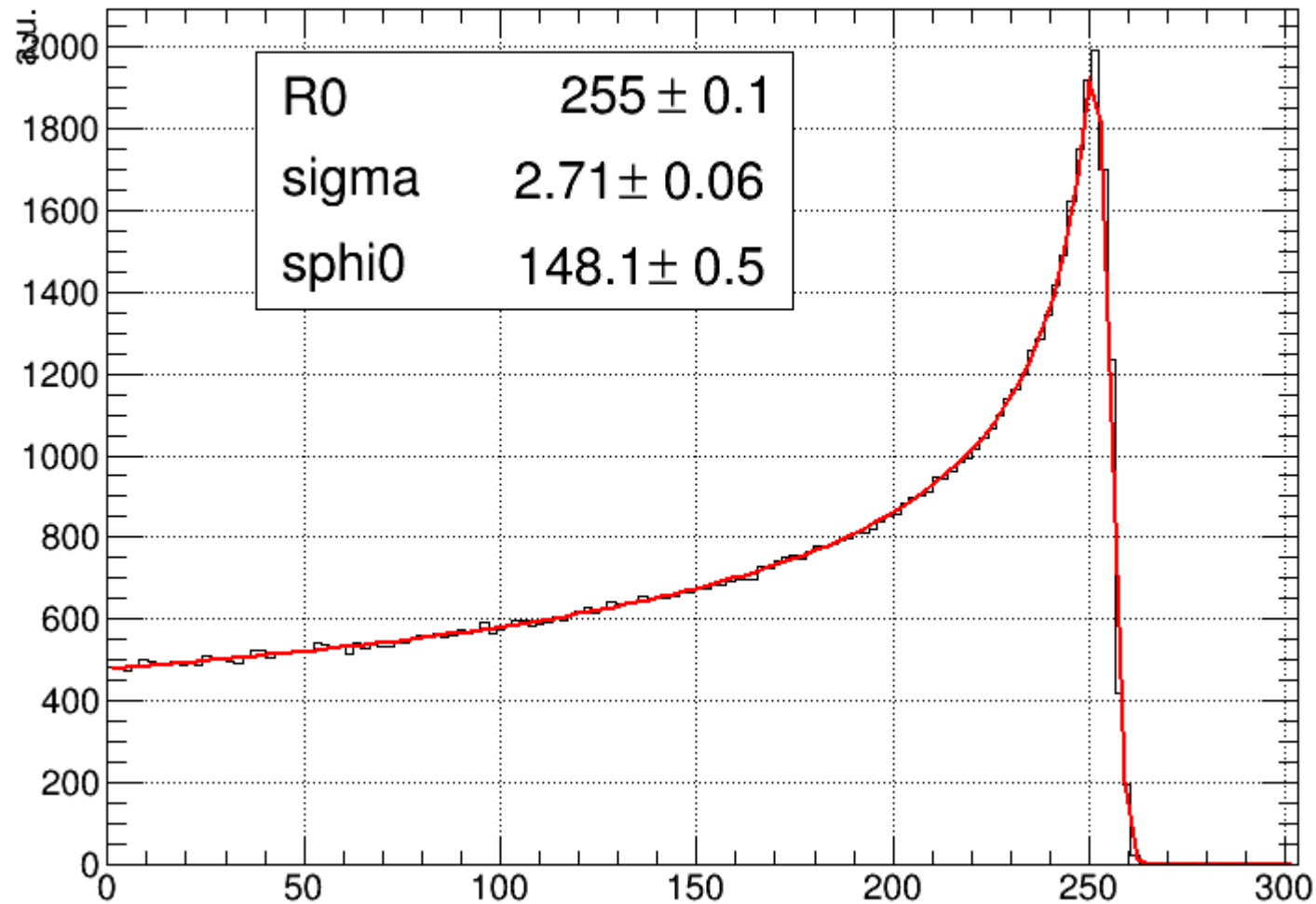


$E_0 = 59.3767 \text{ MeV}$

# Photon yield fit

- Develop fit curve for photon yield, starting from Bortfeld's Bragg fit curve
- Use Birk's law  $\frac{dL}{dx} = \frac{S}{\left(\frac{dE}{dx}\right)^{-1} + b}$   $s, b$  const
- Replace  $dE/dx$  in derivation of Bragg curve with  $dL/dx$  and proceed analogously
- Voila

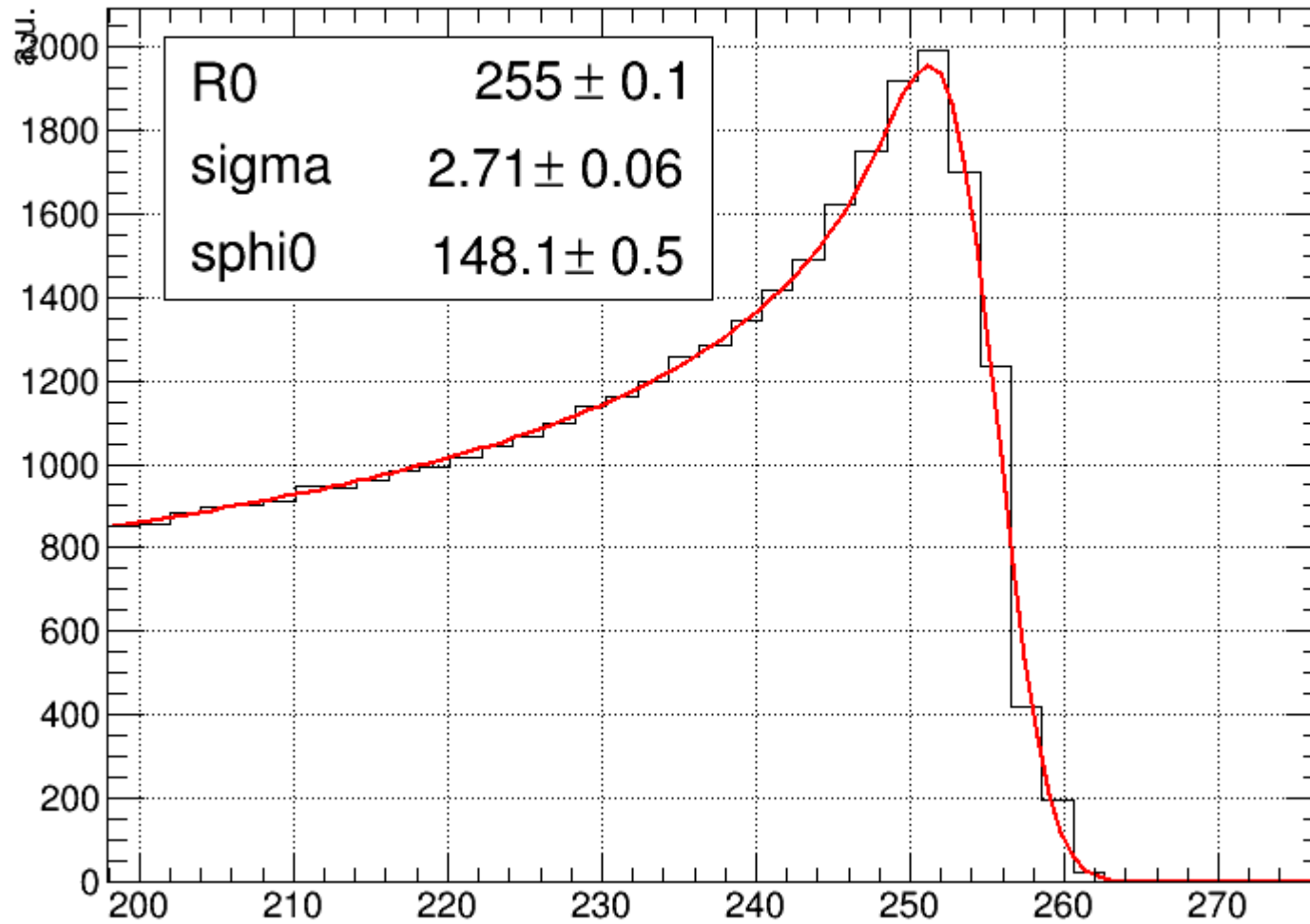
# Simulated and fitted photon yield for a 200MeV proton beam



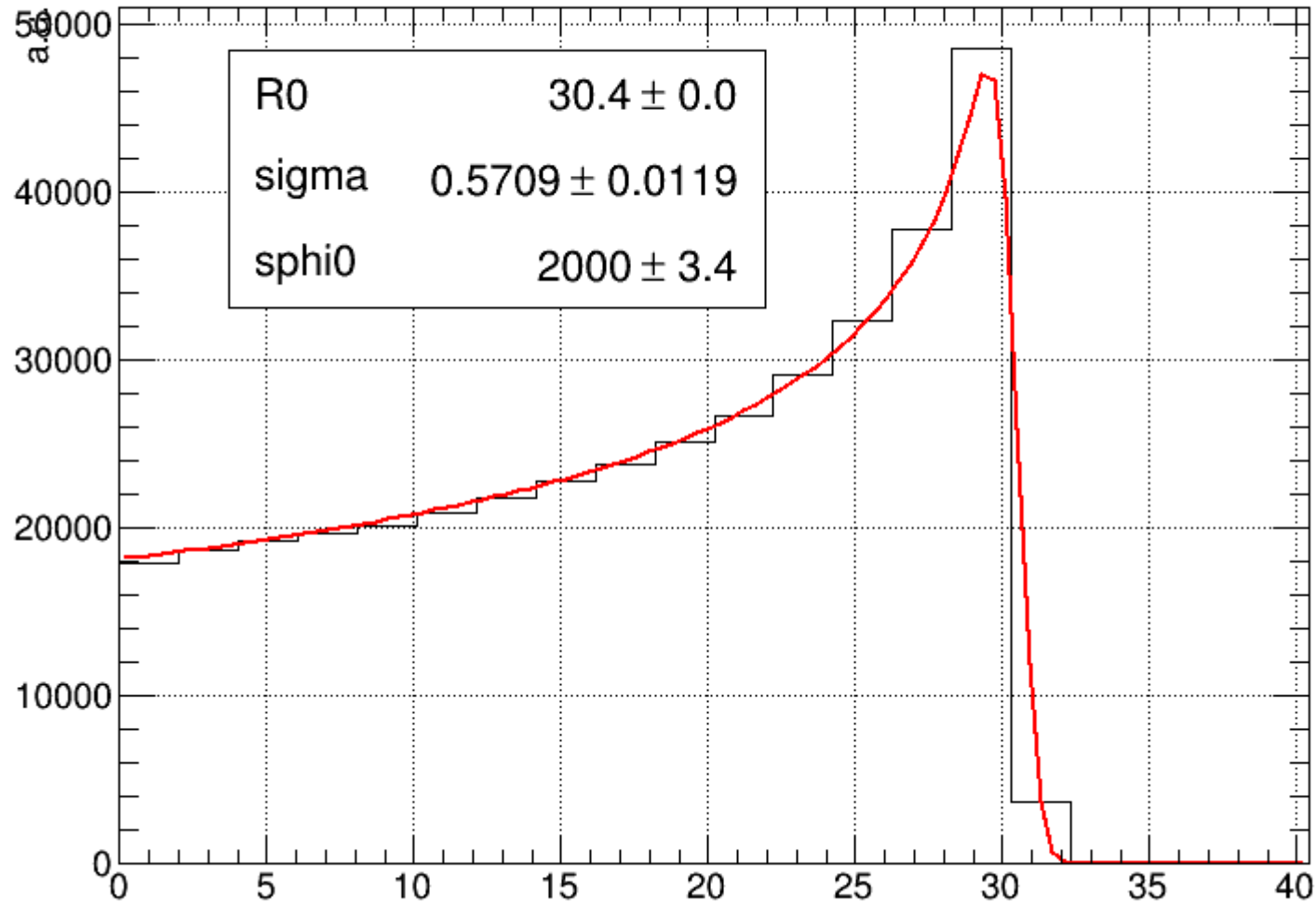
E0 = 197.757 MeV



# Zoom to photon peak at 200MeV



# Simulated and fitted photon yield for a 60MeV proton beam



$E_0 = 59.4702 \text{ MeV}$

# To Do

- Improve numerical performance
- Improve Bragg Fit
- Adjust model parameter to scintillator material
- Simulate 5mm layers and test fit performance