

The design and current status of the high-resolution neutron diffractometer at China Spallation Neutron Source

A new neutron diffractometer is under construction at China Spallation Neutron Source, which aims to reaching a world-leading resolution of $\Delta d/d \leq 0.05\%$ and bearing a moderate flexibility of varying resolution and brightness. Fully elliptical geometry in both vertical and horizontal directions is implemented in neutron guides and high-frequency T0 chopper is adopted to increase the flux gain of short wavelength neutrons, which could improve the statistics at long-Q range, so that high Q-resolution pair distribution function analysis could potentially be realized. The diffractometer is designed to have large solid-angle coverage of ^3He PSD detectors, spanning from 5 degree to 177 degree in the horizontal plane and from -28 degree to 28 degree in the vertical plane. Its flexibility allows versatile diffraction measurements, encompassing long-time data collection of the high-resolution powder diffraction patterns, quick measurement of small powder samples, as well as single-crystal diffraction measurement.

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