

RSXS Reflectivity Alignment

For X-ray reflectivity measurements, use photodiode and appropriate slit as detector. Do alignment of th and chi at several tth and th angles, such as 20/10, 60/30 and 120/60. Accurate chi and th alignment is critical for a wide-range reflectivity measurement.

Use of a smaller slit will improve the reflectivity measurement but generally it requires more accurate alignment.

Use following steps to prepare the instrument for reflectivity scans

- 1. Perform the sample alignment as described in "RSXS Sample Alignment" procedure.
- 2. Move tth and th to 20° and 10° respectively. (using **uan 20 10**)
- 3. Align chi. The profile shall be a flat top peak. Move chi to CEN.
- 4. Align th. Move th to CEN. Set th 10°.
- 5. Move tth and th to 60° and 30° respectively. (using **uan 60 30**)
- 6. Align chi. Move chi to CEN.
- 7. Verify th alignment is good.
- 8. Move tth and th to 120° and 60° respectively. (using **uan 120 60**)
- 9. Align chi. Move chi to CEN.
- 10. Verify th alignment is good.

Now the instrument and sample are ready for reflectivity scans.