Enhanced Sulfur Resistance by Constructing MnO_x-Co₃O₄ Interface on Ni

Foam in the Removal of Benzene

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Figure S1. TG curves of ZIF-67-NF.

The TG curve of the synthesized ZIF-67-NF is shown in Figure S1. The sample was heated at a constant rate of 10 °C min⁻¹ under an air flow. A weight loss of 6.6 wt % below 330 °C was attributed to the evaporation of moisture in ZIF-67. ZIF-67 decomposed rapidly and oxidated to Co_3O_4 at 330-500 °C. The total mass loss is approximately 14.8 %, affording a dark Co_3O_4 -NF.



Figure S2. The conversion of Benzene per unit area over the all catalysts.



Figure S3. Water effect on Benzene conversion over Co_3O_4 -NF and Mn_1Co_1 -NF catalyst. (Gas composition: 100 ppm benzene, 20 % O_2 , N_2 balance, and WHSV = 120000 mL g⁻¹ h⁻¹).



Figure S4. SEM images of the (a) NF, (b) ZIF-67-NF.



Figure S5. SEM images of the (a) Mn_1Co_2 -NF catalyst and (b) Mn_2Co_1 -NF catalyst; TEM images of (c) Mn_1Co_2 -NF catalyst and Mn_2Co_1 -NF catalyst.



Figure S6. N_2 adsorption-desorption isotherms and pore size distributions of Co_3O_4 -NF and Mn_xCo_y -NF catalysts.

The N₂ adsorption/desorption isotherms and pore size distributions of Co_3O_4 -NF catalyst and Mn_xCo_y -NF catalysts were shown in Figure S7. which showed the typical type IV isotherms with a type H3 hysteresis loop for each of the samples, indicating the presence of mesopores structure in these catalysts. The specific surface areas, pore diameters and pore volume of all the catalysts were summarized in Table S1, and it could be found that the specific surface areas of the obtained samples were in the range of 10-20m²/g. Mn₁Co₂-NF catalyst had the largest BET surface area (19.4 m²/g), and Mn₁Co₁-NF catalyst had the lowest BET surface are (1.5 m²/g). Therefore, the small difference in specific surface area will be not the main factor that influences the catalytic performance of catalysts.



Figure S7. Line scanning image in different location of Mn₁Co₁-NF.



Figure S8. In situ DRIFTS spectra of reactant adsorption at 310 °C (a) and the normalized content of reaction intermediate species (b) over Co_3O_4 -NF catalyst.

For the Co_3O_4 -NF catalyst, the bands at 3096, 3049 and 1048 cm⁻¹ were ascribed to the C-H stretching vibration in the benzene rings^{1, 2}, the bands at 1630 cm⁻¹ corresponded to to the C=O stretching vibrations of quinone species³, the bands at 1202 and 1280 cm⁻¹ was ascribed to the phenolate species and the bands at 1349 cm⁻¹ corresponded to maleate species³⁻⁵, which shows similar intermediate species with Mn₁Co₁-NF catalyst.



Figure S9. Side and top views of Co_3O_4 -NF (a, c) and Mn_1Co_1 -NF (b, d).



Figure S10. The top view of the SO₂-adsorbed (b) on Co_3O_4 -NF and (c) Mn₁Co₁-NF.

Samples	Surface area (m ² /g)	Total pore volume	Average pore diameter (nm)
		(cm ³ /g)	
Co ₃ O ₄ /NF	12.3	0.025	3.41
Mn ₁ Co ₂ /NF	19.4	0.032	3.82
Mn ₁ Co ₁ /NF	10.1	0.032	3.82
Mn ₂ Co ₁ /NF	1.5	0.025	3.41

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