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ABSTRACT

Rational design of supported noble metal is of great importance for highly efficient heterogeneous catalysts. Based on the distinct adsorption characteristics of noble metal and transition metal oxides towards O₂ and CO, the overall catalytic performance of CO oxidation reaction could be further modified by controlling the materials surface property to achieve optimal adsorption activity. Here we studied the influence of facets matching between both platinum and ferric oxide support on CO conversion efficiency. It shows that the activity of four catalysts ranks following the order of Pt {100}/ α -Fe₂O₃ {104} > Pt {100}/ α -Fe₂O₃ {001} > Pt {111}/ α -Fe₂O₃ {104}. The Strong Metal-Support Interaction (SMSI) and adsorption energy varying with matched enclosed surface are demonstrated by density functional theory (DFT) based on the projected d-band density of states (DOS). Compared with the other three cases, the combination of Pt {100} and α -Fe₂O₃ {104} successfully weakens CO poisoning and provides proper active sites for O₂ adsorption. It reveals that the facets matching could be a practicable approach to design catalysts with enhanced catalytic performance.

1. INTRODUCTION

Supported noble-metal continues to be one of the most critical heterogeneous catalysts towards many significant chemical reactions in industrial production.¹⁻³ The Strong Metal-Support Interaction (SMSI) is regarded to play an important role in modifying the complementary adsorption, providing catalytic active sites, and modulating electronic structure.⁴⁻⁸ For instance, metal-on-oxide has been widely used as a promising candidate among thermal catalysts especially for CO oxidation—a typical reaction that strongly depends on the intrinsic properties of metal nanoparticles (NPs) and oxides supports.^{1,4,9-11} Therefore, the rational design could provide a significant approach to highly efficient catalysts.¹²⁻¹⁵

Generally, it has been demonstrated that the catalytic activity of supported noble-metal catalysts could be greatly influenced by multiple factors including the size of metal NPs, composition or crystal phase of support.^{4, 16} Such as the single atom catalysts with both low loading of noble metal and high active surface exhibit remarkable performance towards heterogeneous catalysis but the stability under thermal treatment and tendency to aggregation are still questionable.¹⁷⁻¹⁹ Besides, even the same composition with different crystal phases could show distinct activity as well.²⁰ For example, Au/ γ -Fe₂O₃ catalyst becomes more efficient than Au/ α -Fe₂O₃ towards CO oxidation owing to the higher redox property originated from reverse spinel structure.¹

Furthermore, the Au NPs/CeO₂ dominated with {110} and {100} facets has been reported to possess improved performance to water-gas shift reaction compared with CeO₂ terminated by other surfaces.²¹ Consequently, the exposed crystal facets of both the supported noble-metal and oxides also determine the surface properties including thermodynamic stability and interfacial adsorption of catalysts which is closely related to the catalytic activity.²¹⁻²⁴ Even though the

intriguing facet-dependence of thermal catalytic reactions has aroused wide discussion, most recent studies focus on the self-governed effect of noble metal NPs or supports with different exposed surfaces instead of the coordination between both.^{4, 21, 25} However, according to the Langmuir-Hinshelwood (L-H) mechanism of CO oxidation that has been widely accepted, the noble metal NPs and oxides support display different characteristic adsorption properties towards CO oxidation reaction and then simultaneously modify the overall performance.^{9, 26, 27} Typically, the active sites on noble metal surface are predominately occupied by CO molecules which blocks the adsorption of O_2 when the oxides supports are inert and hence leads to the competitive adsorption and poor activity under low temperature; while more active adsorption sites for O₂ provided by reducible oxides successfully weaken the CO poisonous effect thus exhibit enhanced performance.⁹ Based on the classic theory of adsorbate-surface interaction, the adsorption properties is mainly determined by electronic structure (energy band, density of state) and surface structure such as atomic arrangement of the materials surface so the adsorption energy of both CO and O₂ is possible to be modified with optimal activated adsorbate to participate in reaction.^{28, 29} Taking the facets matching between noble metal NPs and oxide supports into consideration, it is prone to provide a novel point of view for catalyst design and the SMSI varying with exposed surface could be observed experimentally.

Herein, we demonstrate the obvious facet matching dependence of Pt/ α -Fe₂O₃ catalysts toward CO oxidation reaction. Pt NPs without well-defined morphology thereby analyzed as Wulff structure (denoted as Pt {111} for simplification) and Pt nanocubes (Pt NCs, denoted as Pt {100}) supported by α -Fe₂O₃ nanosheets (NSs) with exposed surface {001} (denoted as Fe₂O₃ {001}) and α -Fe₂O₃ rhombohedra (Rhomb) with exposed surface {104} (denoted as Fe₂O₃ {104}), respectively, are fabricated based on a modified CO-assisted gas phase synthetic

method.^{30, 31, 32} It shows that the four combinations exhibit different catalytic activity following the order of Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104} > Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {001} > Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {001} > Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {104}. The Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104} catalyst turns out to be the most active with the lowest temperature around 60 °C to achieve 100% CO conversion efficiency. Additionally, density functional theory (DFT) calculation is performed to further understand the relation between catalytic activity, adsorption energy of CO and O₂ on surface of Pt and Fe₂O₃ and the overall reaction Gibbs energy among the target four cases.

2. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

2.1. Synthesis and Characterization of the Catalyst. Different morphology of Fe₂O₃ including NSs and Rhomb were pre-synthesized by hydrothermal method.^{33, 34} Figure S1a, b, d, e shows the corresponding scanning electron microscope (SEM) images and both present uniform shape and size. After being loaded to the Fe_2O_3 support, the Pt precursors underwent programmed annealing in CO atmosphere to obtain the supported Pt cluster catalysts. The exposed surfaces of Pt cluster were controlled by the addition of oleylamine (OAm) as capping agent.³⁰ Low-magnification transition electron microscope (TEM) characterization of the synthesized Pt/Fe₂O₃ catalysts is shown in Figure S2. It exhibits that the small Pt NPs around size of 4 nm without specific morphology and Pt NCs with slightly larger size and sharp edges were loaded apart on the Fe₂O₃ NSs and Fe₂O₃ Rhombs. Figure S3 is the size distribution of Pt nanoclusters under these four cases. Even though the single Pt NP seemed smaller than Pt NC, the majority of the Pt NPs were inclined to gather around thus forming larger groups. Therefore, the influence resulting from size of Pt clusters could be eliminated. The powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns (Figure S4) of the four samples all present the characteristic diffraction peaks of α-Fe₂O₃ phase without any signal of Pt due to the small particle size and low loading of Pt.⁴

Low-magnification TEM images of the four samples after low temperature CO oxidation test (Figure S5) appears slight trend of aggregation, however, most Pt nanocubes exhibited better shape preservation with sharp edges. High-resolution TEM images in Figure 1 reveal the different facets matching between Pt cluster and α -Fe₂O₃. As for Pt clusters, the NCs in Figure 1a and 1b show the lattice fringes with d-spacing of 0.196 nm and 0.190 nm respectively, demonstrating the enclosed facets belonging to {100} planes of face-centered cubic (fcc) Pt; the NPs in Figure 1c and 1d show the lattice fringes with d-spacing of 0.227 nm and 0.226 nm respectively, corresponding to the {111} planes of fcc Pt. For α -Fe₂O₃ supports, the lattice fringes in two crystal orientations with both d-spacing of 0.249 nm in Figure 1b and Figure S1c forming the angle around 120° indicates that the facets parallel to the projection belong to $\{001\}$ plane of α -Fe₂O₃.³³ Similarly, the lattice fringes with d-spacing of 0.268 nm in Figure 1d and Figure S1f reveals the enclosed {104} planes of α -Fe₂O₃.³⁴ The inset at each upper right corner shows the corresponding atomic model illustrations towards four configurations. The Pt NPs were represented by classic Wulff structure with selected Pt {111} as the contiguous plane with Fe_2O_3 support cleaved with {001} or {104} surface and the Pt {100} for Pt NCs.

2.2. CO Oxidation Catalytic Activity. As for as it is concerned, both noble metal NPs and Fe_2O_3 as promoted oxides support play critical but well-divided roles in CO oxidation process according to the distinct adsorption properties towards CO and O₂. Preferential adsorption and activation of CO on surface of Pt and O₂ on Fe_2O_3 coordinately influence the catalytic activity.⁹, ^{35, 36} Scheme 1 illustrates the reaction process over Pt/Fe₂O₃ catalyst.^{9, 27} The CO molecules initially absorb on the Pt surface then react with the activated dissociated atomic O on Fe_2O_3 support to form CO₂ and finally undergoing desorption process. The region marked by boxes in the scheme indicates the state before and after reaction. Due to the energy of gas adsorption

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occurring on the gas-solid interface greatly differs from exposed facets, the modification of overall active sites occupied by CO and O_2 via modest facets matching between Pt and Fe₂O₃ could possibly extricate the Pt surface from CO poison and achieve optimal efficiency.²⁹

The CO oxidation reaction was measured in a fixed-bed reactor system with a feeding gas mixture composed of 1 vol% CO and 1 vol% O₂ balanced with N₂. The space velocity (SV) was set as 18, 750 mL·h⁻¹·g⁻¹_{catalyst}. Preactivation under O_2/N_2 (21 vol% / 79 vol %) at 250 °C for 60 min was conducted prior to the test. Figure 2 shows the comparison of CO conversion curves for CO oxidation as a function of temperature on different facet matching catalysts. When the supported Pt clusters are Pt NPs, the combination with α -Fe₂O₃ NSs exhibits higher activity than α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb towards CO oxidation reaction whereas both the lowest temperatures to reach 100% efficiency of CO conversion (T_{100}) still exceed 100 °C. Especially for the Pt NPs/ α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb, it maintained inactive between a wide temperature range (<120 °C). However, the performance dramatically reversed along with remarkable enhancement after the supported Pt clusters turned to Pt NCs indicating the non-negligible significance of exposed facet matching between supported Pt cluster and α -Fe₂O₃. Compared with the Pt NPs/ α -Fe₂O₃ system, α -Fe₂O₃ supported Pt NCs catalysts became much more active during low temperature range and the CO could be totally oxidized at 60 °C and 80 °C severally by Pt NPs/α-Fe₂O₃ Rhomb and Pt NPs/α-Fe₂O₃ NSs.

The specific rate at 60 °C was measured according to the average activity at 20, 40 and 60 min and the corresponding turnover frequency (TOF) was calculated to obtain the intrinsic activity for further comparison among the above four configurations. As shown in Table 1, both the Pt NCs/ α -Fe₂O₃ NSs and Pt NCs/ α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb exhibit higher specific rate and TOF relative to the other two α -Fe₂O₃ supported Pt NPs catalysts following the order of Pt NCs/ α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb

> Pt NCs/ α -Fe₂O₃ NSs > Pt NPs/ α -Fe₂O₃ NSs > Pt NPs/ α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb. In particularly, the combination of Pt NCs and α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb possesses nearly 20 times higher specific rate than Pt NPs/ α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb catalyst. What is noteworthy is that the Pt NCs enclosed by Pt {100} facet is speculated to be the more ideal pair of α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb rather than α -Fe₂O₃ NSs. On the contrary, the α -Fe₂O₃ NSs could be regarded as the more suitable configuration with Pt NPs regarding the performance.

2.3. DFT Calculation for Understanding of Relation between Catalytic Activity and Catalysts Surface Properties. In fact, the great difference among these catalysts is mainly originated from the various exposed facet matching between supported Pt clusters and α -Fe₂O₃, which offers different active sites towards CO and O₂ thus in turn acts on the adsorption nature of the overall catalysts. To reveal the essence of the distinct activity shown by the four-targeted catalysts, DFT calculations were performed. Adsorption energy for CO and O₂ on four configurations including Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {001}, Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {104}, Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {001} and Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104} are determined (Figure 3a). For each slab with adsorbate, various possible adsorption sites were studied in this work, containing top, bridge, hollow on Pt clusters, and top of Fe around Pt cluster as well (Figure S6). As for CO molecule, the adsorption energy can be written as:

$$E_{ads(CO)} = E_{S-CO} - E_S - E_{CO} \tag{1}$$

where $E_{ads(CO)}$ is the adsorption energy of CO molecule; E_{S-CO} is the energy of the catalyst slab with the adsorbate on surface; E_S is the energy of the catalyst slab without the adsorbate and E_{CO} is the energy of dissociative CO molecule in gas phase. The adsorption energy for O₂ is determined in a similar way (see the details in the supporting information). Table S1-4 show the corresponding adsorption energy on each adsorption site. The adsorption energy on pure Pt

(111), Pt (100), Fe₂O₃ (001) and Fe₂O₃ (104) (Table S5) were collected and calculated for reference. The more negative calculated adsorption energy of CO on the Pt surface than α -Fe₂O₃ support and opposite trend towards O₂ adsorption indicates that CO is prone to preferentially adsorb on noble Pt clusters but α -Fe₂O₃ support is in the favor of O₂ adsorption. In terms of the Pt $\{111\}/Fe_2O_3$ $\{104\}$ catalyst, the calculated stable adsorption energy towards CO and O_2 are -2.003 eV per CO molecule on Pt surface and -1.599 eV per O₂ molecule on Fe₂O₃ support which owns the most negative adsorption energy of CO and the largest adsorption energy difference between CO and O₂ by 0.404 eV among all the four cases (Figure 3a), resulting in the strong adsorption of CO on Pt {111} almost catching up with pure Pt (111) (-2.09 eV) (Table S5). As a result, more active sites on Pt {111} could be easily occupied by CO and simultaneously further leads to the poisoning of catalysts.⁹ Therefore, the reason for sluggish efficiency of CO conversion under low temperature range when the reaction is catalyzed by the Pt NPs/ α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb catalysts can be well explained. When the supported Pt NPs was taken place by Pt NCs with enclosed planes of Pt {100}, the CO adsorption on Pt surface weakened along with the stronger adsorption of O₂ on α -Fe₂O₃ Rhomb support and the energy difference (ΔE_{ads}) between $E_{ads(CO)}$ and $E_{ads(O2)}$ obviously decreased, indicating that the activation of O₂ became facilitated thus the effect of CO poisoning occurring at low temperature on the surface is successfully eliminated which coincides well with the experimental results. For the other two cases of Pt $\{111\}/Fe_2O_3$ $\{001\}$ and Pt $\{100\}/Fe_2O_3$ $\{001\}$, even though both the adsorption of CO on Pt surface weakened compared to the Pt $\{111\}/Fe_2O_3$ $\{104\}$, the number of activated O atoms on the Fe₂O₃ {001} also decreased due to the concurrently weak adsorption towards O₂ on Fe₂O₃ {001} surface so the ex-situ catalytic activity for CO oxidation of Pt NPs/ α -Fe₂O₃ NSs and Pt NCs/a-Fe₂O₃ NSs are still not in excess of Pt NCs/a-Fe₂O₃ Rhomb. The combination of Pt

 $\{100\}/Fe_2O_3$ $\{104\}$, therefore constructed relatively optimal adsorption configuration with the preferential adsorption of O₂ (-1.612 eV), and proper CO adsorption energy (-1.790 eV) making more sites active towards CO oxidation.

The adsorption and activation of O_2 is a key step during the CO oxidation process so the modification of materials surface property to supply sufficient active sites and facilitating the dissociated adsorption of O₂ turn to be especially critical. In order to further explore the facetdependent SMSI between supported Pt cluster and α -Fe₂O₃ together with the intrinsic modification of surface adsorption, the d-band density of states (DOS) about Pt and surface Fe in Fe₂O₃ relative to the Fermi level has been calculated to study the strong orbital hybridizations. All the d-band DOS of Pt {111}, Pt {100}, Fe in α -Fe₂O₃ {001}, {104} surface before and after matching were shown in Figure S7. It could be clearly seen that there exists obvious distribution difference of DOS originated from the occupancy of their d-bands under all the above cases, which indicates the strong interaction between α -Fe₂O₃ support and Pt clusters with specific enclosed facets. In addition, the adsorption property is generally closely related to the d-band center of transition metal. After interacting with the d-band electrons of a transition metal surface, the local density of states at the adsorbate will split off to bonding and anti-bonding. When the d-band center of transition metal surface moves down which means the Fermi level relatively shifts up, the number of empty anti-bonding decreases thus the bond between adsorbate and metal surface becomes weaker and vice versa.²⁸ The d-band center of Fe in pure α -Fe₂O₃ support and after matching with Pt {111} and Pt {100} are calculated to explain the characteristic adsorption towards O₂ among the studied four cases (Figure S8). It shows that the d-band center of Fe in α -Fe₂O₃ {104} gives rise to down-shift after loading either Pt {100} or Pt {111} but the former forms stronger bonding owing to the relatively upper position of Fe d-band

center that agrees with the calculated adsorption energy. Similar trends can be also found for the α -Fe₂O₃ {001} cases. In order to figure out the origin of the catalytic cycle of CO oxidation, the Gibbs energy, ΔG , was determined to reflect the ease or complexity of the overall reaction for different Pt/ α -Fe₂O₃ catalysts. Based on the model mentioned in the Scheme 1, the Gibbs energy of the reaction path can be defined as:

$$\Delta G = E_{S-CO} + E_{S-O2} - E_S - E_{CO2} - E_{S-O}$$
(2)

where E_{S-CO} is the stable energy of the catalyst slab with CO adsorbed; E_{S-O2} is that with O₂ adsorbed; E_S is the energy of the catalyst slab without any adsorbate; E_{CO2} is the stable energy of dissociated CO₂ molecule and E_{S-O} is the energy of the slab with an adsorbed O atom. ΔG as described in Equation (2) on the four different catalysts is shown in Figure S9 and Table S6 are - 6.665 eV, -6.539 eV, -6.039 eV and -5.528 eV which is corresponding to catalyst configurations for Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104}, Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {001}, Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {001} and Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {104}, respectively. Distinctly, the calculated ΔG for CO oxidation on Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104} surface is the most negative, indicating a larger thermodynamic driving force for the reaction, which is in agreement with the lowest T₁₀₀ of Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104} among the four catalysts. Figure 3b shows the fitting linear curve between ΔG and T₁₀₀, highly coinciding with the experimental results as well.

3. CONCLUSIONS

In summary, we raise a novel and rational design approach for efficient catalysts towards CO oxidation reaction. We demonstrate that the modification of overall adsorption property by controlling the exposed facets matching configuration of both noble metal clusters and oxides supports has great influence on the catalytic activity. From the DFT calculations, the intrinsic origin of facet matching-dependent adsorption was well explained. Optimal occupation of the

active sites by CO and O₂ could further promote the potential performance. Based on the studied four kinds of catalysts, the activity towards CO oxidation following the order of Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104} > Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {001} > Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {001} > Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {104} well proved that the weakened CO adsorption and feasible O₂ activation hindered the poisoning to catalysts at low temperature thus enhanced the reaction efficiency. Above all, it provides an applicable path for determining the catalytic performance via appropriate engineering of interface interaction.

FIGURES



Figure 1. High-resolution TEM micrographs of different facet matching Pt/α -Fe₂O₃ catalysts: (a) Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104}, (b) Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {001}, (c) Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {001}, (d) Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {104}. The insets are the corresponding atomic model illustrations.



Figure 2. Comparison of CO conversion curves for CO oxidation as a function of temperature on different facets matching catalysts: Pt NC/Fe₂O₃ Rhomb: Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104}, Pt NC/Fe₂O₃ NS: Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {001}, Pt NP/Fe₂O₃ NS: Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {001} and Pt NP/Fe₂O₃ Rhomb: Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {104}. Conditions: 1 vol % CO, 1 vol %O₂, 98 vol % N₂, space velocity (SV) = 18, 750 mL·h⁻¹·g⁻¹_{catalyst}.



Figure 3. (a) Calculated stable adsorption energy for $CO(E_{ads(CO)})$, $O_2(E_{ads(O2)})$, and the energy difference ΔE_{ads} between $E_{ads(CO)}$ and $E_{ads(O2)}$), ΔE_{ads} , on Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {104}, Pt {100}/Fe₂O₃ {001}, Pt {111}/Fe₂O₃ {104}; (b) Fitting linear curve between ΔG (the Gibbs energy) and T₁₀₀. The inset shows the non-competitive Langmuir-Hinshelwood (L-H) mechanism of CO oxidation.

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^aThe inset indicates the states of gaseous molecules nearby catalyst before and after CO oxidation reaction.

Table 1. Comparison of specific rates and TOFs of different facet matching Pt/α -Fe₂O₃ catalysts at 60 °C.

Samples	Pt loading wt%	d _{Pt} (nm)	specific rate, mmol CO $h^{-1} g_{Pt}^{-1}$	$TOF \times 10^2$, s ⁻¹
$Pt\{100\}/Fe_2O_3\{104\}$	5.49	6.2	152.5	5.69
$Pt\{100\}/Fe_2O_3\{001\}$	5.11	5.6	71.1	2.40
$Pt\{111\}/Fe_2O_3\{001\}$	5.98	3.7	19.5	0.43
$Pt\{111\}/Fe_2O_3\{104\}$	5.20	3.6	7.9	0.17

ASSOCIATED CONTENT

Supporting Information. Experimental details including chemicals and materials; synthetic method; structure and composition characterization; measurement of catalytic activity and TOF measurements and calculation method; brief description of computational method used in this study; SEM images; low-magnification TEM images; particle size distribution; PXRD; calculation model of adsorption sites; projected density of states; the calculated d-band center of Fe; the calculated Gibbs energy of CO oxidation; detailed adsorption energy table of CO and O₂ molecules; the calculated Gibbs energy table of CO oxidation. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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ABBREVIATIONS

SMSI, The Strong Metal-Support Interaction; NPs, nanoparticles; L-H, Langmuir-Hinshelwood; NCs, nanocubes; NSs, nanosheets; Rhomb, rhombohedra; DFT, density functional theory; SEM, scanning electron microscope; OAm, oleylamine; TEM, transition electron microscope; PXRD, powder X-ray diffraction; fcc, face-centered cubic; SV, space velocity; T_{100} , 100% efficiency of CO conversion; TOF, turnover frequency; DOS, density of states; Δ G, the Gibbs energy.

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