

Facile Fabrication of Hybrid Carbon Nanotube Sensors by Laser Direct Transfer

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We have calculated the theoretical detection limit (LOD) as previously reported [1] from the signal/noise ratio. First, we took 13 data points at the baseline before NH₃ exposure (y_i) and plotted the data using a fifth order polynomial fit.

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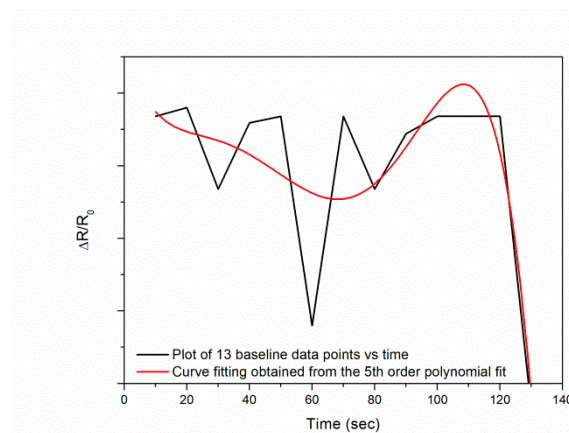


Figure S1. Calculation of the theoretical detection limit.

From the curve-fitting equation we obtained the statistical parameters of the polynomial fit (y), and then calculated the sensor noise using the root-mean-square deviation (Eq. 1).

$$\text{Eq. (1) } \text{rms}_{\text{noise}} = \sqrt{\sum (y_i - y)^2 / N}$$

$$\sqrt{\sum (y_i - y)^2} = 1.23639 \times 10^{-8}$$

N=13, where N is the number of data points in the curve fitting.

The $\text{rms}_{\text{noise}}$ for the SWCNT@SnO₂ sensor is 7.09599×10^{-5} .

The theoretical detection limit according to IUPAC is

Eq. (2) $LOD = 3 \times rms_{noise} / \text{slope}$.

The slope is 0.00164 (obtained from the calibration curve of the sensor response)

$LOD = 23.93 \text{ ppt}$

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