

# Effect of Sodium in Ferrierite on Selective Catalytic Reduction of NO by Acetylene

Hui Pan · Xinping Wang · Na Xing ·  
Zhiguan Liu

Received: 31 December 2007 / Accepted: 20 May 2008 / Published online: 10 June 2008  
© Springer Science+Business Media, LLC 2008

**Abstract** Influence of sodium in ferrierite (HFER) zeolite on selective catalytic reduction of NO by acetylene ( $C_2H_2$ -SCR) was investigated.  $NO_x$ -TPD and FT-IR indicated that small amount of sodium exchanged into the proton-form zeolite with an exchange level of about 11.8% is beneficial for the title reaction by accelerating active nitrate species formation on catalyst surface from  $NO_2$  and by suppressing the reductant combustion. Nevertheless, no further improved catalytic performance in  $C_2H_2$ -SCR could be observed by a larger amount of sodium exchanged into HFER due to some inactive nitrate species formed on the zeolite. Instead, activity of the zeolite for  $C_2H_2$ -SCR was drastically reduced, since the capacity of the zeolite for catalyzing NO oxidation and accelerating active  $NO^+$  species formation was remarkably depressed.

**Keywords** Sodium · FER · Nitrosonium ions · Nitrate · Acetylene · Selective catalytic NO reduction

## 1 Introduction

Selective catalytic reduction of NO with hydrocarbons (HC-SCR) in excess oxygen has received much attention recently because of its potential application to mobile lean-burn engines [1–4]. Since the HC-SCR was first studied over Cu-ZSM-5 catalysts by Iwamoto et al. [5], large number of investigations were reported over the zeolite

based catalysts. Na and H form zeolites were usually used as precursors for preparation of the catalysts, and the activity of the zeolite for HC-SCR was reported to be strongly affected by the counter ions ( $H^+$  or  $Na^+$ ) in zeolites. For instance, it was reported that Ag-NaZSM-5 catalyst is more active than Ag-HZSM-5 for the selective catalytic reduction of NO by methane ( $CH_4$ -SCR) at 450 °C [6], and that Fe-ZSM-5 catalyst prepared from Na-ZSM-5 is far more active than that prepared from  $NH_4$ -ZSM-5 for selective catalytic reduction of NO by urea [7]. Similarly, high activity for the selective catalytic reduction of NO by propene ( $C_3H_6$ -SCR) on Ce-NaZSM-5 [8, 9] and for  $CH_4$ -SCR on Pt-Co-NaFER washcoated cordierite monolith [10] was obtained. Whereas, Brönsted acids have been suggested to be essential for HC-SCR over many catalytic systems (e.g. ZSM-5 modified by Pd, Ga, In, Ce and Ag) [11–18]. The authors found that Brönsted acids contributed to the aimed reaction in different steps. Also, Stakheev et al. have pointed out that protons in ZSM-5 are quite important for  $C_3H_6$ -SCR. They reported that exchange of partial protons by sodium with a level of 32% resulted in a nearly complete disappearance of the activity of the zeolite for oxidation of NO to  $NO_2$ , and a significant decrease of the activity for  $C_3H_6$ -SCR [19]. On the other hand, Satsumaon et al. has found that partially protonated alkaline-MOR is more active than the corresponding acidic zeolite for  $C_3H_6$ -SCR below 573 K. They attributed the high activity of the resulted zeolite to the higher concentration of  $NO_3^-$  that could be produced on the zeolite in the reaction conditions [20].

In this paper, a significant promotional effect of sodium in ferrierite zeolite on the reduction of NO with acetylene ( $C_2H_2$ -SCR) in the temperature range of 250–450 °C was reported and the mechanism of sodium ions contributing to the reaction was investigated in detail.

H. Pan · X. Wang (✉) · N. Xing · Z. Liu  
State Key Laboratory of Fine Chemicals, Dalian University of  
Technology, 288#, Linggong Road 2, Dalian 116024, China  
e-mail: dllgwpxp@dlut.edu.cn

## 2 Experimental

HFER was obtained calcining  $\text{NH}_4$ -ferrierite zeolite (with  $\text{Si}/\text{Al} = 10$ , purchased from Zeolite Co.) at  $500^\circ\text{C}$  in air for 6 h. Sodium exchanged zeolites were prepared by stirring 4 g of HFER in 50 mL of 0.2 M aqueous sodium nitrate solution at  $80^\circ\text{C}$  for a desired period of time. The resulting materials were then filtered, rinsed with deionized water, dried at  $120^\circ\text{C}$  and calcined at  $500^\circ\text{C}$  in air for 6 h. The composition of the zeolite samples thus obtained was determined by X-ray fluorescence (XRF) on SRS-3400 spectrometer.

To prepare some ferrierite samples with the desired sodium content in the range of 0.2–5%, HFER was impregnated by sodium nitrate solution with some certain concentration over night, and the resulting materials were dried at  $120^\circ\text{C}$ , calcined at  $500^\circ\text{C}$  in air for 6 h. The zeolites obtained in this way are denoted as  $x\text{Na}/\text{HFER}$ , where  $x$  indicates the weight percentage of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  in the zeolites.

All of the zeolites were then palletized, crushed and sieved to a size of 20–40 mesh before use.

Temperature-programmed desorption of NO and  $\text{NO}_2$  ( $\text{NO}_x$ -TPD) was conducted on a homemade setup with an electrochemical  $\text{NO}_x$  analyzer (ACY301-B). After saturated co-adsorption of 200 ppm NO and 10%  $\text{O}_2$  in  $\text{N}_2$  at  $40^\circ\text{C}$  and a purge with  $\text{N}_2$  for 2 h, the sample (0.2 g) was heated to  $500^\circ\text{C}$  in  $\text{N}_2$  at  $10^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$ , during which the effluent gas was continuously monitored as a function of temperature.

In situ FTIR spectra were recorded in a quartz IR cell equipped with  $\text{CaF}_2$  windows on Nicolet 360 FTIR spectrophotometer, by accumulating 32 scans at a resolution of  $2\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Before each experiment, zeolite self-supporting wafer was activated in situ at  $500^\circ\text{C}$  in  $\text{N}_2$  flow. Co-adsorption of NO and  $\text{O}_2$  was conducted by exposing the sample to 1,000 ppm NO + 10%  $\text{O}_2$  in  $\text{N}_2$  at the desired temperature. Reactivity of nitrous species towards acetylene was studied in the following procedure: flow a gas mixture of 1,000 ppm NO + 10%  $\text{O}_2$  in  $\text{N}_2$  through IR cell for 30 min (pre-adsorption); evacuate the cell briefly and then flow a gas mixture of 500 ppm  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  + 10%  $\text{O}_2$  in  $\text{N}_2$  through the IR cell, during which steady or transient FTIR spectra were recorded. To obtain IR spectra of surface

species, the corresponding adsorption spectra of both wafer-self and adsorbate gas were subtracted from the recorded FTIR spectra.

Activity of the zeolite (0.2 g) for NO oxidation was tested in a quartz reactor (4 mm i.d.). Gas mixture of 200 ppm NO + 10%  $\text{O}_2$  in  $\text{N}_2$  was fed to the reactor at a total flow rate of 100 mL/min. Produced  $\text{NO}_2$  and unreacted NO in the outlet gas were monitored by a  $\text{NO}_x$  analyzer (ACY301-B).

$\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  oxidation by  $\text{O}_2$  over 0.2 g of the catalyst was conducted in a quartz reactor (i.d. 4 mm) at each desired temperature. A gas mixture of 800 ppm  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  + 10%  $\text{O}_2$  in He was fed to the reactor at a total flow rate of 50 mL/min and the effluent gas was analyzed by GC with FID (without separating column).

$\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR reaction was carried out in a quartz reactor (4 mm i.d.) by feeding a gas mixture of 1,600 ppm NO + 800 ppm  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  + 9.95%  $\text{O}_2$  in He at a total flow rate of 50 mL/min to 0.2 g of catalyst. NO conversion was calculated from the amount of  $\text{N}_2$  produced, which was analyzed using a gas chromatograph (HP 6890) equipped with a capillary column (HP-PLOT/zeolite,  $30\text{ m} \times 0.32\text{ mm}$ ,  $12\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ).

## 3 Results and Discussion

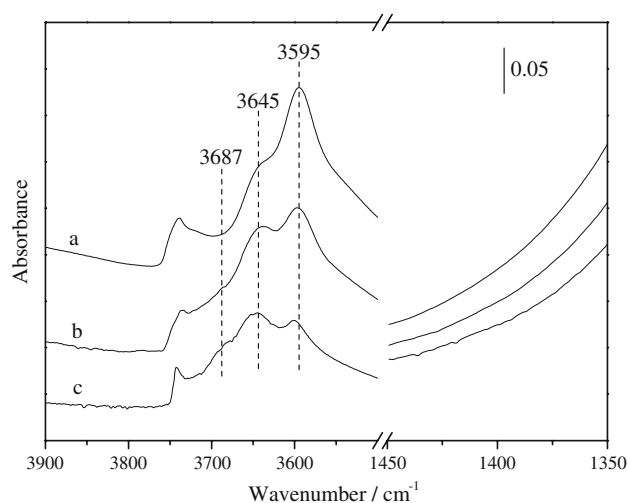
### 3.1 Composition of the Zeolites

The chemical composition of the ion-exchanged zeolites analyzed by XRF is given in Table 1. The content of sodium in Na(2)HFER was about twice of that in Na(1)HFER, which was well supported by Fig. 1. The band at  $3,595\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to Brönsted acid hydroxyl groups [20] on HFER decreased in intensity with the increase of sodium in the zeolite samples, and correspondingly, a new band at  $3,695\text{ cm}^{-1}$  representing hydroxyl groups located on  $\text{Na}^+$  cations [21] became visible. On the other hand, the band at  $3,647\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to hydroxyl groups attached to extra framework alumina [22] almost did not change. The results indicate that sodium incorporated into the zeolites replaced some Brönsted acid sites, and combined with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in zeolites. No bands due to  $\text{NaNO}_3$  [23] could be observed by FTIR in the region of  $1,350\text{--}1,450\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

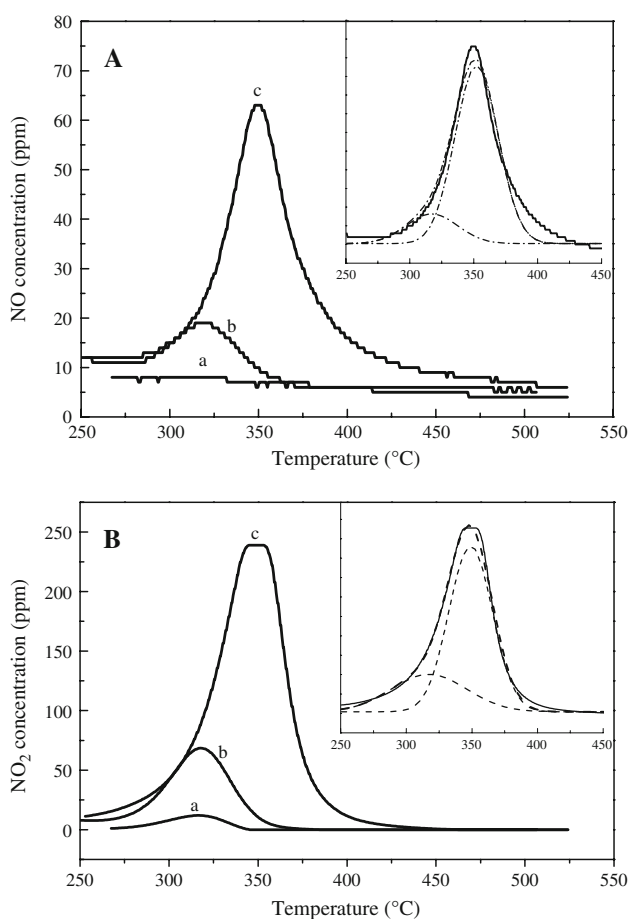
**Table 1** Composition of the ion-exchanged zeolites

Zeolites	Exchanging time (h) <sup>a</sup>	$\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ (wt.%)	$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ (wt.%)	$\text{SiO}_2$ (wt.%)	$\text{Na}/\text{Al}$ (mol%)
HFER	None	0	7.70	88.3	0
Na(1)HFER	$4 \times 1$	0.584	7.87	88.2	11.8
Na(2)HFER	$24 \times 3$	1.460	7.64	88.6	31.5

<sup>a</sup> Exchanging time = hours spent in exchanging once  $\times$  times



**Fig. 1** FT-IR spectra of the zeolites at 250 °C: HFER (a), Na(1)HFER (b), Na(2)HFER (c)

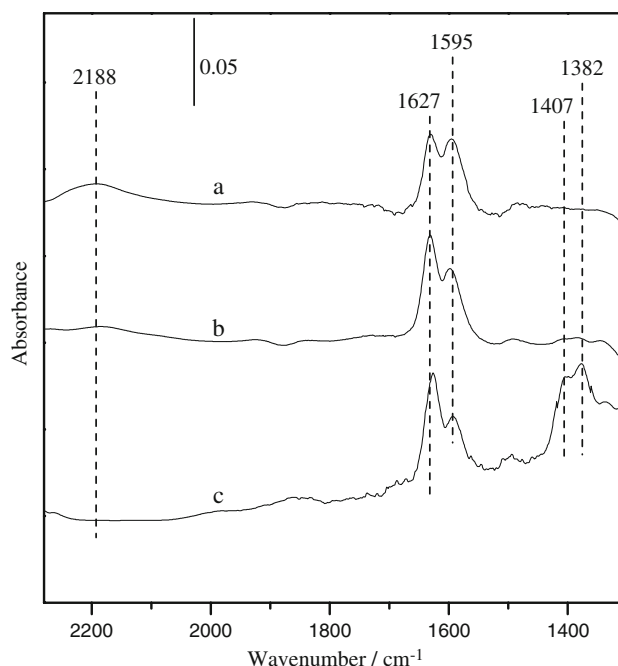


**Fig. 2** TPD profiles of NO (A) and NO<sub>2</sub> (B) in N<sub>2</sub> after saturated co-adsorption of NO with O<sub>2</sub> on HFER (a), Na(1)HFER (b) and Na(2)HFER (c). The insert shows the simulation of NO or NO<sub>2</sub> desorbed at different temperature on Na(2)HFER

### 3.2 Co-adsorption of NO and O<sub>2</sub> on the Zeolites

NO and NO<sub>2</sub> desorption after saturated co-adsorption of NO and O<sub>2</sub> on the zeolites, were recorded as a function of temperature (Fig. 2). Desorption peaks of NO and NO<sub>2</sub> on HFER and Na(1)HFER zeolites centered at 317 °C, while those from Na(2)HFER zeolite behaved as a large broad one that can be deconvoluted into two peaks centered at 317 and 350 °C, respectively (shown in the inserts). The new peaks centered 350 °C of NO and NO<sub>2</sub> may be associated with a type of nitric species produced by large amount of sodium incorporated into the zeolite. Accordingly, about 0.0069, 0.079 and 0.42 mmol/g of NO<sub>x</sub> desorption from HFER, Na(1)HFER and Na(2)HFER were respectively calculated by integrating the desorption peaks of NO and NO<sub>2</sub> (in Fig. 2) in range of 275–425 °C. This order is in good accordance with the sodium content of zeolites, which means that sodium ions in the zeolites are favorable for NO<sub>x</sub> storage under the experimental conditions. Nevertheless, the total desorption amount (0.083 mmol/g) of NO and NO<sub>2</sub> on Na(2)HFER zeolite at around 317 °C (as shown in the inserts) was almost the same as that on Na(1)HFER (0.079 mmol/g). It means that the nitric species associated with the NO<sub>x</sub> desorption at 317 °C can not be significantly increased by excess sodium (>11.8% in Na/Al ratio) in the zeolite.

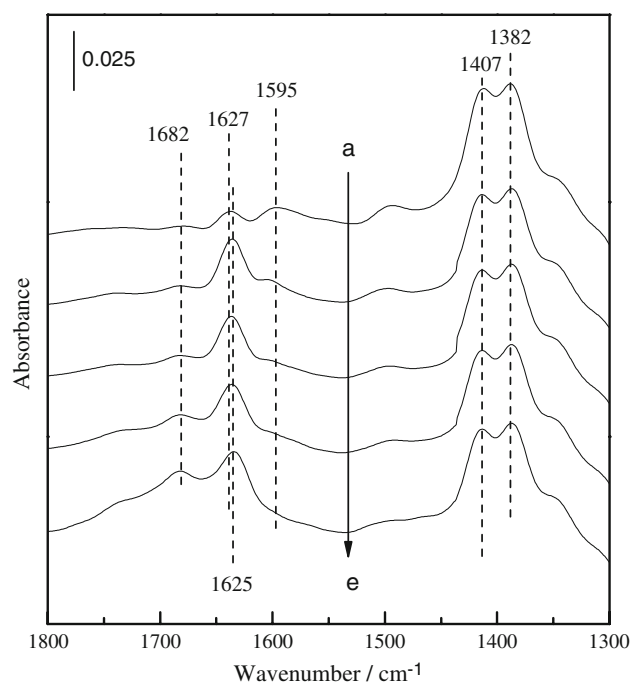
The adsorption states of NO and/or NO<sub>2</sub> on the zeolites in the presence of O<sub>2</sub> were characterized by FTIR (Fig. 3).



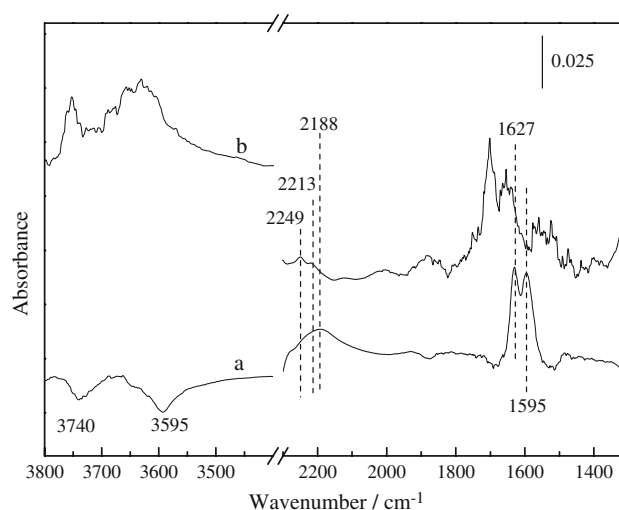
**Fig. 3** Steady state in situ FTIR of surface species on HFER (a), Na(1)HFER (b) and Na(2)HFER (c) at 250 °C in 1,000 ppm NO + 10% O<sub>2</sub> + N<sub>2</sub>

After saturated co-adsorption of NO and O<sub>2</sub>, all of the zeolites gave a band at 1,627 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to bridging nitrates [22, 24–27] and a band at 1,595 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to bidentate nitrates [26–28]. Therefore, the two types of nitrate species can be associated with the NO<sub>x</sub> desorption at 317 °C in the NO<sub>x</sub>-TPD. On the other hand, two new bands at 1,407 and 1,382 cm<sup>-1</sup> were observed in FTIR on Na(2)HFER zeolite, which can be assigned to the vibration of nitrates located on sodium ions [22, 25, 29]. This type of nitrate species may be associated with the large desorption peaks of NO and at NO<sub>2</sub> at 350 °C in NO<sub>x</sub>-TPD.

Figure 4 shows reactivity of the nitric species on Na(2)HFER towards reduction by acetylene at 250 °C. The bands at 1,627 and 1,595 cm<sup>-1</sup> disappeared upon exposing the zeolites to C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> + O<sub>2</sub> within 5 min. Concomitantly, bands at 1,682 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to carbonyl-containing compound [ $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$ ] [30] and 1,625 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to  $\delta(\text{H}_2\text{O})$  vibration of water [31] appeared and increased in intensity. The results indicate that the two types of nitrate species are rather reactive towards the reductant at 250 °C. Compared to those on Na(2)HFER, the bands at 1,627 and 1,595 cm<sup>-1</sup> disappeared more rapidly on HFER and Na(1)HFER zeolites under the same experimental conditions (not shown). No significant change in intensity of bands at 1,407 and 1,382 cm<sup>-1</sup> could be observed during the exposure of Na(2)HFER zeolite to C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> + O<sub>2</sub> for 30 min. It reveals that the nitrate species with the bands at 1,407 and



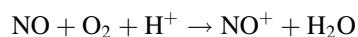
**Fig. 4** Transient FTIR spectra of surface species on Na(2)HFER at 250 °C: a brief evacuation after saturated co-adsorption of NO + O<sub>2</sub> (a), subsequently exposed to C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> + O<sub>2</sub> for 1 min (b), 5 min (c), 10 min (d), 30 min (e)



**Fig. 5** In situ FTIR of species formed on HFER at 250 °C in flow of 1,000 ppm NO + 10% O<sub>2</sub> + N<sub>2</sub> (a) and in 1,000 ppm NO + 500 ppm C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> + 10% O<sub>2</sub> + N<sub>2</sub> (b)

1,382 cm<sup>-1</sup> on Na(2)HFER is inert to the reductant. In other words, this type of nitrate species just acts as a spectator in C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>-SCR.

An in situ FTIR spectrum of the surface species on HFER after saturated co-adsorption of NO and O<sub>2</sub> is presented in Fig. 5 (spectrum a). Besides of the bands at 1,627 and 1,595 cm<sup>-1</sup>, a band at 2,188 cm<sup>-1</sup> together with two negative bands at 3,740 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to Si–OH silanols [32] and 3,595 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to hydroxyls on bridged SiOAl [20] (i.e., the sites of protons) appeared during NO + O<sub>2</sub> co-adsorption. This spectrum quite resembles that obtained by Hadjiivanov et al. [31], in which a band at 2,133 cm<sup>-1</sup> together with the negative bands at 3,740 and 3,600 cm<sup>-1</sup> were observed after NO + O<sub>2</sub> co-adsorption on HZSM-5 zeolite at room temperature. The authors have assigned the band at 2,133 cm<sup>-1</sup> to NO<sup>+</sup>, and proposed a formation route as



Accordingly, the band at 2,188 cm<sup>-1</sup> observed on HFER in our case can be reasonably attributed to NO<sup>+</sup> located on the proton sites. As characterized by the FTIR in the Fig. 3 (band at 2,188 cm<sup>-1</sup>), the NO<sup>+</sup> species produced on the zeolites in population, after saturated co-adsorption of NO and O<sub>2</sub> at 250 °C, has a direct relation with the amount of protons in the zeolites. The result supports well the above formation route of NO<sup>+</sup> proposed by Hadjiivanov et al. Quite different from the spectrum a, the steady spectrum b could not give the band at 2,188 cm<sup>-1</sup> at the same temperature when acetylene was introduced into the gas mixture. Instead, bands at 2,249 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to isocyanate (–NCO) [33–37] and 2,213 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to cyanide (–CN) species [36–38] were observed. The result can be reasonably interpreted as follows: NO<sup>+</sup> is so active towards the

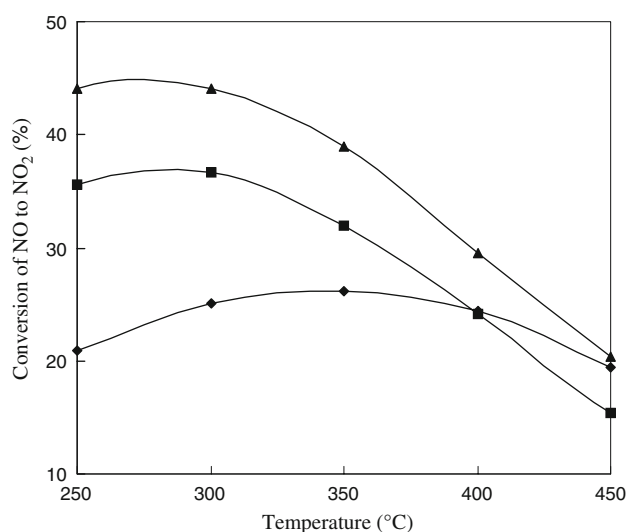
reductant at the temperature that it is reduced by the reactant right away, once produced from  $\text{NO}_x$  adsorption under the reaction conditions. In literature,  $\text{NO}^+$  was proposed to be an intermediate over H-mordenite [39] in  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6$ -SCR. Also, it was suggested to be active surface intermediate to form  $\text{N}_2$  in  $\text{CH}_4$ -SCR over Co-, Co, Pt-, and H-mordenite [40]. Clearly, the explanation concerning high reactivity of  $\text{NO}^+$  species towards  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR is also supported by the literature. Besides of the band at  $2188\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , the bands at  $1,627$  and  $1,595\text{ cm}^{-1}$  were not detected in spectrum b, indicating again that the two types of nitrates species are also reactive towards  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR.

### 3.3 NO Oxidation Catalyzed by the Zeolites

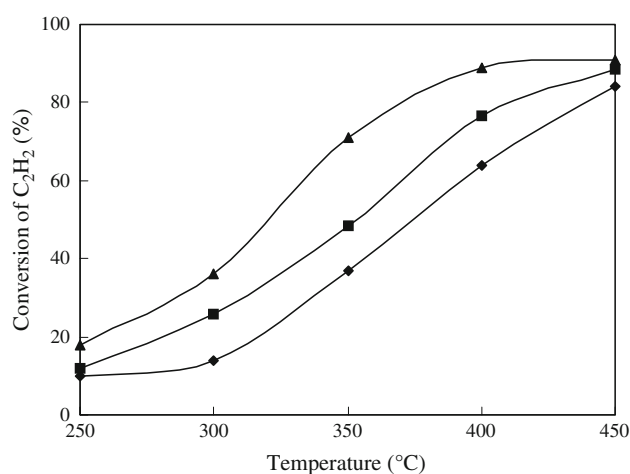
As NO oxidation to  $\text{NO}_2$  is an indispensable step for the formation of nitric species ( $\text{NO}^+$ , nitrates), the activity of the ion-exchanged zeolites for NO oxidation to  $\text{NO}_2$  was investigated at  $250$ – $450\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  (in Fig. 6). It is obvious that the partial substitution of protons by sodium ions suppressed the activity of FER zeolites for the reaction. With sodium content increasing, the conversion of NO to  $\text{NO}_2$  over FER zeolites remarkably decreased.

### 3.4 $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ Combustion Influenced by Sodium in the Zeolites

Activity of the ion-exchanged zeolites for acetylene oxidation by  $\text{O}_2$  is depicted in Fig. 7. The combustion of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  was substantially inhibited by sodium in the zeolites. For instance, conversion of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  to  $\text{CO}_2$  over HFER was  $71\%$ , whereas it drastically decreased to  $48\%$  over Na(1)HFER at  $350\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .



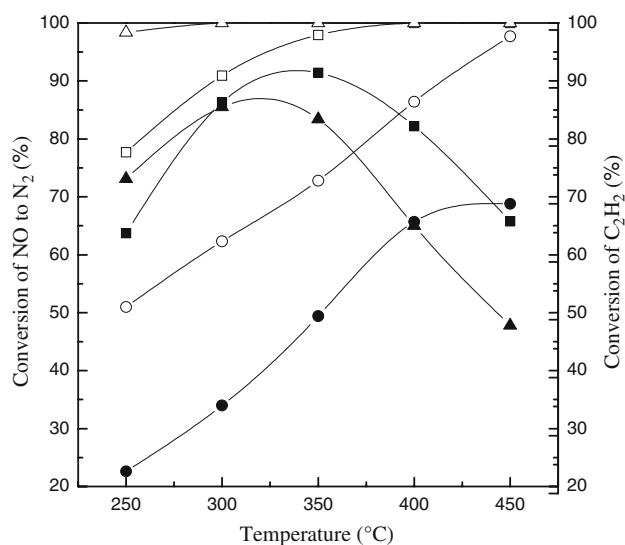
**Fig. 6** Catalytic performance of HFER (▲), Na(1)HFER (■) and Na(2)HFER (◆) in oxidation of NO with  $\text{O}_2$



**Fig. 7** Combustion of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  over HFER (▲), Na(1)HFER (■) and Na(2)HFER (◆) at different temperature

### 3.5 Catalytic Activity of the Zeolites for $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR

The catalytic performance of HFER, Na(1)HFER and Na(2)HFER zeolites in  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR is depicted in Fig. 8. At  $250\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , HFER zeolite gave higher NO conversion to  $\text{N}_2$  compared to Na(1)HFER, which may be the result that more active  $\text{NO}^+$  species in population could be produced on HFER than on Na(1)HFER as characterized by in situ FTIR shown in Fig. 3 (spectrum a and b) at the same reaction conditions. When the reaction temperature increased to  $350\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $91\%$  NO conversion over Na(1)HFER zeolite was achieved, which is higher than that obtained over HFER at the same temperature. The opposite order in



**Fig. 8** NO conversion to  $\text{N}_2$  (open symbols) and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  conversion (closed symbols) over HFER (▲, Δ), Na(1)HFER (■, □), Na(2)HFER (●, ○) as a function of reaction temperature in  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR

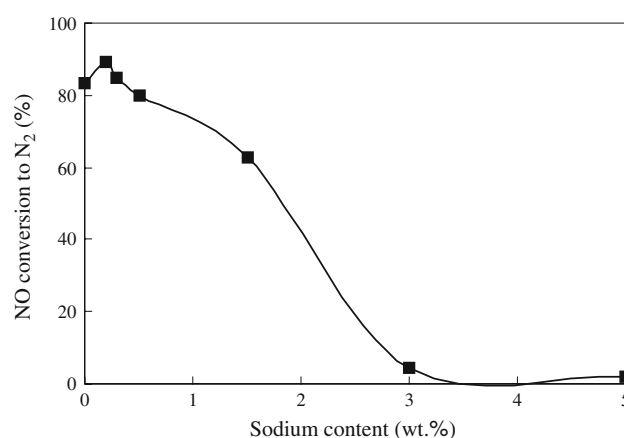


activity at different temperature (250 and 350 °C) can be interpreted by the supposition that different nitric species predominantly contributes to the title reaction at different temperature:  $\text{NO}^+$  is mainly responsible for the title reaction at 250 °C, whereas the bridging and bidentate nitrate species ( $1,627$  and  $1,595\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) become the main active species contributing to the title reaction at 350 °C. As shown in Fig. 3, although more active  $\text{NO}^+$  species could be produced on HFER than on Na(1)HFER and Na(2)HFER, much more active nitrate species in population could be formed on Na(1)HFER than on HFER in the same conditions, which is supported by the larger desorption of NO and  $\text{NO}_2$  at 317 °C for Na(1)HFER compared to HFER in  $\text{NO}_x$ -TPD. Hence, the higher activity of Na(1)HFER zeolite for the title reaction than HFER above 300 °C can be reasonably attributed to the improved active nitrate species formation capacity of the zeolite by small amount of sodium incorporation into the zeolite.

On the contrary, large amount of sodium incorporated into HFER significantly depressed the activity of the zeolite for  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR. As shown in Fig. 8, Na(2)HFER even behaved rather worse catalytic performance in  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR than HFER. The result could be reasonably interpreted by the significantly depressed activity of the zeolite for NO oxidation to  $\text{NO}_2$  due to large amount of sodium incorporation into the zeolite. As discussed in section 3.3, NO oxidation to  $\text{NO}_2$  is an indispensable step for the nitric species formation on the zeolite, which is catalyzed by protons presenting in the zeolite. Thus, the replacement of protons by more than some certain amount of sodium may make the rate of active nitric species formation decrease remarkably, so that  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR is restricted by the NO oxidation step. Furthermore, as discussed in Sect. 3.2, no more active nitric species, but the inactive nitrate species on the zeolite (Figs. 3 and 4) was produced by more than 11.8% of the sodium incorporation. The results strongly indicate that the amount of sodium in the zeolite must be so appropriate that the active nitric species formation capacity of the zeolite can be effectively improved and the activity of zeolite for NO oxidation can be retained in some extent as well.

In the temperature range of 300–400 °C, higher selectivity towards the title reaction was obtained on Na(1)HFER compared to that on HFER, which can be deduced from the higher NO conversion and lower  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  conversion over the former than over the latter. The results may be associated with the depression of sodium ions on  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$  combustion, as discussed in Sect. 3.4.

For the  $x\text{Na/HFER}$  catalyst samples prepared by impregnating HFER in sodium nitrate, similar regularity representing that small amount of sodium incorporated into HFER zeolite is favorable for  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR was obtained. As shown in Fig. 9, 0.2%Na/HFER gave the highest NO conversion to  $\text{N}_2$  at 350 °C among  $x\text{Na/HFER}$  samples.



**Fig. 9** Conversion of NO to  $\text{N}_2$  at 350 °C in the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR as a function of sodium content of Na/HFER

## 4 Conclusions

Formation of the active nitric species ( $\text{NO}^+$ , bridging and bidentate nitrate) is a crucial step for  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR over FER zeolite. Small amount of sodium incorporated into the zeolite (with an exchange level of protons less than 11.8%) significantly promoted the activity of the zeolite for  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR by improving the active nitric species formation and suppressing the reductant combustion over the zeolite. Contrarily, the exchange of proton by sodium with the higher level (e.g. 31.5%) resulted in inactive nitrate species formation on the zeolite. Furthermore, the over-exchange led to the activity of the zeolite for NO oxidation diminishing and the active  $\text{NO}^+$  species formation capacity of the zeolite decreasing. As a consequence, the activity of the zeolite for  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$ -SCR drastically was depressed by sodium over-exchanged in the zeolite.

**Acknowledgment** Support was provided by the National Natural Science Foundation of China (grant No. 20677006).

## Reference

1. Fokema MD, Ying JY (2001) *Catal Rev* 43(1&2):1
2. Burch R, Breen JP, Meunier FC (2002) *Appl Catal B* 39:283
3. Chen H, Sun Q, Wen B, Yeom Y, Weitz E, Sachtler WMH (2004) *Catal Today* 96:1
4. Gómez-García MA, Pitchon V, Kiennemann A (2005) *Environ Int* 31:445
5. Iwamoto M, Yahiro H, Yu-u Y, Shundo S, Mizuno N (1990) *Shokubai* 32:430
6. Shi C, Cheng M, Qua Z, Yang X, Bao X (2002) *Appl Catal B* 36:173
7. Sullivan JA, Keane O (2005) *Appl Catal B* 61:244
8. Yokoyama C, Misono M (1994) *Catal Today* 22:59
9. Yokoyama C, Misono M (1996) *J Catal* 160:95
10. Boix AV, Zamaro JM, Lombardo EA, Miró EE (2003) *Appl Catal B* 46:121
11. Loughran CE, Resasco DE (1995) *Appl Catal B* 7:113

12. Kikuchi E, Yogo K (1994) *Catal Today* 22:73
13. Y. Nishizaka, M. Misono (1994) *Chem Lett* 2237
14. Li Y, Armor JN (1994) *J Catal* 145:1
15. Narbeshuber TF, Brait A, Seshan K, Lercher JA (1997) *J Catal* 172:127
16. Berndt H, Schütze F-W, Richter M, Sowade T, Grünert W (2003) *Appl Catal B* 40:51
17. Shibata J, Takada Y, Shichi A, Satokawa S, Satsuma A, Hattori T (2004) *Appl Catal B* 54:137
18. Gutierrez L, Ulla MA, Lombardo EA, Kovács A, Lónyi F, Valyon J (2005) *Appl Catal A* 292:154
19. Stakheev AY, Lee CW, Park SJ, Chong PJ (1996) *Catal Lett* 38:271
20. Satsuma A, Yamada K, Sato K, Shimizu K, Hattori T (1997) *Catal Lett* 45:267
21. Stakheev AY, Lee CW, Park SJ, Chong PJ (1996) *Appl Catal B* 9:65
22. Li G, Larsen SC, Grassian VH (2005) *Catal Lett* 103:23
23. Sedlmair C, Gil B, Seshan K, Jentys A, Lercher JA (2003) *Phys Chem Chem Phys* 5:1897
24. Sedlmair C, Seshan K, Jentys A, Lercher JA (2003) *J Catal* 214:308
25. Li G, Larsen SC, Grassian VH (2005) *J Mol Catal A* 227:25
26. Yu Y, He H, Feng Q, Gao H, Yang X (2004) *Appl Catal B* 49:159
27. Yu Q, Wang X, Xing N, Yang H, Zhang S (2007) *J Catal* 245:124
28. He H, Zhang C, Yu Y (2004) *Catal Today* 90:191
29. Szanyi J, Kwak JH, Peden CHF (2004) *J Phys Chem B* 108:3746
30. Yeom YH, Li M, Sachtler WMH, Weitz E (2006) *J Catal* 238:100
31. Hadjiivanov K, Saussey J, Freysz JL, Lavalley JC (1998) *Catal Lett* 52:103
32. Gerlach T, Schütze FW, Baerns M (1999) *J Catal* 185:131
33. Shimizu K, Shibata J, Yoshida H, Satsumal A, Hattori T (2001) *Appl Catal B* 30:151
34. Satsuma A, Shimizu K (2003) *Prog Energy Combust Sci* 29:71
35. Kameoka S, Ukisu Y, Miyadera T (2000) *Phys Chem Chem Phys* 2:367
36. Bion N, Saussey J, Hedouin C, Seguelong T, Daturi M (2001) *Phys Chem Chem Phys* 3:4811
37. Haneda M, Joubert E, Ménéz J-C, Duprez D, Barbier J, Bion N, Daturi M, Saussey J, Lavalley J-C, Hamadac H (2001) *J Mol Catal A* 175:179
38. Haneda M, Bion N, Daturi M, Saussey J, Lavalley J-C, Duprez D, Hamada H (2002) *J Catal* 206:114
39. Cant NW, Liu IOY (2000) *Catal Today* 63:133
40. Lónyi F, Valyon J, Gutierrez L, Ulla MA, Lombardo EA (2007) *Appl Catal B* 73:1