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Machine-learning-aided Identification of Ethanol in Humid Air Using Zinc Complex Capped CsPbBr₃ Quantum-dot Sensors

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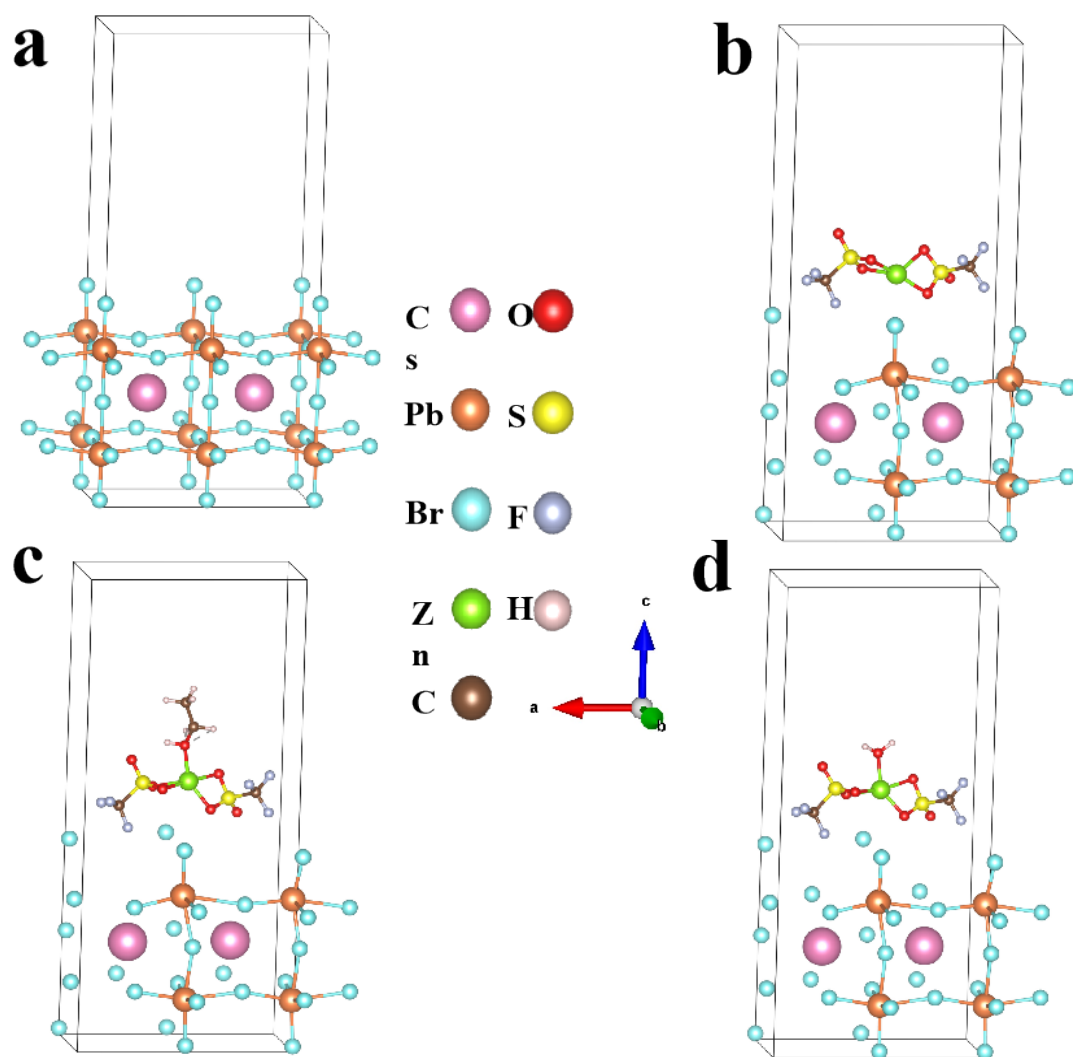


Fig. S1 Crystal structure of (a) CsPbBr₃ and (b) CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs and (c) CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs absorbing ethanol and (d) CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs absorbing H₂O. The cyan, orange, pink, purple, red, brown, yellow, silvery, green represent the atoms Cs, Pb, Br, Zn, O, C, S, F and H, respectively.

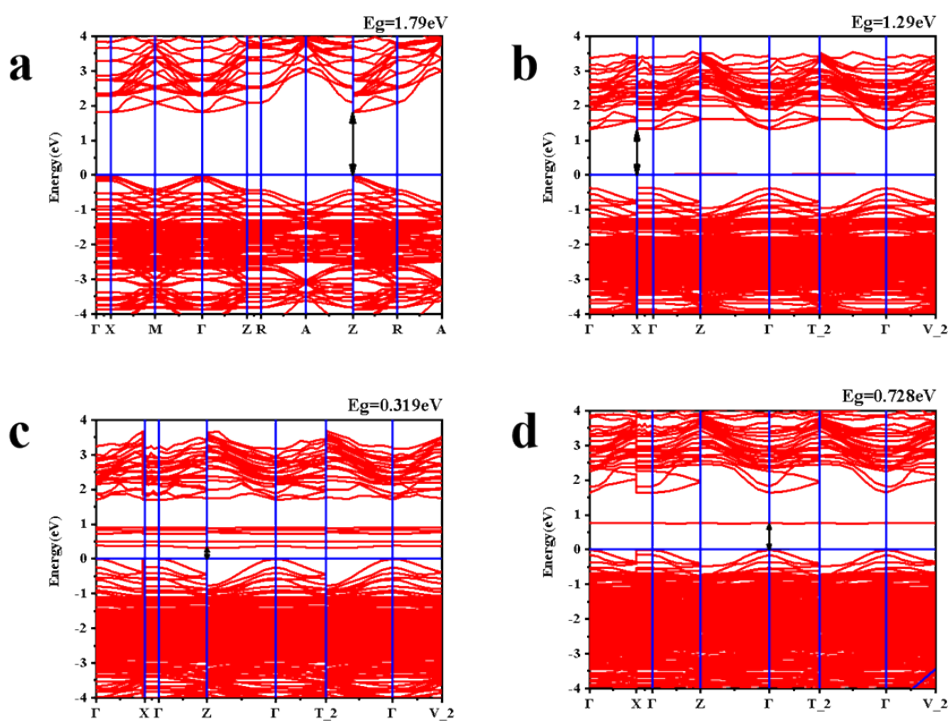


Fig. S2 DFT calculation results from Fig. S1: Energy band diagram of (a) CsPbBr₃ and (b) CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs and (c) CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs absorbing ethanol and (d) CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs absorbing H₂O.

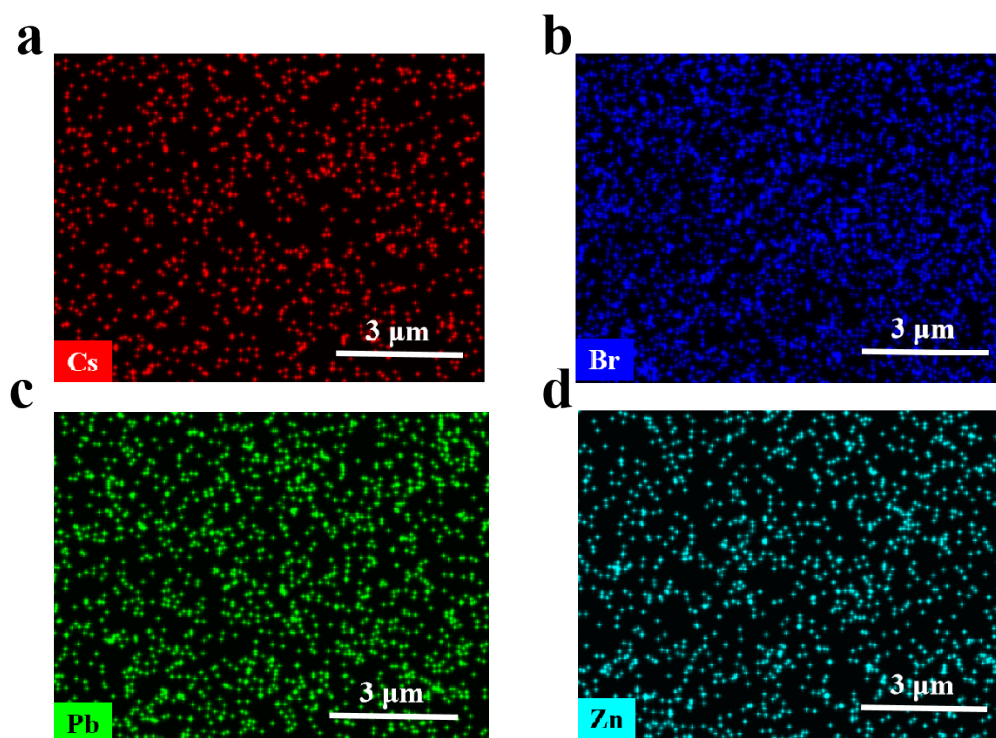


Fig. S3 Elemental mapping of Cs, Br, Pb and Zn in the CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs.

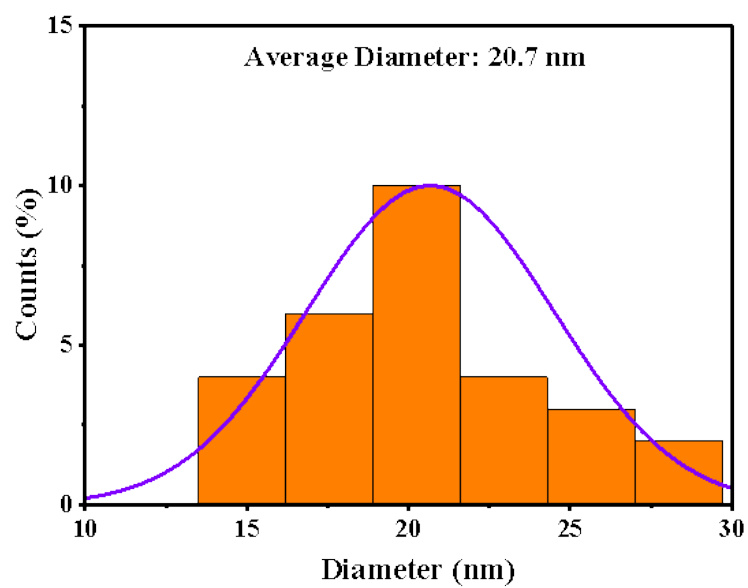


Fig. S4 Size distribution of CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs in Fig. 2e.

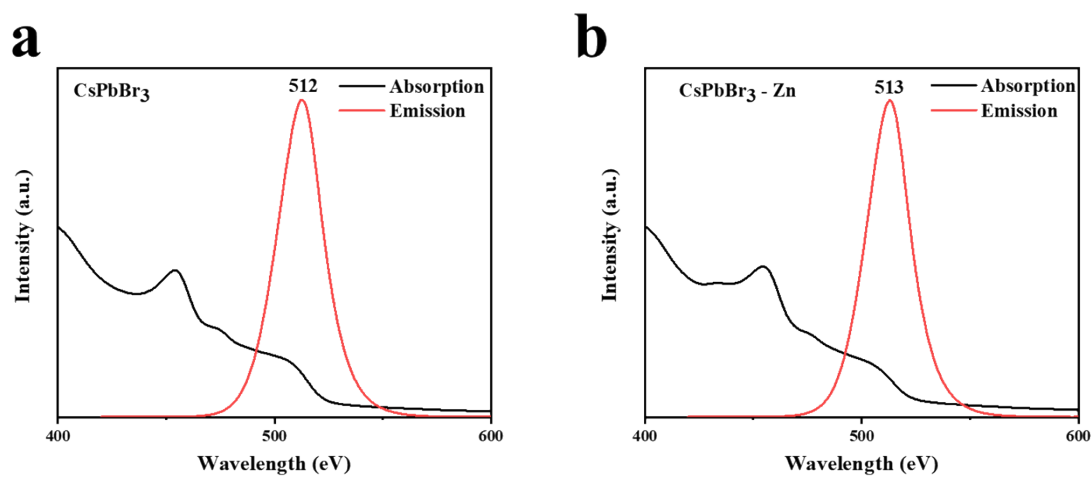


Fig. S5 PL emission and UV-vis absorption spectra of (a) CsPbBr₃ and (b) CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs.

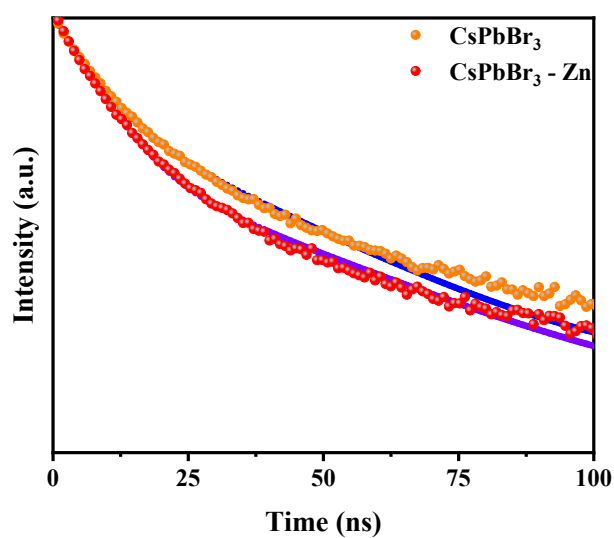


Fig. S6 Time-resolve PL delay plots of CsPbBr₃ (orange line) and CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs (red line).

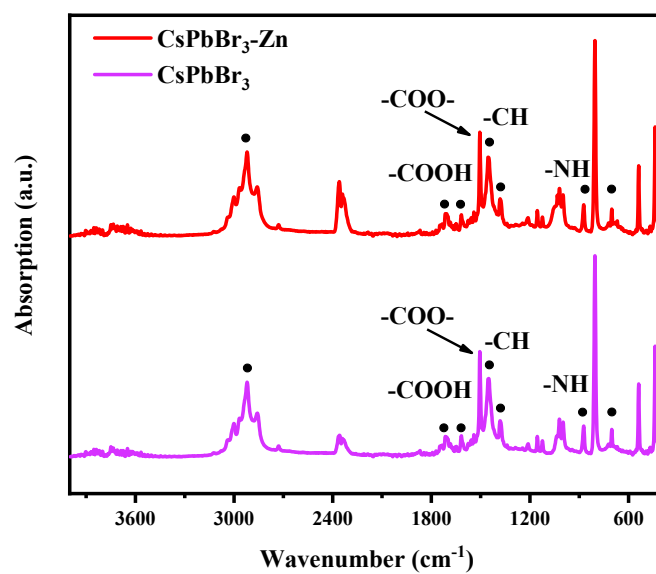


Fig. S7 Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy of CsPbBr₃ (purple line) and CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs (red line).

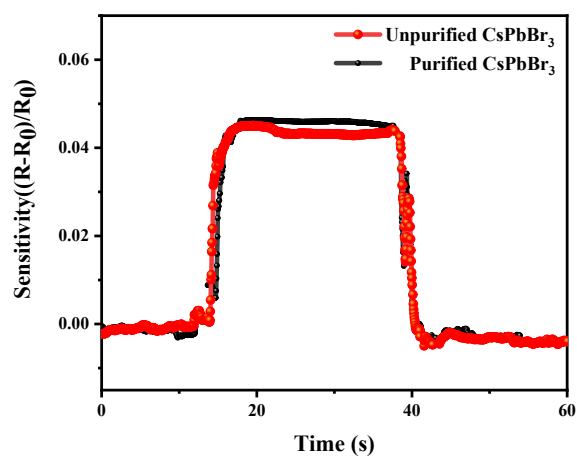


Fig. S8 Sensor responses of unpurified and purified CsPbBr₃ QDs towards 400 ppm ethanol at RT.

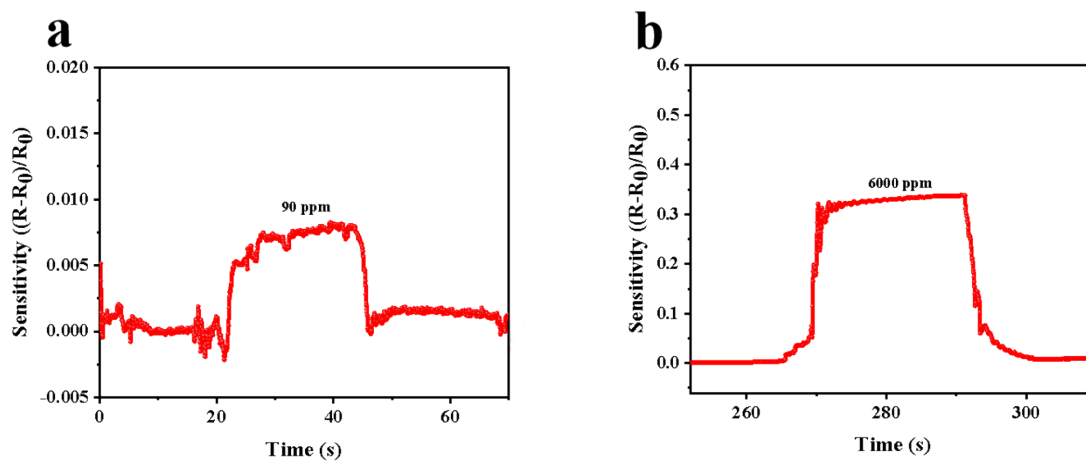


Fig. S9 (a) Lower and (b) upper detection limits of CsPbBr₃-Zn sensor.

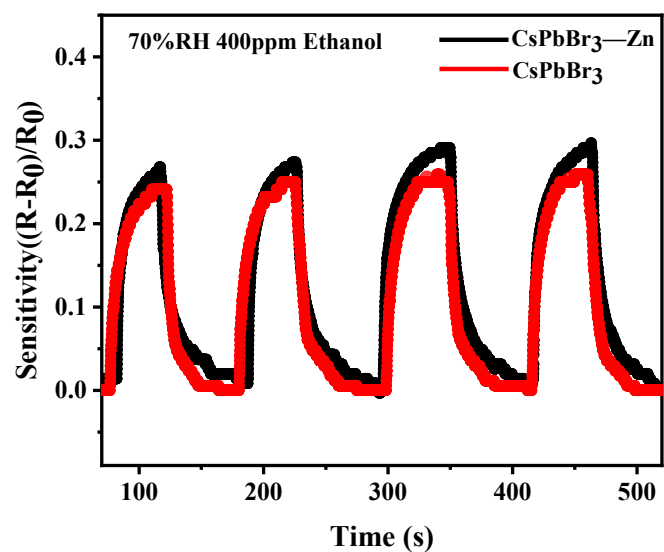


Fig. S10 Response curves of the sensors based on CsPbBr₃ and CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs under ambience of 400 ppm ethanol and 70% RH.

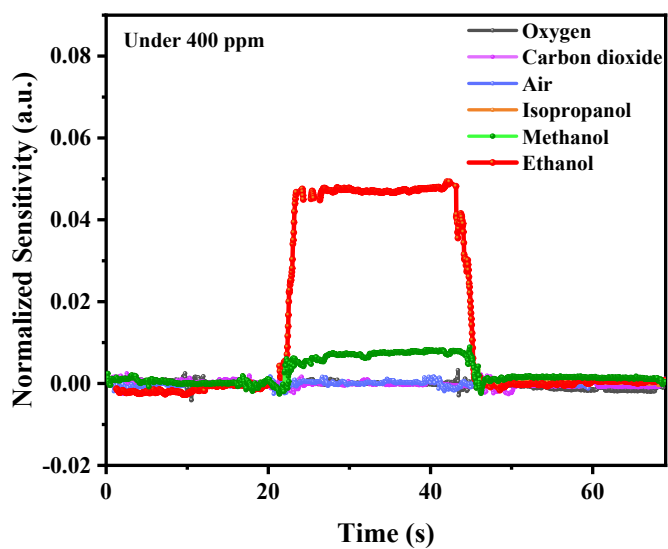


Fig. S11 Selectivity of a CsPbBr₃-Zn QD sensor to 400 ppm different gases (oxygen, carbon dioxide, air, isopropanol, methanol and ethanol).

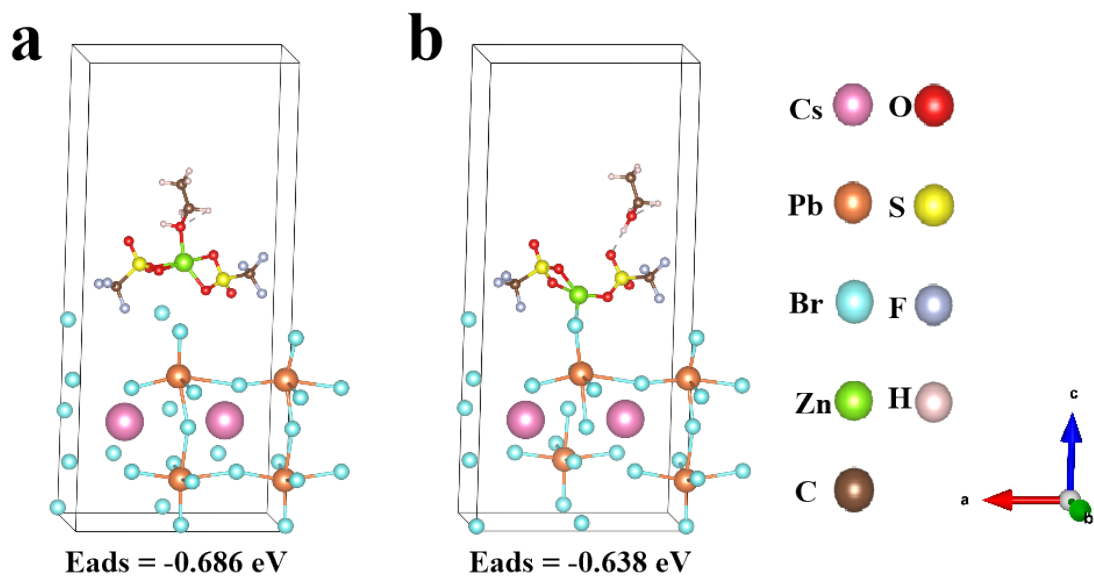


Fig. S12 Lattice model of ethanol molecule near (a) Zn atom and (b) OTf anion in the CsPbBr_3 crystal after coordinating with $\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$.

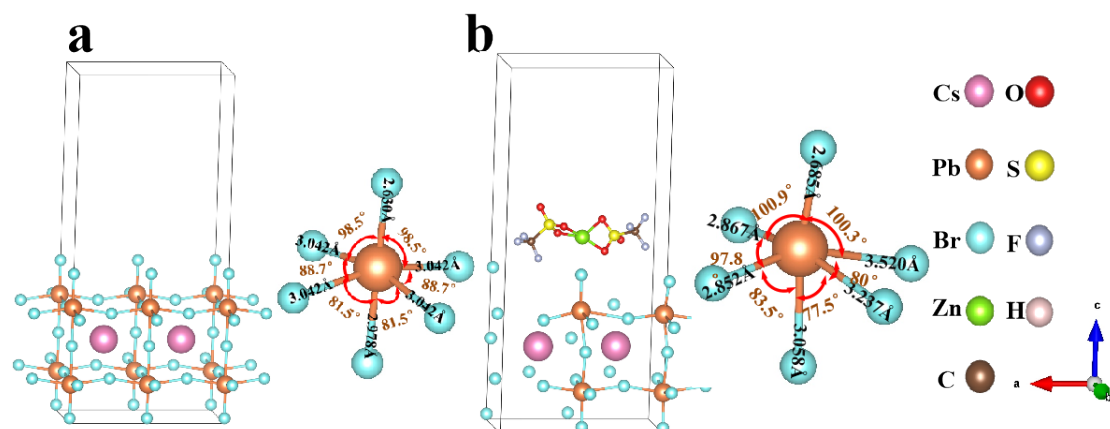


Fig. S13 Changes of bond length and bond Angle in crystal structure of CsPbBr_3 QDs by addition of $\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$.

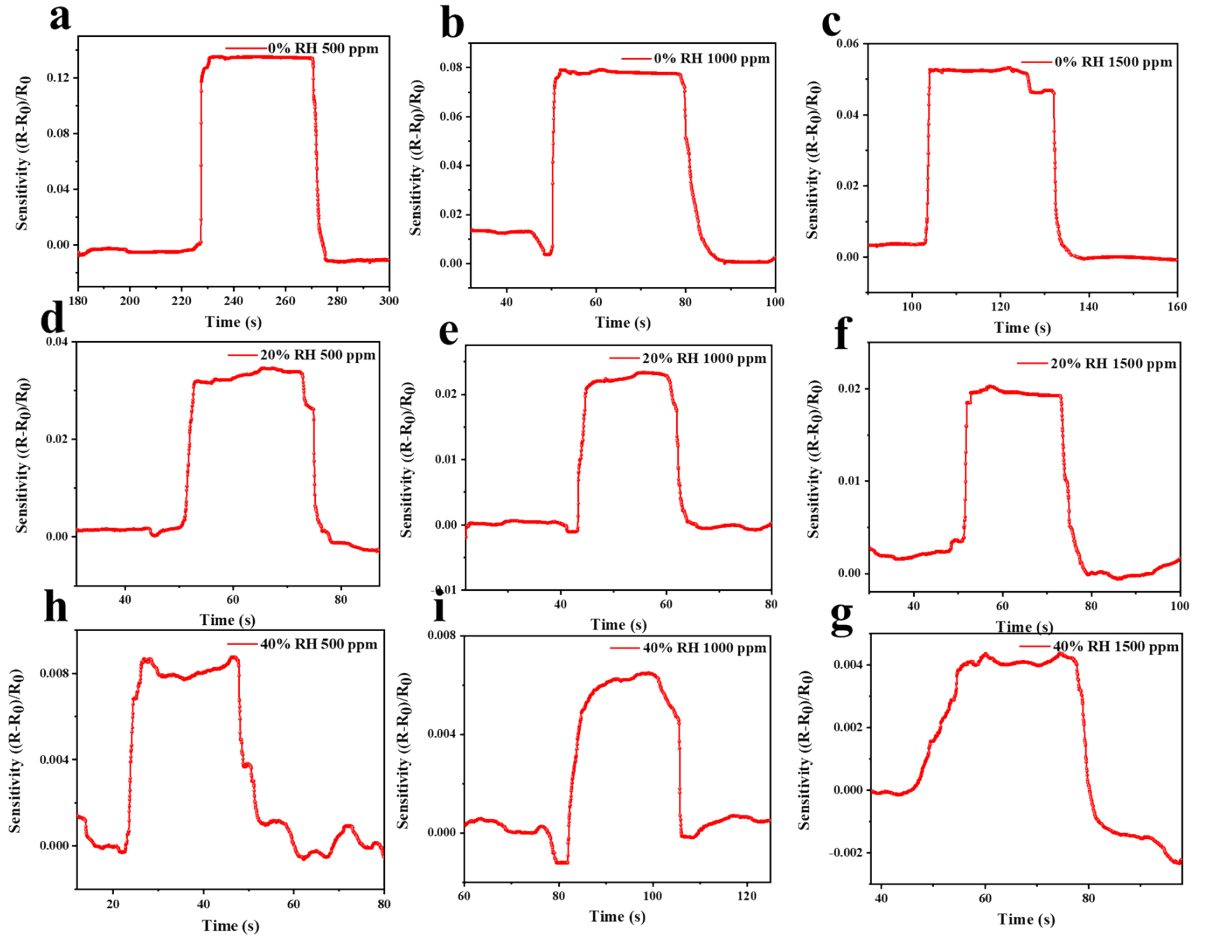


Fig. S14 Gas response curves from a gas sensor based on CsPbBr₃-Zn QDs under different ethanol concentrations and relative humidity (RH) interference. (a-c) RH value = 0, (d-f) RH = 20%, (h-g) RH = 40%.

In this section, the Gramian Angular Field (GAF) method is used to convert the gas sensor response data into two-dimensional images, and the ResNet34 network [1] model is used to learn the features in the two-dimensional images, which automatically extract the features, finally realizing the recognition of 9 kinds of gas humidity and concentrations.

The specific implementation process of Gramian Angular Field is as follows: First, data is scaled for each sample data, and the data range is scaled to [0,1], and the expression formula is as follows:

$$\tilde{S}_i^t = \frac{S_i^t - \min(S_i)}{\max(S_i) - \min(S_i)}$$

where \tilde{S}_i^t is the normalized value at time t, S_i^t is the response value at time t, S_i and is

the response value within the sampling time range. Next, the scaled normalized time series data S_i^t is converted to the polar coordinate system, that is, the value is regarded as the cosine value of the included angle, and the expression formula is as follows:

$$\theta_i = \arccos(\tilde{S}_i^t), 0 \leq \tilde{S}_i^t \leq 1.$$

Finally, Gramian angular difference field (GADF) method was used to convert the image. For the conversion of single sample time series data into GAF images, the image size is set to 64, and the single sample time series is converted into images (including GASF and GADF) as shown in Fig. S15 below.

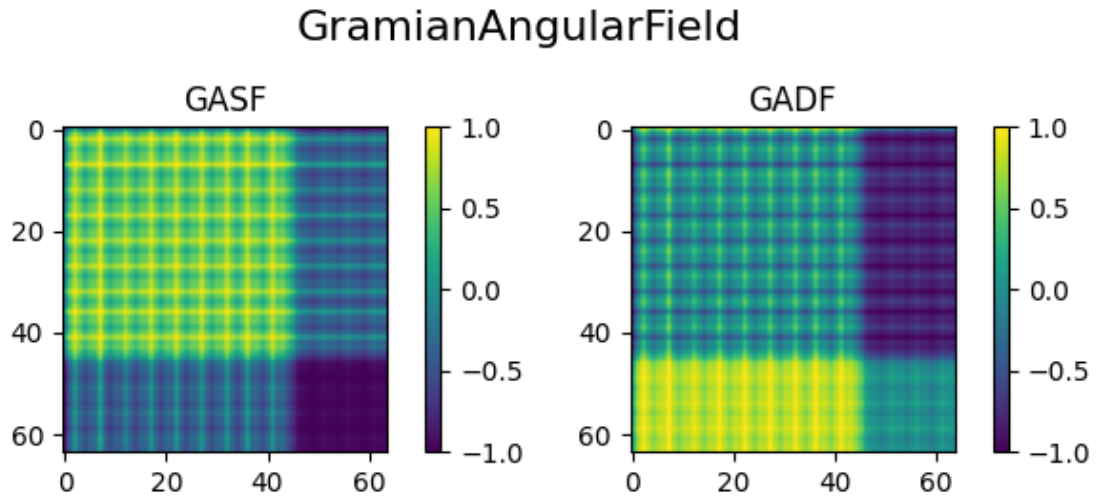


Fig. S15 Conversion from time series data to images.

Considering the difficulty and complexity of collecting gas samples with different humidity and concentrations in the experiment, the classification network model is prone to over-fitting under small samples, so the data augmentation network strategy is adopted in this paper to increase the number of gas samples and make the classification model more robust. Data enhancement network strategies include image rotation (90° , 180° and 270°), flipping, image brightness transformation (brighter and darker), and Gaussian Blur, resulting in an 8-fold amplification of the total number of data samples in this experiment. After that, the image is input into the gas recognition network to realize the training and testing process of recognizing 9 kinds of gas humidity and concentrations. The images after data augmentation are shown in Fig. S16 below.

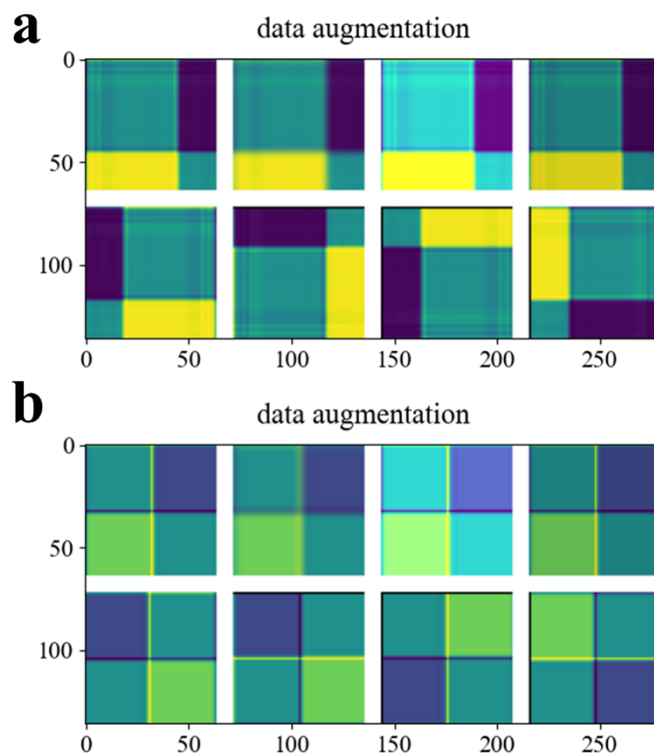


Fig. S16 Images after data augmentation.

Table S1 Fitted results of the PL decay of CsPbBr₃ and CsPbBr₃ – Zn QDs.

Samples	τ_1 [ns]	A_1	τ_2 [ns]	A_2	τ_{ave} [ns]	λ^2
CsPbBr₃ QD	3.39	0.71	13.32	0.29	9.51	0.999
CsPbBr₃-Zn QD	4.86	0.73	16.49	0.27	11.33	0.999

Table S2 Comparison on gas-sensing performance of CsPbBr₃ – Zn QDs reported in this work with the previously published articles.

Sensor	Response	T(°C)	Ethanol. Conc(ppm)	Response time (s)	Recover time (s)	Ref
Zn(OTf)₂	4.32% ^c	RT	400	3.9	3.6	this work
Ag/V₂O₅	22.5 ^a	RT	500	13	7	[2]
Ga/NiO	25 ^b	250	50	8	13	[3]
CuO	241% ^d	250	100	NA	NA	[4]
CuO	129% ^d	300	300	38	462	[5]
V₂O₅	81.7% ^c	280	200	17.6	39.7	[6]
ZnO/Co₃O₄	34.9 ^a	300	10	57	235	[7]
PdO_x/Co₃O₄	19.6 ^b	130	50	43	14	[8]
Co₃O₄/NiO	4.26 ^b	250	100	NA	NA	[9]
Ag-ITO	70% ^c	130	100	45	40	[10]
In₂O₃	250 ^a	250	50	16	14	[11]
Ru/WO₃	120 ^a	200	100	1	18	[12]
Pt/W₁₈O₄₉	59 ^a	300	80	20	10	[13]
In₂O₃	43.1 ^a	300	100	37.6	1454.5	[14]
Sb/In₂O₃	41.3 ^a	320	100	17	36	[15]
In₂O₃	180 ^a	240	200	1	93	[16]
a-MnO₂	30.6 ^a	300	200	30	40	[17]
Au/ In-Ga-Zn-O	27.9 ^a	250	100	102	68	[18]
SnO₂/CuO	8.8 ^a	340	250	6	10	[19]

MoS₂/TiO₂	62% ^d	350	100	52	155	[20]
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a:(R_a / R_g), b:(R_g / R_a), c:($[R_a - R_g] / R_a * 100\%$), d:($[R_g - R_a] / R_g * 100\%$), NA:Not available.

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