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CO2 Capture, Sequestration and Re-Use Part II Sequestration or Re-Use

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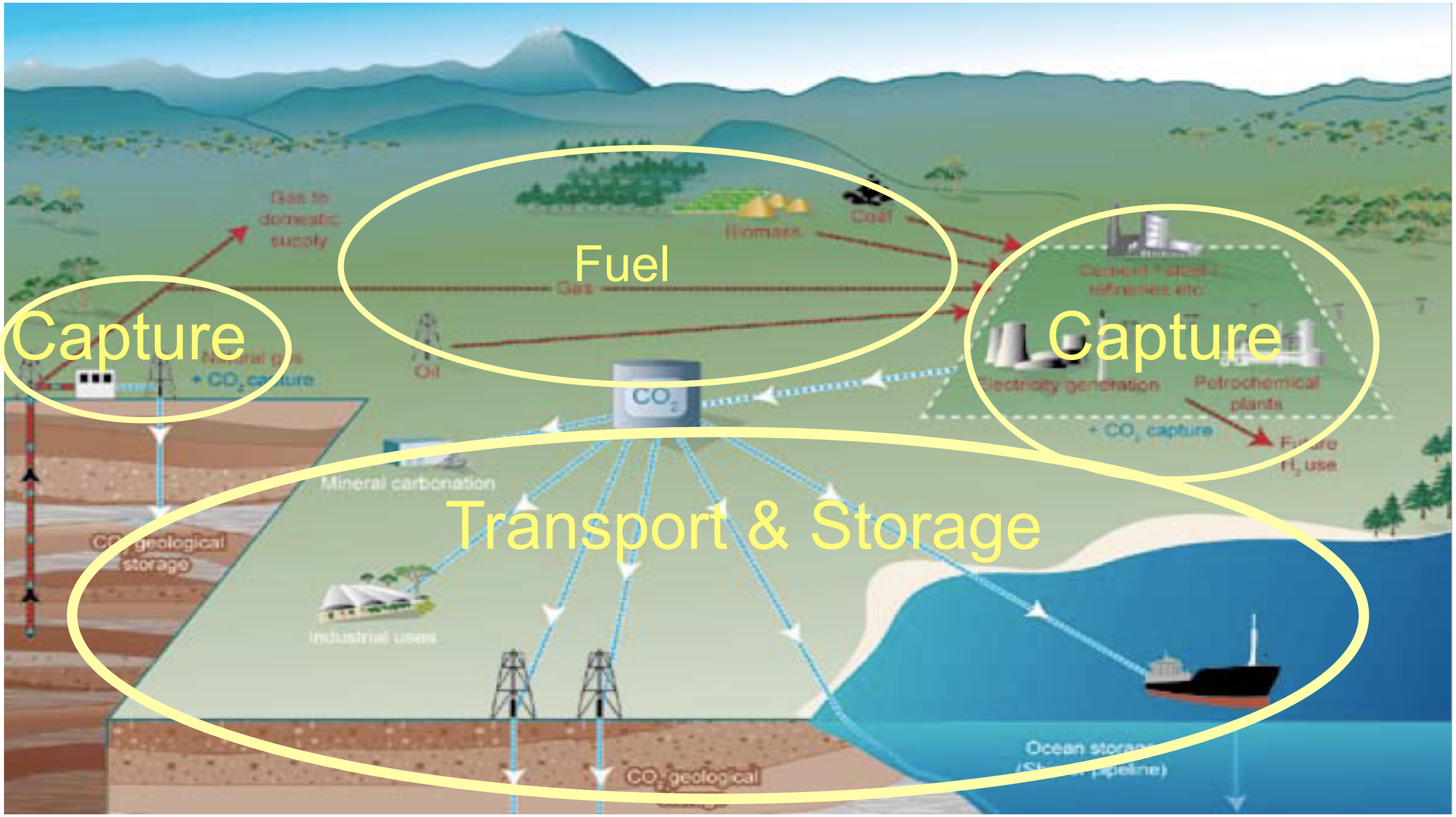
CO_2 transport and storage (CCS)



(source : IPCC CCS Report)

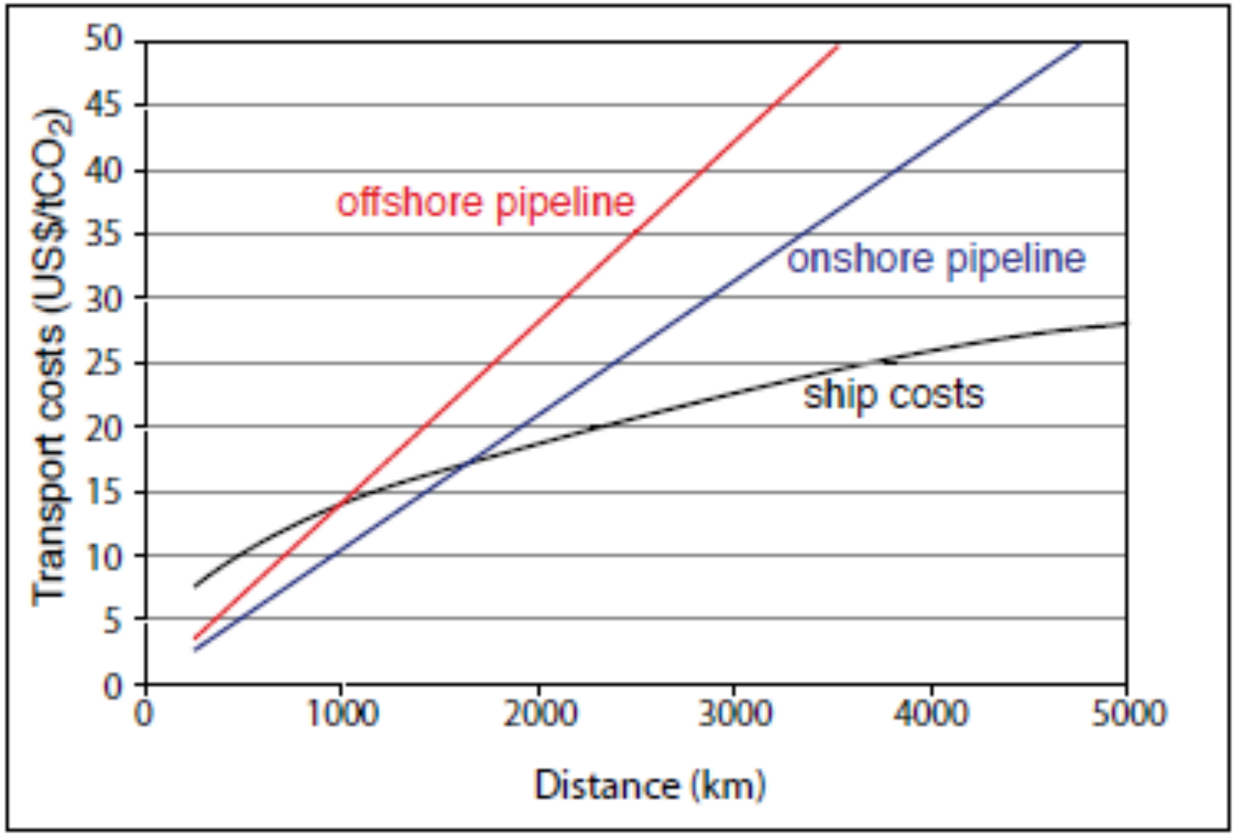
CO_2 transport

CO2 transport methods

- Pipelines
  - <1500km (small distance)
  - CO2 8MPa
  - > 20 Mt CO2/year

- Ship
  - > 1500 km (large distance)
  - CO2 liq. 0.7MPa
  - ~6 Mt CO2/year

- Road & rail tankers
  - CO2 -20°C, 2MPa
  - Very small scale
  - uneconomical for large-scale CO2 transportation



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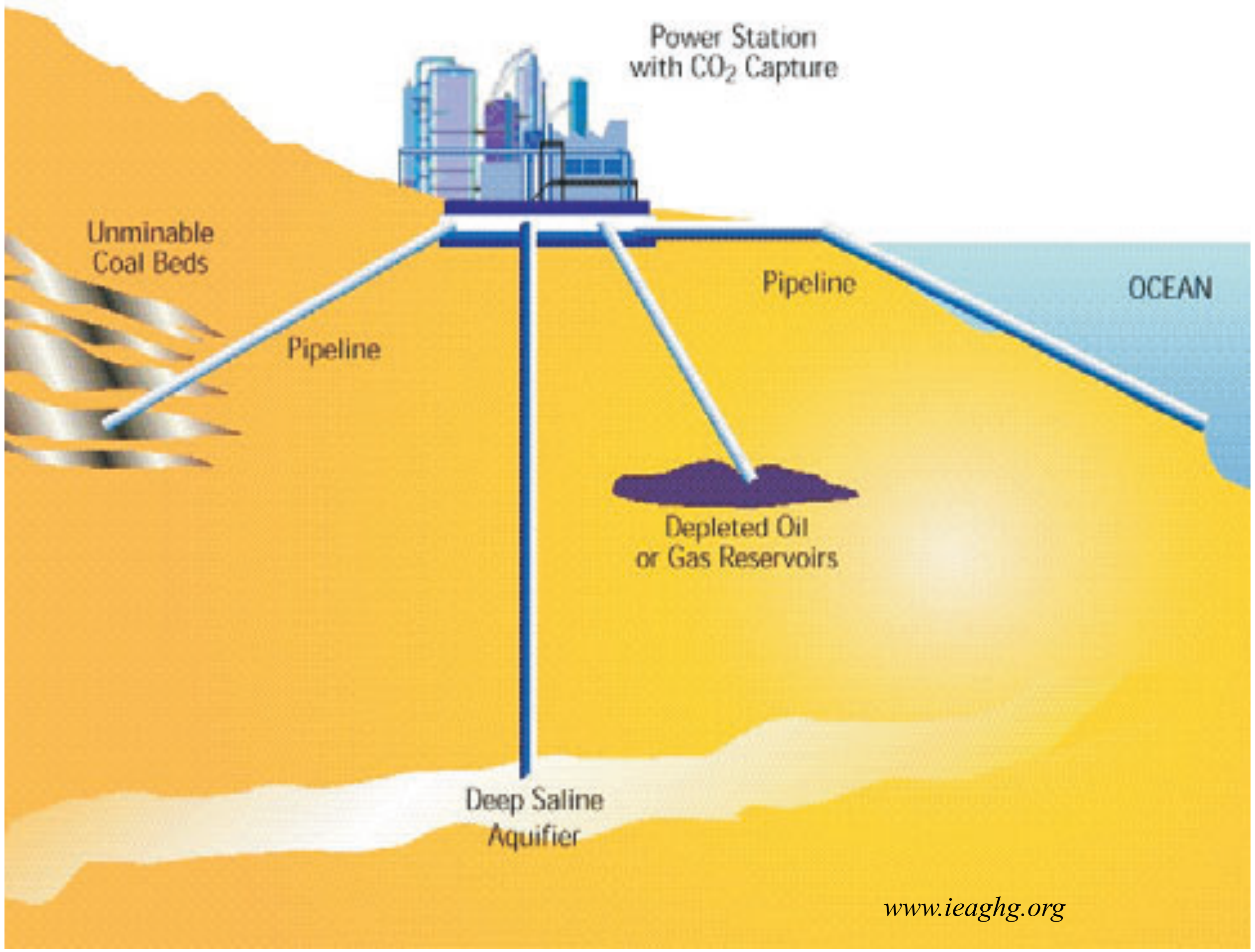
CO_2 storage



Power Station
with CO_2 Capture
Unminable
Coal Beds
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CO_2 storage : Geological storage

Geological storage

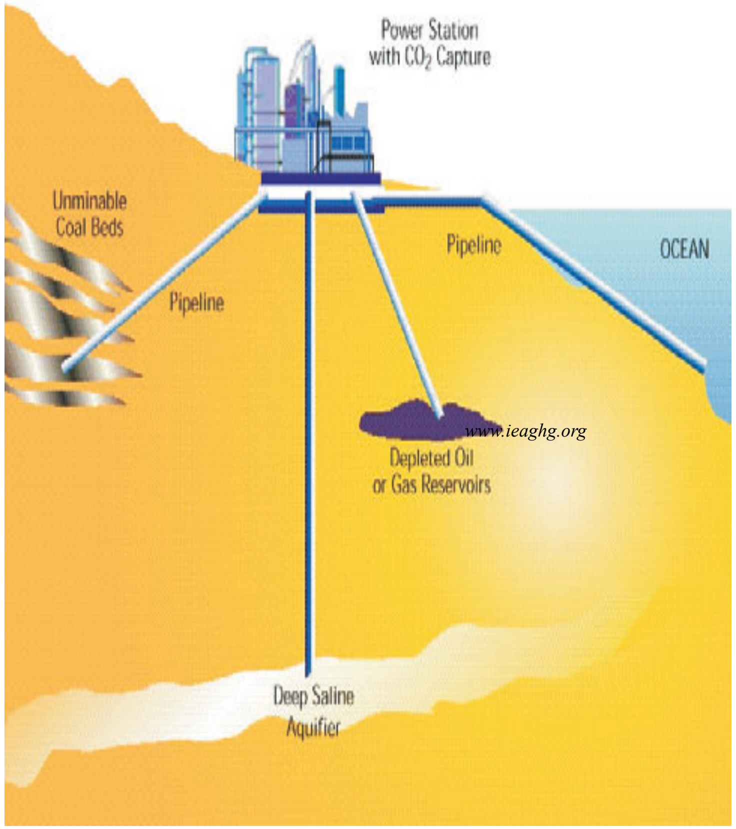
- Enhanced Oil/Gas Recovery (EOR/EGR)
  - CO2 is used to push gas out of gas/oil fields
  - In 2004 only 20% of the CO2 used for EOR is captured CO2 from energy conversion
  - Use of Water => produces toxics and radioactive elements
  - 3.15 t CO2 extracted (after combustion) per ton of CO2 sequestrated !
- Enhanced Coal Bed Methane recovery (ECBM)
  - CO2 substitutes the absorbed CH4 in deep coal mines and
  - is trapped into the pore matrix of the coal due to
  - the higher affinity of CO2 with coal than CH4
  - Twice as much CO2 as CH4 can be absorbed, so the balance is positive even if the CO2 released by CH4 combustion is accounted for

CO_2 storage

Geological storage

- Deep saline formations (storage in aquifers)
  - Dissolution in saline waters (not suitable for potable water)
  - CO2 chemically trapped by chemical reaction producing carbonates

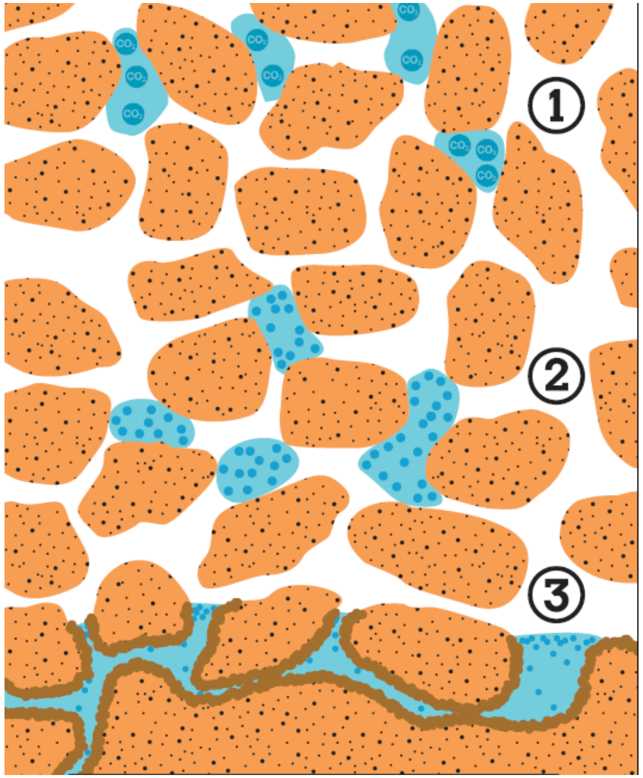
- Storage in mines & chemical storage
  - CO2 reaction with naturally occurring minerals (magnesium silicate)to produce carbonates that could be stored permanently



CO_2 storage

Trapping methods

- Residual trapping
  - Injected CO2 is trapped in the tiny pores of the rocks
- Dissolution trapping
  - Part of the CO2 dissolves into the surrounding water
- Mineral trapping
  - Heavy CO2-rich water sinks to the reservoir's bottom where over time it may react to form minerals (limestone, sandstone)



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CO_2 storage capacity

Geological storage capacity

Option	Lower estimate $GtCO_2$	Upper estimate $GtCO_2$
Oil/Gas fields	675	900
Unminable coal beds	3-15	200
Deep saline formation	1000	10000

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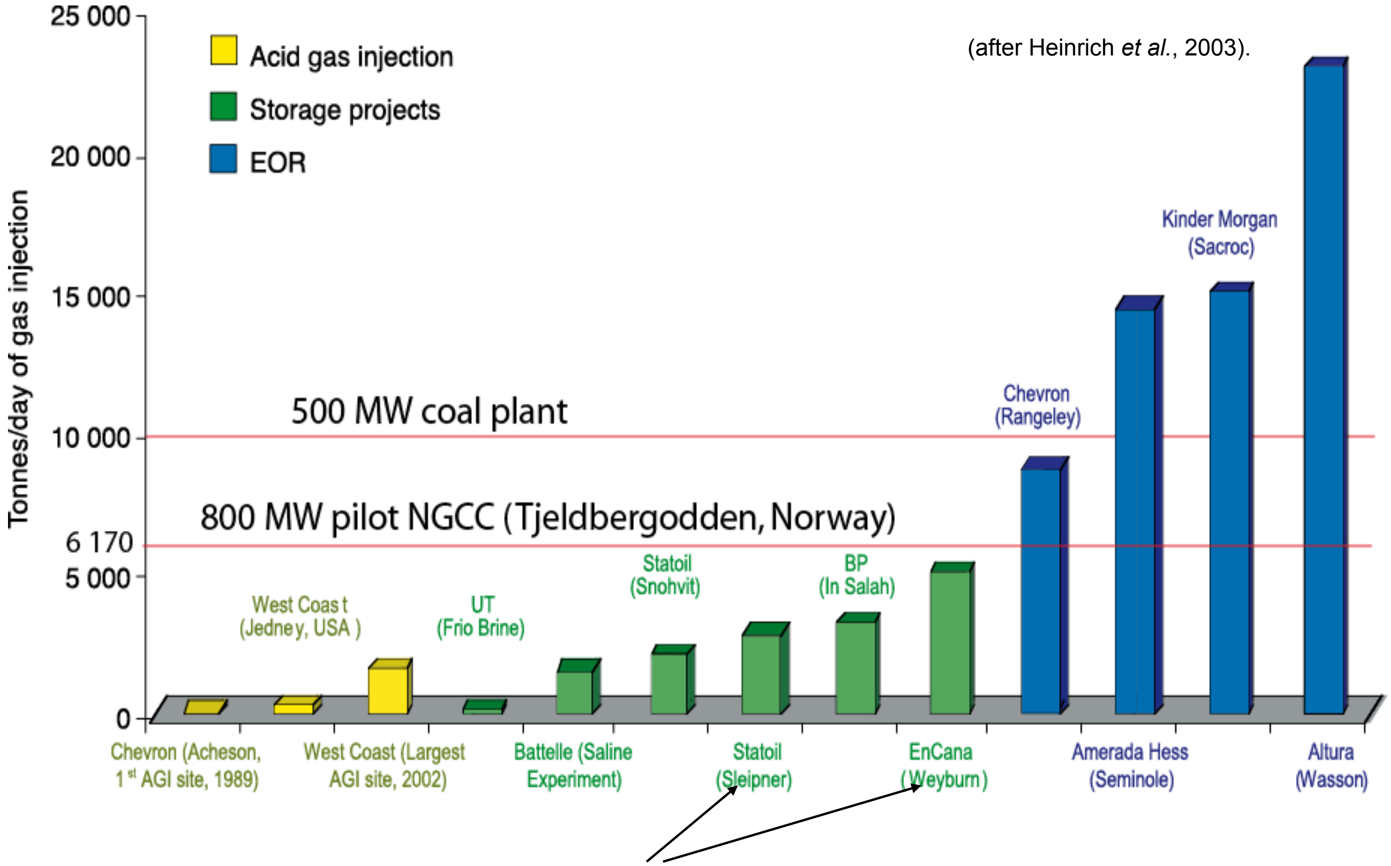
- Economic potential for CCS: 200-2000 GtCO2
- Largely sufficient geological storage capacity
- Storage cost depends on:
  - Depth & permeability of storage formation
  - Number of wells needed for injection
  - Type of reservoir
  - Onshore/offshore
  - 0.5-8 $/tCO2 + 0.1-0.3 $/tCO2 monitoring
  - Including EOR 10-16$/tCO2 net profit (depends on oil/gas prices)

CCS: gas injection projects



3 injection sites (1-2 Mt CO_2/yr) are running since several years :

Norway (1996), Canada (2000), Algeria (2004)

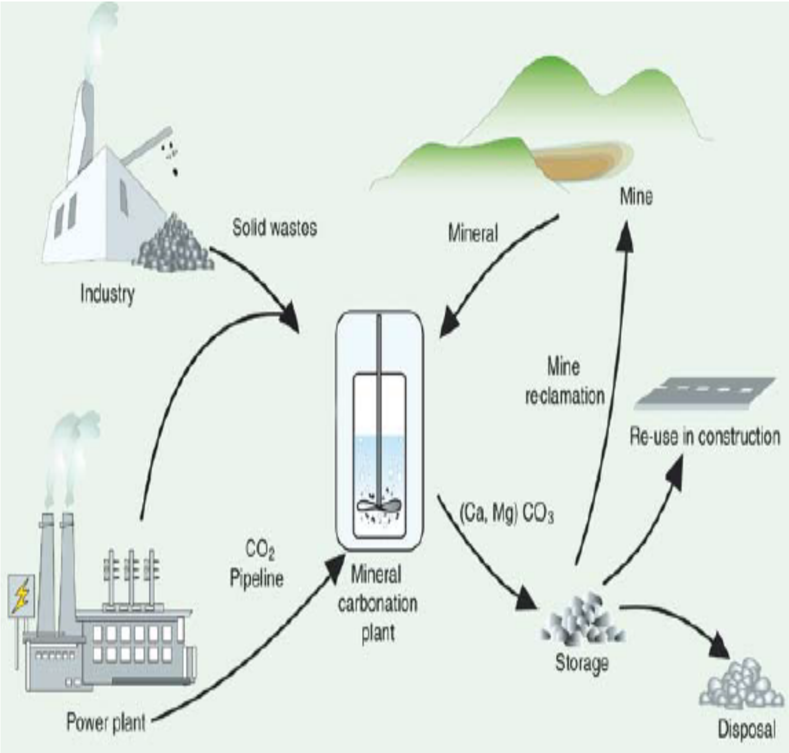
CO_2 storage by carbonation

Mineral Carbonation

- CO2 conversion to solid inorganic carbonates by chemical reaction

$$1t/CO_2 + [2-3t] \quad MO \rightarrow [3-4t] \quad MCO_3 + heat$$

- MO= Metal oxide (MgO, CaO) or Mg2SiO4, Mg3Si2O5(OH)4
- Magnesium carbonate (MgCO3) or calcium carbonate (CaCO3 limestone)
- =accelerated or assisted natural "weathering"
- Available silicate rocks are larger than needed to fix all fossil-derived CO2, however limited to technically exploitable reserves
- Heat ≈ 60 kJ/mol CO2 (to compare with 400 kJ/mol CO2 for combustion)
- CCS system with carbonation 60-180% more energy input per kWh than reference plant without capture
- Cost: 50-100$/tCO2 mineralized
- Considerable environmental
- impact mining & disposal



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Summary: CCS cost

CCS system components	Cost range	Remarks
Capture from a coal- or gas-fired power plant	15-75 US$/t$CO_2$ net captured	Net costs of captured CO_2, compared to the same plant without capture.
Capture from hydrogen and ammonia production or gas processing	5-55 US$/t$CO_2$ net captured	Applies to high-purity sources requiring simple drying and compression.
Capture from other industrial sources	25-115 US$/t$CO_2$ net captured	Range reflects use of a number of different technologies and fuels.
Transportation	1-8 US$/t$CO_2$ transported	Per 250 km pipeline or shipping for mass flow rates of 5 (high end) to 40 (low end) MtCO_2 yr^{-1}.
Geological storage[a]	0.5-8 US$/t$CO_2$ net injected	Excluding potential revenues from EOR or ECBM.
Geological storage: monitoring and verification	0.1-0.3 US$/t$CO_2$ injected	This covers pre-injection, injection, and post-injection monitoring, and depends on the regulatory requirements.
Ocean storage	5-30 US$/t$CO_2$ net injected	Including offshore transportation of 100-500 km, excluding monitoring and verification.
Mineral carbonation	50-100 US$/t$CO_2$ net mineralized	Range for the best case studied. Includes additional energy use for carbonation.

- CO2 capture cost determines the CCS cost

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Summary: Global CCS projects

According the Global CCS Institute

- 238 projects involving CO2 capture, transport and/or storage are active or planned worldwide
  - 9 are already operational
  - 2 are under construction
  - 69 are at planning stages (CO2 capture-transport-storage chain is demonstrated)

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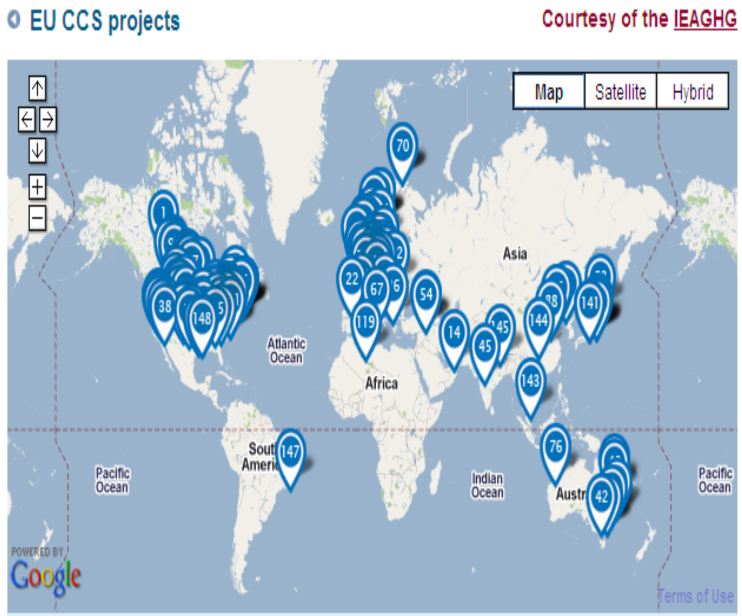

CO2 utilisation

CO2 can be used as a product

Table 7.2 Industrial applications of CO_2 (only products or applications at the Mtonne-scale): yearly market, amount of CO_2 used, its source, and product lifetime (Aresta and Tommasi, 1997; Hallman and Steinberg, 1999; Pelc et al., 2005). The figures in the table are associated with a large uncertainty.

Chemical product class or application	Yearly market ($Mt\ yr^{-1}$)	Amount of CO_2 used per Mt product ($MtCO_2$)	Source of CO_2	Lifetime[b]
Urea	90	65	Industrial	Six months
Methanol (additive to CO)	24	<8	Industrial	Six months
Inorganic carbonates	8	3	Industrial, Natural[a]	Decades to centuries
Organic carbonates	2.6	0.2	Industrial, Natural[a]	Decades to centuries
Polyurethanes	10	<10	Industrial, Natural[a]	Decades to centuries
Technological	10	10	Industrial, Natural[a]	Days to years
Food	8	8	Industrial, Natural[a]	Months to years

[a] Natural sources include both geological wells and fermentation.

[b] The fraction of used CO_2 that is still stored after the indicated period of time drops to zero.

It is important that the CO2 used as carbon is not going to release fossil C in the atmosphere at an other time e.g. short term plastic usage

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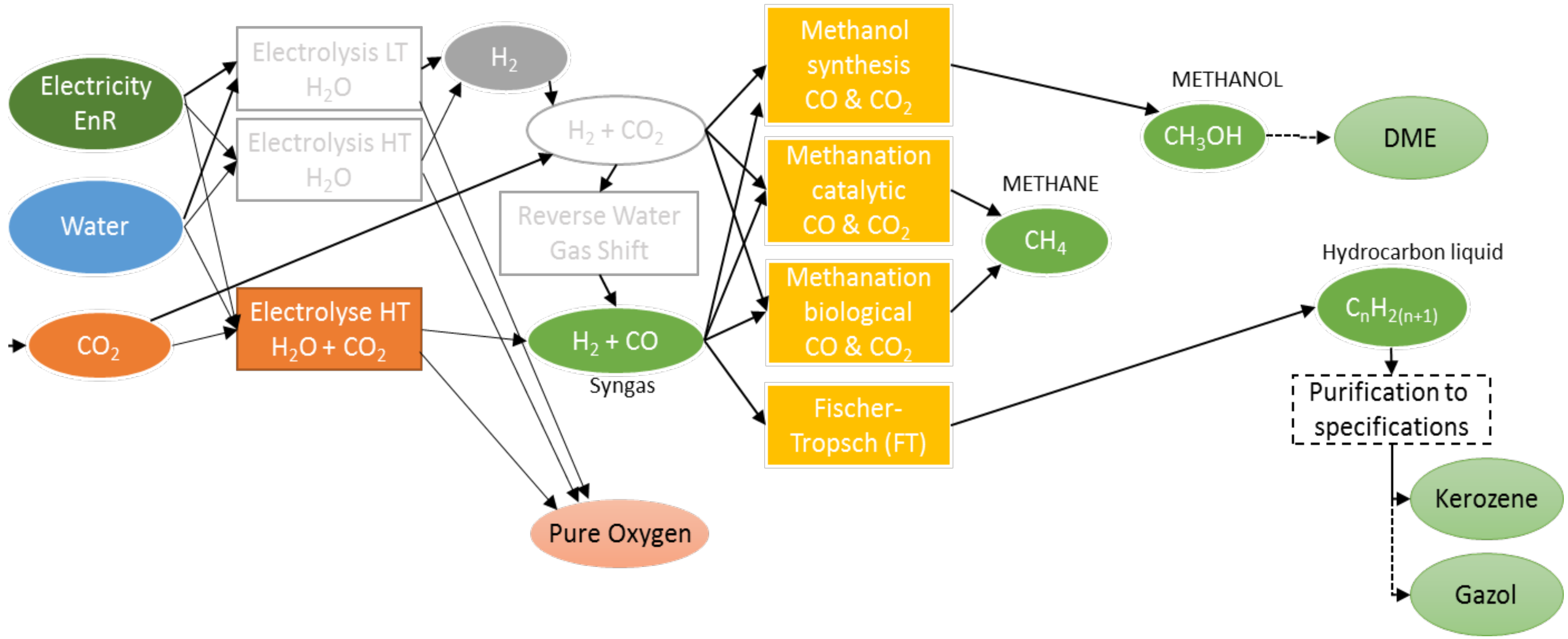
Chapter 7 : Mineral carbonation and industrial uses of carbon dioxide

CO_2 utilization

Conversion of captured CO_2: as a source of Carbon

Power-to-chemicals/stored energy



Electricity has to be from renewable energy resources

CO2 reuse : Power2Gas concepts

Electrolysis : $H_2O + E \Rightarrow H_2 + 1/2\ O_2$ (e.g.Proton exchange membrane systems eff ≈ 60%)

+ Methanation (Sabatier Reaction)

- Typical Temperature : 250°C-400°C
- Catalyst : Ni
- Exothermic

$$CO_2 + 4H_2 \rightarrow CH_4 + 2H_2O + energy \qquad \Delta H = -165.0kJ/mol$$

- Biological catalysis[1]
  - Typical Temperature : 40-70°C
  - Catalyst : thermophilic methanogen Methanothermobacter thermautotrophicus
  - www.electrochea.com
- Co-Electrolysis (SOEC) + Methanation or Fisher-Tropsh
  - Typical Temperature : 800°C

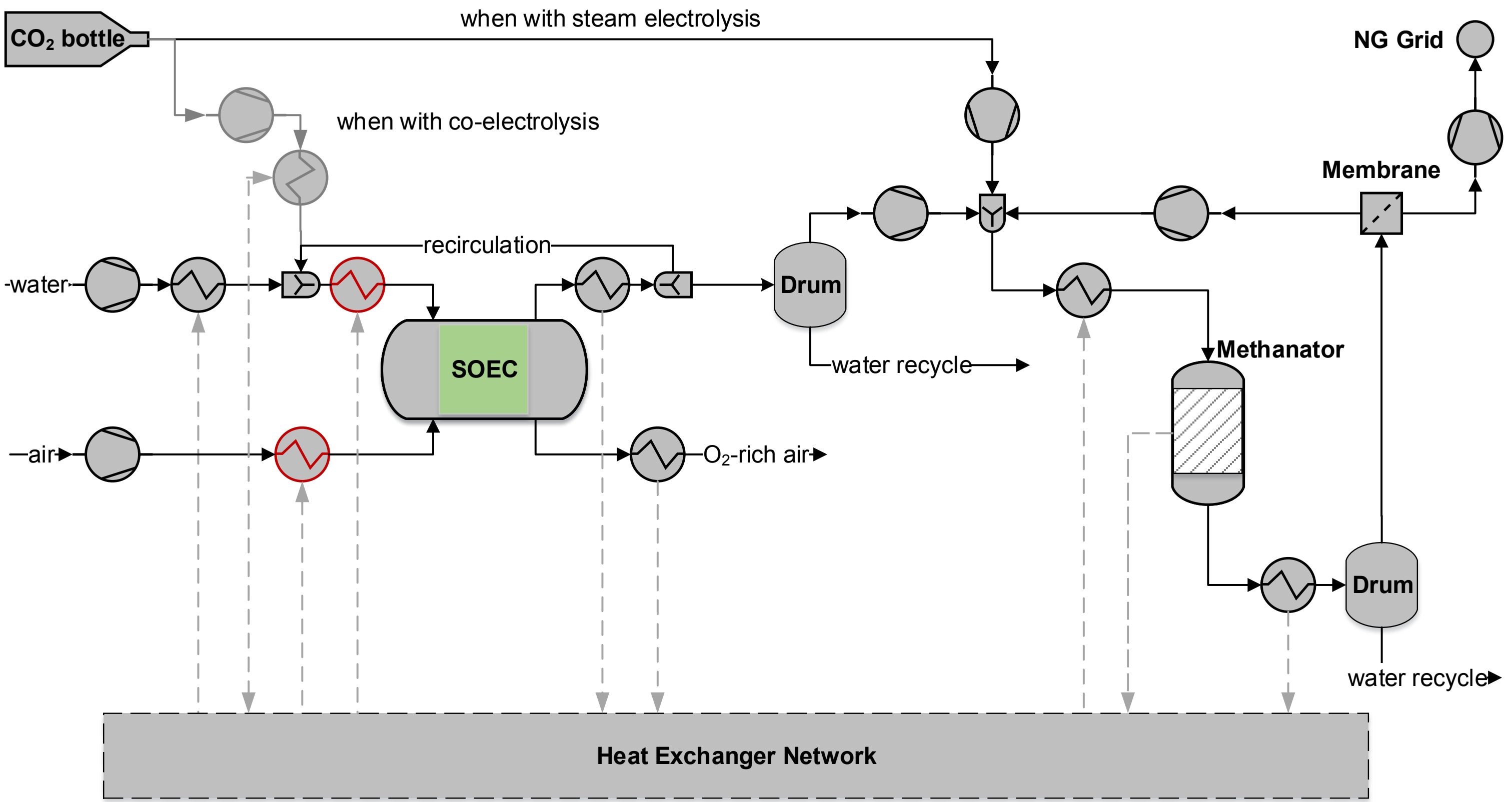
$$CO_2 + 2H_2O + energy \rightarrow CH_4 + 2O_2$$

(1) Matthew R. Martin, et al. "A Single-Culture Bioprocess of *Methanothermobacter thermautotrophicus* to Upgrade Digester Biogas by CO**2**-to-CH**4** Conversion with H**2**," *Archaea*, vol. 2013, Article ID 157529, 11 pages, 2013.

(2) Diethelm, S., herle, J. V., Montinaro, D. and Bucheli, O. (2013), Electrolysis and Co-Electrolysis Performance of SOE Short Stacks. Fuel Cells, 13: 631–637. doi: 10.1002/fuce.201200178

Electrolysis and Co-Electrolysis

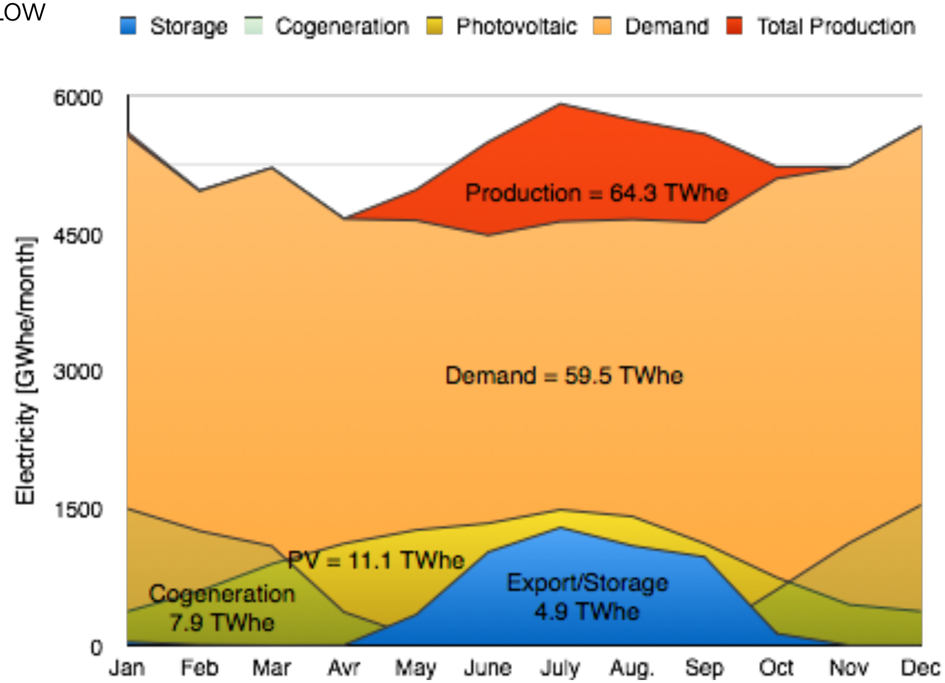
Efficiency reaches 80% of HHV



Electricity storage

Who is going to use the extra amount in the Summer ?

Scenario 2050 : OFEN / Low



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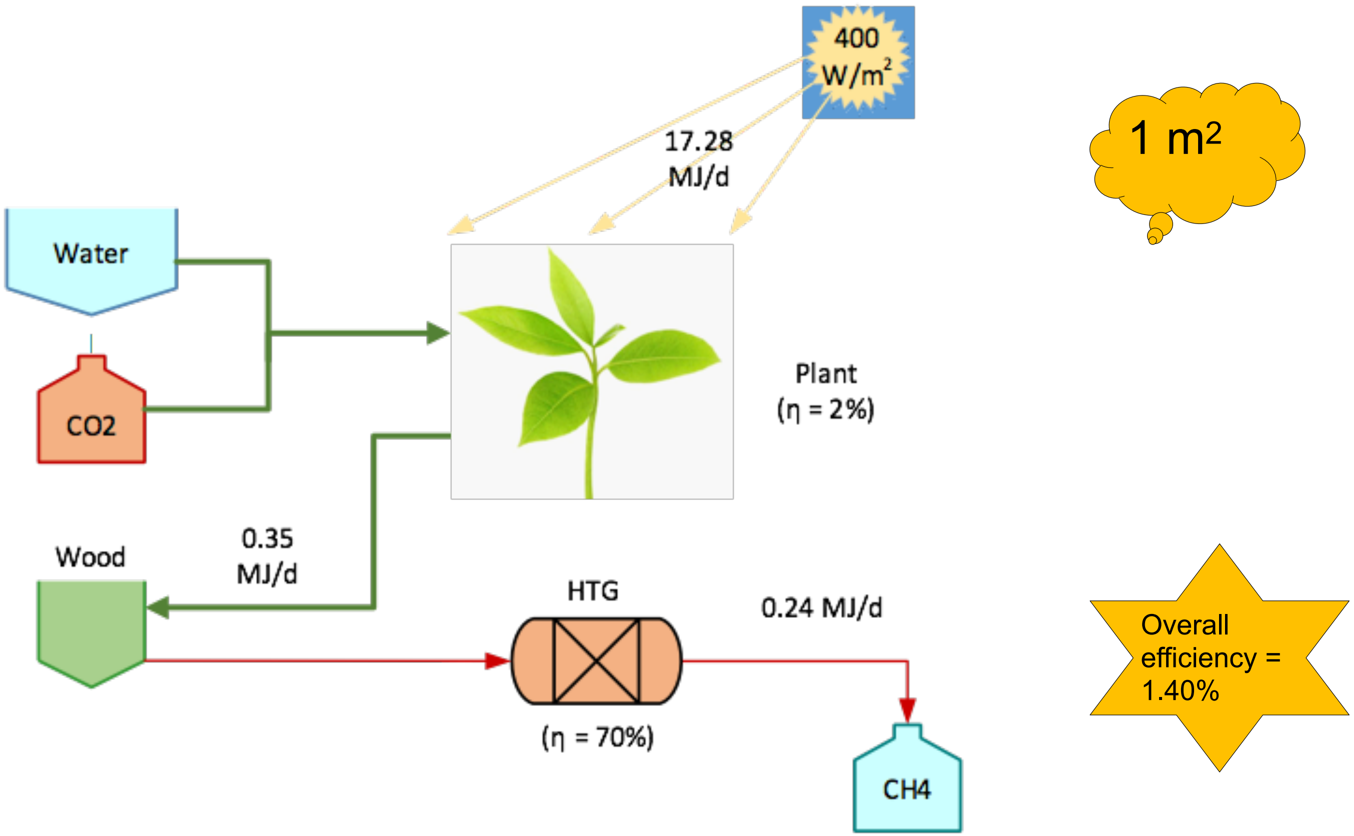
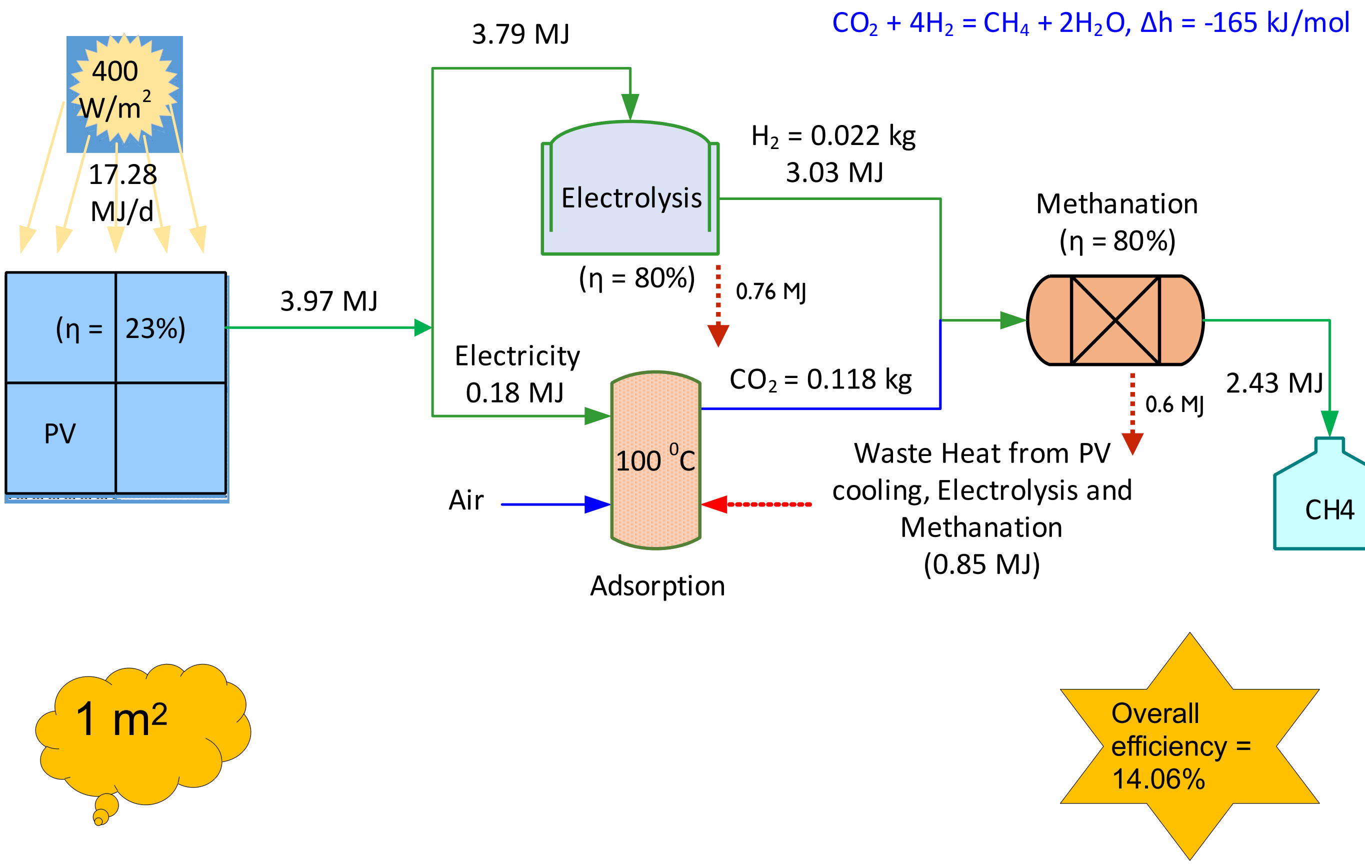
Photosynthesis



Solar energy harvesting and storage by growing wood?

Artificial leaves ?



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Numerical application

Calculate the CO_2 avoidance cost of an NGCC plant with 90% CO_2 capture knowing the performance of a conventional NGCC plant and assuming that CO_2 capture decreases the efficiency by 8% points and increases the cost of electricity by 33%. It can also be assumed that the natural gas consumption remains the same.

- Performance of a conventional NGCC (IEA report 2011)
    - 528MW
    - 56.6%
    - $370 gCO_{2,emitted}/kWhe$
    - 77CHF/MWhe