



# IPCC Guidance on Developing and Applying CCS Emission Estimation Methodologies in National Inventories of GHGs

Energy: Geological Storage of Carbon Dioxide

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## CHAPTER 5

CARBON DIOXIDE TRANSPORT,  
INJECTION AND GEOLOGICAL  
STORAGE

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# Introduction

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- The 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (2006GL) give a complete methodology for CCS
  - ✓ Capture treated in the sector it may occur - volumes 2 & 3
  - ✓ Remaining emissions in CCS chapter in - volume 2
- This approach is consistent with the IPCC Special Report on CCS
- No “Tier 1” Methods available for storage – this must be based on site specific evaluation
  - ✓ There are demonstration projects but no wide scale use of CCS. Some technologies are well known
    - Use of CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines and associated equipment
    - Modelling and investigation of oil and gas fields





# Consistency

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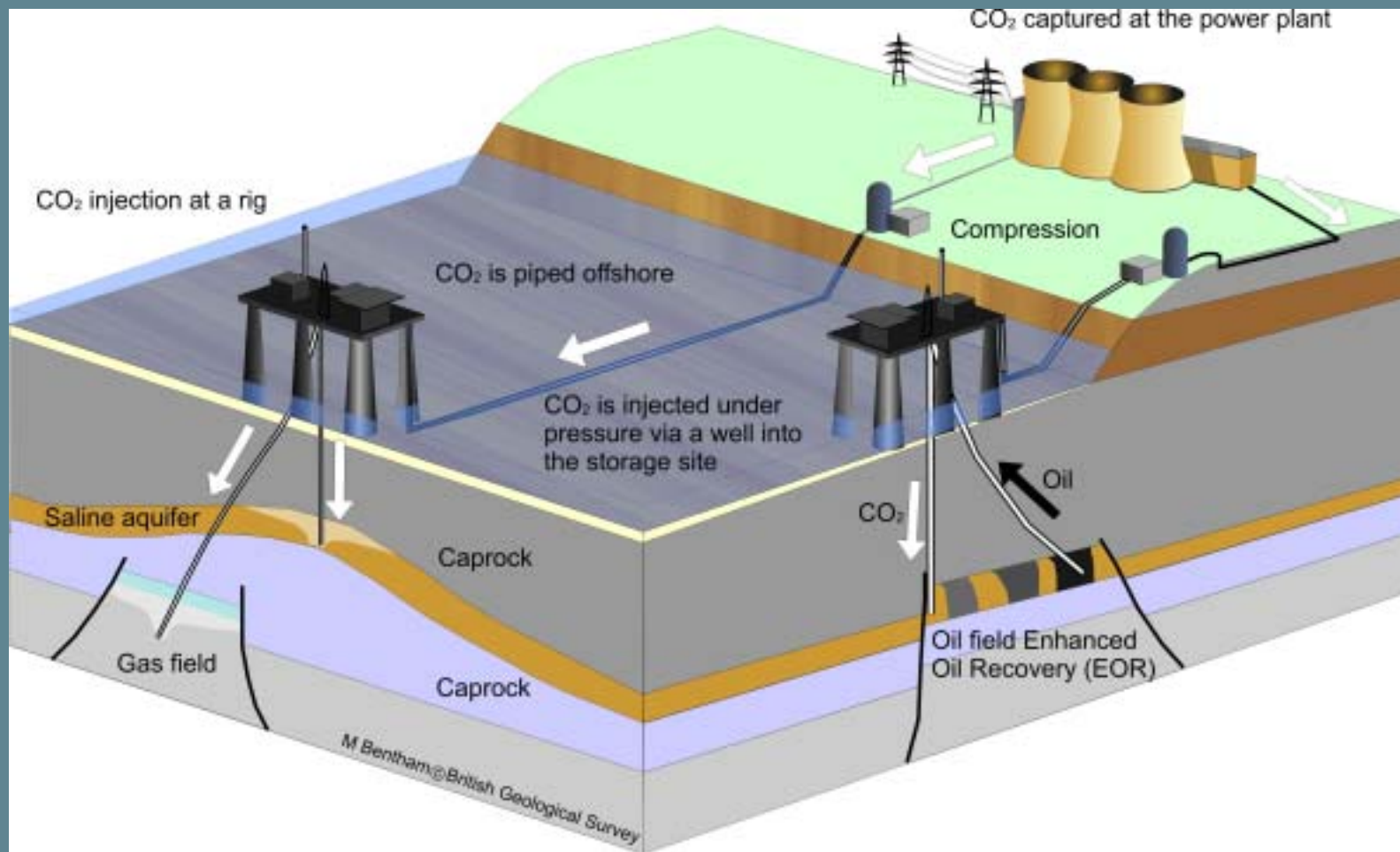
- The approach adopted is consistent with the remainder of the 2006 guidelines,
  - ✓ in particular a fundamental principle that the inventory methods reflect the estimated actual emissions in the year in which they occur;
  - ✓ emissions are reported where they occur;
  - ✓ and in line with the approach used for the treatment of biogenic material.
- The methods in the 2006 Guidelines are compatible with the revised 1996 IPCC guidelines and subsequent good practice guidance.

# Types of Storage

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- The 2006GLs provide emission estimation guidance for the capture and transport of CO<sub>2</sub> and for geological storage.
  - No emissions estimation methods are provided for any other type of storage option such as ocean storage or conversion of CO<sub>2</sub> into inert inorganic carbonates.
  - Geological CO<sub>2</sub> storage may take place either at
    - ✓ sites where the sole purpose is CO<sub>2</sub> storage,
    - ✓ or in association with enhanced oil recovery (EOR),
    - ✓ enhanced gas recovery (EGR)
    - ✓ enhanced coal-bed methane recovery operations (ECBM)
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# CCS

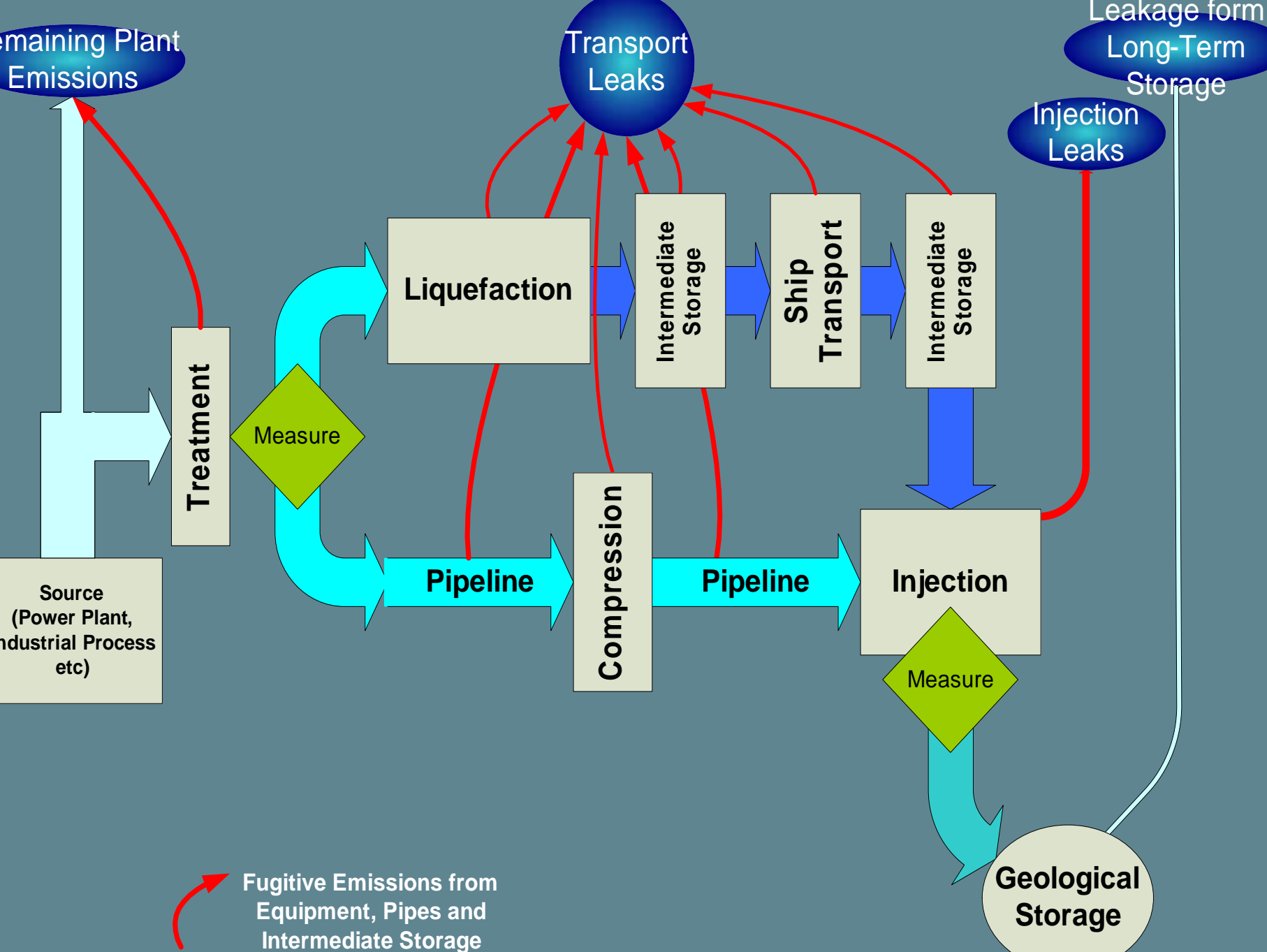




# Source Categories for CCS



<b>1C</b>		Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) capture and storage (CCS) involves the capture of CO <sub>2</sub> from its source, its transport to a storage location and its long-term isolation from the atmosphere. Emissions associated with CO <sub>2</sub> transport, injection and storage are covered under category 1C. Emissions (and reductions) associated with CO <sub>2</sub> capture should be reported under the IPCC sector in which capture takes place (e.g. Stationary Combustion or Industrial Activities).
<b>1C1</b>	<b>Transport of CO<sub>2</sub></b>	Fugitive emissions from the systems used to transport captured CO <sub>2</sub> from the source to the injection site. These emissions may comprise fugitive losses due to equipment leaks, venting and releases due to pipeline ruptures or other accidental releases.
<b>1C1a</b>	<b>Pipelines</b>	Fugitive emissions from the pipeline system used to transport CO <sub>2</sub>
<b>1C1b</b>	<b>Ships</b>	Fugitive emissions from the ships used to transport CO <sub>2</sub>
<b>1C1c</b>	<b>Other</b>	Fugitive emissions from other systems used to transport CO <sub>2</sub>
<b>1C2</b>	<b>Injection and Storage</b>	Fugitive emissions from activities and equipment at the injection site and those from the end containment once the CO <sub>2</sub> is placed in storage.
<b>1C2a</b>	<b>Injection</b>	Fugitive emissions from activities and equipment at the injection site.
<b>1C2b</b>	<b>Storage</b>	Fugitive emissions from the end containment once the CO <sub>2</sub> is placed in storage.
<b>1C3</b>	<b>Other</b>	Any other emissions from CCS not reported elsewhere





# Capture

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- “Tier 3” method
  - Measure amount captured
  - Either
    - ✓ Measure residual emissions
    - ✓ Estimate emissions based on fuel carbon contents and subtract measured amount captured
      - Assumes everything not captured & measured is emitted
      - If fuel were biomass the estimated CO<sub>2</sub> emission = zero so emissions could be negative.
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# CO<sub>2</sub> Transport

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## ➤ Pipelines

- ✓ Leaks from compressors, temporary storage and other equipment
- ✓ Existing CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines so experience available
- ✓ Can also use information from other gas pipelines

## ➤ Shipping

- ✓ Leaks from equipment, compressors, liquefiers and storage
- ✓ Leaks from ships not well known

## ➤ Trains and Road

- ✓ Possible but unlikely given the large quantities likely to be captured
  - ✓ No methods in the guidelines
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# Default Factors

- Default tier 1 emission factors for pipeline transport of CO<sub>2</sub> from a CO<sub>2</sub> capture site to the final storage site
- Default factors based on length of pipeline
- Uncertainty a factor of 2

Value		
Gg per year and per km of transmission pipeline		
Low	Medium	High
0.00014	0.0014	0.014

# Factors

- Emissions can be derived from emission factors for fugitive methane from pipelines and associated equipment

## 5.4.1 CO<sub>2</sub> Transport by Pipeline

To estimate emissions from pipeline transport of CO<sub>2</sub>, default emission factors can be derived from the emission factors for transmission (pipeline transport) of natural gas as provided in section 4.2 of this volume. The Tier 1 emission factors for natural gas pipeline transport, presented in Tables 4.2.4 and 4.2.5 are provided on the basis of gas throughput primarily because pipeline length is not a constant statistic that is commonly available. However, fugitive emissions from pipeline transport are largely independent of the throughput, but depend on the size of and the equipment installed in the pipeline system. Since it is assumed that there exists a relationship between the size of the system and natural gas used, such an approach is acceptable as a Tier 1 method for natural gas transport.

The above might not be true for the transport of CO<sub>2</sub> in CCGI applications. Since it is good practice to both treat capture and storage at a per plant or facility basis, the length of the transporting CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline system will be known and should be used to estimate emissions from transport.

**Box 1: Derivation of fugitive emission factors for CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline transport**

The pressure drop of a gas over any geometry is described by:

$$\Delta P = \frac{f}{2} \rho v^2 \frac{L}{D}$$

in which

- $v$  is the linear velocity of the gas through the leak and, with the same size of the leak, is proportional to the leakage volume;
- $\rho$  is the density of the gas;
- $f$  is the dimensionless friction coefficient;
- $L/D$  (length divided by diameter) is characterizing the physical size of the system.

For leaks,  $f = 1$  and independent on the nature of the gas. In estimating the natural pressure of the pipeline and the physical dimensions being the same for CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> transport, the leak-velocity is inversely proportional to the root of the density of the gas and hence proportional to the root of the molecular mass.

So when  $\Delta P$  is the same for methane and carbon dioxide

$$v \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{\rho}}$$

The molecular mass of CO<sub>2</sub> is 44 mol of CH<sub>4</sub> is 16. So on a mass-basis the CO<sub>2</sub>-emission rate is  $\sqrt{\frac{16}{44}} = 1.88$  times the CH<sub>4</sub>-emission rate.

From this the default emission factors for CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline transport are obtained by multiplying the relevant default emission factors\* in Table 4.2.4 for natural gas (in actual CH<sub>4</sub>) by a factor of 1.88.

\* to convert the factors expressed in mol to mass units, a specific mass of 0.7 kg/mol for methane is applied.

see chapter 1 in: E.H. Perry, D. Green, Perry's chemical engineers' handbook, 6th edition, McGraw-Hill Book Company - New York, 1984.

Table 4.2.4 in section 4.2 of this volume provides indicative leakage factors for natural gas pipeline transport. The above Tier 1 default emission factors for CO<sub>2</sub> transport by pipeline have values should be converted from cubic metres to mass units and multiplied by 1.88 (see Box 1). The resulting default emission factors are given in Table 5.2.

# CO<sub>2</sub> Injection

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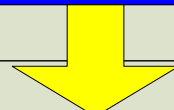
- Includes all equipment at well head
    - ✓ storage facilities,
    - ✓ any distribution manifold at the end of the transport pipeline,
    - ✓ distribution pipelines to wells,
    - ✓ additional compression facilities, measurement and control systems,
    - ✓ wellhead(s) and the injection wells.
  - Measurements at the wellhead of the injected fluid :
    - ✓ the flow rate,
    - ✓ temperature
    - ✓ pressure.
  - The composition of the imported CO<sub>2</sub> commonly shows little variation and can be analyzed periodically using a gas chromatograph.
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# Estimating, Verifying & Reporting Emissions from CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Sites

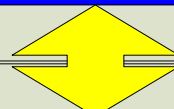
**Site Characterization**

Confirm that geology of storage site has been evaluated and that local and regional hydrogeology and leakage pathways have been identified .



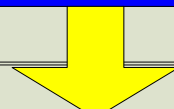
**Assessment of Risk of Leakage**

Confirm that the potential for leakage has been evaluated through a combination of site characterization and realistic models that predict movement of CO<sub>2</sub> over time and locations where emissions might occur .



**Monitoring**

Ensure that an adequate monitoring plan is in place . The monitoring plan should identify potential leakage pathways , measure leakage and /or validate update models as appropriate .



**Reporting**

Report CO<sub>2</sub> injected and emissions from storage site



# Potential Emission Pathways from Geological Reservoirs

Type of emission	Potential Emissions Pathways/ Sources
Direct leakage pathways created by wells and mining	Operational or abandoned wells
	Well blow-outs (uncontrolled emissions from injection wells)
	Future mining of CO <sub>2</sub> reservoir
Natural leakage and migration pathways (that may lead to emissions over time)	Through the pore system in low permeability cap rocks if the capillary entry pressure is exceeded or the CO <sub>2</sub> is in solution
	If the cap rock is locally absent
	Via a spill point if reservoir is overfilled
	Through a degraded cap rock as a result of CO <sub>2</sub> /water/rock reactions
	Via dissolution of CO <sub>2</sub> into pore fluid and subsequent transport out of the storage site by natural fluid flow
	Via natural or induced faults and/or fractures
Other Fugitive Emissions at the Geological Storage Site	Fugitive methane emissions could result from the displacement of CH <sub>4</sub> by CO <sub>2</sub> at geological storage sites. This is particularly the case for ECBM, EOR, and depleted oil and gas reservoirs.





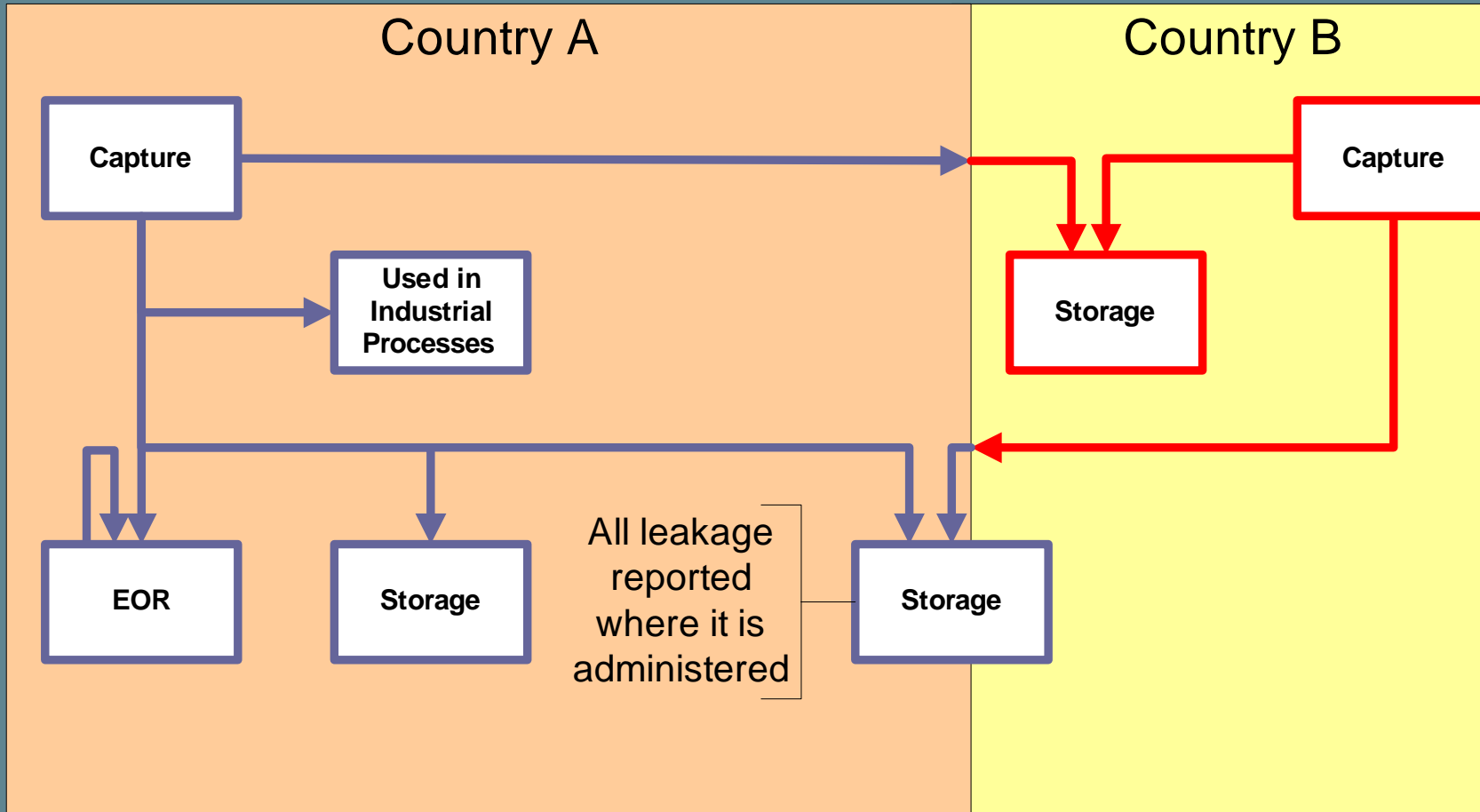
# Reporting

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- Complete national reporting includes
  - ✓ CO<sub>2</sub> from capture in the country
  - ✓ CO<sub>2</sub> leakage from all transport and injection in that country
  - ✓ CO<sub>2</sub> leakage from all storage sites in that country (wherever the CO<sub>2</sub> actually reaches the surface).
  - ✓ Imports and exports of captured CO<sub>2</sub>.
  - ✓ Total CO<sub>2</sub> in storage should be reported in the accompanying documentation
  
- Quantities of CO<sub>2</sub> for later use and short-term storage should not be deducted from CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (except in the case of recovery of CO<sub>2</sub> for urea production – see guidelines).



# Reporting





# Reporting

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- In principal:

$$\textit{Capture} + \textit{Imports} = \textit{Injected} + \textit{Exports} + \textit{Leaks}$$

- Need to report all these quantities
  - Need to understand any discrepancies
    - ✓ Uncertainties
    - ✓ Measurement errors
    - ✓ Intermediate storage/ stock changes
  - Also need to keep record of amount stored
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# Conclusion

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- The 2006 IPCC Guidelines provide a complete consistent methodology for CCS that is also compatible with the 1996 Guidelines
- This covers capture, transport, injection and geological storage
- Capture and transport have straightforward methods
- Storage require detailed site characterisation including modelling and monitoring
  - ✓ however this is unlikely to be a significant burden as this is likely to be required for regulatory as well as health and safety requirements
- Need to reconcile capture, storage, imports and exports.