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# National Corridors for Climate Change Mitigation: Managing Industrial CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in France

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## Abstract

Planning for the deployment of carbon dioxide capture and storage (CCS) infrastructure must consider numerous uncertainties regarding where and how much CO<sub>2</sub> is produced and where captured CO<sub>2</sub> can be geologically stored. We used *SimCCS* engineering-economic geospatial optimization models to determine the characteristics of CCS deployment in France and corridors for pipelines that are robust to *a priori* uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> production from industrial sources and CO<sub>2</sub> storage locations. We found a number of stable routes that are robust to these uncertainties, and thus can provide early options for pipeline planning and rights-of-way acquisition.

## 1 Introduction

The need to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by present energy systems and industrial systems is well established for environmental, social, economic, and health reasons.<sup>1, 2</sup> Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) is the most worrisome GHG because of its long residence time in the atmosphere and the present societal reliance on energy and industrial processes that emit it. A transition away from systems that vent CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to the atmosphere requires the deployment of numerous technologies, many of which are mature enough to be readily deployed.<sup>3</sup>

Much effort has focused on reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from electric power plants that emit CO<sub>2</sub> as a consequence of combusting fossil fuels (namely coal, but also natural gas and oil). In 2010, fossil-fueled electric power plants contributed approximately 41% of worldwide CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.<sup>4</sup> In addition,

many industrial facilities also emit CO<sub>2</sub> as a byproduct of the conversion processes that produce their marketable goods. High CO<sub>2</sub>-emitting facilities include cement manufacturers, oil and ethanol refineries, ammonia producers, and iron and steel mills, among others. For example, cement manufacturing emitted approximately 1.9 GtCO<sub>2</sub> in 2006, and accounts for approximately 5% of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions,<sup>5</sup> whereas steel production emitted approximately 2.7 GtCO<sub>2</sub> in 2011.<sup>6</sup>

CO<sub>2</sub> capture and storage (CCS) is one technological option that reduces CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.<sup>3, 7</sup> CCS is an important component of the portfolio of climate mitigation technologies, in part because it is the only technology that can address CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from across sectors of the economy. CCS is a process whereby CO<sub>2</sub> is collected from large point sources, compressed and transported (most likely by pipeline) to locations where it is injected into deep sedimentary basins. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from industrial sources may be substantial, and, in contrast to energy sources, may be better located relative to prospective basins for CO<sub>2</sub> storage. These candidate storage basins have contained fluids such as oil, natural gas, and unusable brine for millions of years, suggesting that the CO<sub>2</sub> will likely be contained and isolated from the atmosphere. Mechanisms that trap CO<sub>2</sub> in these reservoirs can be classified into four categories<sup>7</sup>: (1) structural trapping, (2) residual trapping, (3) solubility trapping, and (4) mineral trapping. The dominant trapping mechanism may evolve over time<sup>7</sup> and vary by the type of reservoir; long-term trapping in saline aquifers may be dominated by structural<sup>8</sup> or residual<sup>9</sup> mechanisms whereas solubility mechanisms dominate in oil<sup>9</sup> and gas<sup>10</sup> reservoirs.

In some quarters, the focus of CO<sub>2</sub> management has turned to how CO<sub>2</sub> may be put to beneficial reuse in order to have a business case for CCS activities, and CCS thus been re-branded as CCUS to emphasize the possibility of “U”tilizing CO<sub>2</sub>. Large volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> may be used to enhance oil recovery (CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR)<sup>11</sup> or natural gas recovery<sup>12</sup> and produce methane from unmineable coal seams.<sup>13</sup> The United States has over 40 years of

industrial scale experience with CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR, and the ability to put CO<sub>2</sub> for uses such as these has been the focus of much effort to develop the requisite knowledge.<sup>14</sup> CO<sub>2</sub> that is captured from anthropogenic sources is sometimes called "byproduct CO<sub>2</sub>" as opposed to "extracted CO<sub>2</sub>" that is mined from natural deposits such as salt domes.<sup>15</sup> Other potential options to use the large volumes of byproduct CO<sub>2</sub> include pressure support for geothermal energy production from hydrothermal sources,<sup>16</sup> use as the fluid to stimulate impervious formations capable of producing electricity from geothermal heat<sup>17</sup> and as the primary working fluid in geothermal energy applications in sedimentary basins.<sup>18</sup>

A transition away from CO<sub>2</sub>-emitting economies requires policy, planning, and regulatory treatment that encourages adoption, and societal acceptance of the associated activities in order for these new means diffuse broadly. Political and institutional commitments to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction can occur through a variety of means, including quotas that cap the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> that can be emitted and pricing mechanisms that make it more costly for a facility to emit CO<sub>2</sub>. Norway was the first country to enact a CO<sub>2</sub> tax, in 1991, which then led to the first industrial scale CO<sub>2</sub>-injection-for-storage project at Sleipner, in 1996. A few places worldwide have followed with mechanisms that impose costs on facilities that emit CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere: the European Union Exchange Trading System (EU-ETS), the Australian Carbon Tax, the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) in the U.S. Northeast, the Chicago Climate Exchange, and the California Cap-and-Trade program. In addition, CCS infrastructure planning and deployment must consider a variety of interacting factors. For example, CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline infrastructure must be deployed in a way that is most acceptable and minimally disruptive while designed to connect locations that will be useful over time, given the possible evolution in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions locations and quantities as well as the availability of CO<sub>2</sub> disposal options for reuse or storage. Originally implemented in 2005, the EU-ETS provided CO<sub>2</sub> emissions allowances to six GHG intensive industries: electricity generation, cement manufacturing, glass production, iron production, chemicals production, and paper and pulp production. After the collapse of permit trading prices in 2007, the EU-ETS was re-designed and broadened for Phase III, from 2013 to 2020. Of importance for this paper, Phase III of the EU-ETS consolidates the 27 individual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions caps for each of the member countries into one EU-wide cap, and broadens its application beyond the original six industries; Facilities from industrial sectors in Europe must also possess emissions allocations in order to emit CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Without political support that considers the realities of the current physical, economic, and social systems, well-intentioned policy and planning will likely have limited success.

We investigated the desirable spatial arrangement of CCS activities in France, arising from three scenarios for the availability of CO<sub>2</sub> disposal options combined with three scenarios for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary sources. We construct the potential storage options from a 2011 roadmap for CCS by the French Environment and Energy Agency, Agence de l'Environnement et de la Maîtrise de l'Energie (ADEME)<sup>19</sup> that includes qualitative descriptions of the extent of CCS deployment as a consequence of technical, societal, and regulatory enablers. The CO<sub>2</sub> production scenarios are based on data for

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from sources in the electricity and industrial sectors of France from 2003 to 2011 and are constructed *a priori* uncertainty in the locations and quantities of CO<sub>2</sub>. We applied a coupled engineering-economic, geospatial optimization model to the nine combinations of these scenarios to identify the cost-minimized deployment of CCS and the robustness of potential pipeline routes to these differences in CO<sub>2</sub> storage availability and uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. France has typically emphasized energy system planning and public management, but there has been no CO<sub>2</sub> transportation pipeline for private reuse of CO<sub>2</sub> to date.

## 2 Case Study: France

France is an ideal case study for the deployment of CCS for CO<sub>2</sub>-emitting facilities from the energy and industrial sectors: (a) France participates in the EU-ETS; (b) the majority of its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions come from industrial sources; (c) France has actively pursued relevant understanding of the technical, social, and political mechanisms and their influence on CCS deployment; and (d) France has typically emphasized energy system planning and public management, but there has been no CO<sub>2</sub> transportation pipeline for private reuse of CO<sub>2</sub> to date..

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The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from France between 2003 and 2011 ranged between 131 and 203 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/year, most of which did not come from the electricity sector. In 2011, electricity generated in France totaled 530 TWh, 421 TWh (79.4%) of which came from nuclear power plants, 66.5 TWh from renewables (mostly hydroelectric) and 45.1 TWh from facilities that use fossil fuels as the primary source of energy.<sup>20</sup> In that year, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in France totaled 148.3 MtCO<sub>2</sub>, only one-fifth of which (30.2 MtCO<sub>2</sub>) came from facilities with the primary purpose of producing energy.<sup>21</sup> As a consequence, France emitted only 13.9 MtCO<sub>2</sub> from the electricity sector in 2011. An equal amount of CO<sub>2</sub> was emitted from oil refineries that year, and steel mills emitted 19.5 MtCO<sub>2</sub>.

Despite having minimal CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the electricity sector and relatively little remaining coal reserves when compared to other major economies actively pursuing CCS development (e.g., 160 million tonnes vs. 438 *billion* tonnes in the United States and 40 billion tonnes in Australia)<sup>22</sup> France has actively pursued CCS research. For example, the

Lacq Pilot CCS project injected 51,000 tCO<sub>2</sub> into a depleted gas reservoir between January 2010 and March 2013. Overall,

France has three sedimentary basins; the Paris Basin is the largest and includes the Dogger and Trias aquifers as candidate CO<sub>2</sub> storage reservoirs. A few studies have sought to estimate the CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacities of these aquifers, one of which estimated that the Dogger could store 13.6 GtCO<sub>2</sub> and that the Trias aquifer could store 15.5 GtCO<sub>2</sub>.<sup>23</sup>

In 2010, ADEME developed a CCS roadmap for France through an expert stakeholder-driven scenario process, using well-defined methods.<sup>19</sup> The ADEME panel identified three major topics that will be influential in the development and deployment of CCS: (1) incentives and regulatory policy, more generally, within France, in Europe, and throughout the world; (2) the technical and societal impediments to deployment; and (3) the deployment, maintenance, and operation of the CO<sub>2</sub> transportation infrastructure, including the entities involved with planning and financing this infrastructure. The ADEME study identified four “visions” for the deployment of CCS based on the intersection of two mechanisms underlying the viability of large-scale deployment: the degree to which deployment is impeded by technical and societal restrictions, and the existence of incentives and regulation. The four ADEME Visions are summarized in Table 1.

[Table 1 approximately here]

We used two versions of the Scalable Infrastructure Model for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage, *SimCCS*, a geospatial economic-engineering optimization model, that simultaneously considers CO<sub>2</sub> capture, transportation, and storage. *SimCCS*<sup>CAP</sup> <sup>24, 25</sup> deploys spatially optimized infrastructure based on a quantity target, whereas *SimCCS*<sup>PRICE</sup> <sup>26, 27</sup> deploys the optimal spatial configuration in response to a CO<sub>2</sub> price. *SimCCS*<sup>PRICE</sup> thus considers the costs of the CCS system to be deployed and the costs incurred by paying the CO<sub>2</sub> price for emitting CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Section 3 provides more details on the *SimCCS* models.

We limited our analysis to CO<sub>2</sub> capture and transportation within France, leaving the possibility of international pipelines for future work. Other analyses of infrastructure for CCS in Europe have investigated potential national<sup>28</sup> and international<sup>29, 30</sup> pipeline networks. These analyses, however, have not been based on roadmaps that incorporate non-technical constraints on deployment. Further, unlike *SimCCS*, these methodologies do not have the spatial resolution to incorporate characteristics of the land and surface interests that will influence routing.

[Table 2 approximately here]

Our storage scenarios are based on the scenarios developed by the ADEME process for the interaction between varying degrees of (a) regulation and incentives and (b) technological and societal constraints. We developed three scenarios for CO<sub>2</sub> storage options (Table 2), conforming to the potentials articulated in Visions 2-4 of the ADEME CCUS roadmap for France:

A. **North Sea.** CO<sub>2</sub> captured from French sources is transported by surface pipelines to a hub in northern France at Le Havre. This CO<sub>2</sub> is then transported in a subsea pipeline to a larger hub at Rotterdam where it is further transported for injection into locations under the North Sea, either for storage or CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR. Since Le Havre serves as a hub for further transportation to other offshore locations, there is no capacity constraint.

B. **North Sea and Onshore in the Parisian Basin.** In addition to the hub at Le Havre, CO<sub>2</sub> could be transported onshore to locations atop the Parisian Basin. We use effective storage capacities that are less than 10% of previous estimates<sup>23</sup>: 1.1 GtCO<sub>2</sub> in total over our three Trias injection locations and 900 MtCO<sub>2</sub> in total over our three Dogger injection locations. We used the six potential injection locations,<sup>31</sup> as shown in Table 3.

C. **Offshore.** This storage scenario corresponds to Vision 3. In addition to the hub at Le Havre for CO<sub>2</sub> to be stored in the North Sea, a hub is developed in Southern France at Marseille for offshore storage in the Mediterranean Sea. The Marseille hub, like that at Le Havre, is not modeled with a capacity constraint.

[Table 3 approximately here]

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Previous research on CO<sub>2</sub> sources in France identified clusters in five industrial areas that can provide early opportunities for CO<sub>2</sub> capture and transportation: Lorraine, lower Seine, Paris, Nord-Pas-de-Calais, and Provence Alpes-Côte d'Azur.<sup>32, 33</sup> We acquired CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data for point sources in France from the IREP database<sup>21</sup> for 2003 through 2011, and chose 39 of the largest CO<sub>2</sub> emitters located within these five clusters, based on

their CO<sub>2</sub> emissions at the midpoint (2007) of the data. Figure 1 shows the locations of these sources and the eight potential CO<sub>2</sub> disposal options in Scenarios A-C. For sources, colors indicate economic sector, and size indicates yearly CO<sub>2</sub> emissions capacity. Green stars indicate the location of sinks in the Parisian Basin or hub locations for offshore pipelines to the North Sea (ID 7) or the Mediterranean Sea (ID 8).

[Table 4 approximately here]

[Figure 2 approximately here]

Figure 2 shows the total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from all of the 1,577 sources in the IREP database for France and from the 39 sources that were selected for this study. Between 2003 and 2011, France averaged emissions of 164 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr; the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from these 39 sources varied over time (Figure 3), and accounted for between 35% and 48% of the total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in France. In this subset of the data, sources in the electricity sector emitted 13.9 MtCO<sub>2</sub>, an equal amount of CO<sub>2</sub> was emitted from oil refineries that year, and steel mills emitted 19.5 MtCO<sub>2</sub>. Some sources did not exist at the beginning of the time period we used (2003), and some did not exist at the end of the time period (2011). Further, the 2009 global recession is evident in the decrease in industrial output and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions; some sources' CO<sub>2</sub> emissions dipped to near zero.

[Figure 3 approximately here]

We constructed three scenarios for CO<sub>2</sub> production based on these data for these 39 sources during the time span of this data. These scenarios were established to represent uncertainty in future CO<sub>2</sub> production for each individual facility: (1) average, (2) maximum, and (3) minimum. The minimum scenario, thus assigns zero to those facilities that did not emit CO<sub>2</sub> during the timespan, either because they were temporarily or permanently not operating. We used *SimCCS* to determine how much of the CO<sub>2</sub> that is produced by each facility in each scenario should be captured, and thus how much would be left to be emitted.

### **3 The Scalable Infrastructure Model for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage (*SimCCS*)**

*SimCCS*, is a coupled engineering-economic geospatial optimization model that determines the cost-minimized optimal deployment of the integrated CO<sub>2</sub> capture, transport, and storage system.<sup>24</sup> *SimCCS* has been used to model CCS deployment in California according to a cap on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions,<sup>24</sup> and extended to model responses to a CO<sub>2</sub> price,<sup>26</sup> temporal evolution in these prices,<sup>34</sup> and to address reservoir uncertainty on

infrastructure. *SimCCS* has also been applied to a range of CO<sub>2</sub> emission sources including coal and natural gas power plants,<sup>35</sup> oil shale industry,<sup>36</sup> oil sands production,<sup>27</sup> and ethylene manufacturing.<sup>25</sup> The *SimCCS* approach has been the point of departure for other CCS infrastructure models<sup>30</sup> and for wind<sup>37</sup> and hydrogen<sup>38</sup> energy technology deployment.

*SimCCS* includes a range of economic and engineering considerations. Capture costs are separated into capital, fixed operation and maintenance (O&M), and variable O&M costs. Consequently, the model can capture the tradeoff between infrastructure capacity and capture utilization rates. Transportation costs are based on a combination of right-of-way costs and construction costs, including materials, labor, and planning costs. Pipeline costs vary significantly with pipeline capacity. *SimCCS* splits storage and injection costs into two parts: upfront reservoir costs (such as surveying and permitting) and injection costs. Injection cost for an individual reservoir is driven by the number and cost of wells required to inject the optimized amount of CO<sub>2</sub>. Each well has a fixed cost (such as the drilling and material costs) and a variable O&M cost (such as pumping, tracers, and pore space purchase). Each reservoir has a fixed storage capacity and a maximum injection rate. Overall, *SimCCS* optimizes the infrastructure in order to minimize total costs while (i) capturing a target (or cap) amount of CO<sub>2</sub>, or (ii) maximizing captured CO<sub>2</sub> while keeping CCS costs below the CO<sub>2</sub> price. Since leakage in the system is assumed to be zero, that amount of CO<sub>2</sub> captured by a *SimCCS* cost-minimizing optimization equals the amount stored in the geologic reservoir.

We used established cost estimates for CO<sub>2</sub> storage in Europe from the Zero Emissions Platform (ZEP)<sup>39</sup> and scaled them using their sensitivity analyses and the parameters for our storage locations. The ZEP approach establishes broad “most likely”, “maximum”, and “minimum” values for relevant storage parameters, and uses them to estimate storage costs. For generic onshore saline aquifer storage with no legacy wells that can be reworked for CO<sub>2</sub> injection for storage, the “most likely” field capacity is 66 MtCO<sub>2</sub>, which ranges between 40 and 200 MtCO<sub>2</sub>. The “most likely” well injection rate is 0.8 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/year per well, ranging between 0.2 and 2.5 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr. And the “most likely” well depth is 2000 m, ranging between 1000 and 3000 m. We used three parameters to adjust the ZEP results by the parameters from our injection locations: field capacity, well injection rate, and well depth. We base our cost estimates on a conservatively lower well injection rate of 0.4 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/year, and use the depths and estimated capacities specific to our storage options (Erreur : source de la référence non trouvée) to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> storage costs for this study.

We used CO<sub>2</sub> capture costs from available literature, but considerably less effort has investigated the cost to capture CO<sub>2</sub> from industrial sources than from coal-fired power plants. We used published studies and publicly available reports<sup>31, 40, 41, 42</sup> that provided estimates of capture costs, including the assumption of 90% capture efficiency. In some cases the literature provided ranges of estimates. Estimating the cost to capture CO<sub>2</sub> from a specific facility requires detailed engineering-economic approaches that are tailored to

the individual plant. Each facility will have its own characteristics, and detailed studies such as these, while important for the management, operation, and decision-making of any specific plant, are beyond the scope of this paper. For our simulations, we chose realistic representative capture costs for each facility according to its industrial sector (Table 4).

[Table 4 approximately here]

The map used by *SimCCS* to identify potential routes for CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines incorporates various aspects of the physical, social, and cultural topography that are combined to produce a “cost surface”. This cost surface indicates the degree to which pipeline infrastructure should avoid that location.<sup>37</sup> We used the cost surface developed for France,<sup>31</sup> which includes routing considerations to avoid:

- Existing infrastructure, including roads, highways, and railroads
- Existing rights-of-way, including existing pipelines and transmission lines
- Nature reserves, including biological, biosphere, and nature reserves
- Elevation changes (slope and aspect)
- National and regional parks
- Special protected areas
- Population density

*SimCCS* applies a modified version of Dijkstra’s shortest path algorithm to the cost surface in order to determine potential pipeline routes between all combinations of sources and sinks (grey in Figure 4). These potential routes thus avoid, to the extent possible, places where it may be more costly to build pipelines.

[Figure 4 approximately here]

Since energy is required to operate capture, compression, and pumping equipment throughout the CCS supply chain, these “energy penalties” can result in additional CO<sub>2</sub> production if the electricity used to satisfy the extra energy is derived from processes that

emit CO<sub>2</sub>. If this additional CO<sub>2</sub> is not captured, and instead emitted to the atmosphere, the net change in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to the atmosphere will be less than the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> being captured and stored. Quantifying the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions that are avoided requires an assessment of where and how the extra energy is being produced. If the electricity comes from a coal-fired power plant, for example, there will be extra CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. But if the electricity for the energy penalty is produced by a nuclear power plant, there will not be any additional CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and the CO<sub>2</sub> that is captured and stored will equal the avoided CO<sub>2</sub>. Methods have been developed to incorporate avoided CO<sub>2</sub> into pipeline planning<sup>43</sup>, but our analysis focused on the CO<sub>2</sub> captured by the sources we include in our three CO<sub>2</sub> production scenarios and stored in the three sink availability scenarios. We did not model electricity sources and flows or the internal characteristics of a power plant that may provide its own makeup electricity to satisfy the energy penalties, and thus we did not attempt to quantify the extra CO<sub>2</sub> that could be emitted as a result of the energy penalties incurred by infrastructure *SimCCS* deploys. As a consequence, we implicitly assumed that the electricity for the energy penalties comes from elsewhere in the economy, but we do not allocate that electricity to specific sources and thus we cannot quantify the difference between the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> that is captured and stored and the net amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted to the atmosphere.

## 4 Results and Discussion

Figure 5 shows the average costs of the CCS system for all of the nine combinations of the three CO<sub>2</sub> production quantities and the three storage options as a function of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> captured and stored. Figure 6 shows the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> captured and stored as a function of the CO<sub>2</sub> price for these nine combinations. This figure corresponds to the marginal costs associated with Figure 5, with the axes switched. Holding the storage options constant, scenarios involving the minimum amount of CO<sub>2</sub> production are always more costly than those with the average amount of CO<sub>2</sub> over the timeline, and these average CO<sub>2</sub> production scenarios are, in turn, more costly than scenarios that consider the maximum amount of CO<sub>2</sub>.

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[Figure 6 approximately here]

Average system costs decrease as the number of storage options increase because additional storage options may be cheaper and/or located closer to the CO<sub>2</sub> sources, resulting in a possible decrease in storage and/or transportation costs. If these additional storage options are not cost-effective to deploy, the economies of scale that can occur

when pipelines are networked together to combine CO<sub>2</sub> flows into larger diameter pipelines are unchanged. As a consequence, holding the CO<sub>2</sub> sources constant while increasing the options for CO<sub>2</sub> disposal can only reduce average costs.<sup>44</sup> In the application here, systems with storage scenario A (offshore hub at Le Havre) are more costly than those with storage scenario C (offshore hubs at Le Havre and Marseille). Storage scenario B, where CO<sub>2</sub> can be transported to Le Havre for storage under the North Sea or to locations within the Parisian Basin, is the cheapest scenario. Single point-to-point pipelines are inefficient at the system level, and having a few larger sinks can reduce costs through economies of scale. But somewhere between these two end cases, arrangements can exist that might minimize costs due to the flexibility of storage options.

Marginal costs are critical for understanding when a particular source could begin to cost-effectively capture CO<sub>2</sub>. A CO<sub>2</sub> price of €65/tCO<sub>2</sub>, for example, means that *SimCCS<sup>PRICE</sup>* optimally identifies the combination of sources, pipelines, and sinks whereby the amount of managed CO<sub>2</sub> is maximized while ensuring that the system-wide marginal cost is less than €65/tCO<sub>2</sub>. That is, when making the CCS system handle one more unit of CO<sub>2</sub>, that unit of CO<sub>2</sub> will cost €65/tCO<sub>2</sub> or more.

Some differences exist between the results for storage scenario A (Le Havre) and storage scenario C (Le Havre and Marseille) within a single CO<sub>2</sub> production scenario. Both of these storage scenarios transport CO<sub>2</sub> for offshore storage; the availability of these hubs is the major difference between the two scenarios. Adding the hub at Marseille expands the disposal options, which can reduce the CO<sub>2</sub> price at which CCS is cost-effective because the system-wide costs may be reduced as a result of building a shorter pipeline or deploying slightly more costly sources that are more proximal to the additional storage option. The lower-cost network, due to increased storage options, can facilitate more CO<sub>2</sub> being captured and stored for any given CO<sub>2</sub> price.

The plateaus in Figure 6 arise because the majority of the CO<sub>2</sub> being produced by the sources is captured and stored in systems with lower CO<sub>2</sub> prices. When the minimum CO<sub>2</sub> production is considered, CCS begins to be deployed at €61/tCO<sub>2</sub> (Scenario C) and €63/tCO<sub>2</sub> (Scenario A), but deployment begins at the same CO<sub>2</sub> price for the average and maximum CO<sub>2</sub> production scenarios: 55 €/tCO<sub>2</sub> and 45 €/tCO<sub>2</sub>, respectively. While CCS begins to be deployed at the same CO<sub>2</sub> price in this maximum CO<sub>2</sub> scenario, the rest of the curve for the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> being captured is shifted to the left and system-wide cost-savings can be realized.

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Figure 7 shows the breakdown in costs for the two cases at each end of the spectrum of CO<sub>2</sub> production and storage options. The top image shows the characteristics of the

most optimistic system—the Most Deployable Options (MDO)—where the maximum amount of CO<sub>2</sub> production is considered along with the most storage options (Scenario B). The bottom image shows the characteristics of the most pessimistic system—the Least Deployable Options (LDO)—where the minimum amount of CO<sub>2</sub> production is considered with only one offshore storage option (Scenario A). These stacked area graphs show the costs for CO<sub>2</sub> capture (red), transport (green), and storage (blue). The grey area represents the system-wide CCS cost which includes the CO<sub>2</sub> price applied to any emissions. When the capture cost (i.e., stacked blue, green, and red areas) and CO<sub>2</sub> price are identical, the stacked areas and the grey area cost coincide. Solid lines indicate how much CO<sub>2</sub> is captured and dashed lines indicate how much CO<sub>2</sub> is emitted.

As stated above, the optimal systems deployed by *SimCCS* are built “all at once” at a constant CO<sub>2</sub> price. The results in Figure 7 show that much more CO<sub>2</sub> is captured, at lower CO<sub>2</sub> prices, and at lower average costs, for the MDO than for the LDO. A single CO<sub>2</sub> source—a lime manufacturer—captures 1.2 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr for systems designed for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions prices from €27/tCO<sub>2</sub> to €41/tCO<sub>2</sub>. CCS systems designed for a €41/tCO<sub>2</sub> price capture an additional 8.4 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr from three electricity-generating sources. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> captured then climbs relatively steadily for systems designed for CO<sub>2</sub> prices up to €75/tCO<sub>2</sub> until flattening again at 83 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr. In contrast, in the LDO case, CO<sub>2</sub> is first captured for systems designed for a CO<sub>2</sub> price of €63/tCO<sub>2</sub> when the system manages 3.8 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr; for systems designed for CO<sub>2</sub> prices above €63/tCO<sub>2</sub> the amount captured increases relatively steadily to until a system designed for €78/tCO<sub>2</sub> captures 31 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr.

For the LDO case, CO<sub>2</sub> capture flattens when 5 tCO<sub>2</sub>/yr of capturable CO<sub>2</sub> are not captured, and are thus emitted to the atmosphere at a €78/tCO<sub>2</sub> price. In contrast, more than twice this amount (12.3 tCO<sub>2</sub>/yr) of capturable CO<sub>2</sub> is emitted in the MDO case when the capture curve flattens. While more CO<sub>2</sub> is emitted (i.e., not captured) at the high end of the CO<sub>2</sub> prices, much more CO<sub>2</sub> is captured in the MDO than in the LDO: 83 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr for MDO vs. 32 tCO<sub>2</sub>/yr for LDO. In addition, the average of total system costs, including both CCS infrastructure costs and costs incurred from emitting CO<sub>2</sub> (CO<sub>2</sub> emissions x CO<sub>2</sub> price), is 15-20% less for the MDO system than the LDO system.

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Figure 8 shows the spatial deployment of the integrated CCS system for CO<sub>2</sub> prices of €40/tCO<sub>2</sub>, €60/tCO<sub>2</sub>, and €75/tCO<sub>2</sub> for the MDO (top row), LDO (bottom row), and a scenario between MDO and LDO (middle row) combinations. The “between combination” (BDO) is the average amount of CO<sub>2</sub> production combined with the two offshore storage options. Green lines in Figure 8 indicate where pipelines are deployed on the potential routes (grey). Only the MDO has CO<sub>2</sub> captured at €40/tCO<sub>2</sub> price, where the

one lime manufacturer in northern France captures and transports its CO<sub>2</sub> for injection into one of the Trias injection locations in the Parisian Basin. This system expands substantially by €60/tCO<sub>2</sub>, where an integrated network captures CO<sub>2</sub> from 32 sources and transports that CO<sub>2</sub> to five storage locations, all of which are located onshore. This network is more extensive at €75/tCO<sub>2</sub>, as it connects all but three of the costliest and smallest sources with the onshore reservoirs.

In contrast, a system designed for €60/tCO<sub>2</sub> for the BDO case will deploy only three sources close to the offshore hubs. By €75/tCO<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub> is captured from all but eight of the sources and is transported by four single (not networked) pipelines, to the offshore hubs, three of which terminate at Le Havre. The pipelines extend from near Nantes (in the west), along the northern coast to near Lille (in the North), and near Metz (in the East) to the northern offshore hub at Le Havre, and from just north of Saint Etienne south to the offshore hub on the Mediterranean Sea at Marseille. The LDO deploys two of these routes at €75/tCO<sub>2</sub>: the routes from near Nantes to Le Havre and near Metz to Le Havre.

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Altogether, Figure 9 shows the relative frequencies by which potential pipeline routes are chosen across all nine combinations of CO<sub>2</sub> production and storage options—for 1,203 optimizations conducted by two models of the geospatial deployment of CCS infrastructure, one that optimizes based on the least cost solution to a CO<sub>2</sub> quota (Figure 9, top row) and one that optimizes based on the least cost solution to a CO<sub>2</sub> price (Figure 9, bottom row). In Figure 9, pipeline routes are color-coded by the quintile in which they are deployed, for the aggregate results by CO<sub>2</sub> production scenario (right), CO<sub>2</sub> storage option (middle), and altogether (left) according to CO<sub>2</sub> quotas (top) and CO<sub>2</sub> prices (bottom). . Green indicates that the route was deployed in the top 20% of the time, whereas red indicates that the route was deployed the bottom 20%. The percentages in the legends indicate the percentage of model runs within each quintile. The routes that are deployed most often, and are thus most robust to the emissions and storage uncertainties, are in the top quintile (shown in green).

Figure 9 can be used to indicate where the priorities for pipeline planning and Rights-of-Way (ROW) acquisition should be focused, given the fluctuations in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and the *a priori* uncertainty of CO<sub>2</sub> storage options. The route south from Saint Etienne to Marseille and the routes that extend from Le Havre southwest to near Nantes, northeast to near Lille, and east along a route south of Paris are all in the top quintile of deployed routes. In addition, a segment of this latter east-west route extending from Reims (just east of Paris) west to Metz where two other segments, one from Nancy to the south and one from the east, are also among the most deployed routes.

## 5 Conclusions

We investigated pathways for CCS deployment in France using the concept of a “corridor” in numerous ways: (a) our storage scenarios were based on a prior expert-elicitation process that developed scenarios based on institutional and social conditions that encourage, to varying degrees, CCS deployment;<sup>19</sup> (b) our case study is for a country where the majority of its large point source CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are from the industrial, not electrical, sector (France); (c) our CO<sub>2</sub> production scenarios are based on the characteristics of eight years of large point source CO<sub>2</sub> emissions; and (d) we produced a map that indicates priorities for pipeline routes based on how robust these routes are to the *a priori* uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> production and CO<sub>2</sub> storage options.

We constructed options for CO<sub>2</sub> storage based on the qualitative scenarios elicited from experts and used them in combination with three scenarios for CO<sub>2</sub> production. These CO<sub>2</sub> production scenarios were based on summary statistics of the emissions by multiple industrial sources in France between 2003 and 2011. While there was variability in the quantities and locations of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in France over this timeframe, the application of quantitative modeling to qualitative scenarios demonstrates how approaches that optimize infrastructure deployment can be combined with qualitative scenarios that incorporate various degrees of political and social restrictions to assist planning under a variety of situations and in advance of actual deployment.

Even with uncertainty in how many options there may be in the future and where and how much capturable CO<sub>2</sub> may be produced, we found that a number of corridors for pipelines within France exist across the combinations of scenarios; pipeline routes that are robust to the uncertainty in these parameters exist and may be the focus of advance planning and investment for ROWs.

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## 7 Tables and Figures

**Table 1: Visions for CCS Deployment in France (ADEME, 2011)**

		<b>Restrictions due to Technical and Societal Concerns</b>	
		Strong	Weak
<b>Restrictions due to Incentives and Regulatory Policy</b>	Strong	<b>Vision 1:</b> Incremental deployment of CCS.	<b>Vision 2:</b> Restricted to a few large sources and sectors that cannot implement other means to reduce CO <sub>2</sub> emissions.
	Weak	<b>Vision 3:</b> Strong pooling of CO <sub>2</sub> from multiple sources and storage in offshore reservoirs.	<b>Vision 4:</b> Large-scale CCS deployment with storage in onshore and offshore reservoirs.

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*As used by ADEME, ‘strong’ restrictions significantly impede deployment, whereas ‘weak’ restrictions impose only minimal barriers.”*

**Table 2 : Case Studies and Sinks for CO<sub>2</sub>**

<b>Case Study</b>	<b>Onshore (IDs)</b>	<b>Offshore (IDs)</b>
A. <i>North Sea</i>		North Sea (7)
B. <i>North Sea and Parisian Basin</i>	Trias (1-3), Dogger (4-6)	
C. <i>Offshore</i>		North Sea (7), Mediterranean Sea (8)

**Table 3: CO<sub>2</sub> Sink Locations, Reservoirs, and Characteristics**

ID		Injection Depth [km]	Capacity [MtCO <sub>2</sub> ]	Cost [€/tCO <sub>2</sub> ]
1	Trias (Bar-le-Duc)	1,000	300	3.55
2	Trias (Orléans)	1,500	500	4.35
3	Trias (Meaux)	2,500	300	5.95
4	Dogger (Orléans)	1,000	225	3.55
5	Dogger (Melun)	2,000	450	5.15
6	Dogger (Châlons)	1,000	225	3.55
7	Le Havre (North Sea Hub)	2,000*		19.30
8	Marseille (Mediterranean Hub)	2,000*		19.30

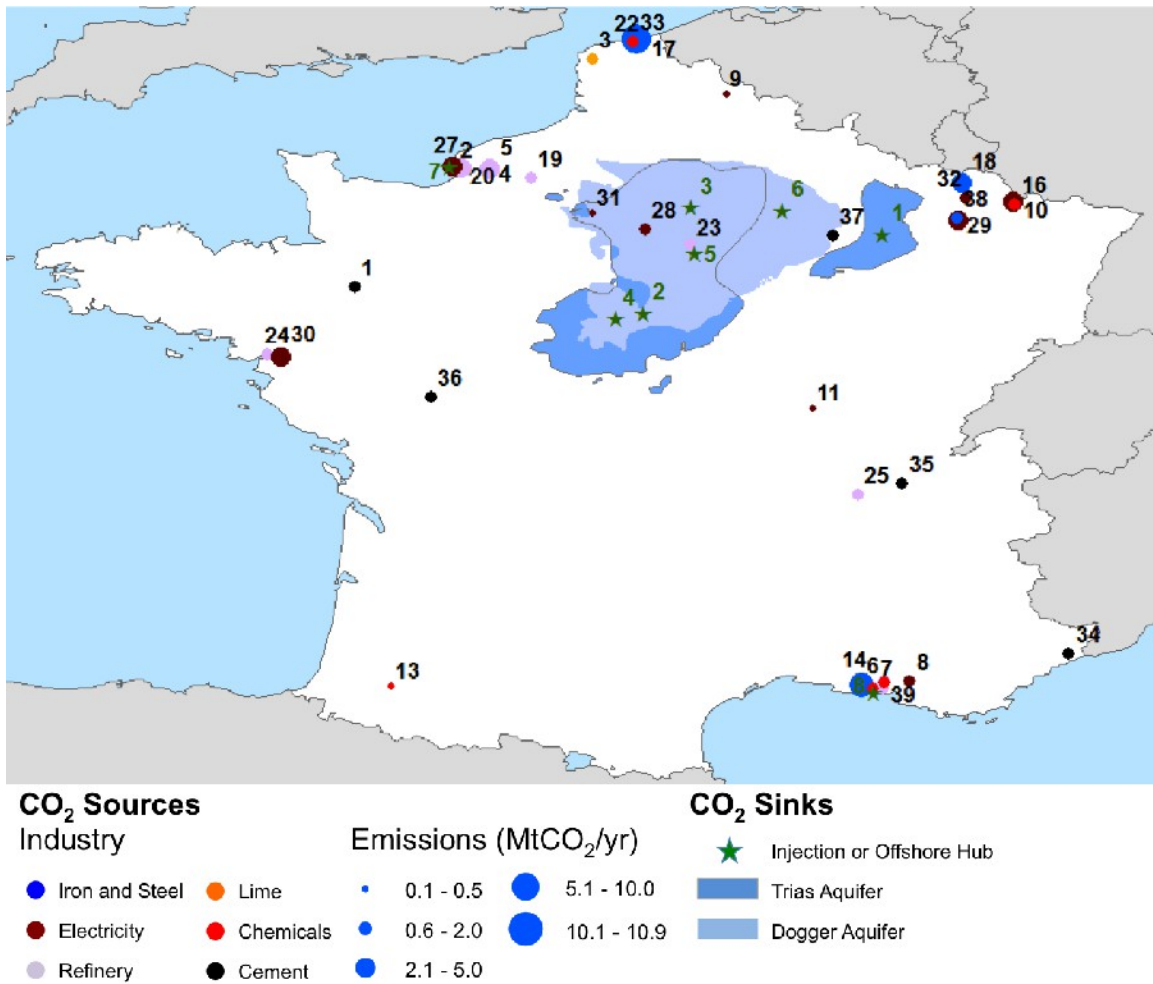
Unless otherwise noted, injection depths and capacities are from Coussy (2009), BRGM (2009)<sup>45</sup>, and Calas (2011)

\*Base case in ZEP (2012).

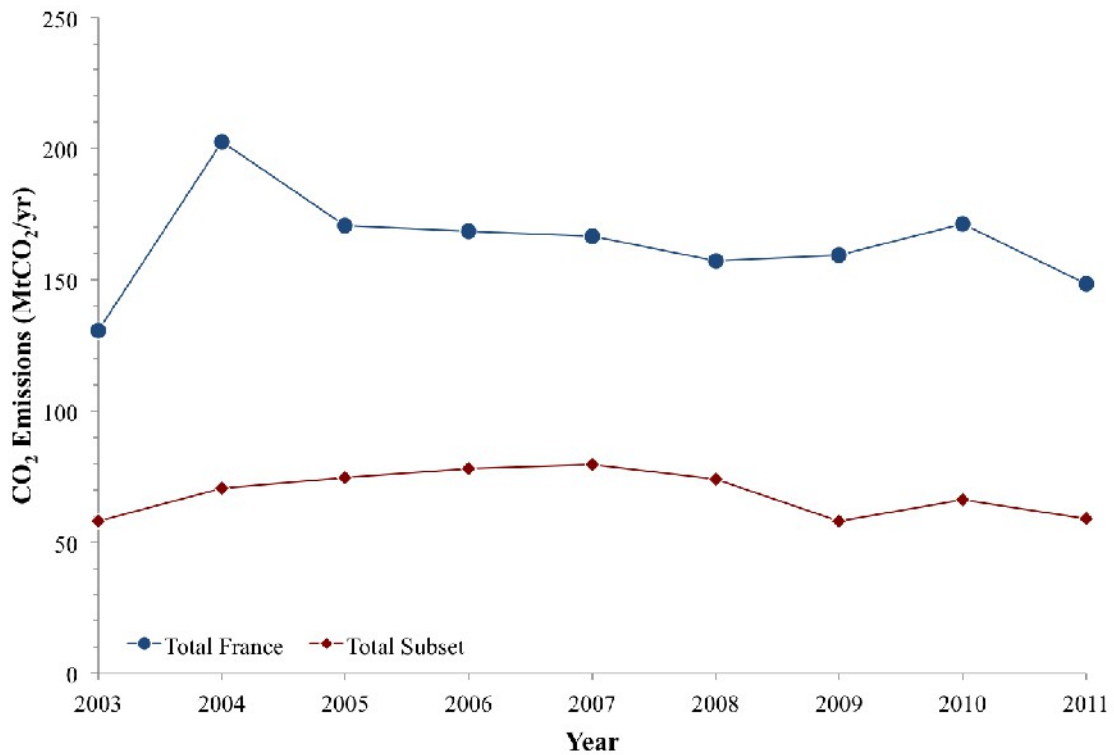
**Table 4: Major CO<sub>2</sub> Sources and Characteristics in Five Industrial Areas in France**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>IDs</b>	<b>Total Capturable CO<sub>2</sub></b> (MtCO <sub>2</sub> /yr)	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Costs</b> (€/tCO <sub>2</sub> )
Cement	1, 2, 34-37	6.41	48.87
Chemicals	4, 13, 15, 16, 26, 33, 39	8.11	41.35
Electricity	8-11, 27-32	22.77	34.59
Lime	3	1.16	7.52
Iron and Steel	14, 17, 18, 38	25.53	53.38
Refining	5-7, 12, 19-25	16.82	41.35

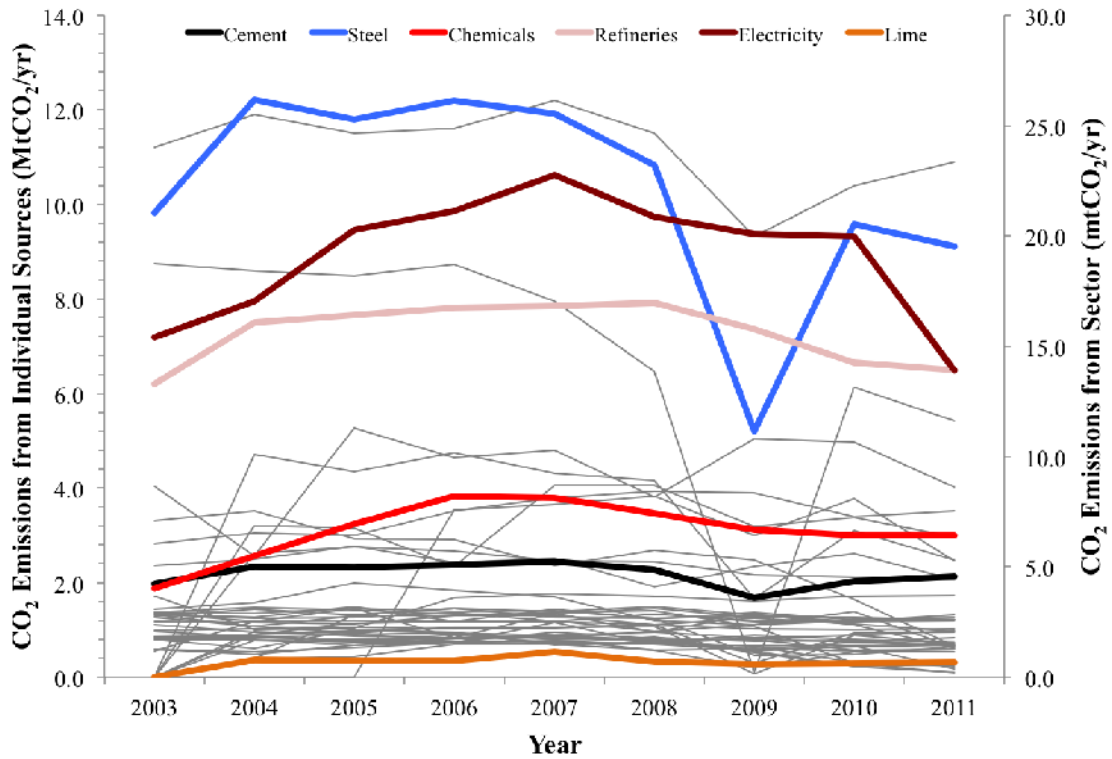
CO<sub>2</sub> capture costs <sup>27, 33, 38, 39</sup> are converted from USD to € at an exchange rate of 1.3 € to USD.



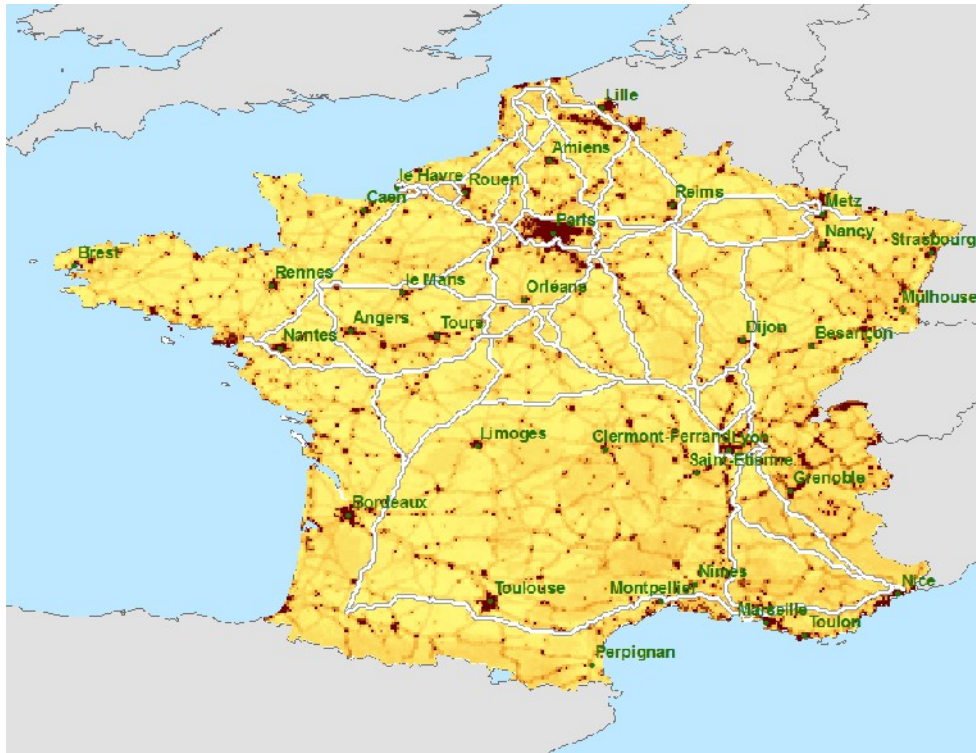
**Figure 1: Carbon Dioxide Sources and Sinks** – *Sources*: Thirty-nine sources and IDs are shown. Colors indicate economic sector, and size indicates yearly CO<sub>2</sub> emissions capacity. *Sinks*: Green stars indicate the location of sinks in the Parisian Basin (Trias Aquifer, IDs 1-3, depth 1500-1800m; Dogger Aquifer, IDs 4-6, depth 2000-2500m) or hub locations for offshore pipelines to the North Sea (ID 7) or the Mediterranean Sea (ID 8).



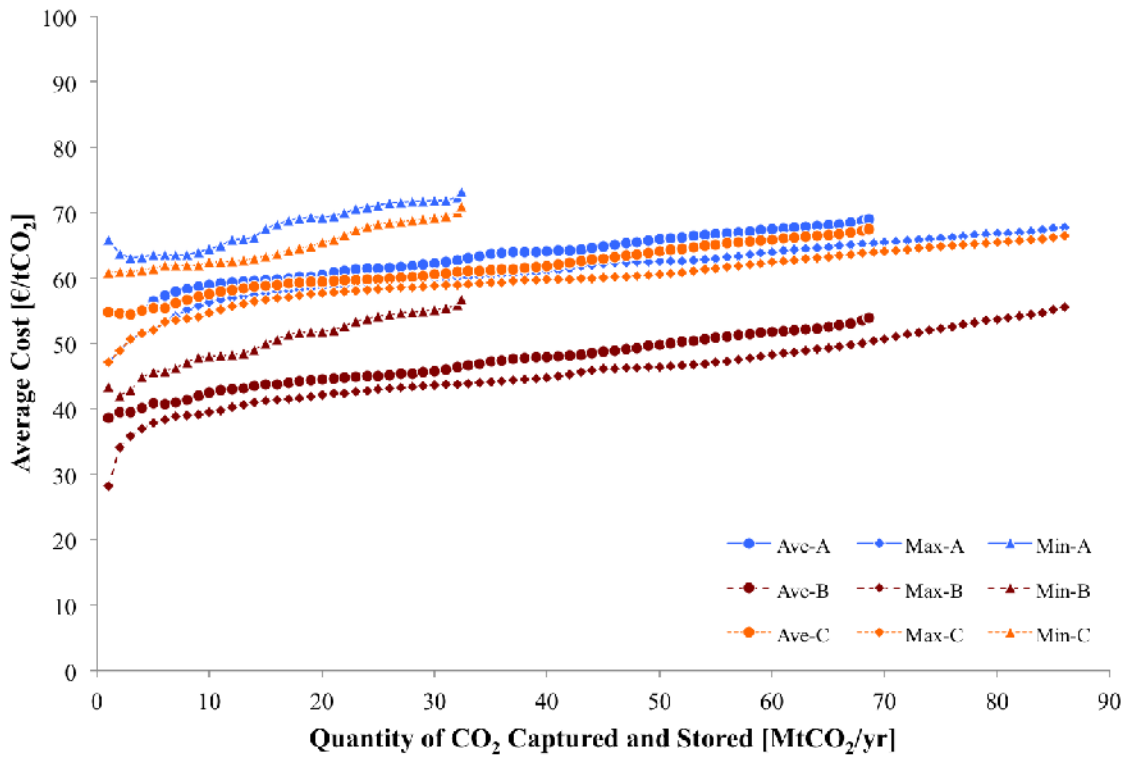
**Figure 2: Total CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in France and the Total CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from the 39 Sources Selected in Five Industrial Areas** - Over the span of the nine years between 2003 and 2011, France averaged emissions of 164 MtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr. Over this timespan, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the 39 sources in this study ranged from 35% and 48% of the total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in France.



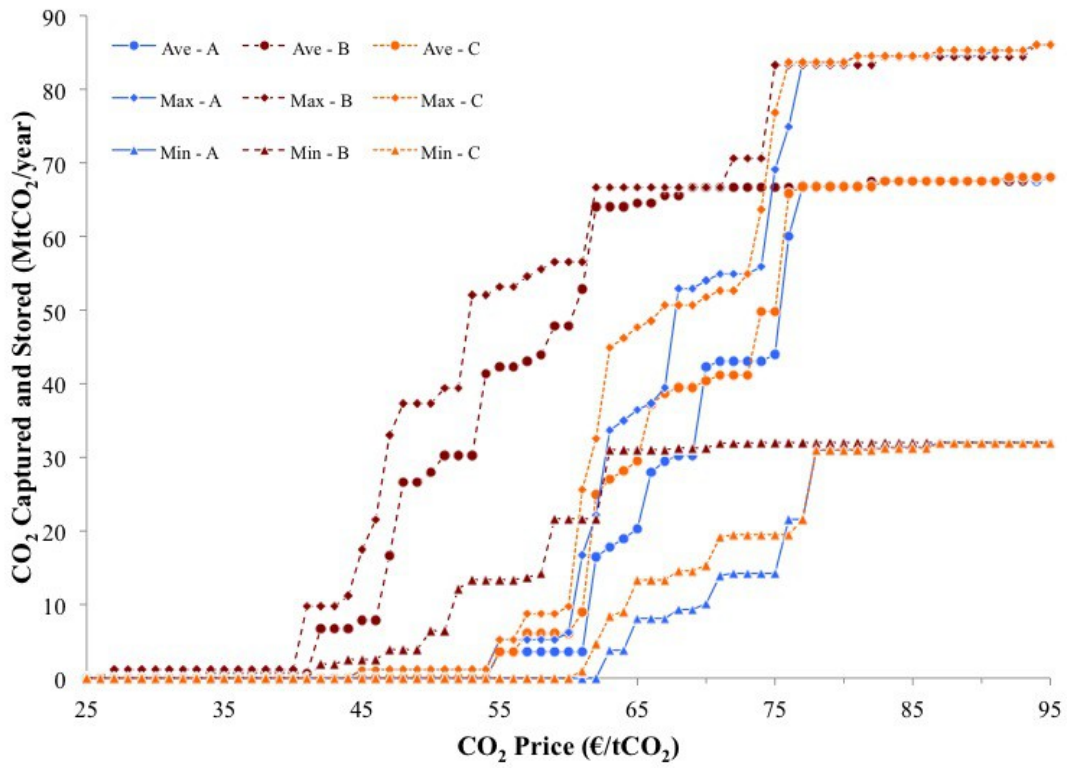
**Figure 3: CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions for Each Source (Primary Axis) and by Sector (Secondary Axis) for the 39 CO<sub>2</sub> Sources in France Considered** – CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by each source can fluctuate, with some sources having zero emissions at the beginning of the time span, some at the end, and some temporarily fluctuating to almost zero during the time span.



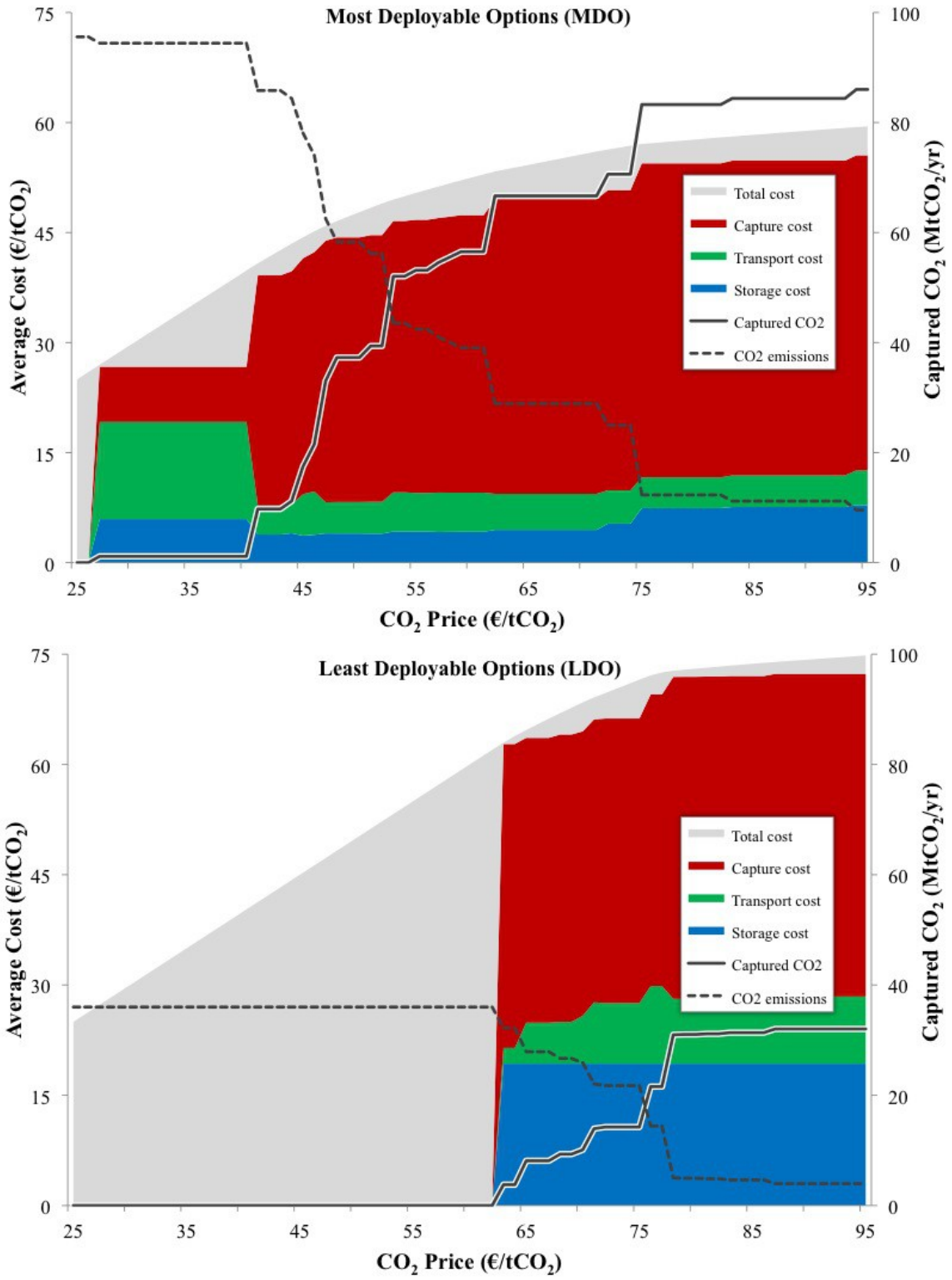
**Figure 4: Cost Surface and Candidate Pipeline Network** – The cost surface used to generate the candidate network (grey) indicates the degree to which locations should be avoided when routing CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline infrastructure. The candidate network indicates potential routes that can be chosen to link CO<sub>2</sub> sources (black circles) and CO<sub>2</sub> sinks (green diamonds).



**Figure 5: Average Cost Curves for CCS Deployment in all Nine Combinations of CO<sub>2</sub> Production and Storage Options** – Blue lines and markers are the results for storage scenario A, where CO<sub>2</sub> is transported to Le Havre as a hub for offshore storage. Red markers and lines are the results for when injection into the Parisian Basin is available in addition to Le Havre. Orange Markers and lines are the results for offshore storage only—scenario C with hubs at Le Havre and Marseille. Circles indicate the average CO<sub>2</sub> production from each source was modeled. Diamonds indicate that the maximum CO<sub>2</sub> production from each source was modeled. Triangles indicate that the minimum CO<sub>2</sub> production from each source was modeled.

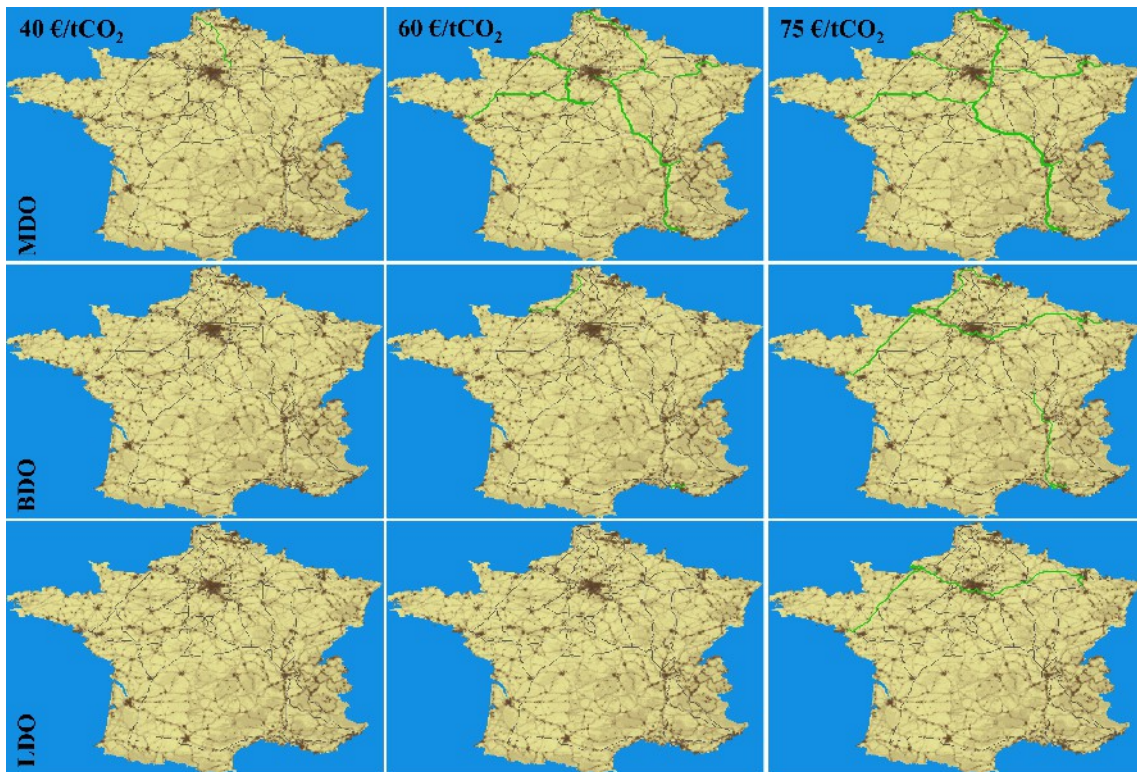


**Figure 6: CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Curves for Nine Combinations of CO<sub>2</sub> Production and Storage Scenarios** – This figure corresponds to the marginal costs associated with Figure 5, with the axes switched. Colors and markers are the same as those in Figure 5.

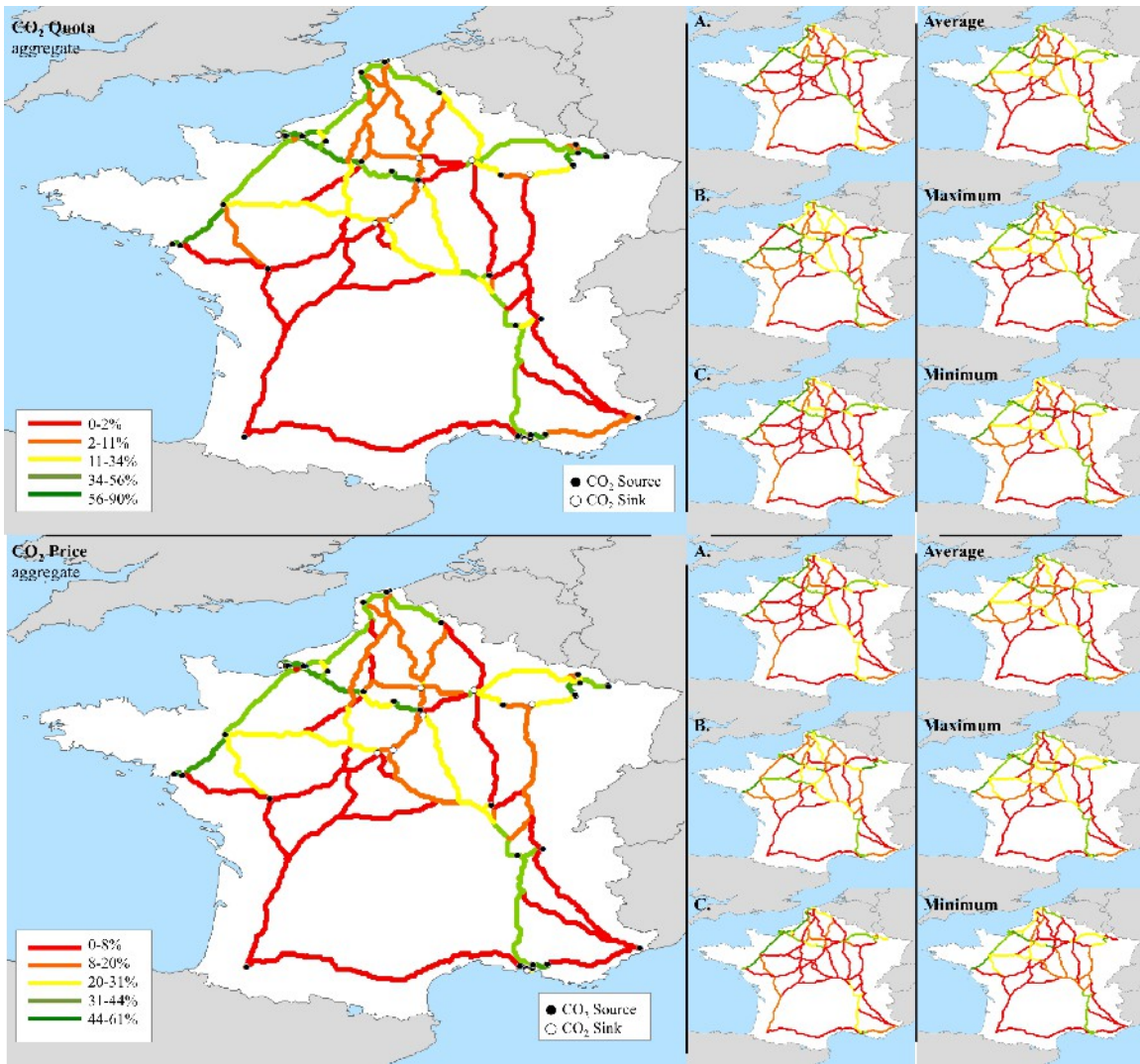


**Figure 7: Cost and Performance Characteristics of Integrated CCS Systems for Most Deployable Options (Max – B) and the Least Deployable Options (Min – A) Combinations of CO<sub>2</sub> Production and Storage Scenarios** - The stacked area graphs show the costs for CO<sub>2</sub> capture (red), transport (green), and storage (blue). The grey area represents the system-wide CCS cost which includes the CO<sub>2</sub> price applied to any

emissions. When the capture cost (i.e., stacked blue, green, and red areas) and CO<sub>2</sub> price are identical, the stacked areas and the grey area cost coincide. Solid lines indicate how much CO<sub>2</sub> is captured and dashed lines indicate how much CO<sub>2</sub> is emitted.



**Figure 8: Spatial Deployment of CCS CO<sub>2</sub> Pipelines in France for Select CO<sub>2</sub> Prices and Combinations of Deployable Options Based on CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Options Availability and CO<sub>2</sub> Production Quantities** – The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> captured from sources is shown as the red portion of the pink pie, and the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> delivered to a sink is the blue portion of the light blue pie. Green lines indicate where pipelines are deployed in the potential routes (grey). The top row contains the most promising combination of scenarios (maximum CO<sub>2</sub> production and offshore and onshore storage options) whereas the bottom row contains the least promising combination of scenarios (minimum CO<sub>2</sub> production and one offshore storage option).



**Figure 9: Corridors for CO<sub>2</sub> Pipelines in France** Indicating the Percentage of the Model Runs in which Pipeline Segments were Deployed – Pipeline routes are color-coded by the quintile in which they are deployed, for the aggregate results from the CO<sub>2</sub> Quota models (top row) and the CO<sub>2</sub> Price models (bottom row). Green indicates that the route was deployed in the top 20% of the time, whereas red indicates that the route was deployed the bottom 20%. The percentages in the legends indicate the percentage of model runs within each quintile. The smaller images show the results aggregated by storage scenarios A-C (middle columns) and by CO<sub>2</sub> production scenarios (right columns).

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