

Injector and Switching Valve Applications

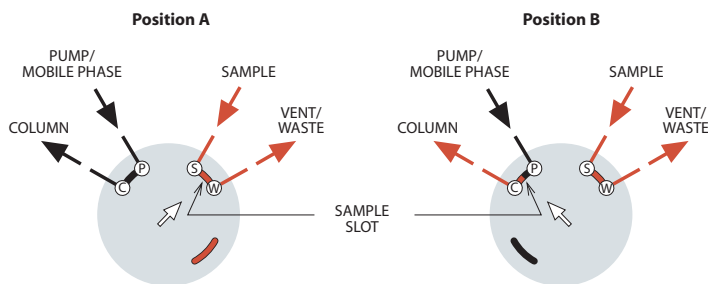
These illustrations show basic sample injection techniques using Valco two position valves. With rare exceptions, there is no difference between switching valves and external volume sampling valves, so the same valve can be used for either function.

The unique advantage of 8 and 10 port valves is that they reduce extra column volume by combining sampling and switching functions in a single valve. This minimizes expense, maintenance, service, and risk of leaks as compared to multiple 6 port valve systems.

4 port internal sample injector

MICROVOLUME SAMPLE INJECTION

The internal sample (fixed volume) flowpath is used when very small sample volumes are required. The sample size is determined by a passage engraved on the valve rotor, allowing precise, repeatable injections. In Position A, the sample flows through the sample passage while the mobile phase flows through to the column. The third passage is inactive. In Position B, the sample passage is in line with the column and the mobile phase injects the contents of the sample passage into the column. The passage which was inactive in Position A allows the sample to continue flowing without interruption.



4 port switching valve

DETECTOR SELECTION FROM TWO COLUMNS OR ONE COLUMN AND AUXILIARY CARRIER

This unique configuration allows analyses of different parts of one analysis with two different detectors, without splitting or multiple injections.

