STREAM SELECTION WITH **DEAD-ENDED STREAMS**

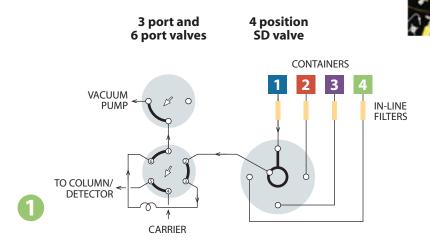
SD valves select one of 4 to 16 dead-ended streams. The selected stream flows from the valve outlet to a sample valve, pressure sensor, detector, column, etc. The same configuration may also be used to direct one stream to a number of outlets for applications such as fraction collection.

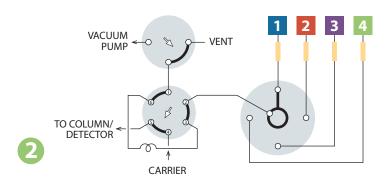
This example illustrates automated sampling of non-pressurized containers.

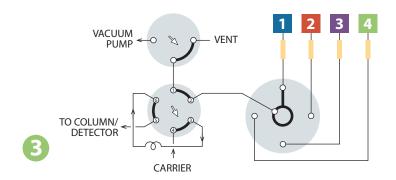
 A vacuum pump is used to move sample from the containers to a 6 port sampling valve. 2 The 3 port valve is used to block the vacuum flow through the sampling valve to allow the sample within the loop to equilibrate at atmospheric pressure. 3 The 6 port valve is then switched, injecting the sample. This method eliminates any possible effect from pressure differences among the containers, providing accurate and repeatable results. All three valves can be automated with air or electric actuators for unattended operation.

The SD flowpath isolates the unselected sample streams, but the potential exists for extraneous sample or contaminants to be in the lines when containers are first connected. To avoid problems, either prepurge each line or allow sufficient sampling time for the line to purge prior to injection.

SD flowpath — low pressure







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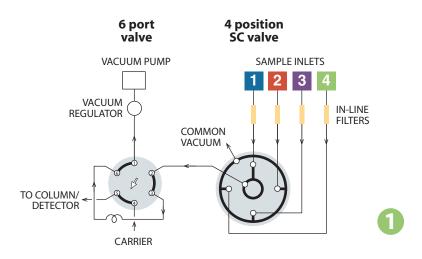
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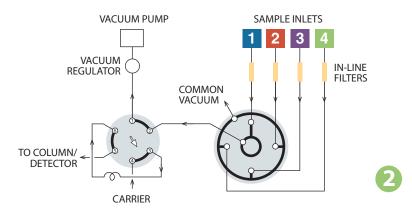
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STREAM SELECTION WITH CONTINUOUS FLOW TO A COMMON OUTLET

SC selectors are similar to the SD configuration, except that instead of being dead-ended the non-selected streams flow to a common outlet. They are also available in 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, or 16 position versions.

The SC configuration is ideal for air quality monitoring, illustrated in this example.

The application is essentially the same as the one shown for the SD selectors on the previous page, except that the non-selected streams are continuously pulled through the valve, insuring that the most current sample will be provided as each point is selected for analysis. 1 The sample loop on the 6 port valve is loaded from Stream 1. 2 The 6 port valve is switched, injecting the sample. Both valves can be automated with air or electric actuators for unattended operation.

Because the most **TEGHOTIP**ause of valve failure is stray particulates entering the valve, we strongly recommend the use of in-line filters at sample entry points.

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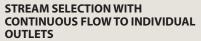
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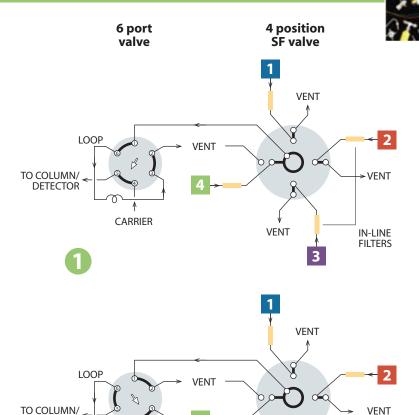


SD and SC valves select and isolate one of 4 to 16 streams, with the remainder dead-ended in the SD and flowing to a common outlet in the SC. The SF selector is similar, but carries the evolution a step further with the non-selected streams flowing through individual outlets.

This is the ideal solution when reactions or process streams with differing upstream pressures must be analyzed, and can also provide independent containment of toxic or noxious streams. An SF selector together with a 6 port sampling valve and pneumatic or electric actuators comprise a complete sampling system for the automated analysis of up to 16 sample points.

Note that streams 1 and 4 are vented while streams 2 and 3 are returned to their sources in this example.

Mode 1 shows sample loading from stream 4, while mode 2 shows sample injected onto the analytical column.



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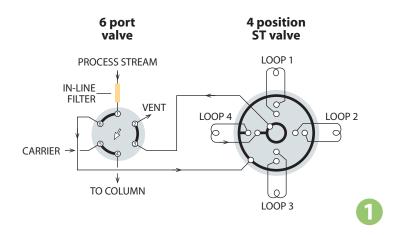
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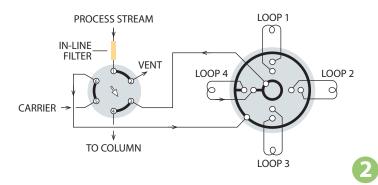
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ST flowpath — low pressure





SAMPLE TRAPPING APPLICATIONS FOR 4 TO 16 STREAMS

ST selectors are used for multicolumn, multi-sample, or multi-trap operations. The ST configuration is available in both MW and UW type designs.

A typical application, shown here, is the collection of fractions at timed intervals for analysis at a later time. Valves can be ordered with matched loops already installed.

In this example, the 6 port valve shown is used to select between collection/trapping and analysis/desorption. Both valves can be supplied with pneumatic or electric actuators to automate these functions.

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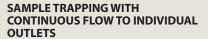
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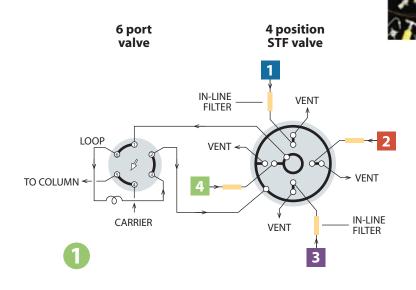
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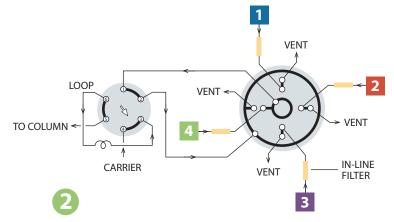
STF flowpath



The STF selector is a variation of the ST flowpath, with the single difference that the non-selected streams are returned to their own vents or sources rather than being dead-ended or trapped as they are in the standard ST configuration. This is ideal for reactor processes in which removal of substantial amounts of sample would upset the equilibrium within the reactor, or if the stream is toxic or noxious and must be isolated.

An STF selector on an air or electric actuator along with a similarly equipped 6 port valve comprise a complete sampling system for the automated analysis of up to 16 sampling points.





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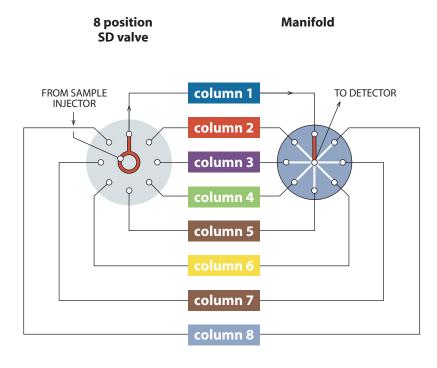
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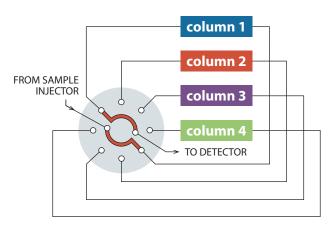


HPLC COLUMN SELECTION FOR UP TO 10 COLUMNS

This example illustrates an SD (UW type) selector used for HPLC column selection. This allows multiple columns to be installed permanently in the system, eliminating instrument downtime and leakage potential resulting from having to change columns repeatedly. The SDUW valve selects only column inlets – the column outlets are connected to the detector via a low-volume manifold. The manifold is sold separately.

ST flowpath — high pressure

4 position ST valve



HPLC COLUMN SELECTION FOR 4 OR 6 COLUMNS

Up to 6 HPLC columns can be rapidly accessed by column selection valves, eliminating the instrument downtime involved in exchanging columns and the leakage due to repeated changing of tubing fittings. The columns are installed as a part of the loop system, as shown in this drawing. A 6 position valve can support 6 columns.

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