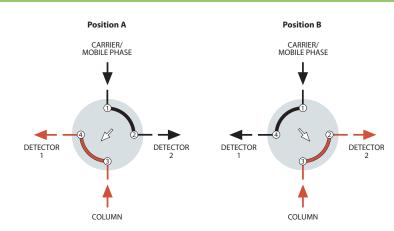
## **Two Position Applications**

# 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. For example, fixed gases can be analyzed with a thermal conductivity detector, followed by the analysis of a hydrocarbon fraction with a flame ionization detector.

### 4 port switching valve

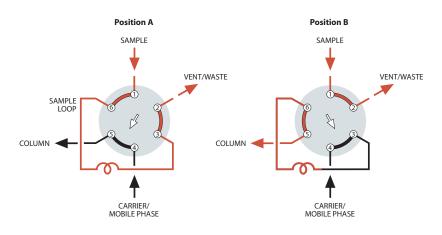


#### **SAMPLE INJECTION**

With the valve in Position A, sample flows through the external loop while the mobile phase flows directly through to the chromatographic column. When the valve is switched to Position B, the sample contained in the sample loop and valve flow passage is displaced by the mobile phase and is carried onto the column.

Note: This is especially critical for partiallyfilled loops. The flow direction of the mobile phase through the loop should be opposite (backflush) to the flow direction during the loading of the loop.

#### 6 port external sample injector

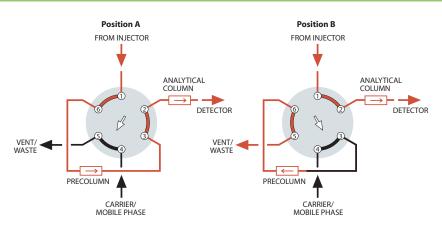


## **BACKFLUSH OF PRECOLUMN TO VENT**

This plumbing scheme allows slower eluting components (end cut) which are not of interest to be backflushed to vent. Often a shorter version of the analytical column is used as the precolumn. Once all the components of interest have entered the main column (at port 2), the valve switches, backflushing the precolumn to vent and reducing analysis time.

*Note:* An auxiliary source of carrier or mobile phase is required for this application.

#### 6 port column switching



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