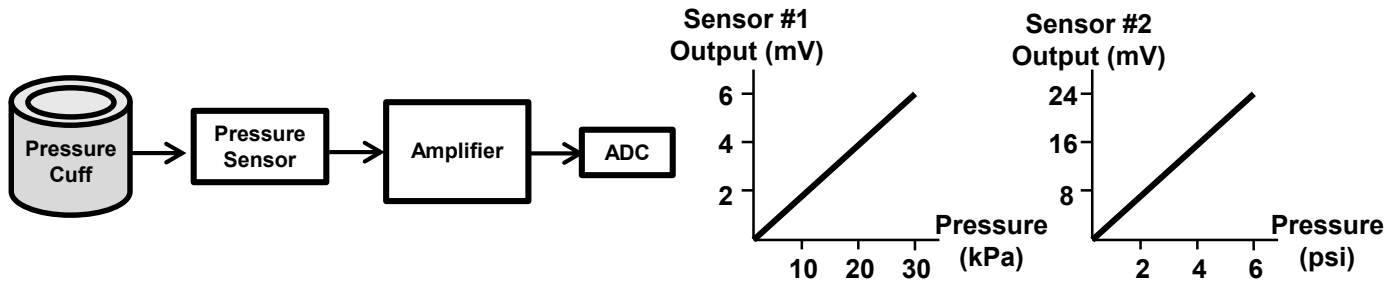


**1 problem for 20 pts**

**Blood Pressure**

You are asked to design a blood pressure measurement system that measures up to 240 mmHg with a sensitivity of 0.5 mmHg. The electronic hardware consists of a piezoresistive pressure sensor, instrumentation amplifier, and analog-to-digital converter (ADC).



- There are two available amplifiers: ( $A_{d1} = 150$ ,  $V_{N1} = 1$  mV) and ( $A_{d2} = 600$ ,  $V_{N2} = 6$  mV).
- Both amplifiers have  $V_{REF} = 1.5$ V and are powered by +10V and GND. Therefore, assume the output is limited to +9V (max) and 1V (min).
- The ADC operates from 0 to 5V (12 bits) with  $V_N = 3$  mV.

NOTE:

➤ Recall that 1 atm = 760 mmHg = 101 kPa = 14.7 psi (this will NOT be provided on the exam).

➤ The total noise from two components is computed by:  $V_{N,TOTAL} = \sqrt{V_{N1}^2 + V_{N2}^2}$

**Problem:** Which combination of sensor and amplifier best satisfies the desired system specs? You must show why each combination is OK or not OK. Show all work!

(extra sheet for work)