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Problem 1. (4 points) For what values of a is $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - a, & x < 2, \\ ax^2 + 1, & x \ge 2, \end{cases}$ continuous at every x? [Show work!]

Problem 2. (1+3 points) Let f(x) be a complicated continuous function taking the following values:

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
f(x)	2	3	1	-1	-3	4	4

(a) What can we conclude about solutions to the equation f(x) = 0 for x in the interval [2,3]?

[select one]

There is exactly one solution in the interval [2,3].

There is at least one solution in the interval [2,3].



There is no solution in the interval [2, 3]. There might or might not be a solution in the interval [2, 3].

(b) Using the intermediate value theorem, what can we conclude about solutions to the equation f(x) = 0? We can guarantee that there is a solution in the following intervals: [list intervals that are as small as possible]