We are given that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{xh}{p} & \text{for } 0 \le x \le p\\ \frac{h(\pi - x)}{\pi - p} & \text{for } p \le x \le \pi \end{cases}$$

From the formula for the Fourier sine coefficients, we have

$$A_{m} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} f(x) \sin mx \, dx$$
$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{0}^{p} \frac{xh}{p} \sin mx \, dx + \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{p}^{\pi} \frac{h(\pi - x)}{\pi - p} \sin mx \, dx,$$

where we use the fact that f(x) is piecewise. By algebra,

$$A_{m} = \frac{2h}{\pi p} \int_{0}^{p} x \sin mx \, dx + \frac{2h}{(\pi - p)} \int_{p}^{\pi} \sin mx \, dx - \frac{2h}{\pi (\pi - p)} \int_{p}^{\pi} x \sin mx \, dx$$
(1)

Integrating,

$$\int_{p}^{\pi} \sin mx \, dx = -\frac{1}{m} \left[\cos mx\right]_{p}^{\pi}$$
$$= \frac{1}{m} \cos mp - \frac{1}{m} \cos \pi m.$$

Letting $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and integrating by parts,

$$\int_{a}^{b} x \sin mx \, dx = \left[x \int \sin mx \, dx \right]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} \frac{dx}{dx} \int \sin mx \, dx \, dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{m} \left[x \cos mx \right]_{a}^{b} + \frac{1}{m} \int_{a}^{b} \cos mx \, dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{m} \left[x \cos mx \right]_{a}^{b} + \frac{1}{m^{2}} \left[x \sin mx \right]_{a}^{b}$$

$$= \frac{1}{m} \left(a \cos ma - b \cos mb \right) + \frac{1}{m^{2}} \left(\sin mb - \sin ma \right).$$

Substituting for a and b,

$$\int_0^p x \sin mx \ dx = -\frac{p}{m} \cos mp + \frac{1}{m^2} \sin mp$$

$$\int_p^{\pi} x \sin mx \ dx = \frac{p}{m} \cos mp - \frac{\pi}{m} \cos m\pi - \frac{1}{m^2} \sin mp.$$

Substituting into (1),

$$\frac{m}{2h}A_m = -\frac{1}{\pi}\cos mp + \frac{1}{\pi mp}\sin mp$$

$$\begin{split} & + \frac{1}{(\pi - p)} \cos mp - \frac{1}{(\pi - p)} \cos \pi m \\ & - \frac{p}{\pi(\pi - p)} \cos mp + \frac{1}{(\pi - p)} \cos m\pi + \frac{1}{\pi m(\pi - p)} \sin mp \\ & = -\frac{1}{\pi} \cos mp + \frac{1}{(\pi - p)} \cos mp - \frac{p}{\pi(\pi - p)} \cos mp \\ & + \frac{1}{\pi mp} \sin mp + \frac{1}{\pi m(\pi - p)} \sin mp \\ & = \left(\frac{1}{\pi - p} - \frac{1}{\pi} - \frac{p}{\pi(\pi - p)}\right) \cos mp + \left(\frac{1}{\pi mp} + \frac{1}{\pi m(\pi - p)}\right) \sin mp. \end{split}$$

Observe that

$$\frac{1}{\pi - p} - \frac{1}{\pi} - \frac{p}{\pi(\pi - p)} = \frac{\pi - \pi + p - p}{\pi(\pi - p)} = 0$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\pi mp}+\frac{1}{\pi m(\pi-p)}=\frac{\pi-p+p}{\pi mp(\pi-p)}=\frac{1}{mp(\pi-p)},$$

so

$$A_m = \frac{2h}{m^2} \frac{\sin mp}{p(\pi - p)}$$

as desired.

For 0 < h, $0 , we have <math>A_m = 0$ iff $\sin mp = 0$. When $p = \pi/2$, $\sin m\pi/2 = 0$ for $m = 2, 4, \ldots$, so the second, fourth, and so on, harmonics are missing. Similarly, when $p = \pi/3$, $\sin m\pi/3 = 0$ for $m = 3, 6, \ldots$, so the third, sixth, and so on, harmonics are missing.