Fourier Series: The L_2 Norm and Calculating Fourier Series-HW Problems

1. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be 2π periodic and $f \in R[-\pi, \pi]$.

a. Show that if f is even then its Fourier series can be written with only cosine terms (and possibly a constant term).

b. Show that if *f* is odd then its Fourier series can be written with only sine terms.

In problems 2-4 find the Fourier series for f(x) (Extend each function to \mathbb{R} by making it periodic on its domain).

- 2. f(x) = 0 if $-\pi \le x \le 0$ = 4 if $0 < x < \pi$
- 3. f(x) = x if $-\pi \le x < \pi$
- 4. $f(x) = |\sin(x)|$ if $-\pi \le x \le \pi$

(Use the fact that

$$(\sin(x))(\cos(nx)) = \frac{1}{2}[\sin[(n+1)x] - \sin[(n-1)x]]).$$

- 5a. Find the Fourier series for $f(x) = (\pi x)^2$; $0 \le x \le 2\pi$.
- b. Show that this Fourier series converges uniformly on \mathbb{R} .

c. Evaluate f(x) and the Fourier series at x = 0 to show $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$