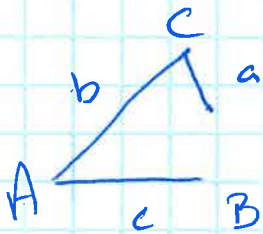


Goal: Be able to determine the # of triangles given a SSA triangle - \hat{E} be able to completely solve ambiguous triangles

Given A, a, b



step 1 find the height

$$h = b \sin A$$

step 2 use the rules on the # of Δ 's to find how many Δ 's there are \rightarrow

how many Δ 's

$$a < h \quad 0 \Delta$$

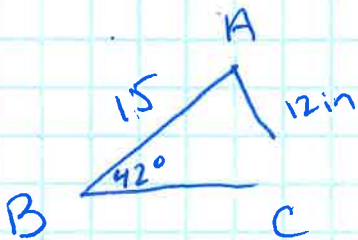
$$a = h \quad 1 \text{ rt } \Delta$$

$$h < a < b \quad 2 \Delta$$

$a \geq b$ 1 triangle
no height needed

ex] Given ΔABC $B = 42^\circ$
 $b = 12 \text{ in}$ $c = 15 \text{ in}$

determine # of Δ 's \rightarrow include a picture

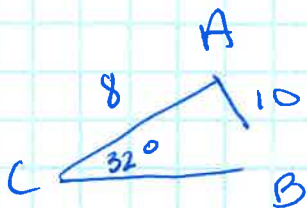


$$h = 15 \sin 42^\circ$$

$$h = 10.037$$

$$10.037 < 12 < 15 \quad \therefore 2 \Delta$$

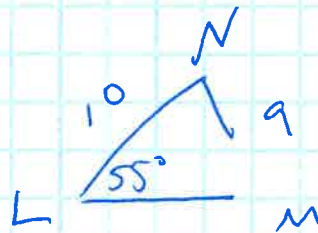
y+] ① ΔABC
 $C = 32^\circ$
 $c = 10 \text{ miles}$
 $b = 8 \text{ miles}$



$$10 > 8$$

$$1 \Delta$$

② ΔLMN $L = 55^\circ$
 $l = 9 \text{ in}$
 $m = 10 \text{ in}$



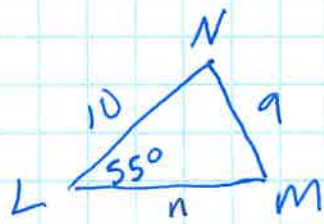
$$h = 10 \sin 55^\circ$$

$$h = 8.192 \text{ in}$$

$$8.192 < 9 < 10 \quad \therefore$$

2 Δ 's

Solve $\triangle LMN$ for all missing pieces



$$\ast \frac{\sin M}{10} = \frac{\sin 55}{9}$$
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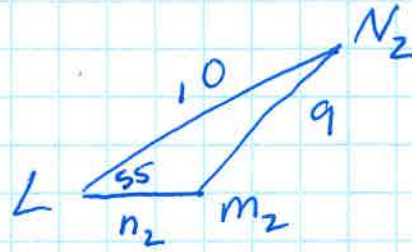
$$\ast M = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{10 \sin 55}{9}\right)$$

$$\ast M = 65.529^\circ$$

$$N = 180 - (65.529 + 55)$$
$$N = 59.471^\circ$$

$$\frac{9}{\sin 55} = \frac{n}{\sin 59.471}$$

$$9.464 = n$$



$$M_2 = 180 - 65.529^\circ$$

$$M_2 = 114.471^\circ$$

$$N_2 = 180 - (114.471 + 55)$$

$$N_2 = 10.529^\circ$$

$$\frac{n_2}{\sin 10.529} = \frac{9}{\sin 55}$$

$$n_2 = 2.008$$