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Let x be the measure of $\angle B$. Then, the measure of $\angle A$ is 2x, and the measure of $\angle C$ is $\frac{x}{2} - 2$. The sum of the measures of the angles must be 180°.

$$x + 2x + \frac{x}{2} - 2 = 180$$

$$3x + \frac{x}{2} - 2 + 2 = 180 + 2$$

$$3x + \frac{x}{2} = 182$$

$$\frac{6x}{2} + \frac{x}{2} = 182$$

$$\frac{7x}{2} = 182$$

$$7x = 364$$

$$x = 52$$

Since x is the measure of $\angle B$, then $\angle B$ is 52°. Replacing x with 52 in 2x gives 2(52) = 104. Therefore, the measure of $\angle A$ is 104°. Replacing x with 52 in $\frac{x}{2} - 2$ gives $\frac{52}{2} - 2 = 26 - 2 = 24$. Therefore, the measure of $\angle C$ is 24°.

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Let x be the number. The measure of one angle can be represented with 4x + 11, and the other angle's measure can be represented as 2(4x + 11) = 8x + 22.

$$4x + 11 + 8x + 22 = 195$$

$$12x + 33 = 195$$

$$12x + 33 - 33 = 195 - 33$$

$$12x = 162$$

$$x = 13.5$$

Replacing x with 13.5 in 4x + 11 gives 4(13.5) + 11 = 54 + 11 = 65. Replacing x with 13.5 in 2(4x + 11) gives 2(4(13.5) + 11) = 2(54 + 11) = 2(65) = 130. Therefore, the measures of the angles are 65° and 130° .

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