## Math 243 – Hand in Homework 2

## Name:

## **Boise Cascade Versa-lam Beams**

Box and label answers, show all work.

7 x 16 versa-lam beam lengths and weights				
Length (x)	12 feet	24 feet	31 feet	44 feet
Weight (y)	294 lbs	778 lbs	992 lbs	1226 lbs

1. Use the 12 and 24 foot boards to find an equation relating length to weight. What does this equation predict for the weight of a 52 foot board?



2. Use the 31 and 44 foot boards to find an equation relating length to weight. What does this equation predict for the weight of a 52 foot board?

3. Use all four boards to find r &  $\hat{y}$  by hand. What does this equation predict for the weight of a 52 foot board? Note: Use your calculator to first find  $S_x$ ,  $S_y$ ,  $\bar{x}$ ,  $\bar{y}$  by entering all the data into  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ . Then use the table below to help find r. From there you can use your formulas.

x	у	$\left(\frac{x-\bar{x}}{s_x}\right)$	$\left(\frac{y-\bar{y}}{s_y}\right)$	$\left(\frac{x-\bar{x}}{s_x}\right)\left(\frac{y-\bar{y}}{s_y}\right)$
12	294			
24	778			
31	992			
44	1226			

Total:

4.	Use the regression function in your calculator to find a linear model and r-value for the relationship between length (x) and weight (y). (This amounts to checking your work for question 3)
	Linear equation =
	r-value =
5.	Explain the meaning of the slope you found in question 4.
*** No	te: Design weight for this beam is 28.8 lbs/ft according to Boise Cascade specifications.