MTH 254

HW #1

- 1. A car rental company charges \$40 a day and 15 cents a miles for its cars.
- (a) Write a formula for the cost C(d, m) of renting a car as a function of the number of days (d) and the number of miles driven (m).
- (b) Find the value of C(5, 300). What does it mean?
 Your answer should be a complete sentence, describing both inputs and outputs.
- 2. Suppose the concentration ρ (in mg per liter) of a drug in the blood as a function of x, the amount (in mg) of the drug given, and t, the time (in hours) since the injection, is given by

$$\rho(x,t) = te^{-t(5-x)}$$

- (a) Find $\rho(3,2)$. Give units, and interpret in terms of drug concentration. Your answer should be a complete sentence, describing both inputs and outputs.
- (b) Explain the significance of the following two single variable functions in terms of drug concentration.

$$\rho(4,t) \qquad \qquad \rho(x,1)$$

(c) What values do you think x can take? What about t?