Quiz #8

Download the file fluid_data.txt from the website before starting.

The following equation models the wave patterns of a particular liquid when it is disturbed by an external force:

$$y(x) = Fe^{-\alpha x} \sin(bx)$$

where *F* is the magnitude of the external impulse force, and *a* and *b* are constants associated with the visocity and density, respectively. The following data have been collected for the following types of fluids:

Fluid	a value	b value
Ethyl Alcohol	0.246	0.806
Water	0.250	1.000
Oil	0.643	1.213

Write a script that:

- 1) Reads in the data found in fluid_data.txt (this is the numerical data from the above table).
- 2) Prompts the user for a value for F.
- 3) Creates an x-vector with values from 0 to 20 in increments of 0.1
- 4) Calls a function 'expdecay' that calculates y(x) for each of the three fluids.
 - a. You must create function 'expdecay'. Inputs are: F, x, a, b. Output: y.
- 5) Plots y(x) vs x for each fluid on the same plot using the following formats:
 - a. Ethyl alcohol: red * markers
 - b. Water: green +markers
 - c. Oil: blue circle markers
 - d. Add legend
 - e. Label the x-axis with 'x'
 - f. Label the y-axis with 'y'
 - g. Title: 'Decaying Sinusoids'
- 6) Put the x, and y(x) data in an array called 'output'
- 7) Save 'output' to a file called 'fluid_output.txt'

