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proof of Bendixson's negative criterion

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Suppose that there exists a periodic solution called Γ which has a period of T and lies in E . Let the interior of Γ be denoted by D . Then by Green's Theorem we can observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iint_D \nabla \cdot \mathbf{f} \, dx \, dy &= \iint_D \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{Y}}{\partial y} \, dx \, dy \\
 &= \oint_{\Gamma} (\mathbf{X} \, dy - \mathbf{Y} \, dx) \\
 &= \int_0^T (\mathbf{X} \dot{y} - \mathbf{Y} \dot{x}) \, dt \\
 &= \int_0^T (\mathbf{X} \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{X}) \, dt \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{f}$ is not identically zero by hypothesis and is of one sign, the double integral on the left must be non zero and of that sign. This leads to a contradiction since the right hand side is equal to zero. Therefore there does not exist a periodic solution in the simply connected region E .