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It so happens that this function can be simplified as:  $b(u) = \frac{-125 + u^3}{-10 - 3u + u^2}$ 

 $= \frac{(u-5) \left(u^2 + 5 u + 25\right)}{(u-5) (u+2)}$  $= \frac{u^2 + 5 u + 25}{u + 2}$ 

To find the vertical asymptote : u + 2 = 0u = -2There is a vertical asymptote at u=-2

To find the horizontal asymptote : First we must compare the degrees of the polynomials.

The numerator contains a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree polynomial while the

denominator contains a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree polynomial. Since the polynomial in the numerator is a higher degree than the denominator,

there is no horizontal asymptote. To find the oblique asymptote :

we must divide the numerator by the denominator  $\frac{-125 + u^3}{-10 - 3 u + u^2} = \frac{u^2 + 5 u + 25}{u + 2} = \frac{19}{u + 2} + (u + 3)$ 

There is an oblique asymptote at q=u+3

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