## It so happens that this function can be simplified as:

 $j (e) = \frac{-1 + e^3}{-2 + e + e^2}$   $= \frac{(e-1) (e^2 + e + 1)}{(e-1) (e+2)}$ 

$$= \frac{e^2 + e + 1}{e + 2}$$
To find the

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

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,

Since the polynomial in the numer there is no horizontal asymptote. To find the oblique asymptote :

we must divide the numerator by the denominator  $\frac{-1+e^3}{-2+e+e^2}=\frac{e^2+e+1}{e+2}=\frac{3}{e+2}+(e-1)$  There is an oblique asymptote at t=e-1