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It so happens that this function can be simplified as:

$$\begin{aligned} r(t) &= \frac{-64+t^3}{-20+t+t^2} \\ &= \frac{(t-4)(t^2+4t+16)}{(t-4)(t+5)} \\ &= \frac{t^2+4t+16}{t+5} \end{aligned}$$

To find the vertical asymptote :

$$t+5=0$$

$$t=-5$$

There is a vertical asymptote at  $t=-5$

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 :

$$\text{we must divide the numerator by the denominator } \frac{-64+t^3}{-20+t+t^2} = \frac{t^2+4t+16}{t+5} = \frac{21}{t+5} + (t-1)$$

There is an oblique asymptote at  $z=t-1$

