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It so happens that this function can be simplified as:

$$\begin{aligned}v(k) &= \frac{-125+k^3}{-20-k+k^2} \\&= \frac{(k-5)(k^2+5k+25)}{(k-5)(k+4)} \\&= \frac{k^2+5k+25}{k+4}\end{aligned}$$

To find the vertical asymptote :

$$k+4=0$$

$$k=-4$$

There is a vertical asymptote at $k=-4$

To find the horizontal asymptote :

First we must compare the degrees of the polynomials.

The numerator contains a 3rd degree polynomial while the

denominator contains a 2nd 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 :

$$\text{we must divide the numerator by the denominator } \frac{-125+k^3}{-20-k+k^2} = \frac{k^2+5k+25}{k+4} = \frac{21}{k+4} + (k+1)$$

There is an oblique asymptote at $e=k+1$

