It so happens that this function can be simplified as:  $h(a) = \frac{-12+6 \, a+6 \, a^2}{4+2 \, a}$   $= \frac{(2 \, a+4) \, (3 \, a-3)}{2 \, a+4}$   $= 3 \, a-3$ 

To find the vertical asymptote : There is no vertical asymptote To find the horizontal asymptote :

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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 and so the oblique asymptote t=3 a -3

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denominator contains a 1<sup>st</sup> degree polynomial.