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remains unstable and simple,  
since  $\frac{dv(x)}{dx} > 0$  for all  $x$  in the

neighbourhood of  $x = -3$ , and if  
 $\frac{dv(x)}{dx} > 0$ , it is not equal to 0.

If the perturbation is -ve,  
the graph of  $v(x)$  is lowered  
by the magnitude of  $k$ , and  
the point of tangency with the  
 $x$ -axis becomes two points of  
intersection, hence at all the  
fixed points the graph of  $v(x)$   
crosses the  $x$ -axis, so  $\frac{dv}{dx} \neq 0$

at the fixed points, and the  
fixed points are all simple (as  
explained earlier  $\frac{dv}{dx} \neq 0$  for all

$x$  in the neighbourhood of  $x = -3$ )  
so the fixed point at  $x = -3$  is  
unchanged in nature under  
the effect of a small perturbation.

The fixed point at  $x = 1$   
becomes two fixed points ✓  
at  $x = 1 - \epsilon_1$  and  $x = 1 + \epsilon_2$ .

At  $x = 1 - \epsilon_1$ ,  $\frac{dv}{dx} < 0$  so this

fixed point is stable and  
simple, and at  $x = 1 + \epsilon_2$ ,  $\frac{dv}{dx} > 0$

so this fixed point is unstable  
and simple.

The fixed point at  $x = -3$  moves