

Vertical Jump Velocity Estimation

A simple calculation to estimate the acceleration and final velocity of a human performing a vertical jump.

Assuming:

70kg mass
1500 N Jump force (average force over duration)
0.3 second duration

Equations:

Force = Mass * Acceleration

Acceleration = Force/Mass

Velocity = Acceleration * Time

Calculation:

$A = 1500\text{N} / 70\text{Kg}$

$A = 21 \text{ m/ss}$

$V = 21 \text{ m/ss} * 0.3\text{s}$

$V = 6 \text{ m/s}$

Conclusion:

A 70Kg human can reach a velocity of 6 m/s at the time they leave the ground. This is sufficient velocity to escape the gravity of the Mars moon of Deimos.