

4/11/11 An example using momentum

$$p = mv$$

What velocity does a giant turtle have if the turtle's mass is 45 kg and the turtle's momentum is 184 kg-m/sec? Use the five steps.

$$(1a) \quad m = 45 \text{ kg} \quad p = 184 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{SEC}}$$

$$(1b) \quad v = ?$$

$$(2) \quad p = mv$$

$$(3) \quad 184 = 45v$$

$$(4) \quad \frac{184}{45} = \frac{45v}{45}$$

$$4.089 = v$$

$$v = 4.089 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \text{ UP THE WALL}$$

(5)

$$p = mv$$

$$p = 45(4.089)$$

$$= 184.005 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{SEC}}$$

✓ UP THE WALL