







## Newton Derives Kepler's 3rd Law

- P<sup>2</sup> = R<sup>3</sup>/M, if P is in years, R in astronomical units, and M is mass of sun & planet in solar mass. (Mass planet is usually negligible.)
- Kepler's 3<sup>rd</sup> Law depends on the mass of the star.
- The laws of motion are universal. We can use K's 3<sup>rd</sup> Law to measure mass of stars, planets, galaxies, & asteroids.

- Q Astronomers measured orbit of Dactyl. If Dactyl takes a short time to orbit Ida, then
  - a. mass of Ida is big.
  - b. mass of Ida is small.
  - c. mass of Dactyl is small.
  - d. mass of Dactyl is big.



Asteroid Ida & little Dactyl







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- Almost all we about astronomy comes from analyzing light.
- What do you notice about the light of the globular cluster M10?
  - <u>Color</u>: Red stars are brighter than blue stars ⇒ Red stars are giants, about the size of the earth's orbit.
  - <u>Spectra</u> show M10 has much less oxygen (and other elements heavier than Li) than sun ⇒ M10 is very old, one of the first systems to have formed
  - <u>Spectra</u> shows the speed of M10 is very fast compared to that of stars near the sun ⇒ orbits of globular clusters are long & thin, whereas sun's is almost circular



**Globular Cluster M10** 







