

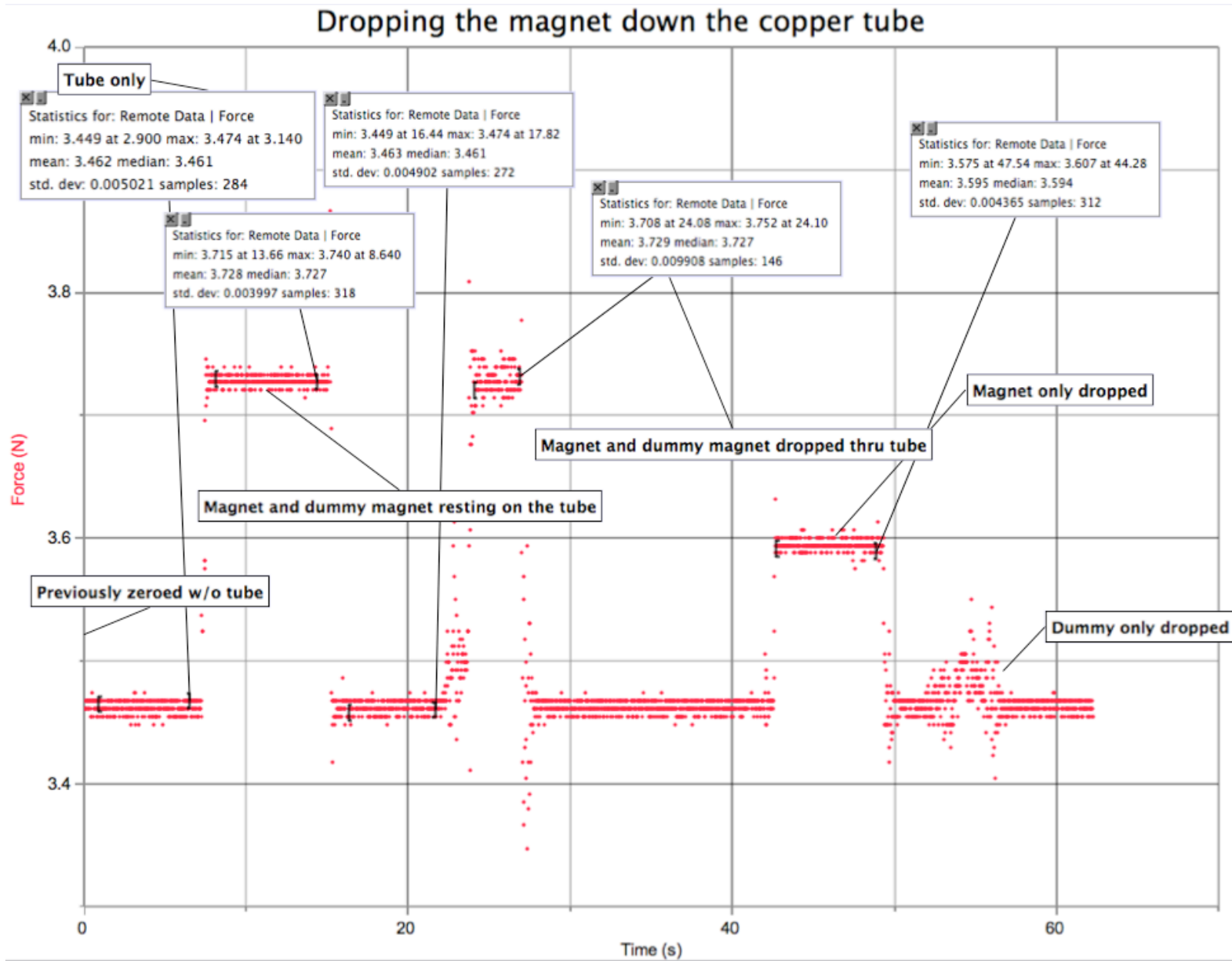
## DOOR PHYSICS: Will the tube become heavier?

The following is the record of my quickly done experiment suggested by C. Bakken's post on TAP-L. He reported that while a magnet was falling down a copper tube he felt the magnet's weight until it exited the tube.

### The apparatus



## The Graphed Data



**Yes!** Note the data scatter and slightly greater weight as the dummy falls.

**e-letter to David Vernier** (I used vernier equipment.)  
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**From:** Bernard Cleyet <[bernardcleyet@redshift.com](mailto:bernardcleyet@redshift.com)>  
**Subject:** **Re: Drop the magnet down the copper tube**  
**Date:** 2009, November 16, 14:05:09 PST  
**To:** David Vernier <[dvernier@vernier.com](mailto:dvernier@vernier.com)>  
**Cc:** Clarence Bakken <[cbakken2001@yahoo.com](mailto:cbakken2001@yahoo.com)>, Nancy Seese  
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**Bcc:** Bryan Mumford <[bryan@bmumford.com](mailto:bryan@bmumford.com)>

Thanks!

Please ensure credit to Clarence that I got the idea (He felt the increased weight while holding the tube) from him.

bc

On 2009, Nov 16, , at 13:52, David Vernier wrote:  
Hello Bernard,

This is pretty good. If you don't mind, I will send it to the guys who do our newsletter and maybe they will use it.

Dave Vernier

On Tue, Nov 10, 2009 at 4:44 PM, Bernard Cleyet <[bernardcleyet@redshift.com](mailto:bernardcleyet@redshift.com)> wrote:

Will the tube become heavier?

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bc was a coffee table physicist, now a door physicist.

p.s. Idea from Clarence Bakken (posted on tap-l)

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