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$$f_m = \frac{m}{2L} \sqrt{\frac{F_T}{\mu}} \Rightarrow F_T = \frac{4L^2 f_m^2 \mu}{m^2}$$

here,  $L = 0.60 \text{ m}$

$m = 14.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}$

$\mu = \frac{m}{L} = 0.024 \text{ kg/m}$

$m = 1$  (fundamental).

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F_D - F_C}{F_C} &= \frac{4L^2 f_D^2 \mu / m^2 - 4L^2 f_C^2 \mu / m^2}{4L^2 f_C^2 \mu / m^2} = \frac{f_D^2 - f_C^2}{f_C^2} \\ &= \frac{(73.4)^2 - (65.4)^2}{(65.4)^2} = \boxed{0.260} \end{aligned}$$

[You don't need to calculate  $F_D$  and  $F_C$ , since almost all the constants cancel. The correct values are

$$F_C = \frac{4L^2 f_C^2 \mu}{m^2} = \frac{(4)(0.6)^2 (65.4)^2 (0.024)}{1^2} = 147.8 \text{ N}$$

$$F_D = \frac{4(0.6)^2 (73.4)^2 (0.024)}{1^2} = 186.2$$

$$\frac{F_D - F_C}{F_C} = 0.260 \quad ]$$