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different natural frequencies because of FOD, DOD, manufacturing variation, or other occurrences, then a single blade or a set of blades may act as a vibration absorber for the entire assembly. The result is exceptionally-high amplitudes for those blades, which leads to blades that accumulate fatigue damage faster than would normally be expected.

In higher groups, when there is mistuning, the concepts of groups eventually breaks down, as the mistuning causes enough disorder in the blade deformation shapes that a mode cannot be defined as belonging to one group or another. For instance, some blades may have a predominantly bending deformation, while others may have a predominantly torsional deformation. In higher modes, the traditional meaning of mode localization breaks down, and instead modal lines and stress patterns look disorganized.

With the existence of shrouds, greater coupling between blades generally exists, with combined stiffness and energy dissipation (dissipation via contact friction). While the stiffness coupling generally enhances blade coupling and alleviates localization, the non-linear effects of the energy dissipation have been shown by at least one researcher to have the potential to induce the rogue blade effect, in theory.

**d. Aerodynamic mistuning**

Aerodynamic mistuning is the variation of aerodynamic loading, from one blade passage to the next. While structural mistuning is generally represented as variations of the mass and stiffness matrices in a finite element model, aerodynamic mistuning manifests itself as a variation of the forcing function, or blade loads, from the symmetric case. Bladed disk assembly models are generally linear, with the exception of shroud, root, and root dampers. As a result, a doubling of the applied load will cause a doubling of the system response. As a result, aerodynamic mistuning does not in itself have the equivalent potentially-dramatic impact on blade response as structural mistuning does. However, unlike structural mistuning, it will always have an effect, and that effect is proportional to its magnitude. In addition, the location and motion of shock waves which travel along blades can dramatically change blade response. At higher modes, the projection of blade pressures onto the blade modes (which yields blade-modal forces) is dramatically sensitive to both blade modal mistuning as well as distribution of aerodynamic pressure. Clearly, the mistuned analysis is a larger problem than the tuned analysis. Consequently, recent work has focused on ways to reduce the size of the model computationally while the essential characteristics of the forced response phenomenon are retained. While a great deal of effort has gone into deterministically obtaining mode shapes and natural frequencies from prescribed mistunings, the mode shapes of the bladed disk cannot be confused with the operational deformation shape and amplitude. For example, exciting a simple cantilevered Euler-Bernoulli beam at its first natural frequency with a pressure distribution of its second mode will yield zero response. Also, as a result of the close spacing of modes (or repeated frequencies), and mode localization, the greatest potential response may occur slightly off-resonance(s), where the sum effect of being near multiple resonances is greater than the response at a single resonance. Therefore, pure modal responses are not sufficient to determine operational speeds at which the maximum responses will occur, or what that maximum response is. Simulations should include multiple modal responses. Both the modal frequencies and mode shapes should be known well. When rogue blade analyses is performed, simulations should include multiple system modes for a wide-enough set of cases to obtain a statistically-significant peak response distribution over what are defined as allowable mistunings in the bladed disk assembly operation specifications.

A number of potential reduced-order techniques exist. However, they are not well-tested by third parties. They should be used with caution. They must be validated for each problem to which they are applied until their capabilities are more fully understood.

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**REQUIREMENT LESSONS LEARNED (A.4.13.3.2)**

None.

**A.5.13.3.2 Component vibrations.**

Verification of model validity, modal characteristics, vibration amplitudes, steady stresses, and all other aspects of the HCF problem should be performed at each step of the design and verification process. An integrated approach where each stage of the design/verification process builds upon the previous one should be utilized. Verification should include numerical verification (sensitivities to key parameters), and data generated in component bench testing, rig testing, engine testing, and, ultimately, operational use. Established methods to compare experimental and analytical results should be employed where possible. Probabilistic design margins and predictions should be validated with bench, rig, and engine test experience in addition to statistical comparisons to operating fleet databases. Assurance is to be provided by verifying that the probability levels for each contributing random variable used to compute probabilistic design margins or probability of failure are within the experimental data range for that variable.

**VERIFICATION RATIONALE (A.5.13.3.2)**

An integrated approach to verification insures maximum benefit is gained from each effort expended in the course of the design/verification process. Execution of the task at hand with an understanding of what subsequent phases will require maximizes usefulness of information acquired. This ultimately maximizes knowledge acquired during development and reduces overall development and life cycle costs.

**VERIFICATION GUIDANCE (A.5.13.3.2)**

A methodical systems engineering approach should be taken to understand fully the design and test parameters that should be undertaken to identify and resolve HCF issues within gas turbine engines. Those design and test parameters, as well as a checklist for test protocol item compliance, are presented as follow:

- a) **Design system:** The holistic test and evaluation approach recommended herein begins with the contractor's design system. The manufacturer's design system defines the tools, margins, criteria, and material data used for the design of a gas turbine engine. Given that a definition of robustness is insensitivity to variation, the test protocol first recommends that numerical assessments, including probabilistic predictions, be made to bound the range of variation that will potentially be present in a component. This requires that relevant influence parameters be understood. Some influence parameters may be geometric variations, variations in boundary conditions, local environment and body forces (e.g., RPM), etc. Assessments such as these can be performed by "brute-force" or through use of techniques like eigensensitivity analysis. The latter has the advantage of being useful in the identification of model regions where modal frequencies may be especially sensitive to geometric variations. These results can be used to create specific models for parts that are off-nominal if geometric differences are known (by CMM, for example), or to correct/understand discrepancies between experimental results and nominal model results.

The manufacturer should insure structural models used for these studies are sufficiently representative of the actual structure. One way to address this is to perform a mesh density investigation to make sure that computed frequencies for normal modes do not change as a function of model discretization. Utilization of solid elements (isoparametric) with parabolic shape functions is recommended.

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TEST PROTOCOL ITEM		COMPLIANCE?
I.	Design per Standard Work	
II.	Construct FEM	
	<i>Solid Elements</i>	
	<i>Parabolic Displacements Functions</i>	
III.	Perform Normal Modes Analysis	
	<i>Mesh Density Assessment</i>	
IV.	Sensitivity Assessment	
	<i>Crystal Orientation</i>	
	<i>Geometric Variations (Eigensensitivity)</i>	
	<i>Boundary Conditions</i>	
V.	Define Optimum Sensor Locations	
	<i>Mode Measurement Capability</i>	
	<i>Modeshape Identification</i>	
	<i>Sensitivity to Sensor Misplacement</i>	
VI.	Validate FEM	
	<i>Frequency Comparison</i>	
	<i>Strain Ratio or Relative Displacement Comparison</i>	
	<i>Modal Assurance Criteria (MAC) or similar</i>	
VII.	Compute Normal Modes at Speed	
VIII.	Define Limits for All Component Locations	
IX.	Design Experiment to Maximize Exposure to Influence Parameters	
X.	Test Rig and/or Engine	
	<i>Process All Dynamic Data</i>	
	<i>Transform to Frequency Domain</i>	
	<i>Identify Modes Using Frequency and MAC</i>	
	<i>Apply Limits/Use FEM or FEM Derived Look-up Table</i>	
	<i>Database Results</i>	
	<i>Establish Statistical Variations from Database</i>	
XI.	Assess Robustness	
XII.	Fix as-needed using Eigensensitivity to Move Problem Modes	

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