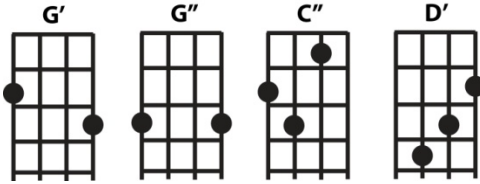


Ground Loop Blues, by Marian McKenzie, Fall 2010

Chords for baritone uke (same as top four strings of a guitar):



G G' G'' G' G G' G'' G'
1. I went to see my baby, she was in that lab alone,
G G' G'' G' G G' G''
I said, "Hey, tell me, Baby, why aren't you coming home?"
G' C Am C'' Am C Am
She said, "It's ground loops.
C'' Am G G' G'' G' G G' G''
I've got 'em really bad.
G' D D' D D'
And if I can't get all these ground loops,
C Am C Am G G' G'' G' G G D7
I'll tell you, it is gonna drive me mad!

G G' G'' G' G G' G'' G'
2. "When I came in this morning, the weather it was fine,
G G' G'' G' G G' G''
I checked my interference and the sun refused to shine!
G' C Am C'' Am C Am
It's ground loops –
C'' Am G G' G'' G' G G' G''
Those things are ev'ry where!
G' D D' D
I've got a sixty Hertz dilemma,
D' C Am C Am G G' G'' G' G G D7
And it makes me want to scream and tear my hair!

---Interlude---

G G' G'' G' G G' G'' G'
3. "Oh, you may think a sine wave Has got to be a fine wave

G G' G'' G' G G' G''
But when I saw that screen, I felt rage at the machine –

G' C Am C'' Am C
You know it's ground loops!

Am C'' Am G G' G'' G' G G' G''
I'm like those Greek gals with the sieve. (*The daughters of Danaus in Hades*)

G' D D' D
Because I try and try to fix them,

D' C Am C Am G G' G'' G' G G D7
But I can't, and I just feel too blue to live.

G G' G'' G' G G' G'' G'
4. "I hunted for that ground but a roach was all I found.

G G' G'' G' G G' G''
I've added new resistors till my thumbs developed blisters

G' C Am C'' Am C Am
Damn these ground loops!

C'' Am G G' G'' G' G G' G''
I'm feeling like a dunce!

G' D D' D D'
Just pass the fire extinguisher;

C Am C Am G G' G'' G' G G D7
I'll take out all the blasted things at once!"

---Interlude---

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G G' G'' G' G G' G'' G'
5. I said, "Come on, now, Baby, I can see you've had enough.

G G' G'' G' G G' G''
We all know fixing ground loops is a job that's pretty tough.

G' C Am C'' Am C
Forget the ground loops.

Am C'' Am G G' G'' G' G G' G''
Get some supper and a snooze.

G' D D' D
Then tomorrow you'll be ready

D' C Am C Am G G' G'' G' G G' G7
To come back and shake your ground loop blues."