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Blues Intro

CD

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G⁷ C⁷ G⁷

C⁷ G⁷ Bm⁷ E⁷
hold-- hold--

A⁷ (D⁷) G⁷ F#⁷ F⁷ E⁷ A⁷ D⁷

G⁷ Dm⁷ G⁷

Scales For Altered Dominant Turnarounds

Example 49 (CD 54)

These are "sample" fingerings for the following altered dominant chords:

The image shows four sets of fingerings for altered dominant chords. The top staff is a treble clef staff with note heads. The bottom staff is a guitar neck diagram with three strings labeled T (top), A (middle), and B (bottom). The fingerings correspond to the notes in the top staff.

- E altered:** Treble staff: E, F#, G, A, B, C, D. Neck: T 5, A 6, B 8.
- A altered:** Treble staff: A, B, C, D, E, F#, G. Neck: T 5, A 6, B 8.
- D altered:** Treble staff: D, E, F, G, A, B, C. Neck: T 5, A 6, B 8.
- G altered:** Treble staff: G, A, B, C, D, E, F#. Neck: T 5, A 6, B 9.

Example 50: Altered Dominant Turnaround Etude (CD 55)

The turnaround we will be working with here is related to the I vi ii V of the last example. However, in this case, all of the chords are altered dominant types and the I chord is replaced by a III (E7#9/#11) chord. Each chord employs the altered scale from their respective roots: E altered, D altered and G altered.

A few observations concerning this example:

1. The harmonic content of the lines adheres rather strictly to the scales as shown in Example 49, so analyzing them should be easy.
2. Unlike the prior turnaround etude (I vi ii V), chords are approached on an individual basis, with a clear-cut scale-per-chord relationship. Chords are never "lumped together," which makes connecting them more challenging.
3. The rhythm of these lines is varied and decidedly freer than all other examples thus far. There exists a good amount of "double-time" - playing sixteenth notes instead of the usual eighths - thereby packing more tensions per beat.

The image shows a musical score for a single player, likely a guitarist, consisting of six staves. The staves are grouped into three sections, each starting with a treble clef staff and followed by a guitar neck diagram with strings T, A, and B.

- E7alt:** Treble staff: E, F#, G, A, B, C, D. Neck: T 8, A 6, B 5.
- A7alt:** Treble staff: A, B, C, D, E, F#, G. Neck: T 7, A 8, B 5.
- D7alt:** Treble staff: D, E, F, G, A, B, C. Neck: T 4, A 5, B 6.
- G7alt:** Treble staff: G, A, B, C, D, E, F#. Neck: T 3, A 5, B 4.
- E7alt:** Treble staff: E, F#, G, A, B, C, D. Neck: T 5, A 6, B 5.
- A7alt:** Treble staff: A, B, C, D, E, F#, G. Neck: T 6, A 7, B 5.