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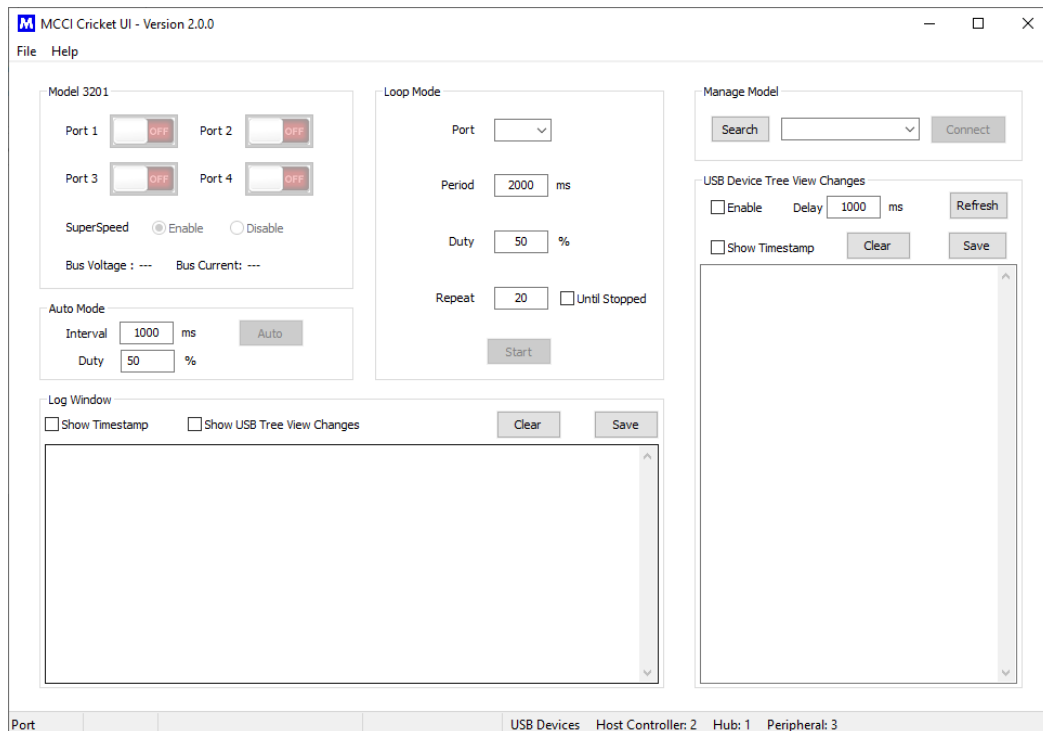
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1 Introduction

MCCI developed a common UI “MCCI® Cricket UI” to control the “Model 3141 USB4 Switch” and “Model 3201 Enhanced Type-C Connection Exerciser” and “Model 2101 Connection Exerciser”. This document provides instructions on how to use features provided by the GUI application and other available control options. GUI overview is shown in the Figure 1

Figure 1 MCCI Cricket UI Overview



2 Models Supported

2.1 Model 3141 USB4™ Switch

The MCCI® Model 3141 USB4™ Switch is a computer-controlled programmable 2:1 switch, connecting two USB Type-C receptacles to a single Type-C plug. It is compatible with USB4 hosts and devices, as well as older protocols such as Thunderbolt™ 3, USB 3.2 gen2 or gen1, USB 2.0, USB Type-C Alternate Modes, and of course Power Delivery.

The Model 3141 USB4 Switch automates connect/disconnect of one or two devices to a USB Type-C port. It can be used in stress testing, switching between peripherals (for example, a dock and a display), or any automated reconfiguration of a USB Type-C port. For more information, see the [product home page](http://www.mcci.com) at www.mcci.com.

Figure 2 Model 3141 USB4 Switch



2.2 Model 3201 Enhanced Type-C Connection Exerciser

The MCCI Model 3201 Enhanced Type-C Connection Exerciser (MUTT ConnEX-C) plugs and unplugs up to 4 USB-C® devices for automated testing of USB Type-C® products. For more information, see the [product home page](http://www.mcci.com) at www.mcci.com.

Figure 3 Model 3201 Type-C Connection Exerciser



2.3 Model 2101 USB Connection Exerciser

The MCCI USB 3.0 Connection Exerciser Model 2101 automatically connects and disconnects a USB 2.0 or 3.2 gen1 host and device under push-button or software control. Connections can be single-stepped or repeated. The manual modes are useful for debugging attach/detach scenarios. For more information, see the [product home page](http://www.mcci.com) at www.mcci.com.

Figure 4 Model 2101 connection Exerciser



3 Download and Installation

Download the installation setup for “MCCI USB Switch Cricket UI” software from here, the Knowledge base section in MCCI portal (<https://portal.mcci.com/portal/kb>) and follow the instruction for software installation.

4 MCCI Cricket UI Overview

When the installation successfully completes, execute the “Cricket UI” file, from Start → All Programs, or from the shortcut provided on the desktop. When the application starts, the following GUI screen displays as Figure 1 The GUI window contains these following sections:

- Model 3201/Model 3141/Model 2101 Ports Control: It has the option to control the ports of the device, this varies for Model 3141, 3201 and 2101.
- Loop Mode: Switch the selected port in cyclic mode.
- Manage Model: Listed the number of devices attached in it and the user can select the device to be controlled.
- USB Device Tree View Changes: It displays the features of the attached Devices on to the port.
- Log Window: Print the device’s switching activity logs with timestamp.
- Status Bar: It is available at the bottom of the GUI and displays the status of the switch connected and Host system’s USB controller status, port details, et. As shown in Figure 5
- Menu Bar: It has a File and Help menu. As shown below in Figure 6.

Figure 5 Status Bar

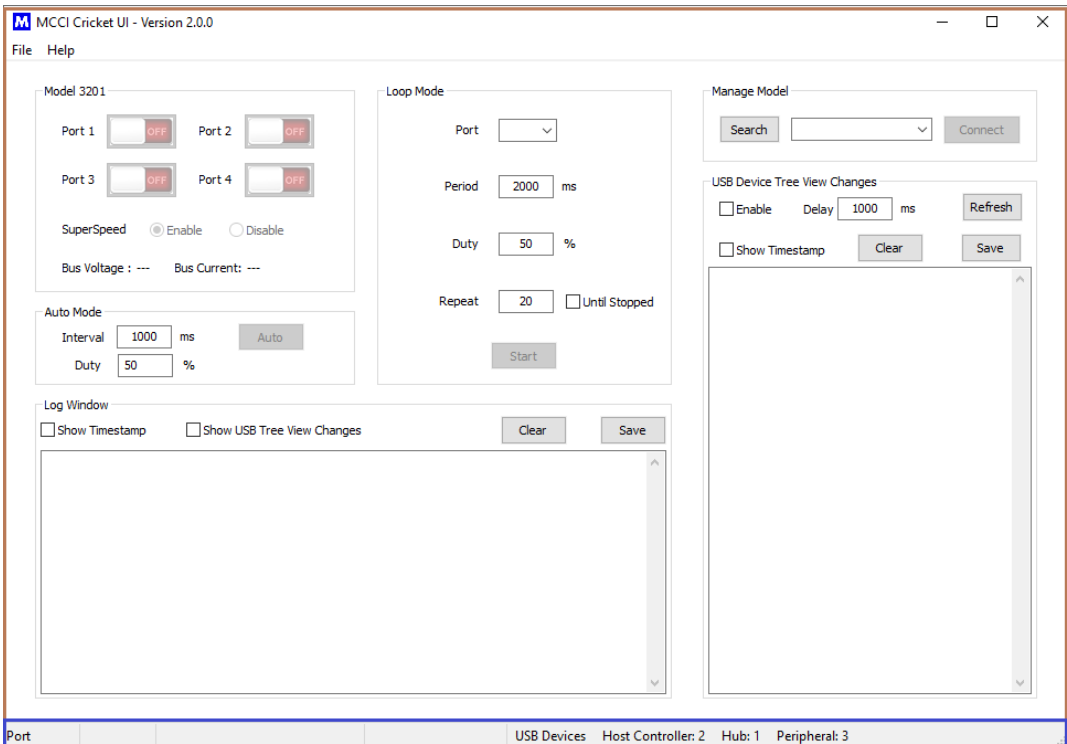
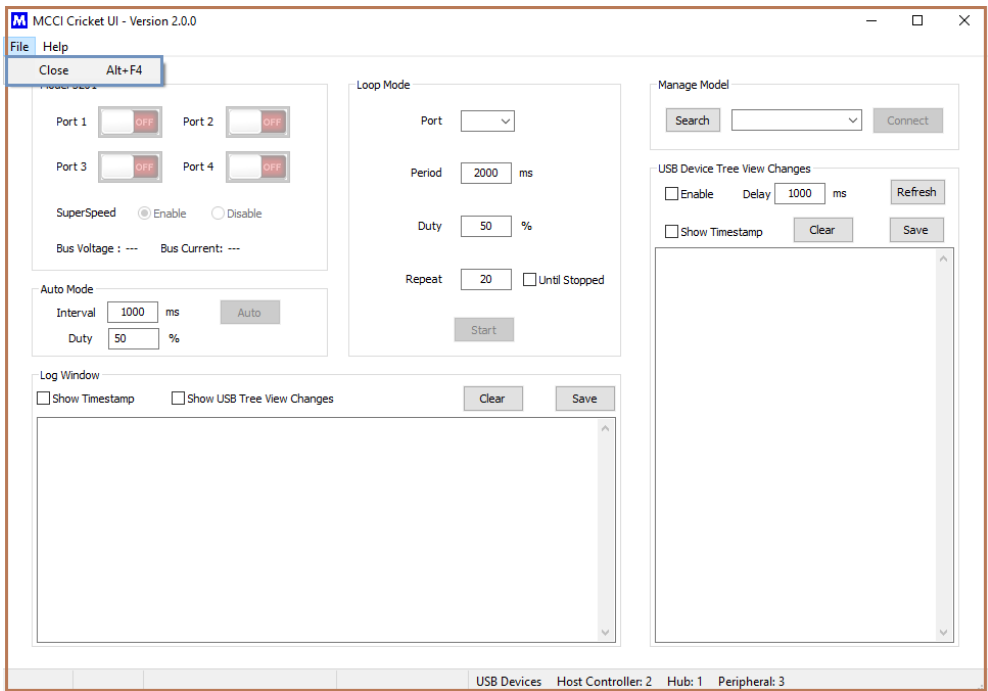
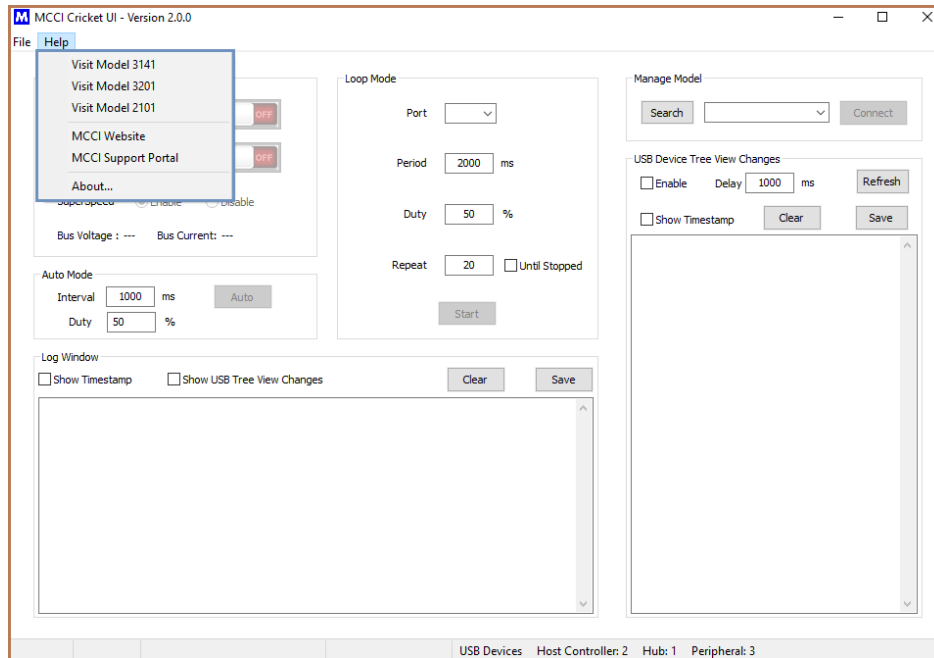


Figure 6 Menu Bar

FILE MENU



HELP MENU

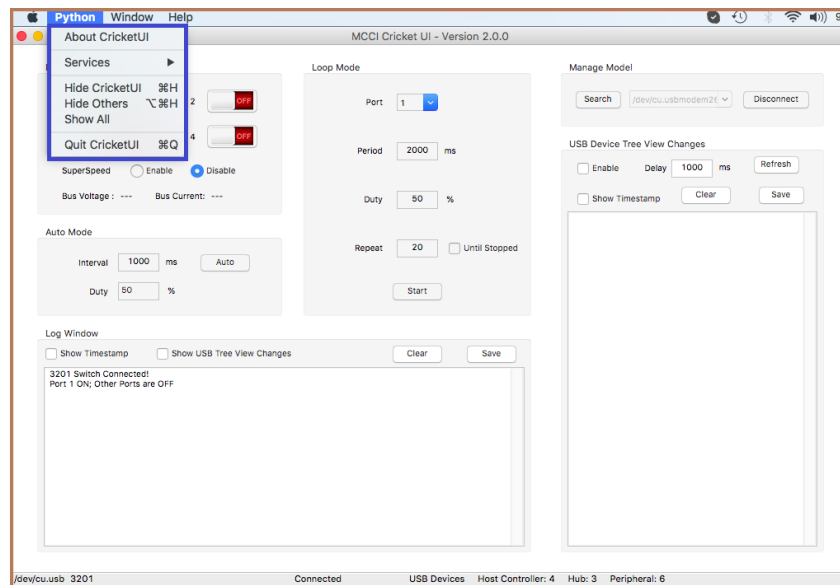


5 Mac OS Menu Overview

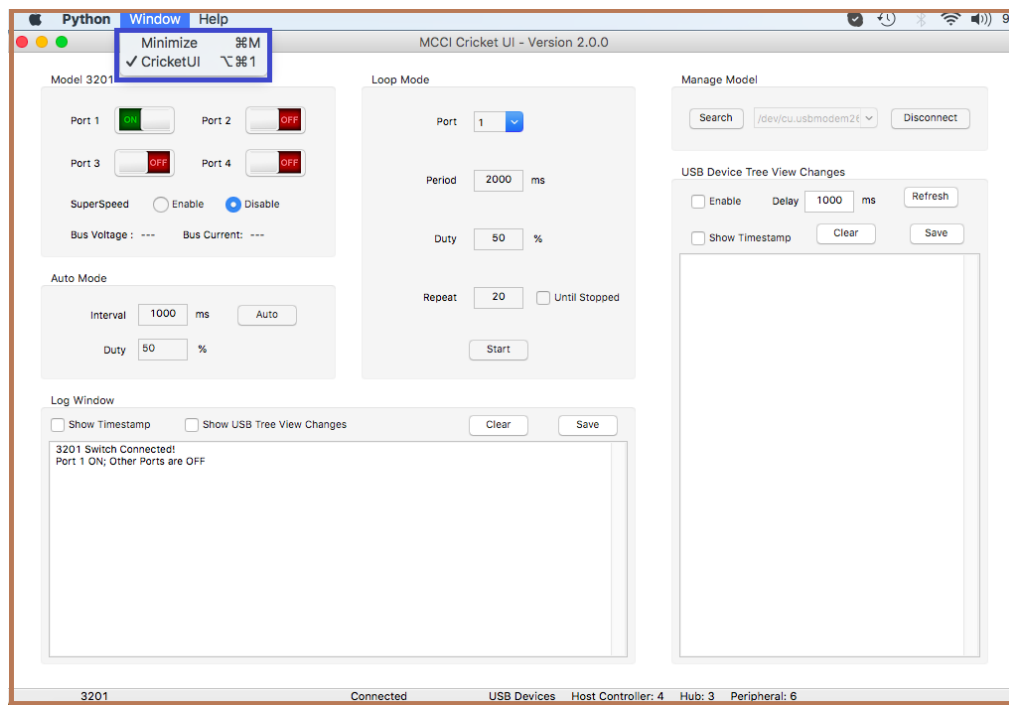
The menu bar in Mac OS has three menus, (MCCI Cricket UI), Window and Help menu as shown in Figure 7

Figure 7 Menu bar in Mac OS

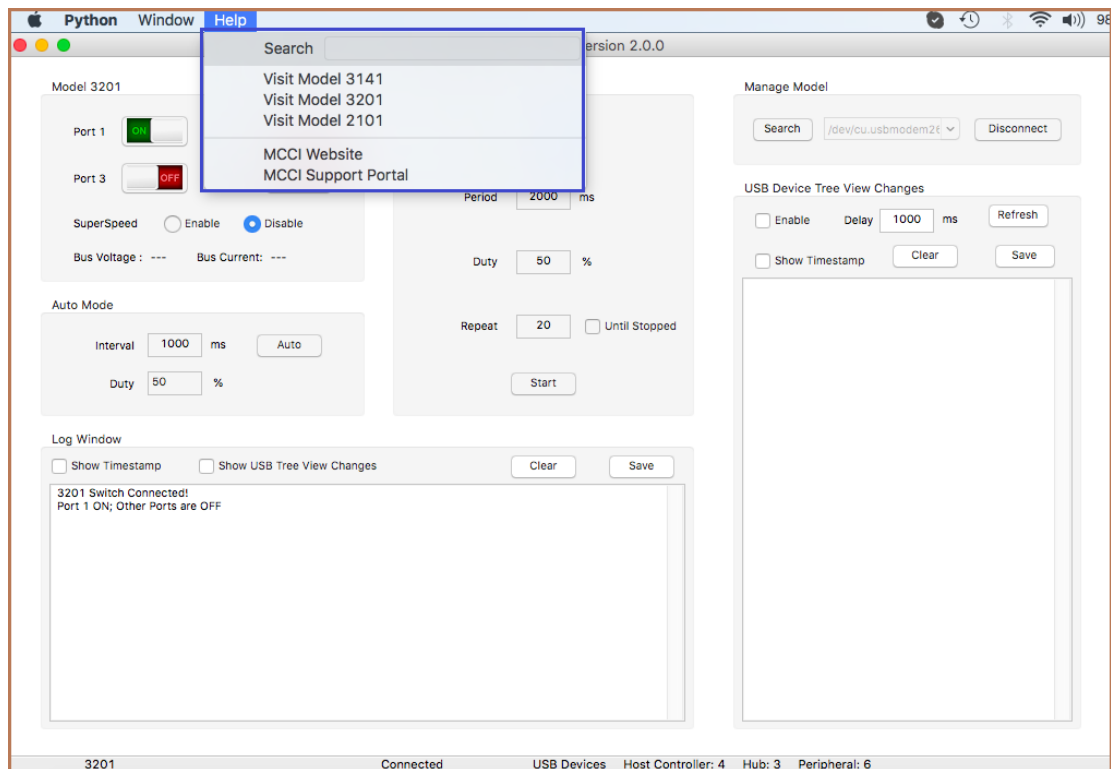
UI3141-3201 APP MENU



WINDOW MENU



HELP MENU



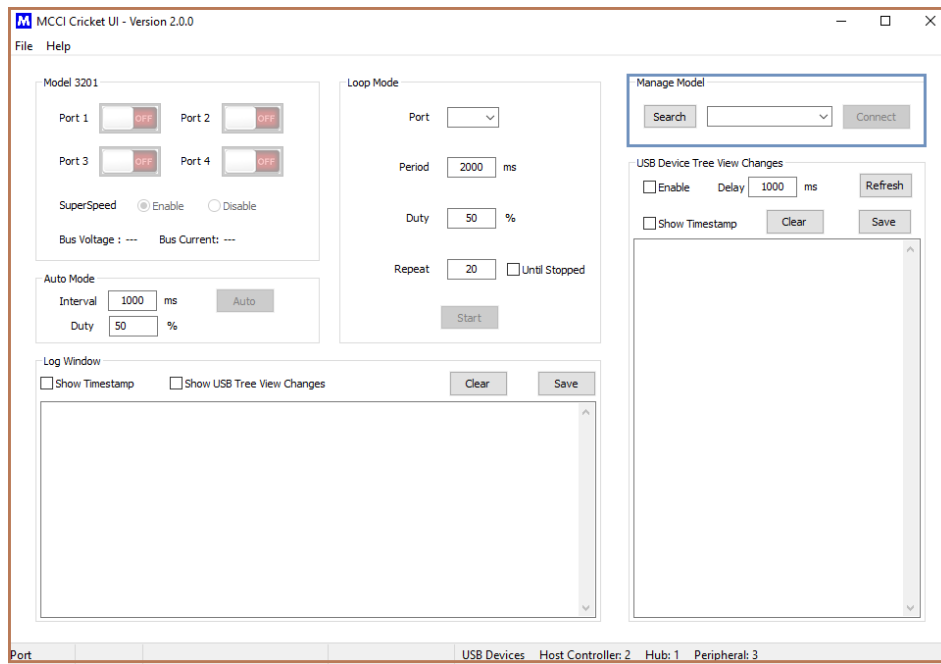
6 GUI Features and Options

The GUI features and options are explained in this section.

6.1 Manage Model Selection

The GUI can automatically detect the 3141, 3201 and 2101 device models. The device models 3201, 3141, 2101 can be selected from the Manage Model tab as shown in Figure 8.

Figure 8 Device Selection



Click the Search button to get the list of connected, supported USB models, select a model from the drop down menu and click Connect button to select the model. The Model panel gets changed based on the connected model.

The Manage Model control options and descriptions are mentioned in Table 1.

Table 1 Manage Model Options

| Control Option | Description |
|-------------------|--|
| Search | Clicking on that Search Button will show the attached devices in the USB bus/network |
| Connect | Clicking on that Connect Button, connect the selected device |
| Disconnect | Clicking on that Disconnect Button, Disconnect the selected device |

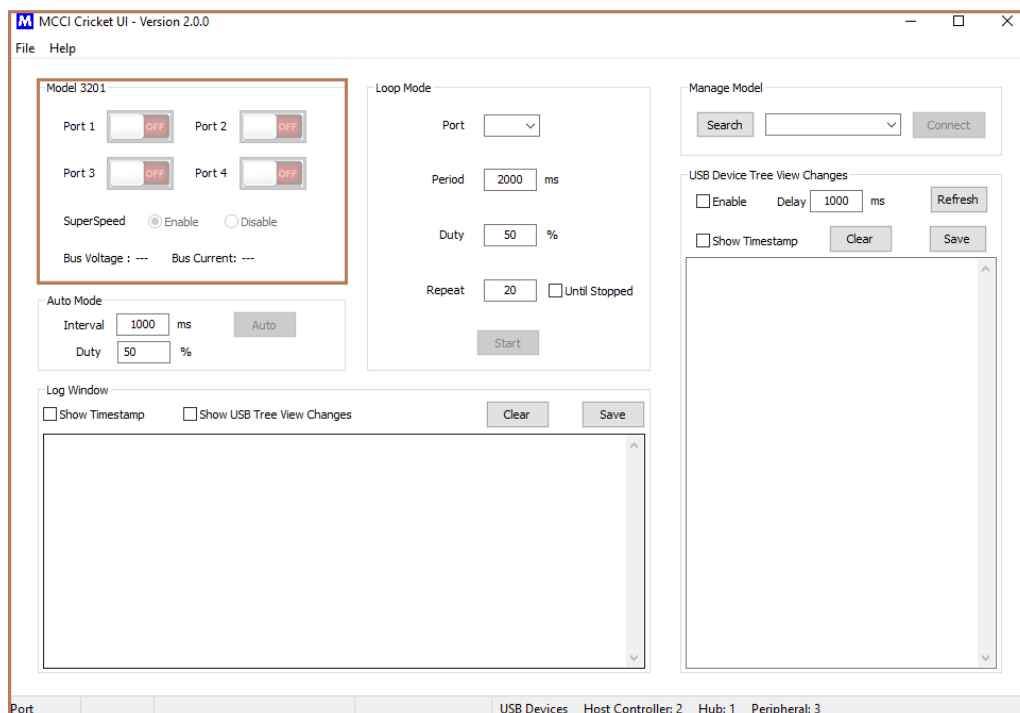
6.2 Model 3201 UI Control Window

The control window of Model 3201 appears in the UI, when the Model 3201 device is selected from the Manage Model Panel as shown in Figure 9.

The control options of Model 3201 are explained below:

- The **Port** buttons, which will get activated after the device is connected.
- **ON/OFF** switch to control the port state.
-
- Radio buttons to select Super Speed (**Enable**) or High Speed (**Disable**) lines.
- Volts and Amps button
 - Clicking on the **Volts** button will print the Bus Voltage
 - Clicking on the **Amps** button will print the Current Flow with the direction.
 - Negative value - Current flow from SUT (System Under Test) to DUT (Devices Under Test)
 - Positive value - Current flow from DUT to SUT
- **Auto** switch (continuously switch between the ports in the defined **interval** and **Duty**)

Figure 9 Model 3201 UI Control Window



6.3 Model 3141 UI Control Window

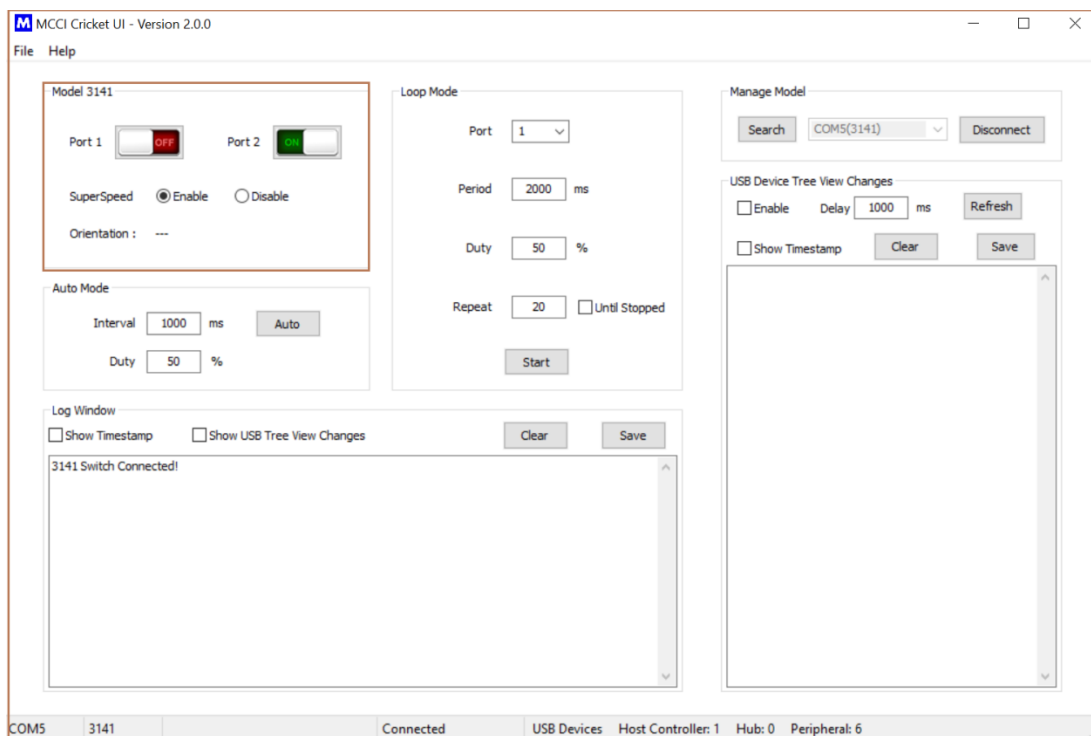
The control window of Model 3141 appears in the UI, when the Model 3141 device is selected from the Manage Model Panel as shown in Figure 10.

The control options of Model 3141 are explained below:

- The **Port** buttons will get activated after the device is connected.
- **ON/OFF** switch to control the port state.
- Radio buttons to **Enable/Disable** SuperSpeed lines (NOTE: Supports ONLY SuperSpeed).
- **Check Orientation** button to show the Type-C connector connection (Normal/Flip)
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Auto mode button (continuously switch between the ports in the defined **interval** and **Duty**) to provide switching interval.

Figure 10 Model 3141 UI Control Window



6.4 Model 2101 UI Control Window

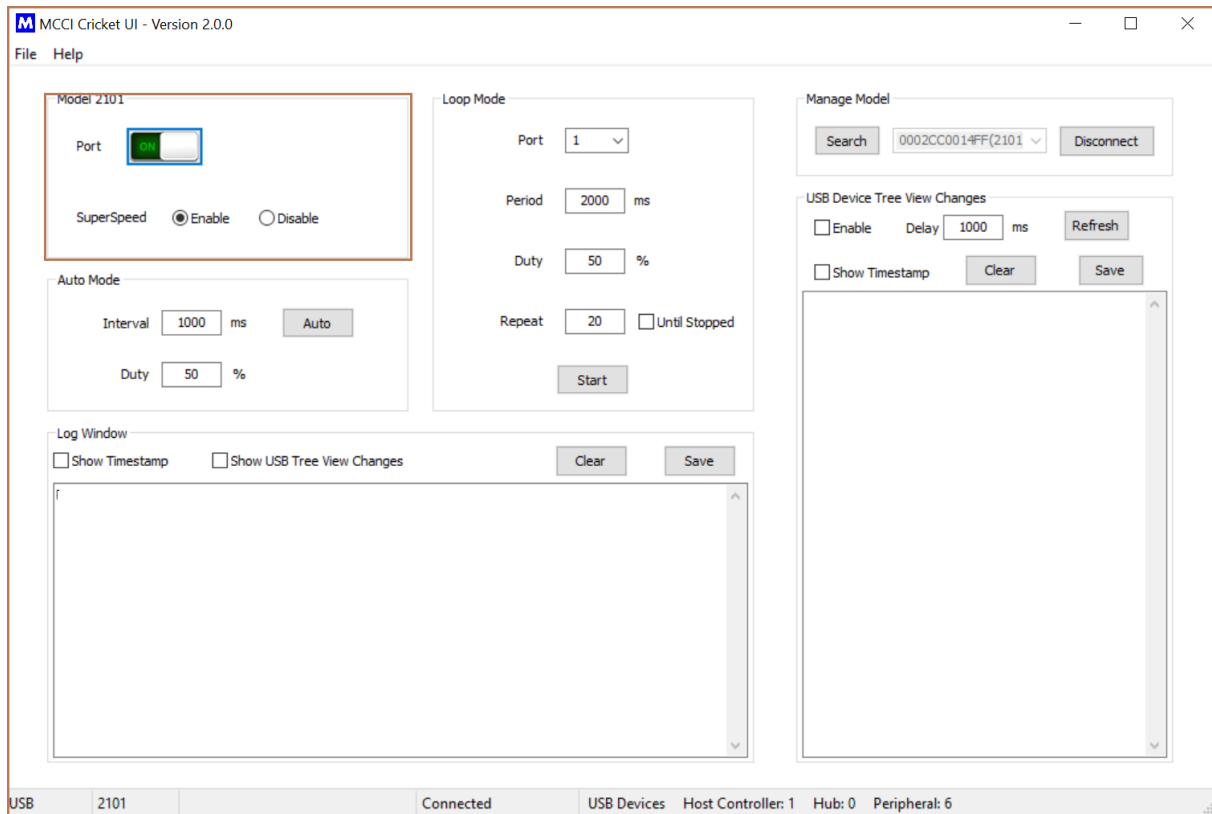
The control window of Model 2101 appears in the UI, when the Model 2101 device is selected from the Manage Model Panel as shown in Figure 11

The control options of Model 2101 are explained below:

- The **Port** button will get activated after the device is connected.
- **ON/OFF** switch to control the port state.
- **Auto** mode button controls for selecting speed.

- Radio buttons to select SuperSpeed (**Enable**) or High Speed (**Disable**) lines.

Figure 11 Model 2101 UI Control Window



6.5 Modes of Operation

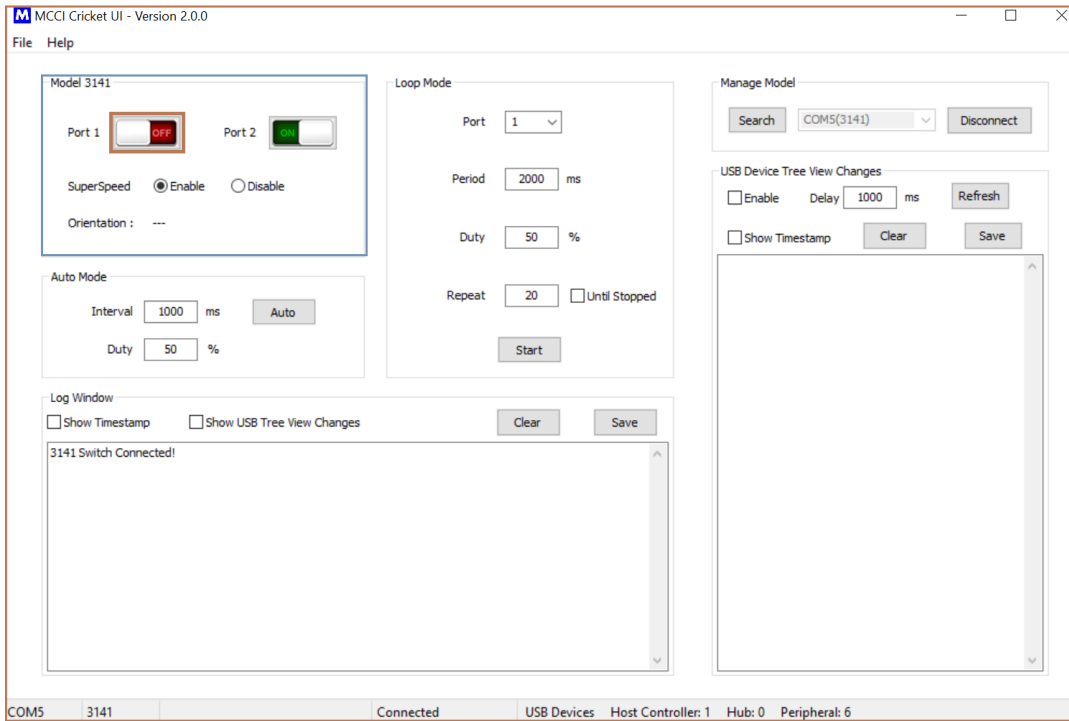
In order to control the device, the GUI has supported 3 modes of operation

- Manual Mode
- Auto Mode
- Loop Mode

This section contains the detailed explanation about the modes.

6.5.1 Manual Mode

Figure 12 Manual Mode



- The Port switch can be controlled manually using available button(s) in the UI as shown in the Figure 12
- ON/OFF button is used to enable/disable the ports of the connecting device.
- Enable/Disable the SuperSpeed lines anytime using the radio button.
- The Model 3201 or Model 3141 Icon(s) and description are mentioned in Table 2.

Table 2 Model 3201/3141 Manual Mode Control Options

| Icons | Description |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| PORT <n> | Select the active port switch button. |
| ON/OFF | The selected port should be ON /OFF |
| Super speed Enable and Disable | Enable/Disable the Super Speed option |

6.5.2 Auto Mode

- In GUI, the Auto mode is used to switch between the available Port(s) of the selected devices continuously with configured Interval/delay (Default is **1000ms**) and Duty (default is **50%**).

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- Duty cycle is the ratio of time allocated for the switch to be ON compared to the time the load switch to be OFF.
- User can't change the Port and Speed in the middle of Auto mode execution
- This mode (Model 3201) can Start/Stop using the **Auto** button shown in Figure 13.
- This mode (Model 3141) can Start/Stop using the **Auto** button shown in Figure 14.
- This mode (Model 2101) can Start/Stop using the **Auto** button shown in Figure 15

Figure 13 Model 3201 Auto Mode Controls

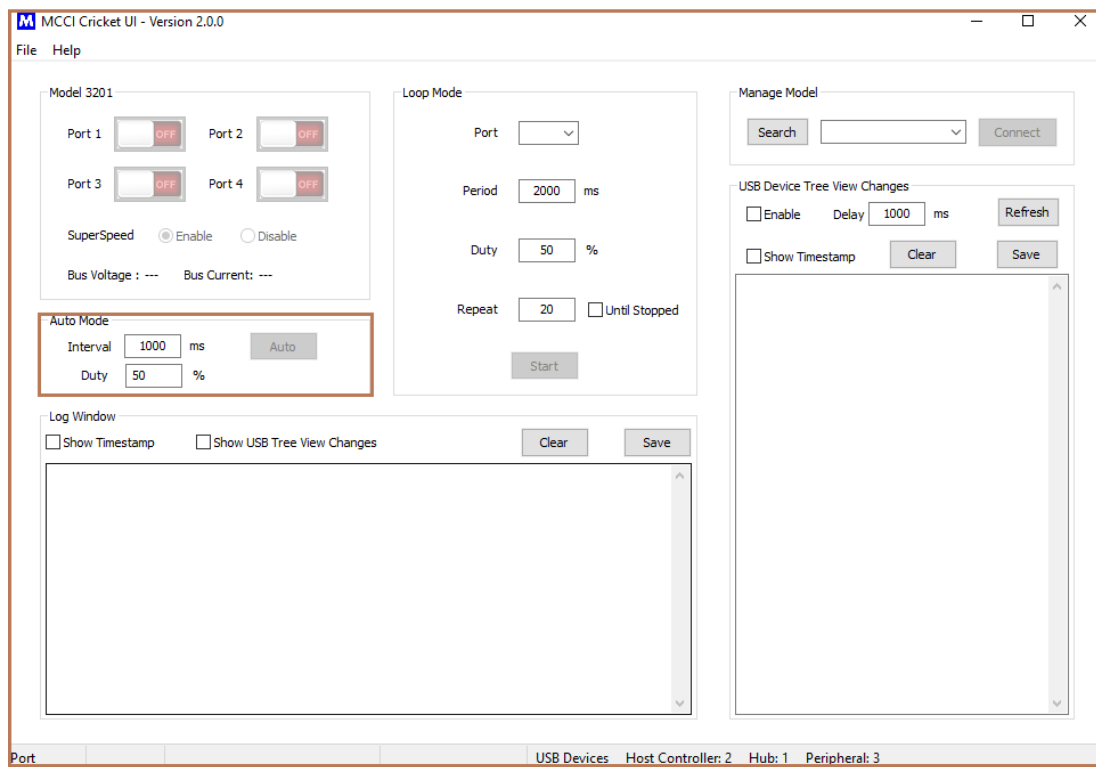


Figure 14 Model 3141 Auto Mode Controls

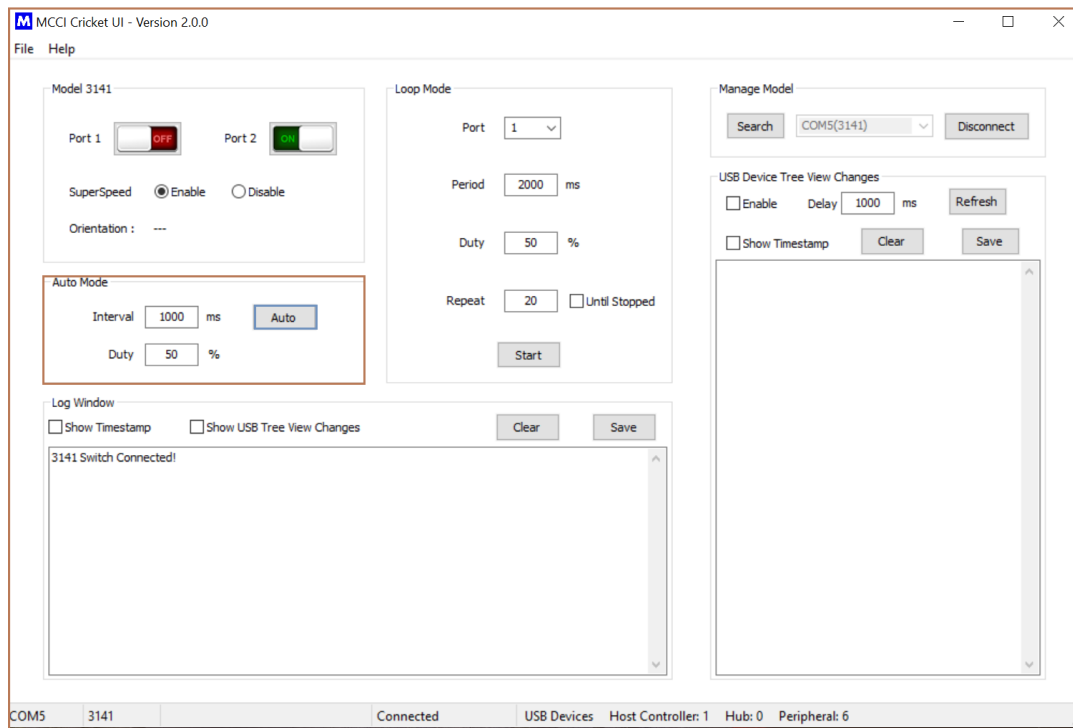
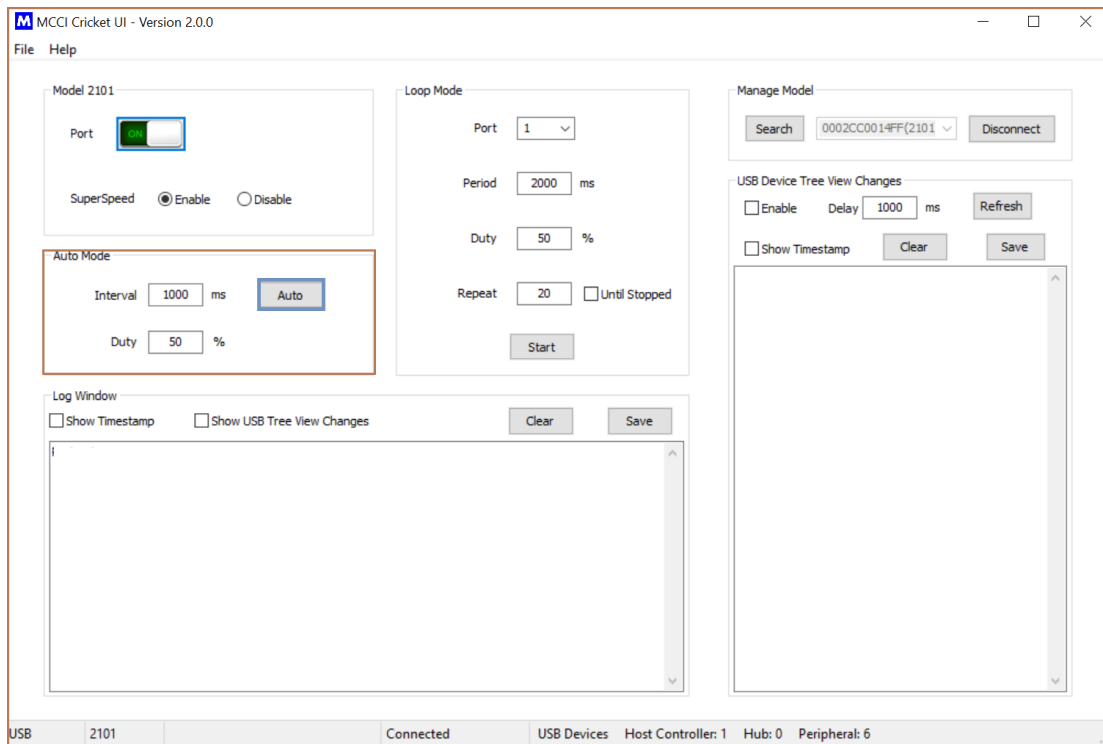


Figure 15 Model 2101 Auto Mode Controls



Note: If USB Device Tree Changes option is enabled, Then Delay specifies in that window is override the auto-mode interval.

The Model 3201/3141/2101 auto mode control options and description are mentioned in Table 3.

Table 3 Model 3201/3141 Auto Mode Control Options

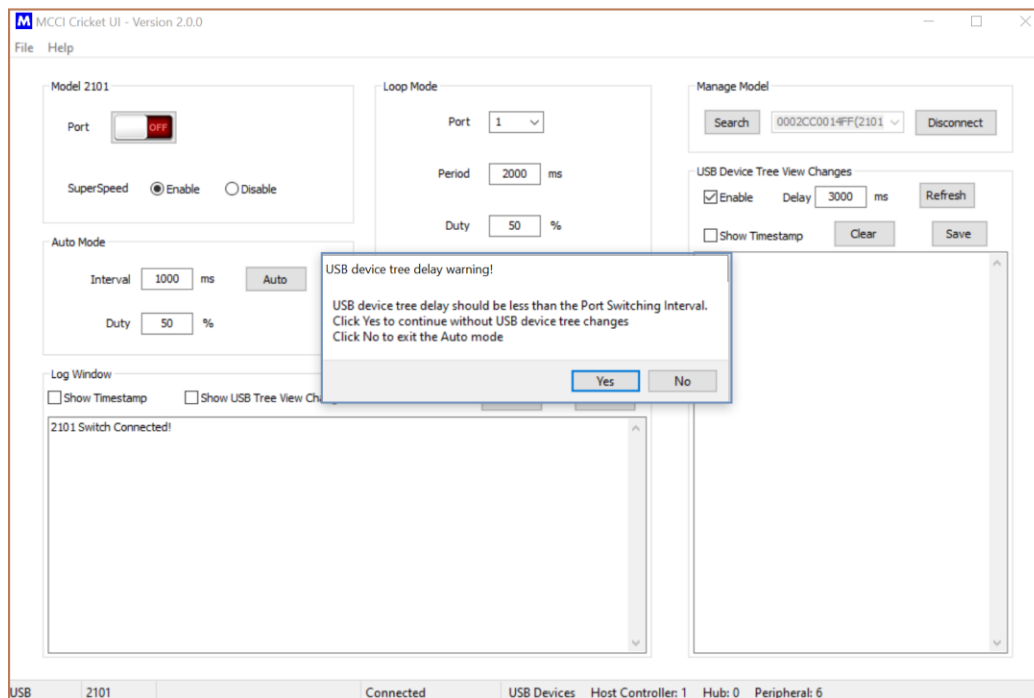
| Control Option | Description |
|----------------|--|
| Duty | Percentage of ON time in total time period (ON + OFF). |
| Interval | Auto-mode switching interval (Default 1000 MS) |
| Auto/Stop | Start/Stop the auto mode |

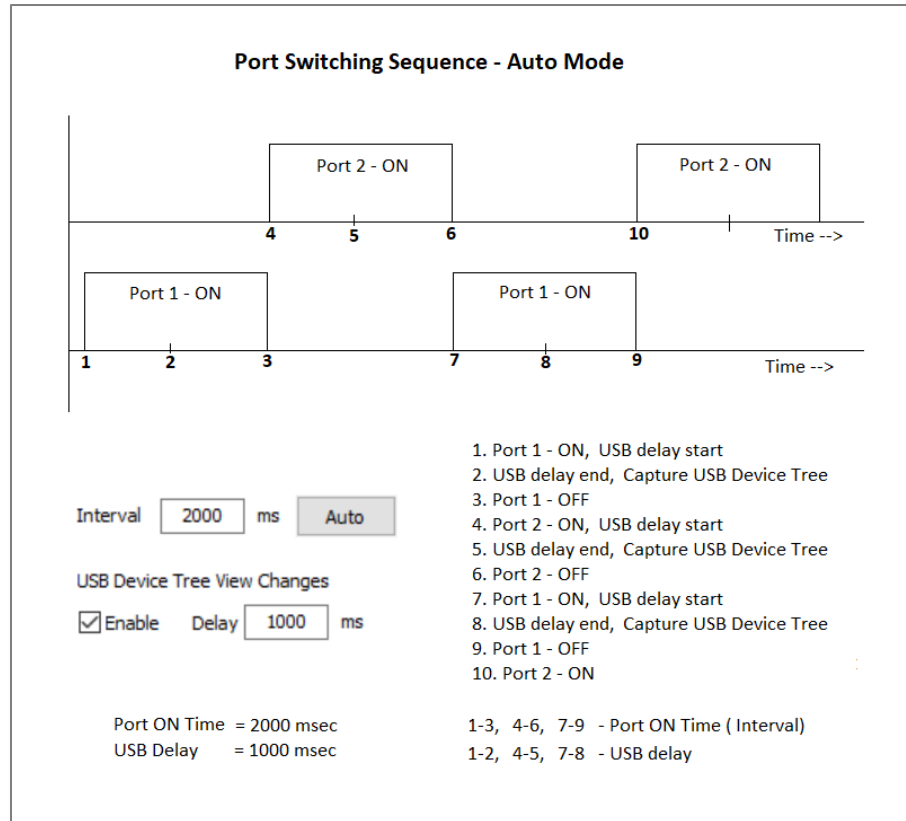
Whenever the Auto control is clicked, the program will compare the Interval time with the USB Device Tree Changes delay, if it is less than that, then warning message will be displayed with two options, the warning message shown in Figure 16.

Option 1: Click Yes – to start the Auto mode without USB Device Tree Changes option.

Option 2: Click No – to cancel the Auto mode start action, then the User needs to update the Interval time manually.

Figure 16 USB device tree delay warning-Auto Mode

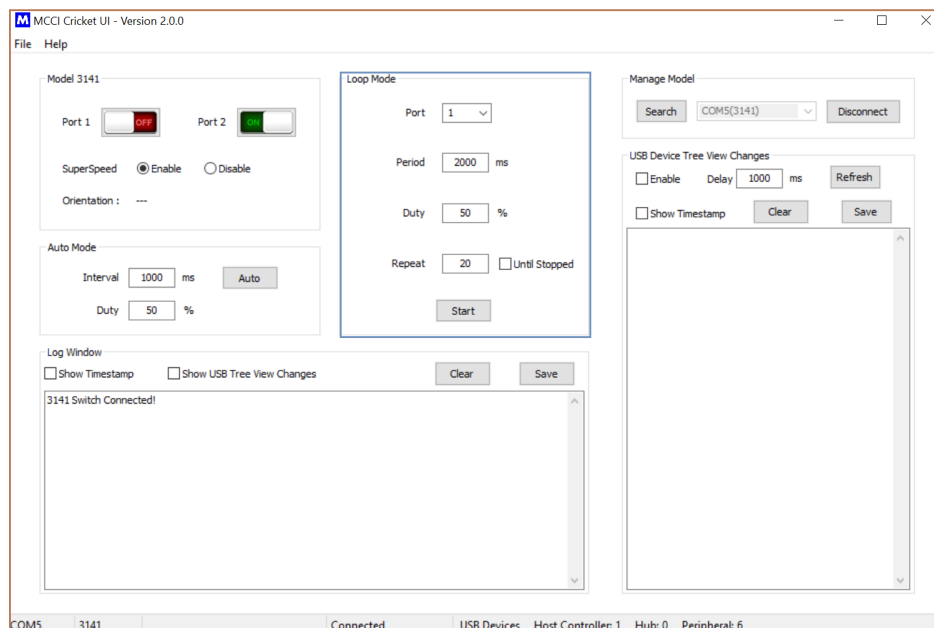




6.5.3 Loop Mode

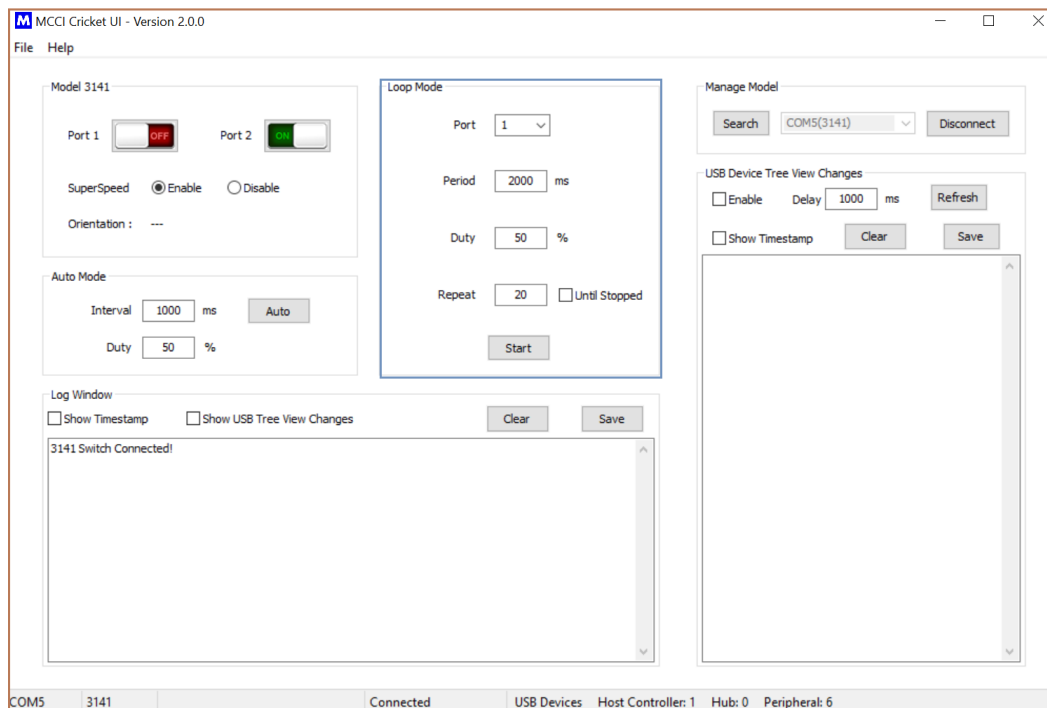
Here, the Loop Mode execution is similar in all devices like Model 3201/3141/2101 as shown in Figure 17

Figure 17 Loop Mode in Cricket UI



- In the loop mode the connected device port numbers will be automatically detected, Select a port number from Port drop down menu, the detected port will be switched ON and OFF based on the repeat cycles given the Period, Duty will determine the ratio of the ON/OFF time for the selected port(s).
- Click on the Start button to start the loop mode operation.
- Click on the Stop button to stop the loop mode operation.
- User can't change the Port and Speed in the middle of loop mode execution.
- Loop mode control and its default values are shown in Figure 18.

Figure 18 Model 3201-3141-2101 Loop Mode controls

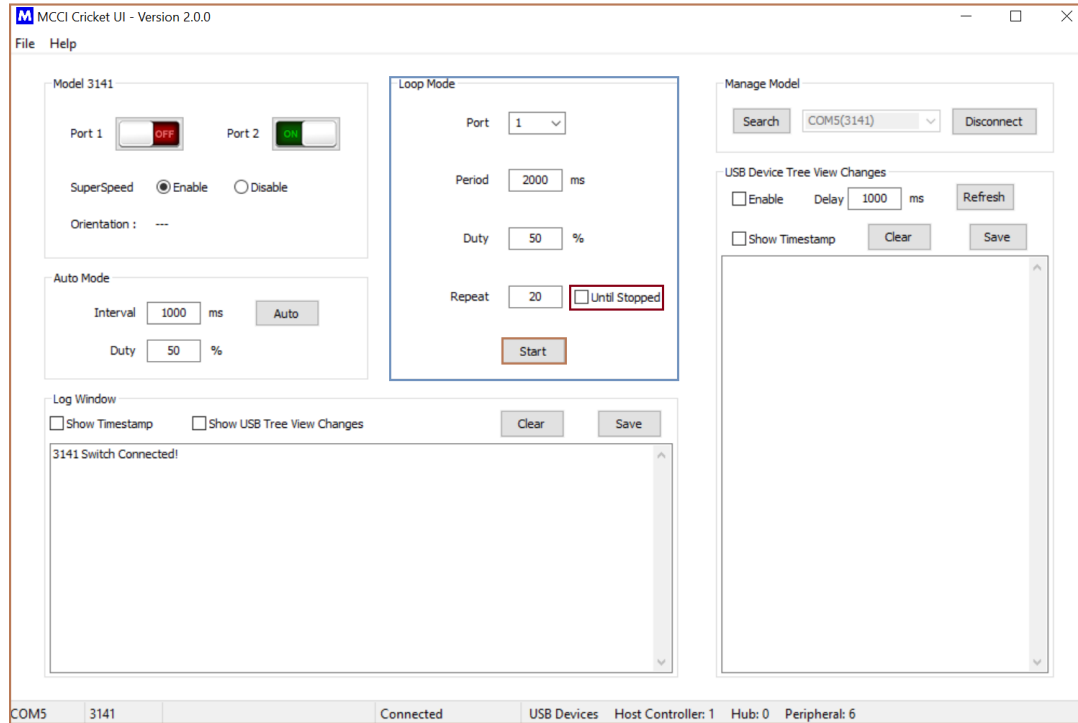


6.5.4 Until Stopped

- In the loop mode the connected device port numbers will be automatically detected, Select a port number from Port drop down menu, the detected port will be switched ON and OFF based on the given the Period, Duty will determine the ratio of the ON/OFF time for the selected port(s).
- If the “Until stopped” checkbox is checked.
- The port will work depending on the configuration until the “Stop” button is pressed.
- Click on the Start button to start the loop mode operation.

- Click on the Stop button to stop the loop mode operation.
- User can't change the Port and Speed in the middle of loop mode execution shown in Figure 19

Figure 19 Loop Mode Controls "Until Stopped"



The Model 3201, 314, 2101 loop control options and descriptions are mentioned in below Table 4.

Table 4 Model 3201/3141 Loop Mode Control Options

| Control Option | Description |
|----------------------|--|
| Port | Select a port number from drop down menu. |
| Period | Time between two successive ON/OFF cycle (MS). |
| Duty | Percentage of ON/OFF Time in total time period (ON + OFF). |
| Cycle | Number of cycles. |
| Until Stopped | Until stopped the loop. |
| Start/Stop | Start the loop / Stop the loop. |

The Model Cricket UI Loop mode configuration default values and Descriptions are mentioned in Table 5.

Table 5 Model 3201/3141 Loop Mode Configuration Default Values

| Parameter | Default Values |
|-------------|---|
| Port | Port are updated in depends on connecting device. |

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| Period | 2000 MS |
| Duty | 50% |
| Cycle | 20 |

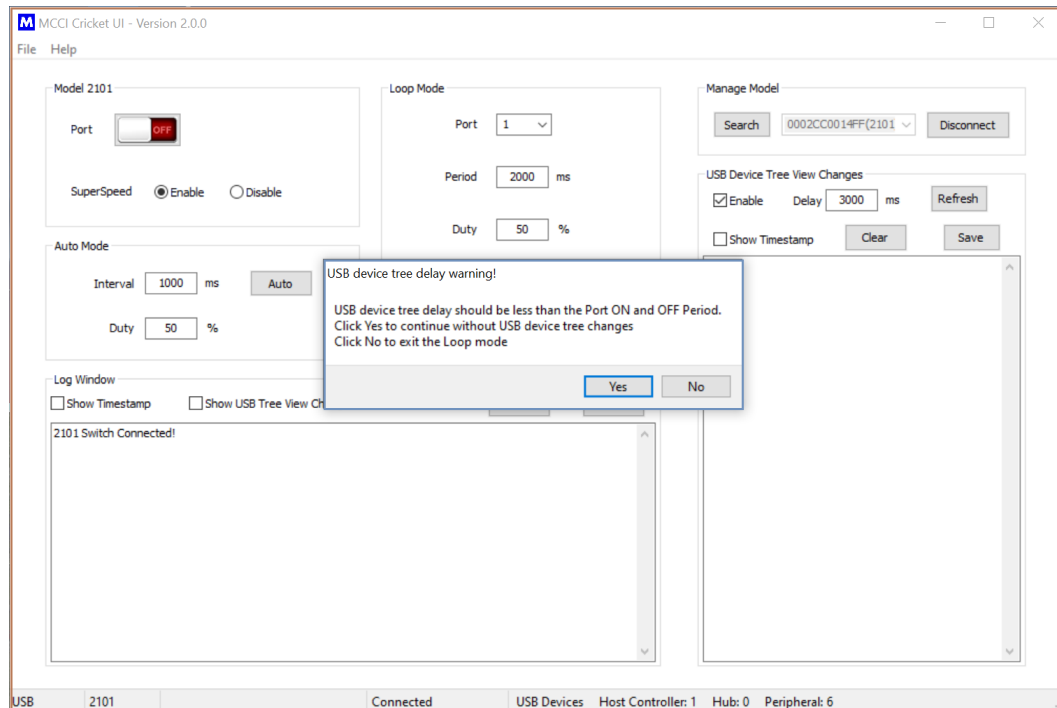
Note: If USB Device Tree Changes option is enabled, Then Delay specifies in that window is override the auto-mode interval.

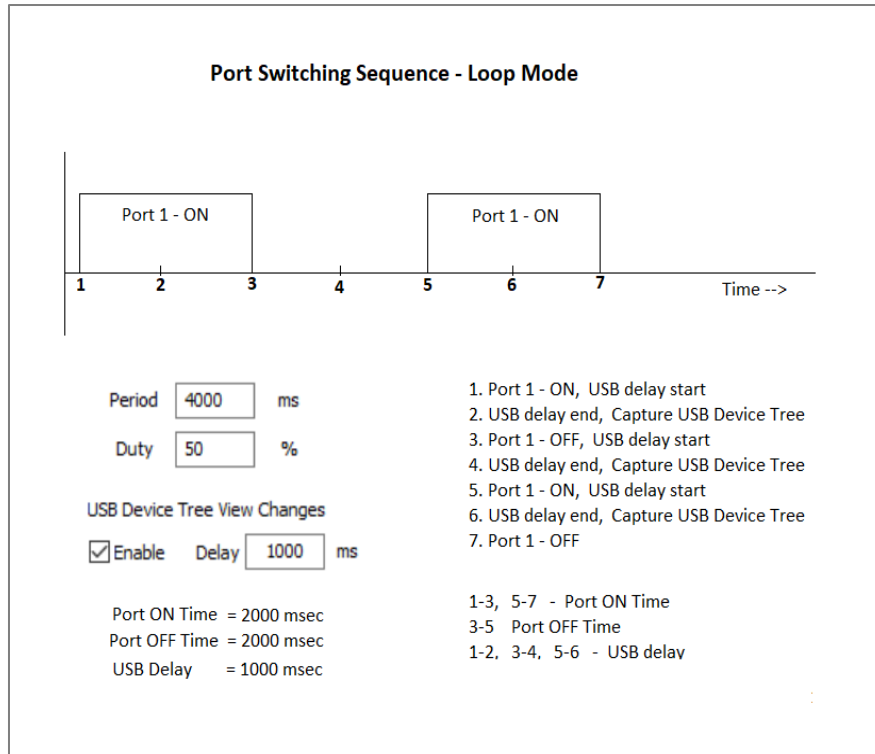
Whenever the Start control is clicked, the program will compare the Period (ON Time and OFF Time) with the USB Device Tree Changes delay, if it is less than that, then warning message will be displayed with two options , the warning message is shown in Figure 20.

Option 1: Click **Yes** to start the Loop mode without USB Device Tree Changes option.

Option 2: Click **No** to cancel the Loop mode start action, then user need to update the Period and Duty manually

Figure 20 USB device tree delay warning-Loop Mode





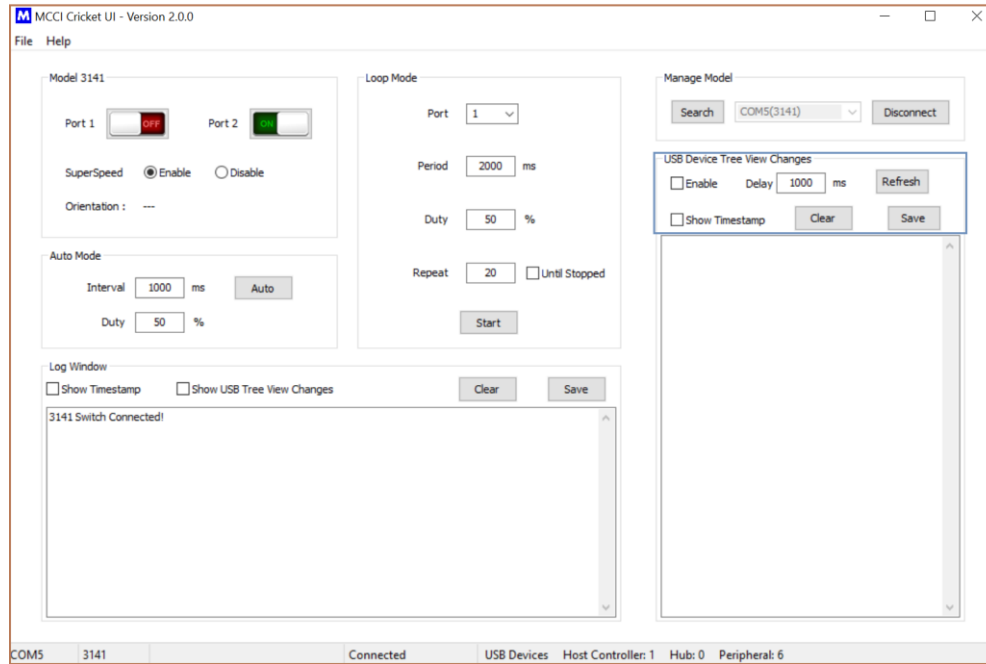
6.6 USB Tree View Changes

This feature is convenient for the users to check the plug-in/plug-out list of the USB devices after every port state changes.

The options of the USB Tree View changes are explained in this section. The respective UI window is shown in the Figure 21.

- **Enable:** Tick the checkbox to enable USB device tree changes feature.
- **Delay:** Minimum delay required for port connect/disconnect feature of the device (Depends on connected device enumeration time)
- **Refresh:** Gets the list of connected USB device(s) and display the Device information in the “USB Device Tree View Changes” panel.
- **Show Timestamp:** Option to log the device information (connect, disconnect, et) with timestamp.
- **Clear:** Clears the device log window
- **Save:** Save the device log to a file in a desired location.

Figure 21 USB Device Tree View Change Control Options



6.6.1 USB Delay Override

Auto Mode:

Whenever Show USB Tree View Changes option is enabled, the program will compare the Interval time with the USB Device Tree View Changes Delay, if it is less, then the Interval time will be overridden by the USB Device Tree View Changes Delay.

For example, Interval = 1000 MS , Delay = 2000 MS, Duty = 50%, when the Show USB Tree View Changes option is enabled, then the Interval will be updated as 1500 MS by the program.

Loop Mode:

Whenever Show USB Tree View Changes option is enabled, the program will compare the Period (Port ON and OFF Time) with the USB Device Tree View Changes delay, if it is less, then the Period will be calculated based on the USB Device Tree Changes Delay, and the Duty to make both Port ON and OFF Time equal to the USB Device Tree Changes delay.

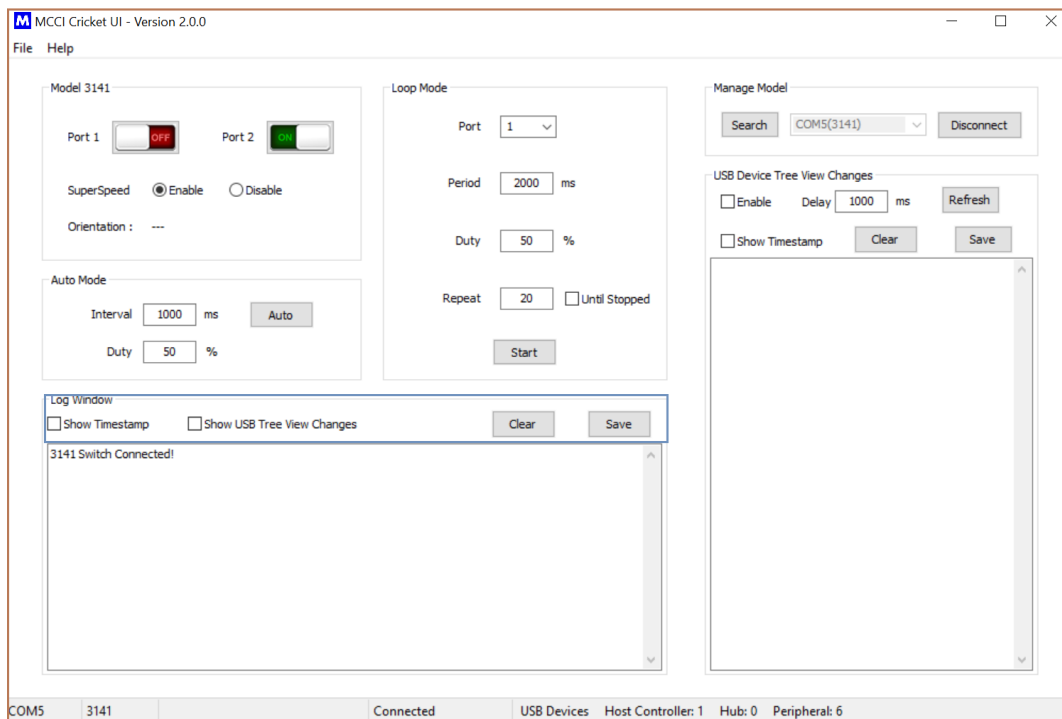
For example, Period = 4000 MS, Duty = 75%, Delay = 2000 Ms. Based on the Period and Duty Port ON Time = 3000 MS, Port OFF Time = 1000 Ms. When the Show USB Tree View Changes option is enabled, then the Period will be updated as 8000 MS to make the Port OFF Time equal to the Delay which is 2000 Ms.

7 Log Window

The log window helps to log the device activities, it has an option to enable and disable the timestamp. Log window UI show in Figure 22.

- Show Timestamp: Option to log the device information with timestamp
- Show USB Tree View Changes: Option to display the USB device tree view changes log in the log window
- Clear: Clears the log window
- Save: Save the log to a file in selected location.

Figure 22 Log Window



7.1 Disconnect & Close the Application

7.1.1 Disconnect

To disconnect a device, click the **Disconnect** option from the **Manage Model** panel and the selected device can be disconnected.

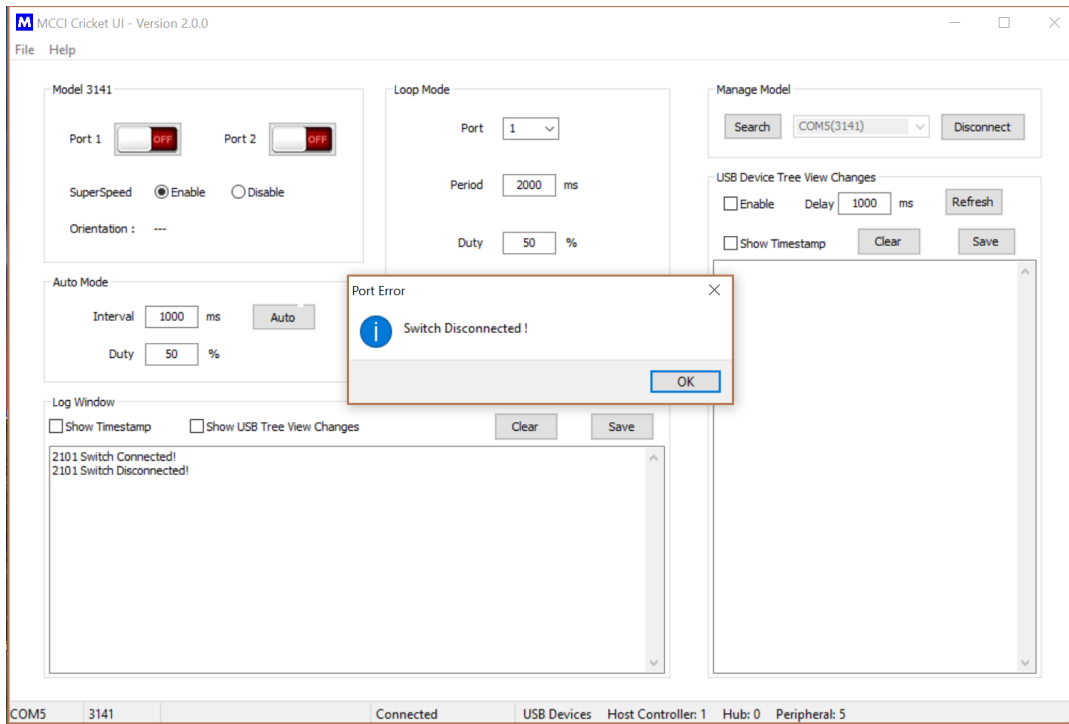
7.1.2 Close

To close the application, Click **Close** from the **File** Menu as displayed in Figure 6. The application will be closed.

7.2 Disconnect Pop-up Notification

If the connected Model 3201,3141 or 2101 device is plugged out while notification message will pop up as **“Switch Disconnected!”** and the notification is shown in the Figure 23.

Figure 23 Disconnect Pop-up Notification



8 Getting Help

If you have a question about using the GUI usage or operation, please visit MCCI's support community. Feel free to post a question! We'll do our best to assist, and you may benefit from the experience of others. You may also post private questions to MCCI by [opening a ticket](#) or by sending email to techsupport@mcci.com.