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## a little CRC

## How to kill your laptop

Look- I understand the temptation. Binge watching the latest season of House of Dragons while under a cosy doona, in a warm bed, with a cup of tea on the side table sounds good.

However the NCRC has recently seen a cluster of laptops which have been killed by overheating. The suspected cause is people using them on the bed.

Here's the problem: laptops generate a lot of heat which is sucked in and expelled via vents, usually around the edges. When the laptop sits directly on a soft surface it sinks in and these vents get obstructed. They can also suck lint into the filters making a temporary overheating problem permanent. The blanket insulates against heat escaping from the case, and you can add in your own body warmth (105 watts) as well.

tablet or iPad, for watching online media on the bed. place a hard surface between the bed and your laptop. A stable table/dinner tray, purpose built laptop tray, or just an improvised board or large hardback book will do the trick.

Graham Lecture over...

