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Buggy Software Could Lock a Jeep's Cruise Control

Fiat Chrysler America is recalling 4.8 million vehicles in the US to fix a software bug that could lock the vehicle's cruise control. Until it's fixed, owners of some Ram pickups, Jeep SUVs, and other Chrysler and Dodge vehicles are being warned against using cruise control. The auto-maker's recall announcement said: "In certain vehicles, if such an acceleration were to occur simultaneously with a short-circuit in a specific electrical network, a driver could be unable to cancel cruise-control. However, if this sequence of events were to occur, cruise-control acceleration can be overpowered by the vehicle's brakes. A driver who needs to stop the car should put it into Neutral and brake, and once they've stopped, putting the vehicle into Park will cancel cruise control." A patch is ready, the company said, and it will soon start notifying customers to schedule dealer appointments.