Subject: too much "stuff" syndrome Posted by Sam P. on Thu, 09 May 2002 15:50:11 GMT

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I can relate to. I could live pretty happily with just my 8 inch pioneer FR TQWT's and fisher tube receiver fed by vinyl and cd. But my wife enjoys music a lot, and she appreciates how great the ibl/altec systems sound. And she was sympathetic when I explained about the long wall and short wal...zzzzzzz, said, OK, buy four of the bloody things. The 4648a-8's play ruler flat from 100 to 800, with very low distortion. Maybe only 97dB/watt per jbl. Their low end makes me happy, I think you will enjoy them even without a subwoofer. Insure that your HF levels are not so "hot" as to overpower the 4648a-8's. Crossing at 800Hz. will let you get all that greatness out of those 4648a-8, before transitioning to the 288's. What kind of diaphrams are in your 288's? Mismatching is common, for example 902's come with two different part number diaphrams, their response varies a lot. I guess in Pro audio or at a theater, if a driver blew, when it was repaired any new diaphram was as good as any other if it fit...so what if it did not match the others! Only way to know what you have is to open the drivers and see if the numbers are the same, non oem replacements are also common. Which is why I am waiting till I can afford a new pair of 2426's rather than rebuild a used pair. Altec 902's can be rebuilt nicely for about \$150/pair IIRC, I don't know what parts for 288's cost, but new diaphrams should be considered when implementing used drivers for hifi use if you want the left and right response to be the same, if you have old, weak alnico...good luck. That brings us back to the topic, too much clutter. Best idea is sell some of my junk, and buy new drivers for more speaker projects. Anybody need a Leslie 247 tone cabinet, it would make a nice tube driven(pp6550's) subwoofer:) Or should I be looking for a Hammond organ to add to the LR collection? Hhhmmmmm. Sam