Subject: New HT - Need Advice on Speakers - 4pis or 7pis for main, 2pis, and what to use for bass

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Hi,

I am quite a newbie in DIY so please bear with me..

I am looking to build a HT room in the house i just bought and before the complete the renovation, i need to sort of figure out what sort of speaker systems to have (sizes, etc).

I have heard that the 4pis are great.. so, this is why I have joined this forum.

Ok, here are some questions.. I hope I can get some answers.

First, placements for my speakers:

- I intend to hide the speakers inside a purpose built cabinet (my room will be built by carpenters). I hope this would not distort the sounds.
- 1. What's the difference between the 4pis, and 7pis corner horn? as LR speakers? Do you have to place the 7pis in a corner or just anywhere?
- 2. 4pis only goes up to 16khz, would this affect the normal playing of music? Or, would the JTR 12s be better option?
- 3. What sort of sub should i build to complement these speakers? Should I build the 12pi base horn, or say build one using the TC Sounds LMS Ultra 5400 18" DVC Subwoofer? Basically i don't know much about subwoofers and what i would need to complement these speakers..
- 4. Could I use a regular Receiver to power the 4pis (say if i use them as LCR, and the 2pis as surround?) or, do i need separete amps for them? If i use separate amps, how do i hook it up? do i still hook the source material to my receiver, and then output to the amps, and then output to the speakers? Wouldn't that be double amplification?

That's all i can think of for now...