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

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Sun, 04 Sep 2011 06:23:21 GMT

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coolgeek wrote on Sat, 03 September 2011 22:48 Could you ship the kits to Malaysia?

Yes, we ship around the world. Use the shopping cart to check shipping prices. Start an order and let it calculate shipping prices for you. It won't ask for payment information until after the shipping quote, so you can back out or complete the order if you wish.

coolgeek wrote on Sat, 03 September 2011 22:48 What do you recommend for the surrounds?

Would the 2pis be enough?

Yes, perfect.

coolgeek wrote on Sat, 03 September 2011 22:48 Also, I know this is a competitor, but would a JTR 12 be better as a center channel? or another 4pi? Have you heard the JTRs? would they complement the 4pis?

I like Jeff a lot, he's a great guy. But I wouldn't want a different speaker for a center channel. It is a coaxial speaker, having different polar response, and probably different spectral balance and character. You don't want that. The center channel speaker should be the same as the right and left speakers.

My advice is to forego the center channel entirely, unless the distance between right and left channels is greater than about 20 feet. The crossed-axes configuration makes a wonderful phantom center with great imaging and detail.

coolgeek wrote on Sat, 03 September 2011 22:48 Ok, this may be a silly question... we use 240V here in Malaysia vs the 110v in the US.. does this have anything to do with the drivers in the 4pis? No.

coolgeek wrote on Sat, 03 September 2011 22:48 Sub question: Could I upgrade the 3pi sub with LMS Ultra 5400 18? using your kits?

No, but subwoofer design is very easy, at least direct radiating subs. The mains have issues to deal with but not the subs. You can pretty much simulate the box with a T/S program and expect the device to act the same as the simulations.

One word of advice though - don't build one massive sub. Build two to four competent subs that are easy to put in different places around the room. Multiple subs are much better than one powerful sub.

Put two subs flanking the mains, as I showed earlier. If you build two more, put them on the opposite side of the room somewhere. That will make the bass smooth and full throughout the room.