Subject: Re: Placing speakers against the wall
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The problem is early reflections, and the frequency response anomalies that result.

If the sound source is acoustically close to the boundary, it's a good thing. But if not - and that's usually impossible - then the boundaries give unwanted reflections. Too close, and they give early reflections, which is the worst kind. Reflections further away just blend together to create the reverberent field.

For more detailed explanations, do a search here for "soffit mounting" and for "wavefront launch."