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How to future-proof your home:

Dealing specifically with home entertainment systems the way to future-proof can be summed up very neatly: buy separates rather than an all-in-one system.

In a typical midi system there will be enough amplifier inputs to accommodate only those components that are a part of the system. If we want to add new components as they become available, we need a stand-alone amplifier that has enough spare sockets to accommodate new devices as and when they are released. This means that the choice of amplifier is the most important and a wise shopper will ensure that a larger proportion of his budget is allocated to the amplifier than to other devices. This means the amplifier may still be in use when this year's fad has been consigned to the bin and replaced with the latest device.