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Subject: Re: Building my own PC  
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Thing with multi-GPU configurations is that you'll have to be careful to make sure that the PCI-e x16 slots do not split to x8/x8 when two cards are present.

It's not a terribly huge problem right now, with the difference being a few frames per second, but in the future it may be more of a concern, especially if you want the best of the best, and are gaming at higher resolutions.

The Intel P55 and AMD 790X/790GX boards will go x8/x8 with two cards. Intel's X58 and AMD 790FX chipset will supply x16 to each of the two cards.

With that being said, I don't think you should place too high a concern on Crossfire or SLI. In order to maximize their usefulness, you'll have to wait for drivers to support the newest games. Instead, find a board that has the features and reliability and support you want, and if it's great for running two GPU's, then that's just fringe benefit.

As for suggesting a board, you'll have to do some research on what's out there, before we can help much in that department.

These articles will be a good place to start:

<http://www.tomshardware.com/reviews/lga-1156-motherboard,2463-19.html>

<http://www.tomshardware.com/reviews/790fx-socket-am3,2277.html>

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