= Computer City (song) =

" Computer City " (?????????? , Konpy?t? Shiti) is a song recorded by Japanese girl group Perfume for their first greatest hits compilation , Perfume : Complete Best (2006) . It was written , composed , arranged , and produced by Japanese musician and Capsule member Yasutaka Nakata . The single also included the B @-@ side track " Perfume " , which appeared on the parent album . It premiered on January 11 , 2006 as the second single from the album in Japan . It was also released on June 19 , 2013 through European and Oceanic regions , and June 25 in North America . Musically , " Computer City " is a technopop song , influenced by electronic music .
 Upon its release , the track garnered generally favourable reviews from music critics . Some critics highlighted the song as one of Perfume 's best singles , and commended the composition . It achieved minor success in Japan , peaking at number 45 on the Oricon Singles Chart and 35 on TBS ' Count Down TV chart . An accompanying music video was shot by Kazuaki Seki ; it features the girls performing the song in a black room . With additional promotion through Japanese commercials , the song has been performed on several concert tours by Perfume , including their 2007 Seventh Heaven tour and 2008 Game Tour .

= = Background and composition = =

" Computer City " was written , composed , arranged , and produced by Japanese musician and Capsule member Yasutaka Nakata . Alongside this , it was recorded , mixed , and mastered by Nakata . The song was recorded in 2005 at Contemode Studios , Shibuya , Tokyo by Nakata . Alongside the album ? s remaining material , " Computer City " has partial rights by Nakata through Yahama Music Communications . The single also included the B @-@ side track " Perfume " , which also appeared on the parent album . It premiered on January 11 , 2006 as the second single from the groups first greatest hits compilation , Perfume : Complete Best (2006) . The single was also released on June 19 , 2013 through European and Oceanic regions , and June 25 in North America .
 The CD single contains both " Computer City " and " Perfume " . The artwork features Perfume , posing for the song 's music video ; Perfume member A @-@ Chan is sitting down , Nocchi is leaning behind A @-@ Chan , and Kashiyuka is standing behind them both . The maxi CD features an extra lyric booklet , printed on plain white paper . Musically , " Computer City " is a technopop song , influenced by electronic music . A staff editor from Amazon Japan noted that the song contained elements of technopop and 8 @-@ bit music . Ian Martin from AllMusic stated that the song , alongside their back catalogue from Tokuma Japan Communications , " adopt [ed] a vocoder @-@ heavy production style strongly influenced by European electro and house " . Similarly , a staff editor at CD Journal labelled the songs composition as " addictive technopop " .

= = Critical response = =

" Computer City " received generally favourable reviews from most music critics . A writer from CD Journal complimented the " tight " composition , and praised the production and songwriting by Yasutaka Nakata . Another reviewer from the same publication reviewed the single release , and highlighted the songs " pop catchy " melody and its lyrical content . A staff editor from Amazon was positive in their review , praising the composition of the track , and highlighted it as one of the best songs on the album . Channel @-@ Ai staff editors awarded the song five stars out of five , stating " ' Computer City ' is a great improvement ; it starts off with vocals only before it dives into a heavy beat . Although some parts turn a little monotone , most of the song remains catchy and melodic . "

= = Commercial performance = =

In Japan , " Computer City " debuted at number 45 on the Oricon Singles Chart ; it sold 1 @,@ 853 units within its first week of sales . It became the group 's highest charting single and first top 50

charting performance at the time . It lasted five weeks in the top 200 chart , and sold over 4 @,@ 000 units by the end of 2006 . It was the group 's highest charting and selling single until their 2007 effort , " Polyrhythm " . The song debuted at number 35 on the TBS Count Down TV chart , and lasted two weeks there .

= = Music video and live performances = =

An accompanying music video was shot by Kazuaki Seki ; it features the girls performing the song in a black room . There are several intercut scenes of computer generated imagery (CGI) , which include the overlapping of digital circuits and other patterns . The music video also appeared on Perfume 's DVD compilation sets for Perfume : Complete Best , and Perfume Clips (2014) . " Computer City " was used for a Japanese commercial promoting the television show Tokyo Brigade .

The single has been performed on several tours conducted by Perfume . It first appeared on two of the group 's promotional concerts ; the Seventh Heaven tour in 2007 , and the Socks Fix Make tour in 2008 . The song was included on their Game Tour , group 's first nationwide concert tour , and eventually included on the live DVD , released on October 15 , 2008 . Since then , " Computer City " has been performed on their 2009 Budoukan Tour in Japan , 2009 Second Concert tour , and their 2010 Tokyo Dome tour . In 2010 , four years after its original release , the group was invited to perform " Computer City " on the Japanese music television show , Music Station . This marked the only single previous to the release and subsequent breakthrough of their single " Polyrhythm " that has been performed on Japanese television .

= = Track listings = =

= = Credits and personnel = =

Details adapted from the liner notes of the Perfume : Complete Best album .
Ayano ?moto ? vocals
Yuka Kashino ? vocals
Ayaka Nishiwaki ? vocals
Yasutaka Nakata ? producer , composer , arranger , mixing , mastering .
Seki Kazuaki ? video director

= = Charts and sales = =

= = Release history = =