Is Computer Science right for me?

Computer Science is a vital, fun field of study, but it is not for everyone. Because it is such a broad field, your success can depend a great deal on selecting the program of study that best fits your interests. If you’re still unsure if Computer Science is right for you, here are two analogies that might help you decide.[\n]

*[extend]Computer Game Analogy:* If you simply like playing computer games, CS is probably not a good fit; if you want to program computers to play games, CS may or may not be a good fit; if you are interested in the theory and practice of making games run quickly, or the precise mathematical techniques for modeling physical objects and processes on the screen, CS is likely to be an excellent fit.[\n]

*Car and Driver Analogy:* Most people drive cars and even enjoy driving them, but this doesn’t mean they have the ability or talent to build or design automobile engines; likewise people who enjoy using computers may or may not be well-suited to the study of computer science. However, if you wonder how software works and why the designers made the choices that they did, and how to improve upon those choices, computer science is likely to be a good fit. *[/extend]*