

Challenge: InsightHub – Resilient Sales Aggregator

Assumptions & Thought Process

- **Network instability** is realistic for distributed pipelines; we simulate retry with exponential backoff.
- **Data may be malformed or inconsistent**, requiring robust validation.
- **Duplicates are defined by same store_id + product_id + timestamp $\pm 2s$** . I'll sort and deduplicate accordingly.
- **Output must include product-level aggregation** (top 5 products) and additional stats.
- **Code is modular and readable**, leveraging OOP for Sales and Batch logic.

Candidate Explanation Notes

- **OOP Use:** Used `Sale` as a typed structure for clarity and `SaleBatch` to encapsulate all logic for separation of concerns.
- **Edge Case Handling:** All invalid data (missing fields, type errors, suspicious totals, dupes) are safely skipped with metrics tracked.
- **De-Duplication:** Based on combination key with $\pm 2s$ comparison using `DATE_DIFF`.
- **Retry Logic:** Implemented via exponential backoff using `SLEEP` and structured `TRY/CATCH`.
- **Sorting & Aggregation:** Output shows top 5 products by total revenue.