

# Pre-Read: Food Delivery Data Exploration and analysis 2

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## 1. Aggregate Functions

- **Description:** Functions like `sum()`, `mean()`, `min()`, `max()`, `std()` that summarize multiple values into a single result.
  - **Importance:** Essential for **descriptive statistics** and understanding the central tendencies & variability in data.
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## 2. Logical Operators

- **Description:** Used for element-wise comparisons in arrays (`>`, `<`, `==`, `&`, `|`, `~`).  
Example: `arr[arr > 5]`.
  - **Importance:** Powerful for **filtering and conditional selection**, which is crucial in data preprocessing.
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## 3. Sorting in NumPy

### **Description:**

Sorting is the process of arranging elements of an array in ascending or descending order. In NumPy, functions like `np.sort()` and `ndarray.sort()` provide fast and efficient ways to sort 1D and multi-dimensional arrays.

### **Importance:**

- Helps in organizing data for easier analysis.
- Useful in ranking values (e.g., top-k scores, sorting by feature importance).

- Often a first step in tasks like finding percentiles, medians, or removing outliers.
  - Under the hood, NumPy uses highly optimized sorting algorithms (like quicksort, mergesort, heapsort).
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## 4. Matrix Multiplication in NumPy

### **Description:**

Matrix multiplication is a core operation where rows of one matrix are combined with columns of another. In NumPy, this can be done using `np.dot()`, `np.matmul()`, or the `@` operator.

### **Importance:**

- Fundamental for linear algebra operations in data science and machine learning.
  - Used in neural networks (weight  $\times$  input), computer graphics (transformations), and solving systems of equations.
  - Highly optimized using BLAS libraries, making it much faster than pure Python loops.
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