

# Math6450\_Assignment2

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## 1 Data Exploration

### (a) Descriptive Statistics for Continuous Variables

#### Comprehensive Descriptive Statistics:

	Mean	Median	Std Dev	Minimum	Maximum
claims	18.049	17.845	6.448	0.72	41.39
deductible	2.490	1.905	1.942	0.51	10.00
coverage	189.014	186.750	72.169	50.00	424.50
age	15.438	11.000	14.227	1.00	85.00
premium	2.969	2.945	0.822	0.50	5.78

### (b) Correlation Matrix for Continuous Variables

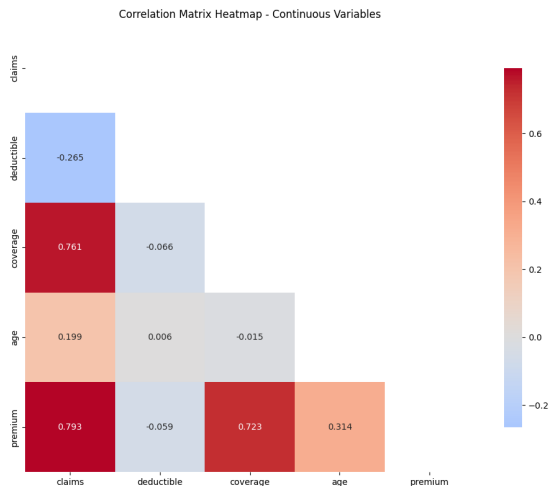
#### Correlation Matrix:

	claims	deductible	coverage	age	premium
claims	1.000	-0.265	0.761	0.199	0.793
deductible	-0.265	1.000	-0.066	0.006	-0.059
coverage	0.761	-0.066	1.000	-0.015	0.723
age	0.199	0.006	-0.015	1.000	0.314
premium	0.793	-0.059	0.723	0.314	1.000

Variable with strongest linear relationship with 'claims':

Variable: premium

Correlation coefficient: 0.793



### (c) Skewness Analysis and Log Transformation

#### Assessment

#### Skewness Assessment:

Rule of thumb:  $|skewness| > 1$  indicates highly skewed distribution

Rule of thumb:  $0.5 < |skewness| < 1$  indicates moderately skewed distribution

#### claims:

Skewness: 0.254

Assessment: Approximately symmetric

#### deductible:

Skewness: 1.542

Assessment: Highly skewed

Log transformation skewness: 0.134

Improvement from log transformation: 1.408

Recommendation: Log transformation would improve normality

#### coverage:

Skewness: 0.145

Assessment: Approximately symmetric

#### age:

Skewness: 1.869

Assessment: Highly skewed

Log transformation skewness: -0.347

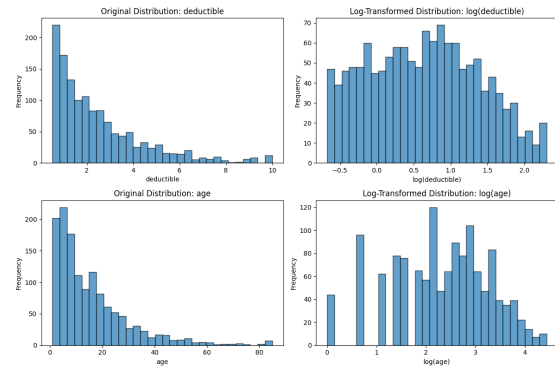
Improvement from log transformation: 1.523

Recommendation: Log transformation would improve normality

#### premium:

Skewness: 0.245

Assessment: Approximately symmetric



### Summary of Findings:

Variables with skewed distributions: deductible, age  
 Variable most strongly correlated with claims:  $\hookrightarrow$  premium ( $r = 0.793$ )

Data Overview:  
 Total observations: 1,340  
 Variables analyzed: 5  
 Missing values: 0

## 2 Simple Linear Regression

Dataset Information:  
 Total observations: 1,340  
 Observations used in regression: 1,340  
 Missing values removed: 0

### (a) Simple Linear Regression Model Fitting

Model Coefficients:  
 Intercept ( $\beta_0$ ): 5.2054  
 Slope ( $\beta_1$ ): 0.0679

Fitted Regression Equation:  
 Claims = 5.2054 + 0.0679  $\times$  Coverage

In mathematical notation:  
 $\hat{y} = 5.2054 + 0.0679x$   
 where  $\hat{y}$  = predicted claims,  $x$  = coverage

### (b) Interpretation of Slope Coefficient

Slope coefficient: 0.0679

Practical Interpretation:

- For every 1-unit increase in coverage, claims are  $\hookrightarrow$  expected to increase by 0.0679 units, on average.
- This indicates a positive relationship between  $\hookrightarrow$  coverage and claims.
- Properties with higher coverage amounts tend to  $\hookrightarrow$  have higher claims.

Alternative interpretation:

- For every 100-unit increase in coverage, claims  $\hookrightarrow$  change by 6.79 units, on average.

Example predictions:

- Coverage = 100: Predicted Claims = 12.00
- Coverage = 150: Predicted Claims = 15.40
- Coverage = 200: Predicted Claims = 18.80
- Coverage = 250: Predicted Claims = 22.19

### (c) Coefficient of Determination ( $R^2$ ) Analysis

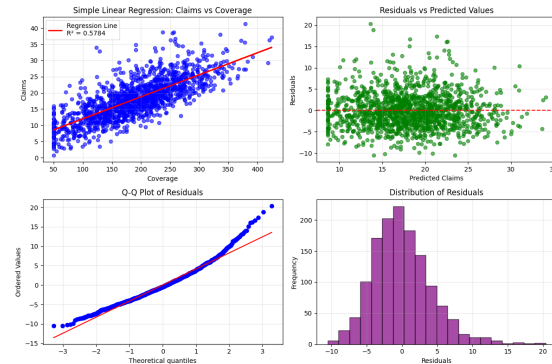
Model Performance Metrics:  
 $R^2$  (Coefficient of Determination): 0.5784  
 $R^2$  as percentage: 57.84%  
 Correlation coefficient ( $r$ ): 0.7605  
 Root Mean Square Error (RMSE): 4.1850

Interpretation of  $R^2$ :

- 57.84% of the variation in claims is explained by  $\hookrightarrow$  coverage.
- 42.16% of the variation in claims is due to other  $\hookrightarrow$  factors not included in the model.
- The linear relationship between coverage and claims  $\hookrightarrow$  is moderate ( $R^2 = 0.5784$ ).

Statistical Significance:

- t-statistic: 42.8442
- p-value: 0.0000
- Degrees of freedom: 1338
- The relationship is statistically significant at  $\hookrightarrow$  the 5% level.



### Summary Table:

Metric	Value	
$\hookrightarrow$ Interpretation		
Intercept ( $\beta_0$ )	5.2054	Expected claims $\hookrightarrow$
$\hookrightarrow$ when coverage = 0		
Slope ( $\beta_1$ )	0.0679	Change in claims per unit $\hookrightarrow$
$\hookrightarrow$ increase in coverage		
$R^2$	0.5784	57.8% of $\hookrightarrow$
$\hookrightarrow$ variance explained		
Correlation ( $r$ )	0.7605	Linear $\hookrightarrow$
$\hookrightarrow$ association strength		
RMSE	4.1850	Average $\hookrightarrow$
$\hookrightarrow$ prediction error		
Observations	1340	$\hookrightarrow$
$\hookrightarrow$ Sample size		

### Key Findings Summary:

- Regression equation: Claims = 5.2054 + 0.0679  $\times$   $\hookrightarrow$  Coverage
- Slope interpretation: Each additional unit of  $\hookrightarrow$  coverage is associated with a 0.0679 unit change in claims
- Model explains 57.8% of the variation in claims
- The relationship is statistically significant ( $p = \hookrightarrow$  0.0000)

## 3 Multiple Regression Model

Dependent Variable: claims  
 Explanatory Variables: deductible, coverage, age,  $\hookrightarrow$  prior\_claims, premium

Dataset Information:  
 Total observations: 1,340  
 Complete cases used: 1,340  
 Observations removed (missing data): 0  
 Number of explanatory variables: 5

### (a) Fitted Regression Equation

Coefficient Estimates (rounded to 3 decimal places):  
 Intercept ( $\beta_0$ ): 3.208  
 $\beta_1$  (deductible): -0.728

$\beta_2$  (coverage): 0.062  
 $\beta_3$  (age): 0.091  
 $\beta_4$  (prior\_claims): 2.580  
 $\beta_5$  (premium): 0.495

Fitted Regression Equation:

Claims = 3.208 - 0.728 × deductible + 0.062 × coverage + 0.091 × age + 2.580 × prior\_claims + 0.495 × premium

Compact Mathematical Form:

$\hat{y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \beta_4 x_4 + \beta_5 x_5$   
 $\hat{y} = 3.208 + -0.728x_1 + 0.062x_2 + 0.091x_3 + 2.580x_4 + 0.495x_5$

where  $x_1$ =deductible,  $x_2$ =coverage,  $x_3$ =age,  $x_4$ =prior\_claims,  $x_5$ =premium

(b) Standard Errors for Each Coefficient

Standard Errors:

Intercept ( $\beta_0$ ): 0.3172  
 $\beta_1$  (deductible): 0.0394  
 $\beta_2$  (coverage): 0.0020  
 $\beta_3$  (age): 0.0068  
 $\beta_4$  (prior\_claims): 0.1210  
 $\beta_5$  (premium): 0.2118

Additional Statistics (t-statistics and p-values):

Coefficient	Estimate	Std Error	t-stat	p-value	Significance
Intercept	3.208	0.3172	10.113	0.0000	***
deductible	-0.728	0.0394	-18.459	0.0000	***
coverage	0.062	0.0020	30.624	0.0000	***
age	0.091	0.0068	13.401	0.0000	***
prior_claims	2.580	0.1210	21.316	0.0000	***
premium	0.495	0.2118	2.338	0.0195	*

Significance codes: \*\*\* p<0.001, \*\* p<0.01, \* p<0.05

(c) Model Performance Statistics

$R^2$  (Coefficient of Determination): 0.8130  
Adjusted  $R^2$ : 0.8123  
Residual Standard Deviation: 2.7938

Additional Model Statistics:

Multiple R (Correlation): 0.9016  
Residual Sum of Squares (RSS): 10412.1409  
Mean Squared Error (MSE): 7.8052  
F-statistic: 1159.6202  
F-statistic p-value: 0.000000  
Overall model significance: Yes ( $\alpha = 0.05$ )

Degrees of Freedom:

Model: 5  
Residual: 1334  
Total: 1339

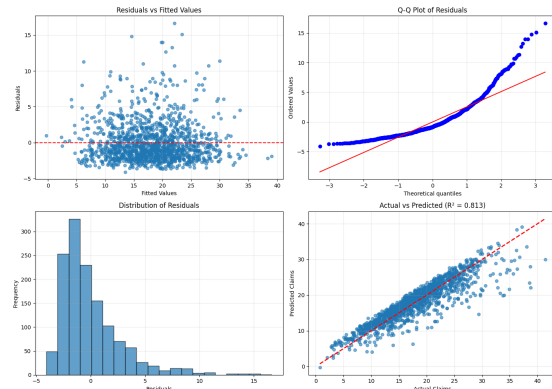
Summary Results Table:

Variable	Coefficient	Std_Error	t-statistic	p-value
Intercept	3.208	0.3172	10.113	0.0000
deductible	-0.728	0.0394	-18.459	0.0000
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age	0.091	0.0068	13.401	0.0000
prior_claims	2.5797	0.1210	21.316	0.0000
premium	0.4953	0.2118	2.338	0.0195

Model Performance Table:

Statistic	Value
$R^2$	0.8130
Adjusted $R^2$	0.8123
Residual Std Deviation	2.7938
F-statistic	1159.6202
p-value (F-test)	0.000000
Observations	1340
Variables	5



Key Results Summary:

- ✓ Multiple regression equation fitted with 5 explanatory variables
- ✓ Model explains 81.3% of variance in claims ( $R^2 = 0.8130$ )
- ✓ Adjusted  $R^2 = 0.8123$  (accounts for number of variables)
- ✓ Residual standard deviation = 2.7938
- ✓ Overall model is significant (F-test p-value = 0.000000)
- ✓ Standard errors calculated for all 6 coefficients

4 Statistical Inference

Multiple Linear Regression Model: Claims vs

(Deductible, Coverage, Age, Prior\_Claims, Premium)

Model Summary:

Observations: 1340

Variables: 5

Degrees of freedom (residual): 1334

$R^2$ : 0.8130

MSE: 7.8052

Coefficient Estimates:

Variable	Coefficient	Std Error	t-statistic	p-value
Intercept	3.208	0.3172	10.113	0.0000
deductible	-0.728	0.0394	-18.459	0.0000
coverage	0.062	0.0020	30.624	0.0000
age	0.091	0.0068	13.401	0.0000
prior_claims	2.580	0.1210	21.316	0.0000
premium	0.495	0.2118	2.338	0.0195

deductible	-0.7278	0.0394	-18.4591	U
↪ 0.0000				
coverage	0.0621	0.0020	30.6239	U
↪ 0.0000				
age	0.0906	0.0068	13.4010	U
↪ 0.0000				
prior_claims	2.5797	0.1210	21.3156	U
↪ 0.0000				
premium	0.4953	0.2118	2.3382	U
↪ 0.0195				

(a) Testing Significance of Age Coefficient  
Hypothesis Test for Age Coefficient:

Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ):  $\beta_{\text{age}} = 0$   
Alternative Hypothesis ( $H_1$ ):  $\beta_{\text{age}} \neq 0$   
Significance level ( $\alpha$ ): 0.05  
Test type: Two-tailed t-test

Test Statistics:  
Age coefficient ( $\beta_{\text{age}}$ ): 0.0906  
Standard error (SE): 0.0068  
t-statistic: 13.4010  
Degrees of freedom: 1334  
p-value: 0.0000  
Critical value ( $\pm$ ): 1.9617

Decision Rule:  
Reject  $H_0$  if  $|t\text{-statistic}| > 1.9617$  OR if p-value < 0.05

Conclusion:  
✓ REJECT  $H_0$ : The coefficient for age IS statistically significant at the 5% level.  
 $|t\text{-statistic}| = 13.4010 > 1.9617$   
p-value = 0.0000 < 0.05  
Age has a statistically significant effect on claims.

(b) 95% Confidence Interval for Prior Claims Coefficient

Confidence Interval Calculation:  
Coefficient ( $\beta_{\text{prior\_claims}}$ ): 2.5797  
Standard error: 0.1210  
Degrees of freedom: 1334  
Confidence level: 95%

Confidence Interval Formula:  
 $CI = \beta \pm t_{(\alpha/2, df)} \times SE(\beta)$   
 $CI = 2.5797 \pm 1.9617 \times 0.1210$   
 $CI = 2.5797 \pm 0.2374$

95% Confidence Interval for Prior Claims Coefficient:  
[2.3423, 2.8171]

Practical Interpretation:

- We are 95% confident that the true effect of having prior claims on current claims is between 2.3423 and 2.8171 units.
- Since the entire interval is positive, prior claims consistently INCREASE current claims.
- Properties with prior claims have significantly higher current claims than

those without.

- The width of the interval (0.4748) indicates the precision of our estimate.

(c) Overall F-test for Model Significance  
Overall F-test for Regression Model:

Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ):  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \beta_4 = \beta_5 = 0$   
(All explanatory variables have no effect on claims)  
Alternative Hypothesis ( $H_1$ ): At least one  $\beta_i \neq 0$   
(At least one explanatory variable has a significant effect)  
Significance level ( $\alpha$ ): 0.05

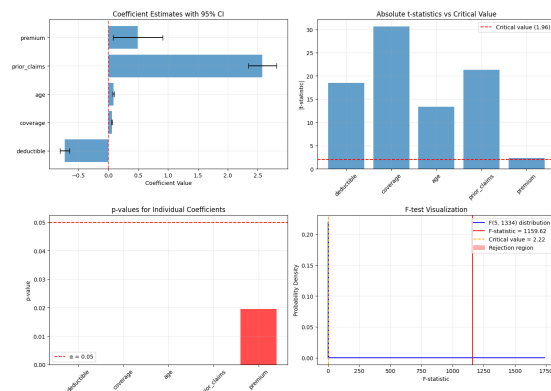
Test Statistics:  
Total Sum of Squares (TSS): 55667.4953  
Explained Sum of Squares (ESS): 45255.3543  
Residual Sum of Squares (RSS): 10412.1409  
Mean Square Regression (MSR): 9051.0709  
Mean Square Error (MSE): 7.8052

F-statistic: 1159.6202  
Degrees of freedom: (5, 1334)  
p-value: 0.000000  
Critical F-value ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ): 2.2208

Decision Rule:  
Reject  $H_0$  if F-statistic > 2.2208 OR if p-value < 0.05

Conclusion:  
✓ REJECT  $H_0$ : The regression model IS statistically significant at the 5% level.  
F-statistic = 1159.6202 > 2.2208  
p-value = 0.000000 < 0.05  
At least one explanatory variable has a significant effect on claims.  
The model explains a significant portion of the variation in claims.

Model Performance Context:  
 $R^2 = 0.8130$  (81.3% of variance explained)  
The model performs well in predicting claims.



Summary of All Statistical Tests:

Test	Statistic	Conclusion
Age Coefficient (t-test)	t = 13.4010	Significant
Prior Claims CI	CI = [2.3423, 2.8171]	N/A
Overall F-test	F = 1159.62	Significant

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Overall Model (F-test)          F = 1159.6202 0.
↪000000 Model Significant

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Age Coefficient (t-test) & t = 13.4010 & 0.0000 & ↪Significant & \\
Prior Claims CI & CI = [2.3423, 2.8171] & N/A & ↪Does not contain 0 & \\
Overall Model (F-test) & F = 1159.6202 & 0.000000 & ↪Model Significant & \\
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## 5 Binary Variables and Model Interpretation

Adding 'type' and 'location' to the original model  
Dependent Variable: claims  
Original Variables: deductible, coverage, age, ↪  
↪prior\_claims, premium  
New Variables: type, location

Data Summary:  
Original model observations: 1,340  
Extended model observations: 1,340

Extended Model Summary:  
Observations: 1340  
Variables: 7  
R<sup>2</sup>: 0.8263  
Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>: 0.8254  
Residual Standard Error: 2.6939

(a) Extended Regression Model Equation  
Coefficient Estimates:

Variable	Coefficient	Std Error	t-stat	
↪p-value				
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Intercept	3.027	0.3171		
deductible	-0.713	0.0381	-18.706	↪
↪0.0000				
coverage	0.058	0.0022	26.539	↪
↪0.0000				
age	0.077	0.0070	10.935	↪
↪0.0000				
prior_claims	2.392	0.1254	19.077	↪
↪0.0000				
premium	1.019	0.2378	4.284	↪
↪0.0000				
type	-1.419	0.1699	-8.355	↪
↪0.0000				
location	0.859	0.1731	4.959	↪
↪0.0000				

Fitted Regression Equation:  
Claims = 3.027 - 0.713 × deductible + 0.058 × ↪  
↪coverage + 0.077 × age + 2.392 ×  
prior\_claims + 1.019 × premium - 1.419 × type + 0.  
↪859 × location

Detailed Mathematical Form:  
Claims = 3.027 + -0.713×deductible + 0.058×coverage  
+ 0.077×age + 2.392×prior\_claims + 1.  
↪019×premium  
+ -1.419×type + 0.859×location

(b) Interpretation of Type Coefficient

Type Coefficient Analysis:  
Coefficient ( $\beta_{type}$ ): -1.419  
Standard Error: 0.1699  
t-statistic: -8.355  
p-value: 0.0000

Type variable coding: [np.int64(0), np.int64(1)]

Practical Interpretation:

- Properties with type = 1 have claims that are 1.419 ↪  
↪units LOWER than  
properties with type = 0,  
holding all other variables constant.

Assuming standard coding (0 = Commercial, 1 = ↪  
↪Residential):

- Residential properties have claims that are 1.419 ↪  
↪units lower than commercial  
properties.
- This suggests commercial properties are associated ↪  
↪with higher insurance  
claims.

Statistical Significance:

- The type coefficient IS statistically significant ↪  
↪(p = 0.0000 < 0.05)
- We can be confident that property type has a real ↪  
↪effect on claims.

(c) Partial F-test for Model Improvement

Model Comparison (same sample size: 1340):

Model	R <sup>2</sup>	Adj R <sup>2</sup>		
↪Variables	RSS			
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Original	0.8130	0.8123	5	↪
↪ 10412.1409				
Extended	0.8263	0.8254	7	↪
↪ 9666.7444				

R<sup>2</sup> Improvement: 0.0134 (1.34 percentage points)

Partial F-test:

H<sub>0</sub>:  $\beta_{type} = \beta_{location} = 0$  (binary variables add no ↪  
↪explanatory power)  
H<sub>1</sub>: At least one of  $\beta_{type}$  or  $\beta_{location} \neq 0$  (binary ↪  
↪variables improve the  
model)

Partial F-test Calculations:

RSS(original): 10412.1409  
RSS(extended): 9666.7444  
Reduction in RSS: 745.3965  
Additional variables (q): 2  
DF residual (extended): 1332

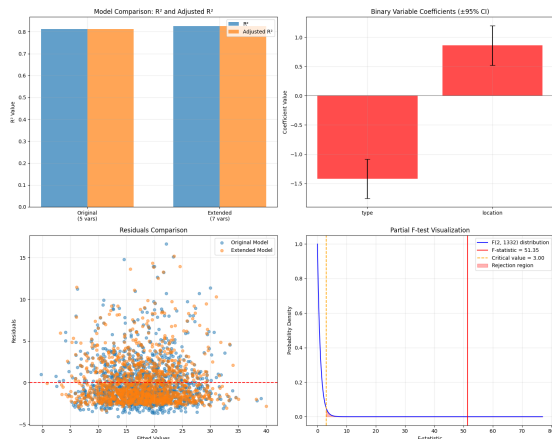
F-statistic: 51.3548  
Degrees of freedom: (2, 1332)  
p-value: 0.0000  
Critical F-value ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ): 3.0025

Conclusion:

✓ REJECT  $H_0$ : Adding type and location SIGNIFICANTLY  
 ↳ improves the model  
 $F = 51.3548 > 3.0025$   
 $p\text{-value} = 0.0000 < 0.05$   
 The binary variables provide significant additional  
 ↳ explanatory power.

#### Model Improvement Assessment:

- $R^2$  improved by 0.0134 (1.34 percentage points) ↳  
 ↳ this is modest
- Extended model explains 82.6% vs 81.3% of variance
- Adjusted  $R^2$  increased from 0.8123 to 0.8254
- The improvement in adjusted  $R^2$  suggests the added  
 ↳ variables are worthwhile



Range: [0.0000, 10.0000]

#### Model Summary:

$R^2$ : 0.8233  
 Adjusted  $R^2$ : 0.8224  
 Residual Standard Error: 2.7172  
 F-statistic: 886.8341

#### Coefficient Estimates:

Variable	Coefficient	Std Error	t-stat	
↳ p-value	Sig			
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Intercept	3.2856	0.3300		
deductible	-0.6729	0.0596	-11.2894	↳
↳ 0.0000	***			
type	-1.2573	0.2598	-4.8392	↳
↳ 0.0000	***			
coverage	0.0553	0.0021	25.9580	↳
↳ 0.0000	***			
age	0.0703	0.0070	10.1034	↳
↳ 0.0000	***			
prior_claims	2.2568	0.1234	18.2905	↳
↳ 0.0000	***			
premium	1.3647	0.2290	5.9595	↳
↳ 0.0000	***			
deductible_x_type	-0.0946	0.0779	-1.2151	↳
↳ 0.2245				

Significance codes: \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ , \*\*  $p < 0.01$ , \*  $p < 0.05$

#### (a) Regression Function with Interaction Term

##### General Form:

Claims =  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 \times \text{deductible} + \beta_2 \times \text{type} + \beta_3 \times \text{coverage}$  ↳  
 ↳  $+ \beta_4 \times \text{age} + \beta_5 \times \text{prior\_claims} +$   
 $\beta_6 \times \text{premium} + \beta_7 \times (\text{deductible} \times \text{type}) + \varepsilon$

##### Fitted Regression Equation:

Claims =  $3.2856 - 0.6729 \times \text{deductible} - 1.2573 \times \text{type} +$  ↳  
 ↳  $0.0553 \times \text{coverage} + 0.0703 \times \text{age}$   
 $+ 2.2568 \times \text{prior\_claims} + 1.3647 \times \text{premium} - 0.$   
 ↳  $0946 \times (\text{deductible} \times \text{type})$

##### With Coefficient Values:

Claims =  $3.2856 + -0.6729 \times \text{deductible} + -1.2573 \times \text{type}$   
 $+ 0.0553 \times \text{coverage} + 0.0703 \times \text{age} + 2.$   
 ↳  $2568 \times \text{prior\_claims}$   
 $+ 1.3647 \times \text{premium} + -0.$   
 ↳  $0946 \times (\text{deductible} \times \text{type})$

#### (b) Interpretation of Deductible Effect by Property

##### ↳ Type

##### Key Coefficients:

$\beta_1$  (deductible): -0.6729  
 $\beta_2$  (type): -1.2573  
 $\beta_7$  (deductible × type): -0.0946

##### Interpretation of Interaction Effect:

The interaction model allows the effect of deductible  
 ↳ to differ by property  
 type.

##### For Commercial Properties (type = 0):

$\partial \text{Claims} / \partial \text{deductible} = \beta_1 + \beta_7 \times 0 = \beta_1 = -0.6729$   
 • A 1-unit increase in deductible changes claims by ↳  
 ↳ -0.6729 units for commercial  
 properties.

For Residential Properties (type = 1):

#### Executive Summary:

Aspect	Finding	
↳	Extended Model Equation	Claims = $3.027 + \dots + -1.$
↳	$419 \times \text{type} + 0.859 \times \text{location}$	
↳	Type Coefficient	-1.419
↳	Type Effect	Type=1 ↳
↳	has 1.419 lower claims	
↳	Statistical Significance	↳
↳	Significant ( $p = 0.0000$ )	
↳	$R^2$ Improvement	0.0134 ↳
↳	(1.34 percentage points)	
↳	Partial F-test Result	Significant ↳
↳	improvement ( $p = 0.0000$ )	

#### 6 Interaction Effects

##### Regression Model with Interaction Term: Deductible ×

##### ↳ Type

Model Features: deductible, type, coverage, age, ↳

↳ prior\_claims, premium

Interaction Term: deductible × type

##### Data Summary:

Total observations: 1,340

Complete cases used: 1,340

Missing values removed: 0

Type variable coding: [np.int64(0), np.int64(1)]

##### Interaction Term (deductible × type) Statistics:

Mean: 1.5335

Std Dev: 1.9042

$$\partial \text{Claims} / \partial \text{deductible} = \beta_1 + \beta_7 \times 1 = \beta_1 + \beta_7 = -0.6729$$

↪ + -0.0946 = -0.7675

- A 1-unit increase in deductible changes claims by ↪ -0.7675 units for residential properties.

Comparison:

Difference in deductible effect: -0.0946

- The deductible effect is 0.0946 units MORE NEGATIVE ↪ for residential properties.
- Deductible increases have a stronger negative ↪ effect on residential claims than commercial claims.

Practical Business Interpretation:

- Higher deductibles are associated with lower claims ↪ for both property types
- This association is STRONGER for residential ↪ properties

(c) Statistical Significance Test for Interaction Term

Hypothesis Test for Interaction Term:

$H_0: \beta_7 = 0$  (no interaction between deductible and ↪ type)

$H_1: \beta_7 \neq 0$  (significant interaction exists)

Significance level:  $\alpha = 0.05$

Test Statistics:

Interaction coefficient ( $\beta_7$ ): -0.0946

Standard error: 0.0779

t-statistic: -1.2151

Degrees of freedom: 1332

p-value: 0.2245

Critical value ( $\pm$ ): 1.9617

Decision Rule:

Reject  $H_0$  if  $|t\text{-statistic}| > 1.9617$  OR if  $p\text{-value} < 0.05$

Conclusion:

FAIL TO REJECT  $H_0$ : The interaction term is NOT ↪

↪ statistically significant at the 5% level.

$|t\text{-statistic}| = 1.2151 \leq 1.9617$

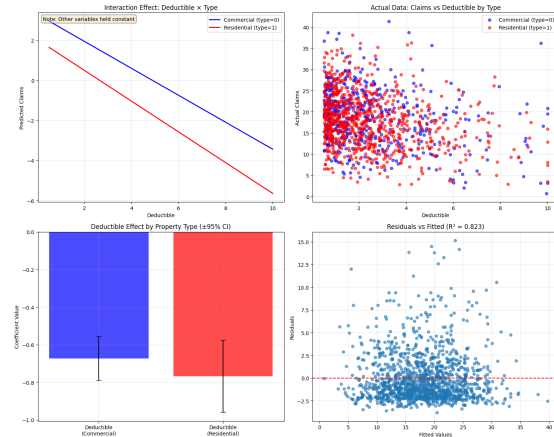
$p\text{-value} = 0.2245 \geq 0.05$

The effect of deductible on claims does NOT differ ↪ significantly between property types.

The interaction term may not be necessary.

95% Confidence Interval for Interaction Coefficient: [-0.2473, 0.0581]

- The interval contains zero - the direction of the ↪ interaction effect is uncertain



Executive Summary:

Aspect

Result

Model Specification  $\text{Claims} \sim \text{deductible} + \text{type} +$  ↪

↪ coverage + age +

prior\_claims + premium + deductible × type

Interaction Coefficient

-0.0946 (SE = 0.0779)

Commercial Effect

-0.6729 per unit deductible

Residential Effect

-0.7675 per unit deductible

Difference

-0.0946

Statistical Significance

Not significant ( $p = 0.2245$ )

Model  $R^2$

0.8233

Model Interpretation:

- The non-significant interaction suggests that ↪ deductible effects are similar across commercial and residential properties
- A simpler model without interaction may be adequate

7 Residual Analysis

Extended Multiple Linear Regression Model

Variables: deductible, coverage, age, prior\_claims, ↪

↪ premium, type, location

Model Summary:

Observations: 1,340

Variables: 7

$R^2$ : 0.8263

Residual Standard Error: 2.6939

(a) Residuals vs Fitted Values Analysis

Residuals vs Fitted Values Analysis:

Residual range: [-3.376, 15.203]

Fitted values range: [0.792, 39.985]

Pattern Analysis:

Correlation between fitted values and squared ↪

↪ residuals: 0.0310

- Variance appears roughly constant

- Correlation magnitude suggests homoscedasticity ↪

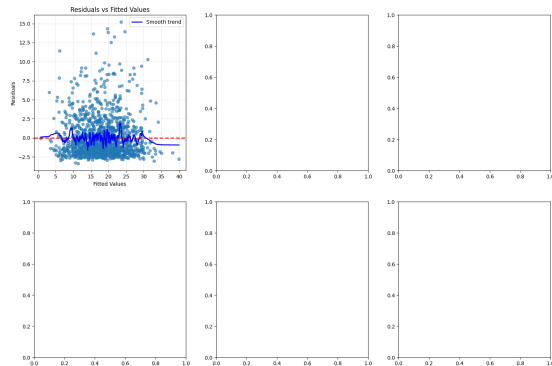
↪ (constant variance)

Linearity Assessment:



Mean residuals by fitted value terciles:

- Low tercile: -0.0800
- Middle tercile: 0.0229
- High tercile: 0.0572
- Maximum deviation from zero: 0.0800 (suggests  $\hookrightarrow$  linear relationship is appropriate)



(b) Q-Q Plot and Normality Analysis

Normality Test Results:

Shapiro-Wilk Test:

Statistic: 0.8106

p-value: 0.0000

REJECT normality at  $\alpha=0.05$

Jarque-Bera Test:

Statistic: 2188.1490

p-value: 0.0000

REJECT normality at  $\alpha=0.05$

Kolmogorov-Smirnov Test:

Statistic: 0.1468

p-value: 0.0000

REJECT normality at  $\alpha=0.05$

Descriptive Statistics for Normality:

Skewness: 1.9531 (Normal  $\approx 0$ )

Kurtosis: 4.8921 (Normal  $\approx 0$ )

Skewness interpretation: highly skewed

Kurtosis interpretation: heavy-tailed

Overall Normality Assessment: Assumption appears to  $\hookrightarrow$  be violated

(c) Outliers and Influential Points Analysis

Diagnostic Thresholds:

Outlier threshold (standardized residuals):  $\pm 3$

High leverage threshold: 0.0119

High Cook's distance threshold: 0.0030

Outliers and Influential Points:

Observations with |standardized residuals| > 3: 31

Observations with |studentized residuals| > 3: 31

High leverage points: 73

High Cook's distance points: 74

Most Extreme Observations:

Highest Residual: Observation 315

Fitted value: 23.547

Actual value: 38.750

Standardized residual: 5.643

Leverage: 0.0072

Cook's distance: 0.0331

Highest Leverage: Observation 262

Fitted value: 34.070

Actual value: 36.160

Standardized residual: 0.776

Leverage: 0.0305

Cook's distance: 0.0027

Highest Cooks: Observation 315

Fitted value: 23.547

Actual value: 38.750

Standardized residual: 5.643

Leverage: 0.0072

Cook's distance: 0.0331

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Detailed Analysis of Problematic Observations:

Obs	Fitted	Actual	Std_Residual	Leverage	Cooks_D	Issues
1	13.477	22.670	3.412	0.0032	0.0054	$\hookrightarrow$
2	5.711	3.340	-0.880	0.0122	0.0014	$\hookrightarrow$
14	20.959	20.000	-0.356	0.0128	0.0002	$\hookrightarrow$
36	10.929	8.700	-0.827	0.0142	0.0014	$\hookrightarrow$
70	13.967	11.670	-0.852	0.0130	0.0014	$\hookrightarrow$
71	20.337	24.990	1.727	0.0074	0.0032	$\hookrightarrow$
73	30.965	29.670	-0.481	0.0141	0.0005	$\hookrightarrow$
118	22.728	22.290	-0.163	0.0193	0.0001	$\hookrightarrow$
122	5.247	10.110	1.805	0.0072	0.0034	$\hookrightarrow$
129	31.861	36.730	1.807	0.0092	0.0043	$\hookrightarrow$

... and 124 more observations with issues.

Diagnostic Summary:

1. Linearity: suggests linear relationship is  $\hookrightarrow$  appropriate
2. Homoscedasticity: suggests homoscedasticity  $\hookrightarrow$  (constant variance)
3. Normality: Assumption appears to be violated
4. Outliers: 31 potential outliers identified
5. Influential Points: 74 high Cook's distance  $\hookrightarrow$  observations

Recommendations:

- Consider transformation of variables or robust  $\hookrightarrow$  regression methods
- Examine influential points - consider their impact  $\hookrightarrow$  on coefficient estimates

8 Model Comparison and Selection

Comparing three different model specifications:

Model A: claims ~ deductible + coverage + age +  $\hookrightarrow$  prior\_claims + premium

Model B: claims ~ deductible + coverage + age +  $\hookrightarrow$  prior\_claims + premium + type + location



Model C: claims ~ deductible + coverage +  
prior\_claims + premium + type

#### Data Summary:

Original dataset size: 1,340  
Complete cases for all models: 1,340  
Cases removed due to missing data: 0

----- Model A -----  
Variables: deductible, coverage, age, prior\_claims,  
premium  
Number of variables: 5  
R<sup>2</sup>: 0.8130  
Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>: 0.8123  
Residual Standard Deviation: 2.7938  
AIC: 6566.17  
BIC: 6592.18  
Significant coefficients (p < 0.05): 5/5

----- Model B -----  
Variables: deductible, coverage, age, prior\_claims,  
premium, type, location  
Number of variables: 7  
R<sup>2</sup>: 0.8263  
Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>: 0.8254  
Residual Standard Deviation: 2.6939  
AIC: 6472.65  
BIC: 6509.05  
Significant coefficients (p < 0.05): 7/7

----- Model C -----  
Variables: deductible, coverage, prior\_claims,  
premium, type  
Number of variables: 5  
R<sup>2</sup>: 0.8095  
Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>: 0.8088  
Residual Standard Deviation: 2.8197  
AIC: 6590.93  
BIC: 6616.94  
Significant coefficients (p < 0.05): 5/5

#### (a) Model Comparison Table

##### Primary Comparison Metrics:

	Model Variables	R <sup>2</sup>	Adj_R <sup>2</sup>	Residual_SD
Model A	5 vars	0.8130	0.8123	2.7938
Model B	7 vars	0.8263	0.8254	2.6939
Model C	5 vars	0.8095	0.8088	2.8197

##### Additional Model Selection Criteria:

Model	AIC	BIC	F_statistic	Sig_Coefs
Model A	6566.17	6592.18	1159.62	5/5
Model B	6472.65	6509.05	905.51	7/7
Model C	6590.93	6616.94	1133.51	5/5

##### Best Model by Criterion:

- Highest R<sup>2</sup>: Model B (0.8263)
- Highest Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>: Model B (0.8254)
- Lowest Residual SD: Model B (2.6939)
- Lowest AIC: Model B (6472.65)
- Lowest BIC: Model B (6509.05)

##### Model Complexity Analysis:

Model A: 5 variables, R<sup>2</sup>/var = 0.1626  
Model B: 7 variables, R<sup>2</sup>/var = 0.1180  
Model C: 5 variables, R<sup>2</sup>/var = 0.1619

##### Nested Model Comparisons (F-tests):

#### Model A vs Model B:

F-statistic: 51.3548

p-value: 0.0000

Model B significantly better

Note: Model A vs C and Model B vs C are not nested  
comparisons

#### (b) Model Recommendation and Analysis

##### Statistical Criteria Analysis:

##### 1. Goodness of Fit:

- R<sup>2</sup> ranking: Model B > others
- Adjusted R<sup>2</sup> ranking: Model B > others
- R<sup>2</sup> improvement from A to B: 0.0134
- Adjusted R<sup>2</sup> change from A to B: 0.0132

##### 2. Model Parsimony:

- AIC favors: Model B (AIC = 6472.65)
- BIC favors: Model B (BIC = 6509.05)
- BIC penalizes complexity more heavily than AIC

##### 3. Coefficient Significance:

- Model A: 5/5 coefficients significant (100.0%)
- Model B: 7/7 coefficients significant (100.0%)
- Model C: 5/5 coefficients significant (100.0%)

##### 4. Prediction Accuracy:

- Lowest prediction error: Model B (SD = 2.6939)

##### Practical Interpretability Analysis:

##### 1. Variable Inclusion Logic:

- Model A: Core financial variables (deductible, coverage, premium) + risk factors (age, prior\_claims)
- Model B: Model A + property characteristics (type, location)
- Model C: Simplified version with key variables + property type

##### 2. Business Relevance:

- Age variable: Present in A, Present in B, Absent in C
- Property type: Absent in A, Present in B, Present in C
- Location: Absent in A, Present in B, Absent in C

##### 3. Marginal Contribution Analysis:

- Adding type + location (B vs A): R<sup>2</sup> improves by 0.0134
- Adjusted R<sup>2</sup> change: 0.0132 (improvement)

##### Recommendation Framework:

##### Composite Scoring (weighted combination of criteria):

- Model B: 1.000
- Model A: 0.700
- Model C: 0.400

##### RECOMMENDED MODEL: Model B

##### Justification for Model B:

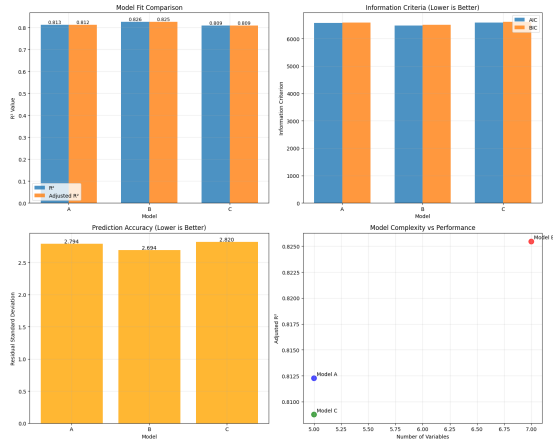
- ✓ Highest predictive power (R<sup>2</sup> = 0.8263)
- ✓ Includes important property characteristics
- ✓ Comprehensive variable coverage
- ✓ Best for prediction accuracy

##### Limitations of Model B:

More complex with potential overfitting risk  
May have multicollinearity issues

Alternative Recommendations by Use Case:

- For prediction accuracy: Model B
- For model parsimony: Model B
- For balanced approach: Model B
- For regulatory reporting: Model A (simplest, most interpretable)



## 9 Practical Application

Features shape: (1340, 7)  
Target shape: (1340,)

=== MODEL RESULTS ===

R-squared: 0.8263

Adjusted R-squared: 0.8254

Model Coefficients:

	Feature	Coefficient
0	Intercept	3.026950
1	deductible	-0.713391
2	coverage	0.058017
3	age	0.076546
4	prior_claims	2.391648
5	premium	1.018707
6	type	-1.419290
7	location	0.858614

Statistical Significance:

	Feature	Coefficient	Std_Error	t_statistic	p_value
0	Intercept	3.026950	0.316198	9.572968	0.000000e+00
1	deductible	-0.713391	0.038024	-18.761697	0.000000e+00
2	coverage	0.058017	0.002180	26.618766	0.000000e+00
3	age	0.076546	0.006979	10.967841	0.000000e+00
4	prior_claims	2.391648	0.124993	19.134246	0.000000e+00
5	premium	1.018707	0.237095	4.296623	1.860187e-05
6	type	-1.419290	0.169370	-8.379819	0.000000e+00
7	location	0.858614	0.172627	4.973820	7.420302e-07

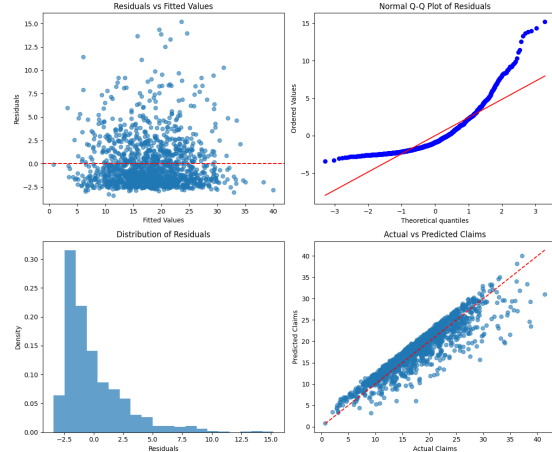
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2	True
3	True
4	True
5	True
6	True
7	True

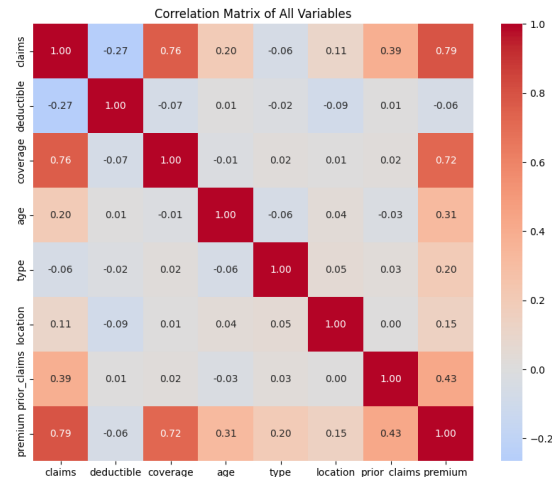
=== MODEL DIAGNOSTICS ===

Mean Squared Error: 7.2140

Root Mean Squared Error: 2.6859



=== CORRELATION ANALYSIS ===



Correlations with Claims:

claims	1.000000
premium	0.792992
coverage	0.760527
prior_claims	0.387403
deductible	-0.265120
age	0.198837
location	0.105441

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type          -0.061114
Name: claims, dtype: float64
```

```
=== PART (a): PREDICTION ===
Understanding categorical variables:
Type values: [1 0]
Location values: [1 0]
Type value counts: type
1    835
0    505
Name: count, dtype: int64
Location value counts: location
1    968
0    372
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Prediction for the given property:
Expected claims amount: 19.49
```

```
Sensitivity analysis for categorical variables:
Type=Commercial, Location=Rural: 20.05
Type=Commercial, Location=Urban: 20.91
Type=Residential, Location=Rural: 18.63
Type=Residential, Location=Urban: 19.49
```

#### PART (b): BUSINESS IMPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

```
Feature Importance (by absolute coefficient value):
      Feature  Coefficient  Abs_Coefficient
3  prior_claims    2.391648         2.391648
5         type   -1.419290         1.419290
4     premium    1.018707         1.018707
6     location    0.858614         0.858614
0  deductible   -0.713391         0.713391
2         age    0.076546         0.076546
1     coverage    0.058017         0.058017
```

```
Prediction Confidence Interval (95.0%):
Expected claims: 19.49
Lower bound: 14.22
Upper bound: 24.76
```

#### BUSINESS RECOMMENDATIONS:

- PRICING STRATEGY:**
  - The model explains 82.6% of the variation in claims
  - Most significant factors should drive premium calculations
  - Consider the prediction interval when setting reserves
- RISK FACTORS ANALYSIS:**

Based on the coefficients, focus on:

  - Variables with largest absolute coefficients
  - Statistically significant predictors ( $p < 0.05$ )
  - High correlation factors with claims
- UNDERWRITING GUIDELINES:**
  - Properties with high predicted claims may need:
    - \* Higher premiums
    - \* Additional risk assessment
    - \* Different deductible structures
  - Consider segmented pricing models
- PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT:**

- Monitor actual vs predicted claims regularly
- Update model coefficients as new data becomes available
- Consider non-linear relationships or interaction terms

#### 5. OPERATIONAL INSIGHTS:

- Use model predictions for:
  - \* Reserve allocation
  - \* Risk-based pricing
  - \* Customer segmentation
  - \* Fraud detection (outliers in residuals)

#### OUTLIER ANALYSIS:

Properties with unusually high/low claims ( $>2$  std devs): 66

These may require special investigation for:

- Fraud detection
- Model improvement opportunities
- Special risk factors not captured in current model

### 10 Critical Thinking

#### PART (a) MULTIPLE LINEAR REGRESSION ASSUMPTIONS

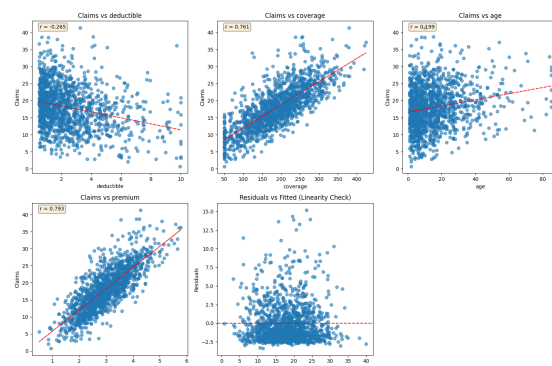
##### ANALYSIS

The key assumptions of multiple linear regression are:

- LINEARITY:** The relationship between predictors and response is linear
- INDEPENDENCE:** Observations are independent of each other
- HOMOSCEDASTICITY:** Constant variance of residuals (homogeneous variance)
- NORMALITY:** Residuals are normally distributed
- NO MULTICOLLINEARITY:** Predictors are not highly correlated with each other
- NO OUTLIERS/INFLUENTIAL POINTS:** Extreme values don't unduly influence the model

Let's test each assumption:

#### 1. LINEARITY ASSUMPTION



#### LINEARITY ASSESSMENT:

- Examine scatter plots for linear patterns
- Residuals vs Fitted should show random scatter around zero

- Non-linear patterns indicate violated linearity  $\hookrightarrow$  assumption

Correlations with claims:

deductible: -0.265  
coverage: 0.761  
age: 0.199  
premium: 0.793

INSURANCE CONTEXT IMPLICATIONS:

- Insurance claims may have non-linear relationships  $\hookrightarrow$  (e.g., coverage thresholds)
- Age effects might be non-linear (newer vs very old  $\hookrightarrow$  properties)
- Premium-claims relationship might be non-linear due  $\hookrightarrow$  to risk-based pricing

## 2. INDEPENDENCE ASSUMPTION

INDEPENDENCE ASSESSMENT:

- Cannot be fully tested without knowing data  $\hookrightarrow$  collection method
- Check for patterns in residuals order



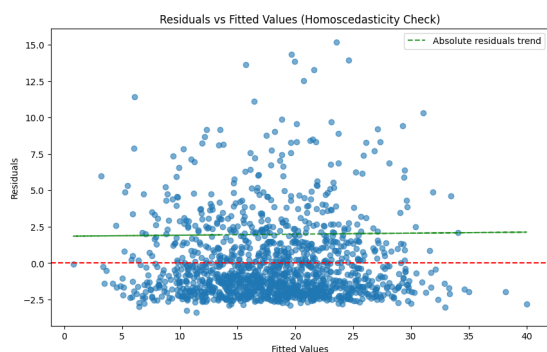
Durbin-Watson statistic: 2.038

(Values near 2.0 suggest independence, <1.5 or >2.5  $\hookrightarrow$  suggest correlation)

INSURANCE CONTEXT IMPLICATIONS:

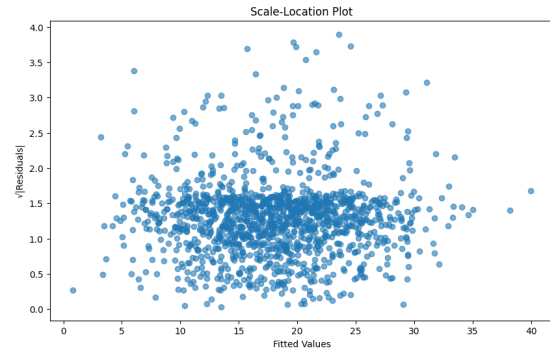
- Properties in same area might have correlated risks  $\hookrightarrow$  (floods, earthquakes)
- Temporal clustering if data spans multiple years  $\hookrightarrow$  with economic changes
- Policy renewals might create dependencies

## 3. HOMOSCEDASTICITY (CONSTANT VARIANCE) ASSUMPTION



Breusch-Pagan test:

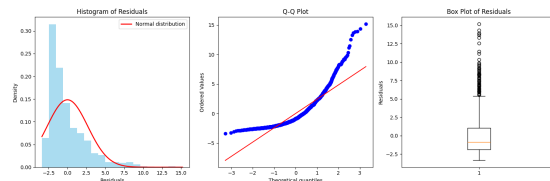
LM statistic: 11.7914  
p-value: 0.1076  
Heteroscedasticity detected: No



INSURANCE CONTEXT IMPLICATIONS:

- Higher value properties might have more variable  $\hookrightarrow$  claims
- Heteroscedasticity common in insurance data
- May need weighted regression or transformation

## 4. NORMALITY OF RESIDUALS ASSUMPTION



NORMALITY TESTS:

Shapiro-Wilk test:

Statistic: 0.8106, p-value: 0.0000  
Normal distribution: No

Jarque-Bera test:

Statistic: 2188.1490, p-value: 0.0000  
Normal distribution: No

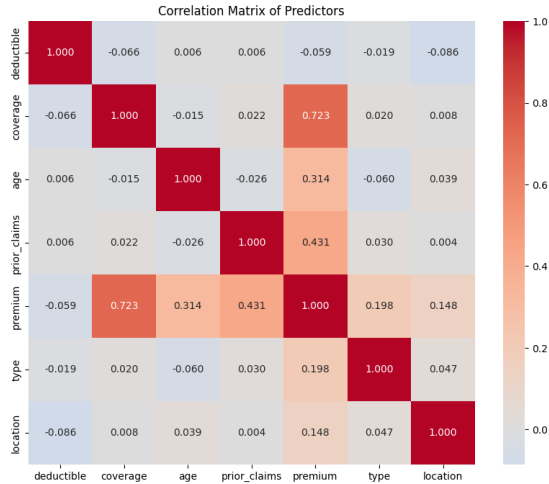
Descriptive statistics:

Skewness: 1.9531  
Kurtosis: 4.8921

INSURANCE CONTEXT IMPLICATIONS:

- Insurance claims often right-skewed (many small,  $\hookrightarrow$  few large claims)
- May need log transformation or robust regression  $\hookrightarrow$  methods
- Non-normality affects confidence intervals and  $\hookrightarrow$  hypothesis tests

## 5. NO MULTICOLLINEARITY ASSUMPTION



0	22.67	1.44	165.7	2	2.23
182	18.12	5.67	131.1	30	2.05
203	35.65	5.08	378.5	8	4.39
247	18.22	7.30	214.5	1	2.29
269	28.41	1.20	209.1	13	2.89

#### INSURANCE CONTEXT IMPLICATIONS:

- Large claims are natural in insurance (catastrophic events)
- Outliers might represent legitimate extreme events, not errors
- Consider robust regression methods or separate models for extreme claims

#### OVERALL ASSUMPTION ASSESSMENT FOR INSURANCE CLAIMS

#### LIKELY VIOLATED ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Linearity: Insurance relationships often non-linear
2. Normality: Claims typically right-skewed
3. Homoscedasticity: Variance often increases with claim size
4. Independence: Geographic/temporal clustering possible

#### RECOMMENDED SOLUTIONS:

1. Log transformation of claims (handle skewness)
2. Robust regression methods
3. Polynomial or interaction terms
4. Weighted least squares (address heteroscedasticity)
5. Consider GLM (Gamma or Poisson regression)
6. Outlier-robust methods

#### PART (b) Additional Useful Variables

##### 1. PROPERTY-SPECIFIC VARIABLES

- Construction: Building materials, roof type/age, year built, size, stories
- Condition: Recent renovations, security features, maintenance score

##### 2. ENVIRONMENTAL & GEOGRAPHIC

- Climate: Climate zones, precipitation, natural disaster scores
- Location: Crime rates, distance to fire station/water, building codes

##### 3. ECONOMIC & DEMOGRAPHIC

- Economic: Local income, property appreciation, unemployment rate
- Demographics: Owner vs tenant occupied, primary vs secondary residence

##### 4. USAGE & BEHAVIORAL

- Property Use: Home business, rental income, vacancy duration
- Claims History: Previous claim types, time since last claim
- Behavior: Payment history, policy shopping, service interactions

##### 5. ADVANCED MODELING

- Interaction Effects: Age×Construction, Location×Weather, Coverage×Deductible
- External Data: Credit scores, satellite imagery, weather APIs

##### 6. IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITY

#### HIGH CORRELATIONS ( $|r| > 0.7$ ):

coverage - premium: 0.723

#### VARIANCE INFLATION FACTORS:

	Variable	VIF
0	deductible	2.302515
1	coverage	36.103529
2	age	3.980363
3	prior_claims	3.974976
4	premium	86.843712
5	type	3.287249
6	location	3.743009

VIF > 5: Moderate multicollinearity  
VIF > 10: High multicollinearity

#### Variables with high VIF:

	Variable	VIF
1	coverage	36.103529
4	premium	86.843712

#### INSURANCE CONTEXT IMPLICATIONS:

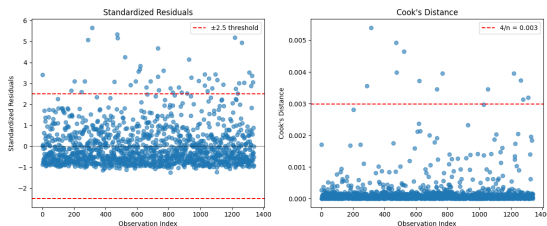
- Premium and coverage likely correlated (higher coverage = higher premium)
- Deductible and coverage might be related
- Consider removing highly correlated variables or using regularization

#### 6. NO OUTLIERS/INFLUENTIAL POINTS ASSUMPTION

##### OUTLIER DETECTION:

Observations with  $|\text{standardized residuals}| > 2.5$ : 48

Observations with high Cook's distance: 13



Outlier observations (standardized residuals > 2.5):  
claims deductible coverage age premium

- HIGH: Natural disaster scores, construction, details, claims history
- MEDIUM: Neighborhood data, weather variables, usage, patterns
- LOW: Credit indicators, satellite analysis, economic metrics

#### 7. EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Model Accuracy: 60-80% → 85-95% predictive accuracy
- Benefits: Better risk selection, fraud detection, dynamic pricing

#### 8. KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Data availability varies by property
- Quality validation required for third-party data
- Regulatory compliance (fair housing laws)
- Cost-benefit analysis essential