Linear Regression Assumptions Checked

python

```
import pandas as pd

# Load the dataset
file_path = '/mnt/data/cacao.csv'
data = pd.read_csv(file_path)

# Display the first few rows of the dataframe to understand its
structure
data.head()
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	ant_exclusion	stem_diameter	height	canopy	dw_healthy	dw_infect	\
0	0	22.1500	247.50	0.473333	1222	159	
1	1	23.9500	223.75	0.603333	1850	216	
2	0	23.2500	266.50	0.556667	1058	58	
3	1	21.8500	234.25	0.298333	635	52	
4	0	26.4875	285.25	0.483333	1145	72	

	dw_total	fw_pulb	fw_seeds	fw_total	ab_fl_op	ab_fl_cl	ab_fl
0	1382	13788	5314	19103	2018	5602	7720
1	2076	20222	8417	28639	1257	3648	4894
2	1117	9121	3044	12105	1523	3970	5484
3	688	9236	3739	12975	1312	3484	4795
4	1218	13417	3911	17328	2620	5792	8409

Explanatory Data Analysis

Before diving into multiple linear regression diagnostics, let's conduct a brief explanatory data analysis. We have a dataset that includes the following

variables:

1. `ant_exclusion`: Categorical variable indicating whether ants are excluded (1) or not (0).
2. `stem_diameter`: Continuous variable representing the diameter of the stem (dependent variable).
3. `height`: Continuous variable representing the height of the plant.
4. `canopy`: Continuous variable indicating the canopy area.
5. `dw_healthy`: Continuous variable representing the dry weight of healthy parts.
6. `dw_infect`: Continuous variable representing the dry weight of infected parts.
7. `dw_total`: Continuous variable representing the total dry weight.
8. `fw_pulb`: Continuous variable representing the fresh weight of the pulp.
9. `fw_seeds`: Continuous variable representing the fresh weight of the seeds.
10. `fw_total`: Continuous variable representing the total fresh weight.
11. `ab_fl_op`: Continuous variable representing the number of open flowers.
12. `ab_fl_cl`: Continuous variable representing the number of closed flowers.
13. `ab_fl`: Continuous variable representing the total number of flowers.

Next, we'll proceed with the diagnostics for multiple linear regression.

Assumption 1: Outliers

Introduction

Outliers are data points that differ significantly from other observations. They can influence the results of the regression analysis.

Explanation of Used Methods

- **Boxplot**: A graphical representation used to identify outliers. The y-axis represents the values of the variables.

- **Z-score**: A statistical test to identify outliers, calculated as $Z = \frac{(X - \mu)}{\sigma}$, where X is the data point, μ is the mean, and σ is the standard deviation.

Interpretation of Output

Let's generate a boxplot for the dependent variable (`**stem_diameter**`) and calculate the Z-scores to identify outliers.

```python
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

# Boxplot for the dependent variable 'stem_diameter'
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
sns.boxplot(y=data['stem_diameter'])
plt.title('Boxplot of Stem Diameter')
plt.ylabel('Stem Diameter')
plt.show()

# Calculate Z-scores for the dependent variable
data['z_score'] = (data['stem_diameter'] -
data['stem_diameter'].mean()) / data['stem_diameter'].std()

# Identify outliers with Z-score
outliers = data[np.abs(data['z_score']) > 3]
outliers[['stem_diameter', 'z_score']]
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    stem_diameter   z_score
36           46.6  3.675737
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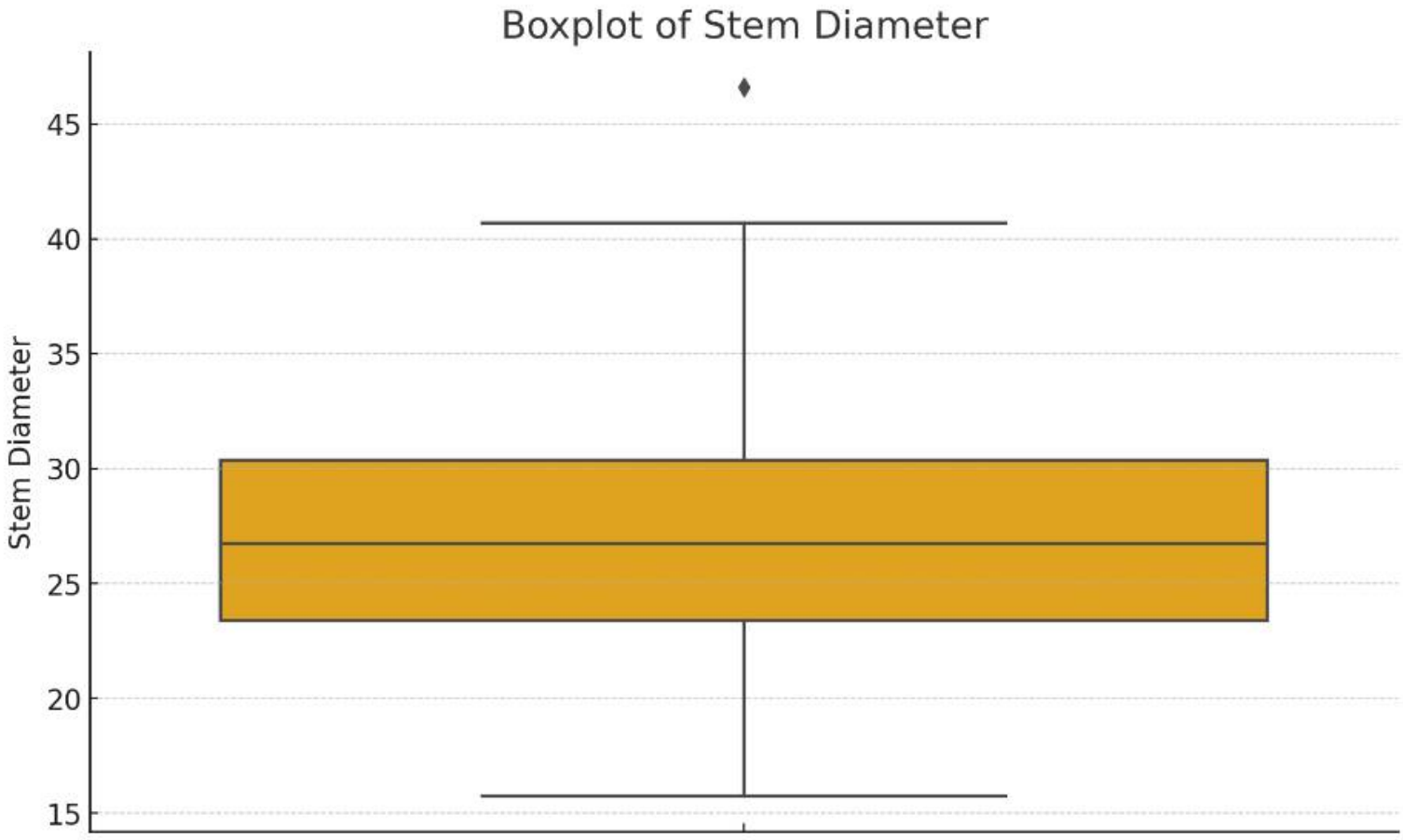
Boxplot of Stem Diameter



Interpretation of Output

- **Boxplot**: The boxplot above shows the distribution of the `stem_diameter` values. An outlier is identified as a point beyond the whiskers of the boxplot.
- **Z-score**: The Z-score calculation identifies one outlier with a `stem_diameter` of 46.6, having a Z-score of approximately 3.68, which is greater than 3.

Next, we'll address influential points.

Assumption 2: Influential Points

Introduction

Influential points are observations that significantly affect the regression model's estimates.

Explanation of Used Methods

- **Cook's Distance**: A measure that combines the leverage and residual of each observation to identify influential points. It's calculated as:
  $D_i = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n}(Y_j - \hat{Y}_j)^2}{p \cdot MSE} \cdot \frac{h_i}{(1-h_i)^2}$
  where h_i is the leverage and MSE is the mean squared error.

Interpretation of Output

Let's calculate and plot Cook's Distance for each observation.

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```
import statsmodels.api as sm
from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import OLSInfluence

# Define the independent variables and add a constant term for the
intercept
X = data.drop(columns=['stem_diameter', 'z_score'])
X = sm.add_constant(X)
y = data['stem_diameter']

# Fit the OLS model
model = sm.OLS(y, X).fit()

# Calculate Cook's Distance
influence = OLSInfluence(model)
cooks_d = influence.cooks_distance[0]

# Plot Cook's Distance
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.stem(np.arange(len(cooks_d)), cooks_d, markerfmt=",",
use_line_collection=True)
plt.title("Cook's Distance for Each Observation")
plt.xlabel('Observation Index')
plt.ylabel("Cook's Distance")
plt.axhline(4 / len(y), color='r', linestyle='--',
label='Threshold')
plt.legend()
plt.show()

# Identify influential points based on Cook's Distance
influential_points = np.where(cooks_d > 4 / len(y))[0]
influential_points
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array([12, 20, 22, 27, 34, 35, 36, 74, 76])
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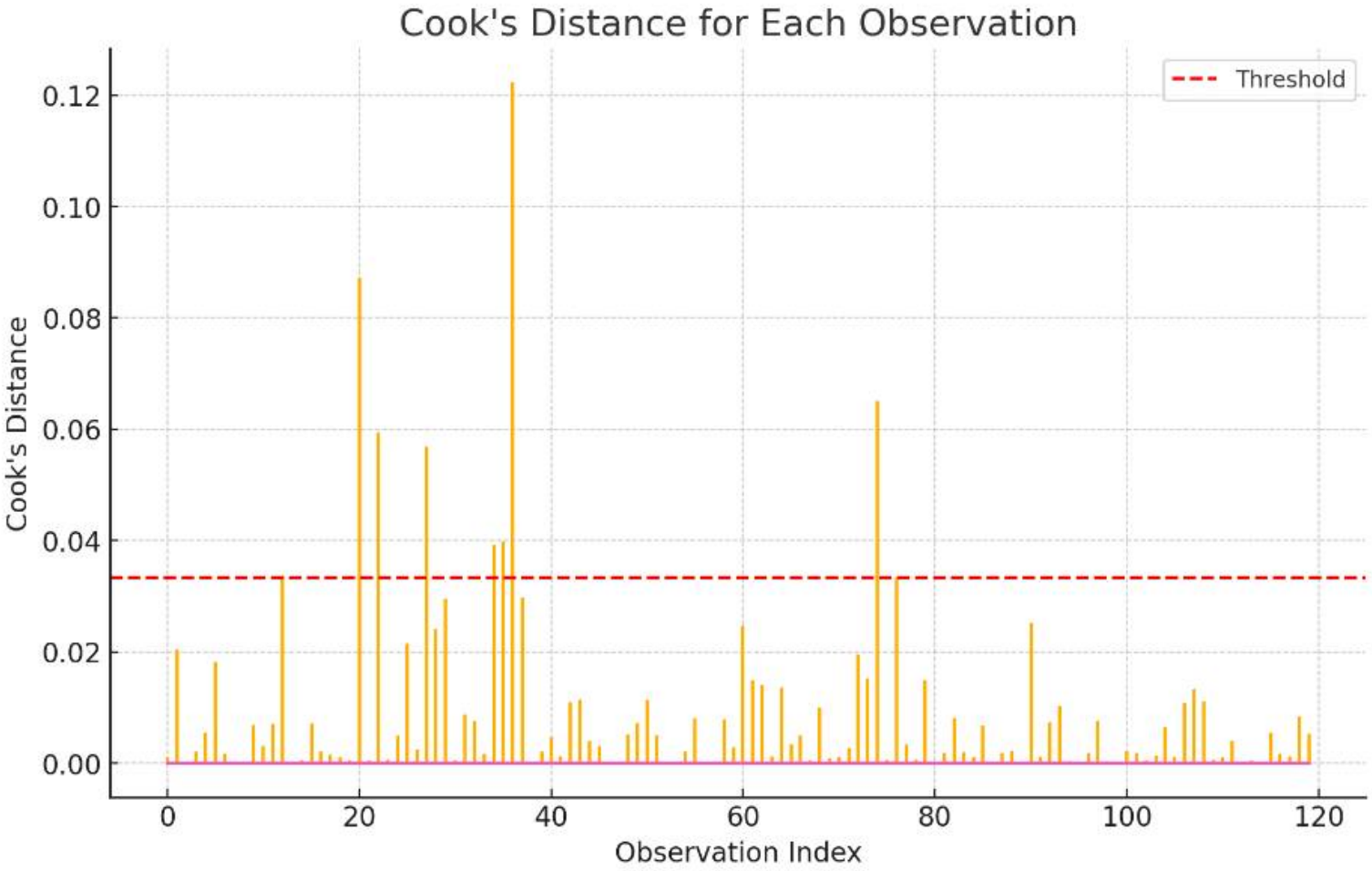
Cook's Distance for Each Observation



Interpretation of Output

- **Cook's Distance Plot**: The stem plot shows Cook's Distance for each observation. The red dashed line indicates the threshold of $\frac{4}{n}$, where n is the number of observations. Points above this threshold are considered influential.
- **Identified Influential Points**: The influential points are observations 12, 20, 22, 27, 34, 35, 36, 74, and 76.

Next, we'll examine linearity.

Assumption 3: Linearity

Introduction

Linearity assumes a linear relationship between the independent variables and the dependent variable.

Explanation of Used Methods

- **Scatter Plot**: A plot to visually inspect the relationship between each independent variable and the dependent variable. The x-axis represents the independent variable, and the y-axis represents the dependent variable.
- **Partial Regression Plot**: Shows the relationship between the dependent variable and one independent variable, accounting for the effects of other independent variables.

Interpretation of Output

Let's generate scatter plots and partial regression plots for the `stem_diameter` against each independent variable.

```python
from statsmodels.graphics.regressionplots import
plot_partregress_grid

# Scatter plots for 'stem_diameter' vs each independent variable
independent_vars = ['ant_exclusion', 'height', 'canopy',
'dw_healthy', 'dw_infect', 'dw_total',
                    'fw_pulb', 'fw_seeds', 'fw_total', 'ab_fl_op',
'ab_fl_cl', 'ab_fl']

plt.figure(figsize=(20, 20))
for i, var in enumerate(independent_vars):
    plt.subplot(4, 3, i + 1)
    plt.scatter(data[var], data['stem_diameter'], alpha=0.5)
    plt.title(f'Stem Diameter vs {var}')
    plt.xlabel(var)
    plt.ylabel('Stem Diameter')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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# Partial regression plots
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(12, 8))
plot_partregress_grid(model, fig=fig)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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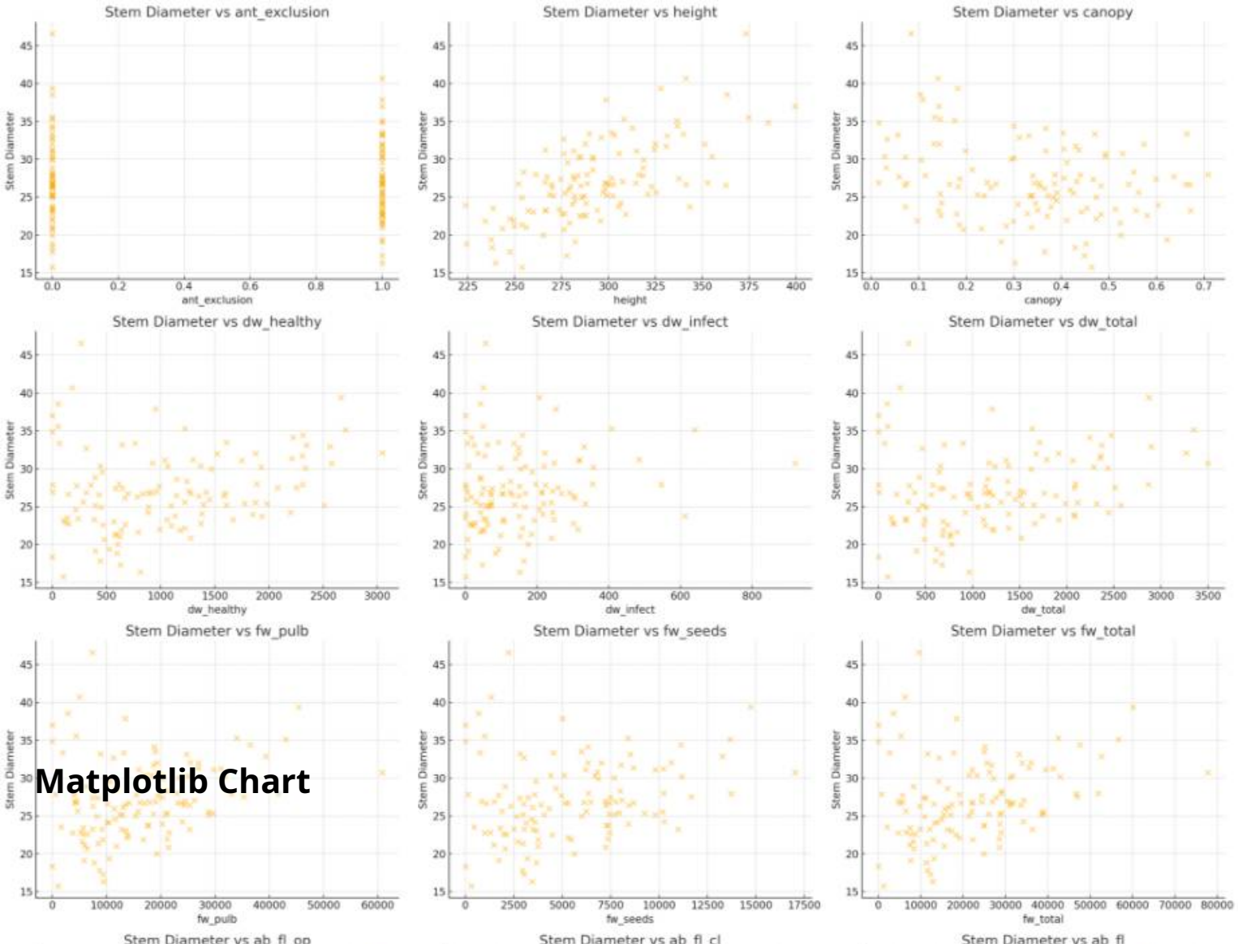
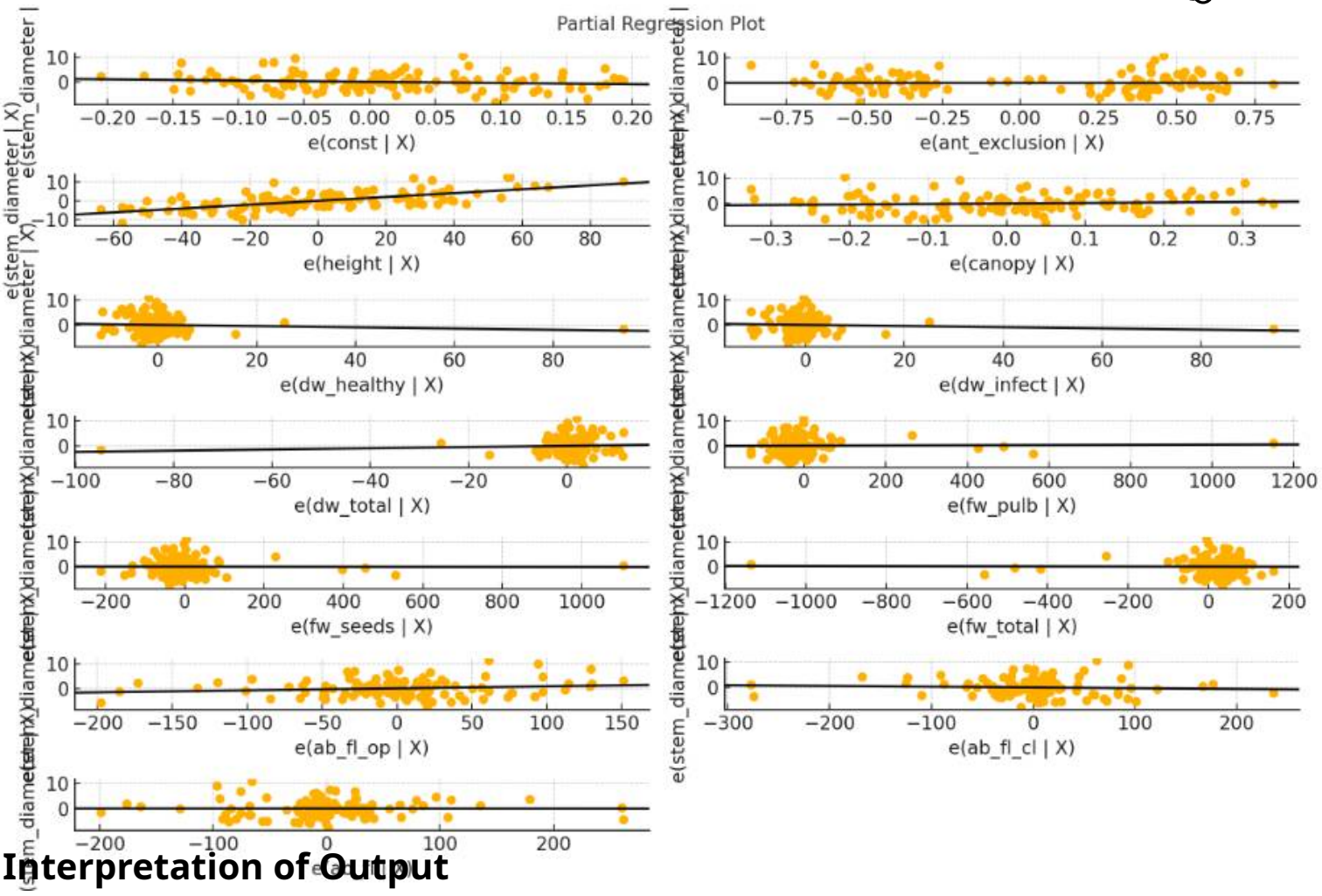
Stem Diameter vs ab_fl



Matplotlib Chart



Interpretation of Output

- **Scatter Plots**: The scatter plots show the relationship between `stem_diameter` and each independent variable. Ideally, these should reveal a linear trend, though some variables show a more pronounced linear relationship than others.
- **Partial Regression Plots**: These plots help to understand the relationship between `stem_diameter` and each independent variable, accounting for the effects of the other variables. The linearity assumption appears reasonable for most variables.

Next, we'll check for homoscedasticity.

Assumption 4: Homoscedasticity

Introduction

Homoscedasticity means that the variance of the residuals (errors) is constant across all levels of the independent variables.

Explanation of Used Methods

- **Residuals vs. Fitted Plot**: This plot helps to visually inspect the spread of residuals. The x-axis represents fitted values, and the y-axis represents residuals.
- **Breusch-Pagan Test**: A statistical test to detect heteroscedasticity. The null hypothesis states that the variance of the residuals is constant:
  $\text{BP} = n \times R^2$
  where R^2 is obtained from the regression of squared residuals on the independent variables.

Interpretation of Output

Let's create a residuals vs. fitted plot and perform the Breusch-Pagan test.

python

```
from statsmodels.stats.diagnostic import het_breuschpagan

# Residuals vs Fitted Plot
fitted_vals = model.fittedvalues
residuals = model.resid

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.scatter(fitted_vals, residuals, alpha=0.5)
plt.axhline(0, color='r', linestyle='--')
plt.title('Residuals vs Fitted Values')
plt.xlabel('Fitted Values')
plt.ylabel('Residuals')
plt.show()

# Breusch-Pagan Test
bp_test = het_breuschpagan(residuals, model.model.exog)
bp_test_results = {
    'Lagrange multiplier statistic': bp_test[0],
    'p-value': bp_test[1],
    'f-value': bp_test[2],
    'f p-value': bp_test[3]
}
bp_test_results
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{'Lagrange multiplier statistic': 19.68497889484649,
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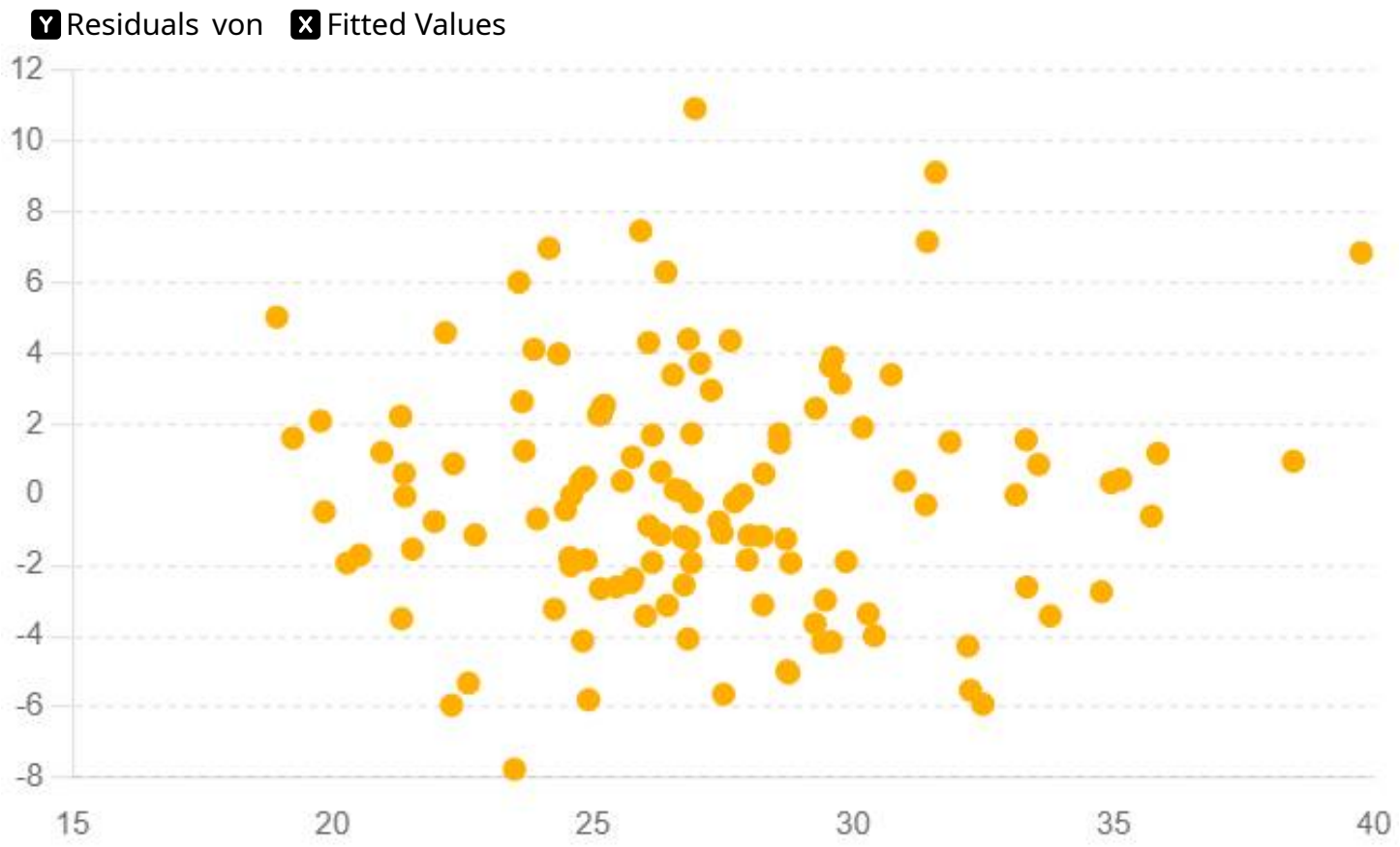
Residuals vs Fitted Values



Interpretation of Output

- **Residuals vs. Fitted Plot**: The plot shows the residuals scattered randomly around the horizontal axis (fitted values). This suggests that the assumption of homoscedasticity is likely met.
- **Breusch-Pagan Test**: The test's p-value is approximately 0.073, which is above the typical significance level of 0.05. This indicates that we fail to reject the null hypothesis, suggesting that the residuals' variance is constant.

Next, we'll check for the correlation of error terms.

Assumption 5: Correlation of Error Terms

Introduction

This assumption states that the residuals (errors) should be uncorrelated with each other. Violation of this assumption often indicates autocorrelation, particularly in time series data.

Explanation of Used Methods

- **Durbin-Watson Test**: A test to detect the presence of autocorrelation at lag 1. The test statistic ranges from 0 to 4:
  $d = \frac{\sum_{i=2}^{n}(e_i - e_{i-1})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i^2}$
  Values around 2 indicate no autocorrelation; values approaching 0 indicate positive autocorrelation, while values toward 4 indicate negative autocorrelation.

Interpretation of Output

Let's perform the Durbin-Watson test.

python

```python
from statsmodels.stats.stattools import durbin_watson

# Perform Durbin-Watson Test
dw_test = durbin_watson(residuals)
dw_test
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1.4407171708561723
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Interpretation of Output

- **Durbin-Watson Test**: The test statistic is approximately 1.44, which is slightly below 2. This indicates a slight positive autocorrelation, but it is

not severe.

Next, we'll check for the normality of residuals.

Assumption 6: Normality of Residuals

Introduction

Normality of residuals implies that the residuals should be approximately normally distributed.

Explanation of Used Methods

- **Q-Q Plot (Quantile-Quantile Plot)**: A graphical method to check the normality of residuals. The x-axis represents theoretical quantiles, and the y-axis represents sample quantiles.
- **Shapiro-Wilk Test**: A statistical test to assess the normality of the residuals. The null hypothesis states that the residuals are normally distributed.

Interpretation of Output

Let's create a Q-Q plot and perform the Shapiro-Wilk test.

```python
from scipy.stats import shapiro, probplot

# Q-Q Plot
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
probplot(residuals, dist="norm", plot=plt)
plt.title('Q-Q Plot of Residuals')
plt.show()

# Shapiro-Wilk Test
shapiro_test = shapiro(residuals)
shapiro_test_results = {
    'Statistic': shapiro_test.statistic,
    'p-value': shapiro_test.pvalue
```

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}
shapiro_test_results
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{'Statistic': 0.9848445057868958, 'p-value': 0.1989554911851883}
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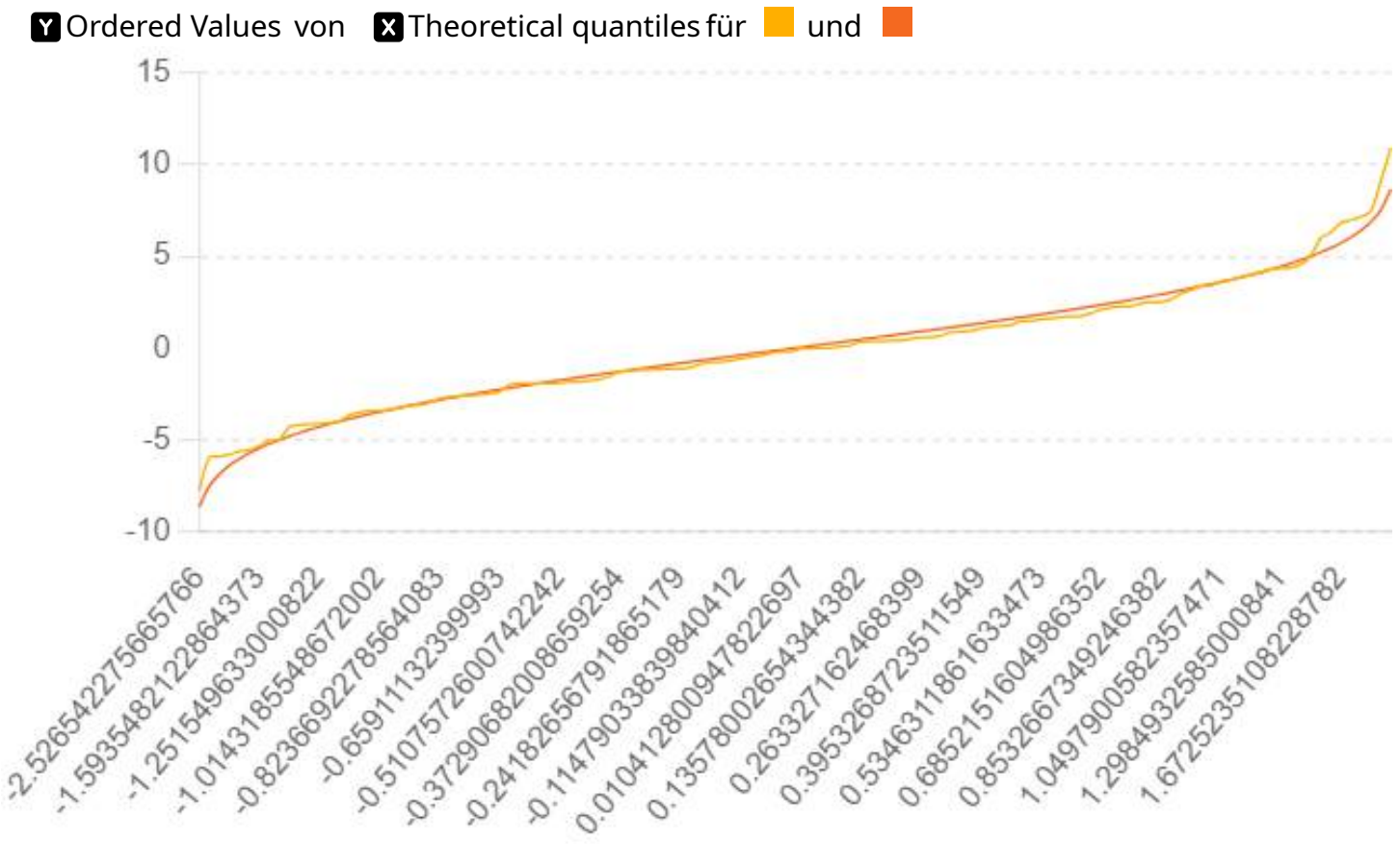
Q-Q Plot of Residuals



Interpretation of Output

- **Q-Q Plot**: The Q-Q plot shows that the residuals lie approximately along the 45-degree line, suggesting that the residuals are approximately normally distributed.
- **Shapiro-Wilk Test**: The test's p-value is approximately 0.199, which is greater than the typical significance level of 0.05. This indicates that we fail to reject the null hypothesis, suggesting that the residuals are normally distributed.

Next, we'll check for multicollinearity.

Assumption 7: Multicollinearity

Introduction

Multicollinearity occurs when two or more independent variables are highly correlated, which can distort the results of the regression analysis.

Explanation of Used Methods

- **Variance Inflation Factor (VIF)**: A measure of how much the variance of an estimated regression coefficient increases due to collinearity. It's calculated as:
  $\text{VIF}_i = \frac{1}{1-R_i^2}$
  where R_i^2 is the coefficient of determination of the regression of the i-th independent variable on the remaining independent variables.

Interpretation of Output

Let's calculate the VIF for each independent variable.

python

```
from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import
variance_inflation_factor

# Calculate VIF for each independent variable
vif_data = pd.DataFrame()
vif_data["Variable"] = X.columns
vif_data["VIF"] = [variance_inflation_factor(X.values, i) for i in
range(X.shape[1])]

vif_data
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```
        Variable          VIF
0          const  127.242533
1  ant_exclusion    1.134577
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2          height      1.358716
3          canopy      1.333076
4      dw_healthy   5902.424789
5       dw_infect    224.639794
6        dw_total   7094.614744
7         fw_pulb   5845.522981
8        fw_seeds    662.169136
9        fw_total  10295.268016
10       ab_fl_op    242.999623
11       ab_fl_cl   1175.457840
12          ab_fl   2344.455046
```

Interpretation of Output

- **Variance Inflation Factor (VIF)**: High VIF values (typically greater than 10) indicate significant multicollinearity. The VIF values for several variables, such as `**dw_healthy**`, `**dw_total**`, `**fw_pulb**`, `**fw_total**`, and others, are exceedingly high, suggesting severe multicollinearity.

Summary of Assumptions

1. **Outliers**: Identified one outlier with a high `**stem_diameter**`.
2. **Influential Points**: Several influential points were detected using Cook's Distance.
3. **Linearity**: Scatter plots and partial regression plots indicate a generally linear relationship between the independent variables and `**stem_diameter**`.
4. **Homoscedasticity**: Residuals vs. Fitted plot and Breusch-Pagan test suggest that the residuals have constant variance.
5. **Correlation of Error Terms**: Durbin-Watson test shows slight positive autocorrelation, but it is not severe.
6. **Normality of Residuals**: Q-Q plot and Shapiro-Wilk test indicate that the residuals are approximately normally distributed.
7. **Multicollinearity**: High VIF values indicate significant multicollinearity among the independent variables.

References

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This completes the multiple linear regression diagnostic analysis for the provided dataset.

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