



Credit Risk Project

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Introduction & Background



① Problem Statement:

- Small business owners lack credit history, making them risky for banks.
- Credit union issues short-term loans (12 months, \$10K - \$2M) to small businesses.
- Sales fluctuations create repayment uncertainty, increasing credit risk.

② Objective:

- Assess borrower creditworthiness using PRSM (Performance Ratio at Six Months).

$$\text{PRSM} = 2 \times \frac{\text{Amount repaid at 6 months}}{\text{Total amount owed}}.$$

③ Dataset Overview:

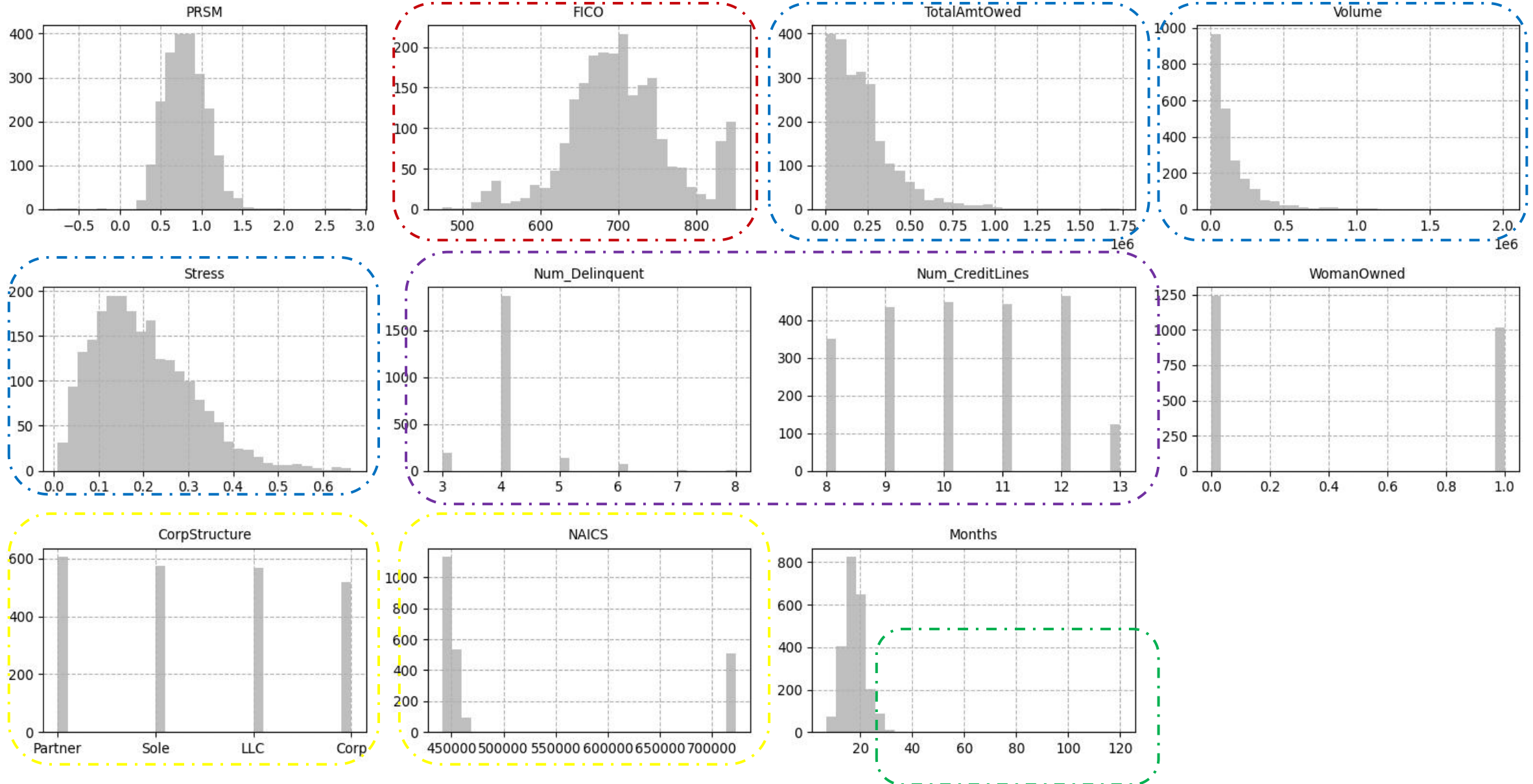
Key variables include:

- Binary features: WomanOwned
- Continuous features: TotalAmtOwed, etc.
- Categorical features: NAICS, CorpStructure, etc.

④ Approach:

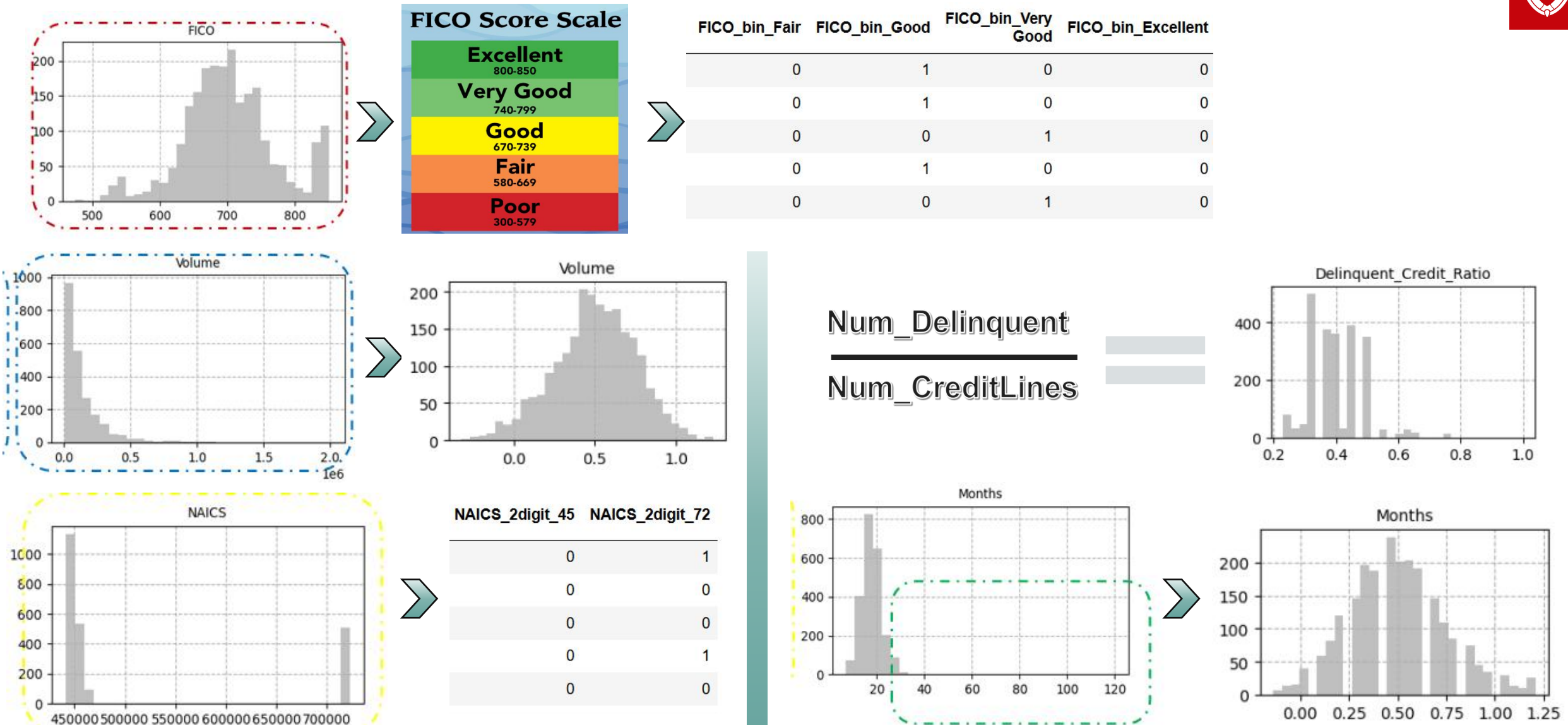
- Preprocess data to meet linear regression assumptions
- Train regression model to predict PRSM, identify key features.
- Use predictions to enhance loan approval decisions and mitigate risk.

Exploratory Data Analysis





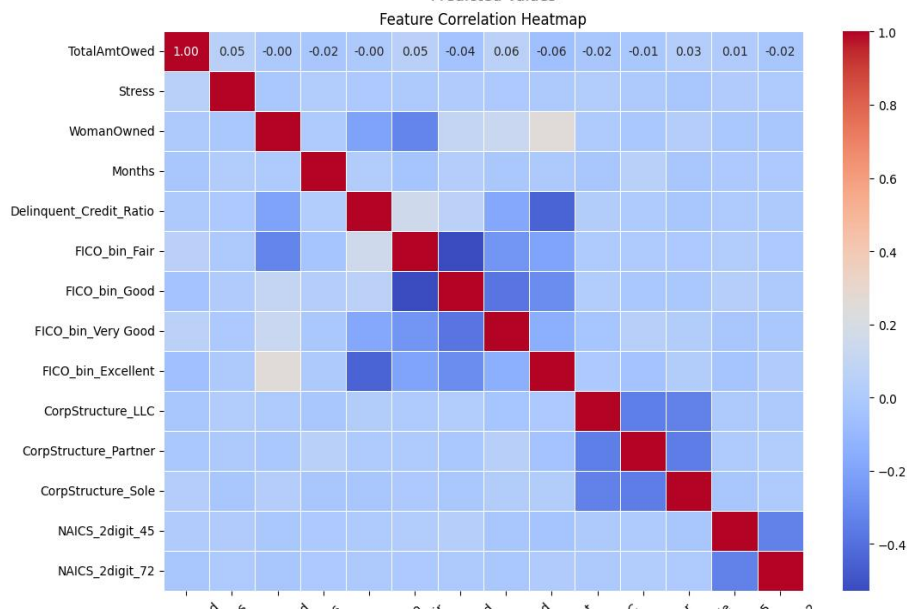
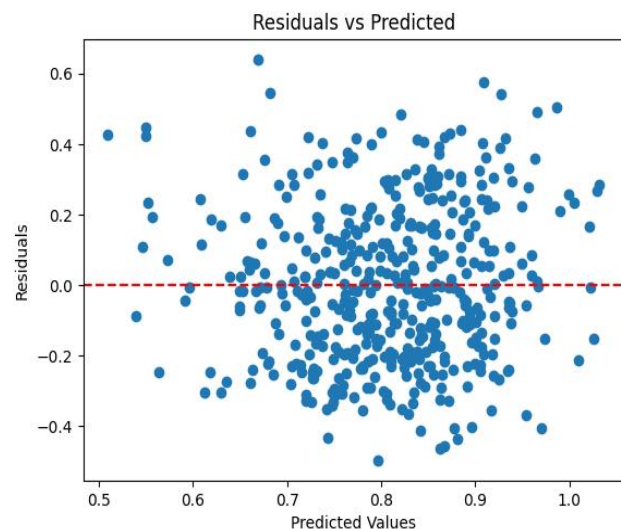
Data Preparation & Feature Engineering



Model Assessment & Insights



Checking Linear Regression Assumptions



Model Performance and Feature Importance

Under 5Fold cross validation:

Average RMSE: 0.1558

RMSE Standard Deviation: 0.0375

Feature Importance:

	Feature	Coefficient	Abs_Coefficient
0	TotalAmtOwed	0.316891	0.316891
2	WomanOwned	0.269304	0.269304
9	CorpStructure_LLC	0.237699	0.237699
8	FICO_bin_Excellent	0.223887	0.223887
1	Stress	0.204815	0.204815
10	CorpStructure_Partner	0.155057	0.155057
3	Months	0.124517	0.124517
7	FICO_bin_Very Good	0.113270	0.113270
6	FICO_bin_Good	0.102689	0.102689
5	FICO_bin_Fair	0.026772	0.026772
13	NAICS_2digit_72	0.004226	0.004226
4	Delinquent_Credit_Ratio	-0.000471	0.000471
11	CorpStructure_Sole	-0.000400	0.000400
12	NAICS_2digit_45	-0.000042	0.000042

Key Findings & Future Directions



Key Drivers of Credit Risk

- **Loan Amount:** Larger loans link to higher PRSM scores, indicating stronger cash flow.
- **Women-Owned Businesses:** Higher PRSM scores, possibly due to financial management or industry focus.
- **Business Structure:** LLCs and partnerships score higher than sole proprietorships and corporations.
- **FICO Score:** Higher scores ("Excellent" or "Very Good") suggest better repayment performance.
- **Financial Stress:** A higher garnishment-to-volume ratio is associated with lower credit risk.
- **Months in Business:** Longer operation reduces default risk, as shown by a positive coefficient.

Future Work

Improving Data Analysis

- Explore feature interactions to uncover hidden patterns.
- Test advanced models for better accuracy and interpretability.
- Enhance weak features like NAICS for better insights.

Next Steps for Business Impact

- Validate the model with real-world testing.
- Integrate it into decision-making processes.
- Monitor performance and refine based on new data.



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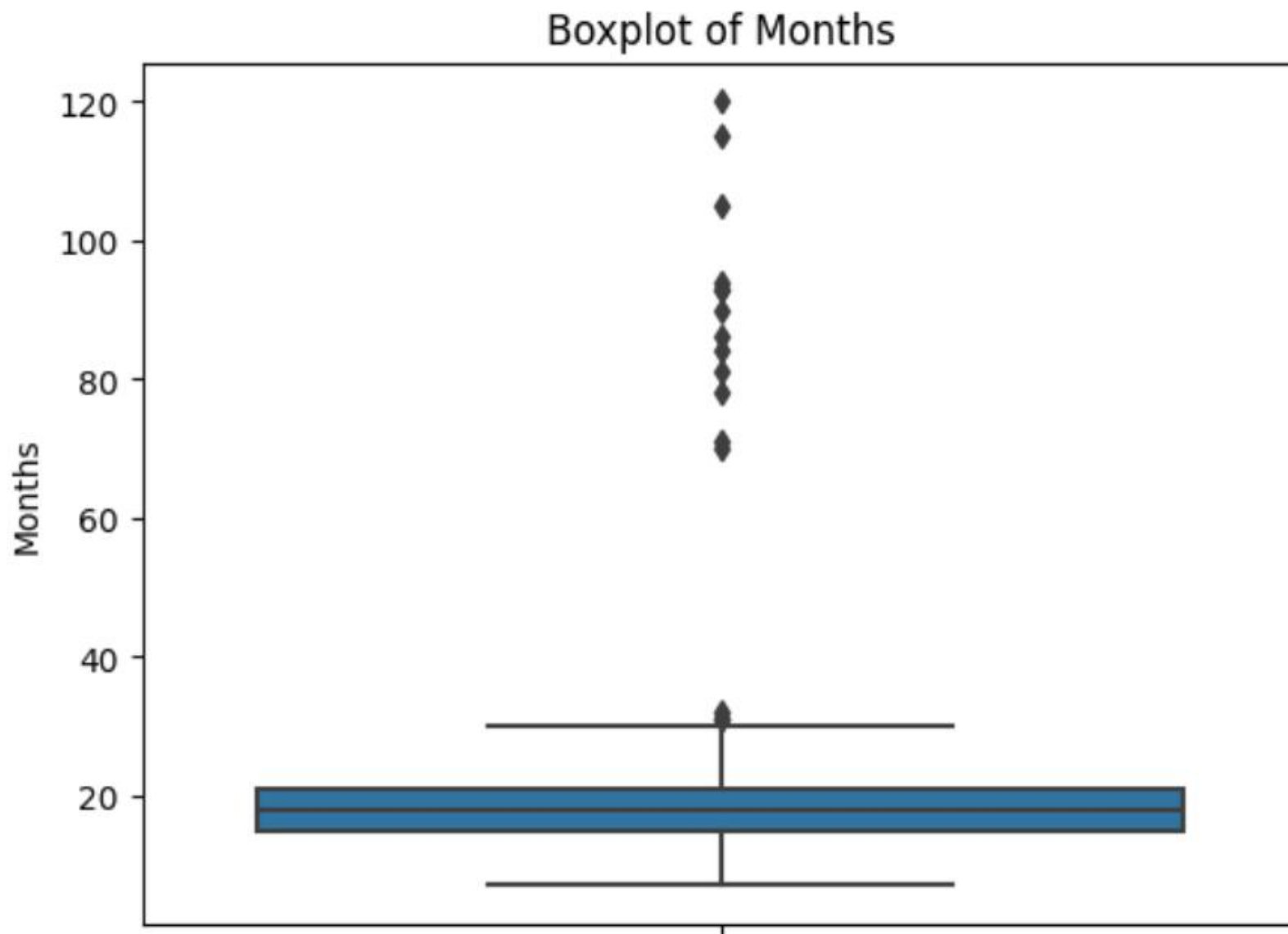
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Backup







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2 feature_importance['Abs_Coefficient'] = feature_importance['Coefficient'].abs()
3 feature_importance = feature_importance.sort_values(by='Abs_Coefficient', ascending=False)
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5 print("\nFeature Importance:")
6 print(feature_importance)
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Feature Importance:

	Feature	Coefficient	Abs_Coefficient
11	CorpStructure_LLC	1.050698e+13	1.050698e+13
12	CorpStructure_Partner	1.050698e+13	1.050698e+13
13	CorpStructure_Sole	1.050698e+13	1.050698e+13
10	CorpStructure_Corp	1.050698e+13	1.050698e+13
15	NAICS_2digit_45	-4.628279e+12	4.628279e+12
14	NAICS_2digit_44	-4.628279e+12	4.628279e+12
16	NAICS_2digit_72	-4.628279e+12	4.628279e+12
9	FICO_bin_Excellent	2.865592e+12	2.865592e+12
8	FICO_bin_Very Good	2.865592e+12	2.865592e+12
7	FICO_bin_Good	2.865592e+12	2.865592e+12
6	FICO_bin_Fair	2.865592e+12	2.865592e+12
5	FICO_bin_Poor	2.865592e+12	2.865592e+12
0	TotalAmtOwed	3.174624e-01	3.174624e-01
2	WomanOwned	2.691106e-01	2.691106e-01
1	Stress	2.040225e-01	2.040225e-01
3	Months	1.278938e-01	1.278938e-01
4	Delinquent_Credit_Ratio	-1.476129e-03	1.476129e-03



The **Variance Inflation Factor (VIF)** measures how much a predictor's variance is increased due to its correlation with other predictors in a regression model. A high VIF indicates multicollinearity, meaning the predictor is highly correlated with others, which can make the regression coefficients unstable.

Mathematically, the VIF for a predictor variable X_i is calculated as:

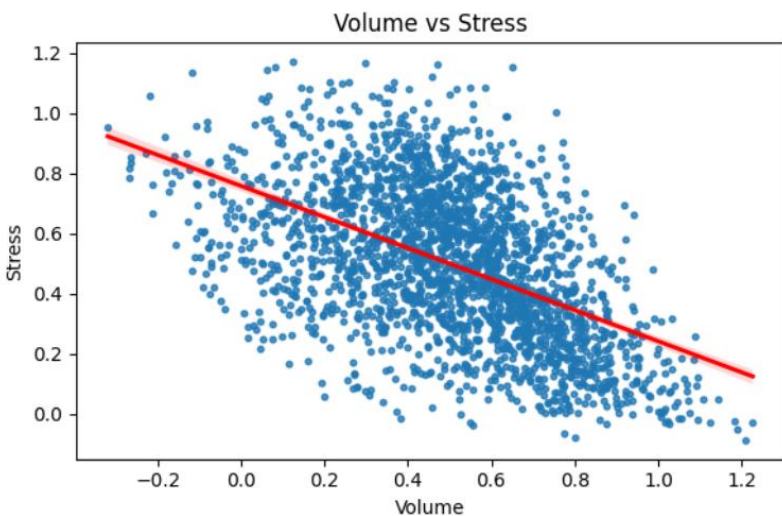
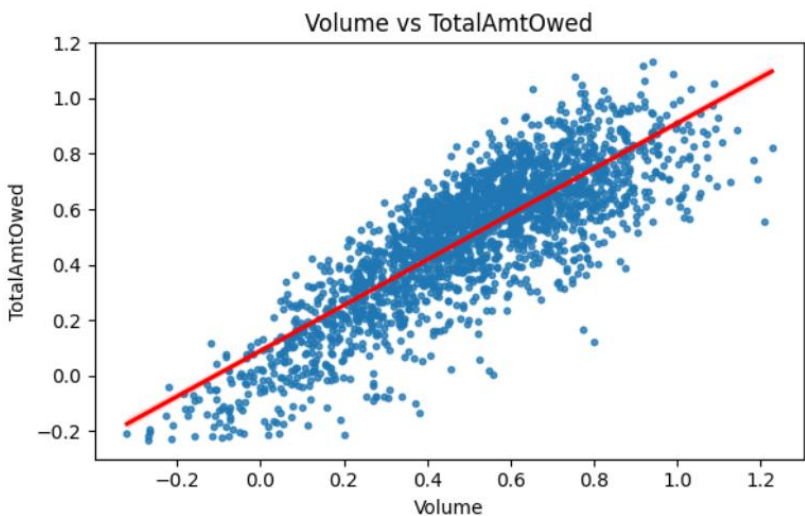
$$VIF(X_i) = \frac{1}{1 - R_i^2}$$

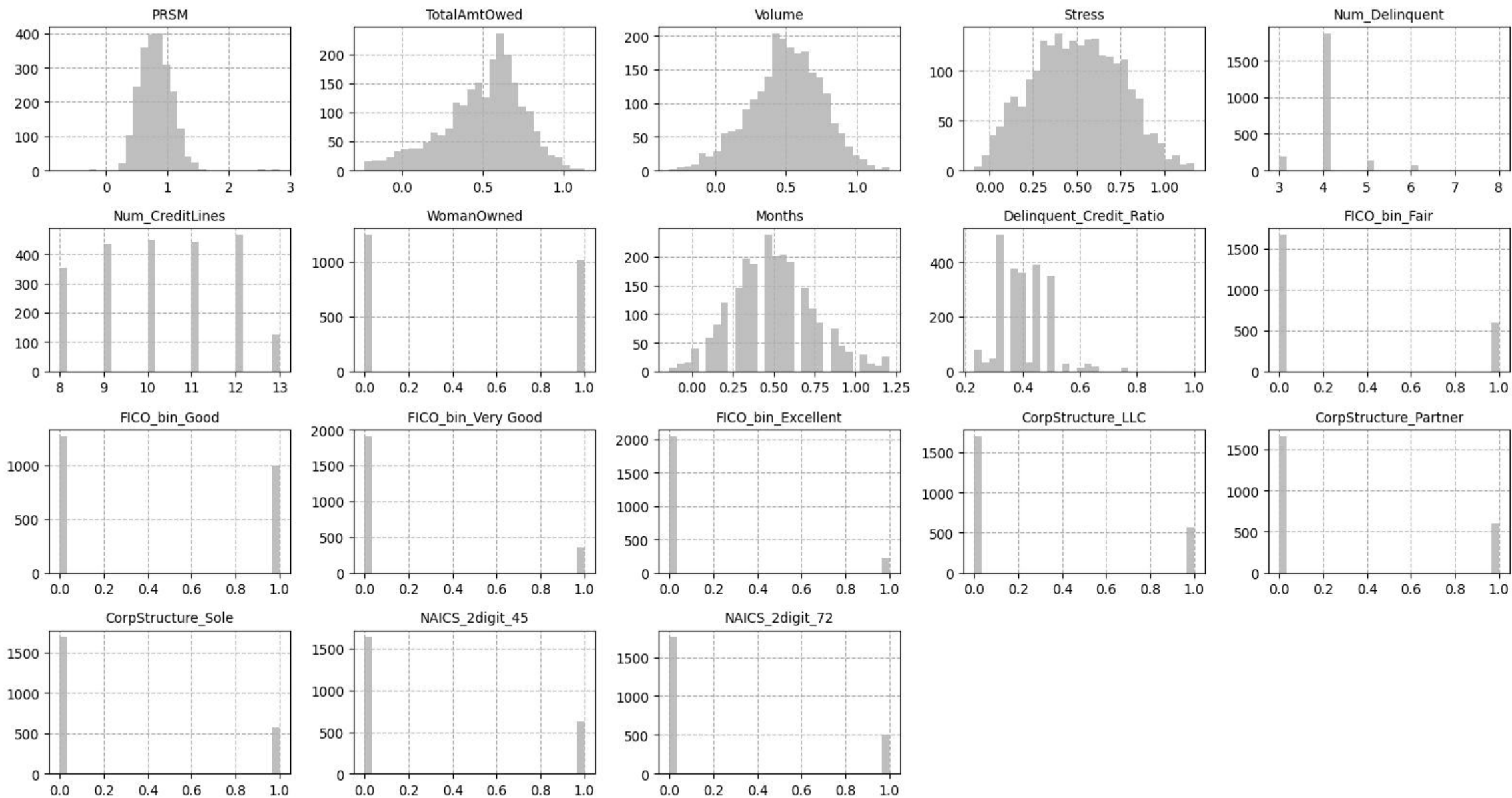
Where R_i^2 is the R-squared value obtained by regressing X_i on all other predictor variables in the model.

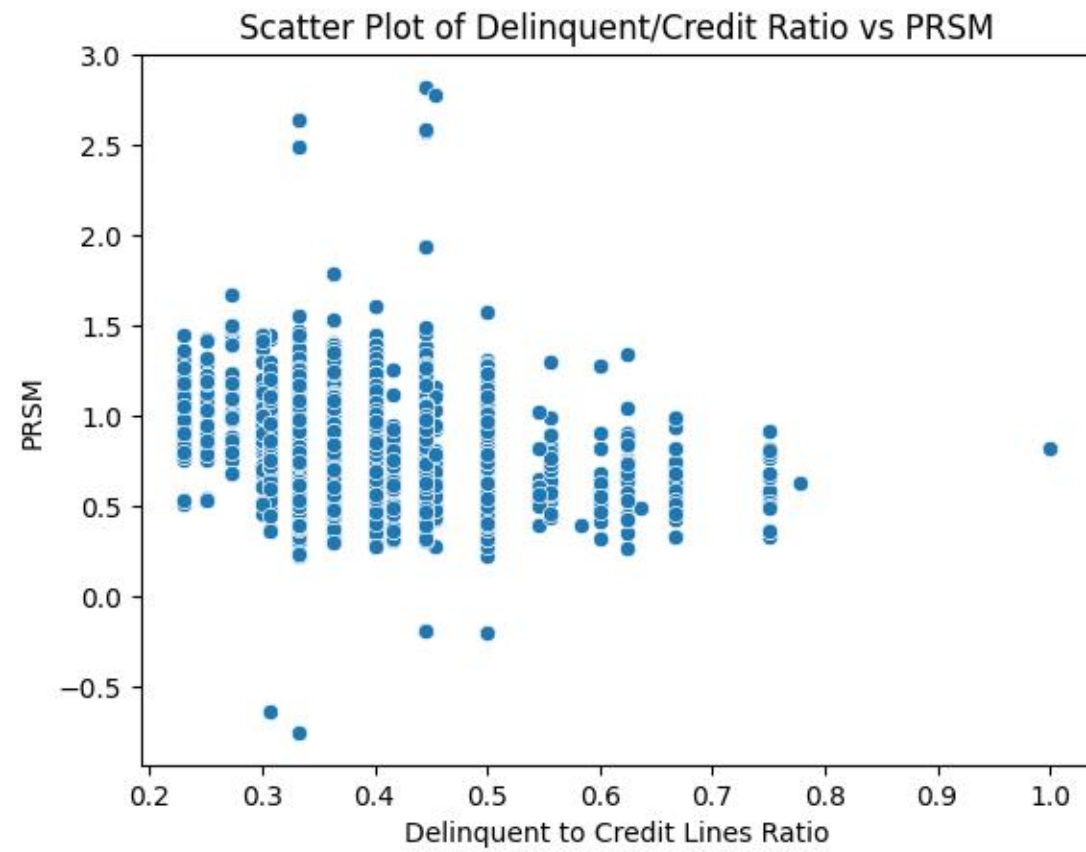
- **VIF > 10** suggests a high level of multicollinearity, which may require addressing by removing variables, combining them, or using regularization techniques.
- **VIF < 5** generally indicates that multicollinearity is not a concern.

	Feature	VIF
0	const	12.633497
1	Months	1.000562
2	TotalAmtOwed	1.002829
3	Stress	1.002777

	Feature	VIF
0	const	156.065309
1	Months	1.000690
2	TotalAmtOwed	52.860032
3	Stress	23.351057
4	Volume	71.796282







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