4.6.4 Quadratic Discriminant Analysis

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In [35]: # conventional way to import pandas
        import pandas as pd
        # conventional way to import seaborn
        import seaborn as sns
        # conventional way to import numpy
        import numpy as np
        from sklearn import metrics
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        data = pd.read_csv("https://raw.github.com/vincentarelbundock/Rdatasets/master/csv/IS
        data.head()
Out [35]:
           Year Lag1 Lag2 Lag3 Lag4 Lag5 Volume Today Direction
        1 2001 0.381 -0.192 -2.624 -1.055 5.010 1.1913 0.959
                                                                       Uр
        2 2001 0.959 0.381 -0.192 -2.624 -1.055 1.2965 1.032
                                                                      Uр
        3 2001 1.032 0.959 0.381 -0.192 -2.624 1.4112 -0.623
                                                                     Down
        4 2001 -0.623 1.032 0.959 0.381 -0.192 1.2760 0.614
                                                                      Uр
        5 2001 0.614 -0.623 1.032 0.959 0.381 1.2057 0.213
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We will split the data into data before 2005 and after. Next we will make our transing data.

Now we will use the sklearn lib to do our Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA).

The training process. Please note we will only use Lag1 and Lag2. Hint iloc[:,1:3] and that means. Get first and the secound column of data frame.

Interestingly, the QDA predictions are accurate almost 60% of the time, even though the 2005 data was not used to fit the model. This level of accuracy is quite impressive for stock market data, which is known to be quite hard to model accurately. This suggests that the quadratic form assumed by QDA may capture the true relationship more accurately than the linear forms assumed by LDA and logistic regression.

The output contains the group means. But it does not contain the coefficients of the linear discriminants, because the QDA classifier involves a quadratic, rather than a linear, function of the predictors.

	Lag1	Lag2
Down	0.04279022	0.03389409
Up	-0.03954635	-0.03132544

and the covariances