Lab 4: Classification

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```
library(ggplot2)
library(ggthemes)
library(ISLR)
```

4.6.1: The stock market data:

• We begin with examine the stock market data. This data consists of the percentage returns for the S&P 500 stock index over 1250 days from the beginning of 2001 until the end of 2005. For each date, we record the percentage returns for each of the five previous trading days, Lag1 through Lag5. We also record the Volume (the number of shares traded on the previous day in billions), Today the percentage return on the date in question and Direction whether the market was Up or Down on this date.

```
names (Smarket)
## [1] "Year"
                    "Lag1"
                                 "Lag2"
                                              "Lag3"
                                                           "Lag4"
                                                                       "Lag5"
## [7] "Volume"
                    "Today"
                                 "Direction"
dim(Smarket)
## [1] 1250
summary(Smarket)
##
         Year
                         Lag1
                                               Lag2
##
    Min.
           :2001
                           :-4.922000
                                                 :-4.922000
                    Min.
                                         Min.
##
    1st Qu.:2002
                    1st Qu.:-0.639500
                                         1st Qu.:-0.639500
   Median :2003
                    Median : 0.039000
                                         Median: 0.039000
##
##
    Mean
           :2003
                    Mean
                            : 0.003834
                                                 : 0.003919
                                         Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:2004
                    3rd Qu.: 0.596750
                                         3rd Qu.: 0.596750
##
    Max.
           :2005
                           : 5.733000
                                                 : 5.733000
##
         Lag3
                              Lag4
                                                    Lag5
           :-4.922000
                                 :-4.922000
                                                      :-4.92200
##
    Min.
                         Min.
                                              Min.
    1st Qu.:-0.640000
                         1st Qu.:-0.640000
                                               1st Qu.:-0.64000
##
    Median: 0.038500
                         Median: 0.038500
                                              Median: 0.03850
##
##
    Mean
           : 0.001716
                         Mean
                                 : 0.001636
                                               Mean
                                                      : 0.00561
##
    3rd Qu.: 0.596750
                         3rd Qu.: 0.596750
                                               3rd Qu.: 0.59700
##
    Max.
           : 5.733000
                         Max.
                                 : 5.733000
                                               Max.
                                                      : 5.73300
##
        Volume
                          Today
                                           Direction
           :0.3561
                              :-4.922000
                                           Down:602
##
    Min.
                      Min.
##
    1st Qu.:1.2574
                      1st Qu.:-0.639500
                                               :648
                                           Uр
##
    Median :1.4229
                      Median: 0.038500
##
    Mean
           :1.4783
                      Mean
                              : 0.003138
##
    3rd Qu.:1.6417
                      3rd Qu.: 0.596750
    Max.
           :3.1525
                      Max.
                             : 5.733000
round(cor(Smarket[,-9]), digits = 3)
##
           Year
                          Lag2
                                  Lag3
                                         Lag4
                                                 Lag5 Volume
                                                               Today
                   Lag1
```

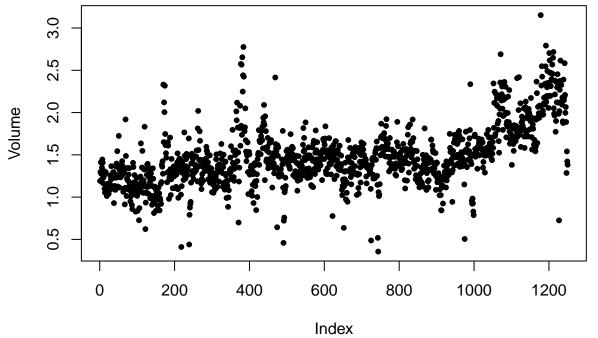
0.030 0.539

0.030

1.000 0.030 0.031 0.033 0.036

Year

```
## Lag1  0.030  1.000 -0.026 -0.011 -0.003 -0.006  0.041 -0.026
## Lag2  0.031 -0.026  1.000 -0.026 -0.011 -0.004 -0.043 -0.010
## Lag3  0.033 -0.011 -0.026  1.000 -0.024 -0.019 -0.042 -0.002
## Lag4  0.036 -0.003 -0.011 -0.024  1.000 -0.027 -0.048 -0.007
## Lag5  0.030 -0.006 -0.004 -0.019 -0.027  1.000 -0.022 -0.035
## Volume  0.539  0.041 -0.043 -0.042 -0.048 -0.022  1.000  0.015
## Today  0.030 -0.026 -0.010 -0.002 -0.007 -0.035  0.015  1.000
attach(Smarket)
plot(Volume, pch = 20)
```



• We see that Volume is increasing over time. The average number of shares traded daily increased from 2001 to 2005.

4.6.2: Logistic Regression

• We fit the logistic regression model to predict Direction using Lag1 through Lag5 and Volume.

```
## Call:
## glm(formula = Direction ~ Lag1 + Lag2 + Lag3 + Lag4 + Lag5 +
##
       Volume, family = "binomial", data = Smarket)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -1.446 -1.203
                    1.065
                            1.145
                                     1.326
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -0.126000
                            0.240736
                                      -0.523
                                                 0.601
               -0.073074
                            0.050167
                                      -1.457
                                                 0.145
## Lag1
## Lag2
               -0.042301
                            0.050086
                                      -0.845
                                                 0.398
                            0.049939
                                       0.222
                                                 0.824
## Lag3
                0.011085
                                                 0.851
## Lag4
                0.009359
                            0.049974
                                       0.187
                                                 0.835
## Lag5
                0.010313
                            0.049511
                                       0.208
## Volume
                0.135441
                            0.158360
                                       0.855
                                                 0.392
##
   (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##
       Null deviance: 1731.2 on 1249
                                        degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 1727.6 on 1243
                                        degrees of freedom
  AIC: 1741.6
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 3
```

- The smallest p value here is associated with Lag1. Negative coefficient for this predictor suggests that if the market had a positive return yesterday, then it is likely to go up today.
- We access the coefficients in the model:

```
coef(glm.fit)
```

```
## (Intercept) Lag1 Lag2 Lag3 Lag4
## -0.126000257 -0.073073746 -0.042301344 0.011085108 0.009358938
## Lag5 Volume
## 0.010313068 0.135440659
```

• The predict() function is to predict the probability that the market will go up for a given values of predictors. The type = response tells R to output the probabilities of the form P(Y = j|X) as opposed to other information such as the logit. Here we have printed the first ten probabilities. These values correspond to the probability that the market is going up rather than going down because the contrasts() function indicates that a dummy variable with 1 for Up.

```
glm.probs = predict(glm.fit, type = "response")
print(
  round(glm.probs[1:10], digits = 2)
)
```

```
## 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
## 0.51 0.48 0.48 0.52 0.51 0.51 0.49 0.51 0.52 0.49
```

 \bullet We create a vector of class predictions based on whether the pred prob. of a market increase is greater than or less than 0.5

```
glm.pred = rep("Down", 1250)
glm.pred[glm.probs > 0.5] = "Up"
```

• The table() function can be used to produce a confusion matrix to determine how many observations were correctly or incorrectly classfied.

```
table(glm.pred, Direction)
```

```
## Direction
## glm.pred Down Up
## Down 145 141
## Up 457 507
```

- Here, our model correctly predicts that the market goes up on 507 days and that it would go down on 145 days for a total of 652 correct predictions. The mean() function can be used to compute the fraction of days for which the prediction was correct. In this case, logistic regression correctly predicts the movement of the market 52.2 % of the time.
- With training data: we first create a vector corresponding to the observations from 2001 to 2004. We then use this vector to create a held out dataset of observations from 2005.

```
train = (Year < 2005)
Smarket.2005 = Smarket[!train,]
dim(Smarket.2005)
## [1] 252  9
Direction.2005 = Direction[!train]</pre>
```

- The object train is a vector of 1250 elements corresponding to the observations in the data set. The elements of the vector correspond to observations that occured before 2005 are set to TRUE while those that correspond to observations in 2005 are set to FALSE. The command Smarket[train,] picks out the submatrix of the stock market data corresponding to the dates before 2005. So Smarket[!train,] indicates a submatrix of the stock market data containing only the observations for which train is FALSE the observations with dates in 2005.
- We now fit a logistic regression model using the subset of the observations that correspond to dates before 2005 using the subset argument.

• Notice, we have trained and tested our model on two completely seperate data sets: training - performed using only the dates before 2005, and testing - performed using only the dates in 2005. Finally, we compute the predictions for 2005 and compare them to the actual movements of the market over that time period.

[1] 0.5198413

• The test error rate is 52% which is worse than random guessing!. We can remove the variables that appear not to be helpful in predicting Direction we can obtain a more effective model. We refit using Lag1 and Lag2 - seemed to have the highest predictive power in the ordinal logistic regression model.

```
glm.fits = glm(Direction ~ Lag1 + Lag2, data = Smarket, subset = train,
               family= "binomial")
glm.probs = predict(object = glm.fits, Smarket.2005 ,type = "response")
glm.pred = rep("Down", 252)
glm.pred[glm.probs > 0.5] = "Up"
table(glm.pred, Direction.2005)
##
           Direction.2005
## glm.pred Down Up
##
       Down
              35 35
##
       Uр
              76 106
mean(glm.pred == Direction.2005)
```

[1] 0.5595238

- 56% of daily movements have been correctly predicted. It is worth noting that in this case, a much simpler strategy of predicting that the market will increase every day will also be correct 56% of the time.
- Suppose that we want to predict the returns associated with particular values of Lag1 and Lag2. We can predict Direction on a day when Lag1 and Lag2 equal to 1.2 and 1.1 respectively, and on a day when they equal to 1.5 and -0.8 respectively. We do this using predict() function:

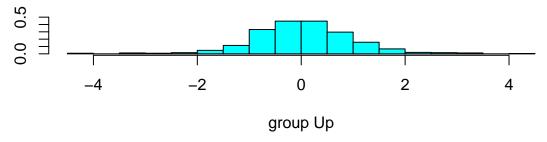
4.6.3: Linear Discriminant Analysis

• We perform the LDA on the Smarket data. we fit an LDA model with lda() function part of the MASS library.

```
library(MASS)
lda.fit = lda(Direction ~ Lag1 + Lag2, data = Smarket, subset = train)
summary(lda.fit)
```

```
##
           Length Class Mode
## prior
           2
                  -none- numeric
## counts
           2
                  -none- numeric
## means
           4
                  -none- numeric
## scaling 2
                  -none- numeric
## lev
           2
                  -none- character
## svd
                  -none- numeric
## N
           1
                  -none- numeric
## call
           4
                  -none- call
## terms
           3
                  terms call
## xlevels 0
                  -none- list
```

```
lda.fit
## Call:
  lda(Direction ~ Lag1 + Lag2, data = Smarket, subset = train)
##
## Prior probabilities of groups:
##
       Down
                   Uр
## 0.491984 0.508016
##
##
   Group means:
##
               Lag1
                            Lag2
   Down 0.04279022
                      0.03389409
##
##
        -0.03954635 -0.03132544
##
##
  Coefficients of linear discriminants:
##
               LD1
## Lag1 -0.6420190
## Lag2 -0.5135293
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(lda.fit)
0.5
0.0
                          -2
                                          0
                                                          2
          -4
                                                                          4
                                     group Down
```



- LDA output indicates that $\hat{\pi}_1 = 0.492$ and $\hat{\pi}_2 = 0.508$. In other words, 49.2% of the training observations correspond to the days during which the market went down. The coefficients of linear discriminants output provides the linear combination of Lag1 and Lag2 that are used to form the LDA decision rule. If $-0.642 \times Lag1 0.514 \times Lag2$ is large, then the LDA classifier will predict a market increase, and if it is small then the LDA classifier will predict the market decline.
- The predict() functions return a list with 3 elements. The first element, class, contains LDA predictions about the movement of the market. The second element, posterior is a matrix whose kth column contains the posterior probability that the corresponding observation belongs to hte kth class.

```
lda.pred = predict(object = lda.fit, Smarket.2005)
names(lda.pred)
## [1] "class"
                    "posterior" "x"
lda.class = lda.pred$class
table(lda.class, Direction.2005)
##
             Direction.2005
## lda.class Down
                    Uр
##
        Down
                35
                    35
##
        Uр
                76 106
mean(lda.class == Direction.2005)
## [1] 0.5595238
  • Applying a 50% threshold to the posterior probabilities allows us to recreate the predictions contained
     in lda.pred$class:
sum(lda.pred$posterior[,1]>=0.5)
## [1] 70
sum(lda.pred$posterior[,1]<0.5)</pre>
## [1] 182
  • Notice the posterior probability output by the model corresponds to the probability that the market
     will decrease.
lda.pred$posterior[1:20,1]
         999
                              1001
                                         1002
                                                    1003
                                                               1004
                                                                          1005
##
                   1000
  0.4901792 0.4792185 0.4668185 0.4740011 0.4927877 0.4938562 0.4951016
##
        1006
                   1007
                                                               1011
                                                                          1012
                              1008
                                         1009
                                                    1010
## 0.4872861 0.4907013 0.4844026 0.4906963 0.5119988 0.4895152 0.4706761
##
        1013
                   1014
                              1015
                                         1016
                                                    1017
                                                               1018
## 0.4744593 0.4799583 0.4935775 0.5030894 0.4978806 0.4886331
lda.class[1:20]
```

```
Uр
    [1] Up
              Up
                    Up
                                Uр
                                      Uр
                                           Uр
                                                 Uр
                                                       Uр
                                                             Uр
                                                                        Down Up
                                                                                    Uр
                          Uр
## [15] Up
              Up
                    Uр
                          Down Up
                                      Uр
```

• If we want to use a posterior probability threshold other than 50% to make the predictions, we could easily do so. If the posterior probability is at least 90%.

```
sum(lda.pred$posterior[,1]>0.9)
```

[1] 0

Levels: Down Up

 No days in 2005 meet that threshold. In fact, the greatest posterior probability of decrease in all of 2005 was 52.02%.

4.6.4: Quadratic Discriminant Analysis.

• We fit a QDA model to the Smarket data. We use qda() function which is part of MASS library.

```
qda.fit = qda(Direction ~ Lag1 + Lag2, data = Smarket, subset = train)
qda.fit
## Call:
## qda(Direction ~ Lag1 + Lag2, data = Smarket, subset = train)
##
## Prior probabilities of groups:
##
       Down
## 0.491984 0.508016
##
## Group means:
##
               Lag1
                           Lag2
## Down 0.04279022 0.03389409
       -0.03954635 -0.03132544
```

• 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. The predict() function works in exactly the same fashion as for LDA.

```
qda.pred = predict(object = qda.fit, Smarket.2005)
names (qda.pred)
## [1] "class"
                    "posterior"
## Classifiers:
qda.class = qda.pred$class
table(qda.class, Direction.2005)
##
            Direction.2005
## qda.class Down Up
##
        Down
               30 20
##
        Uр
               81 121
## Accuracy of the model:
round(mean(qda.class == Direction.2005), digits = 2)
```

[1] 0.6

• 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.

4.6.5: K-Nearest Neighbors:

```
train = (Year < 2005)
Smarket.2005 = Smarket[!train,]
Direction.2005 = Direction[!train]</pre>
```

- We perform KNN using the knn() function which is part of the class library. The function requires 4 inputs:
- 1. A matrix containing the predictors associated with the training data labeled train.X
- 2. A matrix containing the predictors associated with the data we want to make predictions test.X
- 3. A vector containing the class labels for the training observations labeled train. Direction.

4. A value for K integer, the number of nearest neighbors to be used by the classifier.

```
library(class)
train.X = cbind(Lag1, Lag2)[train,]
test.X = cbind(Lag1, Lag2)[!train,]
train.Direction = Direction[train]
### Now we use the knn function:
set.seed(1)
knn.pred = knn(train = train.X, test = test.X, train.Direction, k = 1)
table(knn.pred, Direction.2005)
##
           Direction.2005
## knn.pred Down Up
       Down
               43 58
##
               68 83
##
       Uр
(83+43)/252
## [1] 0.5
  • The result using K = 1 are not very good since only 50% of the observations are correctly predicted.
     Of course, it may be that K = 1 results in an overly flexible fit to the data. We repeat the analysis
     using K = 3.
knn.pred = knn(train = train.X, test = test.X, train.Direction, k = 3)
```

```
table(knn.pred, Direction.2005)
```

```
##
           Direction.2005
## knn.pred Down Up
##
       Down
              48 54
              63 87
##
       Uр
## Accuracy:
mean(knn.pred == Direction.2005)
```

[1] 0.5357143

• The results have improved slightly. It appears that for this data, QDA provides the best results of the methods that we have examined so far.

4.6.6: Caravan Insurance Data:

• The data set contains 85 predictors that measure demographic characteristics of 5822 individuals. The response variable is Purchase indicating whether or not a given individual purchases a caravan insurance policy. In this data set, only 6% of people purchased caravan insurance.

```
dim(Caravan)
## [1] 5822
              86
attach(Caravan)
summary(Purchase)
##
     No Yes
```

```
## 5474 348
```

[1] 1

• A good way to handle this problem is to standardize the data so that all variables are given a mean of zero and a standard deviation of one. Then all variables will be on a comparable scale. We exclude column 86 because that is the qualitative Purchase variable.

```
standardized.X = scale(Caravan[,-86])

var(Caravan[,1])

## [1] 165.0378

var(Caravan[,2])

## [1] 0.1647078

var(standardized.X[,1])

## [1] 1
var(standardized.X[,2])
```

• We split the observations into a test set containing the first 1000 observations, and a training data set containing the remaining observations:

```
test = 1:1000
train.X = standardized.X[-test,]
test.X = standardized.X[test, ]
train.Y = Purchase[-test]
test.Y = Purchase[test]
### Perform KNN method with K = 1:
set.seed(1)
knn.pred = knn(train = train.X, test = test.X, train.Y, k = 1)
table(knn.pred, test.Y)
##
           test.Y
## knn.pred No Yes
##
        No 873 50
##
        Yes 68
### Accuracy:
round(mean(knn.pred == test.Y), digits = 2)
## [1] 0.88
round(mean(knn.pred != test.Y), digits = 2)
## [1] 0.12
mean(test.Y != "No")
## [1] 0.059
```

• It turns out that KNN with K = 1 does far better than random guessing among the customers that are predicted to buy insurance. Among 77 customers, only 11.7% actually do purchase the insurance. This is double the rate that one would obtain from random guessing. Using K = 3, the success rate increases to 19% and with K = 5, the rate is 5%. This is four times the rate that results from random guessing.

```
knn.pred = knn(train = train.X, test = test.X, train.Y, k = 3)
table(knn.pred, test.Y)
##
           test.Y
## knn.pred No Yes
##
        No 920 54
##
        Yes
           21
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## [1] 0.1923077
knn.pred = knn(train = train.X, test = test.X, train.Y, k = 5)
table(knn.pred, test.Y)
##
           test.Y
## knn.pred No Yes
##
       No 930 55
##
        Yes 11
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```

[1] 0.2666667

• We can also fit a logistic regression model to the data. If we use 0.5 as the predicted probability cut off for the classifer, then we have a problem. If we instead choose a threshold of 0.25, we get much better result: we predict that 33 people will purchase the insurance and we are correct for about 33% of these people. This is over 5 times better than random guessing.

```
glm.fits = glm(Purchase~., data = Caravan, family = "binomial", subset = -test)
glm.probs = predict(glm.fits, Caravan[test,], type = "response")
glm.pred = rep("No", 1000)
glm.pred[glm.probs>0.5] = "Yes"
table(glm.pred, test.Y)
##
           test.Y
## glm.pred No Yes
##
       No
           934 59
##
             7
        Yes
### with different threshold 0.25:
glm.fits = glm(Purchase~., data = Caravan, family = "binomial", subset = -test)
glm.probs = predict(glm.fits, Caravan[test,], type = "response")
glm.pred = rep("No", 1000)
glm.pred[glm.probs>0.25] = "Yes"
table(glm.pred, test.Y)
##
           test.Y
## glm.pred No Yes
```

```
## No 919 48
## Yes 22 11
```

11/(22+11)

[1] 0.3333333