

MF815 HW1

Advanced Machine Learning Application for Finance: Classification

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(a) Produce some numerical and graphical summaries of the Weekly data. Are there any apparent patterns?

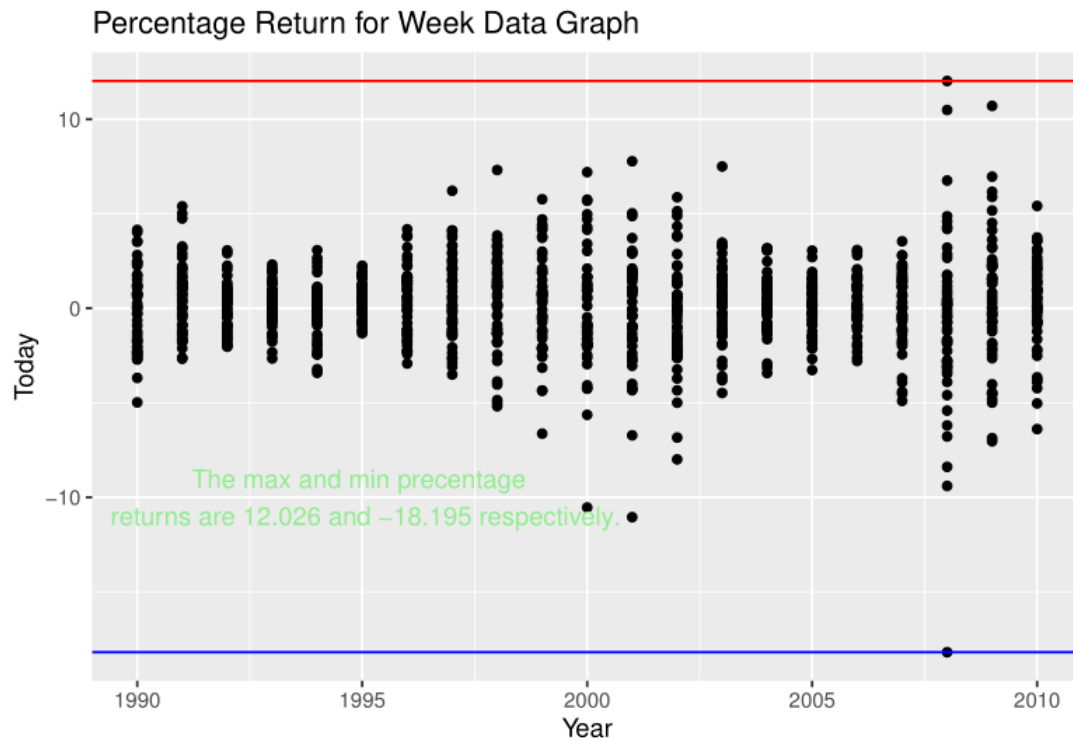
```
data(Weekly)
head(Weekly)
```

```
##   Year  Lag1  Lag2  Lag3  Lag4  Lag5  Volume  Today Direction
## 1 1990  0.816  1.572 -3.936 -0.229 -3.484 0.1549760 -0.270    Down
## 2 1990 -0.270  0.816  1.572 -3.936 -0.229 0.1485740 -2.576    Down
## 3 1990 -2.576 -0.270  0.816  1.572 -3.936 0.1598375  3.514     Up
## 4 1990  3.514 -2.576 -0.270  0.816  1.572 0.1616300  0.712     Up
## 5 1990  0.712  3.514 -2.576 -0.270  0.816 0.1537280  1.178     Up
## 6 1990  1.178  0.712  3.514 -2.576 -0.270 0.1544440 -1.372    Down
```

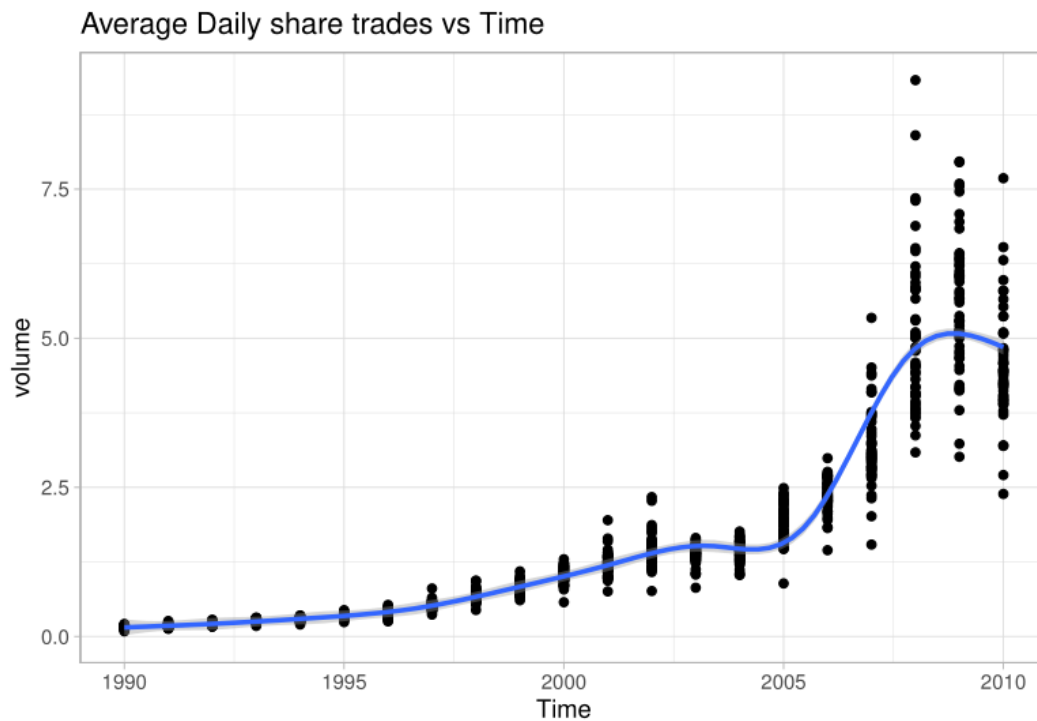
```
summary(Weekly)
```

```
##      Year      Lag1      Lag2      Lag3
## Min.   :1990   Min.   :-18.1950   Min.   :-18.1950   Min.   :-18.1950
## 1st Qu.:1995   1st Qu.: -1.1540   1st Qu.: -1.1540   1st Qu.: -1.1580
## Median :2000   Median :  0.2410   Median :  0.2410   Median :  0.2410
## Mean   :2000   Mean   :  0.1506   Mean   :  0.1511   Mean   :  0.1472
## 3rd Qu.:2005   3rd Qu.:  1.4050   3rd Qu.:  1.4090   3rd Qu.:  1.4090
## Max.   :2010   Max.   : 12.0260   Max.   : 12.0260   Max.   : 12.0260
##      Lag4      Lag5      Volume
## Min.   :-18.1950   Min.   :-18.1950   Min.   :0.08747
## 1st Qu.: -1.1580   1st Qu.: -1.1660   1st Qu.:0.33202
## Median :  0.2380   Median :  0.2340   Median :1.00268
## Mean   :  0.1458   Mean   :  0.1399   Mean   :1.57462
## 3rd Qu.:  1.4090   3rd Qu.:  1.4050   3rd Qu.:2.05373
## Max.   : 12.0260   Max.   : 12.0260   Max.   :9.32821
##      Today      Direction
## Min.   :-18.1950   Down:484
## 1st Qu.: -1.1540   Up  :605
## Median :  0.2410
## Mean   :  0.1499
## 3rd Qu.:  1.4050
## Max.   : 12.0260
```

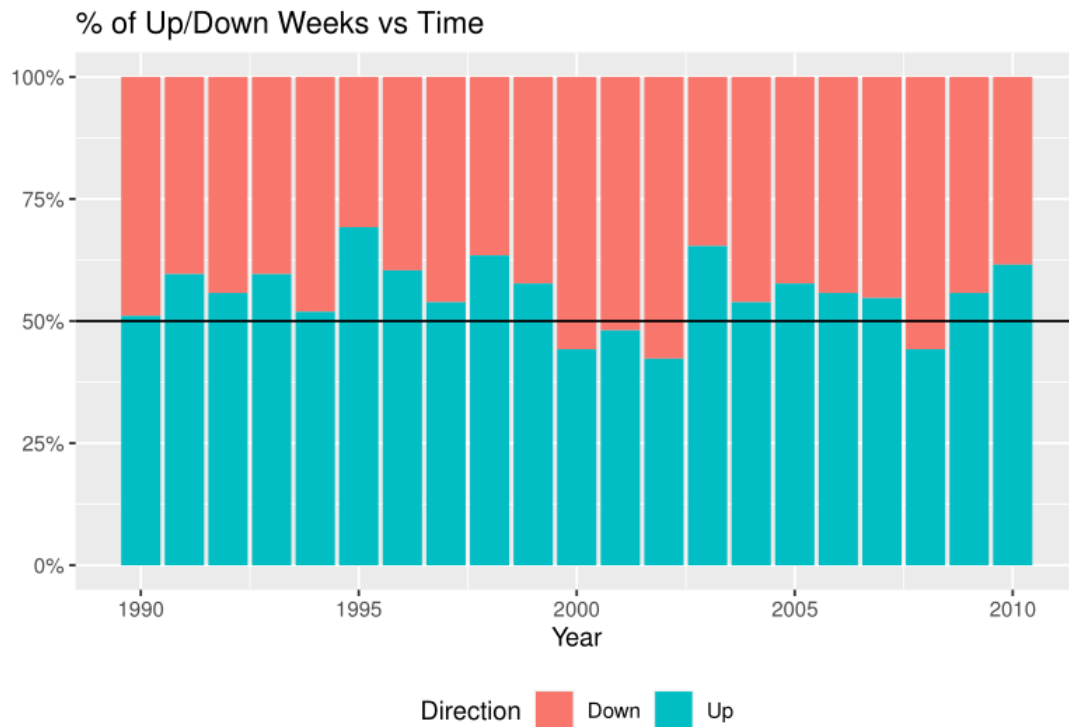
As we can see from the returns during whole period are very volatile, especially in 2008 in which there were many of negative returns.



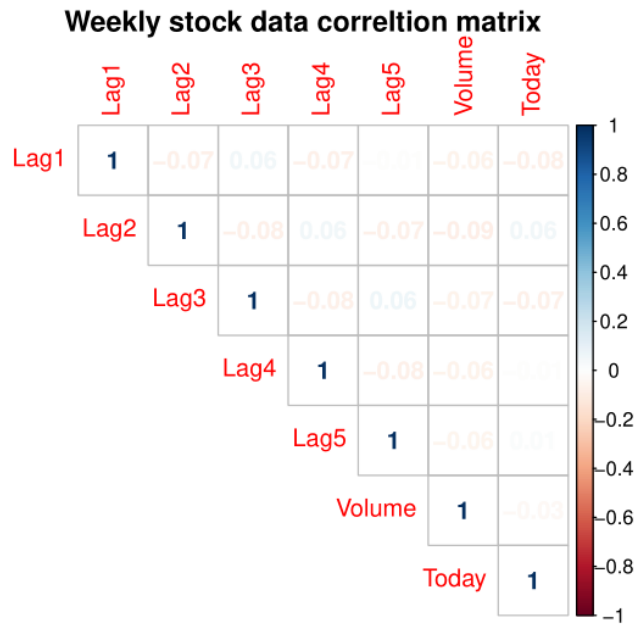
It is obvious that the trading volume was increasing as the time goes on.



The chart below shows that there are only four years (2000、2001、2002、2008) 50% of weeks that do not have positive return.



The correlation between these variables are almost uncorrelated with each other.



(b) Use the full data to perform a logistic regression with *Direction* as the response variable and the five lags variables plus *Volume* as predictors. Use the *summary* function to print the results. Do any of the predictors appear to be statistically significant? If so which ones?

```
logit.fit <- glm(Direction ~ Lag1+Lag2+Lag3+Lag4+Lag5+Volume, data = Weekly, family="binomial")
summary(logit.fit)
```

```
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = Direction ~ Lag1 + Lag2 + Lag3 + Lag4 + Lag5 +
##      Volume, family = "binomial", data = Weekly)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.6949  -1.2565   0.9913   1.0849   1.4579
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)  0.26686    0.08593   3.106  0.0019 **
## Lag1        -0.04127    0.02641  -1.563  0.1181
## Lag2         0.05844    0.02686   2.175  0.0296 *
## Lag3        -0.01606    0.02666  -0.602  0.5469
## Lag4        -0.02779    0.02646  -1.050  0.2937
## Lag5        -0.01447    0.02638  -0.549  0.5833
## Volume      -0.02274    0.03690  -0.616  0.5377
```

```
summary(logit.fit)$coef[,4] < 0.05
```

```
## (Intercept)      Lag1      Lag2      Lag3      Lag4      Lag5
##          TRUE      FALSE      TRUE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
##      Volume
##          FALSE
```

From this we know Lag2 is the most significant feature in prediction of class – direction of positive increase or negative increase in the weekly values.

(c) Compute the confusion matrix and overall fraction of correct predictions. Explain what the confusion matrix is telling you about the types of mistakes logistic regression is making.

The false positive rate is $54/(54+430) = 11.16\%$. The false negative rate is $48/(48+557) = 7.93\%$.

```
logit.probs <- predict(logit.fit,type="response")
T.response <- Weekly$Direction %>% as.numeric() - 1
P.response <- logit.probs %>% round()
(log.confusion <- confusionMatrix(as.factor(P.response),as.factor(T.response)))
```

```
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##           Reference
## Prediction  0    1
##           0   54   48
##           1  430  557
##
##           Accuracy : 0.5611
##           95% CI : (0.531, 0.5908)
##       No Information Rate : 0.5556
##       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.369
```

The confusion matrix tells us that there are $54 + 557 = 611$ variables classified as correct (the accuracy is 56.11%) and rests are incorrect which accounted for 44.89% of proportion of the whole dataset.

(d) Now fit the logistic regression using a training data period from 1990 to 2008 and Lag2 as the only predictor. Compute the confusion matrix and overall fraction of correct predictions for the hold out data, i.e., 2009 and 2010.

```
log.train <- Weekly %>% filter(Year <= 2008)
log.test  <- Weekly %>% filter(Year > 2008)
```

Confusion Matrix and Statistics

```
           Reference
Prediction  0    1
           0    9    5
           1   34   56
           Accuracy : 0.625
           95% CI : (0.5247, 0.718)
       No Information Rate : 0.5865
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.2439
```

```
           Kappa : 0.1414
```

```
McNemar's Test P-Value : 7.34e-06
```

Let's split data into training – which includes data from 1990 to 2008 and testing – which includes data from 2009 to 2010. We can realize that the accuracy for testing data was same as LDA which has 62.5% accuracy as well.

(e) Repeat (d) using the linear discriminant analysis (LDA).

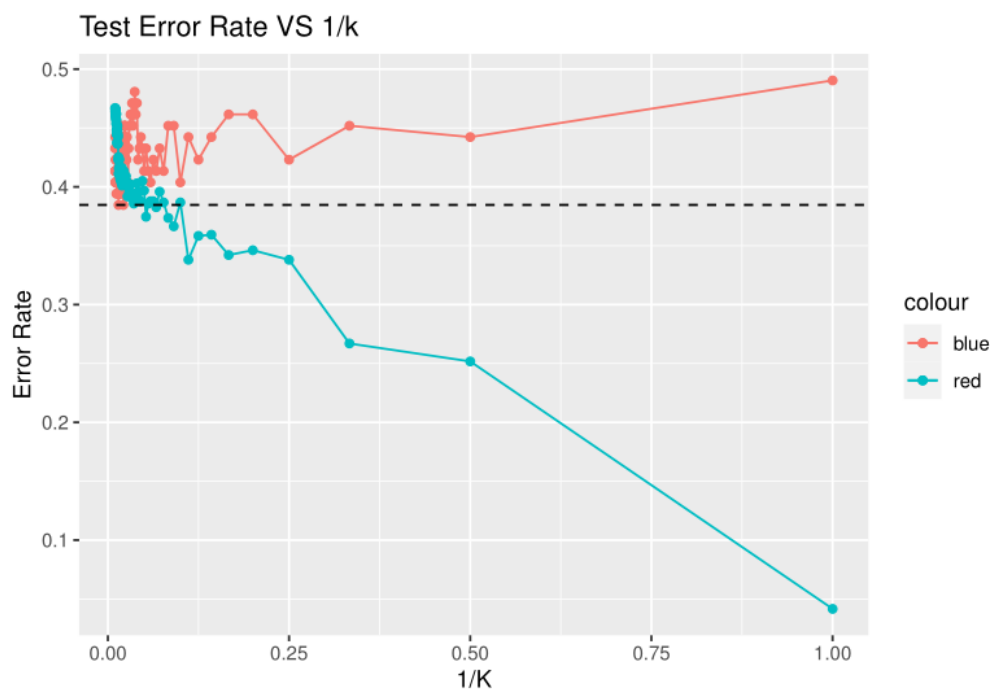
```
LDA.pred <- predict(LDA.fit, log.test)

(confusion.lda <- confusionMatrix(as.factor(LDA.pred$class), as.factor(log.test$Direction)))

## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##           Reference
## Prediction Down Up
##      Down    9  5
##      Up    34 56
##
##              Accuracy : 0.625
##              95% CI : (0.5247, 0.718)
##      No Information Rate : 0.5865
##      P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.2439
##
## ..
```

By finding separation between classes using true decision boundary(LDA), the accuracy was better than logistic regression, which is 62.5%.

(f) For the test data using kNN, plot the misclassification error rate vs $1/k$. What is the optimal k that minimizes the test misclassification error rate?



```
print(paste('The optional K for minimum error is:', optimal_K))

## [1] "The optional K for minimum error is: 68"
## [2] "The optional K for minimum error is: 47"

print(paste('The minimized error is:', min_error))

## [1] "The minimized error is: 0.384615384615385"
```

(g) Which of these various methods appears to provide the best results on this data?

```
log_acc <- log.confusion$overall[1] %>% as.numeric()
lda_acc <- confusion.lda$overall[1] %>% as.numeric()
knn_acc <- 1 - min_error
(df <- data.frame(Accuracy = c('Logistic', 'LDA', 'KNN'),
```

```
## Accuracy      num
## 1 Logistic 0.6250000
## 2      LDA 0.6250000
## 3      KNN 0.6153846
```

The winner is LDA and logistic regression even though we chose the optimal K to implement KNN.

(h) Plot the ROC curves for different classifiers, e.g. logistic regression, LDA, kNN with different k values and discuss the performance (the larger the area under the curve, the better the classifier). *Optimal KNN performs best, second is logistic and lda.*

