### **EXPERIMENT 3**

### AIM:

To develop a linear regression model for time series forecasting using historical data and visualize actual vs. predicted values.

#### PROCEDURE:

- 1. Upload the dataset and load it into a pandas DataFrame.
- 2. Check for a 'Date' column; if missing, create a time index.
- 3. Select a numerical target variable for prediction.
- 4. Split the dataset into training and testing sets.
- 5. Train a linear regression model and generate predictions.
- 6. Visualize actual vs. predicted values and evaluate model performance using MSE.

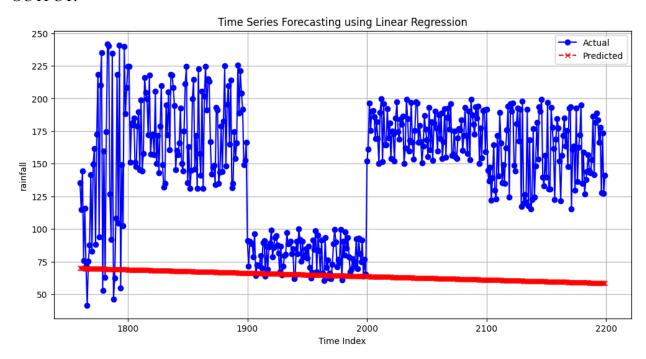
## CODE:

import pandas as pd

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import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
from google.colab import files
#Upload file
uploaded = files.upload()
#Load the dataset
file_path = list(uploaded.keys())[0]
df = pd.read_csv(file_path)
# Display basic info about dataset
print(df.info())
print(df.head())
# Automatically create a time index
if 'Date' in df.columns:
  df['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Date'])
  df = df.sort_values(by='Date')
  df.set_index('Date', inplace=True)
else:
  df['Time_Index'] = np.arange(len(df))
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df.set_index('Time_Index', inplace=True)
# Select target column (choosing a numerical column for regression)
numeric_cols = df.select_dtypes(include=[np.number]).columns
if len(numeric\_cols) == 0:
  raise ValueError("No numerical column found for regression.")
target_column = numeric_cols[-1] # Choosing last numerical column as target
# Splitting dataset into features (X) and target (y)
X = \text{np.arange(len(df)).reshape(-1, 1)} \# \text{Using index as a proxy for time}
y = df[target\_column].values
#Train-test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, shuffle=False)
#Train Linear Regression model
model = LinearRegression()
model.fit(X_train, y_train)
# Predictions
y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
# Visualization
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
plt.plot(df.index[len(X_train):], y_test, label='Actual', marker='o', color='blue')
plt.plot(df.index[len(X_train):], y_pred, label='Predicted', linestyle='dashed', marker='x',
color='red')
plt.xlabel('Time Index' if 'Date' not in df.columns else 'Date')
plt.ylabel(target_column)
plt.title('Time Series Forecasting using Linear Regression')
plt.legend()
plt.grid()
plt.show()
# Model performance
mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred)
print(f'Mean Squared Error: {mse}')
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# OUTPUT:



# **RESULT:**

The model predicts future values using linear regression, with a visualization showing actual vs. predicted trends. The Mean Squared Error (MSE) indicates prediction accuracy.