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In [1]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from statsmodels.tsa.api import SimpleExpSmoothing
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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## Time series forecasting workflow

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In [2]: # read dataframe saved earlier using df.to_pickle('AlgerianExport.pkl')
df=pd.read_pickle('AlgerianExport.pkl')
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In [3]: df.head(5)
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Out[3]:
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	Export
1960-12-31	39.043173
1961-12-31	46.244557
1962-12-31	19.793873
1963-12-31	24.684682
1964-12-31	25.084059

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In [4]: df.size
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Out[4]: 58
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## Train test split

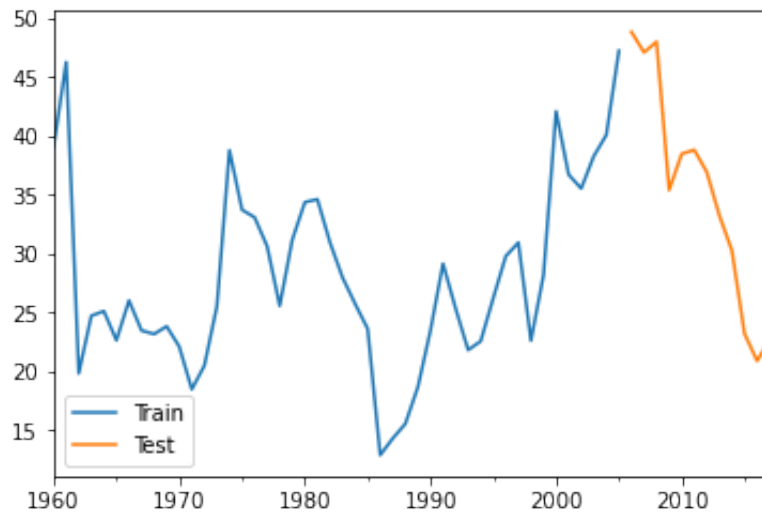
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In [5]: ncut=int(0.8*df.size) # 80% for training the rest is withheld for testing
ncut
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Out[5]: 46
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In [6]: train_data=df.iloc[:ncut]
test_data=df.iloc[ncut:]
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In [7]: ax=train_data.plot()
test_data.plot(ax=ax)
ax.legend(['Train', 'Test'])
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Out[7]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7f940d769130>



## Fitting the model

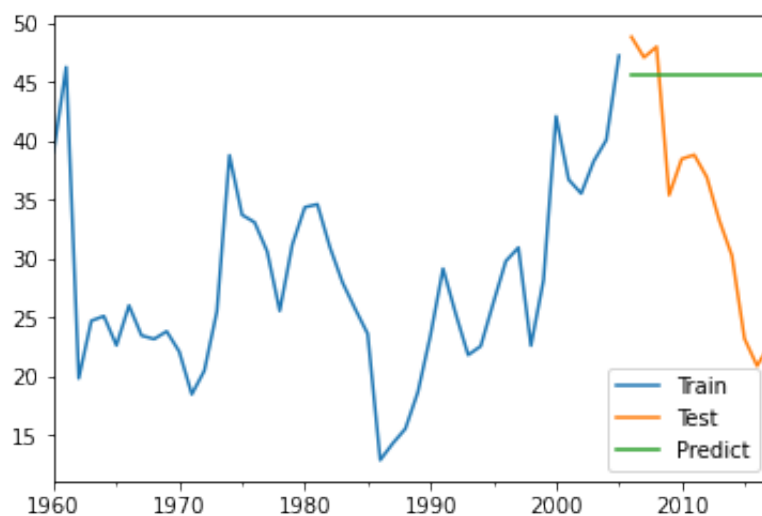
In [8]: `fitted_model=SimpleExpSmoothing(train_data,initialization_method='estimated')`

In [9]: `test_predictions=fitted_model.forecast(test_data.size).rename('SES forecast')`

## Evaluating the model against test data

In [10]: `ax=train_data.plot()  
test_data.plot(ax=ax)  
test_predictions.plot(ax=ax)  
ax.legend(['Train', 'Test', 'Predict'])`

Out[10]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7f940d8c75e0>



## Evaluation metrics

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In [11]: from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
         from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_error, mean_absolute_percentage_error

In [12]: # MSE
         mean_squared_error(test_data, test_predictions)

Out[12]: 192.04697481843695

In [13]: # check MSE function
         np.sum(np.square(np.subtract(test_data["Export"].values, test_predictions.values)))

Out[13]: 192.04697481843695

In [14]: # MAE
         mean_absolute_error(test_data, test_predictions)

Out[14]: 11.439488025448926

In [15]: # MAPE # you must multiply by 100 to get percentage -check!
         mean_absolute_percentage_error(test_data, test_predictions)

Out[15]: 0.42166571730854924

In [16]: np.sum(np.divide(np.abs(np.subtract(test_data["Export"].values, test_predictions.values)),
         test_data["Export"].values))

Out[16]: 0.42166571730854924
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## Forecasting into future

Let us assume that the model presented above turned out to be the best.  
We train the final model using all available data points.

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In [17]: # we use all available data
         final_model = SimpleExpSmoothing(df, initialization_method='estimated').fit()
         forecast = final_model.forecast(test_data.size).rename('forecast')

In [18]: ax = df.plot()
         forecast.plot(ax=ax)
         ax.legend(['Past values', 'Forecast'])
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Out[18]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x7f940de43f10>

