ModYUK Report: USVER0

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The Model

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!variables:transition

    LGDP, LGDP_BAR, Y, G, GROWTH, GROWTH4, GROWTH_BAR, GROWTH4_BAR
    PIELTE, PIE4
    UNR, UNR_BAR, UNR_G, UNR_GAP
    CAPU, CAPU_BAR, CU_G, CAPU_GAP

!shocks:transition

    RES_LGDP_BAR, RES_G, RES_Y
    RES_PIELTE, RES_PIE
    RES_UNR_BAR, RES_UNR_G, RES_UNR_GAP
    RES_CAPU_BAR, RES_CU_G, RES_CAPU_GAP

!parameters

    lab_share, tau, growth_ss, rho1, rho2
    beta, omega
    parhist, lambda, unr_ss, alpha, phi1, phi2
    delta, kappa1, kappa2

!equations:transition

    % Output.
    LGDP = LGDP_BAR + Y;
    LGDP_BAR = LGDP_BAR{-1} + G/4 + RES_LGDP_BAR
        - lab_share*(UNR_BAR - UNR_BAR{-1}) -(1-lab_share)*(UNR_BAR{-1} - UNR_BAR{-20})/19;
    G = (1-tau)*G{-1} + tau*growth_ss + RES_G;
    Y = rho1*Y{-1} - rho2/100*(PIE4{-1} - PIELTE{-1}) + RES_Y;
    GROWTH = 4*(LGDP - LGDP{-1});
    GROWTH4 = LGDP - LGDP{-4};
    GROWTH_BAR = 4*(LGDP_BAR - LGDP_BAR{-1});
    GROWTH4_BAR = LGDP_BAR - LGDP_BAR{-4};

    % Inflation.
    PIELTE = PIELTE{-1} + RES_PIELTE;
    PIE4 = PIE4{-1} + beta*Y + omega*(Y - Y{-1}) + RES_PIE;
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    % Unemployment.
    UNR_GAP = UNR_BAR - UNR;
    UNR_BAR = UNR_BAR{-1} + UNR_G
        - parhist/100*Y{-1} - lambda/100*(UNR_BAR{-1} - unr_ss) + RES_UNR_BAR;
    UNR_G = (1-alpha)*UNR_G{-1} + RES_UNR_G;
    UNR_GAP = phi1*UNR_GAP{-1} + phi2*Y + RES_UNR_GAP;

    % Capacity utilization.
    CAPU = CAPU_BAR + CAPU_GAP;
    CAPU_BAR = CAPU_BAR{-1} + CU_G + RES_CAPU_BAR;
    CU_G = (1 - delta)*CU_G{-1} + RES_CU_G;
    CAPU_GAP = kappa1*CAPU_GAP{-1} + kappa2*Y + RES_CAPU_GAP;

!variables:measurement

    GROWTH_
    PIE4_
    PIE4_PIELTE_
    D_CAPU_
    UNR_

!equations:measurement

    GROWTH_ = GROWTH;
    PIE4_ = PIE4;
    PIE4_PIELTE_ = PIE4 - PIELTE;
    D_CAPU_ = CAPU - CAPU{-1};
    UNR_ = UNR;
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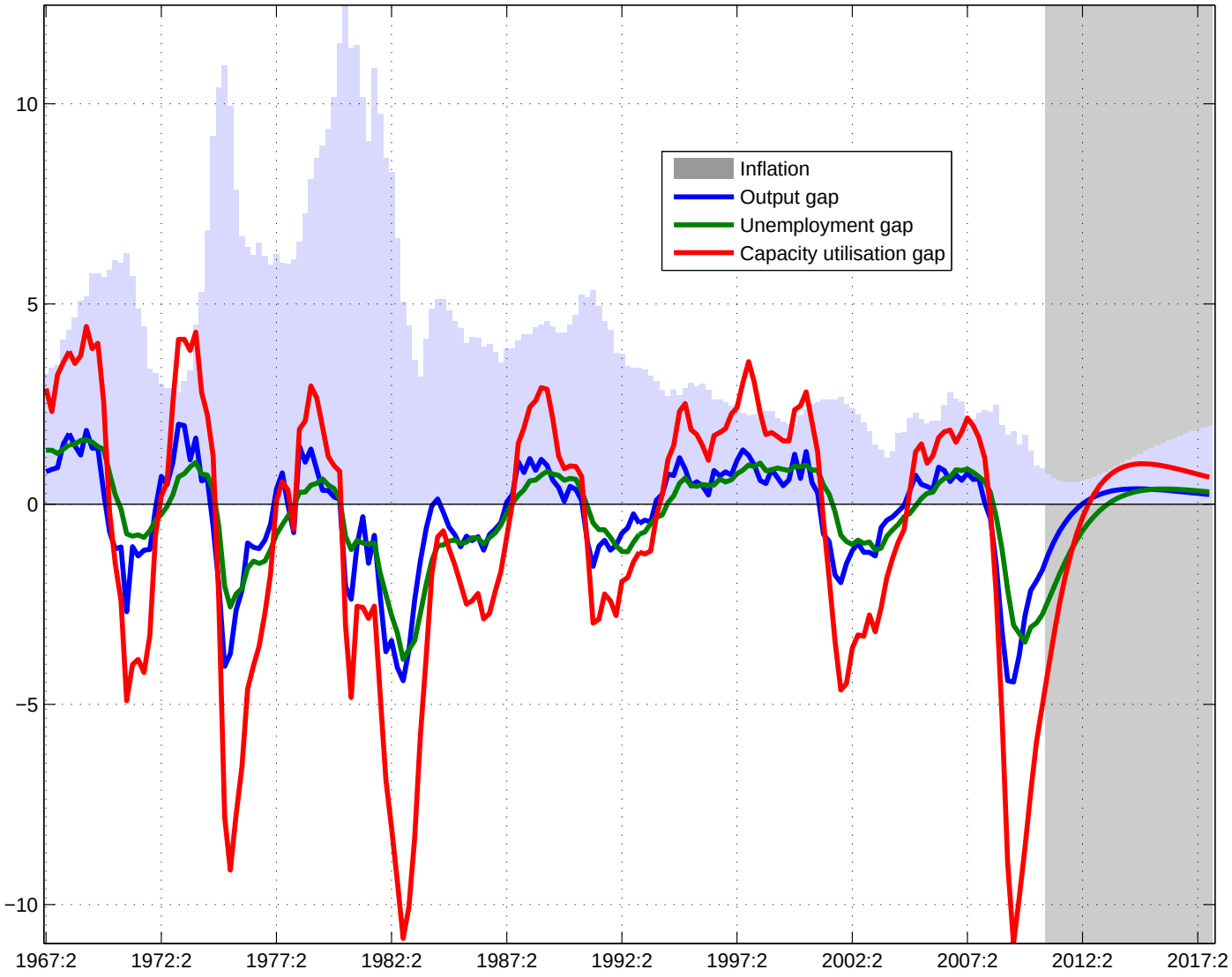
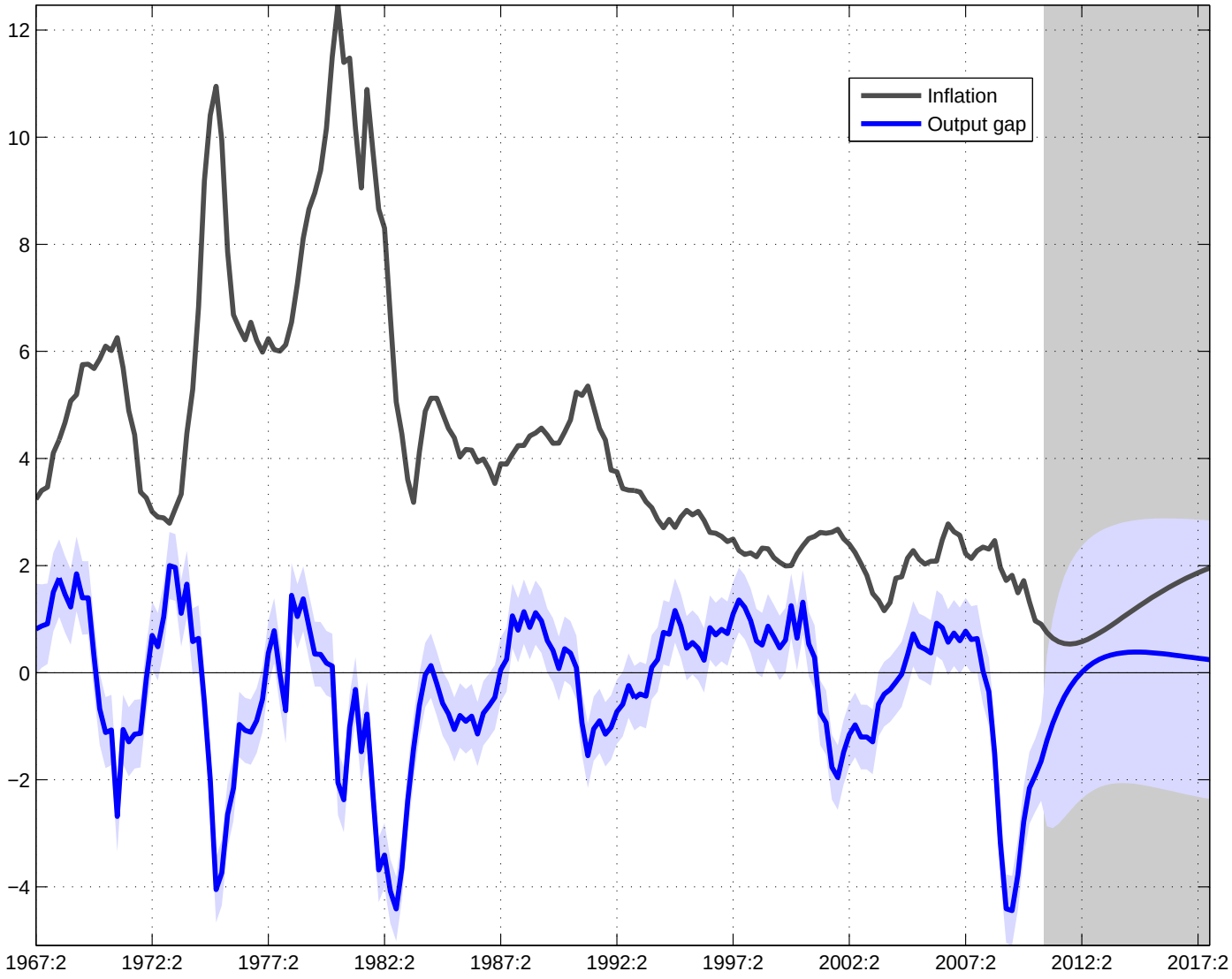
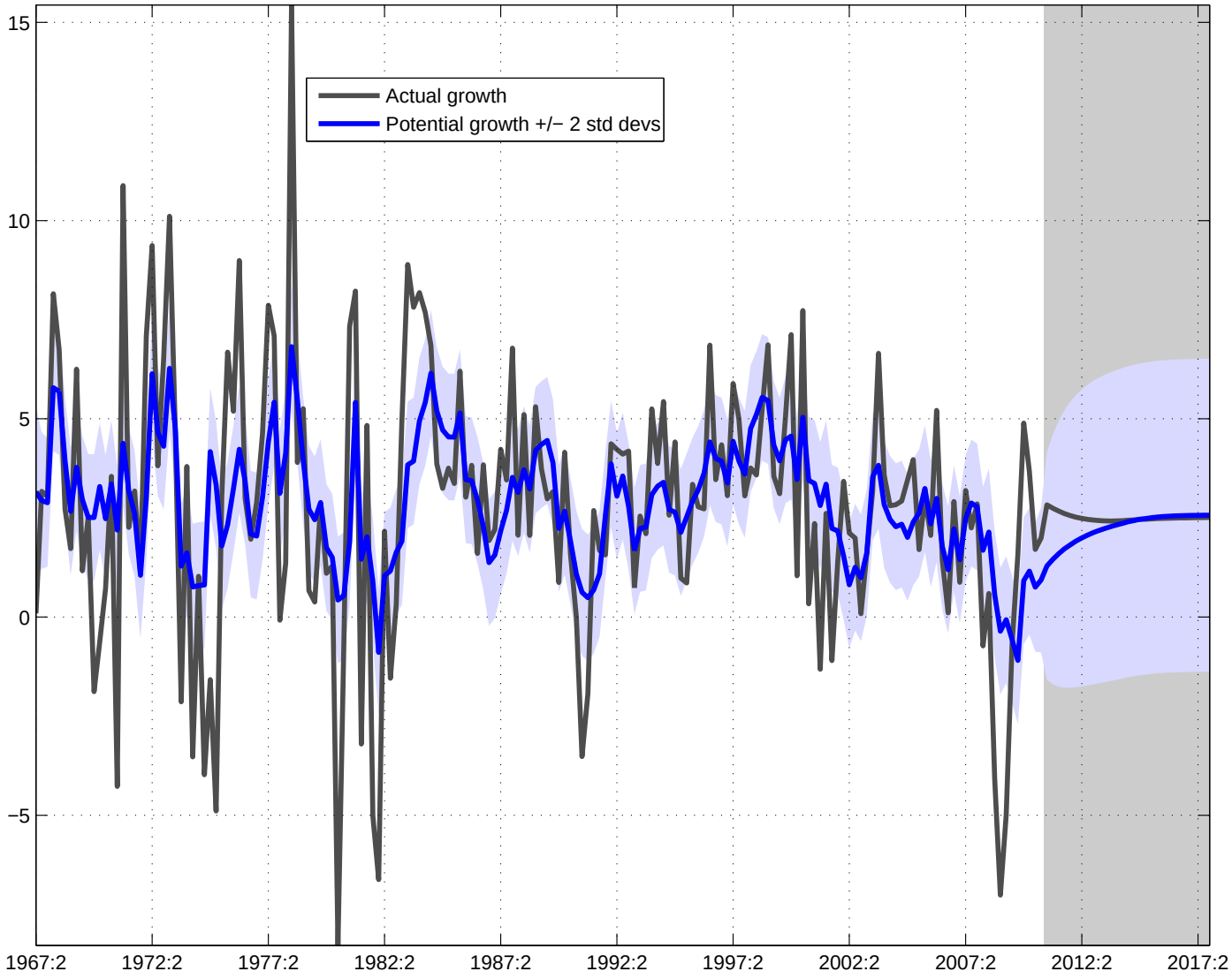
Economic activity gaps



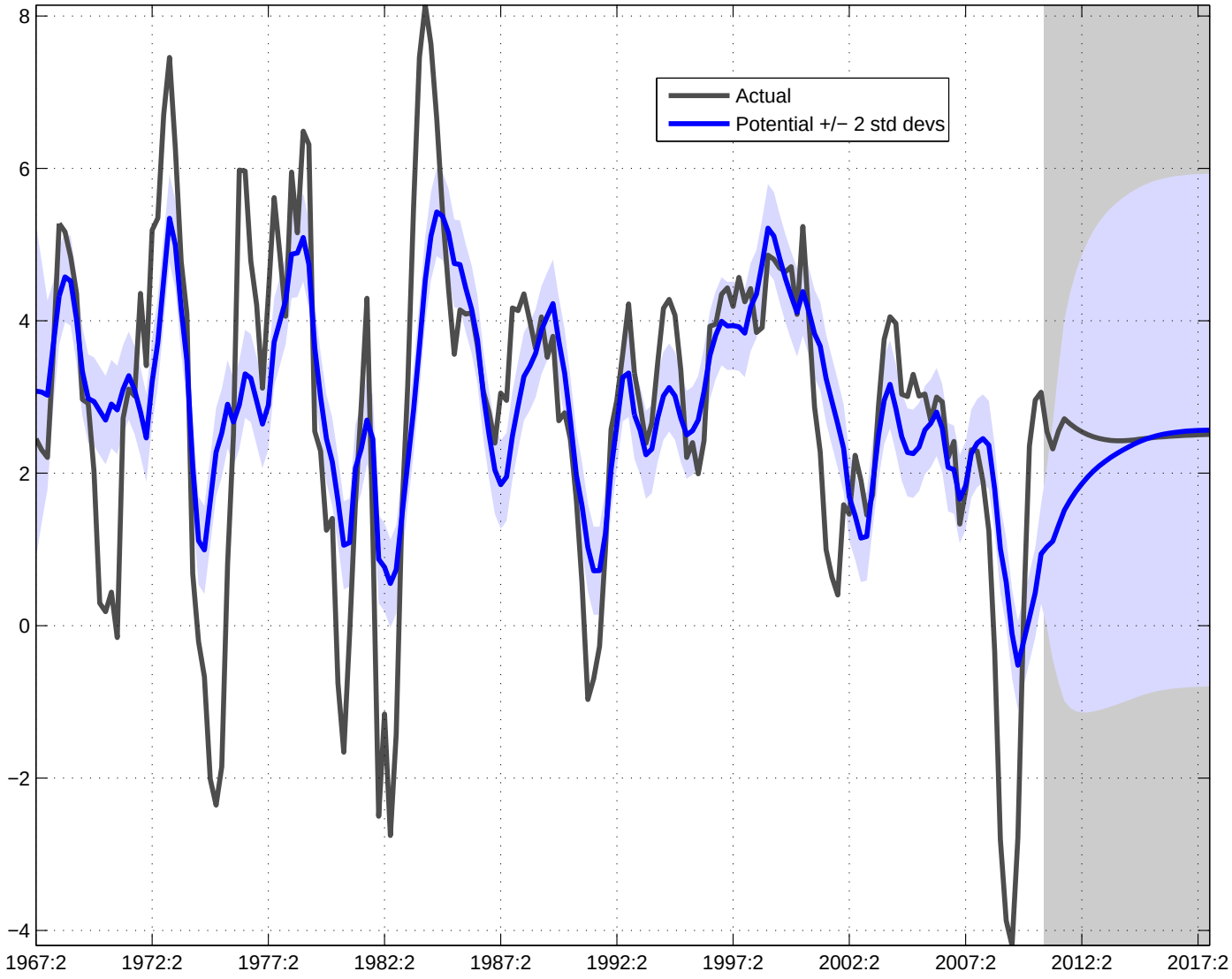
Output Gap +/- 2 std devs (w/o model or parameter uncertainty)



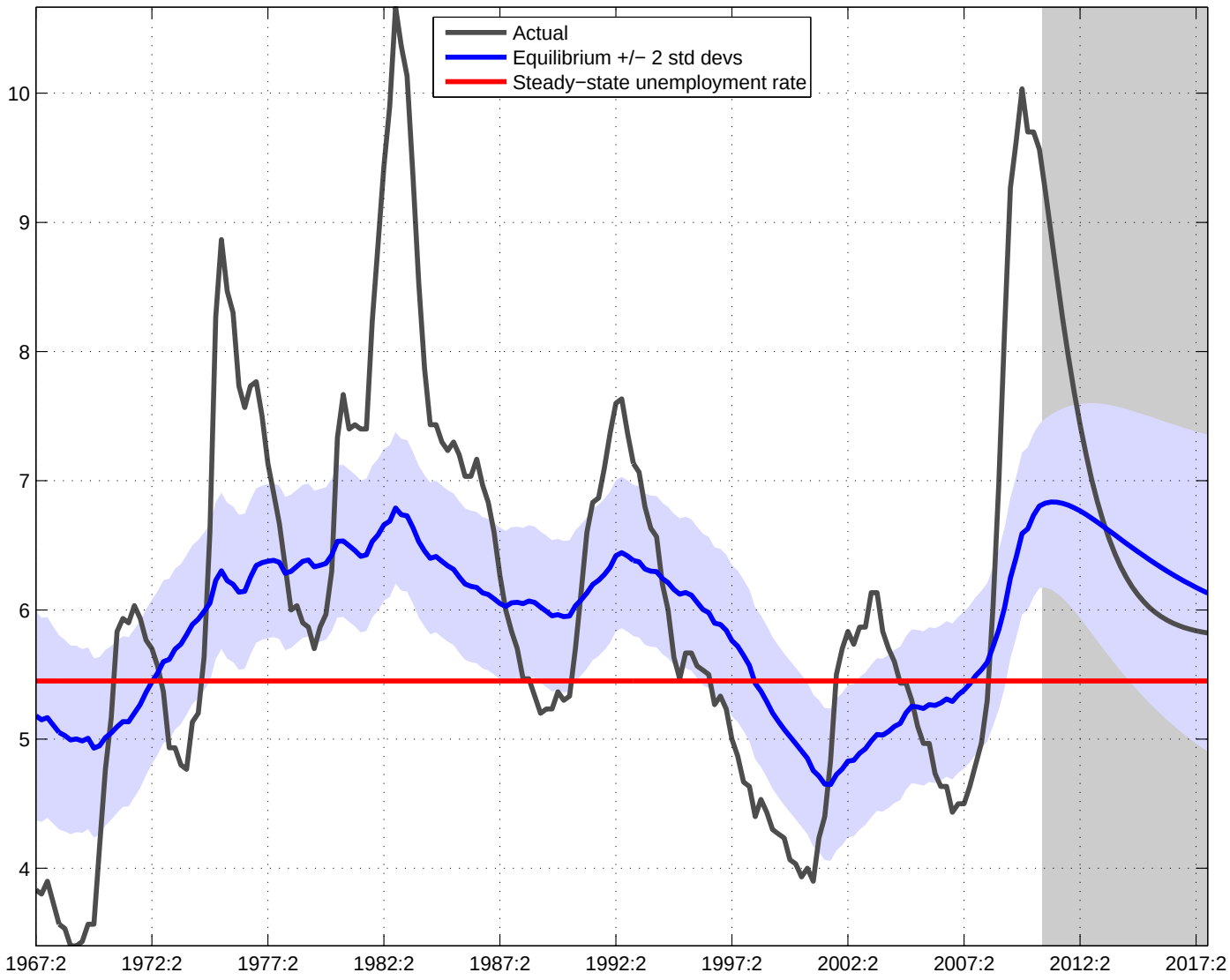
Output Growth (Q/Q Annualized) +/- 2 std devs (w/o model or parameter uncertainty)



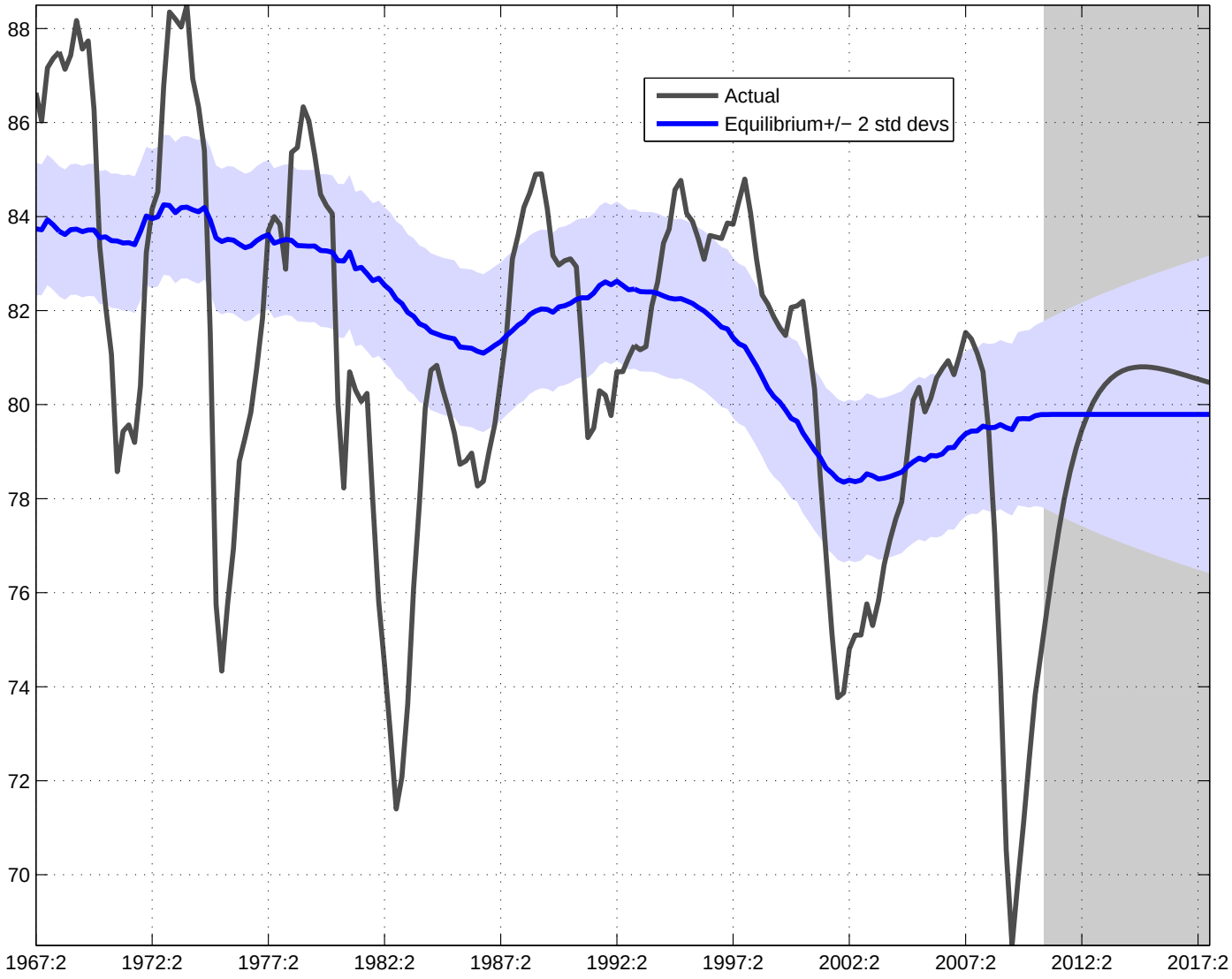
Output Growth (Y/Y) +/- 2 std devs (w/o model or parameter uncertainty)



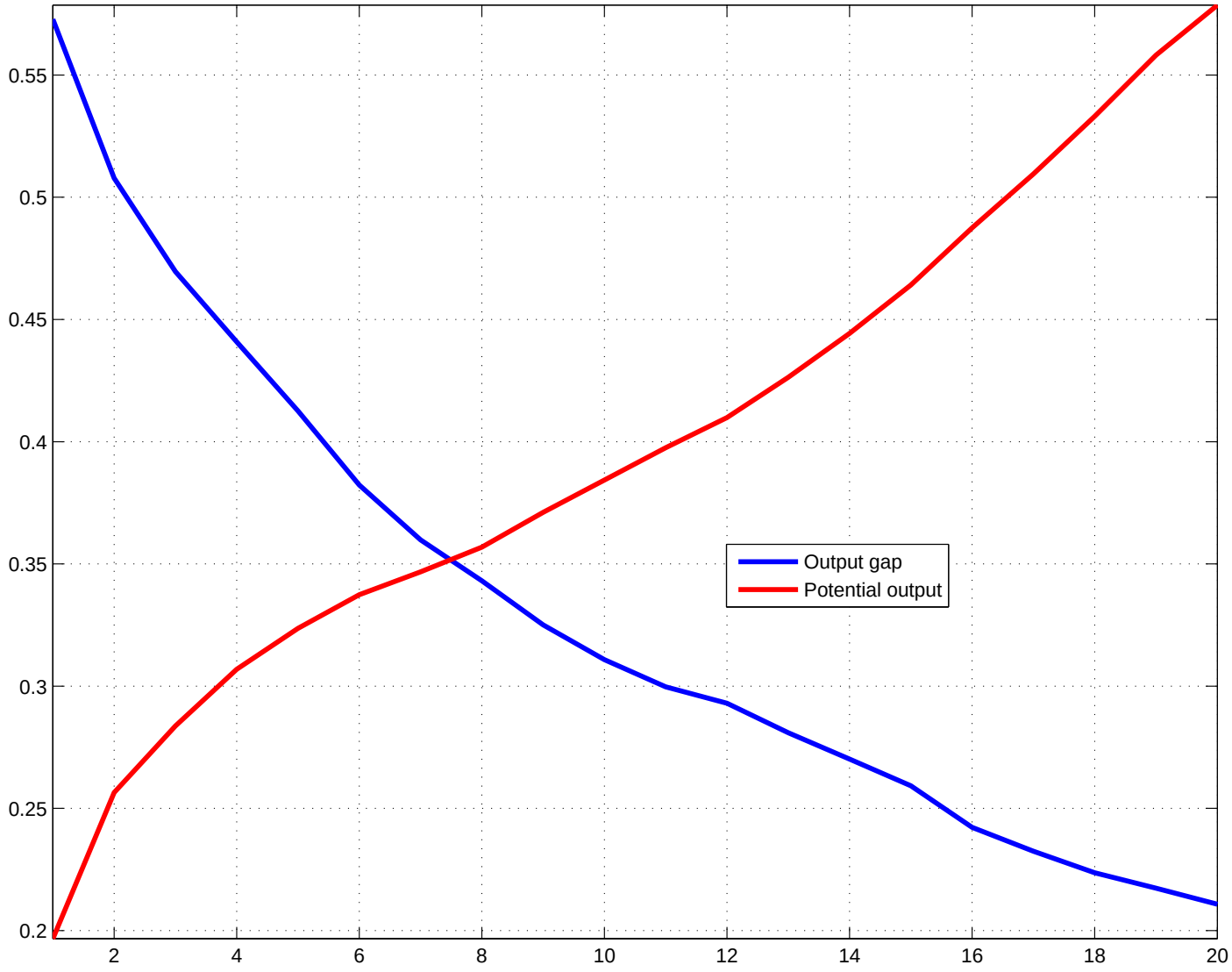
Unemployment Rate



Equilibrium Capacity Utilization +/- 2 std devs (w/o model or parameter uncertainty)



Relative Variances of Potential Growth and Changes in the Output Gap at Different Horizons



Regularized Maximum Likelihood

Parameter	Prior		Posterior	
	Mode	Dispersion	Mode	Dispersion
alpha	0.900	0.158	0.893	0.024
beta	0.400	0.316	0.193	0.027
omega	0.500	0.316	0.235	0.041
rho1	0.800	0.158	0.817	0.020
kappa1	0.100	0.632	0.467	0.038
phi1	0.800	0.158	0.750	0.020
phi2	0.300	0.158	0.276	0.017
tau	0.100	0.158	0.122	0.022
delta	0.500	0.158	0.498	0.024
kappa2	1.500	1.581	1.415	0.078
parhist	3.000	1.581	2.881	0.237
rho2	5.000	3.162	5.070	0.449
lambda	2.000	3.162	2.038	0.440
std_RES_Y	1.000	0.316	0.742	0.044
std_RES_G	1.000	0.316	0.836	0.046
std_RES_UNR_GAP	0.500	0.316	0.177	0.027
std_RES_UNR_BAR	0.100	0.158	0.075	0.021
std_RES_UNR_G	0.100	0.158	0.085	0.021
std_RES_CAPU_GAP	0.400	0.316	0.386	0.037
std_RES_CAPU_BAR	0.250	0.158	0.223	0.023
std_RES_CU_G	0.075	0.032	0.063	0.005
std_RES_PIE	0.500	0.316	0.511	0.032
std_RES_PIELTE	0.300	0.316	0.075	0.008
std_RES_LGDP_BAR	0.250	0.079	0.214	0.012

Calibrated Parameters

Parameter	Value
`lab_share`	0.700
`growth_ss`	2.500
`unr_ss`	5.450

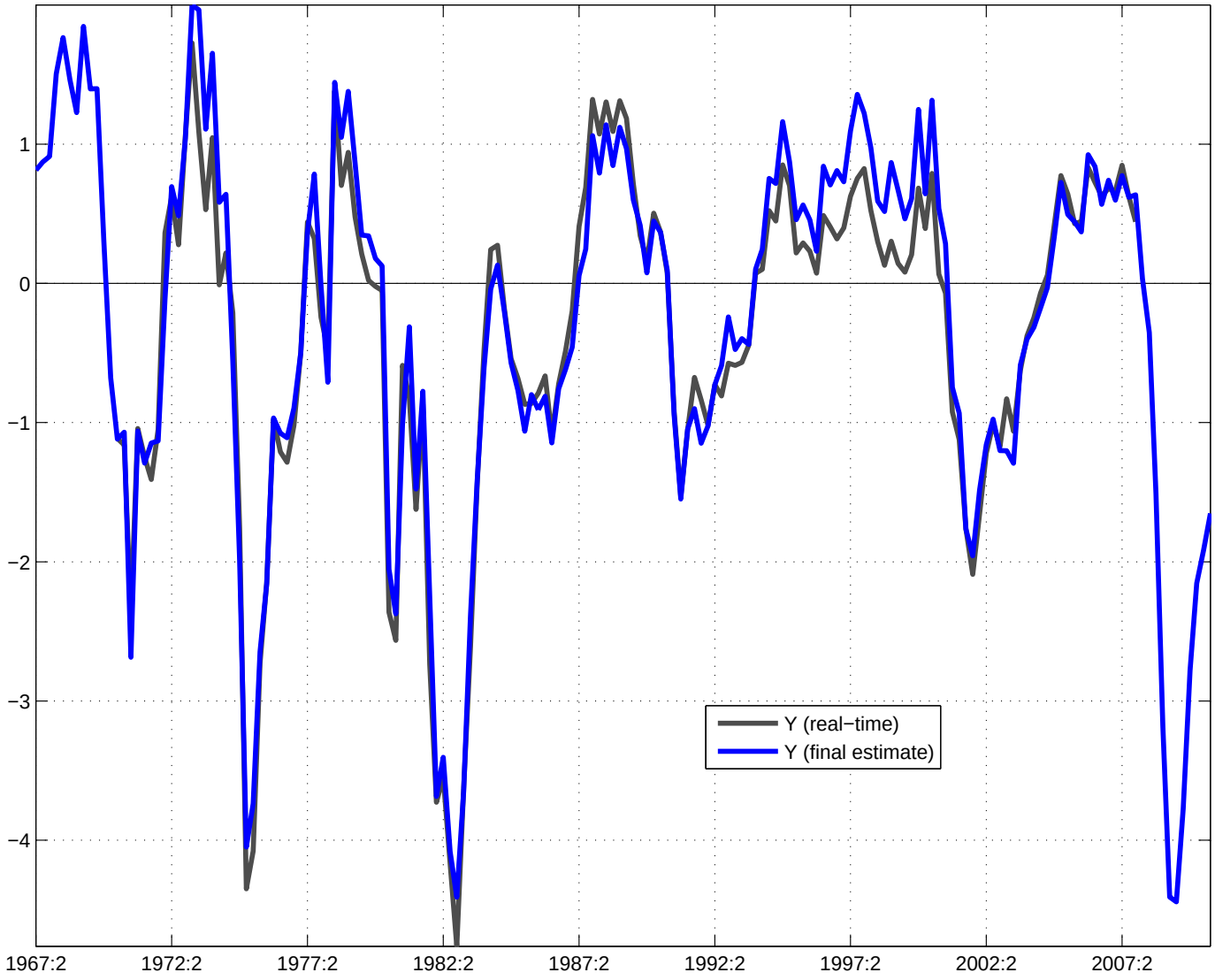
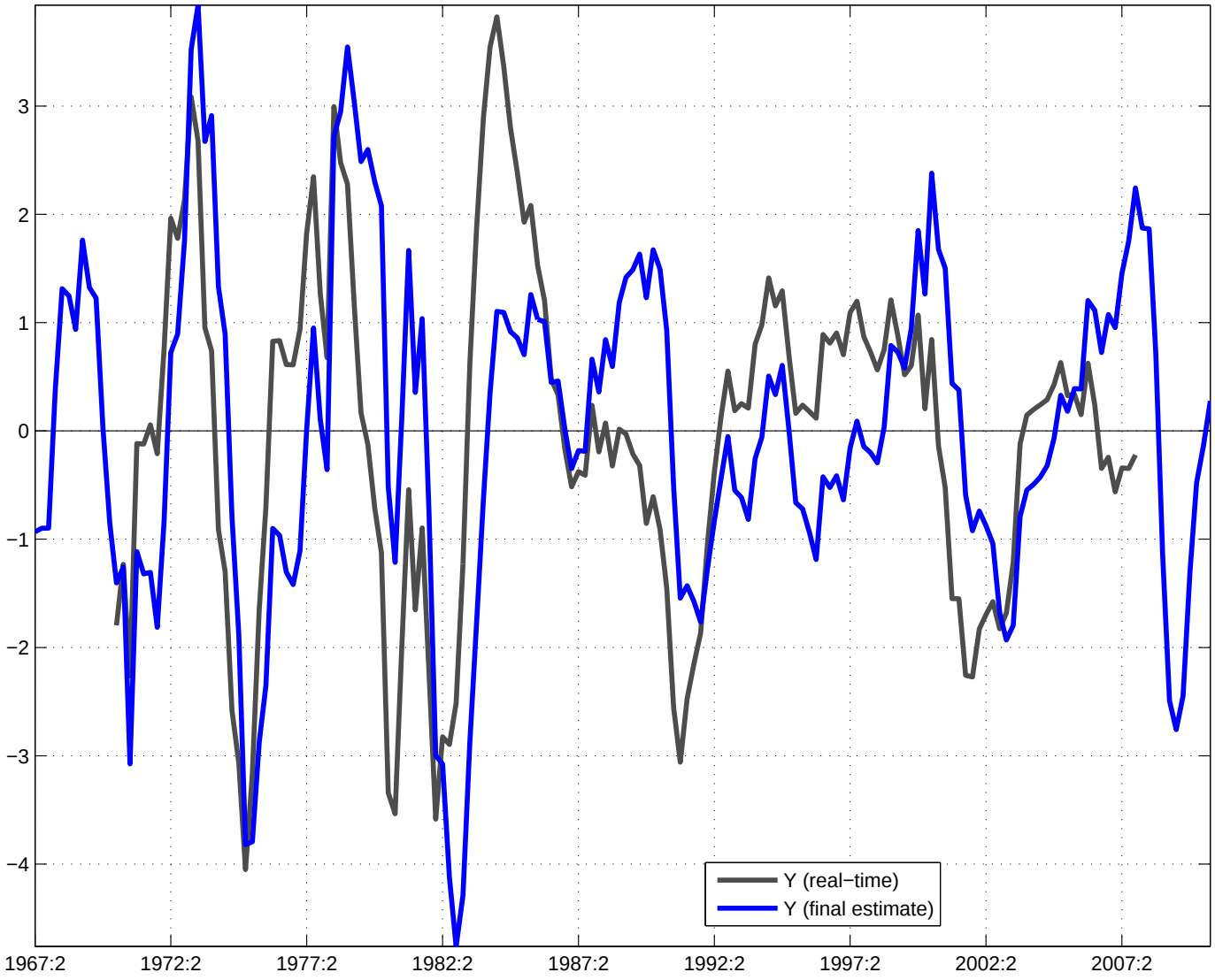
RMSEs

Parameter	1Q Ahead	4Q Ahead	8Q Ahead	12Q Ahead
GROWTH_	3.355	3.391	3.392	3.427
PIE4_	0.506	1.382	1.976	2.341
UNR_	0.285	0.953	1.447	1.574

Mean absolute revisions (according to most recent estimates)

quarter	$t-12$	$t-8$	$t-4$	t (nowcast)
`Y`	0.098	0.119	0.152	0.208
`Y (HP)`	0.172	0.333	0.754	1.250
`UNR_GAP`	0.098	0.111	0.127	0.141
`UNR_GAP (HP)`	0.087	0.176	0.393	0.640

Real-time output gap (MV)



Real-time output gap (HP)