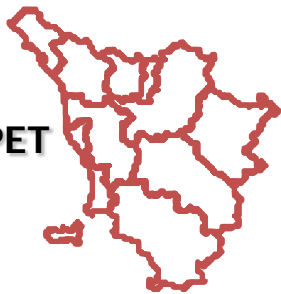


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PART I
**DANTE, something about my
personal toy**

DANTE is a multisectoral model

- **37 industries**
- **54 products**
- **Supply and Use Tables (industry-by-industry; industry tech)**
- **I developed also an aggregate version**

DANTE is an econometric model

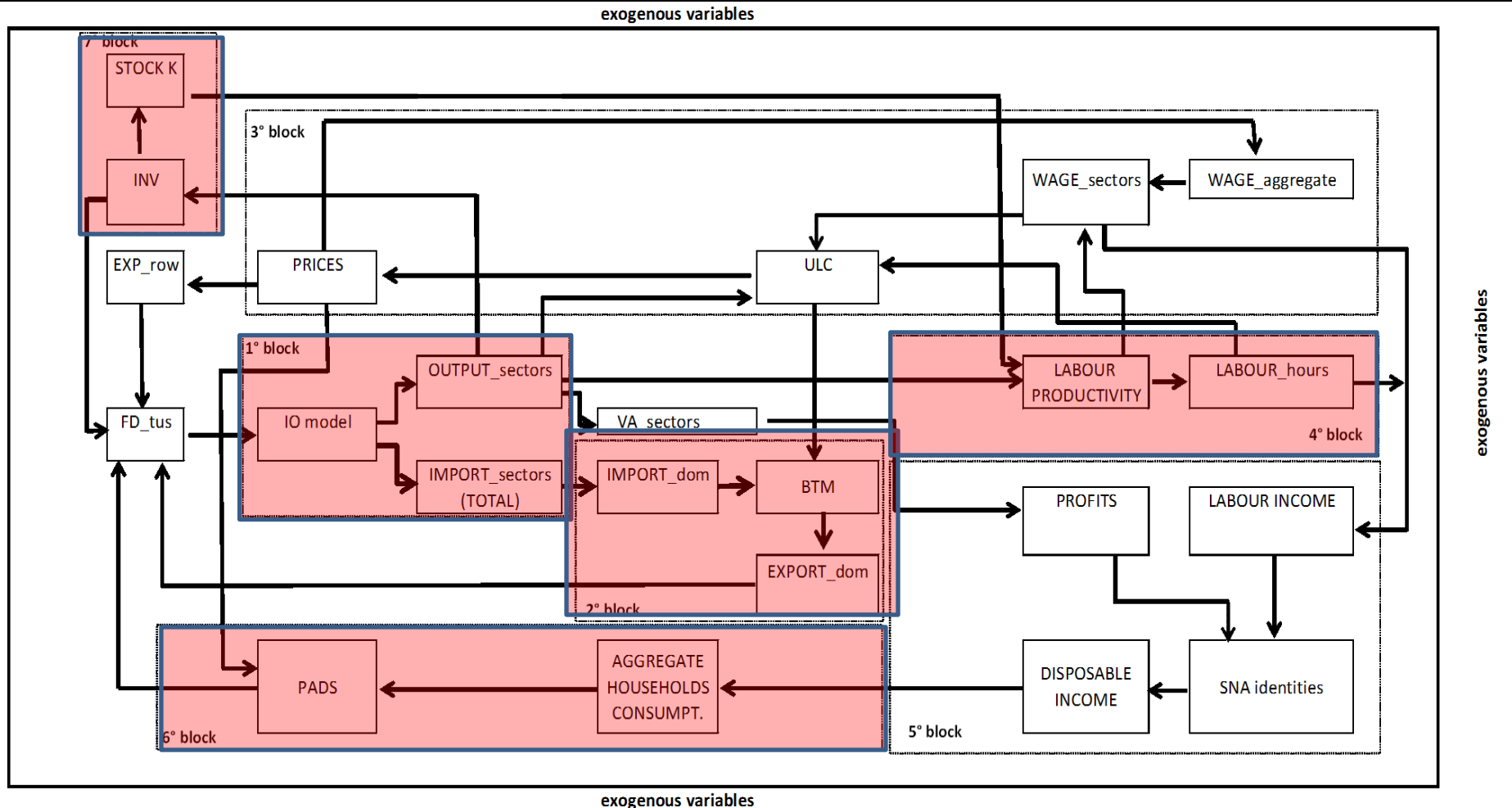
**aggregate version: 74 behavior eq. (demand block;
prices block; supply block;
income/tax block)**

134 identities

**disaggregate version: sectoral reg (investment ;
household consumption ;
productivity)
aggregate reg (Total Consump.)**

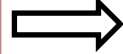
DANTE is a multiregional model

- 20 italian regions collapsed in 3 regions
- 54 bilateral trade matrices (by products) → 37 (by sector)
- regional gravity model

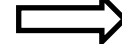


Households Consumption Block

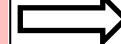
**Aggregate
consumption
equation**



**Total
consumption**



PADS



**Expenditures
by product**

**Relative
prices**



population

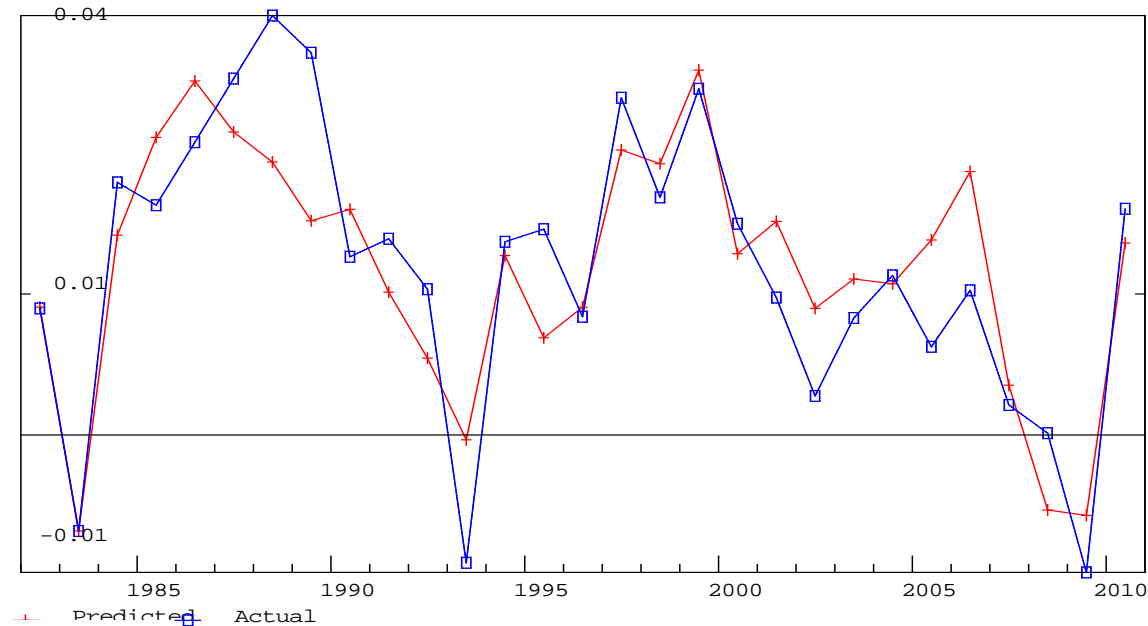
Aggregate equation

LCH - Modigliani

SEE = 0.01 RSQ = 0.7261 RHO = 0.16 Obser = 29 from 1982.000
 SEE+1 = 0.01 RBSQ = 0.6513 DW = 1.67 DoFree = 22 to 2010.000
 MAPE = 171.41

Variable name	Reg-Coef	Mexval	Elas	NorRes	Mean	Beta	t-value	F-Stat
0 d_RCER_TUS	-----	-----	-----	0.02	-----	-----	-----	-----
1 intercept	0.01751	87.8	1.02	3.65	1.00		7.457	
2 d_YDR_TUS	0.25515	10.7	0.10	3.35	0.01	0.268	2.226	9.72
3 ecm	-0.23769	24.9	0.04	2.98	-0.00	-0.431	-3.507	10.33

ld consumption expenditure (short run), re



Sectoral equations

PADS - Almon ▶

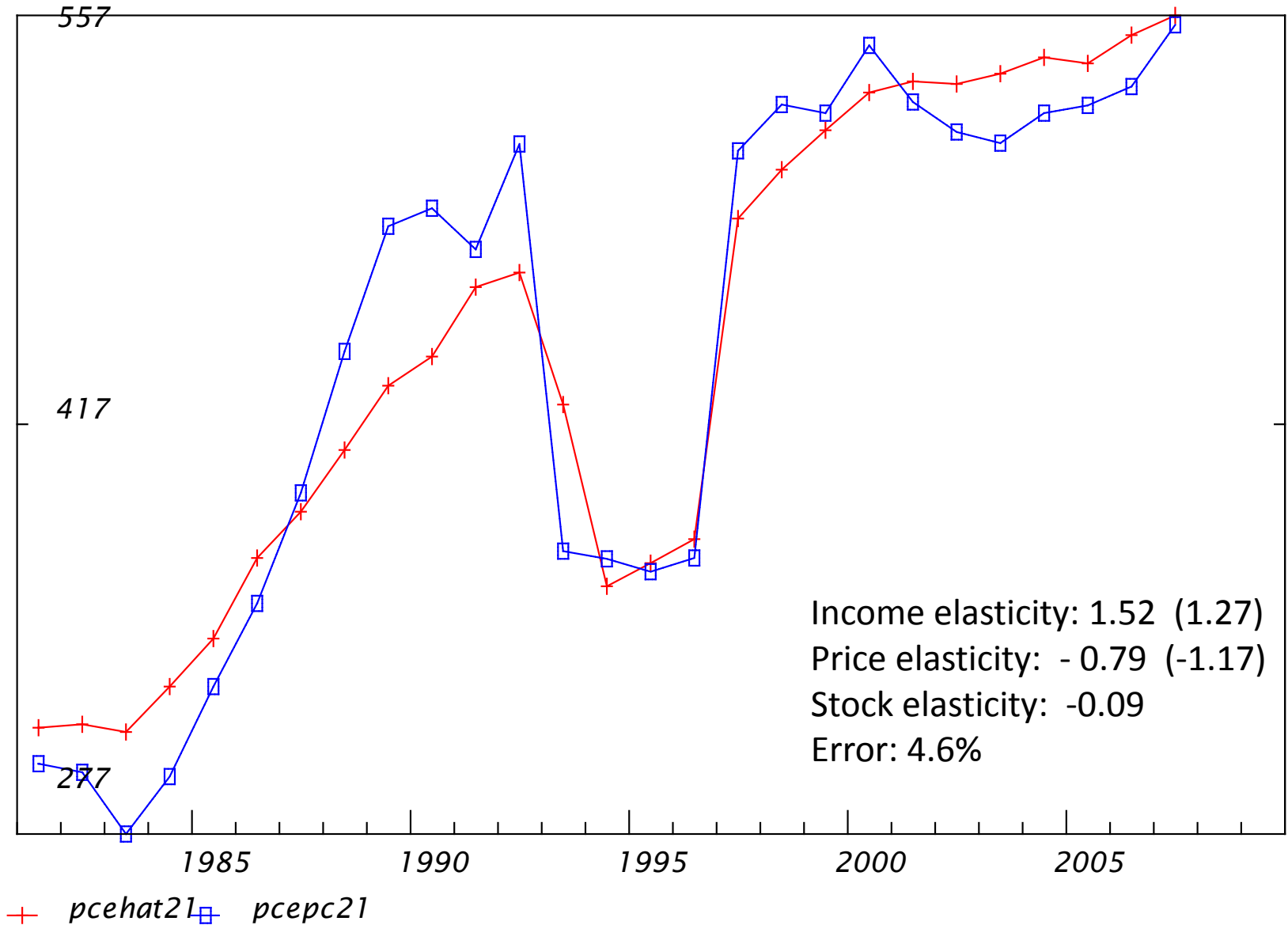
Some features:

1) I introduced dummy var. to control for specific events (sales incentive 97-98);

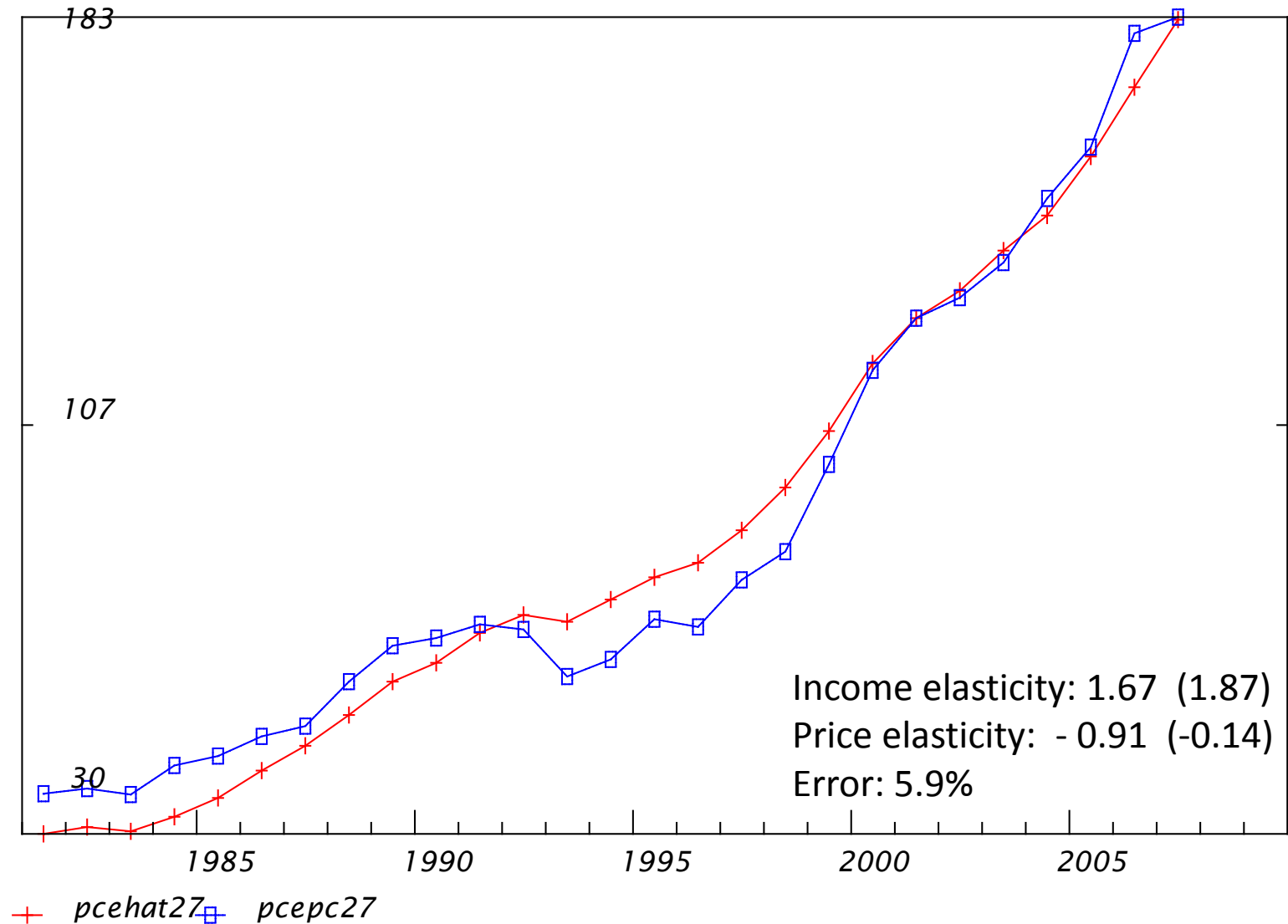
2) For some durables I used the lagged value of the stock;

3) For some other durables I used the real interest rate:

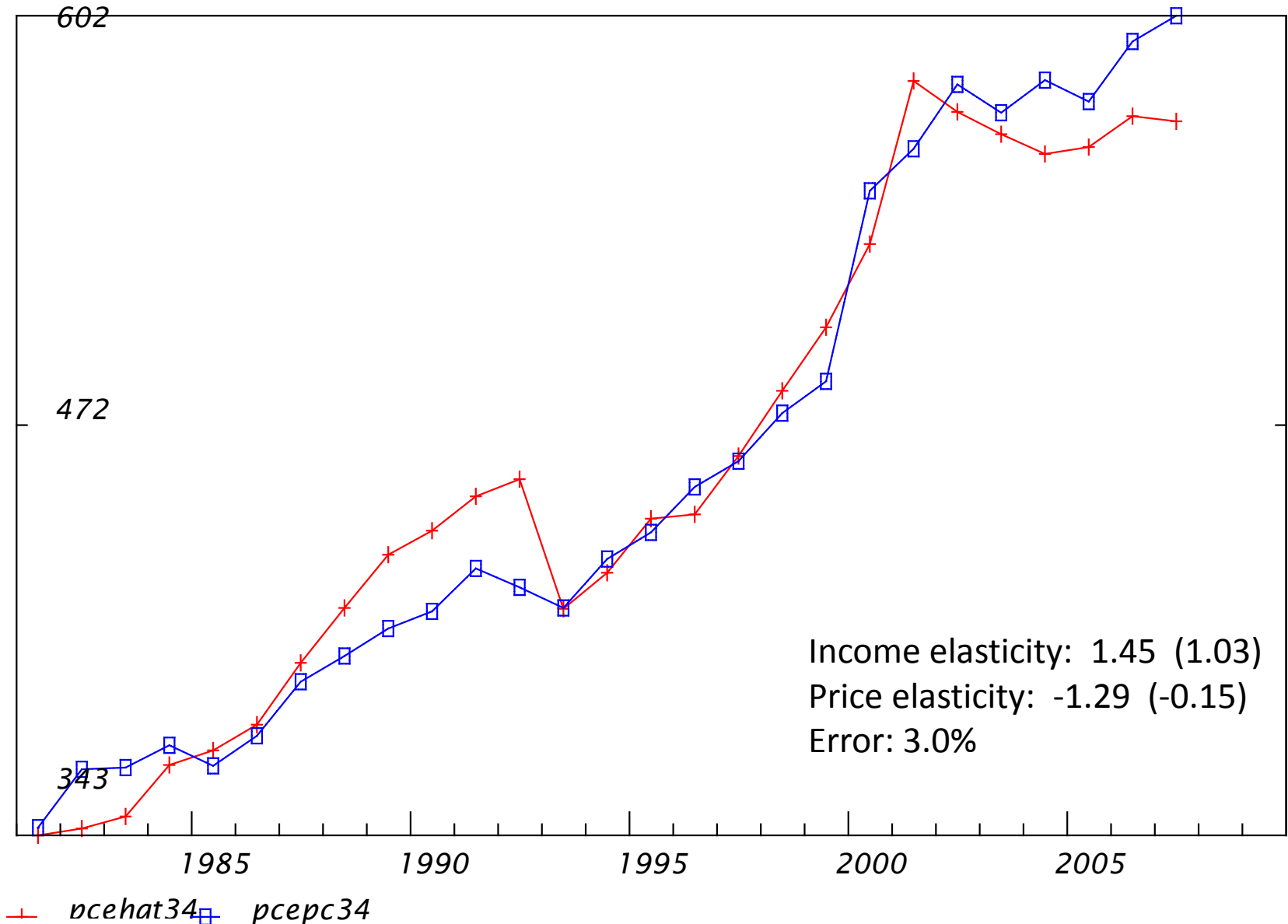
Vehicles



TV, Radio and personal computer



Bar and Restaurants



Aggregate equation



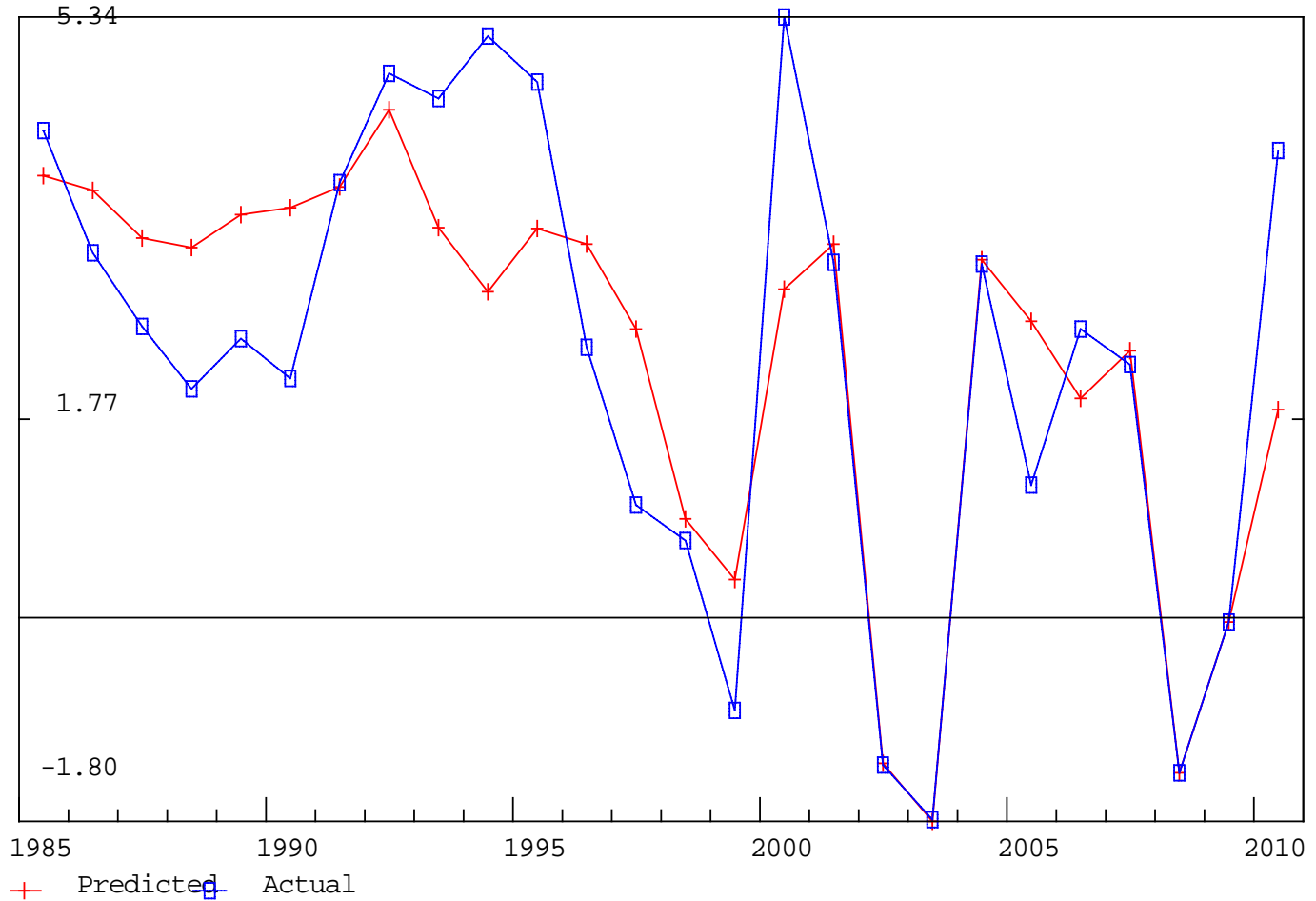
Sectoral equations



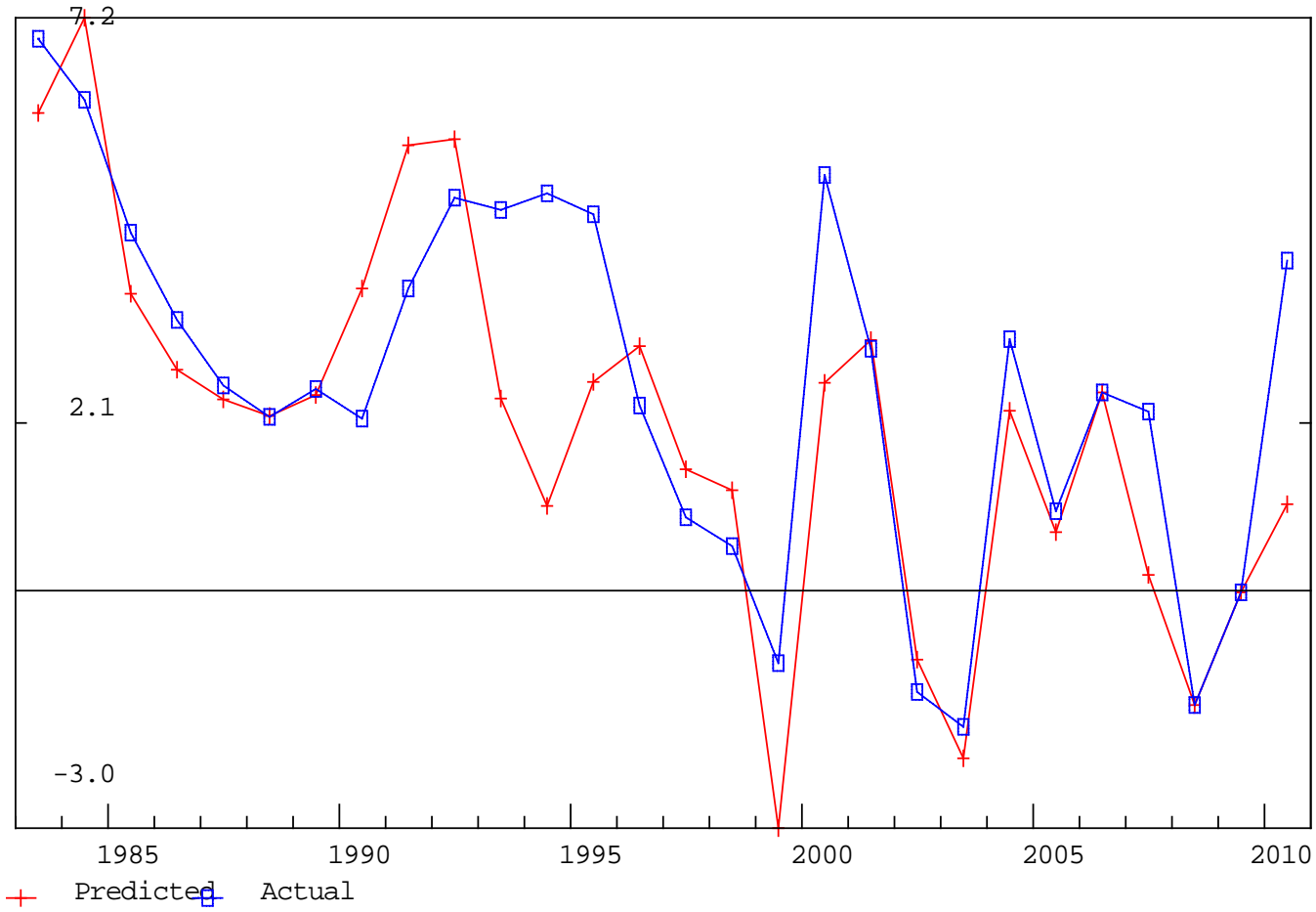
Kaldor-Verdoorn Approach

$$\dot{\Delta}yl = f\left(\dot{\Delta}\frac{k}{l}, \dot{\Delta}Q\right)$$

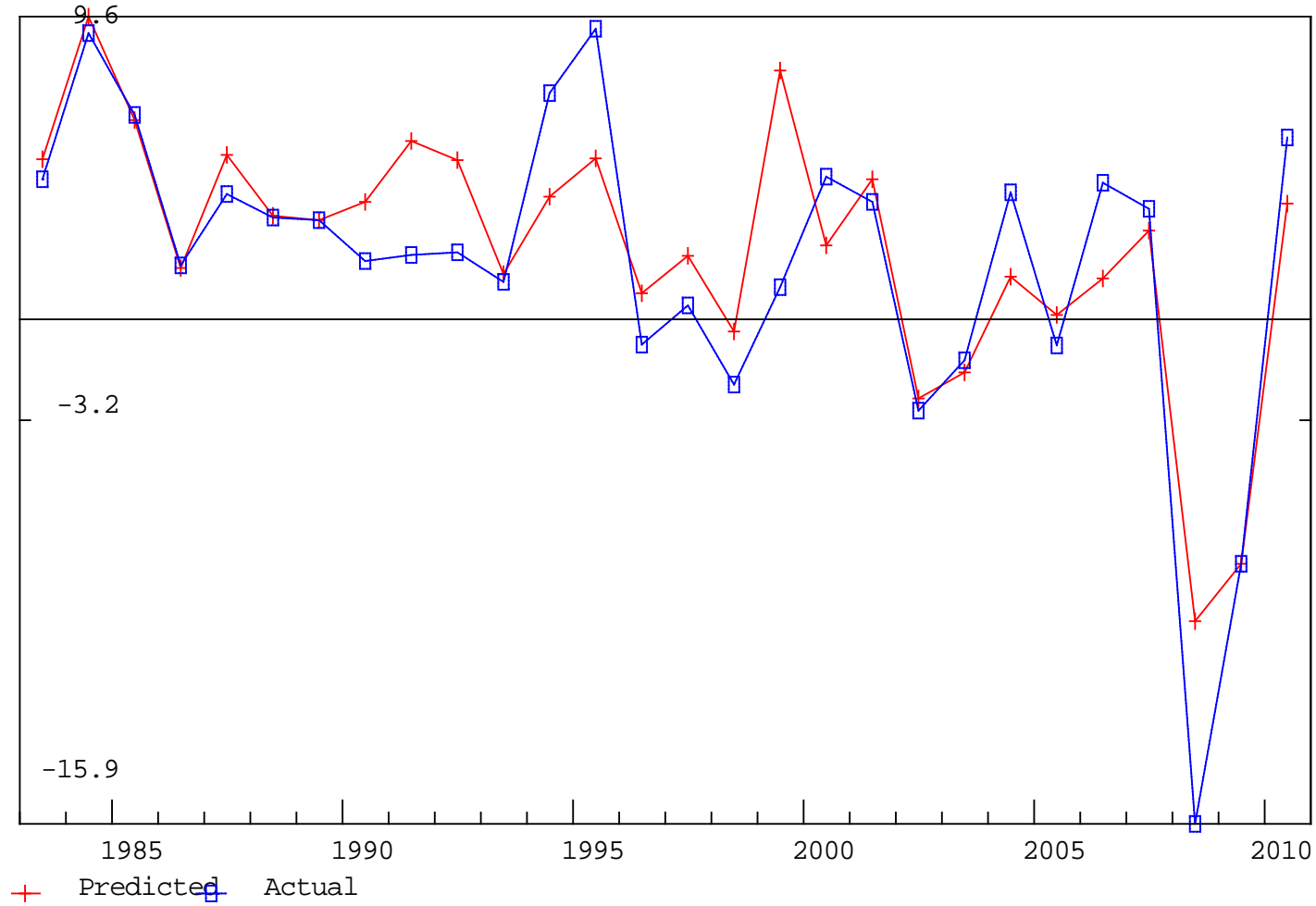
"Food products, beverages and tobacco"



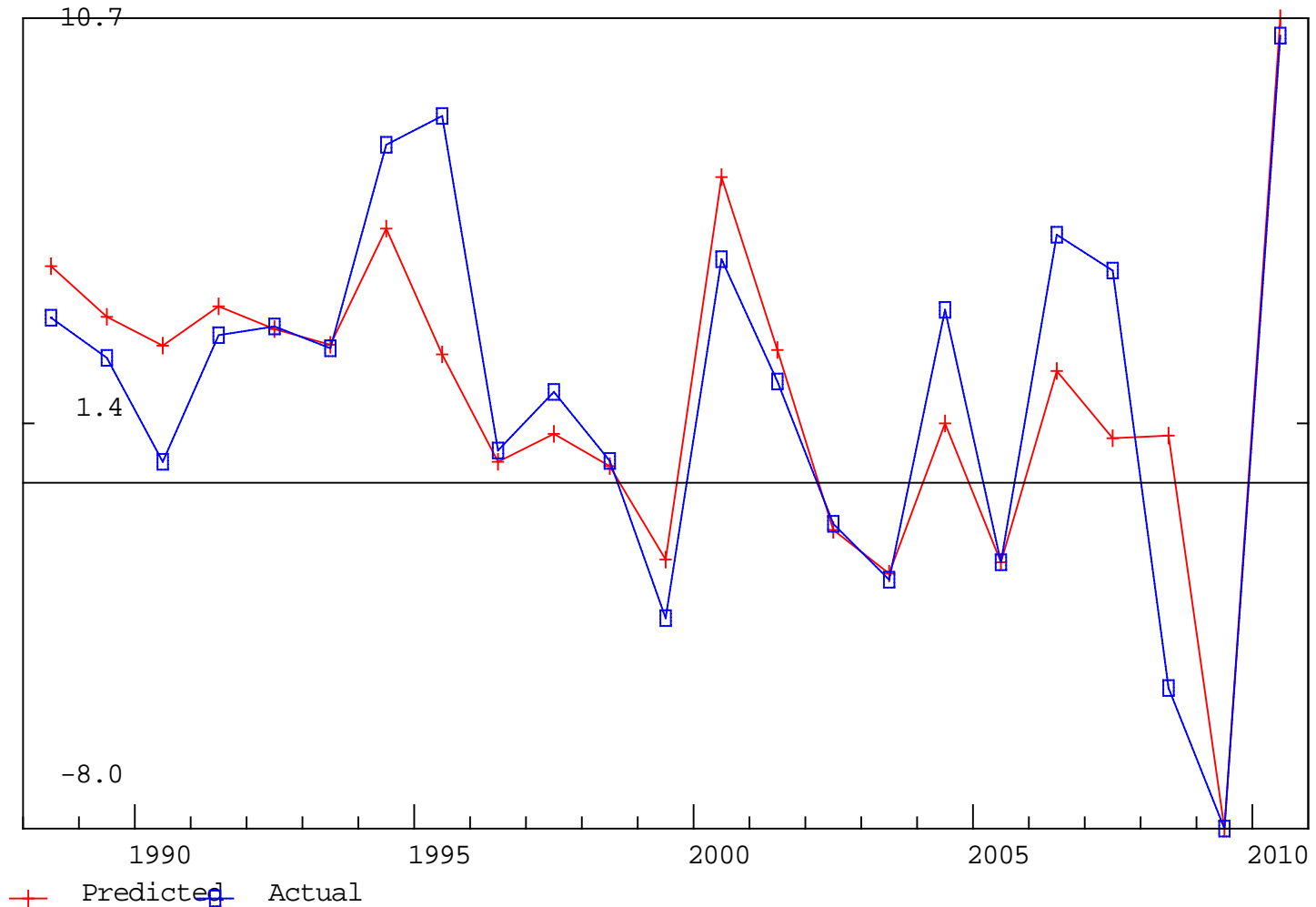
5 "Textiles and textile products"



"Basic metals and fabricated metal product



inery, Electrical and Transport equipment





PART II
Let's play ...

One currency ... many different tax policies, many different public expenditures decisions ... the coordination is a problem

1997(1993): Stability and Growth Pact (Maastricht):

Public Deficit/GDP < 3% (otherwise sanctions)

**Public Debt/GDP < 60% (otherwise ... no
playstation for 1 week)**

1997 – 2012 many different release of this Treaty

2012: In January, The European Council approved the Fiscal Stability Treaty (except UK and Ceck Republic) in order to obtain a better fiscal coordination.

Up to now: 21 National Parliament ratified the new Treaty

The new Treaty (entered in force on 1° Jan 2013) is a stricter version of the previous one (SGP).

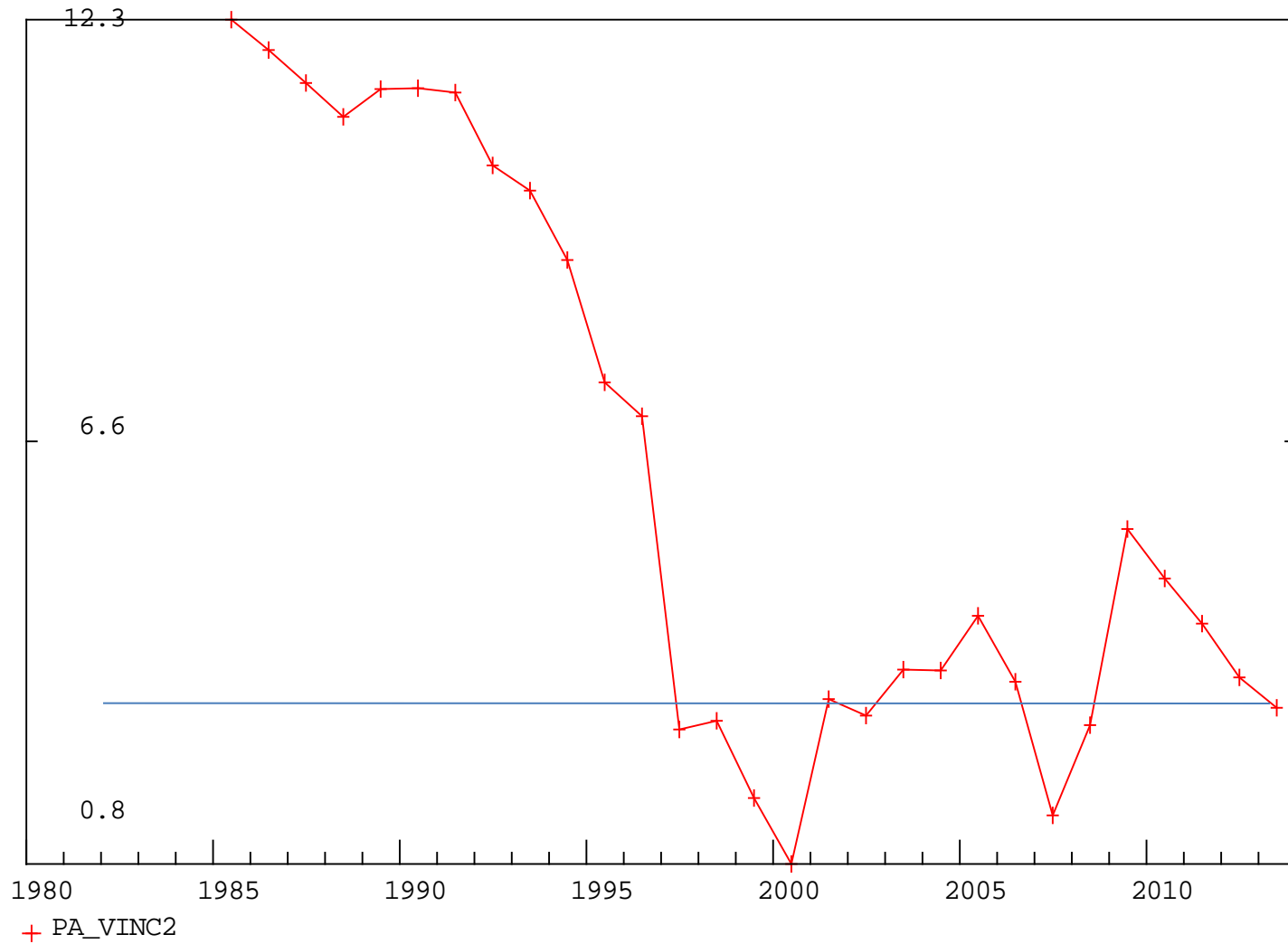
It contains 3 titles regarding rules for the European Union organization and coordination. The Title n.III is called “Fiscal Compact”

Balanced budget rule: General government budgets shall be "balanced" or in surplus

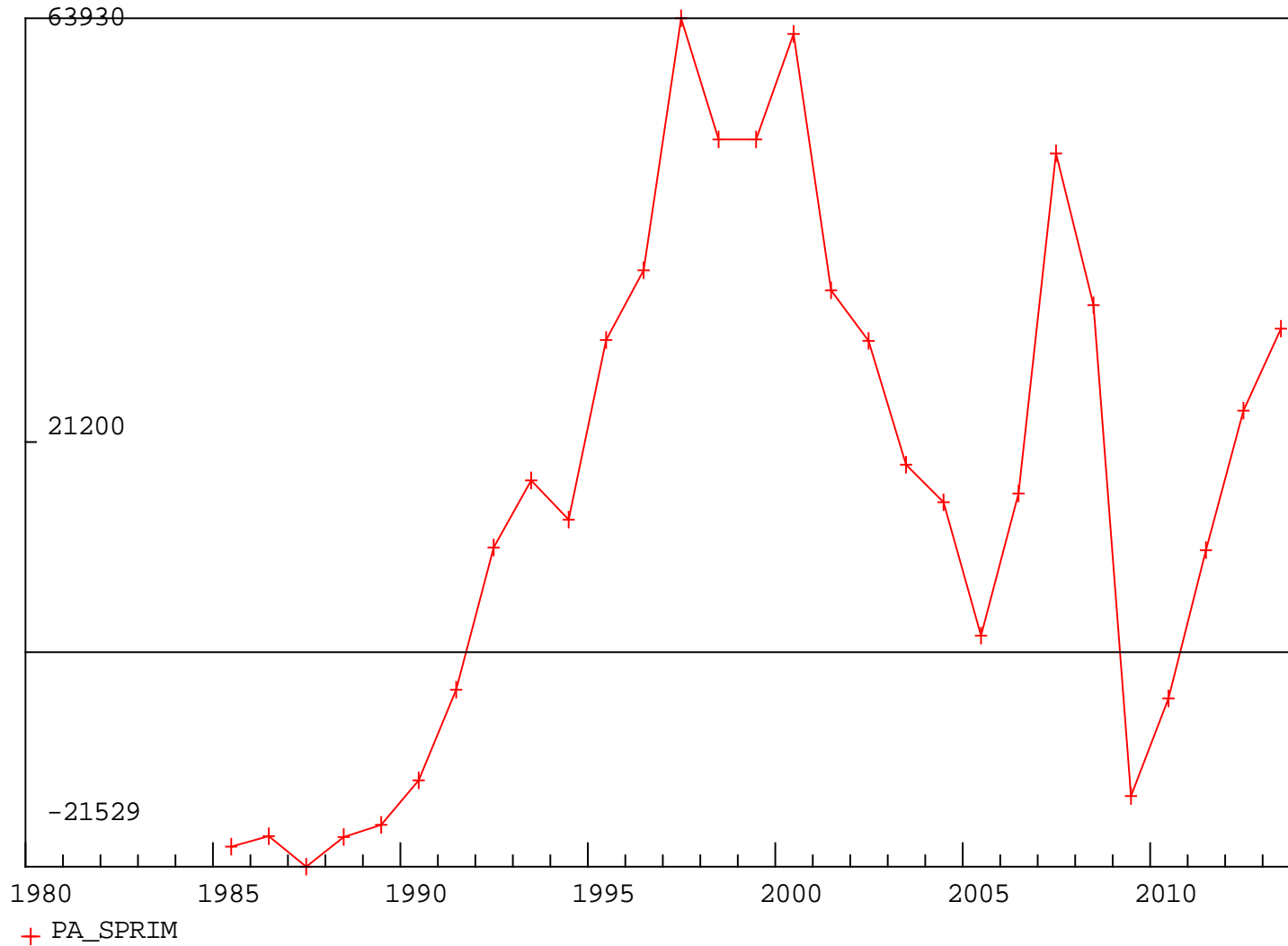
Debt brake rule: Member States whose government debt-to-GDP ratio exceeds the 60% reference level, shall reduce it.

Starting when? ... the year after the abrogation of EDP (for all the countries with an ongoing EDP) ... for Italy should be 2014

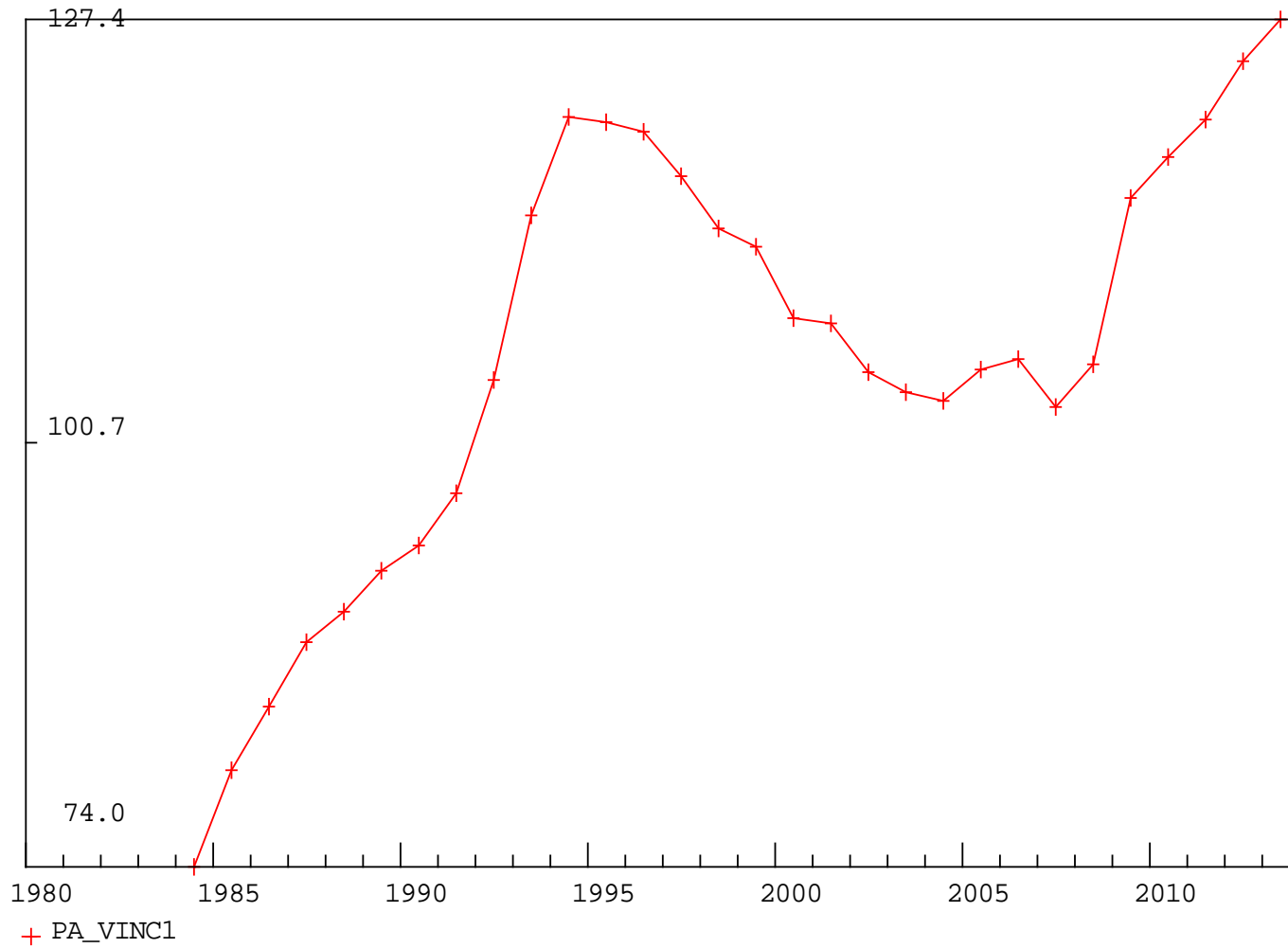
Public Deficit/GDP



Primary surplus (millions of euro)

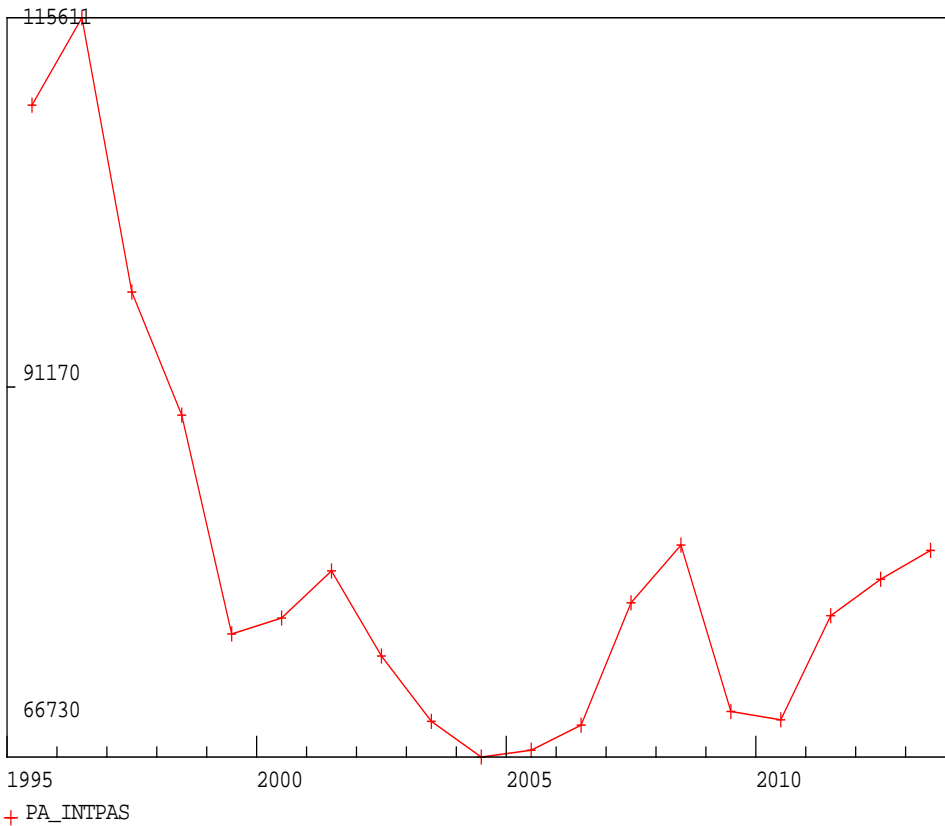


Public Debt/GDP



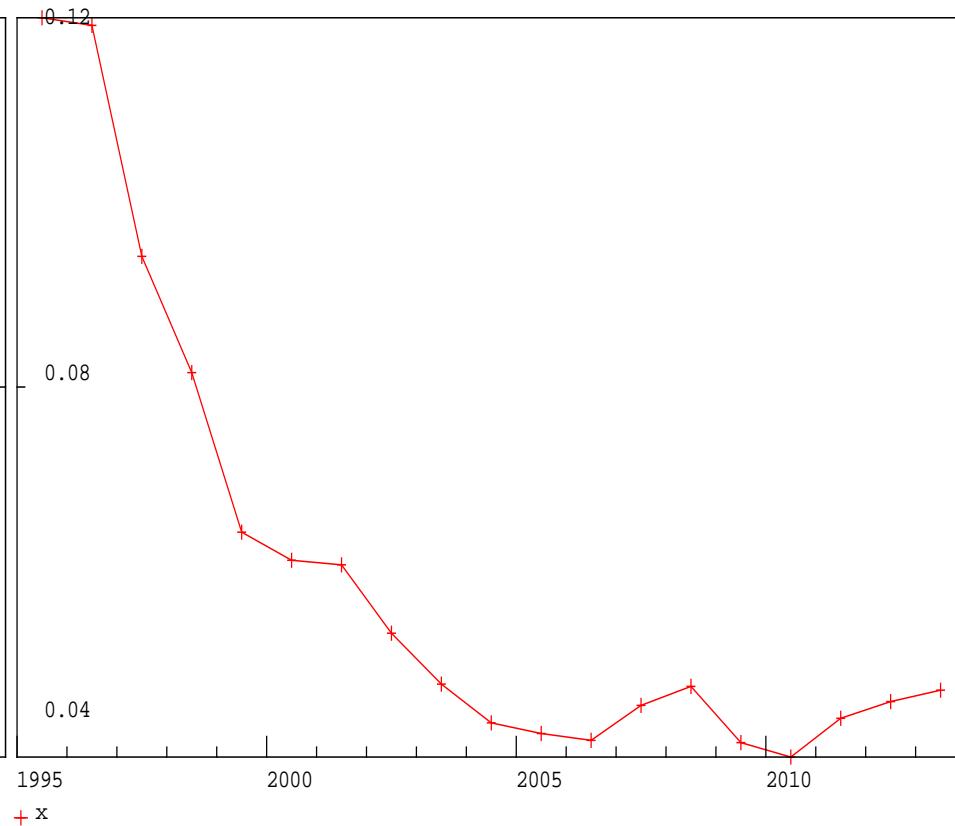
Interests paid by Public Administration

Level (million of euro)



+ PA_INTPAS

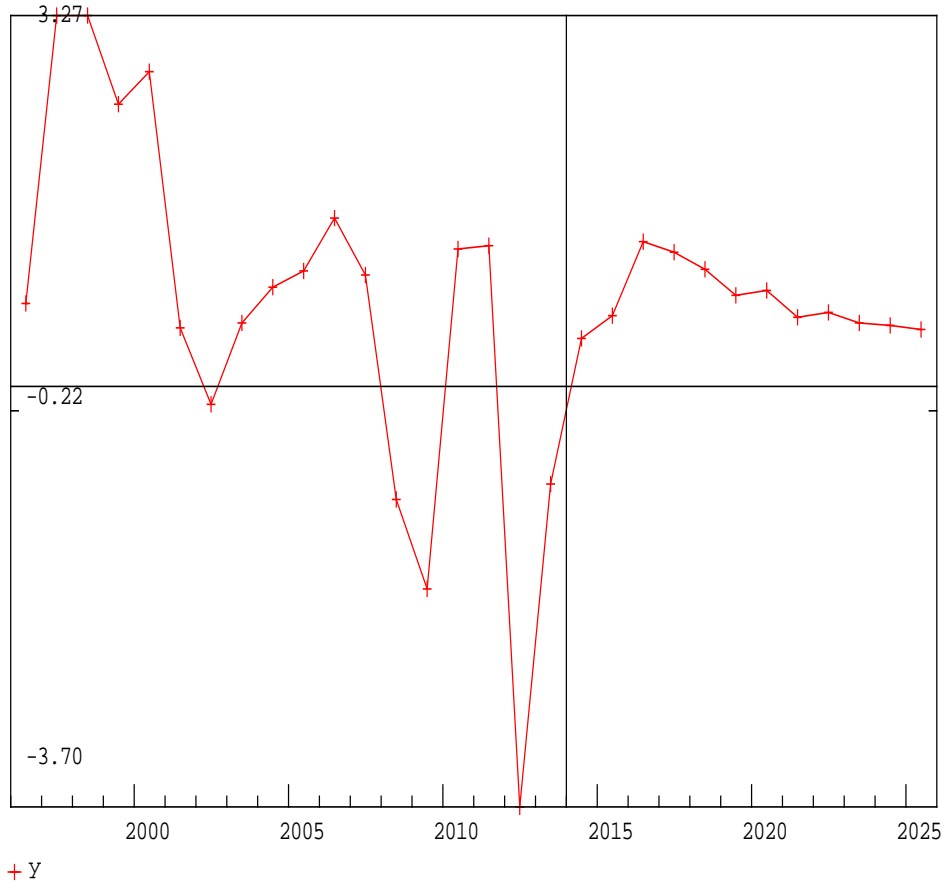
% of GDP (0.1=10%)



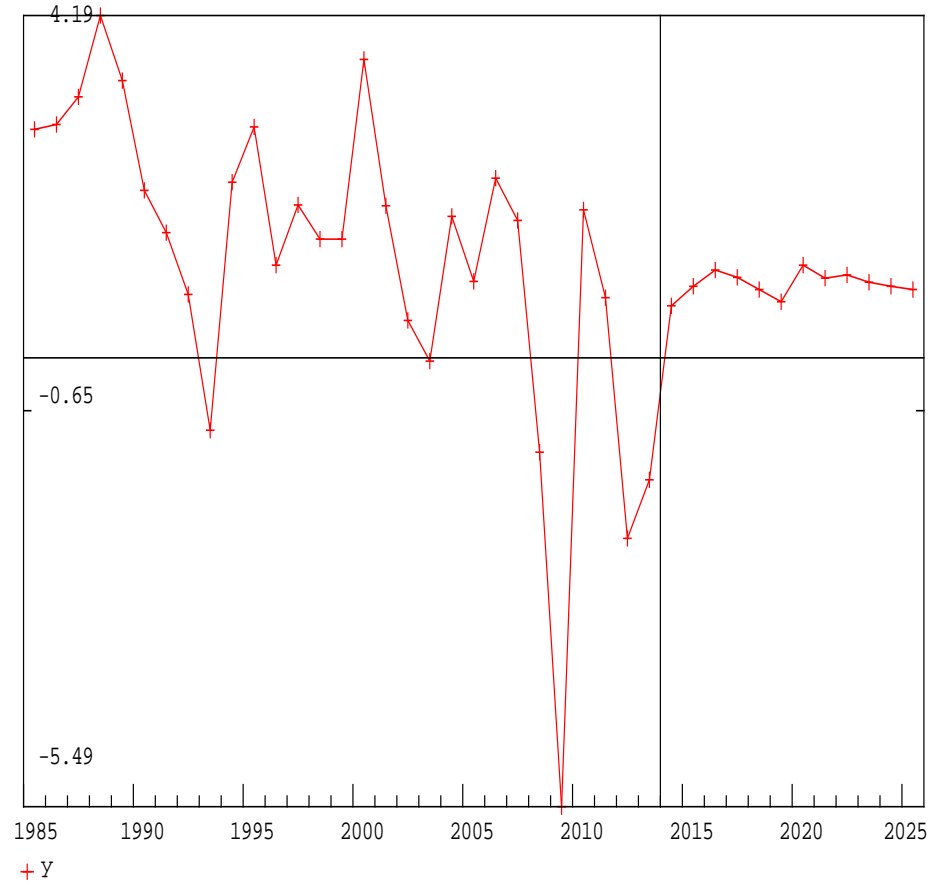
+ x

Main endogenous results

Households consumption
Annual % change (real terms)

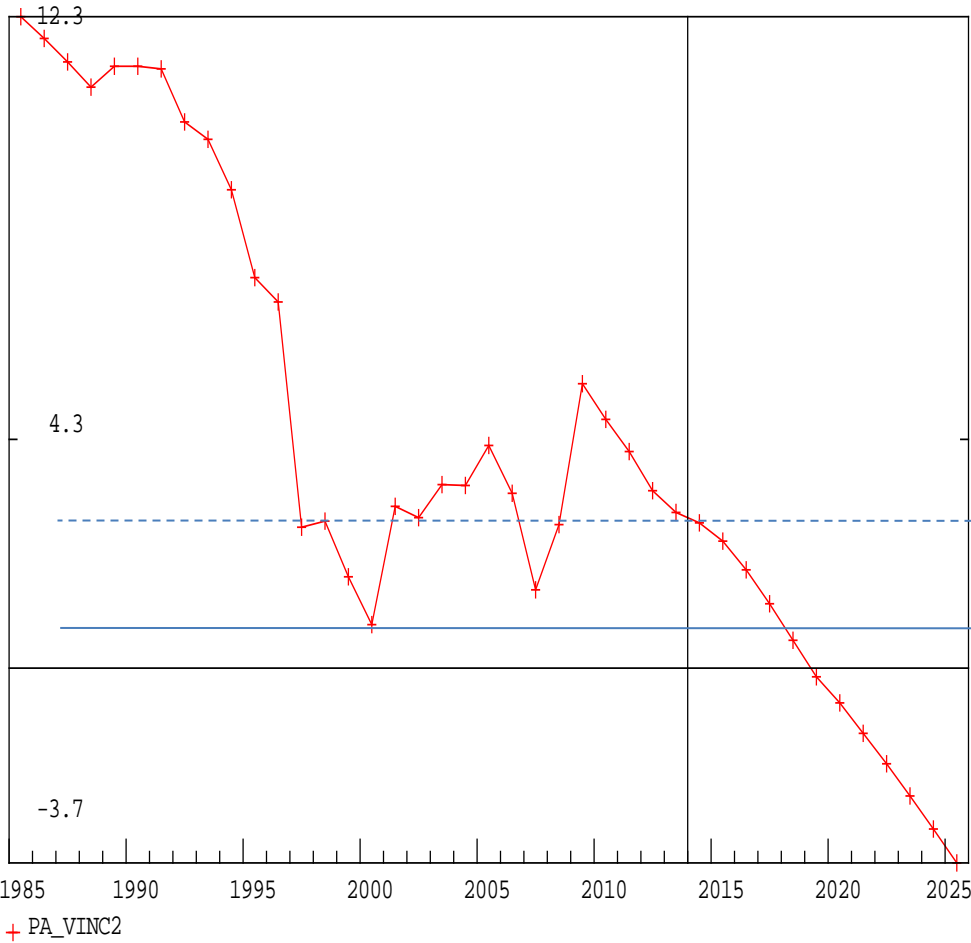


GDP
Annual % change (real terms)

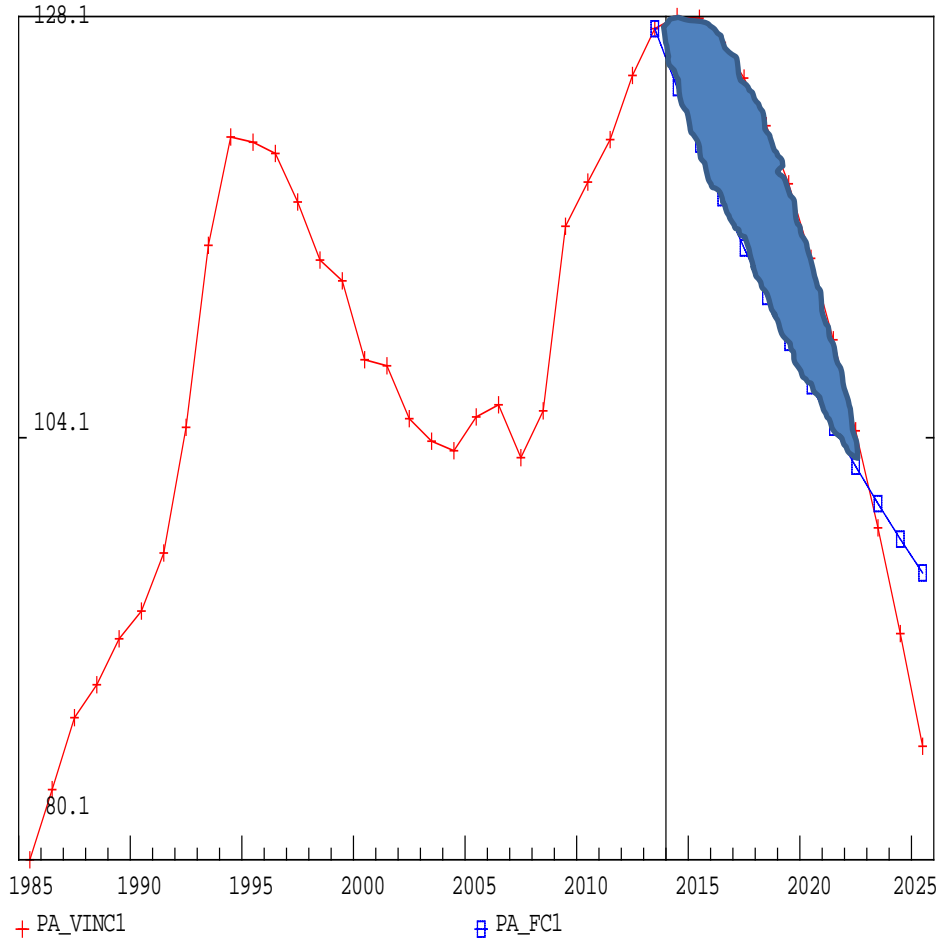


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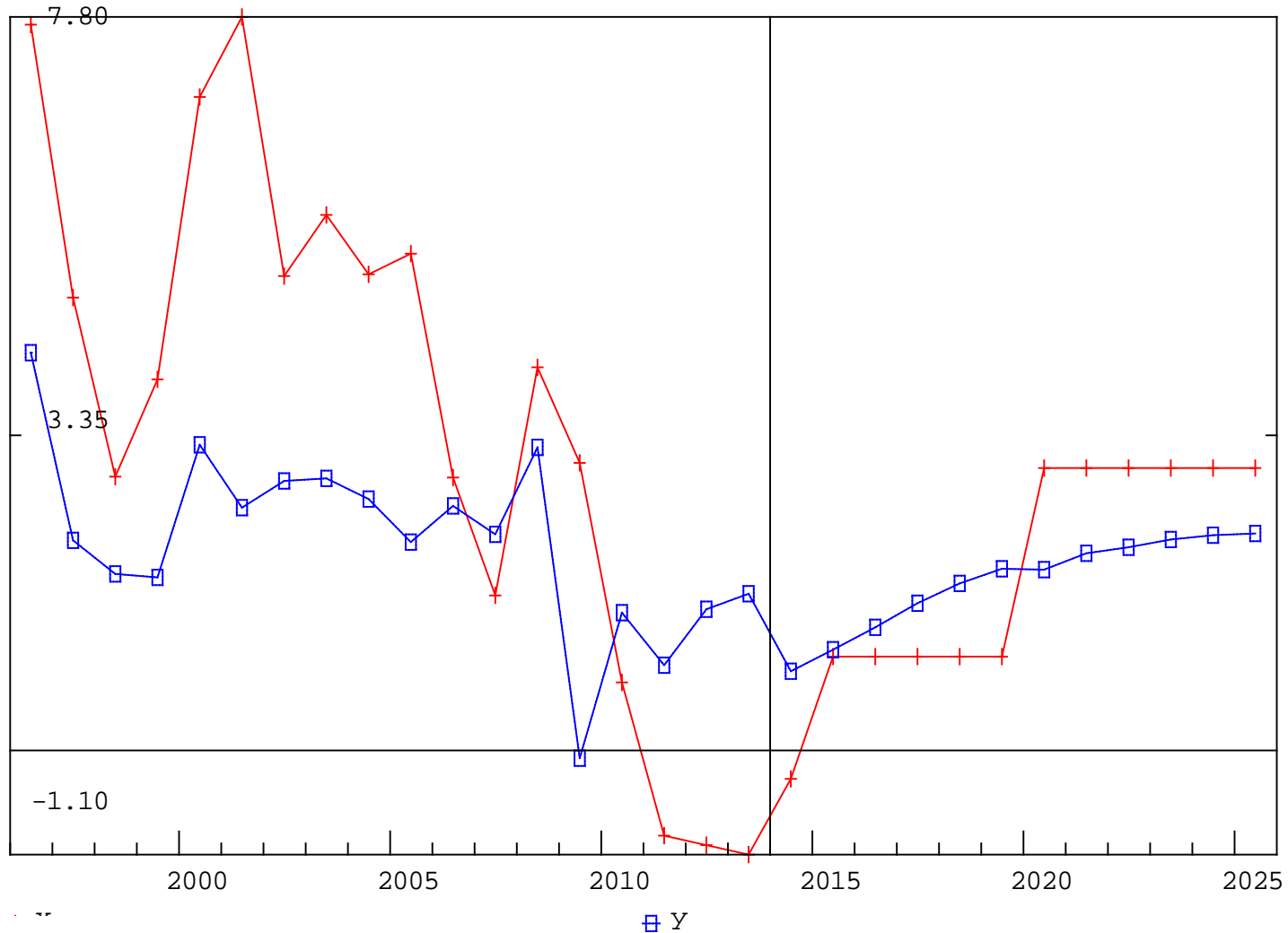
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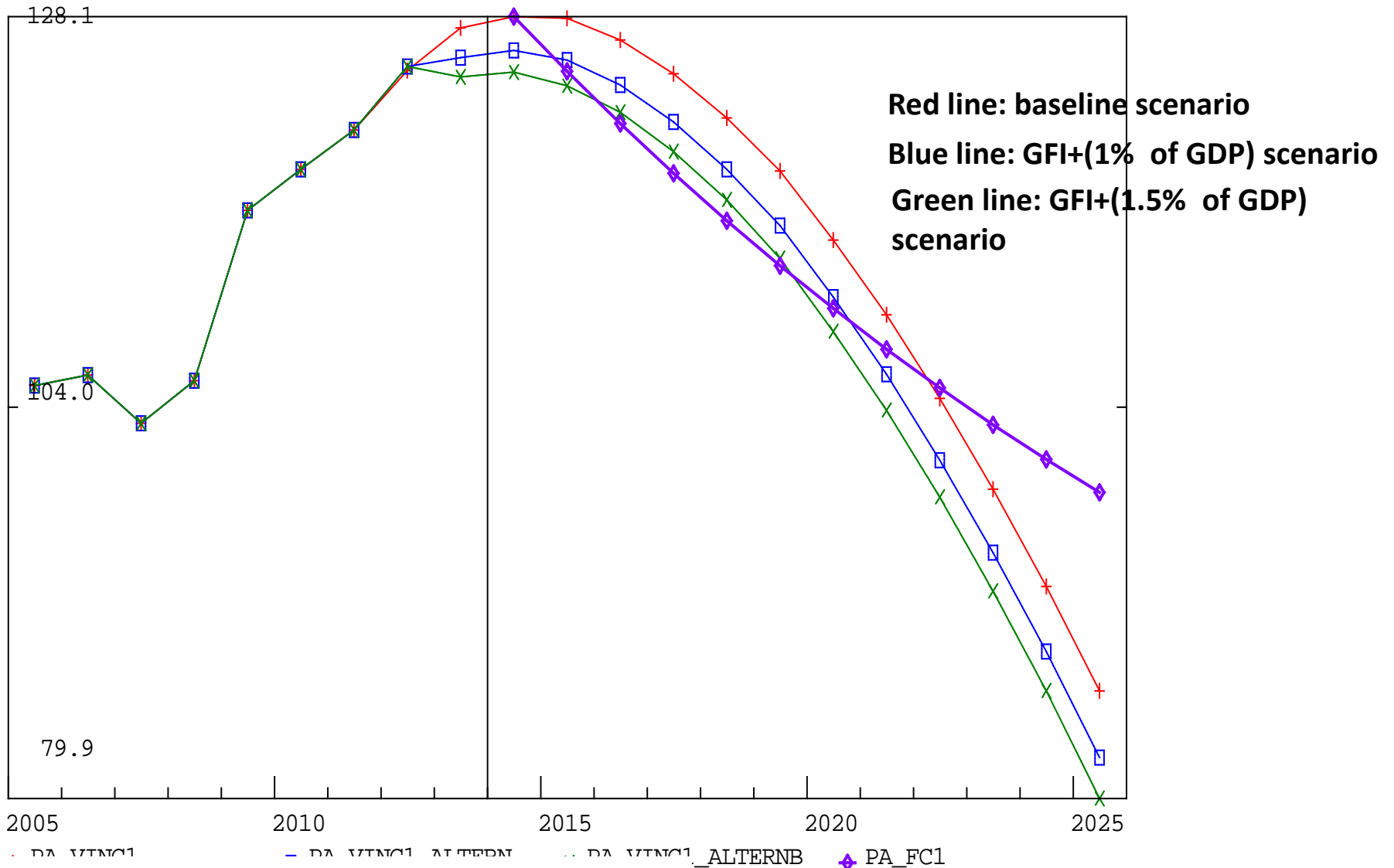
Debt brake rule



Public Administration Expenditures (Nominal term) and Prices. Annual % change



forecast: alternative scenario



Time-series specification for PADS

$$x_i(t) = \underbrace{\left[a_i(t) + b_i \left(\frac{y}{P} \right) \right]}_{\text{Income term}} \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{P_i}{P} \right)^{-\lambda_0} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{P_i}{P_k} \right)^{-\lambda_k \cdot s_k} \cdot \left(\frac{P_i}{P_G} \right)^{-\mu_G}}_{\text{Price term}}$$

Income term

Price term

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