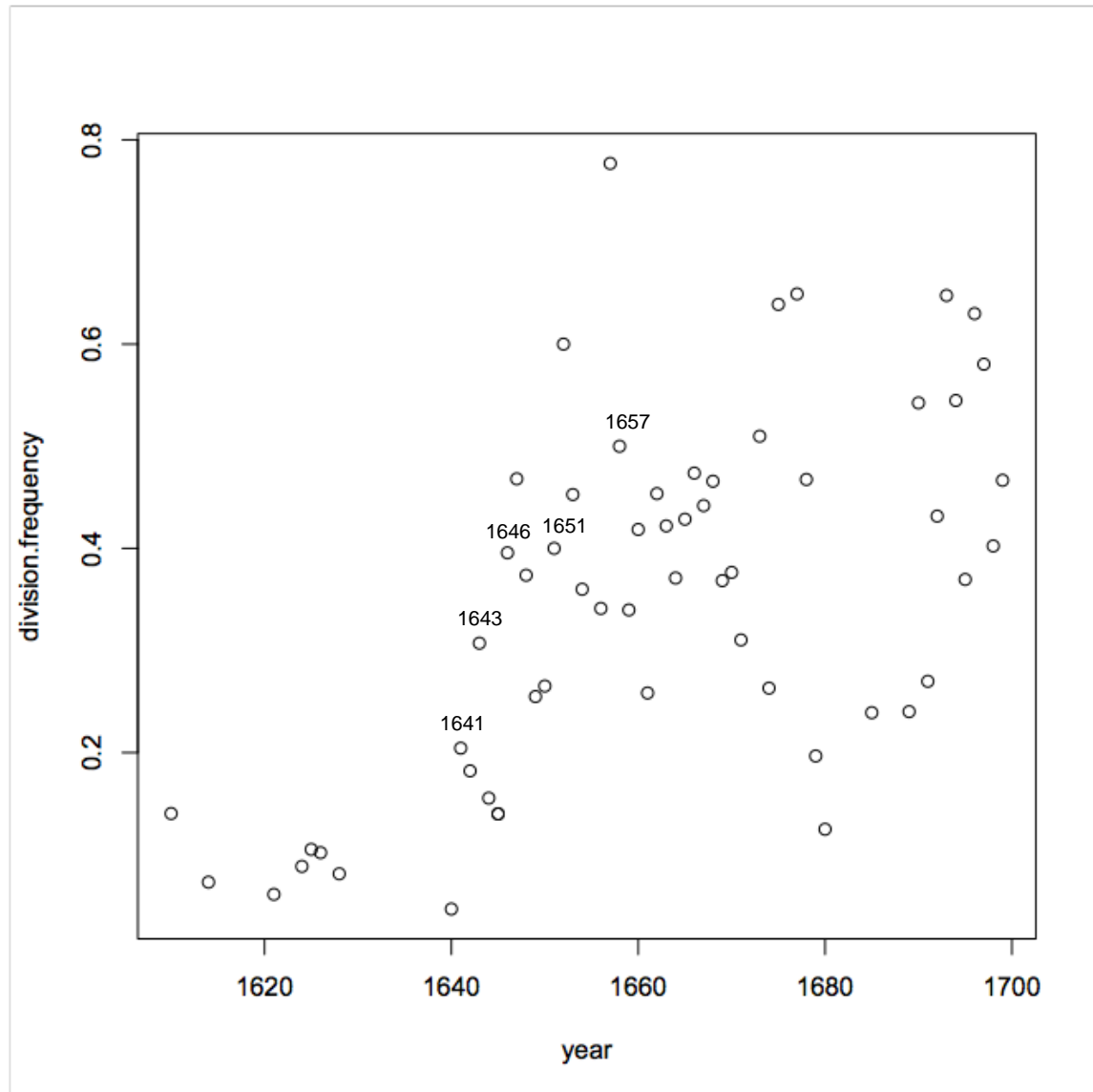


majoritarian pattern of collective decision-making was coming to be institutionalized, and this process continued for the rest of the century.



Annual Frequency of Divisions in the House of Commons, 1603-1699. Here “division frequency,” on the y axis, refers to the proportion of instances where, when a matter was put to the question on the floor of the House, a division resulted.

Individuals, too, struggled over how to best make political decisions in these unprecedented conditions, and their dilemmas were evident in struggles within partisan