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2.3: More Graphs for Quantitative Data

Stem-and-leaf plots:

A *stem-and-leaf plot* provides a similar summary display of relative frequencies as a bar chart or histogram, but preserves the individual data points. In a stem-and-leaf plot, each value is divided into a "stem" and a "leaf." For example, the number 29 could be represented as a stem of 20 and a leaf of 9. The number 15.7 could be represented as a leaf of 15 and a stem of 0.7.

Example 1: Suppose the data below represent the scores of students on a class exam. Create a stem-and-leaf plot to summarize the data.



Time-series plots:

A *time-series plot* is used to analyze trends in data over time. The horizontal axis represents time; the vertical axis represents the value of the variable.

Example 2: Create a time series plot for the U.S. national deficit since 1990. Data are from <u>https://www.thebalance.com/us-deficit-by-year-3306306</u>.

Fiscal Year	Deficit (in billions)	Fiscal Year	Deficit (in billions)	Fiscal Year	Deficit (in billions)
1990	\$221	2000	(\$236)	2010	\$1,294
1991	\$269	2001	(\$128)		
1992	\$290	2002	\$158	2011	\$1,300
1993	\$255	2003	\$378	2012	\$1,087
1994	\$203	2004	\$413	2013	\$679
1995	\$164	2005	\$318	2014	\$485
1996	\$107	2006	\$248	2015	\$438
1997	\$22	2007	\$161	2016	\$585
1998	(\$69)	2008	\$459	2017	\$665
1999	(\$126)	2009	\$1,413	2018 (est)	\$779

