Tables

1.1 Making LaTeX tables play nice

Dealing with tables in LaTeX can be painful. This section explains the main tricks you need to make the pain go away.

(Note: if you are looking at the ebook version, you will not see much difference in this section, as it is only relevant for PDF output!)

1.1.1 Making your table pretty

When you use kable to create tables, you will almost certainly want to set the option booktabs = TRUE. This makes your table look a million times better:

```
library(knitr)
library(tidyverse)

head(mtcars) %>%
   kable(booktabs = TRUE)
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
Valiant	18.1	6	225	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1

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Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
Valiant	18.1	6	225	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1

Compare this to the default style, which looks terrible:

head(mtcars) %>% kable()

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
Valiant	18.1	6	225	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1

1.1.2 If your table is too wide

You might find that your table expands into the margins of the page, like the tables above. Fix this with the kable_styling function from the kableExtra package:

```
library(kableExtra)

head(mtcars) %>%

kable(booktabs = TRUE) %>%

kable_styling(latex_options = "scale_down")
```

This scales down the table to fit the page width.

1.1.3 If your table is too long

If your table is too long to fit on a single page, set longtable = TRUE in the kable function to split the table across multiple pages.

```
a_long_table <- rbind(mtcars, mtcars)

a_long_table %>%
  select(1:8) %>%
  kable(booktabs = TRUE, longtable = TRUE)
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0
Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1
Duster 360	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0
Merc 240D	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1
Merc 230	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1
Merc 280	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1
Merc 280C	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1
Merc 450SE	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0
Merc 450SL	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0
Merc 450SLC	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0
Cadillac Fleetwood	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0
Lincoln Continental	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0
Chrysler Imperial	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0
Fiat 128	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1
Honda Civic	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1
Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1
Toyota Corona	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1
Dodge Challenger	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0
AMC Javelin	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0
Camaro Z28	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0
Pontiac Firebird	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0
Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1

Porsche 914-2	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0
Lotus Europa	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1
Ford Pantera L	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0
Ferrari Dino	19.7	6	145.0	175	3.62	2.770	15.50	0
Maserati Bora	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0
Volvo 142E	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1
Mazda RX41	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0
Mazda RX4 Wag1	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0
Datsun 7101	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1
Hornet 4 Drive1	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1
Hornet Sportabout1	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0
Valiant1	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1
Duster 3601	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0
Merc 240D1	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1
Merc 2301	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1
Merc 2801	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1
Merc 280C1	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1
Merc 450SE1	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0
Merc 450SL1	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0
Merc 450SLC1	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0
Cadillac Fleetwood1	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0
Lincoln Continental1	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0
Chrysler Imperial1	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0
Fiat 1281	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1
Honda Civic1 Toyota Corolla1 Toyota Corona1 Dodge Challenger1 AMC Javelin1	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1
	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1
	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1
	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0
	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0
Camaro Z281 Pontiac Firebird1 Fiat X1-91 Porsche 914-21 Lotus Europa1	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0
	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0
	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1
	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0
	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1
Ford Pantera L1	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0
Ferrari Dino1	19.7	6	145.0	175	3.62	2.770	15.50	0
Maserati Bora1	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0
Volvo 142E1	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1

When you do this, you'll probably want to make the header repeat on new pages. Do this with the kable_styling function from kableExtra:

a_long_table %>%
kable(booktabs = TRUE, longtable = TRUE) %>%
kable_styling(latex_options = "repeat_header")

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	VS	am	gear	carb
M. l. DV4											
Mazda RX4 Mazda RX4 Wag	$21.0 \\ 21.0$	6 6	160.0 160.0	110 110	3.90 3.90	2.620 2.875	16.46 17.02	$0 \\ 0$	1 1	$\frac{4}{4}$	4
Datsun 710	21.0 22.8	4	100.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
Duster 360	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
Merc 240D	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
Merc 230	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
Merc 280	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
Merc 280C	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	4
Merc 450SE	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0	0	3	3
Merc 450SL	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0	0	3	3
Merc 450SLC	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	3
Cadillac Fleetwood	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4
Lincoln Continental	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	4
Chrysler Imperial	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4
Fiat 128	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
Honda Civic	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
Toyota Corona	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1
Dodge Challenger	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0	0	3	2
AMC Javelin	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0	0	3	2
Camaro Z28	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4
Pontiac Firebird	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	2
Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1
Porsche 914-2	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2
Lotus Europa	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2
Ford Pantera L	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0	1	5	4
Ferrari Dino	19.7	6	145.0	175	3.62	2.770	15.50	0	1	5	6
Maserati Bora	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	8
Volvo 142E	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1	1	4	2
Mazda RX41	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag1	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 7101	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
Hornet 4 Drive1	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1

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	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	VS	am	gear	carb
Hornet Sportabout1	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
Valiant1	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
Duster 3601	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
Merc 240D1	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
Merc 2301	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
Merc 2801	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
Merc 280C1	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	4
Merc 450SE1	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0	0	3	3
Merc 450SL1	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0	0	3	3
Merc 450SLC1	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	3
Cadillac Fleetwood1	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4
Lincoln Continental1	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	4
Chrysler Imperial1	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4
Fiat 1281	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
Honda Civic1	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
Toyota Corolla1	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
Toyota Corona1	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1
Dodge Challenger1	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0	0	3	2
AMC Javelin1	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0	0	3	2
Camaro Z281	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4
Pontiac Firebird1	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	2
Fiat X1-91	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1
Porsche 914-21	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2
Lotus Europa1	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2
Ford Pantera L1	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0	1	5	4
Ferrari Dino1	19.7	6	145.0	175	3.62	2.770	15.50	0	1	5	6
Maserati Bora1	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	8
Volvo 142E1	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1	1	4	2

Unfortunately, we cannot use the scale_down option with a longtable. So if a longtable is too wide, you can either manually adjust the font size, or show the table in landscape layout. To adjust the font size, use kableExtra's font_size option:

```
a_long_table %>%
  kable(booktabs = TRUE, longtable = TRUE) %>%
  kable_styling(font_size = 9, latex_options = "repeat_header")
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4]
Hornet 4 Drive	$21.4 \\ 18.7$	6	258.0 360.0	110 175	$3.08 \\ 3.15$	3.215	19.44 17.02	$\frac{1}{0}$	0	3 3	1 2
Hornet Sportabout	16.7	8				3.440			U	_	
Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
Duster 360	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
Merc 240D	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	6
Merc 230 Merc 280	22.8 19.2	$\frac{4}{6}$	$140.8 \\ 167.6$	$95 \\ 123$	$3.92 \\ 3.92$	$3.150 \\ 3.440$	22.90 18.30	1 1	0	$\frac{4}{4}$	2
Merc 280C Merc 450SE	$17.8 \\ 16.4$	6 8	167.6 275.8	123 180	$3.92 \\ 3.07$	3.440	18.90	$\frac{1}{0}$	0	$\frac{4}{3}$	4
Merc 450SL	17.3	8	275.8	180	$\frac{3.07}{3.07}$	4.070 3.730	17.40 17.60	0	0	3	;
Merc 450SLC	$17.3 \\ 15.2$	8	275.8	180	$\frac{3.07}{3.07}$	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	,
Cadillac Fleetwood	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.750 5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4
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Lincoln Continental	$10.4 \\ 14.7$	8 8	460.0 440.0	$\frac{215}{230}$	$3.00 \\ 3.23$	5.424 5.345	17.82 17.42	0	0	3	2
Chrysler Imperial Fiat 128	$\frac{14.7}{32.4}$	8 4	440.0 78.7	230 66	$\frac{3.23}{4.08}$	2.200	17.42 19.47	1	0 1	3 4	
Fiat 128 Honda Civic	$32.4 \\ 30.4$	4	75.7	52	4.08 4.93	$\frac{2.200}{1.615}$	19.47 18.52	1	1	4	
Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	73.7 71.1	65	4.93 4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	
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Toyota Corona Dodge Challenger	21.5	4 8	120.1 318.0	$97 \\ 150$	$3.70 \\ 2.76$	$2.465 \\ 3.520$	$20.01 \\ 16.87$	$\frac{1}{0}$	0	3	:
AMC Javelin	$15.5 \\ 15.2$	8	304.0	150	$\frac{2.76}{3.15}$	3.435	17.30	0	0	3	:
Camaro Z28	13.2 13.3	8	350.0	$\frac{150}{245}$	3.73	3.840	17.30 15.41	0	0	3	
Pontiac Firebird	19.2	8	400.0	$\frac{245}{175}$	3.73	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	4
Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	
Porsche 914-2	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	4
Lotus Europa Ford Pantera L	30.4	4	95.1 351.0	$\frac{113}{264}$	$3.77 \\ 4.22$	1.513	16.90	$\frac{1}{0}$	1 1	5 5	
Ferrari Dino	$15.8 \\ 19.7$	8 6	145.0	$\frac{204}{175}$	$\frac{4.22}{3.62}$	$3.170 \\ 2.770$	14.50 15.50	0	1	5 5	(
Maserati Bora	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	
Volvo 142E	$21.4 \\ 21.0$	4 6	121.0	109 110	4.11 3.90	2.780	18.60	$\frac{1}{0}$	1 1	$\frac{4}{4}$:
Mazda RX41 Mazda RX4 Wag1	21.0 21.0	6	$160.0 \\ 160.0$	110	3.90	2.620 2.875	$16.46 \\ 17.02$	0	1	4	4
Datsun 7101	21.0 22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	
Hornet 4 Drive1	21.4	6	258.0	110 175	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	
Hornet Sportabout1 Valiant1	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3 3	
Vallant I Duster 3601	$18.1 \\ 14.3$	6 8	$225.0 \\ 360.0$	$105 \\ 245$	$2.76 \\ 3.21$	$3.460 \\ 3.570$	20.22 15.84	$\frac{1}{0}$	0	3	
Merc 240D1	$\frac{14.3}{24.4}$	8 4	146.7	$\frac{245}{62}$	3.21 3.69	3.570 3.190	$\frac{15.84}{20.00}$	1	0	3 4	
Merc 2301	22.8	4	140.8	95 199	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	
Merc 2801	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	
Merc 280C1	17.8	6	167.6	123	$\frac{3.92}{3.07}$	3.440	18.90	1	0	$\frac{4}{3}$	
Merc 450SE1 Merc 450SL1	$16.4 \\ 17.3$	8 8	$275.8 \\ 275.8$	180 180	$3.07 \\ 3.07$	4.070 3.730	17.40 17.60	$0 \\ 0$	0	3 3	
Merc 450SLC1	15.2	8	275.8 472.0	180	$\frac{3.07}{2.03}$	3.780 5.250	18.00	0	0	3	
Cadillac Fleetwood1	10.4	8	472.0	$\frac{205}{215}$	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3 3	
Lincoln Continental1 Chrysler Imperial1	$10.4 \\ 14.7$	8 8	460.0 440.0	$215 \\ 230$	$3.00 \\ 3.23$	5.424 5.345	17.82 17.42	0	0	3	
Fiat 1281	32.4	4	78.7	230 66	$\frac{3.23}{4.08}$	2.200	17.42 19.47	1	1	3 4	4
Honda Civic1 Toyota Corolla1	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	:
LOVOTA COPOLIAL	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	

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Toyota Coronal	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1
Dodge Challenger1	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0	0	3	2
AMC Javelin1	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0	0	3	2
Camaro Z281	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4
Pontiac Firebird1	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	2
Fiat X1-91	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1
Porsche 914-21	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2
Lotus Europa1	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2
Ford Pantera L1	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0	1	5	4
Ferrari Dino1	19.7	6	145.0	175	3.62	2.770	15.50	0	1	5	6
Maserati Bora1	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	8
Volvo 142E1	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1	1	4	2

To put the table in landscape mode, use kable Extra's ${\tt landscape}$ function:

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a_long_table %>%
kable(booktabs = TRUE, longtable = TRUE) %>%
kable_styling(latex_options = "repeat_header") %>%
landscape()
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	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
Duster 360	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
Merc 240D	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
Merc 230	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
Merc 280	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
Merc 280C	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	4
Merc 450SE	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0	0	3	3
Merc 450SL	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0	0	3	3
Merc 450SLC	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	3
Cadillac Fleetwood	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4
Lincoln Continental	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	4
Chrysler Imperial	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4
Fiat 128	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
Honda Civic	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
Toyota Corona	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1
Dodge Challenger	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0	0	3	2
AMC Javelin	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0	0	3	2
Camaro Z28	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4
Pontiac Firebird	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	2

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	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1
Porsche 914-2	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2
Lotus Europa	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2
Ford Pantera L	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0	1	5	4
Ferrari Dino	19.7	6	145.0	175	3.62	2.770	15.50	0	1	5	6
Maserati Bora	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	8
Volvo 142E	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1	1	4	2
Mazda RX41	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag1	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 7101	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
Hornet 4 Drive1	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
Hornet Sportabout1	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
Valiant1	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
Duster 3601	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
Merc 240D1	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
Merc 2301	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
Merc 2801	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
Merc 280C1	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	4
Merc 450SE1	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0	0	3	3
Merc 450SL1	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0	0	3	3
Merc 450SLC1	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	3
Cadillac Fleetwood1	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4
Lincoln Continental1	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	4
Chrysler Imperial1	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4

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	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Fiat 1281	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
Honda Civic1	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
Toyota Corolla1	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
Toyota Corona1	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1
Dodge Challenger1	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0	0	3	2
AMC Javelin1	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0	0	3	2
Camaro Z281	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4
Pontiac Firebird1	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	2
Fiat X1-91	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1
Porsche 914-21	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2
Lotus Europa1	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2
Ford Pantera L1	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0	1	5	4
Ferrari Dino1	19.7	6	145.0	175	3.62	2.770	15.50	0	1	5	6
Maserati Bora1	15.0	8	301.0	335	3.54	3.570	14.60	0	1	5	8
Volvo 142E1	21.4	4	121.0	109	4.11	2.780	18.60	1	1	4	2

1.1.4 Max power: manually adjust the raw LaTeX output

For total flexibility, you can adjust the raw LaTeX output from kable/kableExtra that generates the table. Let us consider how we would do this for the example of adjusting the font size if our table is too wide: Latex has a bunch of standard commands that set an approximate font size, as shown below in Figure 1.1.

\tiny	Lorem ipsum
\scriptsize	Lorem ipsum
\footnotesize	Lorem ipsum
\small	Lorem ipsum

Figure 1.1: Font sizes in LaTeX

You could use these to manually adjust the font size in your longtable in two steps:

- 1. Wrap the longtable environment in, e.g., a scriptsize environment, by doing a string replacement in the output from kable/kableExtra
- 2. Add the attributes that make R Markdown understand that the table is a table (it seems R drops these when we do the string replacement)

#add attributes to make R Markdown treat this as a kable LaTeX table again
our_adjusted_table %>%

structure(format = "latex", class = "knitr_kable")

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	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	VS	am	gear	carl
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	
Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	
Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	:
Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	
Duster 360	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
Merc 240D	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	:
Merc 230	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	:
Merc 280	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
Merc 280C	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	
Merc 450SE	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0	0	3	
Merc 450SL	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0	0	3	
Merc 450SLC	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	
Cadillac Fleetwood	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	
Lincoln Continental	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	
	$10.4 \\ 14.7$	8			3.23		17.82 17.42	0	0	ა 3	
Chrysler Imperial		8 4	440.0	230	$\frac{3.23}{4.08}$	5.345		1		3 4	
Fiat 128	32.4		78.7	66		2.200	19.47		1		
Honda Civic	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	
Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	
Toyota Corona	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	
Dodge Challenger	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0	0	3	
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Camaro Z28	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	
Pontiac Firebird	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	
Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	
Porsche 914-2	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	
Lotus Europa	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	
Ford Pantera L	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0	1	5	
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Valiant1		6	225.0					1	0	ა 3	
Vananti Duster 3601	$18.1 \\ 14.3$	8	$\frac{225.0}{360.0}$	$\frac{105}{245}$	$\frac{2.76}{3.21}$	$3.460 \\ 3.570$	20.22 15.84	0	0	3 3	
Merc 240D1	$\frac{14.5}{24.4}$	4	146.7	$\frac{245}{62}$	3.69	3.190	$\frac{15.84}{20.00}$	1	0	ა 4	
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Merc 2301	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	
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	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	
Fiat 1281	32.4	-		00			-	-	_		
Fiat 1281 Honda Civic1	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	

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