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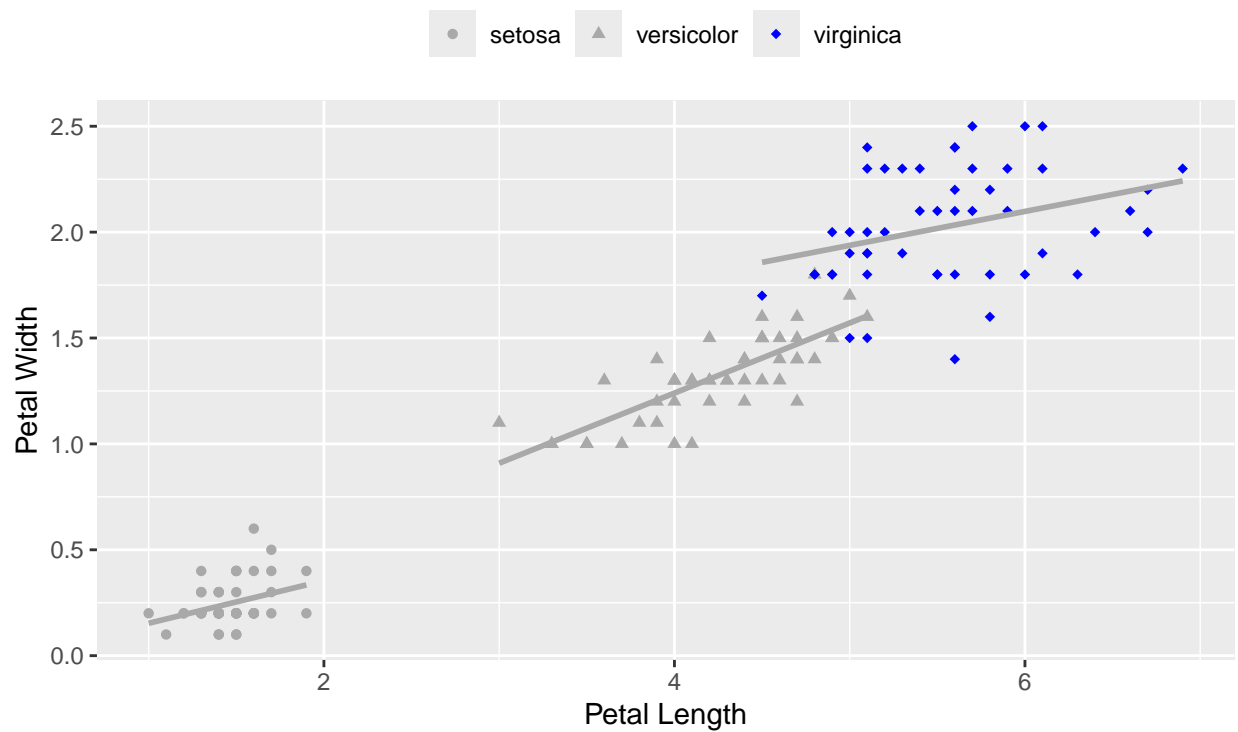
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Southern blue flag iris is a lovely, delicate iris native to the United States and Canada, from the east coast to the middle states as far west as Texas. The genus name *Iris* is named after the Greek Goddess of rainbows and the species name refers to the state of Virginia where it is found. The common name, flag, comes from an old English word (*flagge*) for reeds and refers to its natural preference to wetlands.(NC State, n.d.)

Here is a very basic plot showing the relationship of petal length to petal width. Not surprisingly, as the length increases, so too does the width.

Comparison of petal width to petal length across three Iris species



NC State. n.d. "Iris Virginica (Southern Blue Flag Iris) | North Carolina Extension Gardener Plant Toolbox."
<https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu/plants/iris-virginica/>.