Regularity of complete intersections of lines

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We show that in arithmetically-Gorenstein line arrangements with only planar singularities, each line intersects the same number of other lines. This number has an algebraic interpretation: it is the Castelnuovo-Mumford regularity of the coordinate ring of the arrangement. This can be viewed as a general, algebraic-geometric version of Balinski's theorem for polytopes.

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