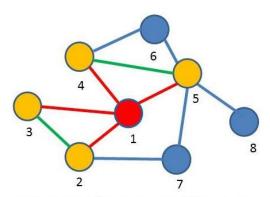
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## **Supplementary materials**

Figure S1. Gi and Lij



 $G_i$  denotes the subgraph composed of the nearest neighbors of node i. For example,  $G_i$  contains the nodes which have direction connections (the red edges in the paragraph) to node 1 and the connections between them (the red edges and the green edges).

G denotes the whole network.

 $L_{ij}$  denotes the shortest path length between two node i and j, which is the smallest sum of the edges throughout all the possible paths in the graph from i to j, for example:  $L_{13} = 1$ ,  $L_{18} = 2$ ,  $L_{38} = 3$ ...

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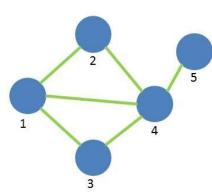
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Figure S2. Eglob

Global Network Efficiency ( $E_{glob}$ ) is described as the mean of the inverse of the shortest path length for all the nodes in the network. For a given network G with N nodes:

$$E_{glob}^G = \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \sum_{i \in G} \sum_{j \neq i \in G} \frac{1}{L_{ij}}$$

The  $E_{\text{glob}}$  reflects the capacity to facilitate parallel information transferring of the whole network.



For example, to calculate 
$$E_{glob}$$
  $L_{12} = 1$ ,  $L_{13} = 1$ ,  $L_{14} = 1$ ,  $L_{15} = 2$ ,  $L_{23} = 2$ ,  $L_{24} = 1$ ,  $L_{25} = 2$ ,  $L_{34} = 1$ ,  $L_{35} = 2$   $L_{45} = 1$   $L_{21} = 1$ ,  $L_{31} = 1$ ,  $L_{41} = 1$ ,  $L_{51} = 2$ , ...  $E_{glob} = \frac{1}{N \times (N-1)} \times (\frac{1}{L_{12}} + \frac{1}{L_{13}} + \frac{1}{L_{14}} + \dots + \frac{1}{L_{54}})$   $= \frac{1}{5 \times (5-1)} \times (\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \dots + \frac{1}{1})$ 

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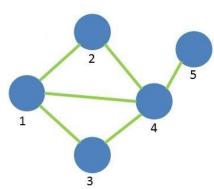
## Figure S3. Eloc

The local efficiency of node i  $(E_{loc}^{G_i})$  is defined as the global efficiency of  $G_i$ . The local efficiency of network  $(E_{loc}^{G})$  is the mean of local efficiencies  $(E_{loc}^{G_i})$  for all the nodes in the network, as below:

$$E_{loc}^{G} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \in G} E_{loc}^{G_i}$$

N is the number of nodes of the network G

 $E_{loc}^G$  corresponds to the ability to tolerate faults of the whole network, i.e., if any node i in the network is destroyed, this ability can ensure the nodes of  $G_i$  still communicate information effectively with each other.



For example, to calculate 
$$E_{loc}$$
 
$$E_{loc}^{G_1} = \frac{1}{N^{G_1} \times (N^{G_1} - 1)} \times (\frac{1}{L_{23}} + \frac{1}{L_{24}} + \frac{1}{L_{32}} + \frac{1}{L_{44}} + \frac{1}{L_{42}})$$

$$= \frac{1}{3 \times (3 - 1)} \times (\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1})$$

$$= \frac{5}{6}$$

$$E_{loc}^{G_2} = 1 \qquad E_{loc}^{G_3} = 1 \qquad E_{loc}^{G_4} = \frac{2}{3} \qquad E_{loc}^{G_5} = 0$$

$$E_{loc} = \frac{1}{N} \times (E_{loc}^{G_1} + E_{loc}^{G_2} + E_{loc}^{G_3} + E_{loc}^{G_4} + E_{loc}^{G_5})$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \times (\frac{5}{6} + 1 + 1 + \frac{2}{3} + 0)$$

$$= 4.2$$

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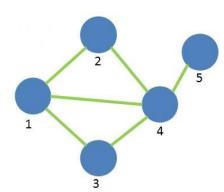
## Figure S4. Enodal

The nodal efficiency ( $E_{nodal}$ ) of a given node i is defined as the average inverse of the shortest path length between node i and all other nodes in the network, that is:

$$E_{nodal}^G(i) = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i \neq j \in G} \frac{1}{L_{ij}}$$

N is the number of nodes of the network G

It represents the capacity of node i to communicate information with the other nodes in network.



For example, to calculate 
$$E_{nodal}(1)$$

$$L_{12} = 1$$

$$L_{13} = 1$$

$$L_{14} = 1$$

$$L_{15} = 2$$

$$E_{\text{nodal}}(1) = \frac{1}{(N-1)} \times \left(\frac{1}{L_{12}} + \frac{1}{L_{13}} + \frac{1}{L_{14}} + \frac{1}{L_{15}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(5-1)} \times \left(\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= 0.875$$