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## **Scaling Exponents for Varying Parameters**

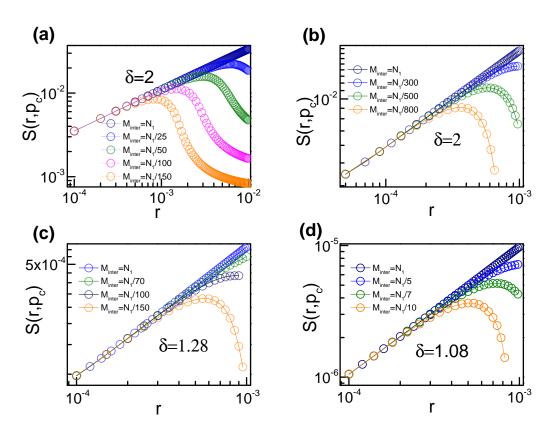


Fig. S1.  $S(r,p_c)$  as a function of r with different  $M_{inter}$  from Eqs. (7) and (17) for parameters  $k_{min}=2$  and  $k_{max}=10^6$ . (a) ER, k=4, (b)  $\lambda=4.5$ , (c)  $\lambda=3.35$  and (d)  $\lambda=2.8$ . The other parameters are similar to Fig. 3 of the main text.

The dependence of  $S(r, p_c)$  on r under different cases of  $M_{\text{inter}}$  are shown in Fig. S1. In addition, Fig. S2 shows  $\frac{\partial S(r,p)}{\partial r}$  as a function of  $p_c - p$  for different cases (ER and SF). One observes that the effect of the external field given by decreasing fractions of inter-connected nodes leads the system to show an obvious scaling relationship at criticality.

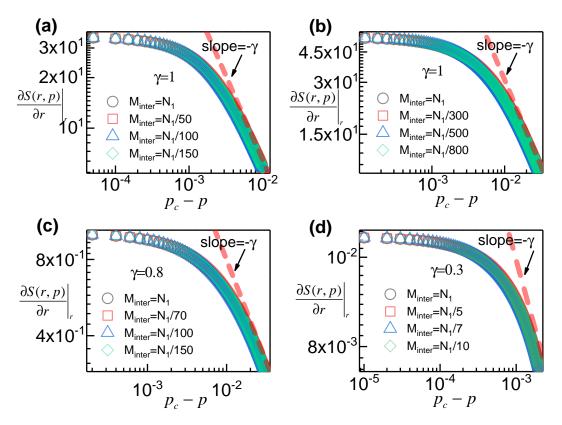


Fig. S2.  $\frac{\partial S(r,p)}{\partial r}$  as a function of  $p_c-p$  for different  $M_{inter}$  (a) The case of ER modules. The parameters are same as Fig.2(c). (b) Scale-free modules with  $\lambda=4.5$  and r=0.0001. (c) Scale-free modules with  $\lambda=3.35$  and r=0.0001. (d) Scale-free modules with  $\lambda=2.8$  and r=0.0001. The other parameters are similar as Fig. 4.

From the above figures, we observe that for small r,  $\gamma$  remains unchanged even for small  $M_{inter}$ .

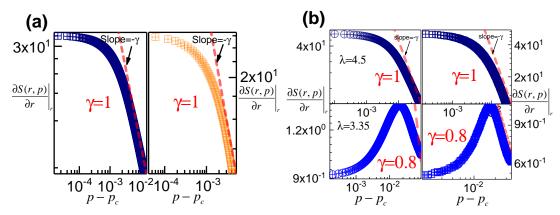


Fig. S3.  $\frac{\partial S(r,p)}{\partial r}$  as a function of  $p-p_c$  (a) The case of ER modules. The parameters are same as Fig.2(c). (b) Scale-free modules with  $\lambda=4.5$  and r=0.0001. (c) Scale-free modules with  $\lambda=3.35$  and r=0.0002. Analytical and simulations results are shown on the left and right panels respectively. The other parameters are similar to Fig. 4 of the main text.

## Generating function formulation

Generating functions are a useful mathematical tool for describing the structure of random network models (1–4). For the case of a single community (ER network) with the likelihood of a node having k links being p(k), the generating function  $G_0(x) = \sum p(k)x^k$  represents the generating function of degree. After randomly removing a fraction 1-p of nodes, the generating function of the remaining network becomes  $G_0^p(x) = G_0[1-p(1-x)]$  (1, 5–7). For our model of multiple communities, the likelihood of having  $k_i$  links to other nodes within module i is given by  $P(k_i)$ , while the likelihood of a node in module i having  $k_{ij}$  links to nodes in module j is given by  $P(k_{ij})$ . Since only a fraction  $r_i$  of nodes in module i have connections to other modules and independent random connection for intra and inter links in this random network model, the generating function

characterizing the degree distribution of module i can be expressed as

where  $(1 - r_i)\Sigma P(k_i)x_{ii}^{k_i}$  denotes sub-generating function of  $P(k_i)$  of module i, and  $r_i\Sigma P(k_i)x_{ii}^{k_i}\prod_{j\neq i}^m\Sigma P(k_{ij})x_{ij}^{k_{ij}}$  denotes sub-generating function of  $P(k_{ij})$  between module i and other m-1 modules. From Eq. (1), we can get the following branching generating functions (1, 4, 8),

$$\begin{cases}
G_{i}^{(ii)}(\mathbf{x}) = (1 - r_{i}) \sum_{\frac{P(k_{i})k_{i}}{\Sigma P(k_{i})k_{i}}} x_{ii}^{(k_{i}-1)} + r_{i} \sum_{\frac{P(k_{i})k_{i}}{\Sigma P(k_{i})k_{i}}} x_{ii}^{(k_{i}-1)} \prod_{j \neq i}^{m} \sum P(k_{ij}) x_{ij}^{k_{ij}} = \frac{\frac{\partial G_{i}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_{ij}}}{\frac{\partial G_{i}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_{ii}}|_{1,1}}, \\
G_{i}^{(ij)}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum P(k_{i}) x_{ii}^{k_{i}} \sum_{\frac{P(k_{ij})k_{ij}}{\Sigma P(k_{ij})k_{ij}}} x_{ij}^{(k_{ij}-1)} \prod_{j \neq i}^{m-1} \sum P(k_{ij}) x_{ij}^{k_{ij}} = \frac{\frac{\partial G_{i}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_{ij}}}{\frac{\partial G_{i}(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_{ij}}|_{1,1}},
\end{cases}$$
[2]

where  $\frac{P(k_i)k_i}{\Sigma P(k_i)k_i}$  and  $\frac{P(k_{ij})k_{ij}}{\Sigma P(k_{ij})k_{ij}}$  represent probabilities of following a randomly chosen intra and inter-link to a node with  $k_i$  intra-links within module i, and  $k_{ij}$  inter-links between module i and j respectively.

To study the system resilience, we define  $1 - f_{ii}$  and  $1 - f_{ij}$  as the probability that a randomly chosen intra and inter-link respectively, belong to the giant component of the network. After the random removal of a fraction 1 - p of nodes, the probability of an arbitrary node to connect to the giant component through intra-links and inter-links are  $p(1 - f_{ii})$  and  $p(1 - f_{ij})$  respectively, and the probability to fail to connect to the giant component is thus  $1 - p(1 - f_{ii})$  and  $1 - p(1 - f_{ij})$  respectively (7–9). This same quantity is also given by the branching generating functions,  $G_i^{(ii)}[1 - p(1 - f_{ii}), 1 - p(1 - f_{ij})]$  and  $G_i^{(ij)}[1 - p(1 - f_{ii}), 1 - p(1 - f_{ij})]$ , which give the probability that a node with  $k_{ii} - 1$  intra links and  $k_{ij} - 1$  inter links is not connected to the giant component. Therefore, the following self-consistent equations, Eqs. (3), can be defined and solved:

$$\begin{cases}
f_{ii} = G_i^{(ii)} [1 - p(1 - f_{ii}), 1 - p(1 - f_{ij})], \\
f_{ij} = G_i^{(ij)} [1 - p(1 - f_{ii}), 1 - p(1 - f_{ij})].
\end{cases}$$
[3]

If we let  $S_i$  denote the fraction of nodes within module i belonging to the giant component, we arrive at the following solution

$$S_i = p[1 - G_i(1 - p(1 - f_{ii}), 1 - p(1 - f_{ij}))].$$
[4]

**ER modules.** For the case of m ER modules with average intra-degree  $k_{\text{intra}}^i$  and Poisson distribution between any two modules i and j, Eqs. (1) and (2) become

$$G_i(\mathbf{x}) = (1 - r_i)e^{k_{\text{intra}}^i(x_{ii} - 1)} + r_i e^{k_{\text{intra}}^i(x_{ii} - 1)}e^{(m-1)k_{\text{inter}}^{ij}(x_{ij} - 1)},$$
[5]

$$\begin{cases}
G_i^{(ii)}(\mathbf{x}) = (1 - r_i)e^{k_{\text{intra}}^i(x_{ii} - 1)} + r_i e^{k_{\text{intra}}^i(x_{ii} - 1)}e^{(m-1)k_{\text{inter}}^{ij}(x_{ij} - 1)}, \\
G_i^{(ij)}(\mathbf{x}) = e^{k_{\text{intra}}^i(x_{ii} - 1)}e^{(m-1)k_{\text{inter}}^{ij}(x_{ij} - 1)}.
\end{cases}$$
[6]

For simplicity, we consider  $k_{\text{intra}}^i = k$ ,  $k_{\text{inter}}^{ij} = K$  and  $r_i = r$ , then Eqs. (3) and (4) becomes

$$\begin{cases}
S = S_i = p(1 - f_{ii}) = p(1 - re^{kp(f_{ii} - 1)}e^{(m-1)Kp(f_{ji} - 1)} - (1 - r)e^{kp(f_{ii} - 1)}), \\
f_{ii} = f_i = (1 - r)e^{kp(f_{i-1})} + re^{kp(f_{i-1}) + (m-1)Kp(f_{j-1})}, \\
f_{ij} = f_{ji} = f_j = e^{kp(f_{i-1})}e^{(m-1)Kp(f_{j-1})},
\end{cases}$$
[7]

and we can obtain,

$$e^{-Sk}(r-1) + 1 - \frac{S}{n} = re^{(m-1)Kp(\frac{e^{-Sk}(r-1) + 1 - \frac{S}{p} - r}{r}) - Sk}.$$
 [8]

As m = 2, it is equal to Eq. (3) in the main paper. For r = 0, the above equation becomes  $S = p(1 - e^{-kS})$ , which recovers the standard result for percolation in a single ER module (8, 10).

From Eqs. (7), we get

$$p = \frac{\ln(f_j)}{(m-1)K(f_j-1) + k(f_i-1)}.$$
 [9]

Furthermore, by substituting Eq. (9) into Eq. (7), we obtain

$$p = \frac{\ln(\frac{f_i - (1 - r)e^{kp(f_i - 1)}}{r})}{(m - 1)K[(\frac{f_i - (1 - r)e^{kp(f_i - 1)}}{r}) - 1] + k(f_i - 1)}.$$
[10]

As  $f_i \to 1$ , and  $r \neq 0, 1$ , the percolation threshold is,

$$p_c = \frac{[(m-1)K+k] - \sqrt{[(m-1)K-k]^2 + 4(m-1)Kkr}}{2(m-1)Kk(1-r)}, K = \frac{mM_{\text{inter}}}{rN},$$
[11]

for r=1,  $p_c=\frac{1}{(m-1)K+k}$ , and for r=0,  $p_c=\frac{1}{k}$ . The theoretical results are verified by simulations as shown in Fig. S4 with different r and Fig. S5 with different m.

**Modules with Power-law degree distribution.** For the case of m modules with power-law exponent  $\lambda_i$  and Poisson distribution between any two modules i and j, Eqs.(1) and (2) become

$$G_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = (1 - r_{i}) \sum \left[ \left( \frac{k_{\min}}{k} \right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left( \frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1} \right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] x_{ii}^{k} + r_{i} \sum \left[ \left( \frac{k_{\min}}{k} \right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left( \frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1} \right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] x_{ii}^{k} e^{(m - 1)k_{\text{inter}}^{ij}(x_{ij} - 1)},$$
[12]

$$\begin{cases} G_{i}^{(ii)}(\mathbf{x}) = (1 - r_{i}) \frac{\sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] k x_{ii}^{k - 1}}{\sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] k} + r_{i} \frac{\sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] k x_{ii}^{k - 1}}{\sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] k} e^{(m - 1)k_{inter}^{ij}(x_{ij} - 1)}, \\ G_{i}^{(ij)}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] x_{ii}^{k} e^{(m - 1)k_{inter}^{ij}(x_{ij} - 1)}. \end{cases}$$
[13]

Further, Eqs. (3) and (4) become,

$$\begin{cases}
S = p\{1 - (1 - r) \sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] (1 - p(1 - f_{ii})^{k} - r \sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] (1 - p(1 - f_{ii}))^{k} e^{(m-1)Kp(f_{ij}-1)} \}, \\
f_{ii} = f_{jj} = (1 - r) \frac{\sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] k (1 - p(1 - f_{ii}))^{k - 1}}{\sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] k} + r \frac{\sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] k (1 - p(1 - f_{ii}))^{k - 1}}{\sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] k} e^{(m-1)Kp(f_{ij}-1)}, \\
f_{ij} = f_{ji} = \sum \left[ \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda - 1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1}\right)^{\lambda - 1} \right] (1 - p(1 - f_{ii}))^{k} e^{(m-1)Kp(f_{ij}-1)},
\end{cases}$$

where  $\lambda_i = \lambda$ ,  $k_{\text{inter}}^{ij} = K$  and  $r_i = r$ .

For the case of m modules with power-law degree distribution and power-law distribution of inter-connections, Eqs. (1) and (2) become

$$G_{i}(\mathbf{x}) = (1 - r_{i}) \Sigma \left[ \left( \frac{k_{\min}}{k} \right)^{\lambda_{i} - 1} - \left( \frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1} \right)^{\lambda_{i} - 1} \right] x_{ii}^{k} +$$

$$r_{i} \Sigma \left[ \left( \frac{k_{\min}}{k} \right)^{\lambda_{i} - 1} - \left( \frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1} \right)^{\lambda_{i} - 1} \right] x_{ii}^{k} \left\{ \Sigma \left[ \left( \frac{k'_{\min}}{k'} \right)^{\lambda_{i \text{inter}}^{ij} - 1} - \left( \frac{k'_{\min}}{k' + 1} \right)^{\lambda_{i \text{inter}}^{ij} - 1} \right] x_{ij}^{k'} \right\}^{m - 1},$$
[15]

$$\begin{cases} G_{i}^{(ii)}(\mathbf{x}) = & (1-r_{i}) \frac{\sum \left[\left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k+1}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1}\right] k x_{ii}^{k-1}}{\sum \left[\left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k+1}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1}\right] k} + \\ & r_{i} \frac{\sum \left[\left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k+1}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1}\right] k x_{ii}^{k-1}}{\sum \left[\left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1} - \left(\frac{k_{\min}}{k+1}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1}\right] k} \left\{ \sum \left[\left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}} - \left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'+1}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}} - \left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'+1}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}}\right] x_{ij}^{k'} \right\}^{m-1}, \\ G_{i}^{(ij)}(\mathbf{x}) = & \sum \left[\left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1} - \left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k+1}\right)^{\lambda_{i}-1}\right] x_{ii}^{k}} \\ & \left\{ \sum \left[\left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}} - \left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'+1}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}}\right] x_{ij}^{k'} \right\}^{m-2} \frac{\sum \left[\left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}} - \left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'+1}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}} - \left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'+1}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}}\right] k'}{\sum \left[\left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}} - \left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'+1}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}} - \left(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'+1}\right)^{\lambda_{inter}^{ij}}\right] k'}, \end{cases}$$

where  $\lambda_i$  and  $\lambda_{\text{inter}}^{ij}$  are the power-law exponents of intra-module and inter- modules respectively. Next, Eqs. (3) and (4) become

$$\begin{cases} S = p\{1 - (1 - r)\Sigma[(\frac{k_{\min}}{k})^{\lambda - 1} - (\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1})^{\lambda - 1}](1 - p(1 - f_{ii}))^{k} - \\ r\Sigma[(\frac{k_{\min}}{k})^{\lambda - 1} - (\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1})^{\lambda - 1}](1 - p(1 - f_{ii}))^{k} \\ [\Sigma[(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1} - (\frac{k'_{\min}}{k' + 1})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1}](1 - p(1 - f_{ij}))^{k'}]^{m - 1}\}, \\ f_{ii} = f_{jj} = (1 - r)\frac{\sum[(\frac{k_{\min}}{k})^{\lambda - 1} - (\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1})^{\lambda - 1}]k(1 - p(1 - f_{ii}))^{k - 1}}{\sum[(\frac{k_{\min}}{k})^{\lambda - 1} - (\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1})^{\lambda - 1}]k} + \\ \frac{r\sum[(\frac{k_{\min}}{k})^{\lambda - 1} - (\frac{k_{\min}}{k + 1})^{\lambda - 1}]k(1 - p(1 - f_{ii}))^{k - 1}}{\sum[(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1} - (\frac{k'_{\min}}{k' + 1})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1}](1 - p(1 - f_{ij}))^{k'}\}^{m - 1}, \\ f_{ij} = f_{ji} = \sum[(\frac{k_{\min}}{k})^{\lambda - 1} - (\frac{k'_{\min}}{k' + 1})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1}](1 - p(1 - f_{ij}))^{k'}\}^{m - 2} \\ \frac{\sum[(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1} - (\frac{k'_{\min}}{k' + 1})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1}]k'(1 - p(1 - f_{ij}))^{k' - 1}}{\sum[(\frac{k'_{\min}}{k'})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1} - (\frac{k'_{\min}}{k' + 1})^{\lambda_{\text{inter}} - 1}]k'(1 - p(1 - f_{ij}))^{k' - 1}}, \end{cases}$$

where  $\lambda^i = \lambda$ ,  $\lambda^{ij}_{inter} = \lambda_{inter}$ . Fig. S6 shows that the numerical and simulation results agree well for above formulars.

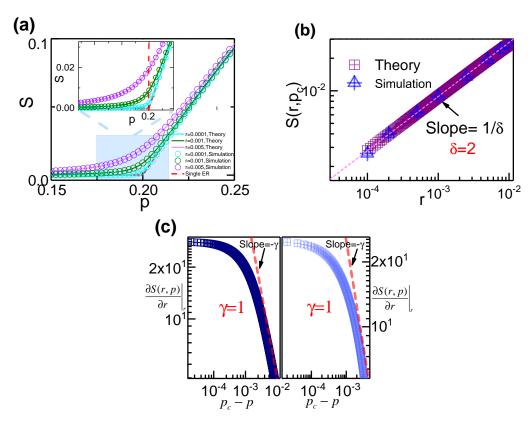


Fig. S4. (a) Comparison of analytical and simulation results for ER networks for the size of the giant component S(r,p) as a function of p. (b)  $S(r,p_c)$  as a function of p. (c)  $\frac{\partial S(r,p)}{\partial S(r,p)}$  as a function of p. p with p = 0.0001. Left and right panels show the numerical and simulation results respectively. The parameters are p = 2, p = 5, p = 10p , p = 10p

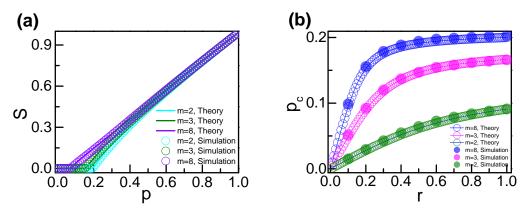


Fig. S5. (a) S as a function of p for different m with parameters  $k=4, r=0.6, N=m\times10^7, M_{\rm inter}=10^7$  for Eq. (7). (b)  $p_c$  as a function of r for different m for Eq. (11) with same parameters as S5(a). Simulation results are averaged over 5000 realizations.

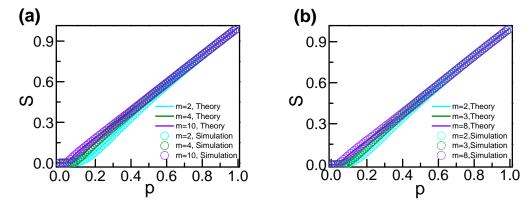


Fig. S6. (a) S as a function of p for different m with parameters  $\lambda=2.8, r=0.9, N=m\times 10^7, M_{\rm inter}=10^7$  for Eq. (14). (b) S as a function of p for different m with parameters  $\lambda=2.7, \lambda_{\rm inter}=3.5, r=0.8, N=m\times 10^7$  for Eq. (17). Simulation results are averaged over 5000 realizations.

In the main paper, two real-world co-authors networks with community structures are studied, (1) the co-author dblp collaboration network with N=317080, M=1049866 (the number of links), k=6.622089 (average degree) and (2) the co-authorship MathSciNet with N=332689, M=820644, k=4.9334. Detailed information about the largest modules of the above two networks are shown in Table S1. To simulate the external field effects in real networks, we choose the largest two modules with the same scaling exponents  $\lambda=2.8$  as our modules 1 and 2 in the co-author dblp network, in which  $r_1=0.11488$ ,  $r_2=0.052517$ ,  $M_{inter}=7736$ ,  $p_{c1}=0.01954$  and  $p_{c2}=0.02049$  for  $S_{cutoff}=0.0001$ . Similarly, we choose the largest two modules with the scaling exponent  $\lambda=3.35$  as modules 3 and 4 from the co-authorship MathSciNet network, where  $r_1=0.12440$ ,  $r_2=0.07165$ ,  $M_{inter}=11702$ ,  $p_{c1}=0.01650$  and  $p_{c2}=0.02042$  for  $S_{cutoff}=0.0001$ . The degree distributions of these modules (intra-links) are shown in Fig. S7. For demonstrating critical relationships in real modules of finite sizes, critical exponents  $\delta$  and  $\gamma$  are shown in Fig. S8 and Fig. S9 by choosing different  $S_{cutoff}=0.0002$ , 0.0005, 0.001. From Figs. S8 and S9, we can observe that critical exponents are independent of  $S_{cutoff}$  and have a universal feature.

i	$N_{i}$	$M_i$	$k_{i}$	$\lambda_i$	i	$N_{i}$	$M_i$	
1	46367	133442	5.7559	2.8	1	51326	144176	5.
2	49926	150443	6.0266	2.8	2	65805	204983	6.
3	54620	238914	8.7482	2.95	3	52026	110275	4.239
4	9060	22809	5.0351	2.5	4	30445	57917	3.804
5	5479	11662	4.257	2.7	5	8154	13182	3.233
6	11201	25465	4.5469	2.75	6	10680	17357	3.2504
7	6464	14707	4.5504	2.6	7	4688	7326	3.1254
8	2713	5731	4.2248	2.9	8	6680	10550	3.1587
9	54620	238914	8.7482	2.6	9	4796	6914	2.8832
10	2975	6342	4.2635	2.9	10	1923	3248	3.3781
11	4170	9331	4.4753	3	11	2391	3816	3.192
12	4098	9583	4.6769	2.75	12	1169	1772	3.0317
13	11048	24714	4.4739	2.65	13	2198	3670	3.3394
14	4556	11862	5.2072	2.9	14	1140	1827	3.2053
15	2555	5512	4.3147	2.7	15	1607	2370	2.9496
16	15376	52348	6.8091	2.6	16	1378	2292	3.3266
17	1183	2714	4.5883	2.7	17	3138	5313	3.3862
18	3242	7212	4.4491	2.7	18	1133	2127	3.7546
19	6276	13967	4.4509	2.7	19	2304	3779	3.2804
20	3146	6248	3.972	2.7	20	1576	2422	3.0736
21	3096	7422	4.7946	2.7	21	2286	3724	3.2581
22	2025	4221	4.1689	2.7	22	1406	2199	3.128
23	1232	2819	4.5763	2.6	23	1043	1589	3.047
24	2247	4540	4.0409	2.6	24	1085	1847	3.4046
25	1172	2016	3.4403	2.7	25	1573	2095	2.6637
26	1523	3898	5.1188	2.6	26	1352	2575	3.8092

Table S1. Modules with more than  $10^3$  nodes in the co-author dblp collaboration network and co-authorship MathSciNet network are discribed in the left and right table.  $N_i$ ,  $M_i$  are the numbers of nodes and links respectively,  $k_i$ ,  $\lambda_i$  are average degree and scaling exponent in module i respectively. Modules 1, 2, 3 and 4 are marked by orange background.

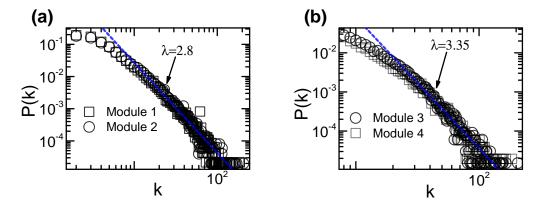


Fig. S7. (a) The degree distributions of modules 1 and 2 within dblp collaboration network. (b) The degree distributions of modules 3 and 4 within MathSciNet collaboration network.

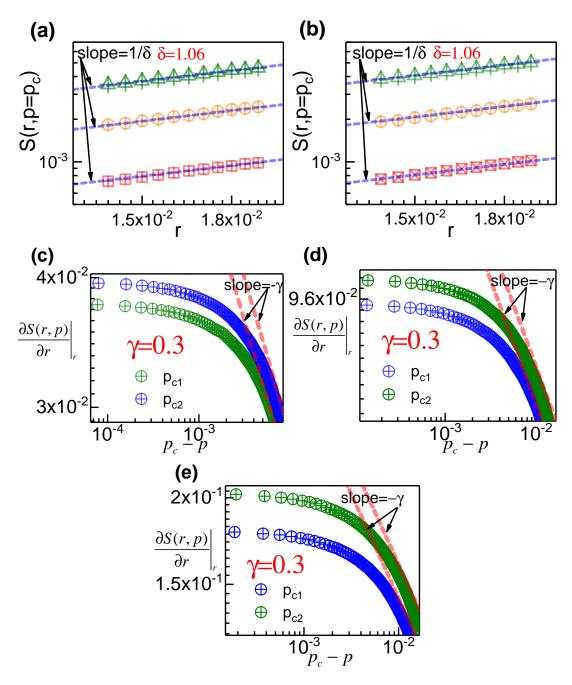


Fig. S8. Critical scaling and exponents for two modules in co-author dblp collaboration network with  $\lambda=2.8$  and  $M_{inter}=4\times10^5.~S(r,p_c)$  as a function of r for the module 1 (a) and module 2 (b) with  $S_{cutoff}=0.0002$  (red squares),  $S_{cutoff}=0.0005$  (orange circles) and  $S_{cutoff}=0.001$  (green triangles).  $\frac{\partial S(r,p)}{\partial r}$  as a function of  $p_c-p$  for  $S_{cutoff}=0.0002$  (c),  $S_{cutoff}=0.0005$  (d) and  $S_{cutoff}=0.001$  (e). We average over 2000 realizations for each network.

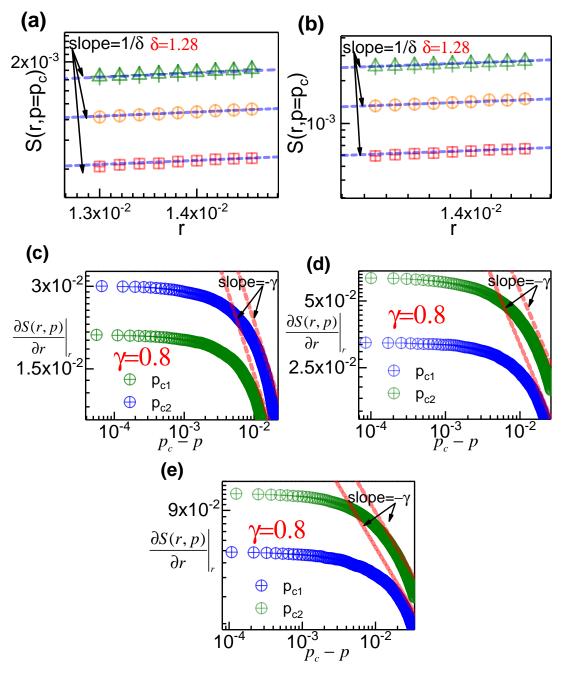


Fig. S9. Critical scaling and exponents for two modules in the co-author MathSciNet collaboration network with  $\lambda=3.35$  and  $M_{inter}=5\times10^5.~S(r,p_c)$  as a function of r for the module 1 (a) and module 2 (b) with  $S_{cutoff}=0.0002$  (red squares),  $S_{cutoff}=0.0005$  (orange circles) and  $S_{cutoff}=0.001$  (green triangles).  $\frac{\partial S(r,p)}{\partial r}$  as a function of  $p_c-p$  for  $S_{cutoff}=0.0002$  (c),  $S_{cutoff}=0.0005$  (d) and  $S_{cutoff}=0.001$  (e). We average over 2000 realizations for each network.

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