The Colony Hackathon Judging Rubric

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	★ ★ ★ Excellent	★ ★ ☆ Good	★ ☆ ☆ Fair	☆ ☆ ☆ Poor
Creativity	The submission is exceptionally unique, takes a creative or novel approach that seems to have never been even conceived of by anyone before now.	The submission is creative and unique, with only faint echoes of similarity or approach to other ideas and projects seen before in the blockchain space.	The submission resembles a familiar project, idea, or concept, though only vaguely—it's still it's own entity, even if it's clearly rooted in and influenced by something well-known, and adapted to fit into the hack-athon context.	The submission is a straight-up copy of an existing idea/solution from another project, or from elsewhere.
Difficulty	The submission clearly represents an attempt to solve deep and meaning-ful problems, either inward-facing (i.e. scaling, protocol-level issues) or outward-facing (i.e. identity, societal issues)—if successfully implemented in a project beyond the hackathon, the submission would put a dent in the universe.	While the submission doesn't have universe-denting implications, it still addresses (or seeks to address) a well-defined problem of moderate scope, and is well worth continued effort beyond the hackathon.	The submission is a solution to a problem that may not be well-de-fined, or one that does not seem that difficult to solve. Still, there is merit in the idea, and it should be given due credit.	The submission solves a non-problem, or presents an idea that has a trivial solution.
Design	Breathtaking and astoundingly good visual design, and/or exceptionally intuitive UX; the submission requires no explanation, and has no 'rough edges' at all—rather, the edges seem silky smooth with a fragrance of lilac.	The design/UX may require small changes or touch-ups to be considered truly 'polished', but overall everything fits together as a complete and well-formed product.	It takes some imagination to see what a finished product might look like, but the submission is at least on the right track with regards to design and UX, given some signifi-cant re-working.	The submission contains broken elements, missing visuals, and generally unpalatable visual design. It's better off as a command-line tool.
Functionality	The submission is not only func-tional on a test network, it is clear that the project will improve the overall functionality of both Colony and the Ethereum ecosystem as a whole when deployed on mainnet.	With just a few minor tweaks, the submission would be close to 'pro-duction-ready'. There might be some minor element or components that are just placeholders for future work, but nothing significant.	The general idea of the project is sound, however it is obvious that there are large elements missing from the code that would need to be completed before the project is able to be deployed on a test network.	It's simply not usable, and would require fundamental changes to the overall concept to become a useful thing. It might merely be presented as a concept note, rather than an actual piece of software.

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