



# Innsbruck Physics Colloquium

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## High-coherence superconducting qubits

I will discuss two approaches towards the development of high-coherence superconducting qubits. First, I will show how encoding a qubit in logical quantum states with wavefunctions characterized by disjoint support and robust energies can offer simultaneous protection against relaxation and pure dephasing. Using a circuit-quantum-electrodynamics architecture, we experimentally realize a superconducting  $0\text{-}\pi$  qubit, which hosts protected states suitable for quantum-information processing. The measured relaxation (1.6 ms) and dephasing times (25  $\mu\text{s}$ ) demonstrate that our implementation of the  $0\text{-}\pi$  circuit not only broadens the family of superconducting qubits, but also represents a promising candidate for the building block of a fault-tolerant quantum processor. Second, I will show how a rigorous approach towards materials engineering can improve coherence even in traditional transmon devices. In particular, with relatively simple changes, we have developed a reliable process to make 2D transmon qubits with coherence in excess of 0.3 ms.

**Tuesday, 28.1.2020, at 17:15 h in lecture hall C**