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A non-commutative Reidemeister-Turaev torsion of homology cylinders

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A homology cylinder is a 3-manifold that is homologically the product of a surface and an interval. In this talk, we introduce the Reidemeister-Turaev torsion of homology cylinders which takes values in the K_1-group of the I-adic completion of the group ring of the fundamental group of a surface over the rationals, and prove that its reduction by the ideal $hat{I}^{d+1}$ is a finite-type invariant of degree d.

We also show that the 1-loop part of the LMO homomorphism and the Enomoto-Satoh trace can be recovered from the leading term of our torsion.

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