1053-13-344 Hamid Rahmati\* (hamid.rahmati@ttu.edu) and Janet Striuli. Artinian Gorenstein Rings and Infinite Syzygies. Preliminary report.

Let R be a commutative local ring and M be an R-module. We say that M is an infinite syzygy if there is an exact sequence

$$0 \to M \to F_1 \to F_2 \to \dots \to F_{n-1} \to F_n \to \dots$$

where  $F_i$  is free for all  $i \ge 1$ . The ring R is artinian Gorenstein if and only if every finitely generated module is an infinite syzygy. We show that if the embedding dimension of R is small, one only needs to verify that the residue field is an infinite syzygy. (Received September 08, 2009)