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# Highlights

- We develop a general method for decomposing socioeconomic inequality in health
- The focus is on bivariate rank dependent indices such as the concentration index
- The method requires few identifying assumptions to yield valid estimates
- It yields the marginal effects on a bivariate rank dependent index
- The method is well suited to descriptive and causal effect analysis

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