## The Risk / Difficulty square



## **Covered in this lecture:**

Prioritizing what you test according to the degree of risk and difficulty





- Large companies have to prioritize what assumptions to test, depending on their degree of risk and difficulty
- Risk: How risky the assumptions are for the company or product
- Difficulty: How much effort you need to make to test the assumptions
- Usually, these characteristics can be drawn in a table that looks like this:

SK SK	High risk Low difficulty	High risk High difficulty	
RISK	Low risk Low difficulty	Low risk High difficulty	
DIFFICULTY			

- The first category to target should be "High risk / Low difficulty"
- Then, test the "High risk / High difficulty" category
- In the end, you can test the Low risk / Low difficulty" category and just ignore the "Low risk / High difficulty" assumptions