

$\text{move}[w] = m_2$   
 $\text{parent}[w] = v$   
 $\text{parent}[v] = u$   
 $\text{move}[v] = m_1$

Sudoku

D FS

• All paths have same length.

8-puzzle

BFS

• Want to find shortest  
Paths

BFS & DFS have  $O(n+m)$ -time  
complexity

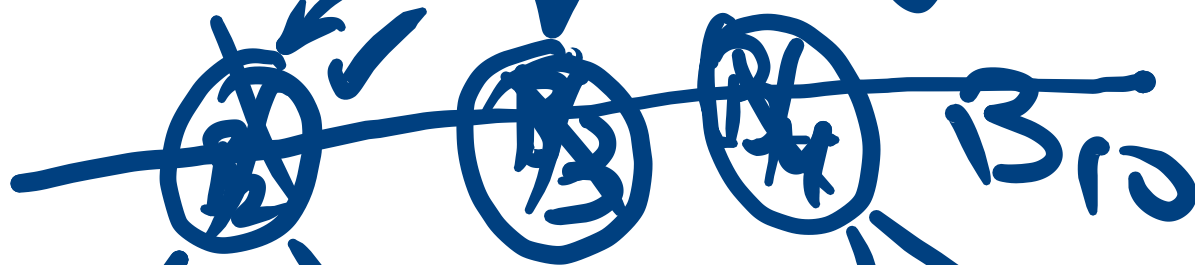
Sudoku

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$q: [\text{X}_2 \dots B_{10}]$   
 $[\text{X}_3 \dots B_{10} B_{11} \dots B_{19}]$

$\leq 9$



$[B_4 \dots B_{28}]$

$[B_5 \dots B_{37}]$

$q^2$



$q^3$   
⋮

Queue size is  $q^i$  for  $i$ th level.

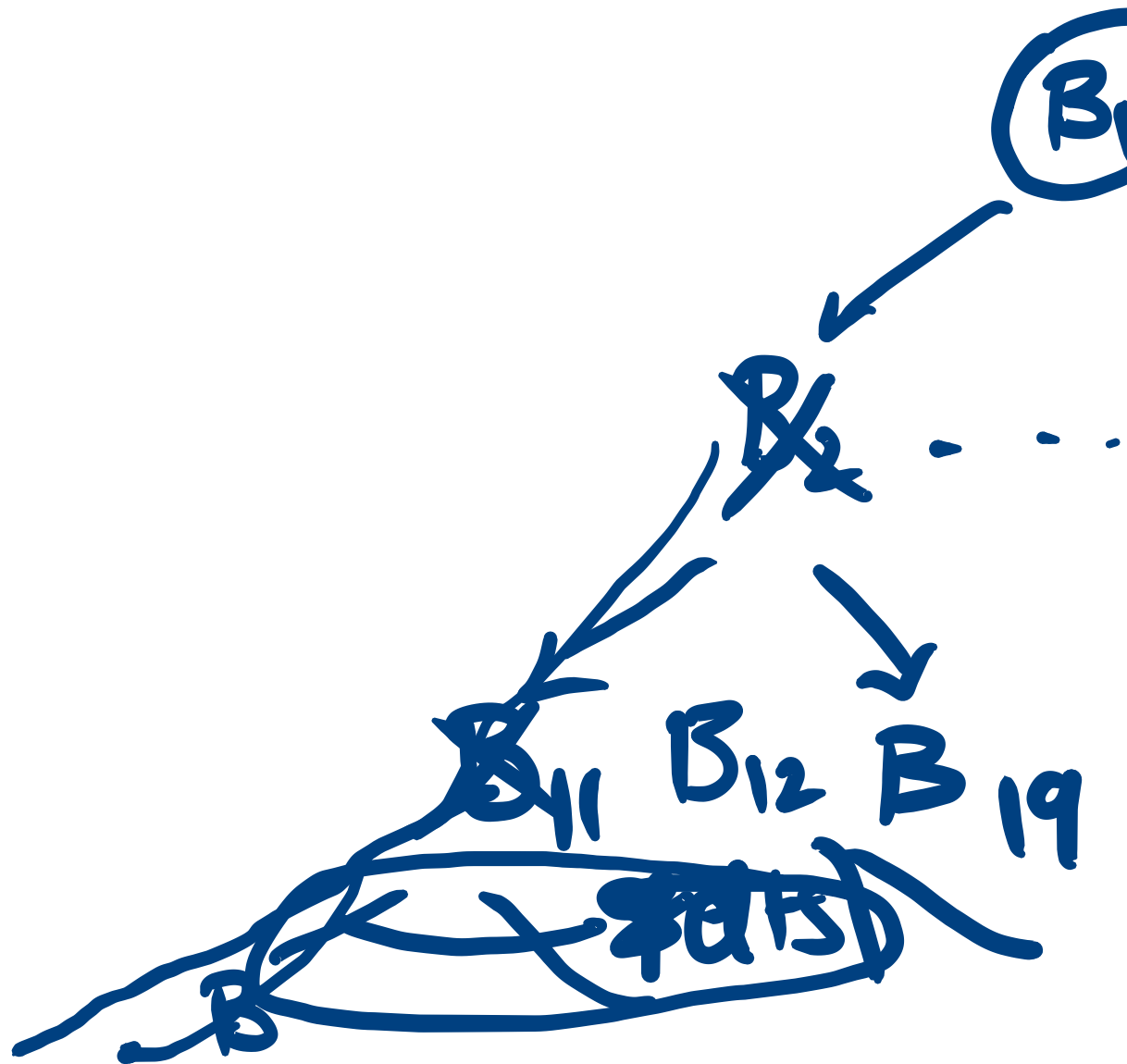
17-clue Sudoku puzzles exist

$q^{81-17}$  = more than all memory  
on earth!

Problem is space usage!

# Space Usage of DFS

depth of  
search graph  
(only for stack)



$\leq c$  elts  
from each  
level

f():  
if ( )  
g()

f g h

g():  
f() a()  
h()

h():  
f()