```java
public class SyncRequestProcessor {
  public static void serializeSnapshot(DataTree dt, …) {

    …
    dt.serialize(oa, "tree");                              keep reducing
  }
}
public class DataTree{
  public void serialize(OutputArchive oa, String tag) {
    scout = 0;
    serializeNode(oa, new StringBuilder(""));              keep reducing
    …
  }
}
```