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Let  $T$  be a bounded linear operator from  $L_p$  ( $2 < p < \infty$ ). Then  $T$  factors through  $l_p$  if and only if  $T$  satisfies an upper-(C,p)-tree condition. (Received December 02, 2005)