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A  $p$ -local finite group is an algebraic model for the  $p$ -completed classifying space of a finite group. Miller conjectured that such spaces could be understood as a homotopical phenomenon, in terms of maps between a given space and the classifying space of a finite  $p$ -group. In this talk we will describe these concepts in more detail and give an outline of a proof of Miller's conjecture. (Received September 22, 2011)