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A conjecture of Daskalakis, Mehta and Papadimitriou states that there exists integers  $k$  and  $l$ , such that if a directed graph  $D$  satisfies that every subset of  $l$  vertices share a common in-neighbor, then  $D$  contains a directed cycle of length at most  $k$ . This conjecture naturally arises from problems in game theory on designing polynomial algorithms to find the approximate Nash equilibrium. In this talk, I will discuss a counterexample to this conjecture and its connection with a well-known open problem on tournament coloring. This is joint work with Anbalagan, Lovett, Norin, Vetta and Wu. (Received January 18, 2015)