

# Django Error: Your URL pattern is invalid. Ensure that urlpatterns is a list of url() instances

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After upgrading to Django 1.10, I get the following error when I run `python manage.py runserver`:

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?: (urls.E004) Your URL pattern ('^\$', 'myapp.views.home') is invalid. Ensure that urlpatterns is a list of url() instances.  
HINT: Try using url() instead of a tuple.



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My urlpatterns are as follows:

```
from myapp.views import home

urlpatterns = [
    (r'^$', home, name='home'),
]
```

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To simplify URL configs, `patterns()` was deprecated in Django 1.8, and removed in 1.10 ([release notes](#)). In Django 1.10, `urlpatterns` must be a list of `url()` instances. Using a tuple in `patterns()` is not supported any more, and the Django checks framework will raise an error.



Fixing this is easy, just convert any tuples



```
urlpatterns = [
    (r'^$', home, name='home'), # tuple
]
```

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```
urlpatterns = [  
    url(r'^$', home, name='home'), # url instance  
]
```

If you get the following `NameError`,

```
NameError: name 'url' is not defined
```

then add the following import to your `urls.py`:

```
from django.conf.urls import url
```

If you use strings in your url patterns, e.g. `'myapp.views.home'`, you'll have to update these to use a callable at the same time. See [this answer](#) for more info.

See the [Django URL dispatcher docs](#) for more information about `urlpatterns`.

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Check to see if you have used URL patterns like this:

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```
urlpatterns += (  
    (r'^404/$', page_not_found_view),  
)
```



Change it to:

```
urlpatterns += [  
    url(r'^404/$', page_not_found_view),  
]
```

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