

RCP Application Build with Tycho and Gradle



Prerequisites

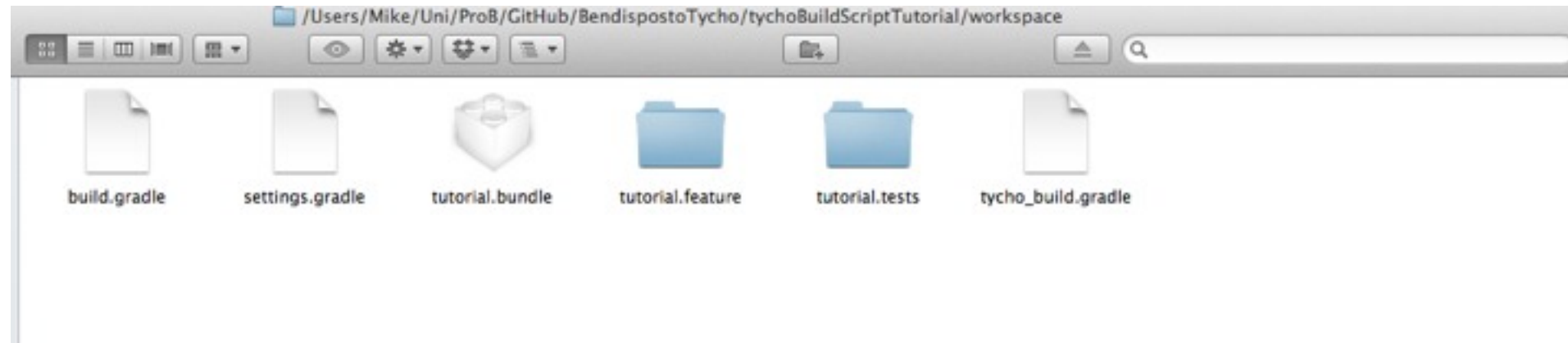
Please make sure you have a recent version of gradle and maven 3 installed on your machine

Download Gradle: <http://gradle.org/>

Download Maven: <http://maven.apache.org/download.html>

You will need a repository where your target definition file lays, this build does not support local target files!

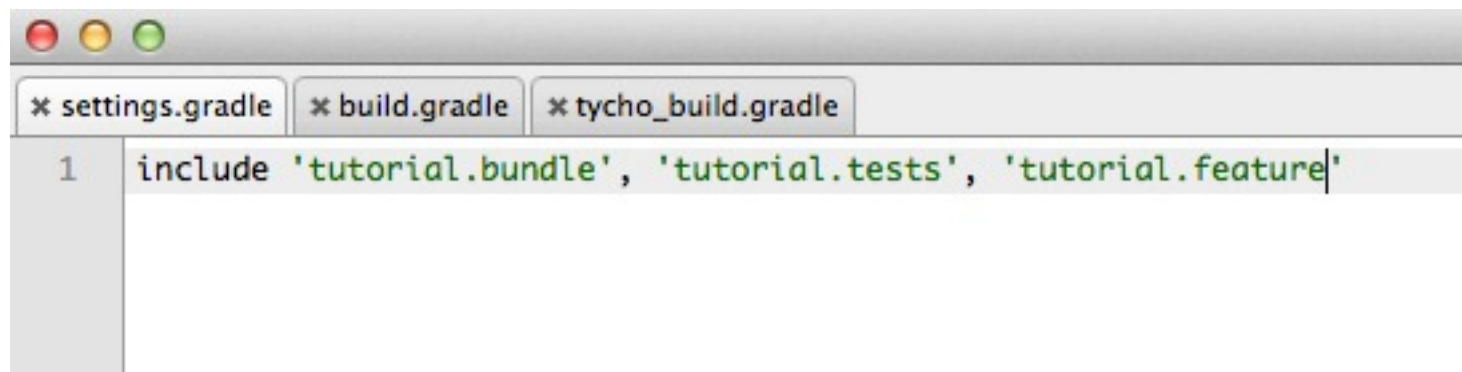
Setting up the script



Copy the build.gradle, tycho_build.gradle and settings.gradle in your workspace

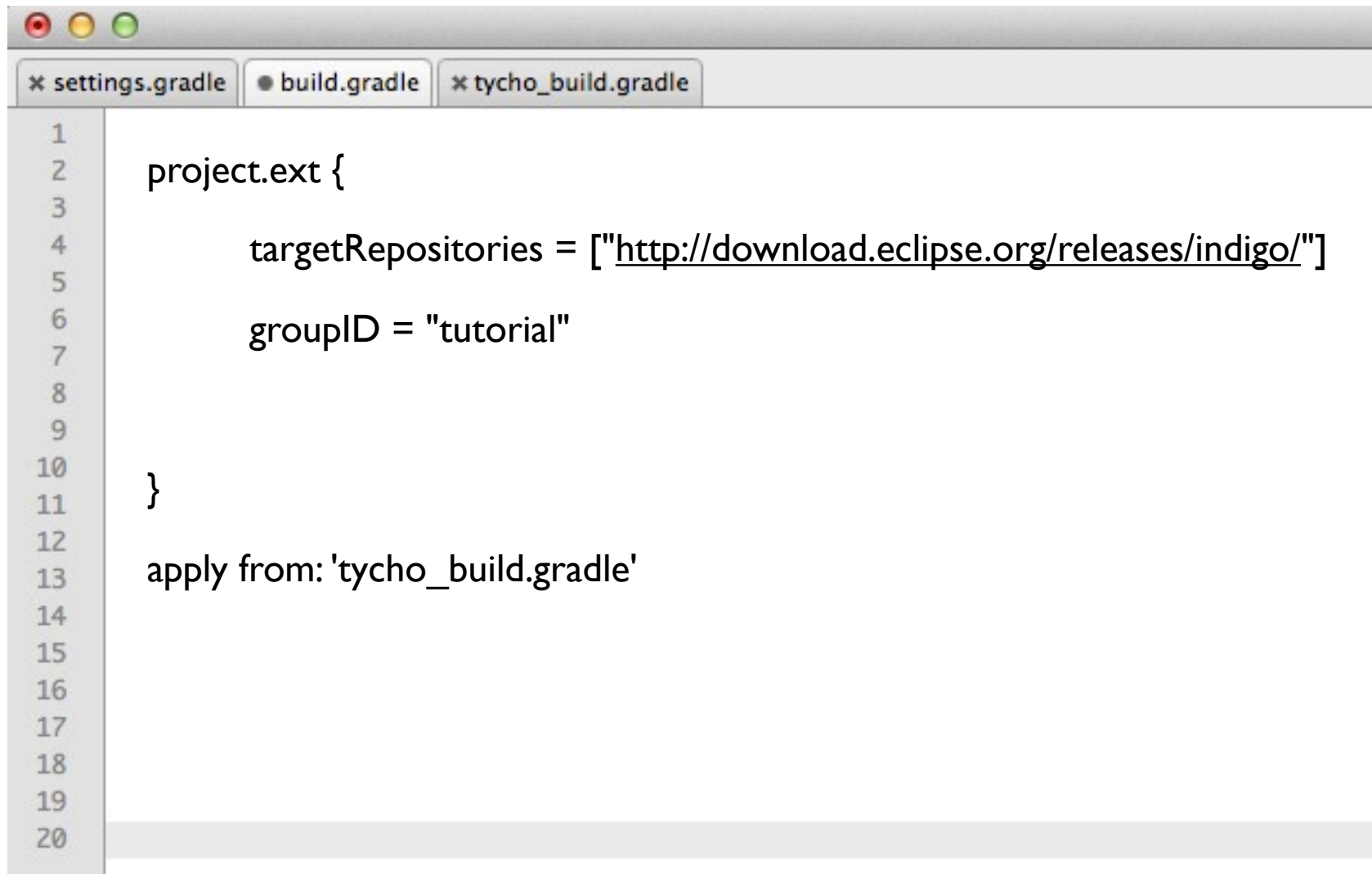
Setting up the script

Add all your projects in the settings.gradle file.



Every project ending with '.feature' will be handled as feature and every project ending with '.tests' will automatically trigger its tests with every tycho build.

Setting up the script

A screenshot of an IDE window showing three tabs: settings.gradle, build.gradle (selected), and tycho_build.gradle. The build.gradle file contains the following code:

```
1 project.ext {  
2     targetRepositories = ["http://download.eclipse.org/releases/indigo/"]  
3     groupId = "tutorial"  
4  
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10 }  
11  
12 apply from: 'tycho_build.gradle'  
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```

Now we have to define a group ID and reference the tycho_build.gradle script in our main build.gradle script.

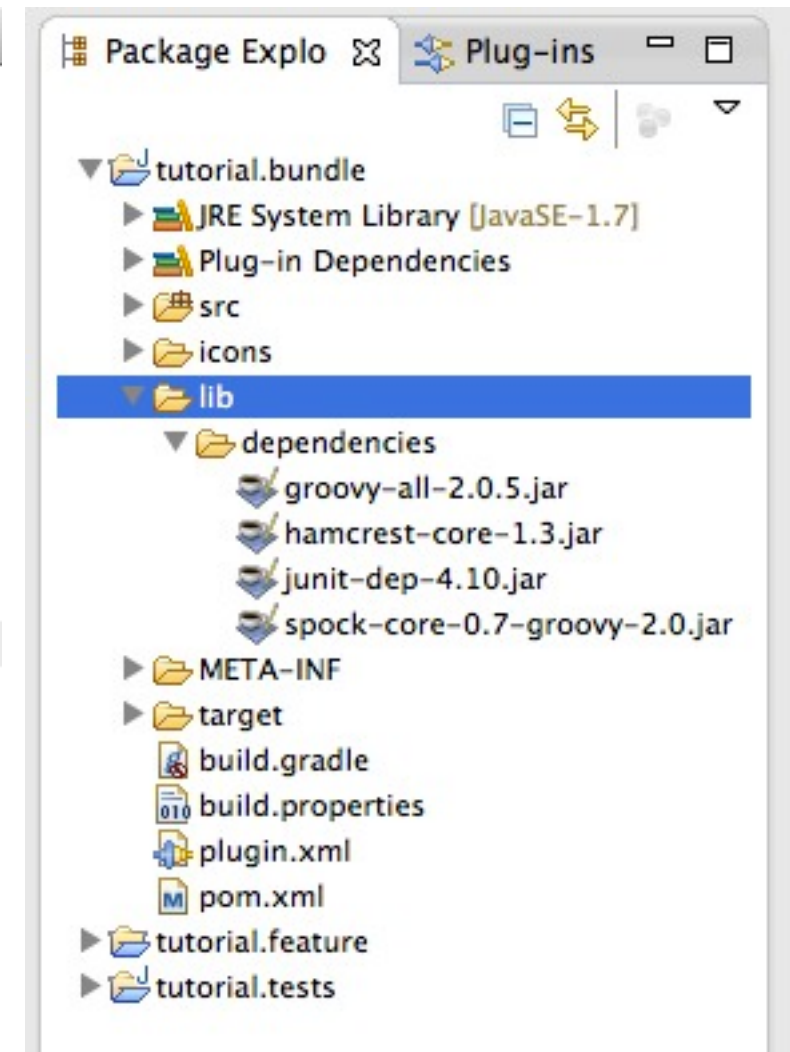
Additional script properties:

dependencyFolder = “yourOwnFolder”

With this property you can define the folder where your dependencies from the build.gradle script will be downloaded.

By default this will be libs/dependencies in each subproject.

```
1  apply plugin: 'java'
2  apply plugin: 'groovy'
3  apply plugin: 'eclipse'
4  apply plugin: 'maven'
5
6
7
8  repositories {
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10     maven {
11         name "jira client"
12         url "https://m2proxy.atlassian.com/repository/public"
13     }
14 }
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16
17 dependencies {
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19     compile 'org.spockframework:spock-core:0.7-groovy-2.0'
20
21 }
```

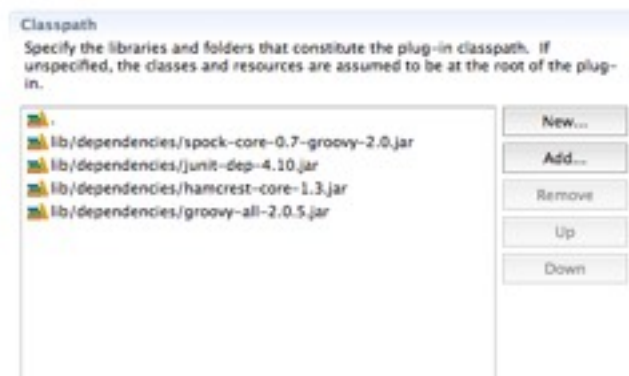


Additional script properties:

`excludeFromTychoBuild = ['nameOfProjectToExclude']`

With this property you can define a list of projects which will be excluded from the tycho build but can still be listed in the settings.gradle file.

`excludeFromClassPath = ['noChangesInDotClassPathFile.projects']`



With this property you can define a list of projects where the .classpath file will not be changed during 'completeInstall' or 'setClassPath'.

'gradle setClassPath' will usually add your current libraries of the lib/dependencies folder automatically to the MANIFEST.mf file, remove old ones and add the current libraries to the .classpath file.

However all projects listed in this property will skip this both changes to the .classpath and the MF file.

`excludeManifestClassPathDelete = ['noCHangesInMFFile.projects']`

With this property you can define a list of projects where the MANIFEST.mf file will not be changed during 'gradle setClassPath'.

Libraries will still be added to the .classpath file

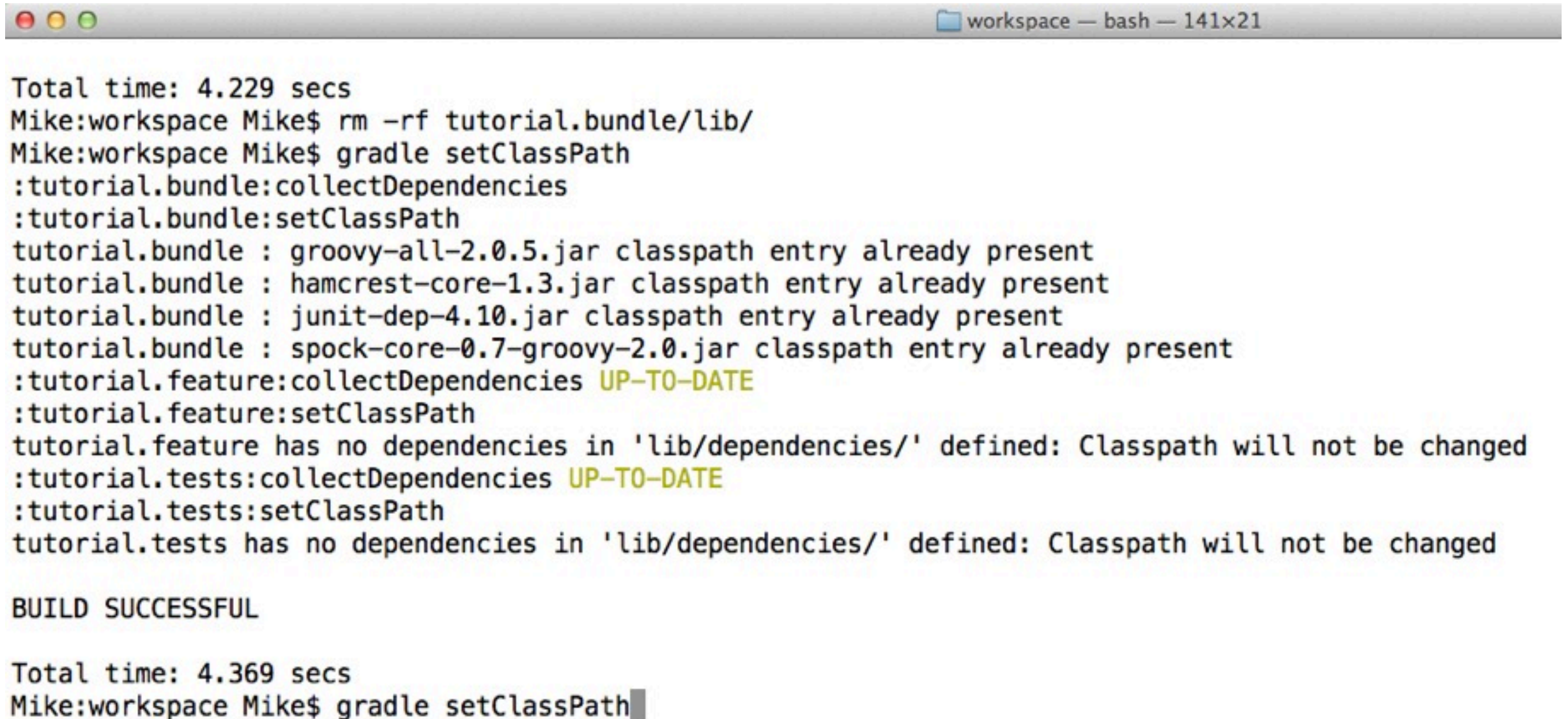
Running the script

```
workspace — bash — 141x22
[INFO]
[INFO] --- tycho-p2-plugin:0.17.0:update-local-index (default-update-local-index) @ tutorial.repository ---
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Reactor Summary:
[INFO]
[INFO] tutorial.parent ..... SUCCESS [0.109s]
[INFO] tutorial.bundle ..... SUCCESS [0.592s]
[INFO] tutorial.feature ..... SUCCESS [0.076s]
[INFO] tutorial.tests ..... SUCCESS [1.497s]
[INFO] tutorial.repository ..... SUCCESS [1.008s]
[INFO] -----
[INFO] BUILD SUCCESS
[INFO] -----
[INFO] Total time: 25.115s
[INFO] Finished at: Tue Apr 30 16:00:41 CEST 2013
[INFO] Final Memory: 92M/477M
[INFO] -----

BUILD SUCCESSFUL

Total time: 31.321 secs
Mike:workspace Mike$ gradle completeInstall
```


Running the script

A screenshot of a macOS terminal window. The title bar at the top shows three colored window control buttons (red, yellow, green) on the left and a title bar with a folder icon, the text 'workspace — bash — 141x21', and a close button on the right. The terminal content shows a series of commands and their outputs. It starts with 'Total time: 4.229 secs', followed by 'Mike:workspace Mike\$ rm -rf tutorial.bundle/lib/'. Then 'Mike:workspace Mike\$ gradle setClassPath' is entered, leading to a series of Gradle task outputs for 'tutorial.bundle' and 'tutorial.feature'. These outputs indicate that several JAR files are already present in the classpath and that dependencies are up-to-date. After these, 'BUILD SUCCESSFUL' is printed. This is followed by another 'Total time: 4.369 secs' and the command 'Mike:workspace Mike\$ gradle setClassPath' which is followed by a cursor. The text is in a monospaced font, with some words like 'UP-TO-DATE' highlighted in yellow.

```
Total time: 4.229 secs
Mike:workspace Mike$ rm -rf tutorial.bundle/lib/
Mike:workspace Mike$ gradle setClassPath
:tutorial.bundle:collectDependencies
:tutorial.bundle:setClassPath
tutorial.bundle : groovy-all-2.0.5.jar classpath entry already present
tutorial.bundle : hamcrest-core-1.3.jar classpath entry already present
tutorial.bundle : junit-dep-4.10.jar classpath entry already present
tutorial.bundle : spock-core-0.7-groovy-2.0.jar classpath entry already present
:tutorial.feature:collectDependencies UP-TO-DATE
:tutorial.feature:setClassPath
tutorial.feature has no dependencies in 'lib/dependencies/' defined: Classpath will not be changed
:tutorial.tests:collectDependencies UP-TO-DATE
:tutorial.tests:setClassPath
tutorial.tests has no dependencies in 'lib/dependencies/' defined: Classpath will not be changed

BUILD SUCCESSFUL

Total time: 4.369 secs
Mike:workspace Mike$ gradle setClassPath
```

Additional Notes

You can clone the example from <https://github.com/birkhoff/tychoBuildScriptTutorial.git>
Feel free to edit the scripts as you see fit.

shell tasks:

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|----------------------------|---|
| gradle collectDependencies | downloads your dependencies from your gradle script in the lib/dependencies folder |
| gradle setClassPath | downloads your dependencies and also adds them to your classpath and Manifest Files |
| gradle tycho | triggers a tycho build |
| gradle completeInstall | does all the above |
| gradle eclipse | makes it possible to import the projects into eclipse |