



Tuist Integration in Rider App

Migration to Tuist to manage projects and dependencies.

Goal: faster builds, clearer structure, better scalability.



What is Tuist?

- Tool to manage Xcode projects at scale
- Generates `xcodeproj` & `xcworkspace` from manifests (`Project.swift`)
- Provides:
 - Faster compilation (local & CI)
 - Infrastructure-as-code for projects
 - Better developer experience



Key Tuist Components

- **Tuist CLI Utility**
- **Tuist Online Service**
- `Project.swift` → defines module manifest
- `Workspace.swift` → defines the workspace



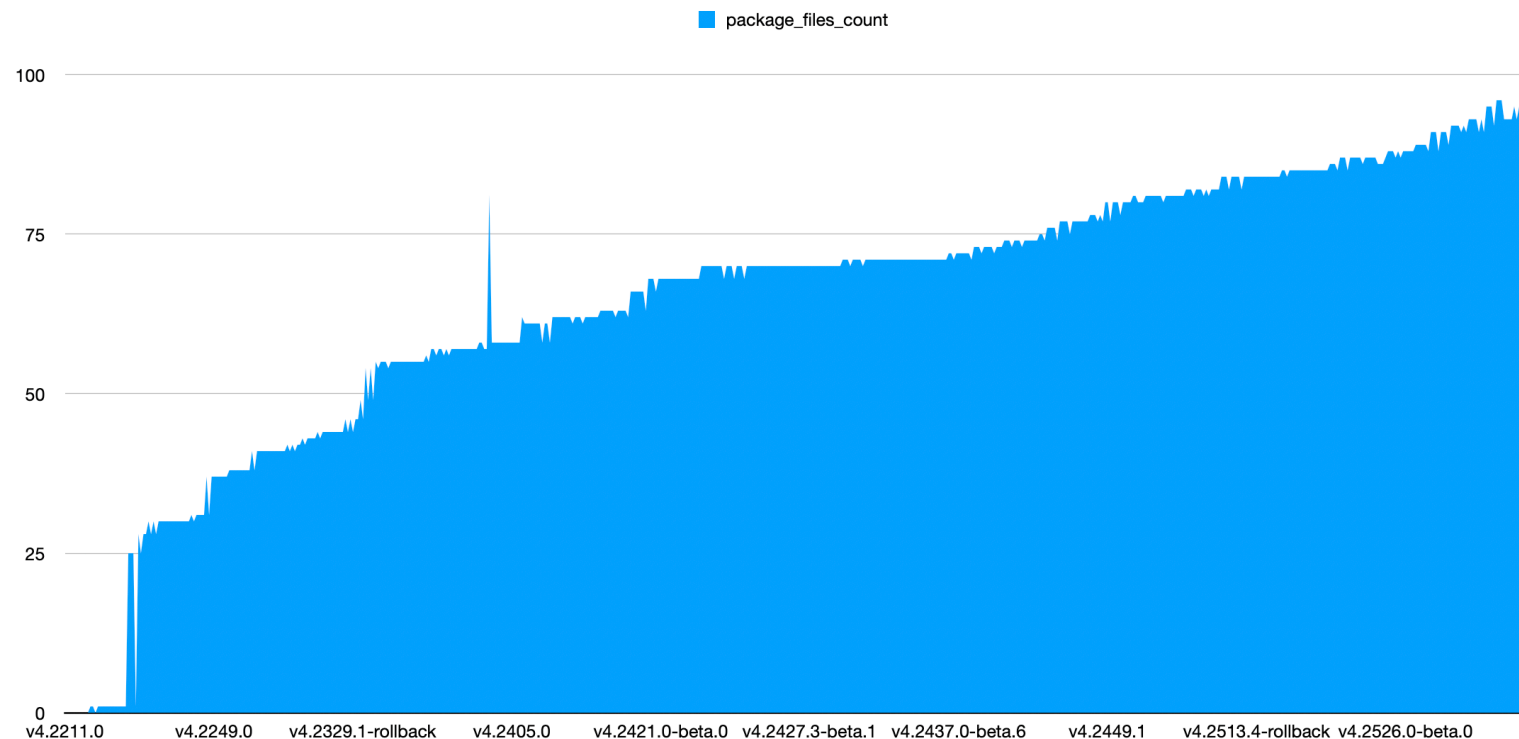
Migration Path (Start Point)

- Rider app already in **monorepo**
- Using **SPM** currently



Rider app modularization

- **96 modules**
- Modules are rapidly increasing





Migration Steps

1. Tried reusing SPM manifests → **✗** not working (no test targets for local pkgs)
2. Rewrote **all** `Package.swift` → `Project.swift`
3. Created **top-level manifest**
4. Used **LLM (Gemini agent) for 36h** → automated migration (`tuist generate` verified)



Structure of Tuist Integration

- `Workspace.swift` → root workspace
- `Project.swift` → per-module definitions
- `Tuist/`
 - `Package.swift` → external dependencies
 - `Binary/` → binary 3rd-party deps
 - `Configs/` → shared `.xcconfig`
 - `ProjectDescriptionHelpers/` → helper methods



Tuist Workflow

Login to the online services:

```
tuist auth login
```




Edit manifests:

```
tuist edit
```



Server-side Caching

- Tuist provides binary caching for modules
- Cache can be warmed on CI and pulled by developers
- Benefits:
 - Faster onboarding (less local compilation)
 - Consistent builds across developers & CI
 - Less CPU/memory load locally



Tuist Commands (1/4)

Generate workspace

```
tuist generate
```

Generate Roadrunner project

```
tuist generate Roadrunner
```



Tuist Commands (2/4)

Generate keeping target as sources

```
tuist generate AcceptCommon
```

Generate without cache

```
tuist generate --no-binary-cache
```



Tuist Commands (3/4)

Generate by squad (code ownership)

```
tuist generate tag:lrtmi
```

Squads:

ravl, rotw, ropd, lrtmi, rtoa, racc, ios, rxp



Twist Commands (4/4)

Generate by domain

```
tuist generate tag:mobile-infra
```

Domains:

- rider-fundamentals
- mobile-infra
- delivery-flow



Generation in practice



CI Integration




On every merged PR → CI runs:

```
tuist cache
```

- This ensures cache is always up-to-date
- Developers pull cached binaries instead of compiling everything
- Dramatic reduction of CI pipeline time



Outcomes

-  Build time improvements (local & CI)
-  Manifest definition via shared ProjectDescriptionHelpers
-  Project infra as code → reproducible & maintainable

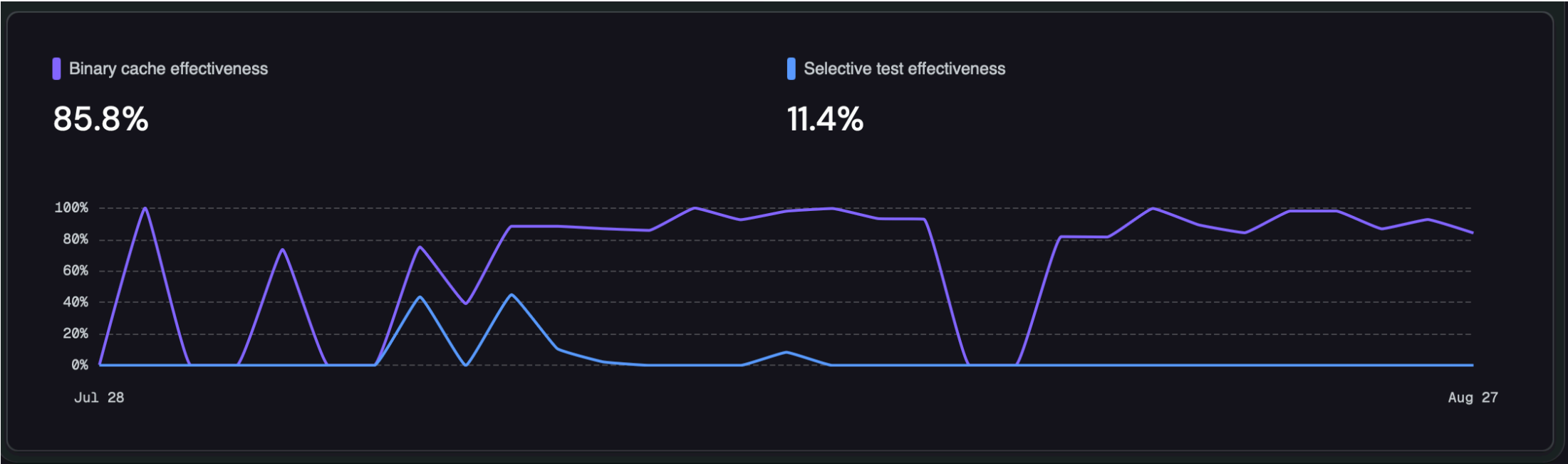


Build Time Improvements

Build type	Current state	Tuist (binary)	Tuist (4 as source)
Clean build	148s	27s (-81%)	34s (-77%)
Incremental build	34s	13s (-61%)	13s (-61%)



Binary cache insights





Build insights

Provided by Tuist automatically





Selective testing

- Out of the box, but we still need to gather insights on this one



Next Steps

- Team to migrate fully from SPM to Tuist
- Remove old `Rider.xcworkspace` & `Package.swift` setup
- Explore dependency types (feature, testing, utilities)



Known limitations and quirks

- Not possible to binary cache targets migrated to XCTest
- Debugging is sometimes challenging with cached modules (missing "pch" files for no reason)

Debugging will be degraded due to missing types. Rebuilding the project will regenerate the needed module files.

- SPM infer which targets are linking to the test targets as test helpers and give them flags that allow linking to XCTest & co.
- We actually ironed out about 4 quirks with the Tuist team, so not much to add here



What We Still Use Old Setup For

- Tests → still running via old SPM/xcworkspace setup
- App Store builds → still using old pipeline for safety
- Tuist adoption is gradual & hybrid at this stage



Summary

- Tuist improves build speed & developer experience
- Migration is already underway (with automation help)
- Clearer structure, scalable to 100+ modules
- Next step: full adoption by the team

Channel to join: `#ext-tuist-poc`



Questions

Thank you!