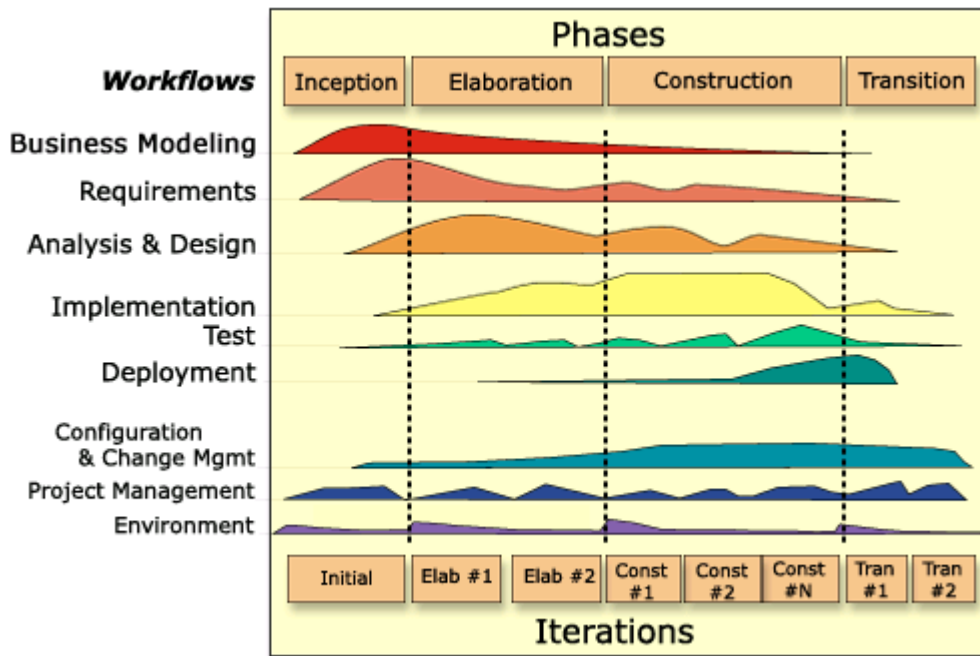


RUP is an iterative process that identifies four phases of any software development project. Over time, the project goes through Inception, Elaboration, Construction, and Transition phases. Each phase contains one or more iterations where you produce an executable, but perhaps incomplete system (except possibly in the Inception phase). During each iteration you perform activities from several disciplines in varying levels of detail. The following is an overview diagram of the RUP. ¹



RUP Overview Diagram

¹ Pollice, Gary. "Using the Rational Unified Process for Small Projects: Expanding on eXtreme Programming." A Rational Software White paper. <http://www.rational.com>. PDF file. www.rational.com