

## UNIFORM HEAT SOURCE

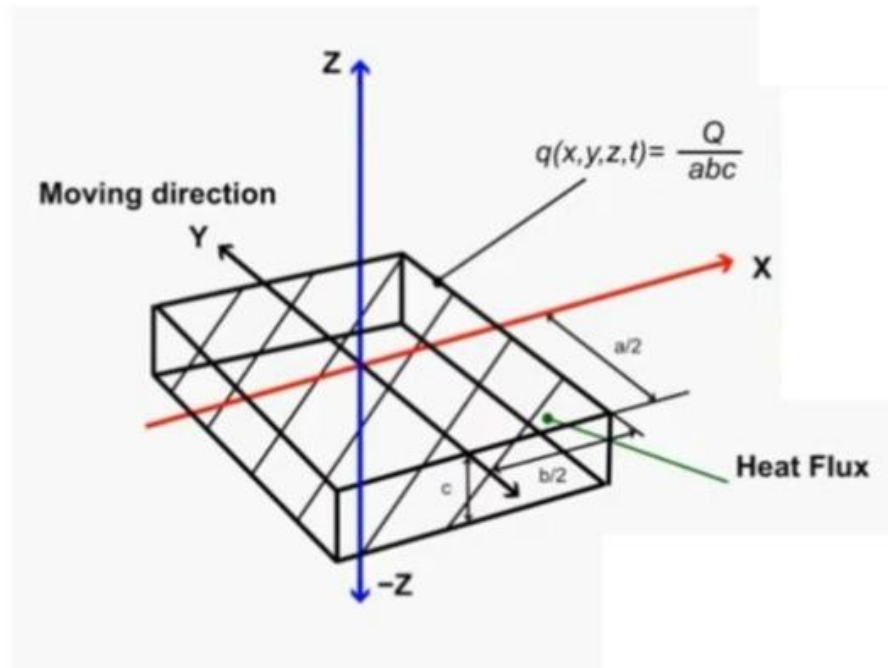
Heat flux or heat flux density is the flow of energy per unit volume per unit time. It is a vector quantity that has both magnitude and direction. Uniform heat source is used in situations where a constant heat generation over an area/volume is required.

$q(x,y,z,t)$ =heat generation per unit volume.(W/m<sup>3</sup>)

For a **rectangular** shaped heat source:

$q(x,y,z,t)=Q/abc$

### Rectangular shape: Uniform Heat source



(where a,b and c are the length breadth and height of the slab)

For **cylindrical** shaped heat source:

Volume= $\pi r^2 d$

$q_c(x,y,z,t)=Q/(\pi r^2 d)$

(where  $r$  is the radius and  $d$  is the height of the cylinder)

### Circular shape: Uniform Heat source

