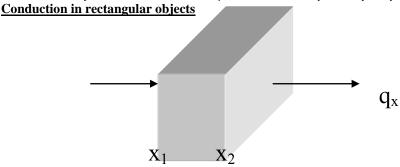
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## STEADY -STATE HEAT CONDUCTION

Steady state means that temperature in an object may vary by location



Fourier's law describes the rate of heat conduction in a solid.

**Boundary Conditions** 

$$x = x_1$$
  $T = T_1$   
 $x = x_2$   $T = T_2$ 

Separating the variables,

Integrating from  $x_1$  to x (some interior location within the slab)

$$\int_{x_1}^{x} \frac{q_x}{A} dx = -\int_{T_1}^{T} k dT$$

$$T = T_1 - \frac{q_x}{kA}(x - x_1)$$

$$q_x = -kA \frac{(T - T_1)}{(x - x_1)}$$

if integrated from  $x_1$  to  $x_2$ 

where L =thickness of the slab.

## Thermal Resistance concept:

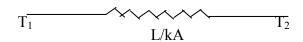
In the flow of electricity, the electrical resistance is determined from the ratio of electric potential divided by the electric current. Similarly, we may consider heat resistance as a ratio of the driving potential (temperature difference) divided by the rate of heat transfer.

Thus,

$$R_{conduction} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{q_x}$$

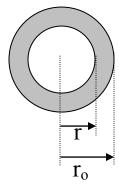
or,

units of resistance = °C/W



## **Conduction in Cylindrical objects**

## **HEAT TRANSFER IN A TUBULAR PIPE**





Fourier's Law in cylindrical coordinates

$$q_r = -kA \frac{dT}{dr}$$

**Boundary Conditions** 

$$T = T_i \quad at \qquad r = r_i$$

$$T = T_o \quad at \qquad r = r_o$$
Separating the variables

Integrating

$$\frac{q}{2\pi L} \left| \ln r \right|_{r_i}^{r_o} = -k \left| T \right|_{T_i}^{T_o}$$

$$\frac{q}{2\pi L} \left| \ln r_0 - \ln r_i \right| = -k \left( T_0 - T_i \right)$$

$$q = \frac{2\pi Lk(T_i - T_o)}{\ln\left(\frac{r_o}{r_i}\right)}$$

Using the preceding equation, we may write the conductive resistance in cylindrical coordinates as: