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# Approximatin of relative reactivity of aldehydes and ketones with each other

Aldehydes are more reactive than ketone

# List of basis for explanation of greater reactivity of aldehydes than ketones

- · Steric Hindrance
- · Inductive effect

### Steric hindrance in carbonyl compounds

Resistance of nucleophile from atoms present in carbonyl carbon - Greater the number of atoms attached to carbonyl carbon greater the steric hindrance

#### List of activities in Inductive effect in carbonyl compounds

- Resonate electrons around carbonyl carbon
- · Increase electron density at carbonyl carbon

# Expression of reactivity order of formaldehyde , aldehyde and ketone

Formaldehyde > Aldehyde > Ketone

### List of reactions exhibited by aliphatic aldehydes and ketones

- · Nucleophilic addition
- · Nucleophilic addition by loss of carbonyl oxygen
- Reduction

- Oxidation
- Alkyl and aryl
- Miscellaneous