Compose Key Sequences

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SPARC and x86 keyboards can produce all characters in the standard ISO 8859-1 (Latin-1) code set by using the Compose key. On a SPARC keyboard, pressing the Compose key should illuminate the light on the key. On an x86 keyboard, the Compose key is Control-Shift-F1 (hold the Control and Shift keys down and press the F1 key).

Localized keyboards do not all generate the same key codes for ISO Latin-1 characters. However, system translation tables take care of producing the right character code. The SunOS system finds its tables in `/usr/share/lib/keytables`.

Table B-1 shows how to produce special ISO Latin-1 characters using Compose key sequences.

Table B-1 Compose Key Sequences *(1 of 5)*

Compose		Result	Description
space	space		Space
!	!	¡	Inverted exclamation
c	/	¢	Cents
l	-	£	Pounds sterling
o	x	¤	Currency symbol
y	-	¥	Yen
|	|	||	Broken bar

Table B-1 Compose Key Sequences *(2 of 5)*

Compose		Result	Description
s	o	§	Section
"	"	¨	Umlaut/diaeresis
c	o	©	Copyright
-	a	ª	Feminine ordinal
<	<	«	Left guillemet
-	|	¬	Not sign
-	-	-	Soft hyphen
r	o	®	Registered
^	-	¯	Macron
^	0	°	Degree
+	-	+-	Plus-minus
^	2	$ sup 2$	Superscript 2
^	3	$ sup 3$	Superscript 3
\	\	´	Prime/acute accent
/	u	mu	Mu/micro
P	!	¶	Pilcro/paragraph
^	.	·	Middle dot
'	'	¸	Cedilla
^	1	$ sup 1$	Superscript 1
_	o	º	Masculine ordinal
>	>	»	Right guillemet
1	4	1/4	Quarter
1	2	1/2	Half
3	4	3/4	Three quarters
?	?	¿	Inverted question
A	'	À	A grave
A	'	Á	A acute

Table B-1 Compose Key Sequences *(3 of 5)*

Compose		Result	Description
A	^	Â	A circumflex
A	~	Ã	A tilde
A	"	Ä	A umlaut
A	*	Å	A angstrom
A	E	Æ	AE ligature
C	,	Ç	C cedilla
E	‘	È	E grave
E	’	É	E acute
E	^	Ê	E circumflex
E	"	Ë	E umlaut
I	‘	Ì	I grave
I	’	Í	I acute
I	^	Î	I circumflex
I	"	Ï	I umlaut
D	-	D-	Eth
N	~	Ñ	N tilde
O	‘	Ò	O grave
O	’	Ó	O acute
O	^	Ô	O circumflex
O	~	Õ	O tilde
O	"	Ö	O umlaut
x	x	x	Multiply
O	/	Ø	O slash
U	‘	Ù	U grave
U	’	Ú	U acute
U	^	Û	U circumflex
U	"	Ü	U umlaut

Table B-1 Compose Key Sequences *(4 of 5)*

Compose		Result	Description
Y	’	Y’	Y acute
T	H	Th	Thorn
s	s	ß	Eszett/digraph s
a	‘	à	a grave
a	’	á	a acute
a	^	â	a circumflex
a	~	ã	a tilde
a	"	ä	a umlaut
a	*	å	a angstrom
a	e	æ	ae ligature
c	,	ç	c cedilla
e	‘	è	e grave
e	’	é	e acute
e	^	ê	e circumflex
e	"	ë	e umlaut
i	‘	ì	i grave
i	’	í	i acute
i	^	î	i circumflex
i	"	ï	i umlaut
d	-	d-	eth
n	~	ñ	n tilde
o	‘	ò	o grave
o	’	ó	o acute
o	^	ô	o circumflex
o	~	õ	o tilde
o	"	ö	o umlaut
-	:	-:	Divide

Table B-1 Compose Key Sequences *(5 of 5)*

Compose		Result	Description
o	/	ø	o slash
u	‘	ù	u grave
u	’	ú	u acute
u	^	û	u circumflex
u	"	ü	u umlaut
y	’	y’	y acute
t	h	th	thorn
y	"	ÿ	y umlaut

The previous table of Compose key sequences is for ISO 8859-1 only. The ISO 8859 code sets are listed below.

Table B-2 ISO 8859 Standard Code Sets

Code Set	Name	Coverage	Approved
8859-1	Latin-1	Western Europe	15 February 1987
8859-2	Latin-2	Eastern Europe	15 February 1987
8859-3	Latin-3	Maltese, Catalan, Galician, Esperanto	15 April 1988
8859-4	Latin-4	Baltic and Nordic region	15 April 1988
8859-5	Cyrillic	Slavic countries	1 December 1988
8859-6	Arabic	Arab countries	15 August 1987
8859-7	Greek	Greece	15 November 1987
8859-8	Hebrew	Israel	1 June 1988
8859-9	Latin-5	8859-1 minus Iceland plus Turkey	15 May 1989

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