• The three-(or more)-argument form of open is being used and the second argument contains something else in addition to the usual '<', '>', '>>', '|' and their variants, for example:

```
open(my $fh, "<:utf8", $fn);</pre>
```

• The two-argument form of binmode is being used, for example

```
binmode($fh, ":encoding(utf16)");
```

For more detailed discussion about PerlIO see *PerlIO*; for more detailed discussion about Unicode and I/O see *perluniintro*.

31.6 SEE ALSO

The open and sysopen functions in perlfunc(1); the system open(2), dup(2), fopen(3), and fdopen(3) manpages; the POSIX documentation.

31.7 AUTHOR and COPYRIGHT

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