current locale; the 12 strings listed above are legal in all locales. If wctype is passed a string that's not supported in the current locale, it returns zero.

iswctype

A call of the iswctype function requires two parameters: wc (a wide character) and desc (a value returned by wctype). iswctype returns a nonzero value if wc belongs to the class of characters corresponding to desc. For example, the call

```
iswctype(wc, wctype("alnum"))
is equivalent to
iswalnum(wc)
```

wetype and iswetype are most useful when the argument to wetype is a string other than the standard ones listed above.

Wide-Character Case-Mapping Functions

```
wint_t towlower(wint_t wc);
wint t towupper(wint t wc);
```

towlower towupper The towlower and towupper functions are the wide-character counterparts of tolower and toupper. For example, towlower returns the lower-case version of its argument, if the argument is an upper-case letter; otherwise, it returns the argument unchanged. As usual, there may be quirks when dealing with wide characters. For example, more than one lower-case version of a letter may exist in the current locale, in which case towlower is allowed to return any one of them.

Extensible Wide-Character Case-Mapping Functions

```
wint_t towctrans(wint_t wc, wctrans_t desc);
wctrans_t wctrans(const char *property);
```

The wetrans and towetrans functions are used together to support generalized wide-character mapping.

wctrans

The wctrans function is passed a string describing a character mapping; it returns a wctrans_t value that represents the mapping. For example, the call

```
wctrans("tolower")
```

returns a wctrans_t value representing the mapping of upper-case letters to lower case. The C99 standard requires that the strings "tolower" and "toupper" be allowed as arguments to wctrans. Additional strings may be provided by an implementation. Which strings are legal arguments to wctrans at a given time depends on the LC_CTYPE category of the current locale; "tolower" and "toupper" are legal in all locales. If wctrans is passed a string that's not supported in the current locale, it returns zero.