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Let  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  be representations of a locally compact abelian group  $G$  on complex Banach spaces  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. This paper is devoted to study whether every continuous linear operators  $A : X \rightarrow Y$  with the property that  $\text{sp}(\tau, Ax) \subset \text{sp}(\sigma, x)$  ( $x \in X$ ) intertwines  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$ . We are also concerned with those operators satisfying the shrinking property only approximately.

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