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This volume provides a history of the domination of the Big Four in the Chinese accounting industry, explaining why China was unable to keep the market for its own accounting firms. The book details how easy access to U.S. capital markets led to major accounting scandals, and a clash between U.S. and Chinese regulators.