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Asphaltenes are molecular substances that are found in crude oil, along with resins, aromatic hydrocarbons, and alkanes. This book discusses the characterization of asphaltenes and crude oils using near-UV/visible absorption spectroscopy.
