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Single Molecule Spectroscopy is one of the hottest topics in today's chemistry. It brings us close to the the most exciting vision generations of chemists have been dreaming of: To observe and examine single molecules! While most of chemistry deals with myriads of molecules, this books presents the latest developments for the detection and investigation of single entities. Written by internationally renowned authors, it is a thorough and comprehensive survey of current methods and their applications.
