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Answers

$$\begin{aligned} (1) (\sec^2 y)(\cot^2 y)(\sin y) &= \left(\frac{1}{\cos^2 y}\right)\left(\frac{\cos^2 y}{\sin^2 y}\right)(\sin y) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sin^2 y} \cdot \sin y = \frac{1}{\sin y} = \boxed{\csc y} \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x \cdot \tan x} = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos x \cdot \frac{\sin x}{\cos x}} = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\sin x} = \boxed{\sin x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3) (\tan x + \cot x)(\sin x \cdot \cos x) \\ &= \left(\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} + \frac{\cos x}{\sin x}\right)(\sin x \cdot \cos x) \\ &= \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos x + \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos x \\ &= \sin x \cdot \sin x + \cos x \cdot \cos x \\ &= \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = \boxed{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \frac{\sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta}{\cot \theta} &= \frac{\sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta}{\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}} = \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \\ &= \sin \theta \cdot \sin \theta \\ &= \boxed{\sin^2 \theta} \end{aligned}$$