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► **INKSAVER** — \$35, **Strydent**. It seems that disposables expire just when we need them the most, not to mention their cost always seems to increase every time we buy them. Nowhere in the world of computing is that felt more than with our printers. Doesn't it seem like it was only yesterday you put in that brand new inkjet cartridge? InkSaver is a clever little program that lets you control the amount of ink used when printing a document. But unlike other products that simply reduce the amount of ink, InkSaver's creator, **Strydent Software**, claims that it uses sophisticated algorithms that optimize the printer data so that the printer uses less ink while still printing at its highest resolution. The company claims you can extend an ink cartridge by up to four times. InkSaver's control panel gives you complete and separate controls over both the black and color cartridges. Using a vertical slider, you can adjust the savings from 0 to 75 percent. One of the nice features is that the panel displays an estimated dollar savings you will realize at the given savings setting. InkSaver is compatible with most Hewlett-Packard, Epson and Canon color inkjet models and will work with any brand of ink cartridge or refill kit. Visit the InkSaver Web site for a trial version and to use their ink savings estimator that lets you input what you pay for black and color inks as well as how many you use in a year. The estimator will show you how much you will save using this product.