#### **Problem Statements:**

You are given a table, *Projects*, containing three columns: *Task\_ID*, *Start\_Date* and *End\_Date*. It is guaranteed that the difference between the *End\_Date* and the *Start\_Date* is equal to 1 day for each row in the table.

Column	Туре
Task_ID	Integer
Start_Date	Date
End_Date	Date

If the *End\_Date* of the tasks are consecutive, then they are part of the same project. Samantha is interested in finding the total number of different projects completed.

Write a query to output the start and end dates of projects listed by the number of days it took to complete the project in ascending order. If there is more than one project that have the same number of completion days, then order by the start date of the project.

# Sample Input

Task_ID	Start_Date	End_Date
1	2015-10-01	2015-10-02
2	2015-10-02	2015-10-03
3	2015-10-03	2015-10-04
4	2015-10-13	2015-10-14
5	2015-10-14	2015-10-15
6	2015-10-28	2015-10-29
7	2015-10-30	2015-10-31

## Sample Output

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2015-10-28 2015-10-29
2015-10-30 2015-10-31
2015-10-13 2015-10-15
2015-10-01 2015-10-04
```

## **Oracle Code:**

```
SELECT start_date, MIN(end_date)
```

**FROM** 

(SELECT start\_date FROM PROJECTS WHERE start\_date NOT IN (SELECT end\_date FROM PROJECTS)) a,

(SELECT end\_date FROM PROJECTS WHERE end\_date NOT IN (SELECT start\_date FROM PROJECTS)) b

where start\_date < end\_date

GROUP BY start\_date

ORDER BY (MIN(end\_date)-start\_date), start\_date;

## **SQL Server Code:**

```
SELECT start_date, MIN(end_date) as end_date
FROM
     (SELECT start_date FROM PROJECTS WHERE start_date NOT IN (SELECT end_date FROM
PROJECTS)) a,
     (SELECT end_date FROM PROJECTS WHERE end_date NOT IN (SELECT start_date FROM
PROJECTS)) b
where start_date < end_date
GROUP BY start_date
ORDER BY datediff(day, start_date, MIN(end_date)), start_date</pre>
```