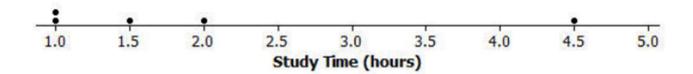
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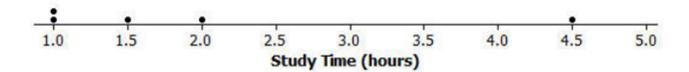
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The MAD is 1 hour. This means that, on average, the study times differed by 1 hour from the group mean of 2 hours.

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