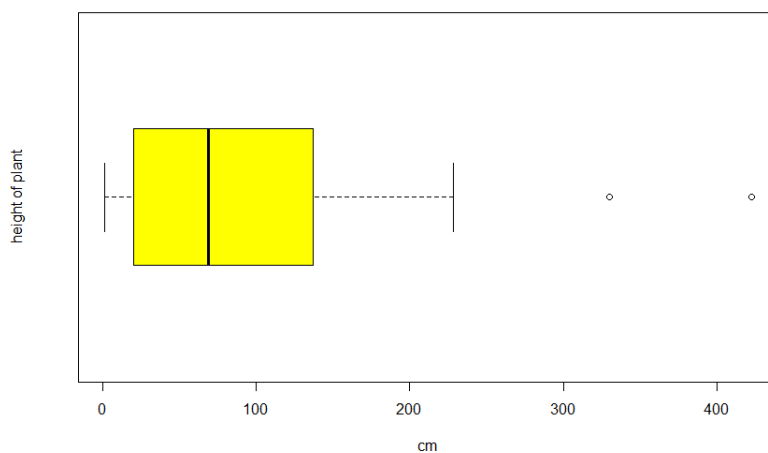


Q1

(a)

```
> A <- c(173.1, 61.5, 123.3, 100.4, 20.4, 20.9, 228.4, 1.0, 6.8,  
+       11.4, 7.7, 40.7, 15.8, 422.4, 58.2, 19.9, 38.8, 121.0,  
+       118.6, 174.9, 87.2, 14.0, 204.7, 81.9,  
+       57.3, 177.0, 14.1, 137.0, 76.4, 330.2)  
> boxplot(A, horizontal = TRUE, xlab = c("cm"), ylab = c("height of plant"),  
+         col = c("yellow"))
```



```
> summary(A)  
   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   
   1.00  20.02   68.95   98.17  133.57   422.40
```

So for center, since the graph is skewed, I'd better use median (68.95) to describe center;

For shape, it is asymmetric, right-skewed;

For spread, its range is $422.40 - 1.00 = 421.40$, IQR is $133.57 - 20.02 = 113.55$

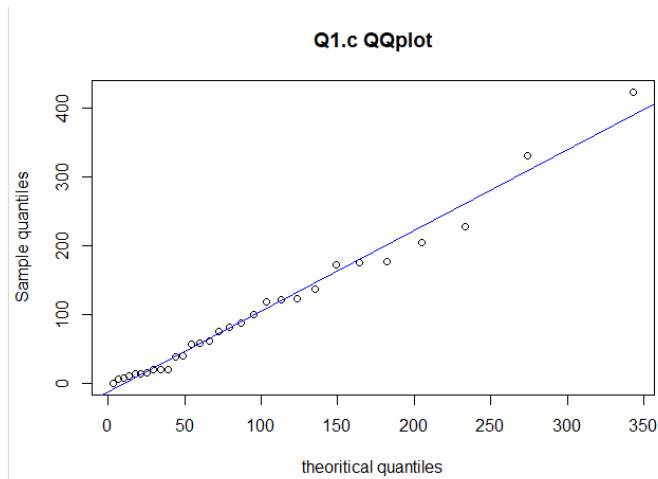
(b)

```
> library(MASS)  
> exponential.fit <- fitdistr(A, "exponential")  
>  
> theta.hat <- 1/exponential.fit$estimate  
> theta.hat  
   rate  
98.16667  
> mean(A)  
[1] 98.16667
```

Here we can know maximum likelihood estimate for theta is 98.16667 (which has the same value of the mean).

(c)

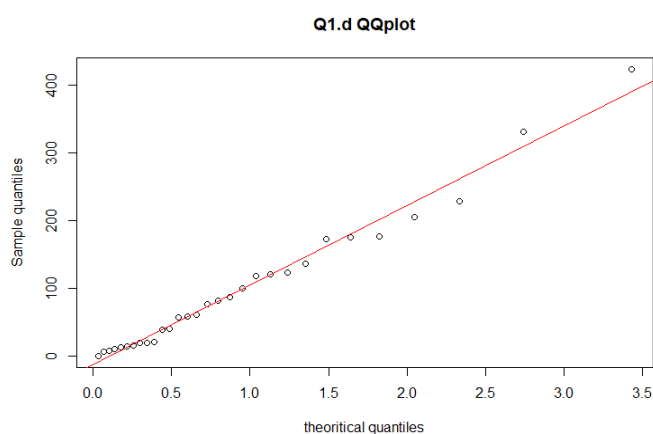
```
> p <- (1:30)/31
> qsam <- quantile(A, p, type = 6)
> qtheo <- qexp(p, 1/100)
> plot(qtheo, qsam, ylab = "Sample quantiles", xlab = "theoritical quantiles", main
= "Q1.c QQplot")
> fit <- lm(qsam ~ qtheo)
> abline(fit, col = "blue")
```



The model is relatively fit to the data, since all the points can be considered as falling on a line.

(d)

```
> qtheo2 <- qexp(p,1)
> plot(qtheo2, qsam, ylab = "Sample quantiles", xlab = "theoritical quantiles",
main = "Q1.d QQplot")
> fit2 <- lm(qsam ~ qtheo2)
> abline(fit2, col = "red" )
```



The approach will work. The slope will be approximately 100 and intercept will be approximately 0.

Q2

$$(a) \textcircled{1} f(x|\mu, \lambda) = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi\lambda}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(\ln x - \mu)^2}{2\lambda}\right\}, x > 0$$

$$L(\mu) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i\sqrt{2\pi\lambda}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(\ln x_i - \mu)^2}{2\lambda}\right\}$$

$$\ln L(\mu) = -\frac{1}{2}n \ln(2\pi\lambda) - \frac{1}{2\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \mu)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L(\mu)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \mu)$$

Setting $\frac{\partial \ln L(\mu)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \mu) = 0$ and solving gives:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i - n\mu = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i$$

$$\textcircled{2} f(x|\mu, \lambda) = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi\lambda}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(\ln x - \mu)^2}{2\lambda}\right\}, x > 0$$

$$L(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i\sqrt{2\pi\lambda}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(\ln x_i - \mu)^2}{2\lambda}\right\}$$

$$\ln L(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{2}n \ln(2\pi\lambda) - \frac{1}{2\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \mu)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = -\frac{1}{2}n \frac{1}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2\lambda^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \mu)^2$$

Setting $\frac{\partial \ln L(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = -\frac{1}{2}n \frac{1}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2\lambda^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \mu)^2 = 0$, solving gives:

$$\hat{\lambda} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \hat{\mu})^2$$

$$(b) i. \text{ let } Y_i = \ln x_i, \text{ then } \hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i = \bar{Y}$$

$$\text{hence } \hat{\lambda} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\ln x_i - \hat{\mu})^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2, \text{ and because } s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} = \frac{n-1}{n} s^2$$

$$\text{since } \frac{n-1}{s^2} \cdot s^2 = \frac{n-1}{\lambda} s^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2 \Rightarrow \text{Var}\left[\frac{n-1}{\lambda} \cdot s^2\right] = 2(n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}\left(\frac{n\hat{\lambda}}{\lambda}\right) = \frac{n^2}{\lambda^2} \text{Var}(\hat{\lambda}) = 2(n-1) \Rightarrow \text{Var}(\hat{\lambda}) = \frac{2\lambda^2(n-1)}{n^2}$$

$$\text{thus, } \text{sd}(\hat{\lambda}) = \sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{\lambda})} = \frac{\lambda}{n} \sqrt{2(n-1)}$$

$$ii \text{ since } \frac{n-1}{\lambda} \cdot s^2 = \frac{n\hat{\lambda}}{\lambda} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P_r\left(F^{-1}\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \leq \frac{n\hat{\lambda}}{\lambda} \leq F^{-1}\left(1-\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)\right) = 1-\alpha, \text{ and then rearrange as usual,}$$

$$\text{hence } 100(1-\alpha)\% \text{ CI for } \lambda \text{ is } \left(\frac{n\hat{\lambda}}{F^{-1}\left(1-\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)}, \frac{n\hat{\lambda}}{F^{-1}\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)}\right), \text{ here } F^{-1} \text{ is regarding } \chi_{n-1}^2$$

(c)

i.

```
> B <- c(12.9, 2.3, 2.4, 65.0, 6.7, 1.8, 1.5, 1.7, 248.7, 1.0, 2.0, 4.9, 3.6, 4.1, 6.8)
> mu.hat <- sum(log(B)) / 15
> lambda.hat <- sum((log(B) - mu.hat)^2) / 15
> # according to q2(b)i, we can know:
> se.lambda.hat <- lambda.hat * sqrt(2*(15-1))/15
> se.lambda.hat
[1] 0.7360108
```

ii.

```
> lambda.hat
[1] 2.086394
> upperbound <- 15 * lambda.hat / qchisq(p = 0.025, df = 15 - 1)
> lowerbound <- 15 * lambda.hat / qchisq(p = 0.975, df = 15 - 1)
> upperbound
[1] 5.560036
> lowerbound
[1] 1.198207
```

(for 95% CI)

Q3

$$(a) \quad i. \quad E(X) = \frac{0+\theta}{2} = \frac{\theta}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = 2 \cdot E(X) \Rightarrow \tilde{\theta} = 2\bar{X}$$

$$E(\tilde{\theta}) = E(2\bar{X}) = 2E(\bar{X}) = 2E(X) = \theta$$

$$Var(\tilde{\theta}) = Var(2\bar{X}) = 2^2 Var(\bar{X}) = 4 \frac{Var(X)}{n} = \frac{4}{n} \left(\frac{\theta^2}{12} \right) = \frac{\theta^2}{3n}$$

since a single observation, which means $n=1$, then:

$$\tilde{\theta} = 2X$$

$$E(\tilde{\theta}) = \theta$$

$$Var(\tilde{\theta}) = \frac{\theta^2}{3}$$

$$ii \quad f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta - 0} = \frac{1}{\theta}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \theta$$

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)^n$$

$$\ln L(\theta) = -n \ln \theta$$

$$\frac{d \ln L(\theta)}{d\theta} = -\frac{n}{\theta} < 0$$

So $L(\theta)$ is a decreasing function for $\theta \geq x_{(n)}$, and $L(\theta)$ is maximized at $\theta = x_{(n)}$, hence the MLE for θ is given by

$$\hat{\theta} = X_{(n)}$$

$$E(\hat{\theta}) = E(X_{(n)}) = \frac{n\theta}{n+1}$$

$$Var(\hat{\theta}) = Var(X_{(n)}) = E(X_{(n)}^2) - E^2(X_{(n)}) = \frac{n\theta^2}{n+2} - \frac{n^2\theta^2}{(n+1)^2}$$

since a single observation, which means $n=1$, then:

$$\hat{\theta} = X$$

$$E(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$Var(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\theta^2}{3} - \frac{\theta^2}{4} = \frac{\theta^2}{12}$$

(b) i. According to Q3(a)ii, $Var(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{n\theta^2}{n+2} - \frac{n^2\theta^2}{(n+1)^2}$
 $bias(\hat{\theta}) = E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta \Rightarrow bias(\hat{\theta})^2 = E^2(\hat{\theta}) - 2\theta E(\hat{\theta}) + \theta^2$
 $MSE(\hat{\theta}) = E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] = E[\hat{\theta}^2 - 2\hat{\theta}\theta + \theta^2] = E[\hat{\theta}^2] - 2\theta E[\hat{\theta}] + E[\theta^2]$
 $= E[\hat{\theta}^2] - 2\theta E[\hat{\theta}] + \theta^2$
 $Var(\hat{\theta}) = E[\hat{\theta}^2] - E^2[\hat{\theta}]$
hence $Var(\hat{\theta}) + bias(\hat{\theta})^2 = E[\hat{\theta}^2] - E^2[\hat{\theta}] + E^2(\hat{\theta}) - 2\theta E(\hat{\theta}) + \theta^2$
 $= E[\hat{\theta}^2] - 2\theta E(\hat{\theta}) + \theta^2$
 $= MSE(\hat{\theta})$

ii. for MME: $MSE(\hat{\theta}) = Var(\hat{\theta}) + bias(\hat{\theta})^2 = Var(\hat{\theta}) + (E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta)^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{3} + (\theta - \theta)^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{3}$
for MLE: $MSE(\hat{\theta}) = Var(\hat{\theta}) + bias(\hat{\theta})^2 = Var(\hat{\theta}) + (E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta)^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{12} + (\frac{\theta}{2} - \theta)^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{3}$

iii. According to above answers, $\tilde{\theta} = 2X$, $\hat{\theta} = X$
Setting $\hat{\theta}_2 = \frac{\hat{\theta} + \tilde{\theta}}{2} = \frac{3}{2}X$
hence $E(\hat{\theta}_2) = E(\frac{3}{2}X) = \frac{3}{2}E(X) = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{3}{4}\theta$
 $Var(\hat{\theta}_2) = Var(\frac{3}{2}X) = \frac{9}{4}Var(X) = \frac{9}{4} \times \frac{\theta^2}{12} = \frac{3}{16}\theta^2$
 $MSE(\hat{\theta}_2) = Var(\hat{\theta}_2) + bias(\hat{\theta}_2)^2 = \frac{3}{16}\theta^2 + (\frac{3}{4}\theta - \theta)^2 = \frac{1}{4}\theta^2 < MSE(\hat{\theta}) = MSE(\tilde{\theta})$

(c)

i. for MME:

$E(X) = \frac{0+\theta}{2} = \frac{\theta}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = 2E(X) \Rightarrow \tilde{\theta} = 2\bar{X}$
 $E(\tilde{\theta}) = E(2\bar{X}) = 2E(\bar{X}) = 2E(X) = \theta$
 $Var(\tilde{\theta}) = Var(2\bar{X}) = 2^2 Var(\bar{X}) = 4 \frac{Var(X)}{n} = \frac{4}{n} (\frac{\theta^2}{12}) = \frac{\theta^2}{3n}$
 $MSE(\tilde{\theta}) = Var(\tilde{\theta}) + bias(\tilde{\theta})^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{3n} + [\theta - \theta]^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{3n}$

ii. for MLE:

$f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta - 0} = \frac{1}{\theta}, 0 \leq x \leq \theta$

$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta) = (\frac{1}{\theta})^n$

$\ln L(\theta) = -n \ln \theta$

$\frac{d \ln L(\theta)}{d\theta} = -\frac{n}{\theta} < 0$

So $L(\theta)$ is a decreasing function for $\theta \geq X_{(n)}$, and $L(\theta)$ is maximized at $\theta = X_{(n)}$, hence the MLE for θ is given by

$\hat{\theta} = X_{(n)}$

$E(\hat{\theta}) = E(X_{(n)}) = \frac{n\theta}{n+1}$

$Var(\hat{\theta}) = Var(X_{(n)}) = E(X_{(n)}^2) - E^2(X_{(n)}) = \frac{n\theta^2}{n+2} - \frac{n^2\theta^2}{(n+1)^2} = \frac{n\theta^2}{(n+2)(n+1)^2}$

$MSE(\hat{\theta}) = Var(\hat{\theta}) + bias(\hat{\theta})^2 = \frac{n\theta^2}{n+2} - \frac{n^2\theta^2}{(n+1)^2} + (\frac{n\theta}{n+1} - \theta)^2 = \frac{2\theta^2}{(n+2)(n+1)}$

iii. $E(a\hat{\theta}) = aE(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{an\theta}{n+1}$, $Var(a\hat{\theta}) = a^2 Var(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{a^2 n\theta^2}{(n+2)(n+1)^2}$

$MSE(a\hat{\theta}) = Var(a\hat{\theta}) + bias(a\hat{\theta})^2 = \frac{a^2 n\theta^2}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} + (\frac{an\theta}{n+1} - \theta)^2$

Setting $\frac{dMSE(a\hat{\theta})}{da} = \frac{2an\theta^2}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} + 2a \frac{n^2\theta^2}{(n+1)^2} - \frac{2n\theta^2}{n+1} = 0$

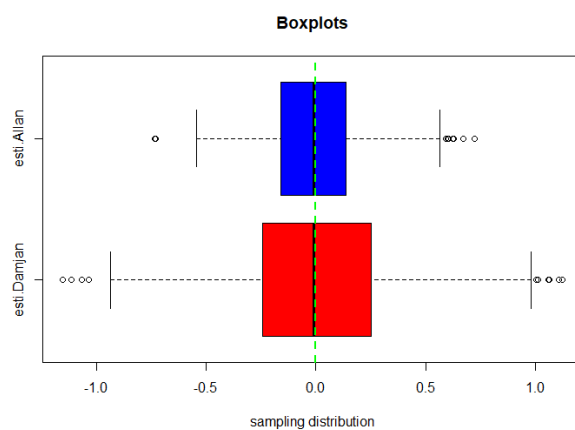
solving and gives: $a = \frac{n+2}{n+1}$

hence $a = \frac{n+2}{n+1}$ minimises MSE

Q4.

```
> num.simulation <- 1000
> samplesize <- 20
> esti.Damjan <- 1 : num.simulation
> esti.Allan <- 1 : num.simulation
> for (i in 1 : num.simulation) {
+   sample <- rnorm(samplesize)
+   esti.Damjan[i] <- (min(sample) + max(sample)) / 2
+   esti.Allan[i] <- mean(sample)
+ }
> bias.Damjan <- mean(esti.Damjan) - 0
> bias.Allan <- mean(esti.Allan) - 0
> var.Damjan <- var(esti.Damjan)
> var.Allan <- var(esti.Allan)
> bias.Damjan
[1] 0.008845386
> bias.Allan
[1] -0.003088627
> var.Damjan
[1] 0.1337073
> var.Allan
[1] 0.04974547

> boxplot(esti.Damjan, esti.Allan, col = c("red", "blue"), xlab = "sampling distribution",
+   names = c("esti.Damjan", "esti.Allan"), main = "Boxplots", horizontal = TRUE)
> abline(v = 0, col = "green", lty = 2, lwd = 2)
```



Q5

(a). since X_1, X_2, X_3 are independent with each other

$$E[T_1] = E\left[\frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2) + \frac{1}{2}X_3\right] = \frac{1}{4}E(X_1) + \frac{1}{4}E(X_2) + \frac{1}{2}E(X_3) = \frac{1}{4}\mu + \frac{1}{4}\mu + \frac{1}{2}\mu = \mu$$

hence T_1 is unbiased

$$E[T_2] = E\left[\frac{1}{3}(X_1 + 2X_2 + 3X_3)\right] = \frac{1}{3}E(X_1 + 2X_2 + 3X_3) = \frac{1}{3}E(X_1) + \frac{2}{3}E(X_2) + E(X_3) \\ = \frac{1}{3}\mu + \frac{2}{3}\mu + \mu = 2\mu$$

hence T_2 is biased

$$E[T_3] = E\left[\frac{1}{3}(X_1 + X_2 + X_3)\right] = \frac{1}{3}E(X_1 + X_2 + X_3) = \frac{1}{3}E(X_1) + \frac{1}{3}E(X_2) + \frac{1}{3}E(X_3) = \frac{1}{3}\mu \times 3 = \mu$$

hence T_3 is unbiased

$$E[T_4] = E\left[\frac{1}{2}(X_1 + X_2) + \frac{1}{4}X_3^2\right] = \frac{1}{2}E(X_1) + \frac{1}{2}E(X_2) + \frac{1}{4}E(X_3^2) = \frac{1}{2}\mu + \frac{1}{2}\mu + \frac{1}{4}\left(\mu^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{3}\right) \\ = \mu + \frac{1}{4}\mu^2 + \frac{1}{36}\sigma^2 \neq \mu$$

hence T_4 is biased

Overall, T_1 and T_3 are unbiased

$$(b) \text{Var}[T_1] = \text{Var}\left[\frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2) + \frac{1}{2}X_3\right] = \frac{1}{16}\text{Var}[X_1] + \frac{1}{16}\text{Var}[X_2] + \frac{1}{4}\text{Var}[X_3] = \frac{1}{16}\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{16}\frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\frac{\sigma^2}{3} \approx 0.106\sigma^2$$

$$\text{Var}[T_3] = \text{Var}\left[\frac{1}{3}(X_1 + X_2 + X_3)\right] = \frac{1}{9}\text{Var}[X_1] + \frac{1}{9}\text{Var}[X_2] + \frac{1}{9}\text{Var}[X_3] = \frac{1}{9} \times \left(\sigma^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \frac{\sigma^2}{3}\right) \approx 0.151\sigma^2$$

So $\text{Var}[T_1] < \text{Var}[T_3]$, T_1 has smallest variance

(c) Through comparison of T_1 and T_3 and their variances,

$$\text{set } T_5 = \frac{1}{6}X_1 + \frac{1}{3}X_2 + \frac{1}{2}X_3, \text{ (since } \frac{1}{6} < \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{2}\text{)}$$

$$\text{hence } E[T_5] = E\left[\frac{1}{6}X_1 + \frac{1}{3}X_2 + \frac{1}{2}X_3\right] = \frac{1}{6}E(X_1) + \frac{1}{3}E(X_2) + \frac{1}{2}E(X_3) = \frac{1}{6}\mu + \frac{1}{3}\mu + \frac{1}{2}\mu = \mu$$

, which proves T_5 is unbiased

$$\text{Var}[T_5] = \text{Var}\left[\frac{1}{6}X_1 + \frac{1}{3}X_2 + \frac{1}{2}X_3\right] = \frac{1}{36}\text{Var}[X_1] + \frac{1}{9}\text{Var}[X_2] + \frac{1}{4}\text{Var}[X_3] \\ = \frac{1}{36}\sigma^2 + \frac{1}{9} \times \frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\frac{\sigma^2}{3} = \frac{1}{12}\sigma^2 \approx 0.0833\sigma^2 < \text{Var}[T_1] < \text{Var}[T_3]$$

So estimator $T_5 = \frac{1}{6}X_1 + \frac{1}{3}X_2 + \frac{1}{2}X_3$ is what I suggest.