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C:\Users\Chayce\AppData\Local\Microsoft\WindowsApps\python3.13.exe C:\Users\
   Chayce\Documents\CollegeFinalSemester\Algorithms\HW Folder\HW8\q5.py
   Median-of-Three Pivot Selection in Quicksort Simulation
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   This script demonstrates the probability distribution of pivot positions
   when using median-of-three selection in Quicksort.
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   Comparing empirical results with theoretical formulas...
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   Comparing empirical vs theoretical probabilities:
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   a EmpiricalTheoretical Difference
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             | 1/20 [00:00<00:08, 2.16it/s]0.01 0.999300 0.999460 0.000160
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             | 16/20 [00:07<00:01, 2.12it/s]0.39 0.323500 0.327997 0.004497
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30 0.46 0.106800 0.105719 0.001081
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   0.49 0.033900 0.030026 0.003874
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   Graph saved as 'median of three splits.png'
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   Generating distribution of pivot positions...
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   Pivot distribution graph saved as 'pivot distribution.png'
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   Detailed probability analysis for specific values of a:
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   a = 0.1:
43
    - Empirical probability: 0.946480
44
    - Correct theoretical formula: 0.944431
45
    - Difference (empirical vs correct): 0.002049
46
    - Interpretation: ~94.6% chance of getting at worst a 10-90 split
47
   a = 0.2:
48
    - Empirical probability: 0.791560
49
    - Correct theoretical formula: 0.792576
50
    - Difference (empirical vs correct): 0.001016
51
    - Interpretation: ~79.2% chance of getting at worst a 20-80 split
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52 a = 0.3:
53
     - Empirical probability: 0.571320
     - Correct theoretical formula: 0.568504
55
     - Difference (empirical vs correct): 0.002816
56
     - Interpretation: ~57.1% chance of getting at worst a 30-70 split
57 a = 0.4:
     - Empirical probability: 0.299080
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59
     - Correct theoretical formula: 0.296288
60
     - Difference (empirical vs correct): 0.002792
61
     - Interpretation: ~29.9% chance of getting at worst a 40-60 split
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    Process finished with exit code 0
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