Original Image



Quantized Image (32 Levels)



- 1. **Load the Image and Convert to Grayscale**: First, read the image file. If it's a color image, convert it to grayscale, so you're working with shades of gray.
- 2. **Normalize the Pixel Values**: Change the image data to a double type and divide by 255 to scale the pixel values to a range between 0 and 1. This step makes the data easier to work with for quantization.

- 3. **Quantize to 32 Levels**:Multiply the image by 31 (since we want 32 levels, and the range goes from 0 to 31), then round the values to the nearest whole number. Now, each pixel has one of 32 possible grayscale levels.
- 4. **Reduce the Image Size**:Use the imresize function to shrink the image down by 90% (scale it by 0.1) using 'nearest' interpolation, which preserves the quantized levels without adding new ones.
- 5. **Restore the Original Size**:Resize the image back to its original dimensions, again using 'nearest' interpolation, to maintain the 32 levels created earlier.
- 6. **Convert Back to 8-bit Grayscale**: Scale the pixel values back to the full grayscale range (0 to 255) and convert the image to uint8, so it's ready for display.
- 7. **Display Both Images**:Finally, use subplot to show the original image and the quantized 32-level version side by side. This allows you to compare the detailed grayscale with the simplified 32-level version.

This process effectively reduces the grayscale complexity of the image, showing only 32 shades of gray, which gives a more posterized or stylized look while keeping the image structure intact.