Some tips on writing the essay:
- It will be good to look at other papers and get inspiration from their styles, e.g. related work sections of well-written papers or surveys on animation.

- Do not organize sections as Paper 1, Paper 2, Paper 3. Instead introduce a coherent story, e.g. Methods to audio-driven facial animation can be classified into two categories: 1) Procedural approaches, 2) Data-driven approaches. Give further subcategories if necessary and mention which category the papers you have selected belong to.

- Mention in the first place why you have chosen these papers in particular among many others, why they are significant, why and how they are different from each other.

- Focus on state-of-the-art methods. You can still analyze an old pioneering/very important paper as part of the three if really necessary but then you should point to more recent papers for the remaining papers.

- Do not focus only on what and how the methods work but why these methods are proposed in the first place.

- Do not repeat, copy/paste exactly the content of the papers, provide your own understanding.

- Explain the technicalities clearly, if you give a formula, make sure you define every variable with proper mathematical notation.

- Make sure the formatting and organization is very clear. At the beginning of each section, have a few lines to introduce what will be explained in this section.

- Think of ways to provide a structured comparison, for example you can introduce some meaningful comparison criteria. Explain first what these criteria mean and then provide an analysis of these papers according to defined criteria.

- Provide a convincing argumentation of your ideas. You can also use supporting evidence and references. Do not hesitate to repeat when necessary.
- Make sure graphs and tables are readable.
- Remember that there is no single formula to write an essay. It is about conceptual and creative thinking, critical analysis, self-reflection and also having a good understanding of the papers and the field of research you are writing about.
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