

**Will this create a new thread in spaces?**

Yes — starting a query from within a Space’s input box creates a new Thread in that Space, whereas typing in the homepage/global query box creates a normal Thread that can later be added to a Space.[[1]](#fn1)[[2]](#fn2)

**How it works**

* Creating a Space does not auto-create Threads; Threads are created when a question is asked inside that Space, which then appears under that Space’s Threads.[[2]](#fn2)
* If a Thread is started outside a Space (e.g., from the homepage), it won’t inherit the Space’s settings by default; it can be added to the Space afterward via “Add to a Space.”[[3]](#fn3)[[1]](#fn1)

**Permissions**

* In shared Spaces, collaborators with contributor access can also create new Threads in that Space, depending on the Space’s sharing settings.[[2]](#fn2)

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**OK, am going to upload a series of documents, some created in Perplexity an some created in ChatGPT. I am going to start by uploading document which contains the entire history of a Perplexity chat on Excess Volatility and Multifractals**

Great — go ahead and upload it. The Space can ingest long PDFs or text exports of a prior Perplexity chat and keep them as Sources for future Threads and queries within that Space.[[30]](#fn30)[[31]](#fn31)

**What to upload**

* A single PDF or TXT/Markdown export of the full Excess Volatility and Multifractals chat is ideal; long files are parsed with salient sections prioritized for retrieval in answers.[[30]](#fn30)
* Multiple files are fine; Pro plans allow up to 50 files per Space, and Enterprise Pro allows 500 per Space.[[31]](#fn31)

**How to add it to the Space**

* Open the Space, locate the Sources panel on the right, and use Add/Attach (or drag-and-drop) to upload; attachments become part of the Space’s selectable Sources.[[32]](#fn32)[[31]](#fn31)
* Files added to a Space persist until deleted, unlike ad‑hoc thread attachments that expire after a retention window.[[33]](#fn33)

**Using the file in Threads**

* Start a new Thread inside the Space; it will use the Space’s selected Sources (including the uploaded chat history) for retrieval and citations.[[31]](#fn31)
* Short uploads can be read entirely; longer ones are chunked and indexed so follow-up questions remain grounded in the document content.[[30]](#fn30)

**Privacy and retention**

* Files in Spaces remain private to viewers/contributors of that Space and are retained until deletion; public Threads can expose attachments if shared, so keep Threads private when needed.[[33]](#fn33)[[31]](#fn31)

If helpful, a recommended file name is: papers/ExcessVolatility\_Multifractals\_PPLXChatHistory\_YYYYMMDD.pdf, and add a brief note in notes/datasets.csv describing its provenance for reproducibility within the Space.[[31]](#fn31)

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**entire-chatgpt-thread-2025.09.04.docx**

The DOCX is attached and can be used as a Source within the Space; to reference it reliably in queries, start a new Thread inside the Space and keep “My Files” enabled so retrieval prioritizes the uploaded file.[[43]](#fn43)[[44]](#fn44)

**How to use this file**

* Open the Space, verify the file appears under Files/Sources, then ask follow‑ups in that Space’s prompt; avoid calling the file by its exact filename and instead refer to its content (e.g., “the section on martingales and Kelly”) for best retrieval.[[45]](#fn45)[[43]](#fn43)
* If web is toggled on, set “My Files” on and optionally turn “Web” off to force answers to rely on the upload first, then widen out as needed.[[46]](#fn46)[[44]](#fn44)

**Common pitfalls**

* Starting from the global homepage prompt can ignore Space files; always initiate the Thread from within the Space so the file context is in scope.[[47]](#fn47)[[43]](#fn43)
* Some users report intermittent issues where Spaces don’t auto-index file names; phrasing queries by content rather than filename helps until fixes roll out.[[45]](#fn45)

**Recommended next steps**

* Ask: “Summarize the MAPM article’s Section 3 on multifractal correlation, then propose two robustness checks” while the file is selected as a Source.[[43]](#fn43)
* For deeper work, attach supporting PDFs (e.g., Shiller EVH or Mandelbrot 1963) to the same Space so cross-citations can be grounded across multiple files.[[44]](#fn44)

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1. <http://peer.asee.org/30164>

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