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We focus on the study of existence and uniqueness of distributional and classical solutions to the Cauchy Boltzmann problem case assuming  $S^{n-1}$ -integrability of the angular part of the collision kernel (Grad cut-off assumption) with data near Maxwellian distributions.

We will show convolution estimates of Young's inequality type for the case of hard potentials, Hardy-Littlewood-Sobolev type inequality for soft potentials [ACG]. The main technique is radial average symmetrization using classical tools of harmonic analysis. Then, using the Kaniel-Shinbrot iteration we present elementary proofs of existence for initial data near local Maxwellians [AG] to obtain globally bounded solutions for soft potentials. We also study the propagation of regularity using the convolution estimates estimate for the gain operator, and an  $L^p$ -stability result, with  $1 < p < \infty$ .

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