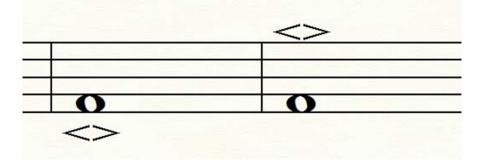
I call " < > " a soft accent, for want of better articulation term.

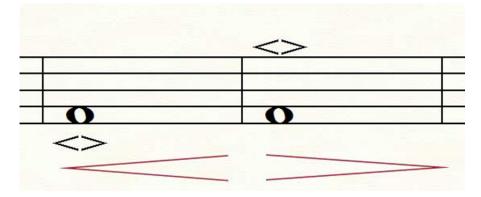
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To me, a "messa di voce" is something like this;

and it is different from this;



I could easily combine usual dynamics,



If there is a specific font for a soft accent, application to notes of shorter durations becomes much eaiser..

