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bpmnVisualizationR-shiny-output

*Shiny output binding for the bpmnVisualizationR 'HTML' widget*

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## Description

Helper to create output function for using the bpmnVisualizationR 'HTML' widget within 'Shiny' applications and interactive 'Rmd' documents.

## Usage

```
bpmnVisualizationROutput(outputId, width = "100%", height = "400px")
```

## Arguments

outputId	output variable to read from
width, height	Must be a valid CSS unit (like 100%, 400px, auto) or a number, which will be coerced to a string and have px appended.

## Value

An output function that enables the use of the bpmnVisualizationR widget within 'Shiny' applications.

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create\_edge\_style      *Create the style for BPMN edge*

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## Description

Use this function to create the correct style structure for the edge.

**Usage**

```

create_edge_style(
  elementIds,
  stroke_color = NULL,
  stroke_width = NULL,
  stroke_opacity = NULL,
  font_color = NULL,
  font_family = NULL,
  font_size = NULL,
  font_bold = NULL,
  font_italic = NULL,
  font_strike_through = NULL,
  font_underline = NULL,
  font_opacity = NULL,
  opacity = NULL
)

```

**Arguments**

elementIds	The IDs of the BPMN elements to style.
stroke_color	The stroke color for the element. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code, or special keywords.
stroke_width	The stroke width for the element, in pixels (1 to 50). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the set value is less than 1, the used value is 1.</li> <li>• If the set value is greater than 50, the used value is 50.</li> <li>• To hide the stroke, set the stroke_color property to none.</li> </ul>
stroke_opacity	The stroke opacity for the element, ranging from 0 to 100.
font_color	The font color for the element. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code, or special keywords.
font_family	The font family for the element.
font_size	The font size for the element, in pixels.
font_bold	Should the font be bold? (default: FALSE)
font_italic	Should the font be italic? (default: FALSE)
font_strike_through	Should the font have a strike-through style? (default: FALSE)
font_underline	Should the font be underlined? (default: FALSE)
font_opacity	The font opacity for the element, ranging from 0 to 100.
opacity	The opacity for the element, ranging from 0 to 100.

**Value**

A list representing the style for the BPMN edge.

**Special keywords**

- default** • This keyword allows you to reset a style property of the BPMN element to its initial value.
- When applied to color properties, it bypasses the color specified in the 'BPMN' source if 'BPMN in Color' support is enabled. Instead, it uses the color defined in the default style of the 'BPMN' element..
- inherit** Applies the value from the immediate parent element.
- none** No color (used to hide strokes). Not available for font\_color.
- swimlane** Applies the value from the nearest parent element with type ShapeBpmnElementKind.LANE or ShapeBpmnElementKind.POOL.

**Note****Opacity properties:**

- If the set value is less than 0, the used value is 0.
- If the set value is greater than 100, the used value is 100.

**Warning: stroke\_width property:**

Changing the stroke width of Activities may be misleading, as the default stroke widths have a meaning according to the 'BPMN' Specification.

For example, updating the stroke width of a task using the same value as the default stroke width of a Call Activity can be confusing.

In this case, you should also change another property, such as the stroke color, to allow the user to differentiate between them.

**Examples**

```
# Create a style with a blue stroke and a bold, red font.
edge_style <- create_edge_style(
  elementIds = list('id_1', 'id_2'),
  stroke_color = "blue",
  stroke_width = 2,
  font_color = "red",
  font_bold = TRUE
)
```

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create\_gradient\_fill *Create a gradient fill style for an element*

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**Description**

Create a gradient fill style for an element.

**Usage**

```
create_gradient_fill(direction, start_color, end_color)
```

**Arguments**

direction	The direction of the gradient (e.g., left-to-right, right-to-left, bottom-to-top, top-to-bottom). Taking the example of bottom-to-top, this means that the start color is at the bottom of the paint pattern and the end color is at the top, with a gradient between them.
start_color	The starting color of the gradient. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code, as well as special keywords such as inherit, none, swimlane.
end_color	The ending color of the gradient. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code, as well as special keywords such as inherit, none, swimlane.

**Value**

A gradient fill style object.

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create_overlay	<i>Create an overlay</i>
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**Description**

An overlay can be added to existing elements in the diagram.

See the overlays argument in the [display](#) function.

Use this function to create the correct overlay structure.

**Usage**

```
create_overlay(elementId, label, style = NULL, position = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

elementId	The bpmn element id to which the overlay will be attached
label	'HTML' element to use as an overlay
style	The style of the overlay. Use <a href="#">create_overlay_style</a> function to create the style object of an overlay and be aware of the enableDefaultOverlayStyle parameter in the <a href="#">display</a> function.
position	The position of the overlay If the bpmn element where the overlay will be attached is a Shape, use <a href="#">overlay_shape_position</a> . Otherwise, use <a href="#">overlay_edge_position</a> .

**Value**

An overlay object

## Examples

```
# Example 1: Create an overlay with shape position "top-left"
overlay_style <- create_overlay_style(
  font_color = 'DarkSlateGray',
  font_size = 23,
  fill_color = 'MistyRose',
  stroke_color = 'Red'
)

overlay <- create_overlay(
  "my-shape-id",
  "My Overlay Label",
  style = overlay_style,
  position = overlay_shape_position[1]
)

# Example 2: Create an overlay with edge position "end"
overlay_style <- create_overlay_style(
  font_color = 'DarkSlateGray',
  font_size = 23,
  fill_color = 'MistyRose',
  stroke_color = 'Red'
)

overlay <- create_overlay(
  "my-edge-id",
  "My Overlay Label",
  style = overlay_style,
  position = overlay_edge_position[2]
)
```

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create\_overlay\_style *Create the style of an overlay*

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## Description

When adding an overlay to an existing element in a diagram, it's possible to customize its style.

Refer to the style parameter in the [create\\_overlay](#) function for more information.

Use this function to create the correct style structure for an overlay.

## Usage

```
create_overlay_style(
  font_color = NULL,
  font_size = NULL,
  fill_color = NULL,
  stroke_color = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

font_color	The font color of the overlay. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code.
font_size	The font size of the overlay. Specify a number in pixels.
fill_color	The color of the background of the overlay. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code.
stroke_color	The color of the stroke of the overlay. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code. If you don't want to display a stroke, you can set the color to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• transparent,</li><li>• the same value as for the fill_color. This increases the padding/margin.</li></ul>

**Value**

The style object of the overlay

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create\_shape\_style      *Create the style for BPMN shape*

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**Description**

Use this function to create the correct style structure for the shape.

**Usage**

```
create_shape_style(  
  elementIds,  
  stroke_color = NULL,  
  stroke_width = NULL,  
  stroke_opacity = NULL,  
  font_color = NULL,  
  font_family = NULL,  
  font_size = NULL,  
  font_bold = NULL,  
  font_italic = NULL,  
  font_strike_through = NULL,  
  font_underline = NULL,  
  font_opacity = NULL,  
  opacity = NULL,  
  fill_color = NULL,  
  fill_opacity = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

elementIds	The IDs of the BPMN elements to style.
stroke_color	The stroke color for the element. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code, or special keywords.
stroke_width	The stroke width for the element, in pixels (1 to 50). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the set value is less than 1, the used value is 1.</li> <li>• If the set value is greater than 50, the used value is 50.</li> <li>• To hide the stroke, set the stroke_color property to none.</li> </ul>
stroke_opacity	The stroke opacity for the element, ranging from 0 to 100.
font_color	The font color for the element. It can be any HTML color name or HEX code, or special keywords.
font_family	The font family for the element.
font_size	The font size for the element, in pixels.
font_bold	Should the font be bold? (default: FALSE)
font_italic	Should the font be italic? (default: FALSE)
font_strike_through	Should the font have a strike-through style? (default: FALSE)
font_underline	Should the font be underlined? (default: FALSE)
font_opacity	The font opacity for the element, ranging from 0 to 100.
opacity	The opacity for the element, ranging from 0 to 100.
fill_color	The fill color for the shape It can be any HTML color name or HEX code, special keywords, or a gradient create with <a href="#">create_gradient_fill</a> .
fill_opacity	The fill opacity for the shape, ranging from 0 to 100.

**Value**

A list representing the style for the BPMN shape.

**Special keywords**

default	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This keyword allows you to reset a style property of the BPMN element to its initial value.</li> <li>• When applied to color properties, it bypasses the color specified in the 'BPMN' source if 'BPMN in Color' support is enabled. Instead, it uses the color defined in the default style of the 'BPMN' element..</li> </ul>
inherit	Applies the value from the immediate parent element.
none	No color (used to hide strokes). Not available for font_color.
swimlane	Applies the value from the nearest parent element with type ShapeBpmnElementKind.LANE or ShapeBpmnElementKind.POOL.



**Note****Opacity properties:**

- If the set value is less than 0, the used value is 0.
- If the set value is greater than 100, the used value is 100.

**Warning: stroke\_width property:**

Changing the stroke width of Activities may be misleading, as the default stroke widths have a meaning according to the 'BPMN' Specification.

For example, updating the stroke width of a task using the same value as the default stroke width of a Call Activity can be confusing.

In this case, you should also change another property, such as the stroke color, to allow the user to differentiate between them.

**See Also**

[create\\_gradient\\_fill](#)

**Examples**

```
# Create a style with a blue stroke, red font, and green fill color.
shape_style <- create_shape_style(
  elementIds = list('id_1', 'id_2'),
  stroke_color = "blue",
  stroke_width = 2,
  font_color = "red",
  fill_color = "green"
)
```

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display

*Display 'BPMN' diagram in an 'HTML' Widget*

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**Description**

Display 'BPMN' diagram based on 'BPMN' definition in 'XML' format

**Usage**

```
display(
  bpmnXML,
  overlays = NULL,
  enableDefaultOverlayStyle = TRUE,
  bpmnElementStyles = NULL,
  width = NULL,
  height = NULL,
  elementId = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

bpmnXML	A file name or 'XML' document or string in 'BPMN' 'XML' format
overlays	An element or a list of elements to be added to the diagram's existing elements. Use the <a href="#">create_overlay</a> function to create an overlay object with content and a relative position.
enableDefaultOverlayStyle	If no style is set on an overlay, and this parameter is set to TRUE, the default style will be applied to the overlay. By default, enableDefaultOverlayStyle is set to TRUE.
bpmnElementStyles	a list of existing elements with their style to apply. Use the <a href="#">create_shape_style</a> or <a href="#">create_edge_style</a> functions to create the style of 'BPMN' elements.
width	A fixed width for the widget (in CSS units). The default value is NULL, which results in intelligent automatic sizing based on the widget's container.
height	A fixed height for the widget (in CSS units). The default value is NULL, which results in intelligent automatic sizing based on the widget's container.
elementId	The ID of the 'HTML' element to enclose the widget. Use an explicit element ID for the widget (rather than an automatically generated one). This is useful if you have other 'JavaScript' that needs to explicitly discover and interact with a specific widget instance.

**Value**

A bpmnVisualizationR widget that will intelligently print itself into 'HTML' in a variety of contexts including the 'R' console, within 'R Markdown' documents, and within 'Shiny' output bindings.

**See Also**

- [create\\_overlay](#) to create an overlay
- [create\\_shape\\_style](#) to create the structure style for the shape
- [create\\_edge\\_style](#) to create the structure style for the edge

**Examples**

```
# Load the BPMN file
bpmn_file <- system.file("examples/Order_Management.bpmn", package = "bpmnVisualizationR")

# Example 1: Display the BPMN diagram
bpmnVisualizationR::display(bpmn_file, width='auto', height='auto')

# Example 2: Display the BPMN diagram featuring overlays with their default positions and styles
overlays <- list(
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("start_event_1_1", "42"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("sequence_flow_1_1", "42"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("task_1_1", "9"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("sequence_flow_1_2", "8"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("call_activity_1_1", "7")
)
```

```

)

bpmnVisualizationR::display(
  bpmn_file,
  overlays,
  width='auto',
  height='auto'
)

# Example 3: Display the BPMN diagram featuring overlays using custom styles and positions
taskStyle <- bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay_style(
  font_color = 'DarkSlateGray',
  font_size = 23,
  fill_color = 'MistyRose',
  stroke_color = 'Red'
)

flowStyle <- bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay_style(
  font_color = 'WhiteSmoke',
  font_size = 19,
  fill_color = 'Teal',
  stroke_color = 'SpringGreen'
)

overlays <- list(
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("start_event_1_1", "42", position = "middle-left"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("sequence_flow_1_1", "42", flowStyle, "end"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("task_1_1", "9", taskStyle),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("sequence_flow_1_2", "8"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("call_activity_1_1", "7")
)
bpmnVisualizationR::display(bpmn_file, overlays, width='auto', height='auto')

# Example 4: Display the BPMN diagram featuring overlays,
# but exclude their default styles and positions
overlays <- list(
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("start_event_1_1", "42", position = "middle-left"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("sequence_flow_1_1", "42", flowStyle, "end"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("task_1_1", "9", taskStyle, "bottom-right"),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_overlay("sequence_flow_1_2", "8", position = 'start')
)

bpmnVisualizationR::display(
  bpmn_file,
  overlays,
  enableDefaultOverlayStyle=FALSE,
  width='auto',
  height='auto'
)

# Example 5: Display the BPMN diagram featuring styling for BPMN elements
bpmnElementStyles <- list(
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_shape_style(

```

```

    elementIds = list("call_activity_1_1"),
    stroke_color = 'RoyalBlue',
    font_color = 'DarkOrange',
    font_family = 'Arial',
    font_size = 12,
    font_bold = TRUE,
    font_italic = TRUE,
    font_strike_through = TRUE,
    font_underline = TRUE,
    opacity = 75,
    fill_color = 'Yellow',
    fill_opacity = 50
  ),
  bpmnVisualizationR::create_edge_style(
    elementIds = list("sequence_flow_1_4"),
    stroke_color = 'DeepPink',
    stroke_width = 3,
    stroke_opacity = 70,
    font_color = 'ForestGreen',
    font_family = 'Courier New',
    font_size = 14,
    font_bold = TRUE,
    font_italic = TRUE,
    font_strike_through = FALSE,
    font_underline = FALSE,
    font_opacity = 80,
    opacity = 80
  )
)

bpmnVisualizationR::display(
  bpmn_file,
  bpmnElementStyles = bpmnElementStyles,
  width='auto',
  height='auto'
)

```

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overlay\_edge\_position *The overlay positions on Edge*

---

### Description

To specify the position when creating an overlay object that will be attached to BPMN Edge elements in the diagram.

### Usage

```
overlay_edge_position
```

**Format**

An object of class character of length 3.

**Details**

Use these constants as the position argument in the [create\\_overlay](#) function.

**Positions:**

- start
- end
- middle

**See Also**

[create\\_overlay](#)

**Examples**

```
# Create an overlay at the starting point of an edge
overlay <- create_overlay(elementId = 1, label = "My label", position = overlay_edge_position[1])
```

---

overlay\_shape\_position

*The overlay positions on Shape*

---

**Description**

To specify the position when creating an overlay object that will be attached to BPMN Shape elements in the diagram.

**Usage**

```
overlay_shape_position
```

**Format**

An object of class character of length 8.

**Details**

Use these constants as the position argument in the [create\\_overlay](#) function.

**Positions:**

- top-left
- top-right

- top-center
- bottom-left
- bottom-right
- bottom-center
- middle-left
- middle-right

### See Also

[create\\_overlay](#)

### Examples

```
# Create an overlay at the top-left corner of a shape
overlay <- create_overlay(elementId = 1, label = "My label", position = overlay_shape_position[1])
```

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renderBpmnVisualizationR

*'Shiny' render binding for the bpmnVisualizationR 'HTML' widget*

---

### Description

Helper to create render function for using the bpmnVisualizationR 'HTML' widget within 'Shiny' applications and interactive 'Rmd' documents.

### Usage

```
renderBpmnVisualizationR(expr, env = parent.frame(), quoted = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

expr	An expression that generates a bpmnVisualizationR 'HTML' widget
env	The environment in which to evaluate expr.
quoted	Is expr a quoted expression (with quote())? This is useful if you want to save an expression in a variable.

### Value

A render function that enables the use of the bpmnVisualizationR widget within 'Shiny' applications.

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