

The background of the slide is a photograph showing the dark silhouettes of several trees against a bright, orange and yellow sunset sky. The trees are of various sizes and shapes, with some having dense, rounded canopies and others being more spindly. The sky transitions from a deep orange near the horizon to a darker blue at the top.

# MeqTrees Practical Session

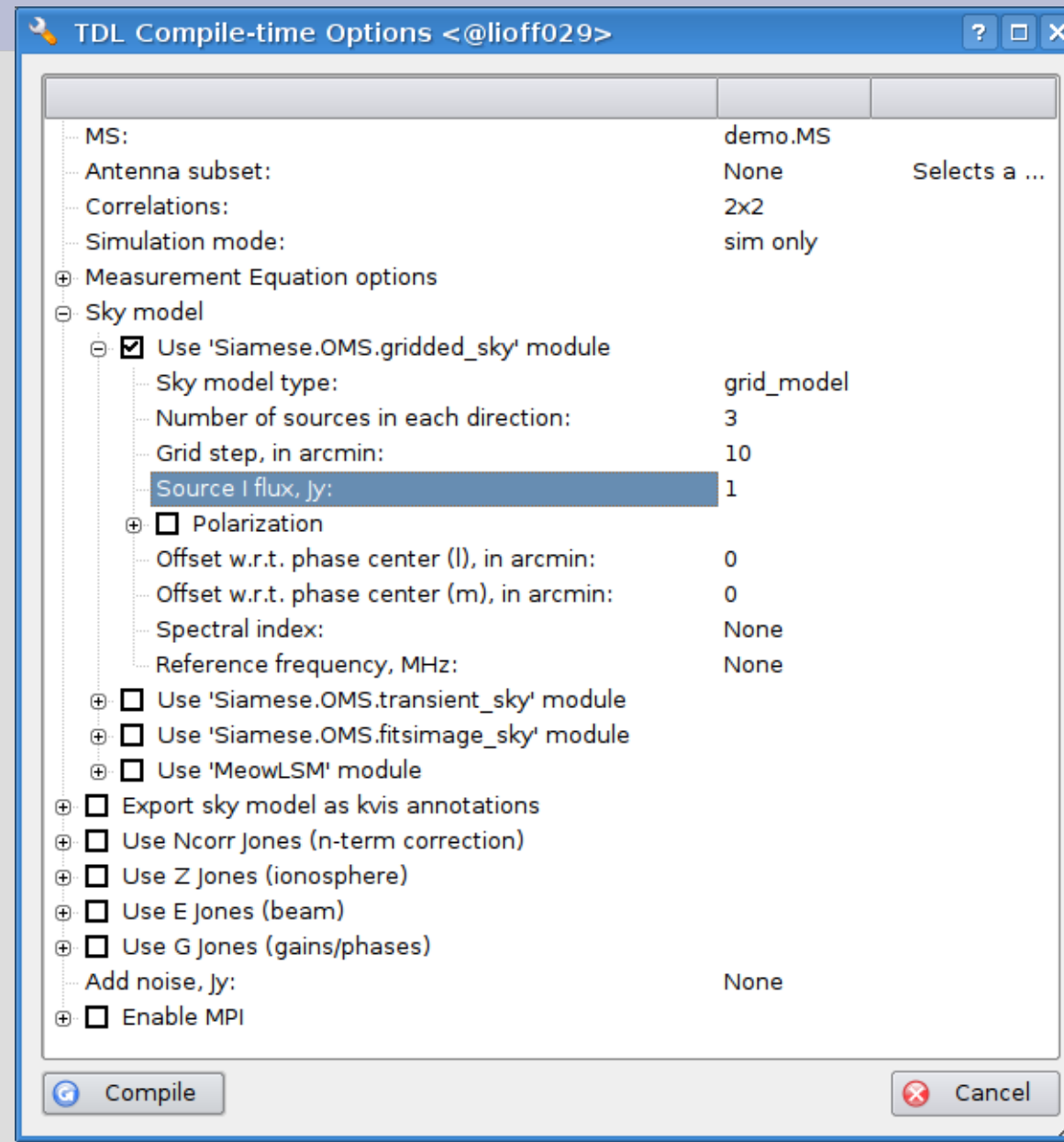
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# Getting Started

- Copy over the exercise data:  
> **cp -a /data/lofarschool/data/Exercise-MeqTrees/Sim/\* .**
- Init the environment:  
> **source meqtree-init.csh**
- Start it up!  
> **meqbrowser.py**

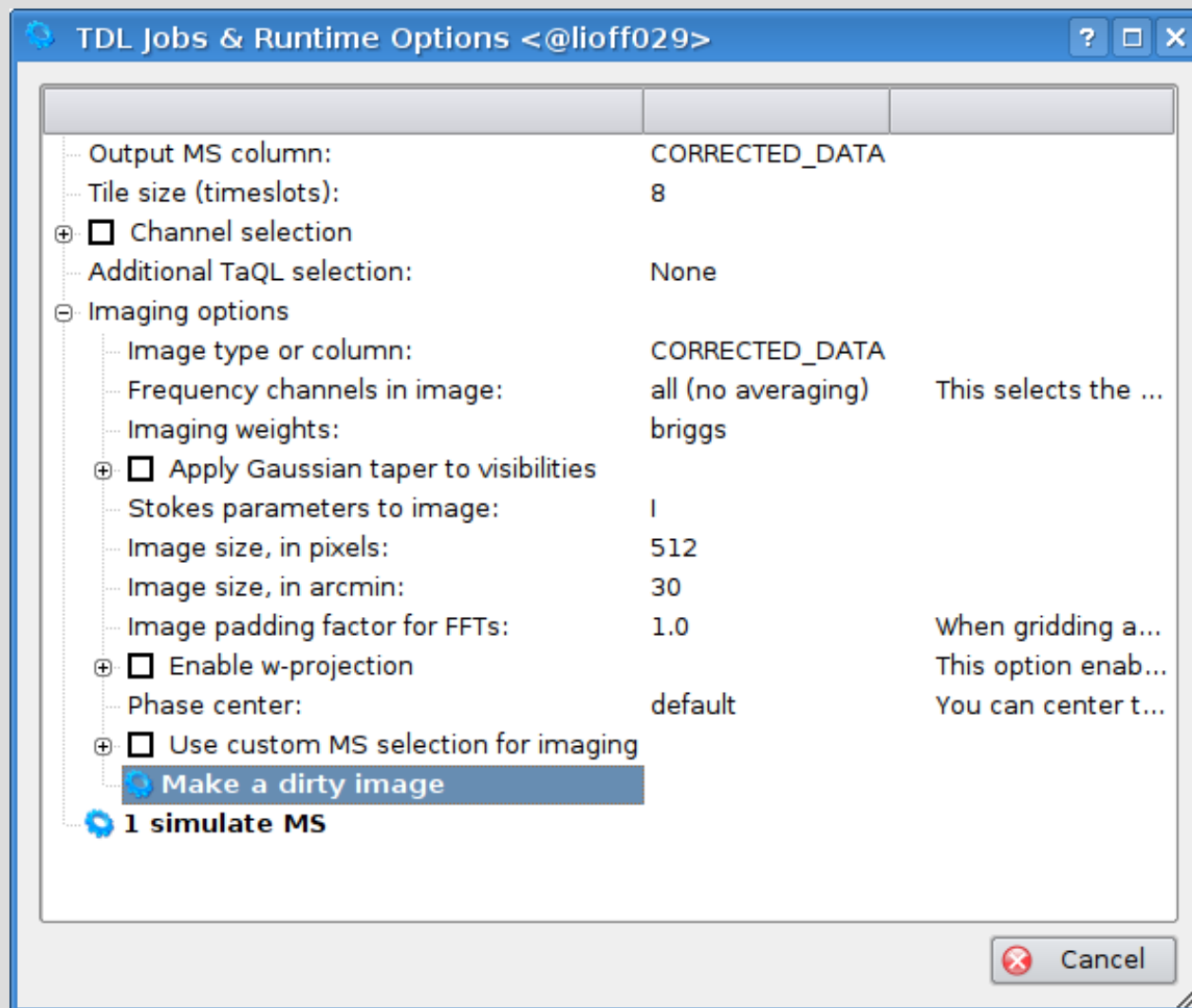
# First Sim

- Go to TDL > Load TDL Script (or just press Ctrl+T)
- Load up exercise-sim.py
- Set up options:
- Click “Compile”



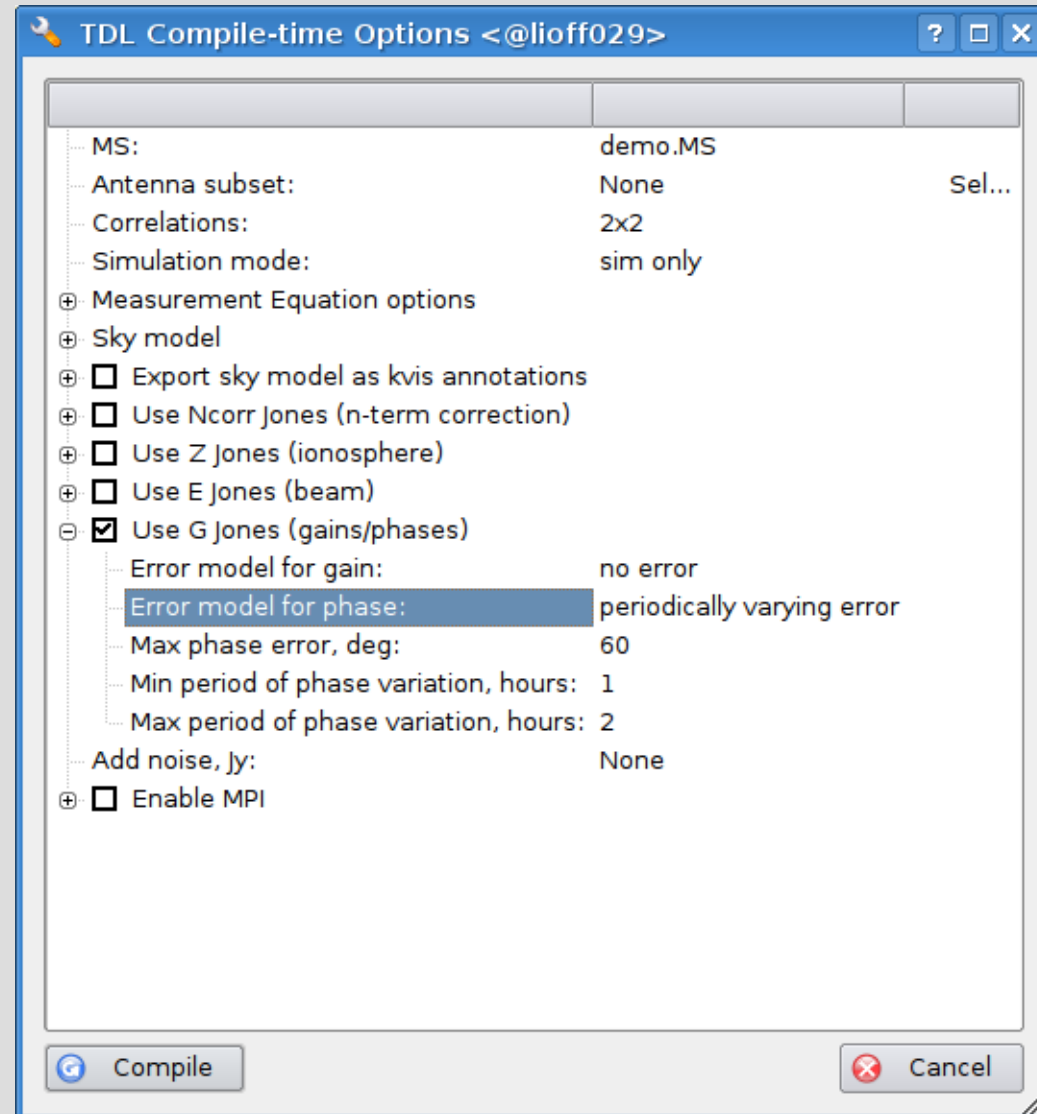
# First Sim, cont'd

- Click “simulate MS”
- Set up options:
- Click “Make a dirty image”



# Adding Phase Errors

- Enable “G Jones” in compile options:
- Compile
- Open bookmark!
- Run “simulate MS” and make another image

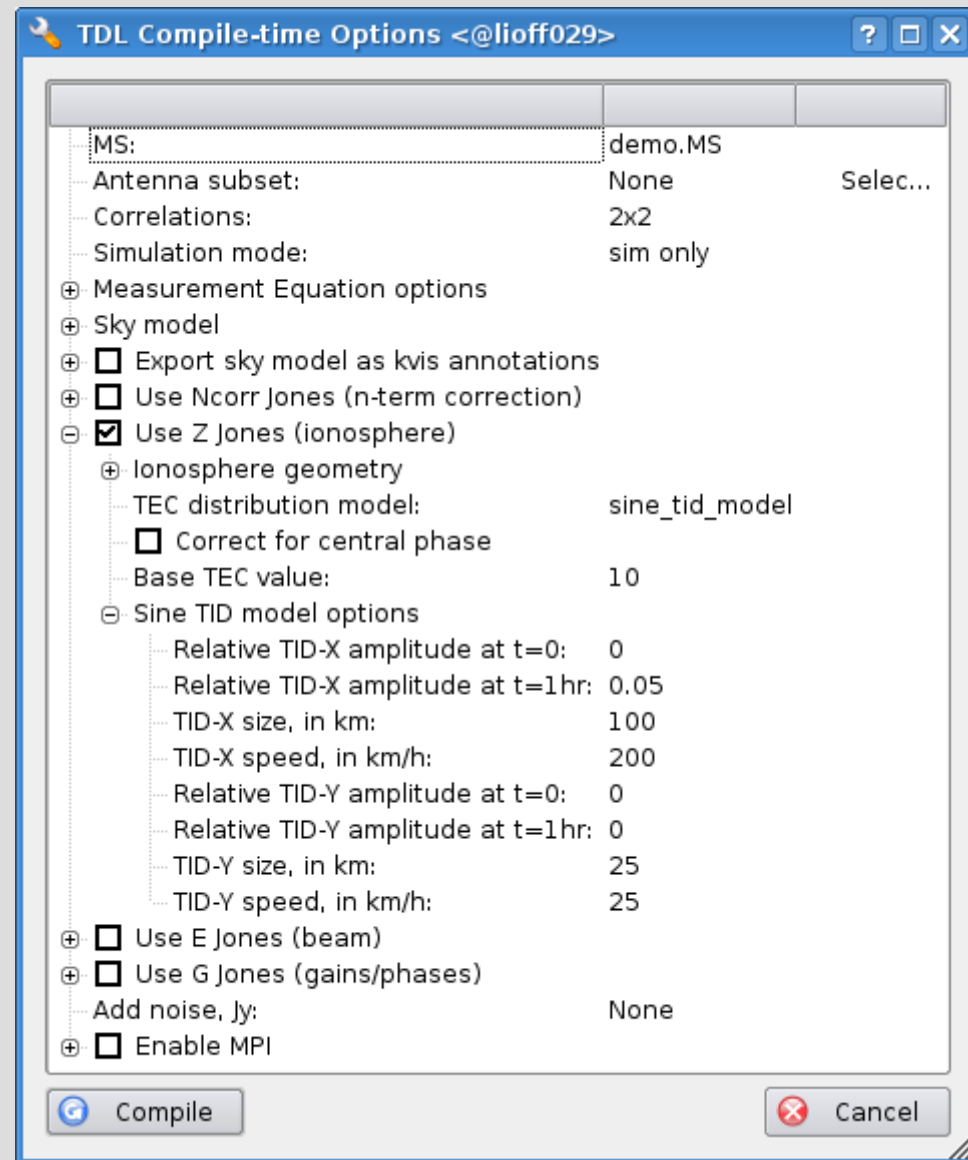


# Increasing Phase Error

- Increase phase error to 120 degrees
- Simulate MS, make another image

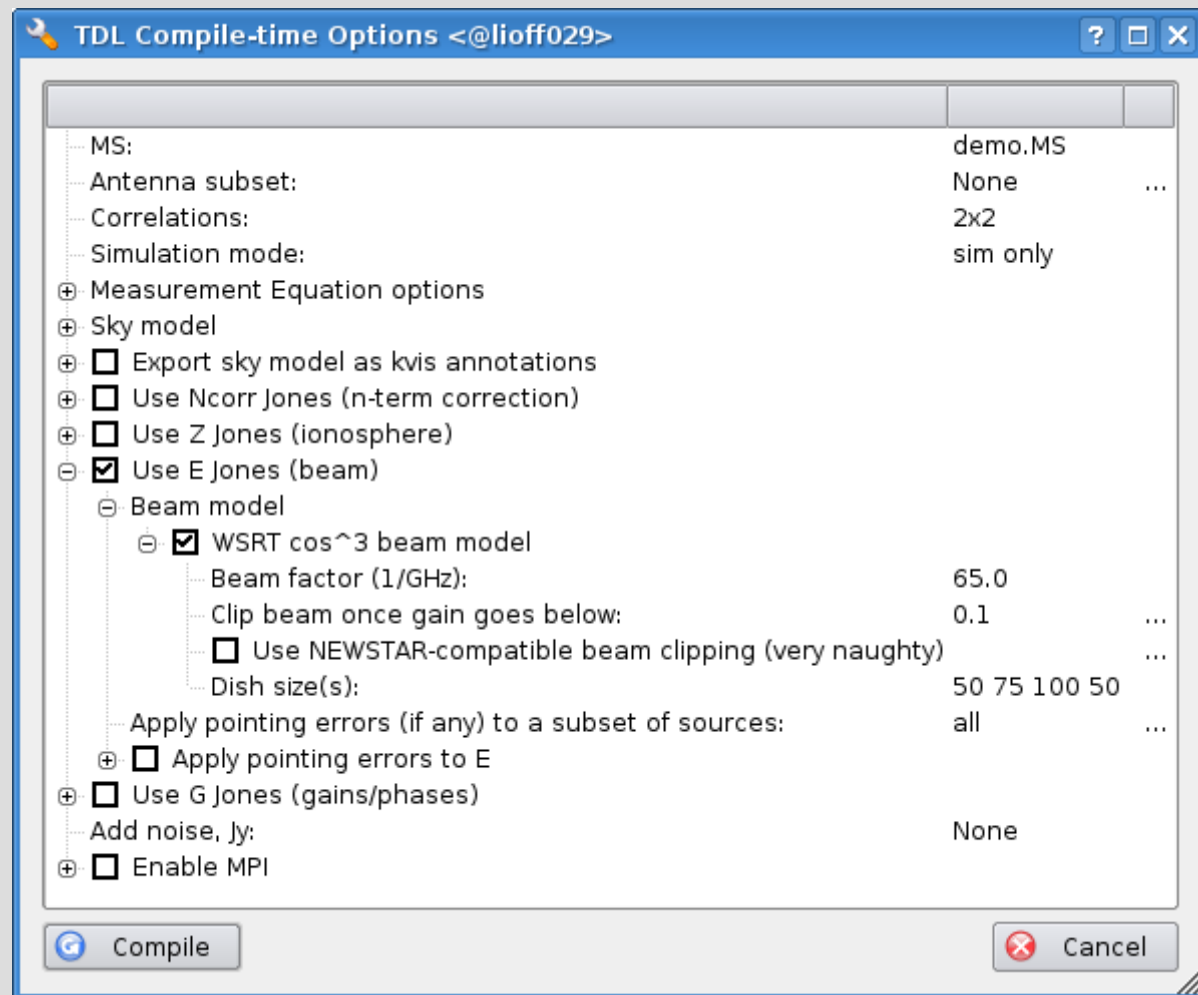
# Adding An Ionosphere

- Enable Z Jones, disable G Jones
- Open some bookmarks
- Simulate MS, then make an image



# Adding a Primary Beam

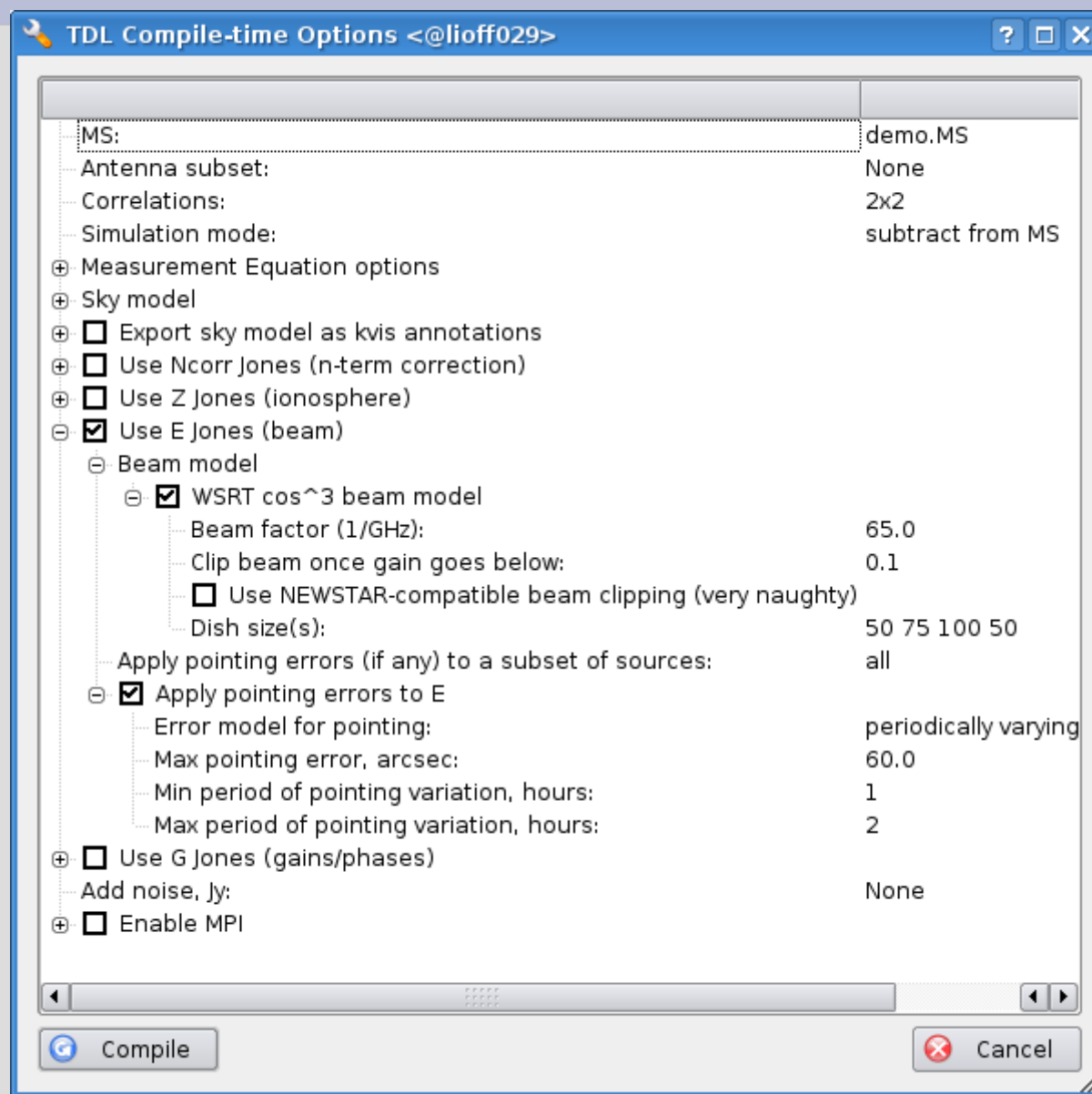
- Add E Jones, remove Z Jones:





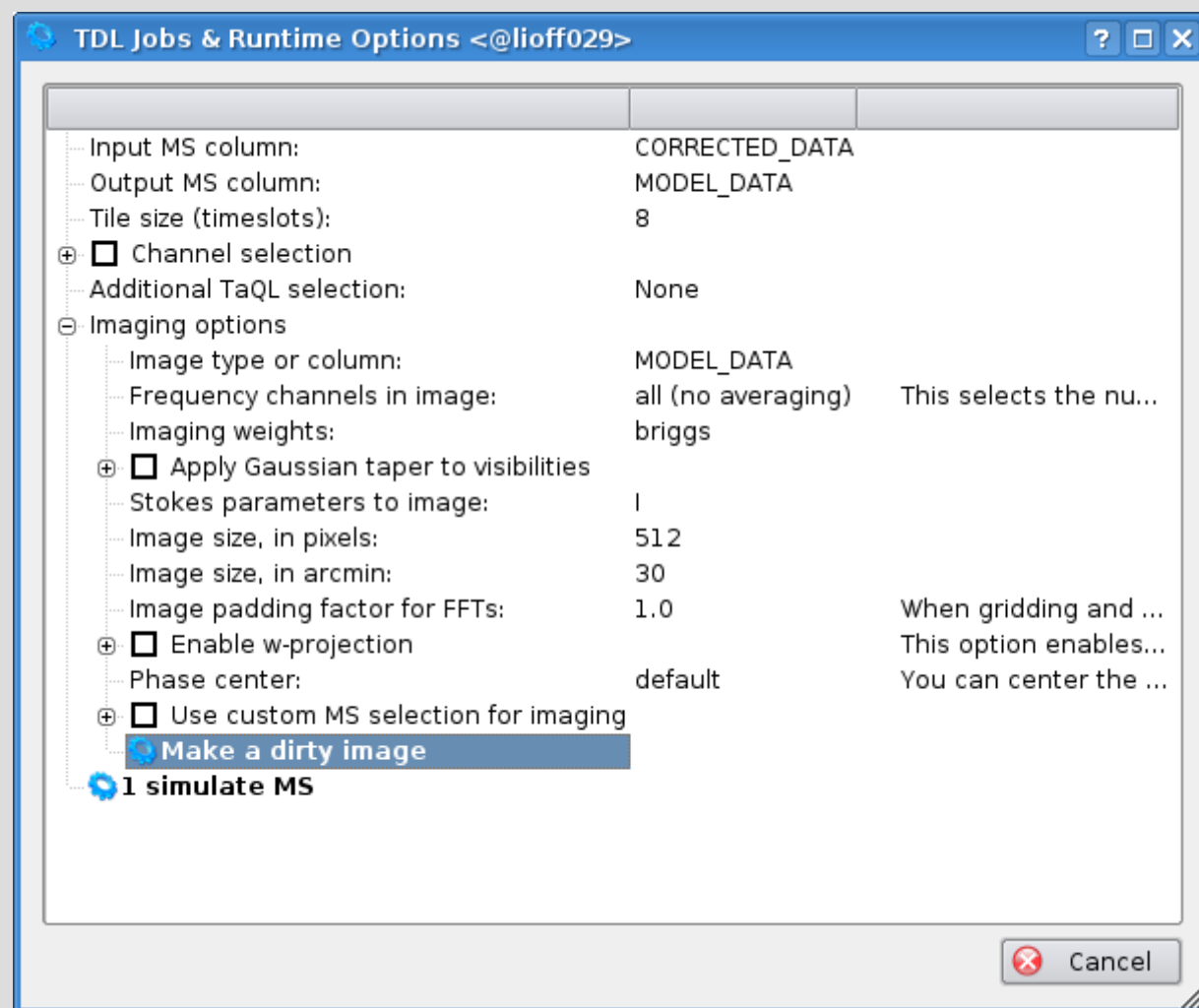
# Adding Pointing Errors

- Set simulation mode to “subtract from MS”
- Enable pointing errors:
- Compile...



# Adding Pointing Errors, cont'd

- Set input and output columns correctly before running the sim:



# Free-for-all

- Time left? Play with the other options...