## **CONCEPT:** GENERATING ELECTROPHILES – EAS NITRATION

EAS Nitration requires nitric acid to react with a catalytic acid to generate a strong *nitronium ion* electrophile.

## General Reaction:

## Mechanism:

## Reduction of Nitro Groups:

Nitro groups can be reduced in the presence of *many reducing agents* to aniline. More on this in your *amines* chapter.