group(num=0)	This method returns entire match (or specific subgroup num)
groups()	This method returns all matching subgroups in a tuple (empty if there weren't any)

## **Example**

```
#!/usr/bin/python
import re

line = "Cats are smarter than dogs"

matchObj = re.match( r'(.*) are (.*?) .*', line, re.M|re.I)

if matchObj:
    print "matchObj.group() : ", matchObj.group()
    print "matchObj.group(1) : ", matchObj.group(1)
    print "matchObj.group(2) : ", matchObj.group(2)

else:
    print "No match!!"
```

When the above code is executed, it produces following result:

```
matchObj.group() : Cats are smarter than dogs
matchObj.group(1) : Cats
matchObj.group(2) : smarter
```

## The search Function

This function searches for first occurrence of RE *pattern* within *string* with optional *flags*.

Here is the syntax for this function:

